

BRIDGEWATER UNITED CHURCH COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
October 14, 2020

Present: Brian Buck, Rev. Jeff Chant, Blake Hirtle, David Walker, Corrine Zinck
Absent: Jo-Anne Ferrier

Item	Topic/Discussion	Action
1.	Call to Order	
	A Church Council Executive meeting was held on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 in the Chapel of Bridgewater United Church. David Walker, Chair, called the meeting to order with prayer at 7:15 p.m.	
2.	Additions/Deletions to the Agenda	
	One addition to the agenda: UCW Christmas Sale	
3.	Minutes – July 15, 2020	
	Motion: Corrine Zinck/Brian Buck that the Minutes of the September 9, 2020 Council Executive meeting be approved as circulated. Motion Carried.	
4.	Online Ministry	
	<p>The following was discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The poor quality of the online service last week was technical – due to the wind. • Who is watching each week? – a few hundred • Is the purpose of the online ministry to meet the needs of our congregation or to reach out to others? • Costs involved: Minister’s and Tracy’s time; David Doggett and Todd Langille are volunteers. • Rev. Jeff explained that what is produced to attract others would be more work • Recording studio: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ nothing has been done yet ○ need to know what we want ○ need to know costs involved ○ need high-top table and stools • At what point do we need to decide about online vs in-person? NOW • Cannot afford to cancel online now because we may lose everything 	David Walker to reach out to Kenny Anthony – Bill Pyke may be a good resource too.
5.	Chair’s Updates	
	David Walker reported that he has no history on the operations of the United Church of Canada. He has attended committee meetings of Faith Formation and Ministry and Personnel and has attended a Region 15 workshop on the role of the Ministry and Personnel Committee.	

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6.	Minister's Updates	
	Rev. Jeff reported that: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The majority of the surveys received back so far would like to see online worship continue• Wendy Fraser has been requested to do a solo at the in-person church service on Sunday, October 18th• For the in-person church service, help is needed to do sign in, usher, clean up, etc.• Lennie Gallant concert has been cancelled	
7.	Treasurer's Update	
	The Treasurer's report and explanatory notes for 9 months ended 30 September 2020 has been circulated.	
7.	New Business	
	UCW - Christmas Sale - the UCW realizes that, due to COVID-19 restrictions, it will be unable to hold their annual Christmas Bazaar as usual. They are requesting permission to set up 3 tables (in the Narthex, at the main entrance or in the Sanctuary) to sell Jams & Jellies, Christmas Baking & Christmas Crafts and allowing only 4 to 6 people in to purchase at a time. It was agreed that UCW could hold the event, preferably in the Sanctuary.	
8.	Closing	
	The meeting closed at 8:25 p.m.	

Respectfully submitted,

Corrine Zinck, Secretary

David Walker, Chair