



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

May 9, 2022 (6:41 p.m.)

Members Present: Jesse Kane, Terry Neumann, Ingrid Maier, Monika Kosheiff, Simon Winkelmann, Ian Wood, Mike Ettrich, Kelvin Kehler, Gordon Gray

1. PRAYER / SHARING TIME
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 - a. Passed without vote
3. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES
 - a. Motion: Monika Motions, Terry seconds, passed.
 - b. Action Items: (1-Jesse) there were no minutes taken for the AGM and a summary will need to be drawn up from the recording. (2-Jesse and Kelvin) It was also noted that we could avoid noise complaints by giving more attention to the recording quality. Alternatively we could invest in five headphones for the elderly to have it streamed directly into their ears.
4. REPORTS
 - a. Pastor’s Reports
 - i. Delegate report on AGM
 1. Simon reviews the AGM visit.
 - ii. Pastor Kelvin
 - iii. Pastor Jesse
 - b. Financial Committee
 - i. Outer mission balance: \$14,595.00
 - ii. Inner Mission balance: \$58,571.07
 - iii. Church account balance: \$498,454.63
 - c. Pastoral Search Committee
 - d. Other Committees (as needed)
 - e. Property Committee
 - f. Worship Committee
 - g. Pastoral Care
 - h. Women’s Ministry & Events Committee
 - i. Constitution Committee (inactive)
 - j. Education, Youth & Sunday School (inactive)
 - k. Evangelism & Social Justice (inactive)
 - l. Church Attendance:

DATE	ATTENDANCE
April 3, 2022	34
April 10, 2022	46
April 15, 2022 Good Friday	42
April 17, 2022	47

Motion: Ingrid motions to accept the reports, Mike Seconds.

5. DISCUSSION FROM REPORTS

- a. Kelvin's class on Spiritual formation.
 - i. Simon asks what Kelvin is learning about. Kelvin explains what he's learning in his Spiritual formation class; a primary discussion in the class is whether or not it's better to know about God, or to know God.
- b. Jesse's advertisement numbers & Trello tool
 - i. Trello is a tool for managing workflow as a
 - ii. Contact the other churches of the ECCC for Volunteers. (Kelvin and Jesse)
 - iii. Touch base with the Spanish Church about volunteers. (Kelvin and Jesse)
- c. Ingrid would like to clarify on financials;
 - i. The income from April was substantial, but it included an extra \$6000 for the new copier.
 - ii. The Ukraine fundraiser is \$10,350.00, not including the \$5000.00 the church is also giving. Ingrid asks that we announce we are cutting off donations. Announce we are ending it on the 22nd and no more fundraising will be done after that. (Jesse)
- d. Copier
 - i. Being set up but we are having difficulty being in the same place at the same time as the technician. We will need to train/register particular users. Jesse will say thank you to the anonymous donor (Jesse)

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. New Council Set-up & Positions

- a. Ian was on Terry's pastoral care committee but will step down because he's on too many committees.
- b. Positions are
 - i. Chair- Simon
 - ii. Vice Chair- Mike
 - iii. Secretary- Jesse
 - iv. Treasurer- Ingrid & Monika
 - v. Camp- Kelvin
 - vi. Property- Monika
 - vii. Pastoral Care- Terry and Gordon
 - viii. Women's ministry/events- Ingrid
 - ix. Pastoral Search- Mike

c.

B. Future Council Member Nomination Methods

- a. Simon and Kelvin have been discussing how to catch up new Councilmembers, but in the future we need to mentor new Councilmembers with an extended handoff.
- b. It has been progressively more difficult to recruit council members. Simon notes a need for us to cultivate new council members so the church can have strong leadership in its future.
- c. There are legal barricades to having a single family control the church (or any NPO). Simon requests details from (Ingrid).
- d. Terry motions to create a team to create a strategy for discipling leaders who will serve on the Council. Terry will be on this with Jesse and Kelvin. Monika Seconds. Simon asks for recommendations by August 8th.

- C. April Covid Discussions
 - a. Kelvin asks; What is our masking policy? Ian says we decided we would lead by example. We will continue to do that in order to show respect for those who are concerned for COVID.
 - b. **Action Item**; Mike will call Gisela and will report on her to make sure she's ok and communicate our care for her.
- D. June 12 Church Picnic
 - a. A combined service with the Spanish Church.
 - b. Ian notes we need a better keyboard speaker for camp.
 - c. Sign up sheet is up front.
 - d. Kelvin will handle the games, Erna and Fred are handling the food.
 - e. Times are on the Sign up sheet so people know when they'd be needed.
- E. Ukraine Support Update
 - a. \$10,350.00
 - b. Otherwise discussed previously.
- F. Strategic Action Plan Update
 - a. **(Jesse)** will get the suggested work items sent out for us to evaluate before the next meeting
- G. Pastor Kelvin Transition & Workload Update
 - a. Kelvin and Simon met to discuss Kelvin's workload. They sorted many of the smaller items but the larger items include youth and camp ministry.
 - i. Camp: We have about six months after camp to figure out what Camp can look like in the future.
 - ii. Youth: There may not be a youth ministry after Kelvin is done because of the number of youth we have- most of the youth are graduating or have left. We are also losing a few of our youth leaders so it is difficult to run youth. Kelvin notes that Timon and Andreas are thinking of transitioning to churches that their families attend. Kelvin says this may be the end of the youth group for a season.
 - iii. Simon notes that if we are serious about reaching out to the local community, we may once again look at hiring a youth pastor. Therefore we ought to be thinking about how we can begin a youth or children's ministry once there's a need.
- H. Other Business (as needed)
 - a. Ingrid has a new email address: ingridmaier@yahoo.com
 - b. Gordon's email is gordongray237@Yahoo.com
 - c. Sister Elfreda has her 70th anniversary as a Sister.
 - i. Sister Marie would like to attend the celebration too.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Council Meeting: June 6th 6:30 at the Church.

8. BUSINESS WITHOUT EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

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9. ADJOURNED: