

**Trinity United Church**  
**Congregational Meeting Minutes**

April 25, 2021

**I. Call to order, opening statement, prayer**

Glenn Funamoto (Chair) declared this to be a duly constituted Congregational Meeting via Zoom at 1:44 p.m. Rev. Read Sherman led us in prayer.

**II. How to Vote**

Glenn Funamoto explained the various methods of voting via Zoom.

**III. Permission to record**

Glenn Funamoto requested permission to record the meeting for the purposes of Minute taking.

Agreed.

**IV. Word from the Council**

Sabz Heffernan (Council Chair) greeted everyone on behalf of Council. They described how the leadership roles have needed to be redefined. We are continuing to grow, despite the pandemic. Our relationship with Église Sainte-Claire is growing.

**V. Quorum (20 full members)**

Glenn Funamoto established quorum with more than 20 full members in attendance.

**VI. Approval of the Agenda**

Glenn Funamoto read the Agenda out loud and asked for a vote to approve it.

Carried.

**VII. Enabling motion**

Gary Tompkins moved that adherents be able to vote on secular motions, seconded by Sabz Heffernan.

Carried.

## **VIII. Memorials and Prayer**

Rev. Read Sherman lit candles for those who passed away during the year 2020. Gary Tompkins read the list of 12 in memoriam from Trinity and the greater community. Rev. Read Sherman prayed.

## **IX. Approval of minutes from last meetings**

Veronica Heffernan moved that the Congregational Meeting Minutes from July 5, 2020 be approved as written, seconded by Dave Ingham.

Carried.

## **X. Open issues**

### a) Correspondence

No correspondence was received.

### b) Église Sainte-Claire

Rev. Stéphane Vermette greeted us on behalf of Église Sainte-Claire. He spoke to us about using technology to create a brand-new online community. This project started after Easter 2020. A combination of interactive Bible Study, Service, and community gathering was mashed into one for encouraging communication. The online community was averaging 20 people during the Sunday evening Service. He also thanked Trinity for all our support in assisting in developing a governance and financial structure.

David Ingham said that as Église Sainte-Claire continues to evolve, it has become clear that it requires the aid of a Ministry and Personnel Committee to work with. However, their current structure is not conducive to the formation of one of their own.

David Ingham moved that the Trinity-Anjou M&P committee assist Église Sainte-Claire with any requirements needed as they would with Trinity-Anjou. Seconded by Gary Tompkins.

Carried.

Rev. Read Sherman thanked Rev. Stéphane Vermette for being present and for sharing gifts and talents.

i) Mission & Service Fund Totals

Rev. Read Sherman said that \$9,635 was donated from Trinity-Anjou Pastoral Charge to M&S in 2019.

Philip Massarelli pointed out that a part of that amount is from 2019 offerings.

Shirley Cartmill asked if that includes Anjou's offerings. Glenn Funamoto said that it does.

**XI. New business**

a) Elections

i) Chairperson, Trinity Council

Sabz Heffernan was nominated to renew being the Chairperson of the Trinity Council. They accept.

Carried.

ii) Director, Ministry & Personnel

Claude Beaumont was nominated to renew being the Director of Ministry & Personnel.

Carried.

iii) Ministry & Personnel Representatives

David Ingham was nominated to renew being a Ministry & Personnel representative.

Carried.

Kim Wildenmann-Dore was nominated to join the Ministry & Personnel Committee.

Carried.

iv) Director, Finance

Philip Massarelli was nominated to renew being the Director of Finance.

Carried.

v) Treasurer

Beverly Bridgman was nominated to renew being Treasurer.

Carried.

vi) Ministry Leader, Fund Development

Kim Wildenmann-Dore has resigned. There were no nominees prior to this meeting.

David Garland nominated Diane Best, seconded by Sabz Heffernan.

Ashley Verhaeghe nominated himself.

Diane Best accepted.

The vote was so close to a tie that it was suggested that the two nominees could be co-leaders.

Gary Tompkins moved that Diane Best and Ashley Verhaeghe be co-Ministry Leaders of Fund Development pending approval by Council, seconded by Eric Garceau.

Carried.

vii) Ministry Leader, Building & Grounds

Norman Doré was nominated to renew being Ministry Leader of Building & Grounds.

Carried.

viii) Director, Spiritual Affairs

Gary Tompkins was nominated to renew being Director of Spiritual Affairs.

