

# **WOLFVILLE AREA INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014, 7 p.m.  
Manning Chapel Library**

Regrets: Maggie Kenny, Allison Trites, Marjorie Shaffelburg

Present: Maurice Tugwell, Penni Burrell, Sharon Doyle, Andy Pitter, Randy Crozsmann, Karen Hennigar, Nicole Uzans, David Garrett, Roger Prentice, Diana Shelley, Gene Trites

## **1. Welcome**

President Roger Prentice extended a warm welcome to all present.

## **2. Opening Scripture and Prayer**

Roger read from the Gospel of the Day, Matthew 28:15-20, which records The Great Commission—an appropriate topic for Roger to use as he begins his presidency. The theologian Douglas Hare comments that this is a clear indication that the gospel is for more than the Jews. Roger reminded us that WAICC's outreach is to help all in need both practically and educationally as we strive to cater to the well being of body, mind and spirit.

## **3. The Agenda** was accepted as presented (RC/S D). Carried.

## **4. Extraordinary Business**

Evaluation of the Public Meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2014. Lively and extensive discussion resulted in the following points:

- 1) Ray Ivany's presentation rated at 90%; the missing 10% concerned the final connecting point for the churches to be involved and effective (e.g., churches and immigrants).
- 2) The event provided great exposure for the churches.
- 3) In retrospect some would have preferred a panel discussion instead of individual question/answer format.
- 4) How do we as church members offer hope and encouragement in an economic culture of fear?

Brainstorming continued with potentially effective suggestions. There was general agreement that the topic needs more airing. Therefore the following motion was made "that a committee be formed to create a panel to discuss the Ivany Report in order to make it effective in the life of the community" (DG/DS). Carried. Maurice Tugwell, Sharon Doyle, Penni Burrell and Roger Prentice agreed to serve on this committee.

## **5. Treasurer's Report**

Copies of the current financial report, together with a few notes of explanation, were circulated. The capital account held a total of \$40,000.16. Maurice reported the situation is normal for the time of year. Motion to accept the financial report was carried (DS/PB). Maurice expressed appreciation to Diana who acts as Treasurer's Assistant when Maurice is away. They make a great team!

6. **Business arising** from the minutes:

(a) Youth Initiative (WAY)

Penni and Andy shared details of the eight week pilot project which will soon be completed. The members of the Wolfville Area Youth Committee are Penni Burrell, Joan Boutlier, Sandra Fyfe, Andy Pitter and Annika Sangster. The WAY committee submitted a detailed report to the meeting. Copies were circulated. A report on WAY was also received from Rachel Lutz, one of the youth workers. The question of insurance and waiver support from WAICC was discussed at length. However, no firm request came to WAICC for further financial support at this stage. Penni and Andy expressed the necessity that the insurance process should be dealt with now. However, further decisions concerning the waiver support from WAICC and the future of WAY will be made in the fall. At that time the committee proposes to return to WAICC with an update report. Roger expressed appreciation to all who had volunteered to help in this project. He assured Penni of his support if questions arose through the summer.

(b) Address from Canon Russell Elliott at the September meeting- Diana reported that she had spoken with Canon Elliott, who is happy to speak to WAICC after the business meeting on September 10<sup>th</sup>. This will be a privilege for all of us.

(c) Committee Reports

i) Clergy - no report

ii) Food Bank Management

All is going smoothly. A reception to celebrate volunteers and supporters will be held on Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 10 a.m. –noon in the Wolfville Baptist Church.

iii) Habitat for Humanity

Karen reminded everyone that not all volunteers have to be carpenters! There are many other jobs for interested people.

(d) **New Business**

(a) Possible play production for January 2016

Roger is willing to head an initiative to present T.S. Eliot's "Murder in the Cathedral". Roger requested a grant of \$500 from WAICC which he fully expects will be paid back. All donations after expenses would go to the Food Bank. More details to follow.

(b) Fall and Spring programmes 2014-2015

See Extraordinary Business notes.

(c) Sign-up sheet for Devotionals 2014-2015 was circulated during the meeting.

**Closing Prayer and Benediction**

Roger closed with prayer and the grace (2 Corinthians 13:14)

Respectfully submitted,  
Diana Shelley and Gene Trites  
Secretaries

**NEXT MEETING: SEPTEMBER 10, 2014, 7 p.m. in MANNING CHAPEL**

The devotional by Canon Elliott will come at the end of the meeting, followed by light refreshments to launch the fall activities in fine style!

