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Kincardine United Church

TRUSTEES' MINUTES

August 13, 2021

By Zoom

Present: Jack Nancekivell (chair), Gregg McClelland, Art Danahy, Gord Dunbar,
Joan Norris (recording secretary)

1. Call to order – Jack Nancekivell
2. Opening prayer: Gord Dunbar
3. Approval of the agenda: moved by Art Danahy, seconded by Gregg McClelland
4. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 14, 2021: moved by Gregg McClelland, seconded by Art Danahy
5. Reports from Trustees:

Insurance Report: Gregg McClelland

Following up on an item in the May minutes, Gregg indicated that he would look into other insurance options; he has put our agent on notice for a better understanding of our needs and our business. Gord Dunbar thanked Gregg for his work and noted that we are getting a better rate than any other church in the area. Gord also noted that we are in a good position to protect the church and our assets.

There was discussion regarding an email received by the church suggesting that we had violated intellectual property with the use of an image in the bulletin. Legal action was threatened but has not occurred; therefore we believe this message was a scam. We had notified our insurance company of this possible action, but withdrew our claim.

Investment Report: Art Danahy reported that as of the end of April, 2021, the balance on our investments was \$79,726 and currently (August), the balance was \$82,396.

Property Report: Jack Nancekivell noted that we received \$25,000 from a United Church of Canada grant for heat pumps and lighting changes.

Fans in the sanctuary have been cleaned but not replaced (Gord Dunbar reported that there had been a donation for this).

Windows will be replaced on the south side of the church (nursery); carpet needs to be replaced in the office, but at this time, no contractor has been available to do this work.

Trustees expressed gratitude to Stu Metzger for his work in caring for the church property.

Governance Report: Joan Norris no report

Ministry Report: Gord Dunbar discussed thoughts on reopening the church for in-person worship. The reopening committee was to meet in a few days. Possible opening dates include September and the first Monday of October.

It was noted that groups which use our facility need procedures outlined.

There was a discussion regarding vaccination: Should it be required for attendees? How do we remain welcoming to those who cannot or will not be vaccinated?

The choir has met to discuss how they can resume.

Gord Dunbar noted that June—August giving dipped, probably because no visitors were able to attend worship and contribute.

Vision for Kincardine United Church: Gord Dunbar led a discussion about the vision for our church. He set the stage by showing a TED talk discussing how many organizations can answer questions about what they do and how they do it, but may have difficulty answering the “why?” question. This is what Gord will be asking all of the members in the church’s permanent committees. Trustees engaged in a lively discussion providing Gord with their ideas about the answer to this question.

Next meeting: Friday November 12, 2021 9:30 AM

Adjournment: moved Gregg McClelland