

## Minutes of Special General Meeting of WAICC

Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

1. Present: Nancy Harbers (St. Francis of Assisi; Chair), Bruce Dienes (Annapolis Valley Friends Meeting; Secretary), Lorraine Street (St. John's Anglican), Roger Prentice (Past Chair), Allison Trites (Wolfville Baptist), Karen Hennigar (St. John's Anglican), Sandra Fyfe (St. John's Anglican), Carol Bradley (Annapolis Valley Friends Meeting), Ingrid Blais (L'Arche Homefires), Carol Buckley (Port Williams United Baptist), Margery Shaffelburg (Port Williams United Baptist), Andy Pitter (Orchard Valley United).
2. Regrets: None received.
3. Re: WAICC Incorporation
  - a. Lorraine Street gave an overview of the history and issues around WAICC incorporation.
  - b. Motion: That an application be initiated by the WAICC Executive to incorporate WAICC as a Society under the *Nova Scotia Societies Act* and complete any other actions that might be consequently required in order to maintain WAICC's status as a registered charity under the federal *Income Tax Act*. (St. John's Anglican, Annapolis Valley Quaker Meeting). Carried.
  - c. We request that each member organization forward a copy of their minute approving this action to the Chair of WAICC. [chair@waicc.org](mailto:chair@waicc.org)
4. Questions on WAICC Constitution to give feedback to the Ad Hoc Incorporation Team.
  - a. Should WAICC continue to be a specifically Christian constitution?
    - i. The member organizations suggested to keep the name of WAICC and its character as a Christian organization. They requested that the constitution acknowledge WAICC's openness to work with people and organizations of different faiths, or no faith, in the work we do in the community.
  - b. Which classification should be used for WAICC under the "Societies Classification" scheme?
    - i. The member organizations suggested using the category "Religion"
  - c. Should WAICC's 1982 objects be revised?
    - i. The members gave detailed input on possibilities for objects and for the range of activities that WAICC engages in that would meet the charitable requirements. They asked the Ad Hoc Incorporation Team to use this input to create a draft set of objects and draft constitution. The Team will continue to consult with member organizations and the WAICC Executive in the lead up to the 2017 AGM, where a final draft will be proposed.
5. Adjourned at 8:33pm (St. Francis, carried)