

Westminster Presbytery **Regular Meeting Held At West Burnaby United Church Tues. September 6, 2006**

Present: (lay) Robert Berkowski, Lois Brown, Donna Dawson, Richard Day, Katie Dorans, Ross Dunning, Marian Elliott, Carole Finch, Betty Furey, Anna Gilliatt, Ralph Johnston, Kimiki Karpoff, Sue Kellas, Kilwon Kim, Sue Leest, Sheila McCall, Marilyn McCutcheon, Barry Morley, Fred Nienaber, Marie Paul, John Petty, Jo Shearer, Ruth Stebbing,

(ministry personnel) Dave Anderson, Charles Ahn, Richard Bott, Bruce Cowburn, Brenda Faust, Helen Hobbs, Kim Horwood, Ian Macdonald, Rick Newbury, Tim Lissimore, Paulette Phillips, Bob Schoenhals, Gerildine Smith, Bethen Theunissen, Barbara Tunnicliffe, Scott Turnbrook, Ria Van Holten, Maggie Watts-Hammond, Jong Chul Woo

(visitors): Barbara Howard, Eleanor Lydiard, Diane Slark, Clayton Arkesteyn-Vogler, Coleen Leggett, Wendy Basler

Regrets: Kevin Hegseth, Leanne Mill, Ernie Roberts Doug Throop,

Authority: The meeting of Westminster Presbytery of the United Church of Canada was convened at the call of the chair Jean McLeod at West Burnaby United Church, Burnaby, B. C. at 5:30 p.m. A Quorum was present.

Welcome: Barry Morley welcomed us on behalf of West Burnaby United Church

Agenda

Motion 88/2006 Moved and Seconded (Scott Turnbrook/Anna Gilliatt) That we adopted the agenda as ammended. **Carried**

Minutes

Motion 89/2006 Moved and Seconded (Ria Van Holden/Sue Leest) That we approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 6/06. **Carried**

Motion 90/2006 Moved and Seconded (Donna Dawson/Ann White) That we receive the executive minutes of June 20/06 for information. **Carried**

Corresponding Privileges

Motion 91/2006 Moved and Seconded (Tim Lissimore/Ralph Johnson) That we grant corresponding privileges to our visitors. **Carried**

Introductions: Visitors and new order of ministry personnel were introduced.

Dinner: A delicious meal was served by the men and women of West Burnaby United Church. Jean McLeod offered thanks.

Worship: Maggie Watts-Hammond and Rick Newbury led us in worship and Yoon Park offered music leadership.

Presentation: Summer students Jenna Wray and Sarah Afful presented the archival videos made about West Burnaby and Ellesmere United Churches. The student's expressed thanks to the congregations and the students were thanked for a job well done.

Joys and Concerns: were shared.

Correspondence:

1. information on workshsop "The Enneagram" as a way of Spiritual Transforation
2. West Burnaby UC requesting covenanting service September 24/06
3. completed forms placing David Logan on Voluntary Discontinued Service List
4. Faithj Formation: listing educational resources
5. Residential Schools UPDATE - July 2006
6. Thank you from Rev. D. McCrindle for recognition of retirement

Correspondence(cont'd)

- 7. Ethnic Ministries: resources
- 8. Prayer requests for Peter Rolstan, retired clergy from Fraser Presbytery
- 9. Aug. 18 News Release - General Council re UC pro-peace investment strategy
- 10. St. Andrew's Haney requesting covenanting service Oct 1 or 22 at 3:00 pm
- 11. email re availability of 2007 Plurality Calendar
- 12. St. Andrew's Haney re failed loan application
- 13. Shannon Tennant requesting transfer of membership

Action on Correspondence

Motion 92/2006 Moved and Seconded (Carole Finch/Marilyn McCutcheon) That Rev. Shannon Tennant's membership be transferred from Huron-Perth Presbytery **Carried with one abstention** (spouse Rev. Richard Bott)

Business Arising:

Covenanting Services: Charles Ahn, Willingdon Heights United Church September 24th at 4:00 p.m. Helen Hobbs, East Burnaby United Church a Sunday in September during regular worship time. Other covenanting service will be announced once The Warrant to Covenant has been received.

Marriage Preparation: Scott Turnbrook outlined the concerns about use of The Marriage Project material for marriage preparation since they exclude same sex couples. Scott has contacted AFFIRM and they have no material to offer. The four lower mainland presbytery chairs will discuss this further.

Budget Preparation See treasurer's report.

Division and Committees

Women's Ministry Network

Marian Elliot extended an invitation to all women to attend the Presbyterial Welcome Back luncheon Saturday September 16 at Trinity United with speaker Sandra Dunning.

Communications

Fred Nienaber asked presbyters to check the email addresses posted on the notice board for accuracy and to complete the information sheets if you are not listed in the directory. Web master Ross Dunning spoke of the increase in usage of our web site and indicated that there are several useful links available.

Treasurer

Bruce Cowburn asked all committees and divisions to prepare their 2007 budget for discussion at the October meeting. We will accept the budget in November.

Motion 93/2006 Moved and Seconded (Bruce Cowburn/Barry Morley) That Westminster Presbytery approve the capital assistance loan application from St. Andrew's Port Moody for \$16,000 (sixteen thousand dollars) for the replacement of a furnace. **Carried**

Paulette Philips moved adjournment at 9:20 p.m.

Chair

Secretary

Executive meeting at the call of the chair

Next regular meeting September - date to be announced