

**Christ Church Gabriola Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, September 17, 2020: 1:30pm –**

*Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. (Ephesians 4:2-3 NIV)*

**CO-CHAIR:** Nancy Hetherington-Peirce

**CO-SECRETARY:** Betty Schultze

**Present:** David Soy, Nancy Hetherington-Peirce, Angela Nutter, Lisa Griffith, Rev. Karen Hollis, Hilary Plowright, Betty Schultze

**Regrets:** Mona Smart

**Meeting called to order** at 1:31 pm.

1. **Opening prayer** was led by Karen.
2. Quorum was confirmed.
3. **Motion: M/S Lisa/ Hilary moved approval of the agenda as circulated and amended.**
4. **M/S David/Angela. Moved to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2020 Council Meeting as amended. Carried. Amendments include the following changes: 9.h the sum of \$900 should be \$1400, 11.b Pastoral Car should be Pastoral Care.**

**Action Plan:** It was decided that the approved minutes will be posted on the Christ Church website by Hilary.

5. **Correspondence – Receipt of Green Church project materials:** Lisa outlined the correspondence from the Diocese which was an initiative outlined in a brochure that explained how we can develop an action plan for going green and meeting a Synod target for eliminating plastic.  
**Action Plan: Karen will decide how to address this and report to the next meeting.**
6. **Business arising from the minutes** – Action Items listed in the May 19, 2020 minutes have been updated in the appendix.
7. **Business arising from the August 16, 2020 AGM**– Updated roster of committee chairs and volunteers through to March 2021: **Motion: ; M/ Lisa/Hilary Moved to appoint the following people to Council Committees until the 2021 Annual Congregational Meeting. Carried:**
  - Building & Grounds: Charlie Blackburn, Gar Lee, Owen McCooey, John Peirce, Richard Pullano, Loretta Smith
  - Communication: Vanessa Downer, Hilary Plowright
  - Finance: Corinne Carlson, Jim Charlesworth, Lisa Griffith, Nancy Hetherington Peirce
  - Outreach: Pat Armstrong, Gail Reed, Betty Schultze
  - Pastoral Care: Susan Brockley, Hilary Plowright, Carolyn Pullano, Betty Schultze, Paddy Waymark
  - Personnel Relations: Rob Brockley, Brian Field, Lisa Griffith, Angela Nutter
  - Social & Fun: Christine Blackburn, Mollie Ford, Jean Rhodes, Susan Murray, David Soy
  - Worship: Sandy Brydges, Corinne Carlson, Owen McCooey, Mona Smart, Betty Schultze".
8. **Minister's Report** – A written report was submitted to Council and Karen spoke to a number of issues.

Angela expressed her appreciation for the work of the Visioning Team. Nancy made some suggestions for the continuing process going forward with visioning and the Visioning Team will take those suggestions to their planned meeting on Friday September 19.

9. **Communications Report** – A written report from Hilary was circulated and received. Angela, David, and through him, Christine Blackburn expressed their thanks and appreciation for the work that Hilary has done.
10. **Treasurer's Report** – A written report from Lisa was circulated and received and included the following proposed motions:
  - M/S Lisa/Karen. To remove the line item GIC interest from the 2020 budget. Carried.** Explanatory Note: Any interest will be included as Assets unless the GIC is cashed and then a decision will be made to where the interest will go.
  - Motion: M/S Lisa/Betty Moved that the \$466 dollar interest on the \$25,000 GIC will be deposited into the Property Reserve Fund. Carried**
  - Motion: M/Lisa/ David Moved that the \$1000 interest made from our GIC be reinvested into another 90 day GIC of 26,000 and that the \$74 be put into miscellaneous revenue. Carried.**
  - Motion: M/Lisa/Karen Moved that the remaining amount of \$1663 dollars remaining be removed from the Organ Purchase Fund into the Property Reserve Fund. Carried**
11. **Worship & Education Report** – A written report from Mona was circulated and received. Karen answered questions about the September 23, 2020, Outdoor Eucharist. Lisa is to review denominationally approved COVID protocol plan for outdoor Eucharist; see written report for implementation of COVID protocol plan and deployment of volunteers.
12. **Other Committee Reports**
  - **Personnel Relations** – Payment of contract workers (musician, administrator, cleaner, bookkeeper) ○ At the April 21, 2020 Council meeting, a motion was passed to continue paying all contractors as per their contracts, which means to the end of 2020; with Hiromi's compensation adjusted by a motion at the June 16, 2020 meeting to be paid as per the recommendation from the Personnel Relations Committee.
    - Personnel Relations Committee to begin considering the 2021 contracts in order to table options/recommendations for discussion at the October 15, 2020 Council meeting and the adoption of a direction at the November 19, 2020 meeting.
  - **Pastoral Care** – No written report
  - **Outreach** – A written report from Betty was circulated and received.
  - **Social/Fun** – Written report circulated from Christine. David talked about the Butterfly Project.
  - **Building & Grounds** – There is nothing much to report.
13. **Denominational Reports**
  1. **Synod of Diocese of BC** –the big issue is electing a bishop. **There is information on candidates on the website.**
  2. **Pacific Mountain Region** – October 16 on line is the Annual Meeting. They have organized a speaker Ron Haisitz to talk on leadership.
14. **New Business – Christmas Fundraiser: Motion: M/S Lisa/ David To approve in principle the concept of a Christmas Bake Sale/Fundraiser. Carried.**

**Action Item: Betty and Lisa will survey the congregation to see if there is enough interest in baking for a Christmas fundraiser.**

**Theological Banquet-** David asked a question about that.

15. Next Meeting – October 15, 2020

16. The meeting adjourned at 3:20.

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**Co-Chairperson      Nancy Hetherington-Peirce  
Schultze**

**Co-Secretary      Betty**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_