

Executive
Horseshoe Falls Regional Council
OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

Supports, Connects, Empowers Communities of Faith

AGENDA Thursday, December 10, 2020, 6:30 pm via Zoom

Roster: Kate Young (President), Robert Lawson (President Elect), John Hurst (Treasurer), Judith Gilliland, Deborah Laforet, Win Czum, Wendy Lowden, Lorna MacQueen, Adrienne Robertson, Thea Sheridan-Jonah, Pat Tooley, Diane Viney

Staff Support: Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa, Executive Minister, Sue Duliban, Executive Assistant

Present: Kate Young (President), Robert Lawson (President Elect), John Hurst (Treasurer), Judith Gilliland, Deborah Laforet, Win Czum, Wendy Lowden, Lorna MacQueen, Adrienne Robertson, Thea Sheridan-Jonah, Pat Tooley

Regrets: Diane Viney

Welcome and Constitute Meeting (Kate Young)

I constitute this meeting in the name of Jesus Christ, the one true head of the Church and by the authority vested in me by this meeting of the Horseshoe Falls Regional Council I call this meeting to order for whatever business may properly come before it. The bounds of the meeting will be the Zoom call.

Acknowledging the Land (Kate Young)

Opening Worship (Kate Young)

Advent devotional "Draw Near: The House of the Lord" (United Church of Christ)

Connecting/Meeting

What brings you joy in this Advent season?

Welcome New Members

Introductions - for returning members "What you have found rewarding?" and for new "What made you volunteer?"

Regional Council Purpose Statement: Supports, Connects, Empowers Communities of Faith

Values

- 1) Love unconditionally
- 2) Seek reconciliation
- 3) Risk courageously

Priorities

For Assessment

Communities of Faith Support/Pastoral Relations

Communication/Resources Support

For M&S

Children and Youth

Chaplaincy

Social Justice

Review of Duties from HF Governance Handbook

Suggestion from Wendy Lowden: that there be some kind of orientation to those new to regional council. Agreed to devote some time in the new year to this issue. Suggestion made that a group within

the executive, in partnership with staff, could twice a year offer an evening webinar to provide an orientation.

Consent Docket

MOVED: Adrienne Robertson /Deborah Laforet

To approve the consent docket.

Any of the following matters that require discussion can be lifted from the consent docket and voted upon separately:

A. Enabling Motions/Proposals

1. That the proposed Agenda be approved as presented.
2. That the minutes of the September 15, 2020, September 17, 2020 and September 30, 2020 meetings be approved as distributed.
3. That motions be written and given to the Secretary.

B. Horseshoe Falls Regional Council (9) Omnibus motion December 10, 2020

That the Horseshoe Falls Regional Council (9) Executive take the following actions:

a) Cave Springs Camp Inc.

...approve Cave Springs Camp Inc. 2020-2021 Board of Directors

Elizabeth Agnew
 Mary Beth Anger
 Margaret Blewett
 Caroline Duffus
 David Duffus
 Evan Gillespie
 Heather Grundy
 Carol Halford
 Steven Johnston
 David Martin
 Don Martindale
 David Reid
 Nancy Risto
 Al Simpson
 Geoff Thompson
 Saskia Van Arragon
 Kate Young
 David Wood

This is based on the draft Corporation Meeting minutes of April 18 and June 20, 2020, the 2020 board member approval form, the board contact list provided and receipt of other required documentation per The United Church of Canada Incorporated Ministries Policy.

b) Five Oaks Christian Workers Centre operating as Five Oaks Centre

...based on the guidance received from General Council Staff, pursuant to the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada approve By-Law of the incorporated ministry known as the Five Oaks Christian Workers Centre operating as Five Oaks Centre.

These are based on the draft Annual General Meeting minutes of November 22, 2020, and receipt of other required documentation per The United Church of Canada Incorporated Ministries Policy.

c) Glenco Nursing Home Management (GNHM)

....approve the Glenco Nursing Home Management 2019-2020 Board of Directors

Allan Anderson
Bruce Francis
Kendra Hobbes
Chris Middlebro
Doug Mills
Harold Reimer
Robert Stapleford

This is based on the draft Minutes of Annual General Meeting of April 7, 2019, the 2019 board member approval form, the board contact list provided and receipt of other required documentation per The United Church of Canada incorporated ministries policy.

....approve the Glenco Nursing Home Management 2020-2021 Board of Directors

Allan Anderson
Bruce Francis
Kendra Hobbes
Chris Middlebro
Doug Mills
Harold Reimer
Robert Stapleford

This is based on the draft Minutes of Annual Meeting of April 26, 2020, the 2020 board member approval form, the board contact list provided and receipt of other required documentation per The United Church of Canada incorporated ministries policy.

****N.B.** *proof of insurance has not been received for this incorporated ministry. During follow up it was discovered the congregational insurance does not cover the corporation as the board was first informed. The board continues to work on this. Executive Minister is aware of this concern and staff is working through this with the corporation.*

d) Halton United Church Extension Council

....approve Halton United Church Extension Council 2020-2021 Board of Directors

John Hurst
Doug Mills
Frank O'Byrne
Alastair Skinner
David Wheeler

This is based on the draft Minutes of Annual General Meeting of June 24, 2020, the 2020 board member approval form, the board contact list provided and receipt of other required documentation per The United Church of Canada Incorporated Ministries Policy.

