

M&M MINUTES
MAY 19, 2020 – ZOOM CALL

Our Mission: The Congregation of Kincardine United Church seeks to foster a journey of spiritual growth through hospitality, service, fellowship and study, and, in community, to build up the ministry of every person and together experience God's abundant love and grace.

PRESENT: Krista Ritchie, Liz Dillman, Gord Dunbar, Melinda Smegal, Bernd and Ursula Portz, Louanne Dudman, Charles Ludlow.

REGRETS:

CHAIR – Liz Dillman

SECRETARY – Krista Ritchie

CALL TO ORDER: 7:08

OPENING PRAYER - Gord

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: by consensus

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF MARCH 17 2019 MEETING: by consensus

CHECK IN FOR ALL MEMBERS – How is everyone coping during the pandemic?

All members gave a check in and some discussion surrounded the many hours Gord is putting in. Of course, Gord is enjoying the creative work of pulling these things together. (Was 60-80 hours for first two weeks now closer to 60)

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1. Becoming an Affirming Church Update
Friday June 26 will be a diversity service. Kincardine Pride have been notified of this intention. Affirming committee will be notified by Liz so that they can offer input.
2. Interfaith Dialogue – on hold
3. Consent and Capacity Information Night – on hold
4. Church Photo Directory
- postponed to June 2021
5. Blanket Exercise at KDSS – on hold
6. MART – on hold
7. Card Group – any update
8. Future Forums
- showing the TVO special "The Bruce" and have speakers
- do a morning session on the Water Walkers
9. **Church Picnic: we recommend possible postponement to fall to revisit the idea with input from programme**
10. **Mission Sunday**
- **Water Walkers – Gord is attempting to contact Wesley United for a contact for this group: Update: Have had no response at this point but Gord will continue to follow up.**
- **Other ideas – Food Bank, The Chalmers Community Garden**
*****the new refugee family*****
11. **Calls to Congregation – Melinda updated: 35 phoners, and she does some calling as well.**
12. **Food Grains Bank Project – update: sunflowers 2-3 acres will go in an area with some forest nearby for relaxation, possibly also adding an area of food for harvest.**

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Preparation and submission of minutes: please submit within 1 week.**
2. **Sunday June 21: Covid from the frontlines. Some time was spent discussing how we could both recognize and learn what the pandemic is like from the front lines.**

Mini video interviews, of Dr. Gurbin, Lydia: no frills, Chris Hartwick: the municipality, Louanne Dudman: PSW, Art Postuma: Trillium Court, Kent Padfield EMT, Bernd Portz: farmer. OPP officer, Becky Vance: parent schooling from home.

Judy was consulted to determine the best way to do this. We could record a zoom or send video bits to Judy via the cloud. Once Judy captures these videos from the cloud or in any manner, she can delete it from the cloud as we only have 4 Gig of memory. Some discussion followed regarding how this might be tackled, including potential editor/mini project coordinator. One person who came to mind for this task is Alex Peroff

“What feeds you as you do this? What gives you hope? What are the front lines like?”

Gord will do some framework on questions and circulate tomorrow. If anyone has other ideas on anyone who would assist with this project can share tomorrow.

3. Photo album of “beating the Isolation Blues!” Krista will Contact Wally Jirgens and see if he would take it on.

FUTURE FORUMS

Women and Poverty in Kincardine

Blanket Exercise at KDSS

Reconciliation Events

Play re Nawash

Round Table with community leaders – what do they want from KUC

Next Meeting – June 16 2020

Council Attendee for meeting: June 2, 2020 (Zoom meeting)

Next Chair: Krista-initiate zoom set up by texting Judy the date of the next meeting

Next Secretary: Melinda

Next Location: Zoom