Carried.

ix) Ministry Leader, Worship

Heather Purcell was nominated to renew being Ministry Leader of Worship.

Carried.

x) Ministry Leader, Christian Development

Jenn Carroll was nominated to renew being Ministry Leader, Christian Development.

Carried.

xi) Ministry Leader, Congregational Life

David Garland was nominated to renew being Ministry Leader of Congregational Life.

Carried.

xii) Ministry Leader, Mission & Outreach

Judy Ciciola was nominated as Ministry Leader of Mission & Outreach. She accepted.

Carried.

xiii) Ministry Leader, Membership & Pastoral Care

Elouise Segre was nominated but was not present to accept.

Gary Tompkins moved to refer the election of a Ministry Leader of Membership & Pastoral Care to Council, seconded by Jenn Carrol.

Carried.

xiv) Director, Communications & Council Secretary

Ashley Verhaeghe declined the nomination.

Sheri Cameron was nominated to renew being Director, Communications & Council Secretary.

Carried.

xv) Regional Council Reps

Ivylin Scott and Elsa Beaumont were nominated to renew being Regional Council Representatives.

Carried.

xvi) Regional Council Youth & Young Adult Representative

Diane Best was nominated to renew being Regional Council Youth & Young Adult Representative.

Carried.

xvii) Alternate Regional Council Rep

Gary Tompkins was nominated to renew being Alternate Regional Council Representative.

Carried.

xviii) Chairperson, Congregational Meeting

Sabz Heffernan nominated Ivylin Scott. She declined.

Gail Pallante nominated Carol Massarelli. She declined.

Gail Pallante nominated Rosemary Warren to be the Congregational Chairperson pending becoming a full member, seconded by Ivylin Scott.

Carried.

xix) Secretary, Congregational Meeting

Veronica Heffernan was nominated to renew being the Congregational Secretary.

Carried.

Philip Massarelli indicated that this would be his last year as Director of Finance.

xx) Nominating Committee Motion (Council+, minimum 3-people)

Jennifer Bridgman moved that this matter be resolved by Council to establish a Nominating Committee, seconded by Gary Tompkins. Glenn Funamoto suggested that it be a committee of no less than 3 people and that the Congregational Chair be a part of the committee.

Carried.

b) 2021 Budget approval

Jennifer Bridgman asked if we are getting any financial help from the Government due to Covid-19?

Philip Massarelli said that there were Government wage subsidies. We applied and we received upwards of \$20,000.

Philip Massarelli answered various questions about the finances.

Rev. Read Sherman thanked Philip Massarelli for being diligent in applying for the Government subsidies.

Philip Massarelli moved that the correct budget document be posted in the newsletter within two weeks, and should anybody require the Budget's approval or review, it can be brought to the Chair of the Congregation and another meeting could be called if necessary, seconded by Jenn Carroll.

Carried.

## **XII. Adjournment and Benediction**

It was moved by Gary Tompkins that we adjourn at 3:54pm.

Carried.

Rev. Read Sherman led us in a prayer of benediction.

Respectfully submitted by:

Veronica Heffernan, Secretary of the Congregation

Glenn Funamoto, Chair of the Congregation

**Attendance, Trinity annual congregational meeting, April 25, 2021**

Ashley Verhaeghe  
Beverley Bridgman  
Carol Cunningham  
Christine Tatarewicz  
Claudette Petrauskas  
David Garland  
David Ingham  
David Perron-Ringuet  
Delores Best  
Diane Best  
Dolton Lucas  
Éric Garceau  
Gail Pallante  
Gail Purcell  
Gary Tompkins  
Garry Garland  
Giceline Beaudet  
Glenn Funamoto  
Gordie Bailey  
Heather Purcell  
Irma Brathwaite  
Ivylin Scott  
Jenn Carroll  
Jennifer Bridgman  
John Bridgman  
John Brosseau  
Judy Ciciola  
Julia Budd  
Kim Wildenmann  
Lala Razanaharinjara  
Lorna McIntyre  
Mikayla Aimee Kinoshameg  
Murray Rainier  
Norm Doré  
Philip Massarelli  
Read Sherman  
Robert Thompson  
Rosemary Warren  
Sabz Heffernan  
Sheri Cameron  
Shirley Budd  
Shirley Cartmill  
Stéphane Vermette



Tonya Audette  
Veronica Heffernan  
Vicki Bellan  
Warren Purcell