

Unified Board Meeting,
Greenbank-Seagrave Pastoral Charge,
December 3, 2024

Present: Jim Ferguson (Trustees), Brooke Acton (Chair SUC), Barb Ward (Session GUC), Joanne Olivero (Trustees GUC), Rick McAskill (Stewards, SUC), Donna Kent (M&P SUC), Wendy Hudgins (Session co-chair, SUC), Ian Wilgus (minister), Doug Watson (Treasurer G-S P.C., Treasurer, GUC), Debbie Watson (Chair, G-S PC), Darlene Hallett (ECORC SUC, PC Secretary), Keith Puckrin (Trustees, SUC), Diane Puckrin, Rev. Anne Meridith (PC Supervisor), Kelly Monkman (M&P GUC), Carol Coleman (Treasurer, SUC)

1. The meeting was called to order and chairperson Debbie welcomed all and declared that there was quorum.
2. Our minister, Ian opened the meeting with prayer.
3. Darlene Hallett gave an acknowledgment of the land on which we were meeting.
4. Motion #1 That the minutes of the September 18, 2024 meeting be accepted as distributed. Acton/Olivero Carried.
5. Doug Watson presented the treasurer's report for our pastoral charge dated as of October 31, 2024 highlighting variations from the norm.
Motion #2 That the treasurer's report for the Pastoral Charge up to and including October 31, 2024 be accepted. (Copy appended to minutes)
Monkman/K. Puckrin Carried.
6. Carol Coleman presented the treasurer's report for S.U.C. dated as of October 31, 2024 highlighting variations from the norm.
Motion #3 That the treasurer's report for S.U.C. up to and including October 31, 2024 be accepted. (Copy appended to minutes)
Hudgins/Acton Carried.
7. Doug Watson presented the treasurer's report for G.U.C. dated October 31, 2024 highlighting variations from the norm.
Motion #4 That the treasurer's report for G.U.C. up to and including October 31, 2024 be accepted. (Copy appended to minutes) Olivero/Kent Carried.
8. Doug Watson presented the 2025 budget for the Pastoral Charge.
Motion #5 That the proposed Budget for 2025 for the Pastoral Charge be accepted with the amendment that Pulpit Supply be changed from \$1,524 to \$2,032 and Pulpit Supply Mileage be changed from \$400 to \$600. (Copy appended to minutes)
Acton/Hudgins Carried.
9. Minister's Report - Ian is getting to know the church community and is now making pastoral calls.
 - he is in the process of planning a study group for the new year
 - he will be serving communion Dec. 8/24, assisted by Rev. M.M.Boone
 - he is meeting bi-weekly with his supervisor and has completed compiling his learning goals (Copy appended to minutes)
10. Business Arising:
 - i. SUC Lift - no communication from government regarding grant to date

- ii. Website - SUC created a list of suggestions that might improve their 'face' on the Charge's website. They hope to meet with the Webmaster to discuss the list.
 - iii. Acceptable use of Social Media - Durham School Board already had a good policy in place and we hope to use it as a guideline for our policy.
11. SUC Board Update - a motion has been passed that the offering plate will be passed during services as opposed to it sitting at the back
- the affirming committee will be approached to ask for permission to procure a smaller banner that would be easier to hang
 - a wireless mic has been donated and is now in use
 - the committee to research how to better use the Friendship Hall to attain financial viability has held two open meetings that were well attended. From these, they have created a list of things to begin, things to stop, and things to change that will be presented at our next local board meeting.
 - M&P is updating job descriptions and contracts and carrying out annual reviews and working towards filling vacancies in our slate of officers for 2025-26
- GUC Board Update - M&P (see SUC)
- Session - have services lined up until end of year
 - Ian's covenanting service was well done
 - Stewards - have insulated church attic
 - replaced hall flooring
 - putting in a natural gas furnace to heat the lower level
 - putting in a heat pump to heat the sanctuary
 - Trustees - reviewing their rental policy
 - UCW continues to make financial donations to charitable causes
 - general info - St. John's Ambulance course being held in Jan. at a cost of \$130 per person
 - GUC will look at the financial split between the two churches
 - Tinsel & Tears Service - Dec. 11/24 @ 7:00
 - Christmas Talent Concert - Dec. 7/24 @ 7:00
12. Correspondence - a letter from GUC's UCW enquired why the group doesn't have a position on the Unified Board. A letter of reply will be drafted and sent.
13. Other Business - SUC asked permission to send their canvas letter out on the weekly e-blast. It was decided that only Ian's Pastoral Charge Christmas letter would be included in the e-blast.
14. Date of next meeting - March 18, 2025
15. Motion # 6 That the executive be granted the power to handle emergant matters that arise before the next unified board meeting. Ward/McAskill Carried.
16. Ian closed our meeting with prayer.
17. Motion #7 That the meeting adjourn. Ward