



EVANGELICAL FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

An Evangelical Covenant Church of Canada Affiliate

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COUNCIL MEETING

June 8, 2020

1. Devotion: Jesse: History and imagination.
2. Prayer
3. Approval of Agenda: Mike moves, Terry Seconds, none opposed.
4. Review of Minutes from the last meeting
 - a. Most of the Sunday Services are viewed 23 times by Sunday morning, 66 times by 4pm, and a total of 78 times.
 - b. Josh listed about 30% of the congregation who did not have access to online services.
 - c. The elderly were not interested in printed sermons,
 - d. Monica has the information for the new tenants
 - e. Monika motions to accept, Mike seconds.
5. Formation of the Council Executive
 - a. Chair
 - i. Simon Nominated unanimously
 - b. Vice Chair
 - i. Mike is nominated as Vice Chair and passed
 - c. Treasurer
 - i. Ingrid is recognized as the treasurer
 - ii. Financial secretary (Monika)
 - d. Secretary
 - i. Christa nominated and passed
6. Formation of Committees- Whoever we find as the point person will find additional helpers for their committee.
 - a. Stewardship and Property Committee-Monika
 - b. Women's ministry & Special events- Dorothee
 - i. Altar Committee; takes care of communion, flowers, etc. Melita
 - c. Worship and Music- Christa
 - d. Camp Ministry Committee- Pastor Kelvin, .
 - e. Education, Youth and Sunday School- Paul Budinski.
 - i. Bible study groups that are meeting in homes
 - f. Financial Committee- Ian Wood.
 - i. Paul suggests somebody from outside of the family, also.
 - g. Pastoral Care- Terry.



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- h. Pastoral Committee- Jesse, Kelvin, Josh.
 - i. Nominating Committee
 - i. Will not need to operate until a few months before the next annual meeting.
 - j. Josh notes that an Evangelism and Social Justice¹ committee: Pastor Josh
 - k. Creativity Committee: Continued as Task Force.
 - l. Constitution Committee: Mike and Jesse.
 - m. Simon assigns us with a 1 sentence guiding principal/mission that describes our intent.
7. When will we open?
- a. Timing
 - i. Beginning of **July 5th** is our soft target. In order to accomplish this
 - ii. Christa will head up the startup plan/crew. Melissa will help shop for supplies.

 - b. Format: Services less than an hour, two services, early one at 9:30 for the more vulnerable population. Another at 11am for less vulnerable populations.
8. Looking forward; what do we want to accomplish, and when?
- a. The Vision Documents: Look at it and let it stew for now.
 - i. Special meeting? Vision retreat?
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.
9. Pastors Reports:
- a. Pastor Josh
 - i. Reconciliation; how?
 - ii. Clarity and openness to the congregation from the Council.
 - 1. Keep them online
 - 2. We as a council should embrace the Shut-ins as a ministry.
 - iii. A communication regarding the petition would be helpful, so that there may be closure for the church?
 - iv. How do we take steps toward unity starting here on the board?
 - 1. Retreats

¹ Social Justice in the sense of Micah 6:8



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2. Call the congregation regularly... ask how folks are/what they need.
3. One large fallout is broken trust between Leadership/Congregation.
4. ECCC membership can be revisited in coming months... but not too many months.
5. Shared alternatives to camps, retreats, etc...
 - a. Drive-in Picnic.

b. Pastor Kelvin: Contract expires in 2021

c. Pastor Jesse

10. Finance report

a. Church Account

i. May income, \$10,723.00

ii. May Expenses, \$16,171.43

b. Mission account

i. Outer Mission \$3020

ii. Inner Mission \$56,393.59

c. Ladies group \$8623.82

d. Balance to date: 639,704.09

e. Deficits 2019 \$20,046. 2020: January - \$2,600; Feb. \$9,600; Mar. \$6,200; Apr. \$5,600; May \$5,448

f. (Total Deficit Jan-May 2020: \$29,448).

g. Dorothee motions to approve, Terry seconds.

h. Ingrid notes that the previous Board approved the insurance payment; nobody opposes this.

11. New Business

a. Signing authority

i. Ingrid asks that Paul stays on to sign

ii. Ingrid asks to be given signing authority.

iii. Simon Volunteers

iv. Michael Volunteers

v. Ingrid motions, to have herself, Paul, Simon, and Mike to have signing authority. Terry seconds. All were in favor.

vi. Paul moves to remove Don Gerke, Paul Fries, and Fred Mueller's signing authority. Monika seconds. All in favor.

b. PJ's contract-

i. 3 Options (according to PJ)



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1. Accept the vote from November. Set up a search Committee for a new Pastor. Give Josh an intermediate contract.
 2. Challenge the membership/situation, revote on Josh's contract.
 3. It is not a good time to make a decision; wait until after COVID.
 - a. Josh articulated that his preference is to get accredited for the ECCC or another denomination, and mentor Jesse (or somebody) into a leadership role.
 4. Simon moves this discussion to the next meeting.
 - c. When do we want to discuss the petition? Next meeting.
 - d. Vote counting committee; agreed not to share the #'s of votes for each council member.
 - e. Eventually, destroying ballots should be part of the handbooks.
 - i. Abstains should be counted as nothing, not a no or a yes.
 - ii. This should be added to the Bylaws: Constitutional Committee.
 - f. Josh says we want to set a goal to not go past 10:00PM with our meetings.
12. Date of the next meeting: June 22
13. Adjournment: 10:15PM