- e) Niagara Presbytery United Church Extension Council
....approve Niagara Presbytery United Church Extension Council 2020-2021 Board of Directors
John Bowman
Jim Bradley
Bonnie Bryan
Rick Chandler
Jim Dohn
Sheila Laundry
Bill Leighfield
Bruce Lilley
Larry McRae
Val Spear
Diane Walker

This is based on the draft Annual Meeting minutes of October 20, 2020, the 2020 board member approval form, the board contact list provided and receipt of other required documentation per The United Church of Canada Incorporated Ministries Policy.

- f) Tansley Park Community Homes Inc.
....approve Tansley Park Community Homes Inc. 2020-2021 Board of Directors
John Allchin
Ron Caldwell
Mary Ruth Crabb
Rhonda Cutler
Bruce Merwart
Bill Nicholson
Ross Stephen

This is based on the draft Annual Meeting minutes of November 2, 2020, the 2020 board member approval form, the board contact list provided and receipt of other required documentation per The United Church of Canada Incorporated Ministries Policy.

- g) Wesley Urban Ministries Inc.
....approve Wesley Urban Ministries Inc. 2020-2021 Board of Directors
Shirley Bainbridge
Willem deRuijter
Ryan Hay
Julie Vernon Holmes
Klim Khomenko
Bartek Lasota
Lebené Numekevor
Kaush Parameswaran
Robin J. Wilkie
Howard Williamson

This is based on the draft Annual General Meeting minutes of October 28, 2020, the 2020 board member approval form, the board contact list provided and receipt of other required documentation per The United Church of Canada Incorporated Ministries Policy.

C. To receive the following correspondence and address it as it arises in the agenda

1. Letter to HFRC re AGM draft 5
2. Niagara Extension Council Fund Requests (see Proposal 2)
3. Learning Grant application (for approval)
4. Campus.Chaplains Letter (for information)
5. Mission & Service Results to Dec 4 2020 (for information)

Motion CARRIED

Business Arising

1. Fall Meeting Evaluation

Overall favourable comments were heard. Suggestion to make sure feedback form can be easily found. Suggestion to make breakout rooms longer; have a definite ending to each segment. Pre-recorded pieces were positively received. One detailed letter received. President Kate will reply letting the writer know the executive is being intentional about following concerns outlined, noting a workshop to be planned for all three regional council executives/commissions with Adele Halliday, UCC Anti-Racism and Equity Officer, continuing training and building awareness. Suggestion that should not make assumptions about what people are thinking based on the look on their face in zoom. Include equity on every executive agenda. Kudos to all who gave leadership.

2. Finalize 2021 Budget

John Hurst noted that there were some final changes made to the 2021 budget, but basically what presented at the regional council meeting has stood. Have kept costs in line and are able to do all the things we want to do.

3. Commission reports

Mission and Discipleship: No report

Covenant Commission (Adrienne Robertson): In the new year will be bringing forward a proposal around funding for rural connect program. Will send information and documentation ahead of time.

Human Resources Commission (Pat Tooley): Work of the commission pretty much stays along the same lines. Excited that LLWLs are being approved and there are folks coming on resource team. Always looking for liaisons.

Win Czum left the meeting.

New Business

1. Executive Minister's Accountability Report – December 2020 (for information)

Question was asked if there was a National Indigenous Council decision. Cheryl-Ann noted that this is still not clear, but evolving and is better. Tim Hackborn, Office of Vocation Minister/Community Capacity Development Coordinator provides support.

2. Proposal 1: Amendment to Governance Handbook

MOVED: John Hurst / Lorna MacQueen

To amend the Governance Handbook by amending/adding to the section "Meetings" to read: The schedule for meetings will be reviewed following the election of new members and set for the coming year with a view to workload and personal schedules. The majority of meetings happen virtually. **CARRIED.**

3. Proposal 2: Niagara Extension Council Fund Requests

MOVED: Adrienne Robertson / John Hurst

The HFRC Executive endorses:

- 1) The transfer of \$500 from the Niagara Extension Council fund to the operating budget of Horseshoe Falls Regional Council; and
- 2) The requests from Niagara Extension Council as submitted. **CARRIED**

4. Learning Grant Application

MOVED: Robert Lawson / Wendy Lowden

That the application for a Learning Grant in the amount of \$249.99 submitted by Mary Parsons, be approved. **CARRIED**

5. Meeting dates: **Agreed** by consensus to meet the fourth Wednesday of the month, 5:30 pm.

6. Campus.Chaplains Letter (received for information)

President Kate will send a letter to the chaplaincies in Horseshoe Falls, on behalf of executive, saying we are thinking of them.

Looking ahead

1. Retreat

President Kate would like to do a retreat to do some visioning as the executive goes forward and help us get to know about each other. Talking to Betty Pries, with Cheryl-Ann, to plan zoom retreat.

Matters want to draw to executive's attention, not to tackle now, just so they don't get lost on our agenda

2. Affirm Action Plan

3. BLM follow-up/racial justice training. Cheryl-Ann has put out a call to Stephen Fetter and is waiting to hear back.

President Kate closed the meeting with prayer.

Motion to adjourn: Deborah Laforet

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 5:30 pm.