

M&M MEETING  
November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – ZOOM CALL

**Our Mission:** The Congregation of Kincardine United Church seeks to foster a journey of spiritual growth through hospitality, service, fellowship and study, and, in community, to build up the ministry of every person and together experience God's abundant love and grace.

PRESENT: LouAnne Dudman, Krista Ritchie, Melinda Smegal, Charles Ludlow and Gord Dunbar.

REGRETS: Bernd Portz, Ursula Portz, Liz Dillman.

CHAIR – Krista Ritchie

SECRETARY - Gord Dunbar

CALL TO ORDER – by Krista at 7:13 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER - by Rev. Gord Dunbar

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA – accepted by consensus

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – accepted by consensus

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

1. Affirming Committee – Judy Zarubick said that she has ordered one small youth t-shirt from the Orange Shirt Company for each of the years 2017-2021. Each shirt has a different logo and artist and the meaning of each of the symbols on the shirts will be shared with the congregation as part of our work of reconciliation with our Indigenous siblings. She also indicated that the Survivors Flag is only available at this time for survivors. When the flag is available, we will order two flags for the front of the sanctuary. Gord has ten copies of the Calls to Action in his office at the church to lend out beginning this Sunday. Gord will have a piece of paper glued into the inside cover to collect a list of people who have read it. If these booklets go into the wider community, that would be great. Krista has the book 23 Things You Didn't Know About the Indian Act and will pass it around once she has read it.
2. Interfaith Dialogue – on hold
3. Blanket Exercise at High School – on hold.
4. Consent and Capacity Info Night – on hold.
5. Church Photo Directory – is scheduled in May, 2022.
6. Card Group – on hold until the end of 2021. Gord will recruit volunteers before then.
7. Calls to Congregation – Nothing new to report.
8. Update on Now Playing was shared.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Budget items: Krista moved and LouAnne seconded **that \$750.00 be remitted to the Chaplaincy Fund immediately. CARRIED.**
2. There is a family in dire need about which Jacqui Hillerby notified Gord. The family has three children and both parents are unable to work due to disability. Moved by Charles and seconded by Melinda **that Gord be authorized to have the Treasurer remit up to \$1.000 to support the family's rent after discussion with the family for details and further information upon which Gord's discernment of an amount would be based. CARRIED.**
3. Melinda will purchase \$100 of coffee gift cards from the Daily Grind store and give them to the Dory Lunch folk as a follow-up from uncompleted work from the September meeting.
4. The Newcomer family from Syria currently participates in the Good Food Box programme and the fee is paid by Kincardine United Church for 2021. Moved by Melinda and seconded LouAnne **that a Good Food Box for the year 2022 at the cost of \$200 be provided to the newcomer family for next year. CARRIED.**
5. White Gift Sunday gifts will be delivered to Cape Croker on the date acceptable to Joyce Johnson. Those delivering will be double vaccinated and available for a full-day trip.
6. Report from Council – Charles and Gord reporting. Exciting meeting, Charles said, due to the salary discussions. The Governance Handbook was approved. The budget for 2022 was

recommended to the congregation. John Brash was concerned about revenue, especially because of the extra expense of Gord's sabbatical. After discussion, the committee would like the Council to consider including the six-word graphic from the United Church of Canada be incorporated into the sign on the front of the church building ("Deep Spirituality, Bold Discipleship, Daring Justice").

7. The Advent Pointsettias: Melinda sent out the list to a few people looking for feedback on whether to include those who received them last year. After that feedback was received, there are about 40 people on the list which Melinda will send to Gord for finalization. The plants have been ordered and will be delivered to the church with Melinda being there to receive them. They will be placed in the front of the church sanctuary for the two Sundays of December 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Then they will be delivered along with Christmas cards to those on our list on December 12<sup>th</sup> or after.
8. December 12<sup>th</sup> is the Congregational Budget meeting.

#### **FUTURE POSSIBLE FORUMS**

Women in Poverty  
Reconciliation Events  
Play re Nawash  
Round Table with Community Partners

#### **COUNCIL REP FOR NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

Next meeting is January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:00 pm by Zoom

Attendee: Charles Ludlow

Note if the attendee is unable to be at the meeting please notify the committee so someone else can attend as the M&M rep.

#### **NEXT M&M MEETING**

January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:00 pm by Zoom

Chair – LouAnne Dudman

Secretary – Krista Ritchie

Chair, Krista, 'kicked us off' Zoom at 8:37 p.m.