

# WOLFVILLE AREA INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday, 7 October 2015

## Manning Chapel

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by the President, Roger Prentice.
2. **Present:** Ray Bishop, Sandra Fyfe, Karen Hennigar, Marjorie Shaffelburg, Allison Trites, Roger Prentice, Diana Shelley, Nancy Habers, Maggie Kenny, Andy Pitter, Tim McFarland, Bruce Dienes, Eugenie Trites and guest Cheryl Manzer.  
**Regrets:** Lorraine Street, Barry Morrison
3. **Devotional:** Nancy Habers  
Nancy offered a helpful reflection on serving others - a favourite theme of Francis of Assisi. We serve first because we have been called. We see the suffering Christ in the suffering of humanity and so we find Christ and his love in service. In her prayer Nancy asked God for his grace in our efforts to fulfill our service.
4. **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting of September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 had been circulated and approval was moved, seconded (DS/MK). Motion carried.

**Welcomes:** Roger welcomed **Bruce Dienes** back as Quaker representative in place of Penni Burrell. Bruce is no stranger to WAICC and his technological assistance has been appreciated over the years. Tim introduced Julia and Jenna, members of the 4<sup>th</sup> year students in the Department of Kinesiology. As part of their course they are required to create a community outreach project. They introduced the idea behind their initiative, "Simplify your life challenge". Roger thanked them for sharing their plans and Diana will meet with them to discuss the project and its application. Roger welcomed **Cheryl Manzer**, from Orchard Valley United Church. She explained the "Meet Your Feet" project which offers foot care free of charge. This is well organized and established in three locations. Roger thanked Cheryl for this initiative. WAICC members are asked to be supportive as help is needed.

5. **Correspondence:** none
6. **Treasurer's Report:**

Acknowledgement was made of the background work of Ray Bishop, Diana Shelley and Janet Roberts on the relationship with Canada Revenue Agency and with relevant changes in the banking process. Diana reported the Bank of Montreal is now ready to receive signatures. Adoption of report moved (RB/BD). Motion carried

## 7. Business Arising from the Minutes

- a) **WAY**- no further report
- b) **Financial Officer for WAICC and Other Treasury Matters:** This position is still open. The job description has already been circulated. Members are urged to let this need be known in their churches.

## 8. Committee Reports

- a) **Clergy Committee:** Sandra Fyfe reported on the refugee action. A community meeting is to be held on October 14<sup>th</sup> in Wolfville Baptist Church. Much groundwork has already been accomplished. Thanks were expressed to Bruce for his effective posters. Barry Morrison has been asked to chair the meeting. Sandra invited input about the format of the community meeting.
- b) **Food Bank Management:** Diana reported that all is going smoothly. Professor Lesley Frank of Acadia University has four delightful young women students who are prepared to eat for five days on a Food Bank order. Their experience will be shared later.
- c) **Programme:** no further report. The refugee initiative replaces fall programme.
- d) **Habitat for Humanity:** Karen circulated photographs of the almost completed homes in Kentville.
- e) **Ivany Report Follow Up:** no further report; Roger exhorted all to bear the report in mind as they consider the refugee operation.

## 9. New Business

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- 10. **Further Business:** Tim reflected on the death of much loved L'Arche core member **Bobby Deveau**. Bobby taught many people so much by the way he lived and died. Tim shared that the love and care shown by the L'Arche community became a blessing to all who had contact with Bobby during his last weeks. He reminded everyone of the blessings of the presence of L'Arche in the WAICC area.

## 11. Next Meeting: 18th November 2015; devotions: Maggie Kenny

## 12. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned (TMcF).

## 13. Meeting closed with Benediction

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Shelley and Gene Trites, joint secretaries

