

Minutes of Meeting of Mt. Seymour United Church Council
Held at 1200 Parkgate Ave., North Vancouver, B.C.
Wednesday, April 7, 2010

Present: *Judy Ashbourne, Ken Fowler, Jen-Beth Fulton, Alan Furniss, Brian Ralph, Rev. Nancy Talbot.*

Guests: *Wade Lifton.*

Regrets: *Ward Branch, Frank Luba, Steve Macdonald, Dilys Sostad, Kelly Vogt*

Chair Ashbourne opened the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Rev. Talbot opened with a reflection by Joyce Rupp on Resurrection.

The minutes of the meeting of February 24 were received and reviewed.

Worship Plans for April to August 2010: the detailed plan for Worship from now until next August were reviewed and approved. (See attached plan).

A Team: Plans for the work parties for next Saturday and Sunday are in place. Lunch will be served to the workers on both days.

VIM Report: Ken Fowler has sent a full report , including the “Something’s Happening Here” campaign, “Our Daily Bread” campaign, Annual Report, and supplementary correspondence with National Office to Presbytery to support our request for a 5 year deferment of our VIM Loan for presentation to the full Presbytery Council.

Congregational Life Team: the Maundy Thursday Dinner was well supported and very successful.

Ministry and Personnel Team: Team membership is in a state of flux. Brian Ralph made a point of complementing Kathryn Ferriss on her fine work during her years as Chair.

Mission and Outreach Team: Parkgate Centre has put off the scheduled meeting re Transportation for the frail elderly west of the Seymour. We will continue to follow up on this.

Worship Team: The Team met April 6 and reviewed the attached Sabbatical period worship plan mentioned above. The Team is contemplating holding a workshop focusing on a “Spiritual Gifts Inventory”. Kathryn Clinton is working to round out the plan.

Michael Ertsinger has asked about holding a meditation group of his friends in the Church. A letter of memorandum or a contract for use of space, with a nominal rental, is being prepared.

Kimiko’s administrative details have been approved and put in place.

Events: 19 April – Workshop with Moderator Mardi Tindall.

20 April – Earth Day – Sacred Celebration at Canadian Memorial , 7-9 p.m.

15 May – Vancouver-Burrard Presbytery – “Stepping Further Out” finding new ways to connect with “spiritual but not religious people in our communities” – at Highlands United Church.

Stewardship: We need a functioning committee to work on upcoming projects.

Children and Family Ministry: a proposed Job Description (attached) for submission to Presbytery was reviewed and approved. A separate description for a Youth Leader is needed.

Rev Talbot closed the meeting with a prayer of thanks for all involved in the work of this church – staff, Council, team members and congregation.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Next Meeting
Wednesday May 5, 2010
at 7:00 p.m.

Judy Ashbourne, _____
Chair

Alan Furniss, _____
Recording Secretary

