

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: Rev. Gord Dunbar, Krista Ritchie, Liz Dillman, Bernd Portz, Ursula Portz, Melinda Smegal, Charles Ludlow and Lou Ann Dudman, who was welcomed as our newest member of M&M.

REGRETS: none

CHAIR – Krista Ritchie

SECRETARY – Melinda Smegal

CALL TO ORDER - at 7 pm by Krista

OPENING PRAYER – Rev. Gord

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA – Accepted as amended.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF APRIL 16, 2019 – Accepted as presented

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1. *Becoming as Affirming Church...*updates (Liz and Gord)
 - (a) the next mtg will be June 2nd, (movie “For the Bible Tells Me So”)
 - (b) Affirming workshops offered Sat. May 25th, 7-8:30 pm, open to all, at the UNIFOR Educ & Learning Centre (formerly CAW) in Port Elgin
 - (c) Gord will present a series “Transgendering in the Bible” this summer.
2. *Forum on Medically Assisted Death...*follow up...
Positive feedback...
Motion by Krista to pay Liz back for the 5, \$50 M&M gift certificates she bought for the 5 MAiD speakers. Seconded by Melinda. CARRIED.
3. *Pre-Church Coffee* – still require volunteers to help. Melinda will be in charge of recruiting help for June, Ursula and Bernd will oversee July and Liz will do August helpers.
4. *Ice Cream Sunday*, 1st Sunday of month – still require volunteers to do. Melinda will do June.
5. *Loaves and Fishes* – help still being requested and not forthcoming
6. *Guess Who's Coming To Dinner*.update...Melinda reported she and Lee Cox have met twice, forms available at back of church, progress starting slowly, event announcement explained in bulletin.
DEADLINE to register as HOST or GUEST -- is Friday, May 31st.
7. *Outstanding Processes* – “Confirmation Sunday”...Gord is working on
“Membership Role”....pending
“Picnic”, “White Gift” and “Visitation” all done.

8. *Canada Foodgrains Project* – Bernd will plant sunflowers, Krista has a donation reminder board as visual reminder for donations, Krista will make an announcement closer to planting and add a thermometer showing the growth of donations, John had been notified of coming donations that will be forthcoming, perhaps use the sunflowers to decorate church.
START fund raising for CFG on June 2nd.

NEW BUSINESS

1. *June Picnic, Sunday June 23rd*. Krista will contact Davidson Centre to reserve Victoria Park, Eden folk will be playing and Gord willing to do games.
Melinda will put announcement into bulletin 2 weeks before.
2. *Anniversary Sunday, June 9th* - Melinda will order 1/2 slab choc/van cake and pick it up before church. We love to meet and eat, especially desserts!
We will ask the house leaders to assist.
3. *Mission Sunday, Sept, 15th* – Gord will speak to Dave Jagger about a possible Mission and Service project we may support. Perhaps a Cape Croker connection?
4. *Pride Parade, Sat. June 22nd* - Starting at Connault Park, we will have our Kincardine United Church banner to carry.
Noted...a PRIDE service will be Fri. June 22nd, Gord will coordinate this.
5. *Stew Lunch* - The \$165.60 donated at the last stew lunch will be directed to the new stove fund.

FUTURE FORUMS

1. *Interfaith Conversation* – Gord is interested in getting representatives of other areas of faith together. He will look into this for us exploring possibilities with Hindu, Muslim, Buddhist and Jewish neighbours.
It would be less of a public forum and more of a public conversation.
2. *Potential Future Forums* are:
Women and Poverty in Kincardine
Blanket Exercise at KDSS
Reconciliation Events
Play re: Nawash
Round Table with community leaders – what do they want from KUC?

Meeting adjourned at 8:30.

Next Meeting June 18, 2019 at the home of Bernd and Ursula

Next Chair will be -- Krista Next Secretary will be -- Liz

Council, June 10th, CAMP Mtg for all at 7 pm