

Brunswick Street United Church

Regular Meeting of Church Council

7pm, Monday, May 23, 2005
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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: Annette Chiasson-Lauzon

Attendance

Members: Scott Barber, Hazel Andrews, Joseph Vautour,

Guests: Terry Pual Choyce, Brian Chiasson

Regrets: Jim Wilson

Absent: Rev. David Hart, Lucinda Montizmbert, Lindley Johnston, Sandra Oakley-Andrews, Tyler Morton, Doris McGrath, Ron Briggs, Jim Sykes

Quorum: NO. A quorum will be 6 (six), 2 executives, 2 committee members and 2 others plus an order of ministry. record yes or no

Meeting began: 7pm.

Prayers and Welcome: Scott Barber

- Corresponding Priviledges: *(requires motion*)*

**motions require record of mover, seconder and the voting Y-N-A results)*

-Not recorded.

- Ratification of Previous Minutes *(requires motion)* Tabled until next meeting with quorum.

- Reports

- Terry Choyce - Presbytery

New people joining the church:

Annette Chiasson-Lauzon (to be made official)

Kim Graham (new member) wants son Nathan baptised.

Several pastoral home visits made.

Possible other new members to join.

David Hart requested Terry Paul Choyce to raise the issue of separating the Brunswick Street United Church Mission to become a Presbytery Board made up of Presbytery and members of Halifax Regional Municipality United Churches.

Mission: concept being developed to create broader mission board in order to create more resources in funding and especially human resources. Ron Briggs and Jim Sykes.

Current co-ordinators (volunteer) of Mission, Anjie and Gary - expressing "burn-out"

Mission issues include lack of unity in presentation of information regarding requests for assistance; some 'turf war' regarding areas of responsibility and delegable authority.

Scott Barber requested that if he is being asked to perform administrative role as Chair of Church Council in sorting out mission issues, that Council back him up. General consensus of those present.

Approved expenditure for Hazel Andrews to attend "Worship Matters" seminar June 10-12, 2005.

Letter of recommendation for Wade Mitchell, Building Superintendent/Sexton to be drafted by council.

David Hart will float separate mission board concept to executive of Presbytery.

Scott Barber will meet with trustee agent Deborah Logan, mission volunteer co-ordinators Anjie McKay and Gary (?), and Wade Mitchell to assist in smoother operations of Mission including access to keys, lines of authority, etc.

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the Mission Board: Strong sentiment that if new board is created, should be lead if possible by Ordained Minister to be responsible as Director of Mission, with congregational charge to be separated and cared for by Lay Ministry. Director of Mission may be asked to perform communion services monthly.

Congregational Ministry needs:

the Rev. Dr. Maclachlan will provide Communion service on June 12, 2005 instead of June 5, 2005

Terry Coyce will not be present for June 5, 2005 service . Scott Barber to preach sermon.

Scott Barber suggested perhaps leading some earely morning prayer services to be accessible to people using the mission breakfast program and anyone also, who wishes to attend.

Congregational Needs: Need to start developing congregational proگرامing, adult study groups, possible Sunday school, other outreach to assist and build the congregation.

Information/Announcements:

- Next Meetings:
- Events, Actions, etc

Adjournment (*requires motion and record of time*)

Prayers: together

Appendix:

- Present meeting's agenda
- Minutes of previous council/congregational meeting
- [DATE] Balance Sheet and Income Statements, Hugh Creighton, Accountant
- Text of motions and proposals before council
- other correspondence, informational documents

Signed: _____ (Recording Secretary) _____ (Chair)