

**Brunswick Street United Church
Special Congregation Meeting
11:30 am, Sunday, September 28, 2003**



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as called by the Chair

Location: Brunswick Street United Church, 2107 Brunswick St., Halifax, Nova Scotia

Chair: Scott Barber

Recording Secretary: Susan LeForte

Members: Scott barber, Jim Sykes, Doris McGrath, Shirley Carmicheal, Hazel Andrews, Elnora Roue, Lindley Johnston, Beverly Johnston, Sharon LaFramboise, Lorna Pendleton, Chris M., Susan LeForte,

Guests: Rev. Gus Penleton (Halifax Presbytery), Hugh Creighton (church/mission accountant)

Regrets:

Quorum:

Meeting began: 11:30 am

Welcome and Prayers

Call for Nominations for special meeting chair

Steven Cross nominates Scott Barber, seconded by (?) Scott accepts.

Call for Nominations for special meetin minute taker

Steven Cross nominates Susan LeFort, seconded by Elnora Roue. Susan accepts.

Primary business of the meeting is to present, discuss and vote on the Church/Mission Budget.

Request to move the budget

Hazel Andrews moves the budget.

Sharon LaFramboise seconds.

Discussion ensued.

There were some questions on the structure of the budget, it looks different than it has in the past and the top line is wrong. "drop IN, Benevolent and Christmas - remove and UCW from above it" Questions were raised about why the targets for the Christmas campaign were so low. It was explained that we should be conservative in our estimate, "it will look very good if we surpass them as opposed to fall below our intended goal."/

Questions were asked about the one fundraising event for the year. What was this event and is it a separate event from the "Great Thanksgiving"? the point was clarified; the event was one in the same. We expect to make conservatively \$2500.00 Then details were given about the event and how folks could obtain tickets. Posters are being posted everywhere, if you would like a poster you can make a request at the office.

The accountant explained how fundraising/donations were now being represented; he then discussed the categories and what they meant. All money coming in as program donation will now be recognized as fundraising. a call was made for any further explanations or questions, having heard none, the Special Meeting Chair called for a congregational vote on the budget. All members present voted to accept the budget as it currently stands.

Last Order of Business

Cheque signers- we need new cheque signers for the "In Trust" account and other church account. Steven Cross, and Susan LeFort offered and were accepted.

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Information/Announcements

Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.

Prayers

Appendix

Signed: _____(Secretary) _____ (Chair)