

Windsor United Church of Christ Council Minutes  
January 11, 2024

Present: Bob Mutton, Nancy Nader, Nancy Martin, Jon Rouse, Matt Sutherland, David Schipper, Pastor Craig Jan-McMahon, Bill Ridgely, Dawn Collins, Joan Rice  
Guests: Susan Norby, Char Palm

1. Opening Devotional: Bob Mutton
2. Minutes of the December 12, 2023 meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted.
3. Treasurer's Report: Dwight Mueller was not present, but submitted a written report that indicated that there is a year-end surplus of approximately \$4,000.
4. Moderator's Report:
  - The following upcoming events were highlighted: 1/18 Conflict Transformation Team at 6:00, 1/14 Conversation about the budget at 9:15, 1/21 Conversation about Conflict Transformation at 9:15, 1/28 Annual Meeting following 9:00 worship.
  - Words of appreciation for their service were extended to Bill Ridgely, Dawn Collins and Nancy Martin, whose terms are ending.
  - Bob announced that he would not be continuing for a second term as moderator.
5. Pastor's Report: The baptism last Sunday was a joyful event. He and David are working on Epiphany and Lent, which starts in about a month. Easter is early this year (March 31).
6. Music Report: The Christmas Eve services went well. The 9:00 service included special music, jazz and the band; 5:00 service included organ and carols; 7:00 service featured the choir, which is gaining new members. Preparations for lent are underway.
7. Committee Reports
  - a. Boart of Trustees: Those leaving Council are asked to return their fobs. Bill reported that there is currently a projected budget deficit of \$86, 984. Options for cutting expenses were discussed, but are not significant enough to make up for the shortfall. Follow-up with those who haven't yet pledged is needed. He will be gone for the annual meeting, but Mat Stack will present the budget. He clarified that the Stewardship Chair is not up for re-election, rather the new Chair will be completing the second year of a term, so does not need to be voted on by the Congregation. Instead, she must be appointed by Council.

Joan Rice Moved that Luann Adams be appointed Chair of the Stewardship Ministry Team to complete the vacated term. Bill Ridgely seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  - b. Worship: Thanks were given to all who helped undecorate the church. There is energy and joy when people get together as volunteers. Lori Newlun will attend the next Worship Committee meeting.

- c. Stewardship: The committee will be asked to follow-up with those who haven't pledged.
- d. Technology: They are working on technology related to the slides and keeping the Council minutes posted.
- e. Missions: The Nativity painting event was joined by 17 people.
- f. Sunday School: The spring calendar was shared.
- g. Congregational Live: The group didn't meet in December, but are continuing to work on a list of current members. There are currently 279 members. This number is important for determining a quorum. According to the Constitution, 20% or 58 members must be present to conduct business at an annual meeting. A list of names being moved to inactive was shared.
- h. Nominating Committee: The search for a new moderator is on. Joan will invite Luann, Shane, Lori and Mat to the Conflict Transformation meeting on January 18.

Closing prayer: Pastor Craig

Next meeting: February 13, 2024

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Rice