



EVANGELICAL FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

An Evangelical Covenant Church of Canada

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

Summary of Church Council Meeting Minutes - May 9, 2022

- Options were explored for improving the audio quality or the audio volume level during Sunday Services.
- As of May 9, the Pastoral Search Committee received seven job applications. The committee is finalizing interview questions and preparing to shortlist applicants.
- Pastor Kelvin shared information about the Spiritual formation class that he is taking.
- Pastor Jesse introduced council members to a web-based tool called *Trello* that allows you to create an electronic church calendar that keeps track of annual events and processes and helps manage a church’s workflow and key documents.
- There is a shortage of volunteers to serve as summer camp counselors at Camp Evansburg. Council discussed the merits of seeking volunteers from other ECCC churches and the Spanish church.
- EFC purchased a new photocopier thanks to a generous, anonymous donation.
- Ian Wood stepped down from the Pastoral Care Committee to focus more attention on the other committees that he is on.
- Following the AGM on April 24, the new Church Council Positions and & Committee Chairs/Liaisons are as follows: Chair - Simon; Vice Chair - Mike; Secretary - Pastor Jesse; Treasurer - Ingrid; Members at Large - Terry, Gordon, Ian; Camp Ministry - Pastor Kelvin; Property Committee - Monika; Pastoral Care Committee - Terry (Chair); Worship Committee - Ian (Liaison); Women’s Ministry & Events - Ingrid (Liaison); Pastoral Search Committee - Mike (Chair).
- Council discussed the need for outgoing council members to provide training and mentorship to newly elected council members.
- Council discussed how difficult it is to recruit new council members. Having more church members gain experience on council would ensure that EFC will have strong leadership in the future.
- An ad hoc committee comprised of Terry, Pastor Kelvin and Pastor Jesse was created to develop a strategy for discipling leaders to serve on the church council. The committee will report its recommendations to the church council by August 8, 2022.
- COVID Precautions - Council members will continue to wear masks in church.
- Council discussed plans for the Church Picnic on June 12.
- Support for Ukrainian: \$10,350 raised so far. EFC will add \$5,000 in matching funds.
- Council is refining the EFC Strategic Action Plan.
- Council discussed pastor transition, pastor workload and pastor staffing as it relates to achieving EFC’s strategic goals.
- Sister Elfreda has been a Sister for 70 years! A celebration is planned.
- Next meeting - June 6, 2022.

The complete approved minutes can be accessed on the EFC website at this location: <https://www.efcedmonton.org/>. Click the “For Members” link at the top of the screen and sign in to the Guest Area with the password: EFC1953