**Niverville United Church**

***Annual General Meeting***

**March 19, 2022**

**Present: See attached list – 27 in attendance; quorum reached**

(Rev Simba, Lesley Reimer, Roxanne Anderson, Terri MacDonald, Judith and Eric Hinton, Stacy Keam-Froese, Gloria Nicol, Ellen Gaudry, Kris Church, Pat and Alfred Tetlock, Myra Kehler, Clare and Tom McLarty, Valerie Neyedley, Betty Koop, Judy Limpright, Joan Rempel, Riley Keam, Bill and Jeannie and Dustin McVicar, Susan and Neil Friesen, Andrew and Valerie Grantham)

**Call to order** – Chair, Lesley Reimer, at 11:15 am and opened with a prayer.

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**MOTIONS**

**MOTION # 1** – To appoint Terri MacDonald as Recording Secretary for the AGM.

–Judy Limpright put forth the motion.

– Seconded by Roxanne Anderson

– No votes against

– CARRIED

**MOTION # 2** – To extend voting privileges to the congregants/adherents.

– Heather Watt put forth the motion

– Seconded by Judith Hinton

– No votes against

– CARRIED

**MOTION # 3** – To accept the agenda as presented.

- Myra Kehler put forth the motion

– Seconded by Ellen Gaudry

– No votes against

– CARRIED

**MOTION #4** – Minutes from AGM, held on March 6, 2022, be accepted as printed.

* Valerie Grantham put forth the motion.
* Seconded by Tom McLarty
* No votes against
* CARRIED

**MOTION #5** – Minutes of the congregational meeting held on June 27, 2022, be accepted as printed.

* Stacy Keam-Froese put forth the motion.
* Seconded by Susan Friesen
* No votes against
* CARRIED

**MOTION #**6 – To accept the 2022 annual report as received and read.

- Andrew Grantham put forth the motion

- Seconded by Roxanne Anderson

- No votes against

- CARRIED

**MOTION #7** – On page 12 of the 2022 Annual Report, under Review of Financial Records, change

date from “2023” to 2022

- Andrew Grantham put forth the motion

- Seconded by Clare McLarty

- No votes against

- CARRIED

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**Report from Valerie Grantham on Budget/financials**

\*Please refer to 2-page account statement provided

- General offerings are expected to increase approximately $11,000.00.

- Administrative expenses last year included a new laptop and Quick Books program for Treasurer.

- Insurance for the church is about $1000.00 less than last year as we switched to an UCC carrier.

- Depreciation value included due to the life span for the tech equipment; this is considered a

“non-cash expense”.

- Cost of salaries will increase as we moved from a ¼ time minister to ½ time. Last year’s high rate of expenses included moving fees for Rev Simba to MB.

- We are projected to run at a loss again this year.

**MOTION #8** – To accept the financial report as presented.

- Motion put forth by Roxanne Anderson

- Seconded by Judy Limpright

- No votes against

- CARRIED

**MOTION #9** – The amount of $3274.00 will be our goal for Mission and Service.

- Motion put forth by Betty Koop

- Seconded by Ellen Gaudry

- No votes against

- CARRIED

**MOTION #10** – To correct the amount noted for M&S goal from $3274.00 to $3929.00

- Motion put forth by Andrew Grantham

- Seconded by Roxanne Anderson

**MOTION #11** – To accept the 2023 Operating Budget as presented.

- Motion put forth by Valerie Grantham

- Seconded by Heather Watt

- No votes against

- CARRIED

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**Courtesies:**

\* A big 'thank you' to Valerie Grantham for all her work as Treasurer and council member

\* A big 'thank you' to the United In Spirit Collaborative team from 2022 – Eric Hinton, Lesley Reimer, Laura Rempel, Bill McVicar and Roxanne Anderson – for making our churches a cohesive family.

\* Thanks go to the Worship Planning Team – Rev Simba, Roxanne Anderson, Bill McVicar and Judy Limpright – for all their work in providing us with weekly direction.

\* Many heart felt thanks goes to Bonnie and Ethel for picture taking for the joint directory.

\* Warm thanks to Betty Koop for hosting the prayer shawl get togethers and, along with Clare McLarty, for taking care of the shawls.

\* Thank you from Susan Friesen to Heather Watt for helping with the donations and decorating of the church.

\* To the Tech Team, we wish to let you all know how very much appreciated you are and that we will remain patient with all the unforeseen events that occur with technology.

\* We express our gratitude to Lesley Reimer for her many years of hard work as Chair of the council and for granting us one more year.

\* Thanks also goes out to Stacy Keam-Froese for keeping us all up to date with the weekly newsletter and to Brielle Reimer for keeping our church clean.

\* From Rev Simba to the congregation – thank you for communicating and sharing the needs of the congregants and for giving him the opportunity to be a part of our community.

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**Committees**

\*Positions that need to be filled:

1) Treasurer as of the end of June 2023; Valerie will still be around to assist the new person.

2) Finance – In need of one more person.

3) Trustee – In need of one more person

4) Those who are interested in learning tech operations, ie, how to operate the live streaming equipment so that we can have enough volunteers to provide a rotating schedule.

5) Song leaders (2-3) to lead and join in the singing with the congregation.

- Annette Bryant has joined the Pastoral Care Committee, in charge of writing/sending cards.

\*Anyone interested in any of the above positions are invited to email the church or speak with any member of council.

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**New Business**

* Coffee Circles – As noted in the newsletter, on the Face Book page and on the website, these small events will be a time of getting to know each other and Rev Simba. A sign up sheet is at the back of the church; hosts are needed to attend with 6-8 guests during the time of sharing. Hosts will coordinate time frame with Rev Simba
* It was noted just how much the recipients of prayer shawls appreciate the gift.
* Ladies Christmas Party of 2022 was a huge success, with people expressing how appreciative they are now that events such as this one can resume post-pandemic. Many thanks given to all who donated and helped!
* Reminder that the Card/Game Party has returned and will happen in April this year…check out the newsletter for more information.

**\*\*Meeting adjourned at 12:05pm\*\***