

**Minutes of the meeting of Mt. Seymour United Church Council
Held at 1200 Parkgate Avenue, North Vancouver, B.C.
Wednesday, March 12, 2014**

Present: Rev. Nancy Talbot, Kelly Vogt, Kathryn Clinton, Nancy Stonkus, Laura Staude, Meg Clarke, Ward Branch, Donna Dinsmore (ex-officio), Bette Shippam, Lisa Reinders, Doug Querns

Regrets: James Fulton

Guests: Stan Joughin representative for the A Team
Roger Brain future council member

Chair *Vogt* called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

Rev. Talbot opened the meeting by asking the council members to sit in meditative silence contemplating the events that had taken place in their day. We each then responded with something we felt grateful for. Rev. Talbot followed with a reading from Kneeling in Jerusalem by Ann Weems.

M/S (Clinton/Staude) that the Amended Minutes of the Council Meeting of February 12, 2014 be approved as circulated. **Carried.**

Business Arising From Prior Meetings

Building Meeting Follow-up

There were approximately 54 attendees at the Building meeting on March 9, 2014, with a majority indicating they were in favor of the proposed building plan.

Kelly Vogt will send a response to the Preschool thanking them for their participation in the meeting and letting them know that a decision will be communicated to them after the vote at the AGM on March 30.

AGM Planning

M/S(Vogt/Branch) that council approves the following notice going forward to the congregation at the AGM. **Carried.**

Motion - To renovate according to the building plan as per schedule A approximated at \$500,000.00 contingent upon approval by the District of North Vancouver, Vancouver-Burrard Presbytery, and raising sufficient funds.

M/S(Branch/Clarke) that council approves the following notice going forward to the congregation at the AGM. **Carried.**

Motion - to launch a capital campaign to raise necessary funds for the building plan as per schedule A estimated at approximately \$500,000.00.

The AGM tentative agenda was reviewed by council.

New Business

M & P Contracts

Laura Staude updated council on the latest JNAC (Joint Needs Assessment Committee) decisions regarding staffing. The current contract for Donna Dinsmore covers the time frame of July 2013 to July 2014.

M/S (Shippam/Quern) to approve the renewal of the one year appointment for Donna Dinsmore effective July 2014 to July 2015. **Carried.**

A Team Update

Stan Joughin updated council with details of various maintenance projects ongoing with the church building. Leaks in the roof and with the dishwasher were highlighted.

Rev. Nancy Talbot closed the meeting with words of gratitude and a prayer.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

**Next Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday April 9, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

Kelly Vogt, Chairman_____

Nancy Stonkus, Recording Secretary_____