

First Unitarian Universalist Church of Winnipeg

Minutes of the Meeting held June 22, 2022

at 6:30 pm in person at the church

First Unitarian Universalist Church of Winnipeg Mission Statement

We are a diverse and caring community that is loving, inclusive, responsible, and encouraging.

We are a learning community open to evidence and varied insights that encourages reflection and exploration. We use what we learn to strengthen our relationships and our capacity.

We are a socially engaged community that works collaboratively, compassionately, and urgently for a just society and for our life-sustaining planet.

We are Caring, Learning and Socially Engaged.

The meeting was convened at 6:40 pm. In attendance: Marlene Schellenberg, Claire Nimmagadda, Peter Miller, Marjorie Doyle, Ryan Styles, Doug Wasyliw, and Kris Breckman

1. **Opening Words - Marjorie Doyle**
2. **Check in**
3. **Acceptance of Minutes of Meeting held May 17th, 2022**

Motion:

Moved by Marlene Schellenberg, Seconded by Peter Miller **that the Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held May 16th, 2022 be accepted as distributed.**

Carried.

4. **Acceptance of Agenda**

Motion:

Moved by Claire Nimmagadda, Seconded by Kris Breckman **that the Agenda as amended be accepted.**

Carried.

5. Reports

5.1. President's Report

Marlene had nothing to add to her report in the Board Shared Drive 5.1.1. Confidentiality Agreement

Tanya spoke to the amendments she had made to the Confidentiality Agreement and suggested that it be called a pledge not an agreement. The decision to draw up this confidentiality paperwork came from one of the SMT recommendations because during the conflict there were issues of confidentiality within the board. Various models were looked at and we didn't have time last year so we thought we would start with the new board. A discussion was held as to what is confidential and what is not. Tanya offered to draft a new pledge as this is still in a draft form. General agreement was that issues that are public should not be deemed confidential. The entire Board needs to be supportive of decisions made and show a united front. The board will decide as a whole what is confidential. In the draft document #7 practice and direction and how we secure reference in section #4 in how we determine what is confidential.

This discussion will be tabled until next meeting.

5.1.2. Board Retreat

After discussion the dates chosen were July 15 and 16, 2022. Claire, Peter and Marlene will plan the retreat.

5.1.3. Staffing

Claire has offered to be the Board member to work with Lynn Clark on search for RE staff. The recommended start date is August. A lot of the work has already been done but we now need to move ahead with the hiring.

5.2 Treasurer's Report and Cluster Report

5.2.1 May Unaudited Financial Statements

Motion:

Moved by Peter Miller, Seconded by Tanya Brothers **that the May 31, 2022 Unaudited Financial Statements be accepted as distributed.**

Carried.

5.2.2. Stewardship Campaign Update

The update was included in the Treasurer's Report in the Board Shared Drive.

5.2.3 Update Access Credit Union Account signers

Motion:

Moved by Peter Miller, seconded by Tanya Brothers **that former Board members Jim Gardiner, Janine Reid, Lauren Bailey. and Peter Hill-Carroll's names be removed as signing authorities for all accounts of First Unitarian Universalist Church of Winnipeg held at Access Credit Union.**

Carried.

Motion:

Moved by Peter Miller, seconded by Tanya Brothers **that the following board directors be added as signing authorities for all accounts of First Unitarian Universalist Church of Winnipeg held at Access Credit Union - Doug Wasyliw and Claire Nimmagadda.**

Carried.

Motion:

Moved by Peter Miller and Seconded by Tanya Brothers **that Rev. Meghann Robern be added as a signing authority only for First Unitarian Universalist Church of Winnipeg Account 612924319914 at Access Credit Union.**

Carried.

5.3 Cluster Reports

There are no reports this month

5.4. Membership List

Marjorie and Larry Phillips are still working on it and requested that one of the first by-law changes be how we remove people from the membership list.

6. New Business

6.1. Response to Jo'Anne Kelly

Kris Breckman had been speaking to Jo'Anne Kelly re the book published by Mennonite University about religions in Manitoba and had a photo of the chalice Jo'Anne donated to the church that did not have a credit given for her work. Kris will follow up with the University about having credit given to Jo'Anne re her art work.

Motion:

Moved by Kris Breckman, Seconded by Claire Nimmagadda **that Kris work with the university to have the lack of recognition for the artist be rectified.**

Carried.

Jo'Anne Kelly had sent an email to the Board expressing concern regarding the president's remarks at the end of the AGM on June 12, 2022 especially where she had suggested that Stefan Jonasson had asked for a review of the First UUCW. Marlene responded to her and sent the 2002 document. Doug felt Marlene was misinformed about how the congregation had been acting towards her and others. Marlene gave some examples of emails she had received.

Lois Whyte also send an email of concern. Marlene spoke to her and will also send her a copy of the 2002 report.

No further action is required on these emails.

6.2. Cluster Liaisons Assignment

Marlene, as president is in charge of Shared Ministry and Volunteer Resources committee
Kris will work with Properties
Claire will work with Ministry
Tanya will work with Justice
Marjorie will work with Congregational Services
Justice, SJ, Tanya, Congregational Services, Marjorie,
Peter and Doug will work with Finance

6.3. Minister's return

Claire gave an overview of a suggested on board plan for Rev Meghann's return. This plan will have congregational input as well as the Minister's. It gives the Minister a chance to see if this plan fits in with her priorities. Day one needs to address the conflict and what we hope for Meghann's role in this. Each committee needs to be involved, we would bring in people to discuss with the Minister their expectations e.g. Finance and credit card usage.


Action required: Complete on boarding for Rev Meghann's return.

Marlene, Claire and Doug offered to be part of the personnel committee to come up with the plan.

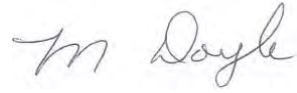
7. Closing. Words - Marjorie Doyle and adjournment

Next Meeting is:

Opening and Closing Words

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Peter Miller, Treasurer

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Marjorie Doyle, Secretary