

RICHMOND HILL UNITED CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES
April 11, 2018
Parlour

PRESENT: Brandon Moore, Nancy Hart, Kathleen Crosbie, Carolyn Balant, D.J. McCready, Joan Verner, Lynn Townsend, Jane Ridout, Donna Byres, Peter DeVita, Don Thomson, Jane Wedlock, Harry Ramsaran, June Blanchette, Rev. James Ravenscroft, Donna McErlain

REGRETS: Terry Davies, Sandra Loughton, David Leyton-Brown, Joanne Scofield, Gillian Gibbons, Lyn May

The secretary confirmed the presence of a quorum. Brandon Moore presiding and Carolyn Balant recording, the meeting began at 7:30 pm. in accordance with the monthly schedule.

DEVOTION

DJ McCready

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was accepted as circulated. M/S Joan/Nancy **Carried**

2. Minutes of Feb 14, 2018

M/S Joan/Don accept the Minutes of Feb 14, 2018 **Carried**

3. Matters Arising from Minutes

a) Consensus Circles update: Jane Wedlock reports

- The Preliminary Circle Report was presented at the AGM
- Follow up on April 29 will prioritize activities and projects
- Map next 12-18 months
- Enhancement to Sunday worship

4. Correspondence

We've been notified that the rest of the Discernment Committee for Ian Wilgus has been appointed by Living Waters Presbytery.

5. Committees and Working Groups Updates

- a) Property Committee
 - Circular stairs in progress, expected to be finished in the next few weeks
 - Buzzer failed 2 more times, been fixed, out of plastic buttons, looking for alternatives
 - Kitchen large refrigerator compressor died, have pricing for new, UCW offered to cover cost from the proceeds of the UCW luncheon
 - Garbage being left around, suggest property get a large bin to store garbage outside near shed, liaison committee to coordinate with Korean church
 - Long term radon sensors to be taken down, readings to be processed and presented, pit has been monitored remotely, readings highly varied
- b) Finance
 - a. Contribution to the general fund, on budget
 - b. Rentals down
 - c. Estate donation received
- c) Generous spirit – 6 letters returned, to be followed up

6. Minister's Report

Rev. Ravenscroft

- Approached by Filipino church for rental of space, 2 time slots per week
- Guidelines on use of buildings? Values statement? Kathleen to look into
- Accepted into the Education supervision course end of May
- Moving into RH, church street
- Father is ill

7. New Business

Council retreat

- Sat June 2, location TBD
- Need to fill vacancies,
- Karen to help facilitate
- Potluck lunch
- Regrets Jane W

Meeting with MP committee James, Kathleen with Majid J

- Last year had student from summer works, wondering why we didn't apply again, it was because no one remembered to do it
- Apply next year
- Talked about new horizon program \$25k for program for seniors
- Offered to join round table discussion on issues
- Offered to use his social media to promote church available for rental
- Need report on building needs for Majid to show around

M&P Committee

- Appointment of members of the M&P committee June Blanchette, David LaP, George Moon, Ruth Perratt
- M/S Donna Biers/Jane Ridout Carried

AGM 2019 – scheduled for Sunday March 3

AJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Next Meeting of Council:

The next meeting will be May 9, 2018.

Devotion David LB, refreshments TBD

Brandon Moore, Chair

Carolyn Balant, Secretary