

KNOX UNITED CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES
Nov 27, 2018 7:00 pm

Council Members:

Chair	Ritchie Davidson (2016)
Vice Chair	Ray Elliott (2016)
Secretary	Jayla Betke (2017- 2 yr)
Congregational Reps	Glenda Cook (2017) Veronica Laycock (2017) Fred Dunn (2018)

C.E.	Report only (Tammy Edwards)
“Fun’d & Fellowship	Elaine Kuhl (2016)
Property	Andrew Kuhl
U.C.W.	Colleen Jones (2016)
Wider Parish	Ray Elliott
Worship	Mina Laycock
Building Committee	Ritchie Davidson
Ministry	Rev. David Howell
Stewardship	Colleen Jones
Presbytery	Peggy Bradshaw
Church Treasurer	Kim McLeod

Absent: Ray Elliott

Call to Order: meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Ritchie Davidson

Opening Worship: Peggy Bradshaw

Agenda: **Motion:** Elaine Kuhl/Veronica Laycock that the agenda be adopted. Carried.

MINUTES: **Motion:** Andrew Kuhl/Elaine Kuhl that the minutes of the Sept 18, 2018, meeting be adopted with minor change under Minister’s report, ‘pastoral relations’ instead of ‘pastoral care’. Carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Written report submitted by Kim McLeod, Treasurer (Report distributed, attached to minutes)

- We are about \$8000 behind from this time last year, mostly due to general givings.

Motion: Peggy Bradshaw/Mina Laycock that Treasurer’s report be accepted as is. Carried.

- Developed proposed budget for 2019 with increases for pastoral charge, insurance, taxes, and janitor’s salary, Christian Education and Adult Education budgets decreased to 0. (Budget attached to minutes)

Motion: Colleen Jones/Fred Dunn to approve the proposed Knox 2019 budget (to be presented at Annual Meeting). Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: Discussed what will be done with the pews removed from the sanctuary.

Motion: Fred Dunn/Peggy Bradshaw that the pews be offered to the congregation on a first come, first served basis with donation appreciated. After December 2018, any remaining pews will be put up for sale. Fred Dunn can be contacted regarding pews. Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1) C.E.: (Tammy Edwards)

- Sunday School pageant Dec 16
- Sunday School focusing on arts projects this year

2) Worship: (Mina Laycock)

- Discussed Advent and Christmas services- Blue Christmas Dec 16 at 7:00 and Christmas Eve services 7:00 in Knox and 9:00 in Silverton
- Discussion regarding Gretta Vosper ‘the Atheist minister’, conversation circle will be held in Jan around this topic
- Proposed Worship & Affirming Ministries budgets be put together
- Discussed Affirming vote at upcoming annual meeting

Motion: Jayla Betke/Mina Laycock that the age of voting for Affirming Ministries vote be ages 14 and older. Carried.

3) Property: (Andrew Kuhl)

- Nothing to report

4) Wider Parish: (Ray Elliott)

- Printed report attached to Minutes
- Wider Parish annual meeting Feb 10, 2019 and proposing Knox/Silverton annual meetings Jan 27, 2019
- Looking into different options for front steps
- Proposal to change Sunday School expense line from Knox & Silverton to Wider Parish, income, if any, would remain with their respective churches

Motion: Elaine Kuhl/Glenda Cook that Knox annual meeting be held Jan 27, 2019, following worship service and lunch. Carried.

Motion: Fred Dunn/Peggy Bradshaw that Sunday School expense line be moved from Knox budget to Wider Parish budget. Carried.

5) Fun'd & Fellowship: (Elaine Kuhl)

- Printed report attached to Minutes
- Applied for a few more grants for Accessibility project

6) Minister's Report: (David Howell)

- Last Presbytery meeting was 2 weeks, last executive meeting on Dec 5
- Discussed 3 new ‘clusters’ for staying connected with churches in our region: ‘social cluster’ focusing on fellowship, worship and possible workshops; ‘youth cluster’; and ‘justice cluster’ with 3 sections: ‘Affirming Ministries’, which David will be heading; ‘Reconciliation’; and ‘Everything Else’, i.e.: food equity, affordable housing, etc

- Community Carol Fest taking different format this year, will be informal 'lessons and carols', will look new format next year
- 7) **Building (Accessibility):** (Ritchie Davidson)
- Printed report attached to Minutes
 - Lift arrived, but was not made to fit shaft. Manufacturer will be getting us the correct lift
 - Ritchie will look into maximum capacity for basement of church
- 8) **Stewardship:** (Colleen Jones)
- Haven't met
- 9) **Presbytery:** (Peggy Bradshaw)
- David covered under Minister's report
- 10) **U.C.W.:** (Colleen Jones)
- Received over \$3500 from fall canvas
 - Having Christmas potluck Dec 4 @ 6:00

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Affirming Ministries has drafted an Affirming Vision Statement for Knox to be presented at annual meeting in Jan. (Statement attached to minutes).
2. Action plan to be put in place if Affirming vote is positive, changes to be made to constitution with Affirming Ministries board member to be on Council board.
3. David and Rose working on new marriage policy.

Report to Congregation: Jayla Betke

Next Meeting: February 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Worship: Colleen Jones

Beverage: Elaine Kuhl

Closing Prayer: Peggy Bradshaw

Adjournment: Motion: Peggy Bradshaw that meeting be adjourned. Adjourned by Ritchie Davidson at 9:15 p.m.

Jayla Betke, Secretary, Knox Council