

**Wolfville and Area Inter-Church Council**  
**MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, 13 April 2016, 7p.m.**  
**Manning Chapel Library**

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by President Roger Prentice.
2. **Present:** Lorraine Street, Ray Bishop, Andy Pitter, Roger Prentice, Diana Shelley, Allison Trites, Gene Trites, Bruce Dienes, Nancy Harbers, Karen Hennigar, Janet Roberts, Carol Buckley. Penni Burrell attended in Sandra Fyfe's absence to present Nominating Committee report  
**Absent with Regrets:** Maggie Kenny, Sandra Fyfe, Ingrid Blaise, Margery Shaffelburg, Judith Tod
3. **Devotions:** From a collection of writings by Early Church Fathers Roger read a meditation by Cyril of Alexandria on a passage from John 15 which speaks of Jesus as the real vine, God the gardener and all of us as the branches. Roger said that WAICC members are united in the Spirit of God in Christ and that this guides the work done both as individuals and as the body of WAICC
4. **Adoption of the Minutes:** Minutes of meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> March had been circulated. Acceptance moved (DS/AAT). Motion carried
5. **Nominating committee Report** (moved up on Agenda as Penni needed to leave).  
On behalf of herself and Sandra Fyfe the following slate of officers for the upcoming year was proposed:  
President: Nancy Habers  
Vice-President: Sandra Fyfe  
Past President: Roger Prentice  
Treasurer: Raymond Bishop  
Secretary: Karen Hennigar and one other as yet un-named person  
Acceptance of this slate of officers moved and seconded PB/DS. Motion carried
6. **Correspondence**
  - (a) From Atlantic Ecumenical council informing WAICC that the AEC had dissolved after 50 years in operation. A certificate was enclosed expressing appreciation to WAICC for its involvement
  - (b) A letter from Judith Tod (co-chair of Refugee Committee) had been circulated to member. Copy attached with the Minutes. Following discussion it was agreed that Roger and Bruce would meet with Judith to discuss her concerns.

- (c) **Treasurer's Report:** Copies of the financial statement and the tentative budget were distributed and Ray gave an overview of the current financial position. Copy attached with Minutes. It was moved (RB/BD) that the budget be presented at the AGM in May. Motion carried. Roger expressed warm thanks to Ray and his team (Janet, Diana and Glen)

## 7. Business Arising from the Minutes:

- (a) Possible Incorporation - Possibility of Incorporation - Lorraine stated that clarity is the key. She suggests the charitable objectives from the most recent (1982) constitution be clear. She recommends the next step should be to consult Richard Bridge, a Lawyer with expertise in charities to look at WAICC's several constitutions to identify questions which need to be addressed. It is critical to retain charitable status in keeping with the current tighter rules of CRA. It was moved LS/AP that Richard Bridge be retained for a maximum of 2 hours (fee \$120/hour). Motion carried.

## 8. Committee Reports

- (a) Clergy – No report  
 (b) Food Bank Management - Diana reported that things are running smoothly at the Food Bank at this point  
 (c) Refugee Committee - Copies of Judith's report were circulated (copy attached with Minutes).  
 (d) Programme Committee- Diana reported that the AGM will take place on 11 May in Port Williams Baptist Church who have kindly offered to provide refreshments following the meeting. After the business meeting Jeff Cantwell (Mayor of Wolfville) will speak  
 (e) Habitat for Humanity – No report

## 10 New Business

None

Adjournment moved by Allison Trites at 8:37 pm  
 Benediction – Roger Prentice

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Trites and Diana Shelley  
 Co-Secretaries

Next Meeting - AGM 11 May at 7 pm PWUBC  
 Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday 8 June at 7 pm  
 Manning Chapel Library (tentative)

