

**Minutes of the meeting of Mt. Seymour United Church Council
held at 1200 Parkgate Avenue, North Vancouver, B.C.
Wednesday, January 18, 2012**

Present: *Alan Furniss, Steve Macdonald, Doug Querns, Bryan Ralph, Bette Shippam, Dilys Sostad, Rev. Nancy Talbot, Kelly Vogt.*

Guest: *Nicholas Alexandre. (Field Education Student)*

Regrets: *Ward Branch, Kathryn Clinton.*

Chairman Vogt called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

M/S (Vogt/Ralph) that the Minutes of the meeting of November 9, 2011 be approved as amended. **Carried.**

Chris Corrigan update: - Rev. Talbot advised of two teleconferences with Corrigan since November 9. More than 50 members of the Congregation (including all members of Council) have signed up for the January 28 all-day planning meeting.

Bette Shippam shared with us her favourite Hymn – “Spirit of Life”.

Thrift Shop grossed some \$99,980.79 last year with expenses of \$1071.40.

Budget: Council reviewed and discussed the currently available numbers to be presented back to Council, as a draft budget, for further review and comment.

Dates to remember:

March 4 – Annual General Meeting,

May 5&6 - Work party – Clean Up – Paint Up.

Bethel Lee is in Discernment toward Ordination. She is going to be part of a new national Pilot Project on new routes to entering the ministry. If she is received as a Candidate for Ordination she will need to complete an Internship.

First United Church: Bryan Ralph, a board member at 1st, advised that things are “looking good there – the Interim Directors have really impressed me”.

They will be speaking to our Congregation after regular service here on Sunday, January 22.

Council Vacancies:

We need to find a new **Presbytery Representative** and a **Member at Large**.

The Cove Community Church began worshipping in our Sanctuary in January and **St. Clare in the Cove**, Anglican Church will join us here on January 22.

Rev. Talbot reviewed the hopes that Council had expressed, in November, for the coming year and asked the Spirit to help us to make them occur.

The meeting adjourned at 10.17 p.m.

Next Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 8

6.00 p.m.

March Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 14

Kelly Vogt, Chairman_____

Alan Furniss,
Recording Secretary_____