



EVANGELICAL FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

An Evangelical Covenant Church of Canada

“We strive to follow, love & share Jesus by being a community of care”

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 10, 2023 (7:00 p.m.)

IN ATTENDANCE: MIKE ETTRICH, IAN WOOD, MONIKA KOSHEIFF, INGRID MAIER, TERRY NEUMANN, JESSE KANE, MANFRED BOLLER, SIMON WINKELMANN, GORDON GRAY.

1. OPENING PRAYER/SHARING TIME

- a. Prayer for the Funks and the meeting

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a. Terry motions, Monika seconds to approve minutes. Motion carried

3. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES (December 5)

- a. The new Bibles are awesome but are small print NLT. We should have a good mix of large print and small print. Noted that they even smell good. It's decided to use brown ones in the pews and to give the blue ones away. We had decided for 35 of them, so we will order 30 more.
- b. Several Members interested or open to being on the council were noted.
- c. Manfred offered to take more pictures for the wall. He offers to take responsibility for the photos. We will check back next month to see how he is progressing, aiming to have the photos up before Easter. He will include a release form and contact info for the directory.
- d. Terry motions to accept minutes, Monika seconds. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Ingrid motions to accept reports, Terry seconds. Motion carried

5. DISCUSSION FROM COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Pastor's Report
 - i. Jesse confirms time away March 31-April 2, working remotely.
 - ii. Also preaching away at St. Matthews on the 29th.
 - iii. Jesse away May 26-28 for sister-in-law's wedding in Jasper.
 1. Monika motions to approve, Gordon seconds, Motion carried.
- b. Financial Committee Report
 - i. Outer mission: \$0.00
 - ii. Inner Mission: \$27,772.95
 - iii. Account Balance: \$469,798.57
 - iv. Total losses for the year: \$47,000.00 (Or so, we are waiting for the December numbers to finalize with the GIC numbers).

- v. Manfred asks for clarification on the Manse expenses with taxes and insurance. He is concerned that a commercial rental would increase the taxes. Monika is on top of this.
 - vi. Denominational dues: Ingrid is planning to send \$5000.00. Some confusion about whether our support of the Lances is included as part of our dues. Will be revisited & answered next month.
- c. Property Committee Report
- i. Our Insurance company provides us with the services for lease writing, so they will cover that.
 - ii. Contacted the snow removal company; they had reversed their removal order so it was an occasional thing. Jesse will contact the person who complained to tell them it's been dealt with and that we'd be happy to offer them a 25\$ gift card as an apology.
 - iii. Irna's exercise group was wondering about them renting space to do a weekly exercise class. Due diligence, someone will call and get details.
 - iv. Adaptabilities is interested in using our church for a program. Summer, Mon-Fri, 250/week, in the basement. We will investigate further and hopefully host them.
 - 1. Manfred suggests that we designate a specific fund for our rental income to go into.

d. Attendance Statistics

December 11	57
December 18	41
December 24	76
December 25	22

e. Women's Executive

- i. Review of last year and another ladies Luncheon on Monday. Dorothee is leaving in January until March to Mexico.
- ii. Potential Potluck coming in February

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Council Retreat

- a. **Proposed Motion:** that we hold our Church Council Retreat on January 14, 2023 in the boardroom of the Queen Alexandra Community Hall, budget \$100 for the room rental, and submit a cheque for \$500 to serve as a refundable damage deposit.
 - i. Mike Motions Gordon seconds. Motion is carried.
- b. Manfred handed out some pages for us to review before the retreat.
- c. Simon suggests Schwarma for lunch
- d. Supper can be dinner at a nearby restaurant and include our spouses. Ideally Continental Treat.
- e. Glenn is coming.

B. ECCC Annual General Meeting - May 5-6, South Surrey, BC

- a. Jesse, Mike, room for two more people.

C. Other Business (as needed)

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Council Retreat - January 14

Proposed 2023 Council Meetings - Jan 10, Feb 7, Mar 7, April 4, May 9, June 6, July 4 (TBD), August 15 (TBD), Sept 12, Oct 17, Nov 14, Dec 5

8. BUSINESS WITHOUT EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

A. Other Business (as needed)

9. ADJOURNED