

M&M MEETING
June 15, 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: Liz Dillman, LouAnne Dudman, Charles Ludlow, Krista Ritchie, Melinda Smegal and Rev. Gord Dunbar

REGRETS: Bernd Portz, Ursula Portz

CHAIR – Liz Dillman

SECRETARY - Melinda Smegal

CALL TO ORDER – by Liz at 7:06

OPENING PRAYER - by Rev. Gord Dunbar

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA – accepted by consensus after some additions

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2021 – accepted by consensus

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1. Affirming Committee – on hold
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 – was set for this fall but now **rescheduled to May, 2022**
- Melinda will contact Universal Portrait Studios to request/confirm new dates
6. Card Group – Rev. Gord is having difficulty getting this going and asked if we had any suggestions of people who might be willing to take on this task...of sending out cards (thank you, congratulations, thinking of you) as required for a month or two at a time. Rev. Gord has the cards/envelopes and Liz has stamps we can buy. Liz said she would be willing to be one of the card senders. Other people who were suggested will be contacted by Rev. Gord.
7. Calls to Congregation – status quo... Melinda appreciates the phoners contacting her when member health issues need to be noted
8. Update on Now Playing – nothing to report until reopened
9. M&S Sunday – Sept 19 – Krista contacted Marissa Lair, from Women's House, who will come and speak to us. The M&M Committee will also have little information "bites" about the list of what it has been busy doing and donating to this past 18 months for M&S. (At the end of our meeting we planned a quick Zoom meeting August 17th to decide which M&M member would speak to which of the items on the list...who would present which "bites"..yum!)
10. Community Person in Need – Krista updated us about money being donated from the Lighthouse Unit of our church to a female stroke victim in town who is still in Owen Sound, hopefully to return to Kincardine in July. Krista will find out if the stroke victim needs more money before September.

MOTION – made by LouAnne that M&M give up to \$250 to this post-stroke person if in need as determined by Krista's information. Seconded by Charles. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Report from Council – Charles and Rev. Gord reporting. John Brash was introduced as the new KUC Treasurer and a "get to know you" time was held.
 - a. Governance Handbook is done... to be refined over the summer.
 - b. Workplace Harassment Training was discussed
 - c. Re-opening Group – set up to consider what it would look/be like for in-person church
 - d. Visioning process (starting with why) by end of August – Rev. Gord wants to do an hour long "Retreat", an event that would be in-person and/or digital.
 - e. Stewardship Ministry Team recruits – Rev. Gord would like names of people to be on this committee, by the end of June. He will work with this group during the summer.

- f. Letter to Kincardine Islamic Centre – a letter of support was sent from KUC to the Centre following the deliberate murder of part of a London Islamic family. The Centre was grateful for the continuing support from KUC.
Rev. Gord would like to set up a dialog with the Islamic Centre
 - g. Rev. Gord reported that four couples have requested/planned on being married by him.
2. "Celebration Lunch" - when we are fully back...to be discussed further
 - possible no charge
 - order in ?
 3. New Members by transfer:
John and Nancy Brash from Three Willows United Church, Guelph.
MOTION – Liz moved that we accept the transfer of John and Nancy Brash. Seconded by Krista and LouAnne. CARRIED.
 4. Returned mail from congregants: names to be referred to MART to act upon
Barb Maus – non-resident member was in Owen Sound
Marie Miller – non-resident member was at Brucelea Haven in Walkerton
Tamara Schuryk – non-resident member was in Peoria, Arizona
 5. Sunflowers Planting – Krista reported that the right opportunity did not happen nor adequate moisture for Bernd to get these planted this year. Very dry land. This idea will be revisited next year if Bernd is willing. Thank you, Bernd!

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 September 14, 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

September 21, 2021 at 7:00 pm by Zoom
Chair – LouAnne Dudman
Secretary – Liz Dillman

CHECK IN FOR ALL MEMBERS – How is everyone coping during the pandemic?

All reporting things going basically well as we receive the vaccines and things are opening up.
There is optimism for the summer and fall...for the future.

Chair, Liz, 'kicked us off' Zoom at 8:45 with a "Have a good summer!"

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