

# Greenbank United Church

## Local Church Board Meeting

### August 14, 2024

Voting Members Present: Debbie Watson (Chair), Joanne Olivero (Trustee), Kelly Monkman (M&P), Jim Ferguson (Stewards), Wilma Smith (UCW), Pat Dwyer (Session), Doug Watson (Secretary/Treasurer)

Non-Voting Members present: Ted Smith, Minister Ian Wilgus, and Rev Anne Meredith (Supervisory Minister)

- Debbie Watson called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM
- Min. Ian opened in prayer
- Debbie reminded everyone that the Minutes are posted on the website. Minutes were viewed on the screen. **Motion to accept the minutes by Kelly Monkman, seconded by Jim Thomson. Carried.**
- Doug Watson reviewed GUC's Statement of Income & Expenses, and Balance sheet as at July 31, 2024. **Wilma Smith moved acceptance of Treasurer's report, seconded by Pat Dwyer. Carried**
- There was no report from our ECORC Rep.
- Kelly Monkman provided a report from M&P:
  - A committee has been formed to fill the position of Music Director at SUC. Val Hunter has agreed to fill in.
  - Pat and Kelly did an informative and helpful Webinar through the Region regarding roles and responsibilities of M&P.
  - M&P plan to update job descriptions and begin reviews at their next meeting.
- Pat Dwyer provided a report from Session:
  - Established decorating protocols for the Sanctuary
  - An ordained minister will be scheduled to assist officiating at services that include Baptisms or Communion
  - Reviewed the very successful summer camp. Thanks to all the volunteers and UCW for the snacks
  - Rally Sunday will be Sept 15. A special guest will teach water colour painting to the children
  - Special services:
    - Sept 29: Truth & Reconciliation
    - Oct 13: Thanksgiving
    - Oct 27: GUC Anniversary
    - Nov 10: Remembrance Day Service
    - Affirming Service: TBD
    - Blessing of the Pet Service: TBD
- **Motion to thank Pat, Katie and team for a wonderful job planning and executing a successful Summer Camp. Moved by Joanne, seconded by Kelly. Carried**

- Jim Ferguson provided the Steward's report:
  - Stewardship Cte:
    - Oct 5: Dinner
    - Nov 16: Talent Auction
    - Dec 7: Christmas music concert & Silent Auction
  - Comment that gardens are beautiful this year. Thank you to Carter
  - Faithful Footprints: working on getting quotes. Have 3 years from energy audit before time lapses.
  - Report appended to minutes
- Joanne Olivero provided a report from the Trustees:
  - Commercial dishwasher should be prioritized in the Faithful Footprint process
  - Facility Rental Agreement to be finalized at next meeting
- Wilma Smith provided a report from the UCW:
  - Talked about the group tour of the Buddha Temple
  - Sponsored 2 young ladies to Camp QuiMoLac
  - Mentioned the health concerns of a previous GUC/SUC minister
  - Need a "card person" to send out cards to those in poor health. This was passed on to Session
- Business Arising from Minutes:
  - Water cooler for church still in process
  - Trustees to draft a Flag protocol
  - Treasurer provided a high-level analysis of donations by 6-month periods
  - Need for envelopes in pews for guests
  - Question whether could further drill down on analysis by age breakdown
- Chair's Comments:
  - Debbie talked about a recent sermon by Carol O'Neil that stressed on focusing on the assets that we have, and not linger on the things we don't have, and recognize the value and potential of the stuff we already have
  - Ian mentioned "The Courageous Hope Network"
  - Debbie attended a Stewardship Webinar by UCC. Have to be mindful of event, and value added. We want people to embrace what we do
  - Chair's notes appended to minutes
- Next meeting: Tuesday Nov 19 @ 7PM
- Min. Ian closed in prayer
- Joanne moved adjournment.

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Debbie Watson  
Chair

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Doug Watson  
Secretary Treasurer