

BRIDGEWATER UNITED CHURCH COUNCIL  
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES  
April 22, 2020

Present: Ewart Morse, Blake Hirtle, Corrine Zinck, Rev. Jeff Chant, David Walker, Brian Buck

Item	Topic/Discussion	Action
<b>1.</b>	<b>Call to Order</b>	
	A Church Council Executive meeting was held on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 via Zoom. Ewart Morse called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Financial Update</b>	
	<p>Blake Hirtle reported that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revenue for the period up to the end of last week has been reasonable.</li> <li>• The custodian has received her first cheque from the Canada Emergency Response Benefit.</li> <li>• The custodian’s health benefits have been extended. The United Church of Canada will cover the first three months and Bridgewater United Church will be responsible for payment after that.</li> <li>• Application has been made through ADP Payroll Service for the 10% Wage Subsidy re the Ministers and the Office Administrator.</li> <li>• Council Executive met last week with David Hewitt to update Region 15 regarding staffing decisions that have been made at Bridgewater United.</li> </ul>	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Insurance Claim</b>	
	Blake Hirtle reported that he spoke to Danny Carey and Danny is fairly sure that we are entitled to payment. The second party insurer (Lloyd’s of London) is reluctant to pay but the local Insurers want to pay. The matter may end up in court.	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Updates</b>	
	<p>Rev. Chant reported that there has still been no direction from Region 15 regarding church usage beyond April 30<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>The following updates were given:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rev. Chant advised that a Prayer Vigil will be held tonight at 8 p.m. on both our Facebook page and via Zoom.</li> <li>• Rev. Chant has contacted CKBW and our service this week needs to be converted to an audio file. They will fill in the balance of the time with music. He will request that they place the video on their Facebook page.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ewart Morse and Karen Crouse continue to work on the Stewardship plan.</li> <li>Profile Committee - the Living Faith Story has gone to the Ministry and Personnel Committee and they have provided suggestions. Currently waiting for percentages for the 50% ministry personnel position.</li> </ul>	Corrine Zinck will contact Angela Clifton who can provide the percentages.
<b>5.</b>	<b>Lennie Gallant Concert</b>	
	Rev. Chant advised that Dec 11, 2020 has been confirmed for the Lennie Gallant "Innkeeper's Christmas" concert. We are unable to accommodate the Atlantic Sound Machine who accompanies him unless the price is reduced.	Brian Buck will book hotel accommodations. Ewart Morse will contact Ivan Rodenhiser to book the date.
<b>6.</b>	<b>More Voices for St. David's United Church, Bible Hill</b>	
	We had agreed to provide copies of More Voices in response to a request from St. David's United Church in Bible Hill. Rev. Chant advised that they require 68 copies. David Walker had previously selected books that had no dedication cards to give to them.	David Walker will place the books in a carton and place them in the corner of the Choir Room until they can be delivered.
<b>7.</b>	<b>Flagpole</b>	
	David Walker advised that the Worship Committee is requesting a flagpole which can be used to display the Pride flag in the narthex and at other locations throughout the complex. He has been unable to find one in the building. It was agreed that it would be easy to construct one for this use.	
<b>8.</b>	<b>Future Meetings</b>	
	It was agreed that the Executive should continue to meet on a weekly basis. Meetings are currently booked via Zoom until April 29, 2020.	Rev. Chant will contact Region 15 to schedule Zoom meetings for May.
<b>9.</b>	<b>Closing</b>	
	The meeting closed at 10:15 a.m.	

Respectfully submitted,

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Corrine Zinck, Secretary

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Ewart Morse, Chair