



# EVANGELICAL FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

An Evangelical Covenant Church of Canada

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## COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

July 13, 2021

**Present:** Terry Neumann, Mike Ettrich, Simon Winkelmann, Ingrid Maier, Monika Kosheiff, Ian Wood, Jesse Kane, Paul Budinski, Dorothee Hauf, Josh Mueller, Kelvin Kehler.

1. PRAYER / SHARING TIME- 7:04
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA; Approved without comment
3. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES; Dorothee motions to approve, Mike seconds, passes unanimously.
4. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - A. Pastor's Reports
    - a. Pastor Josh; Prayers for positive response from church near Brook AB.
    - b. Pastor Kelvin; 7 graduating youth: grads this year were Sam, Peyton, Utah, Braydon, Kai, Nichole, and Noah. Day-camps were successful.
    - c. Pastor Jesse; Discussion about having communion more often; decided to bring to the congregation.
  - B. FINANCIAL COMMITTEE
    - Outer mission income \$307.00
    - Inner mission income \$910.00
    - Inner mission balance \$51,859.48
    - Outer mission balance \$5,764.50
    - Total Mission balance \$57, 623.98
    - Church Income \$7,339.20
    - Church Expenses \$26, 933.20
    - Net Loss \$19,594.68
    - Church Balance \$507, 115.22
  - No questions were asked.
  - C. PROPERTY COMMITTEE
    - Monica presented a renovation proposal
      - Terry notes fabric may pose hygiene problems with our neighbors on the street visiting and using the coffee nook.
      - Monica suggested using the garage for storage.
      - Monica suggests keeping the tall fire-proof cabinet and says her and Ingrid are planning to consolidate old documents soon.
      - Simon asked if they had volunteers and Monica seemed confident.
      - Simon suggested getting a vent in the copy room.
      - Dorothee suggested a mini fridge for the coffee lounge



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- Jesse mentioned it's important that we stand behind Monica in her design choices.
- Terry Motions to accept the proposal as is, Dorothee seconds.
- Simon suggests showing off new designs to the congregation.
- Paul Fries found original drawings of the church, so Simon will copy those.
- Simon says Nick Ettrich informed him that there is a rebate on backwater valves.
- The asphalt is separating from the building
- The bricks were buckling due to the heat.
- The roof needs to be checked/the last date it was done needs to be checked.

## D. CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

- No comments

## E. WOMEN'S MINISTRY & EVENTS COMMITTEE

- No comments

## F. WORSHIP COMMITTEE

- We need to clean the Sound Board and tune the piano.
- Worship will include special music in the fall
- Sound quality has been improved significantly
- Kelvin attended a worship conference; if we want to improve our online content we would need to upgrade our equipment. This would be about 1,500.00-2000.00.
- It would be good to invest into a sound card, this will cost \$50. No objections.
- Simon suggests hardwiring the internet to the booth, and the offices.
- Nathan Budge offered us stage lights; while they may not be the best choice for us. We could more effectively use LED lights.
- Spanish church asked to use the Drum Kit.
- Dorothee notes that Jesse needs to speak slower, louder, and lift his head more.

## G. EDUCATION, YOUTH & SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Nothing to report
- Suggests to put on Hiatus for now.

## H. OTHER COMMITTEES (AS NEEDED)

- Pastoral evaluations by Terry; Fred has agreed to draft up a process for evaluation.

## 5. ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

- June** 6: Contemporary 29 Traditional-23  
13: Contemporary 31 Traditional-20  
20: Contemporary 29 Traditional-23  
27: 32

- July** 4: 58



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## 6. NEW BUSINESS

### A. June review & Reopening Planning

- Continue with cleaning regiment
- Keep arrows up for month
- Recommend but don't require masks
- Sign up for greeter, usher and cleaner;

Volunteers for greeting and ushering will be asked to sign up for a whole month. Members of the congregation who volunteer to clean may volunteer on a day-to-day basis, and council members would fill in as needed

- Opening the Foyer door encourages people to be in and out.
- One package of coffee in the coffee maker.

### B. Pastoral Search Committee Update

- Mike shared the following documents for council's review and feedback: a draft senior pastor job posting and an updated pastor employment contract and job description.
- Shared that an interview panel with a congregant and a Council member would be helpful. Ian offers to join.

### C. Toastmasters Club Startup

- Request to reduce rental rate. Noted that they have not paid rent in the past.
- Asking for keys; they can have one.
- Share Wifi password with them for their meetings.
- First meeting July 27, Tuesdays.

### D. Membership Request – Micky Gore

- Need to update the application form to align with the approved revised EFC Constitution. Mike volunteered.
- It might also be good to begin approaching attendees about becoming associate members.
- Membership classes were discussed. Invitation will be made to new members to take a short class.

### E. AGM Planning; Bring up the communion idea more than once a month.

### F. Other Business (as needed)

- The Pastoral Care Committee held two meetings via zoom, one on May 27th and one June 3rd, 2021. Fred Huber has agreed to assist the pastoral care committee members in reviewing the pastoral evaluation process documents. Fred originally provided these documents to the



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previous board of elders and is familiar with management review processes. Any council member is welcome to join the upcoming meeting to assist in the review of the evaluation process on July 27th at 7:30 pm at the church.

- Jesse: Create a presentation about how the programs will change.
- Talking about Paul and Janelle leaving. Sonya has plans for after church August 8th.

## 7. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

- AGM – Sept. 26th.
- Council Meeting – September 13

## 8. BUSINESS WITHOUT EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

- The service at Evansburg would replace the church service.
- People who don't want to drive need to find a carpool to join; the greeter can take down names for people needing one/offering one.
- It needs to be announced that people should bring cakes and snacks for the afternoon coffee.
- Potluck on Sept. 12th for combined service with Spanish Church
- Oct. 5, birthday lunch.
- Anniversary potluck Oct 24
- Advent dinner on Nov 28
- Christmas banquet Dec 11

## 9. ADJOURNED: 9:57PM