



MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Type:	FAUC Governing Council		
Meeting Topic:	See Below	Recording Secretary: Mary Ellen Richardson (MER)	
Date:	Tuesday, October 23, 2018; Fellowship Room		
Attendees:	Douglas duCharme, Steve Dunk, Esther Ewing, Jim Pollock, Daniel Reed, John Ryerson, Kathy Salisbury, Don Smith, Marlene St. Jean, Vicki Stuart, Allan Hux		
Regrets:	Bill Dines, Jennifer Arp	Time:	6:00 – 8:45 pm

AGENDA ITEMS	DETAILS
1. ES Moment (Vicki Stuart)	<p>Theme: Where have you had a spiritual moment?</p> <p>An inspirational story of a gentle spiritual moment experienced at the historic St Paul’s United in Blue Rock, Nova Scotia. Weekly the congregation honours, remembers and are inspired by those congregants who have been lost at sea over the years.</p>
2. Approval of Minutes	<p><u>MOTION: Approval of September 23, 2018 Minutes</u> First: Allan Hux Second: Kathy Salisbury Approved: Unanimous Abstained:</p> <p><u>Item arising from the last minutes: Action Item (Marlene):</u> A list of available rooms, with seating capacity, will be generated and shared with members of the Governing Council and others, with an explanation of the meeting room usage rules.</p>
3. Council Updates	<p><u>Highlights: Presbytery Report to Governing Council (John Ryerson)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The idea of embedding listening” into the Fairlawn culture is –and acknowledged by others to be- a very positive development <p><u>Highlights: Embrace Action Report to Governing Council (Kathy Salisbury)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A Dialogue for Discussion about the Fairlawn refugee ministry is currently being planned. <p><u>Highlights: Property Council Report to Governing Council (Vicki Stuart)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An exciting opportunity is unfolding in terms of how the church might work collaboratively with our tenants, as community partners, to further the goals of each-when they are mutually supportive. For example, there are several students in the study group who wish to do volunteer hours at Fairlawn. <p><u>Highlights: Experience Belonging Report to Governing Council (Allan Hux)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There is a desire to find a better way of informing our congregation, adherents and the neighbourhood about the many volunteer opportunities at Fairlawn. The GC is currently discussing how to use a `job fair` approach, and our normal communication channels to better communicate opportunities. It is important to find the many people who have the skills and talents to contribute to the work that the church is doing. <p><u>Highlights: Explore Spirituality Report to Governing Council (Esther Ewing)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Esther will be making an announcement to the congregation about the opportunities to be involved in the ES group

5. Transition Team update (Don, Douglas)	<u>Highlights: Transition Team Report to Governing Council</u> The Transition Team and Governing Council continue to work closely together, and the retreat on October 27 will provide a good opportunity to build on the work that has been done. Douglas's congregational listening posts are going to move downstairs to the Assembly hall area. The idea of his "posts" is to be obviously available so that people know that they will be heard.
6. Staff updates (Marlene)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A proposal with respect to staffing will come forward to the GC once the assessment of need has been completed (e.g. Communications, Child & Youth Ministry).
11. September 30 Financial Statements (Steve Dunk)	Year-to-date financial results were reviewed by the GC, and the congregational update was shared with the group.
Items for next GC meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A discussion of the Fairlawn Call.
NEXT MONTH'S ES MOMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Esther Ewing</i>
11. Adjournment/ Prayer	Jim
Upcoming Meetings:	Fellowship Room GC: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 6:00 – 8:45 pm GC: Tuesday, December 18, 2018 6:00 – 8:45 pm [<u>third</u> Tuesday, not the fourth] <i>*Meetings held on the fourth Tuesday of every month.</i>