

Silverton Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, January 28, 2018; Silverton United Church

CHAIR: Murray Cochrane
SECRETARY: Amy Kostuik

1. **Call to Order:** Murray called the meeting to order at 11am.
Motion: Chris Stewart/Colleen Cochrane
“That all those present be made corresponding members of Silverton Congregation for this meeting.” Carried.
2. **Adoption of the Agenda:**
Motion: Chris Stewart/Hannah Burla
“That we adopt the agenda as amended.” Carried.
3. **Annual Report:**
Motion: Mark Keating/Tammy Garnett
“That we accept the 2017 Annual Report as presented.” Carried.
4. **Treasurer’s Report:**
Kim McLeod provided a financial report (Pages 35 & 36 in the Annual Report). Kim reports that we had a net loss of \$58.88 for 2017. She also reports that we exceeded our M&S goal for 2017. Due to expenses being lower than projected for 2017, a decision needed to be made regarding what to do with the amount of \$1008.04. This item was moved to ‘New Business’ for discussion.
Motion: Claudia Keating/Rheanne Gray
“That we accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented.” Carried.
5. **Minutes from the 2017 Annual Meeting**
Motion: Barb Cochrane/Chris Stewart
“That we accept the minutes from the 2017 Annual Meeting as presented.” Carried.
6. **Business Arising from the Minutes**
 - a.) Affirming Ministry Update –
Amy & Hannah are our representatives on this committee. Rev. David provided an update in regards to Affirming Ministry plans (past and coming up). The movie ‘Secret Path’ was shown in 2017 at Knox United in hopes of beginning the discussion surrounding the issue of right relations with First Nations people. Upcoming events include the following;
 - Blanket exercise on February 25; Joint Worship at Knox with a potluck lunch to follow.
 - March 4 – Residential school traveling picture show will be on display at Knox and will remain on display through to March 6th.
 - Rev. David is planning an event in May regarding, marriage and the bible. Details will follow.
 - b.) Murray thanked everyone that helped/contributed with the planter this past summer.

7. **Stewardship Report:**

The report is listed on P. 11 in the Annual Report. Colleen Cochrane is our Stewardship Rep. Discussion was held about our M&S goal for 2018. It was decided to have our goal remain the same for 2018 as in 2017, which was \$4400.

Motion: Colleen Cochrane/Rheanne Gray

“That the M&S goal for 2018 be set at \$4400.”

Carried.

8. **Wider Parish Report:**

Report was reviewed in the Annual Report on Pages 3. Amy, Tammy & Diana are our WP representatives.

9. **WP Worship Committee Report:**

Reviewed on Page 11 in the Annual Report. Lois Clement is the WP Worship Rep however was not in attendance. Rev. David reminded everyone that although Lois is our representative on this committee other interested individuals are welcome to serve on this board.

10. **WP Manse Committee Report:**

Karen Cochrane is our Manse committee representative. No report was included in the Annual Report. Rev. David provided an update in Karen’s absence. A new washer, toilet and hot water tank were installed this past year. There have been plans to re-shingle the roof but unsure where the plans are at this point.

11. **WP M&P Report:**

Reviewed on Page 12 of the Annual Report. Greg Cochrane is our representative on this committee.

12. **Presbytery Report:**

Ayla Hamilton is our Presbytery representative. Rheanne provided a report from Ayla and Rev. David discussed some of the highlights from Presbytery. Presbytery will no longer be in existence as of January 2019 as we move to a 3-court model. With this new model there is some concern regarding how communication will take place. Looking at forming a ‘cluster’ as a means to keep connected. Rev. David provided an overview of Remit 6 – Order of Ministry.

13. **Minister’s Report:**

Rev. David’s report was reviewed in the Annual report on Page 9.

- a.) Rev. David expressed that it will be his intent to re-apply for chaplaincy with cadets this upcoming summer.
- b.) Youth Group still is being discussed/worked on with Rheanne and possibly joining with Roblin youth.
- c.) Rev. David continues to serve as Pastoral Charge Supervisor for Birtle /Miniota. He also serves as a Settlement Commission Representative, working with Pastoral Charges to determine their ministerial needs. Presently he is working with 4 different congregations.

14. **New Business:**

- a.) **Fundraiser** – discussion was held regarding a Spring dinner and variety concert again. There has been some initial discussion surrounding the idea of joining with Knox to have a larger fundraiser, which would benefit both churches. It was decided that Amy should begin by talking with Kim, Judy Snitynsky and Elaine Kuhl who serve on the Fun'd and Fellowship committee to discuss further. Amy will discuss with Karen Cochrane and Colleen Cochrane to develop a fundraising plan for 2018.
- b.) **Movie Night** – Hannah has a new movie picked out titled 'I Am.' She will pick a date in March to show this movie and will announce through the bulletin.
- c.) **Budget** – was reviewed on P. 37 of the Annual Report.

Motion: Claudia Keating/Chris Stewart

“That we submit the budget as presented to the Wider Parish board for acceptance.”

Carried.

- d.) Discussion was held regarding the use of \$1008.04 identified during the Treasurer's report. Discussion was held regarding having a contingency fund available to be used at the boards discretion as needs arise. Other ideas involved allocating monies to the Building Fund, M&S Fund and to Knox's lift fund.

Motion: Diana Lawless/Ethel Lungal

“That \$500 be put into the Building Fund, \$250 into the M&S Fund and the remainder put into Knox United lift fund.”

*7 people were for this motion and 7 people against. The deciding vote was given to the Chair. Motion was defeated.

Motion: Barb Cochrane/Hannah Burla

“That a contingency fund be created.”

Carried.

Motion: Chris Stewart/Hannah Burla

“That \$1008.04 be deposited into this fund to be available to be distributed as needed per board approval.”

Carried.

Further discussion surrounded the state of our building and areas of priority for the board to keep in mind as possible uses for the dollars. Ideas included the following;

Building upgrades/repairs;

- plexi glass for the inside of the windows
- repairs/replacement of door
- step/ramp repairs/upgrades
- larger television for easier viewing

Rev. David let everyone know that since he got his new computer he hasn't been able to get the multi media system working. There are some troubleshooting things that will be attempted which Murray has offered to help with. If this doesn't work Rev. David has mentioned we may need to look at getting a different television.

Contributions to Charities/organizations – M&S, Knox's lift fund

15. **Elections:**

Positions are to be filled by volunteers in the exception of the Treasurer position which is paid.

The following vacancies need to be filled;

Silverton Board – 1 vacancy; Hannah agreed to let her name stand and to stay on the board for another term.

Sunday School Superintendant – Rheanne Gray accepted another annual term as Sunday School Superintendent.

Hydro Meter Reader- Fred Clearwater agreed to read the meter for the upcoming year.

Wider Parish Rep – 2 vacancies. Amy Kostuik & Diana Lawless agreed to let their names stand for another term on this board.

Presbytery Rep - Ayla Hamilton will remain as our Presbytery Representatives.

Motion: Ethel Lungal/Lorna Hackman

“That we move that the positions that are filled be accepted and nominations cease.

Thanks to those who have volunteered.”

Carried.

16.) **Adjournment:**

Motion: Jeff Kostuik

“That we move the meeting be adjourned.”

Carried.

Date: _____

Secretary: _____

Chairperson: _____

