

Minutes of Meeting of Mt. Seymour United Church Council
Held at 1200 Parkgate Ave., North Vancouver, B.C.
Monday, September 14, 2009

Present: Judy Ashburne, Kathryn Ferriss, Ken Fowler, Jen-Beth Fulton, Frank Luba, Steve Macdonald, Dilys Sostad, Rev. Nancy Talbot, Kelly Vogt, and Brenda Sasche

Regrets: Alan Furniss.

Chair Ashbourne called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes of previous meeting deferred because not complete.

Meeting opened with Rev. Talbot's intention to come up with a roster for future opening reflections on the topic of something council members wish to bring to share that caused you to stop and think about your life in faith,

Business Arising:

Music -- Mary Sparks has agreed to lead the younger children's choir while the youth and junior youth choir are being combined into one choir, the leadership of which has yet to be determined.

Important Dates -- Sept. 20, new website preview for the congregation (with kudos to Kathryn Clinton for her great efforts on the project);

Oct. 4, Talent Show and Potluck dinner; Oct. 17,

Antiques and Collectibles sale in the Thrift Shop;

Oct. 18, Oct. 25, Nov. 1, Nov. 8, Rev. Nancy's Sermon Series 'A Different Kind of Church';

Nov. 7, Annual Gala; Dec. 13, Christmas Concert.

Rev. Nancy Sabbatical -- A committee will be struck to find a replacement for Rev. Nancy as she has three months of sabbatical plus vacation, which means a gap of four months.

Team Reports

Mission and Outreach -- Work continues on the project to partner with Parkgate Community Centre on a community project to bus the frail and elderly in the area on regular outings.

Congregational Life -- Work proceeding on Nov. 7 Gala, which will again feature the Deep Cove big band.

Presbytery Report -- Jen-Beth reported on the 40th General Council that was held in Kelowna in August. Mardi Tindal has been elected Moderator. You can read about her on the United Church website and in October's Observer magazine.

Israeli - Palestine Issue: General Council, after deliberating on proposal to boycott Israel, recommended that, after prayerful discussion and study, individual churches discern their own response that they feel called to make.

Next Council Meeting: Oct. 5 at 5 p.m.

Judy Ashburne, _____
Chair

Frank Luba, _____
Recording Secretary