



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

March 7, 2022 (7:11 p.m.)

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

1. PRAYER / SHARING TIME
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 - a. **Motion:** Mike Moves, Terry seconds
3. MIND MAPPING EXERCISE
 - a. Available here.
 - b. Overall strategic planning can be seen here.
4. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES
 - i. **Motion:** January 12 minutes approved with financials waiting. Terry motions to approve, Monika seconds.
 - ii. **Motion:** Feb 7 minutes. Edit: Kelvin was present. Monika motions to approve, Terry seconds.
5. REPORTS
 - a. Pastor’s Reports
 - i. Pastor Kelvin
 - ii. Pastor Jesse
 - b. Financial Committee
 - 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
March 6, 2022	49
March 13, 2022	50
March 20, 2022	44
March 27, 2022	30

Motion: Mike moves to approve reports as submitted. Ingrid seconds.

6. DISCUSSION FROM REPORTS

- a. **Motion:** Monika motions to raise Camp Evansburg price to \$200.00 with discounts available on request. Ian seconds.
 - i. Discussion: Noted we are underpriced. Kelvin suggests \$200 per camper minimum, and money for shirts. Noted that financial assistance is always available. **Simon requests that a cost/income analysis be produced for Camp. Ingrid agrees to do so.** Simon notes we need to have a conversation about what camp is for/to be in the future.

- b. **Motion:** Terry motions to approve the Camp Evansburg rental and t-shirt cost, Ingrid seconds.
 - i. Discussion: Kelvin requests a budget for \$1500.00 on the camp rental van & however much the T-shirts cost. Someone will also need a class 4 license for the van in the future. Noted that we want to discuss large financial transactions in the minutes/discussion for the protection of staff.

- c. Kelvin notes we should buy a water heater for the baptismal tank. It needs to have a housing so the vinyl doesn't melt. Monika offers to get the heater.

- d. Ingrid notes that the balance of the T5 the government sent had discrepancy and therefore the financials for 2021 are running quite late.

- e. *Adaptabilities* has presumably found another space. The ladies retirement home in Evansburg has requested to use our camp for some family get-togethers.

- f. **Mike offers to bring a proposal to the next meeting on how the Ministry review committee will function.**
 - i. Discussion: The Pastoral Care Committee needs to create a committee to review Pastors. The Council needs to carefully read through the review toolkit to make sure they're familiar with the process. Ingrid is concerned that a council member be on the review team and Mike notes that is acceptable because the ECCC document is only a guideline. Mike also notes the review toolkit is an excellent tool for reviewing whether or not we are accomplishing what we need to be accomplishing. Mike notes we need to make a motion to create a review committee. Simon requests more information in the form of a proposal.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

A. February Covid Discussions

- a. It is decided that a section of the church will be designated for social distancing individuals, and other spots for families who want to sit together.
- b. It is decided to put some stuff back into the pew (Cards, books, etc.) COVID is airborne anyhow.

- c. Ask the congregation about bulletins vs. announcements at AGM. Communion needs to be announced on whatever we choose to use.
- d. Since Edmonton has decided to end the mask mandate, Mike will write a letter to the congregation explaining our hope to make room for everyone, whatever their choice
 - i. Discussion: We will follow city/provincial guidelines; we will also create a space for people who are uncomfortable with those who refrain from wearing masks. Simon suggests opening up some pews for families but that there are still socially distant pews for those who wish to social distance. We should prepare a plan to communicate welcomeness and space for everyone, whatever they feel about COVID.

B. AGM Planning & Preparation

- a. Committees to give a brief report.
- b. Council will update and welcome new Church members.
- c. Discussion of Church Vision
- d. Kelvin will discuss stepping down.
- e. Discussing an Admin will need to be discussed on the council more.
- f. Update on the Pastoral Search Committee. And the Church Profile.

C. Other Business (as needed)

- a. Ukraine offering: Red Cross or Heimdall church that Ingrid and EFC know quite well. We will announce this this week with more info to come. Simon is also tasked with contacting his friend about potential ways to help him with his family.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Council Meeting – April 7

Annual General Meeting – April 24

9. BUSINESS WITHOUT EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

- A. Senior Pastor Job Posting Approval
- B. Pastoral Discussions
- C. Other Business (as needed)

10. ADJOURNED