

**Prairie Spirit United Church  
Community of Faith Meeting  
Sunday, November 27, 2022  
12:30 PM**

**MINUTES**

**Welcome** - Val Goodridge

**12:25 pm**

**1. Opening Prayer** – Val Goodridge

**2. Introduction of Reverend Karen Lumley** - Val Goodridge

**3. Meeting Protocols** - Val Goodridge

**4. Procedural Motions**

**Election of Meeting Secretary**

**MOTION 1**

Moved by Linda Uhrich

Seconded by Chris Urban

**Carried**

None opposed

Whereas the Oversight Council does not have a Secretary, Pat Rothney will serve as Secretary of this Community of Faith Meeting.

**MOTION 2 - Only members may vote on this motion**

Moved by Sylvia Graham

Seconded by Shirley Hill

**Carried**

None Opposed

That all adherents present at the Community of Faith Meeting of Prairie Spirit United Church, held on November 27, 2022, be granted voting privileges on all matters coming before the meeting.

**5. Finance - Motion to Appoint an Auditor** Mike Hill

**MOTION**

Moved by Mike Hill

Seconded by Carol Scott

**Carried**

None Opposed

That Prairie Spirit United Church appoint the firm of, The Exchange Group, to complete a full audit for calendar year 2022 at a cost of \$6,000.00.

**6. Governance Review Report** Joycelyn Fournier-Gawryluk

### **MOTION 1**

Moved by Wendy Murphy

Seconded by Donna Little

**Carried**

Abstentions: 0

Opposed: 0

That the number of Standing Teams be reduced to six, which will serve to reduce the number of people serving on the Oversight Council.

**Revision** from the floor: Executive meet at least 7 times/year. Full Oversight Council meets 4 times/year.

### **Questions:**

#### **Jeannie McAlpine:**

M&P experience shared and questioning the search for a new M&P Team. Rev. Lumley responded and will speak to this during the viability discussion

**Carol Scott:** Thank you to the Governance Team. Appreciate the lunch very much, it was a great start to the meeting.

When will the new Governance Model take effect? Hopefully soon after this meeting with congregational approval. Based on comfort and approval of the Congregation we can approve today or in January if time is needed.

Were the skills of the members considered when teams were combined? E.g. Finance and Stewardship. Yes – joint leadership based on focus would be a possibility as well as addition of members focused on tasks versus leadership may occur.

### **MOTION 2**

Moved by Betty Roger

Seconded by Heather MacMillan

**Carried**

Abstentions: 0

Opposed: 0

That the Oversight Council Executive meet at least seven times a year. Chairs of the Standing Teams not on the Executive will receive minutes and may attend as corresponding members, taking part in discussions but not voting.

### **MOTION 3**

Moved by Louise Groulx

Seconded by John McLeod

**Carried**

Abstentions: 0

Opposed: 0

That the full Oversight Council will meet at least four times a year, once per quarter, when full consultation on matters of the Council is needed.

### **MOTION 4**

Moved by Linda Uhrich

Seconded by Jim Poole

**Carried**

Abstentions: 0

Opposed: 0

That the revised Governance document be accepted.

## **7. The Looking Forward Team Report** Pat Rothney

The team completed their mandate and prepared their report and shared with the Oversight Council on 18-October-22. Until our viability is confirmed by Prairie to Pine Region Community of Faith Support Committee, the report cannot be shared with the congregation.

## **8. Overview of current leadership roles that are vacant**

Overview of vacant current leadership roles was overviewed by Val with an invitation for members to join the current teams and consider leadership roles.

## **9. Board of Trustees Resignation**

### **MOTION**

Moved by Louise Groulx

Seconded by Chris Urban

**Carried**

Abstentions: 0

Opposed: 0

That John McLeod's resignation from the Board of Trustees, due to a health issue, be accepted.

## **10. Board of Trustees Appointment**

### **MOTION**

Moved by Judy Lawrence

Seconded by Sylvia Graham

**Carried**

Abstentions: 0

Opposed: 0

That the following people be appointed to the Board of Trustees of Prairie Spirit United Church through nominations from the floor:

Ernie Gallan

John Lawrence

## **11. Prairie Spirit Future Viability** Reverend Karen Lumley

Rev. Lumley described the key elements required for us to be deemed a viable congregation in the United Church:

1. Nothing can be done to move forward without an M&P Team
2. Need a permanent Treasurer
3. Need a full slate of officers on the Oversight Council

## **12. Introduction of the New Ministry and Personnel Team**

Val Goodridge introduced the new M&P Team of Anne Walker, Bill Percy and Colin Russell. She thanked them for discerning that this was a way they could help Prairie Spirit be a viable Community of Faith. The Oversight Council will meet to officially appointed these people to the M&P Team in

the next week.

## **12. Closing Prayer - Reverend Karen Lumley**

## **12. Adjournment: 1:20pm**

### **ATTENDANCE**

Carol Blacher	Judy Restall	Reverend Karen Lumley
Sherri Glazer	Gillian Welsh	Don Armstrong
Bryan Gawryluk	Gary Crouch	Norine Crouch
Joan Cole	Colleen Ormonde	Heather Friesen
Mary Lee Leckey	Chris Urban	Jeanie McAlpine
Deb McAlpine	Fran Ferguson	Judy Brown
Doug Cottrell	Sharon McIntyre	Diane Proutt
Marilyn McCorrister	Michael Hill	Shirley Hill
Ivan Poitras	June Poitras	Thomas Ormonde
Heather MacMillan	Norma Crockett	David Crockett
Marjorie Evason	Bill Percy	Louise Groulx
Sylvia Graham	Ernie Gallant	Anne Walker
Betty Rogers	Marsha Jones	Joycelyn Fournier-Gawryluk
Pat Rothney	Judy Lawrence	John Lawrence
Tom Carlyle	Naomi McLeod	John McLeod
Linda Uhrich	Carol Scott	Val Goodridge
Colleen McIntyre	Anga Kroeker	Marg Fisher
Barbara Plummer	Jim Poole	Christine Hashimoto
Doug McPherson	Darlene McPherson	Marg Devries
Donna Little	Wendy Murphy	