

Parish of Holy Trinity
Vestry

Sunday, 7 May 2023
following morning worship

P = present R = regrets A = absent

Members			
P	Ritchie Arthurson	P	Michael Minor* (chair)
P	Rhianna Erickson*	R	Olushola Ojeleye
P	Evelyn Fondse	P	The Rev. Andrew Rampton*
P	Zilla Jones	R	Joan Steer*
P	Karen Klassen Bender*	R	Ross Steer*
P	John Koroma*	P	Ben Stokes
P	Rob Loudfoot		

Guests and Observers			
	Sandra Bender		
	Joan Lloyd		

* ex officio member

Call to Order

Michael Minor called the meeting to order at 12:10 PM and opened with a land acknowledgement and prayer.

Acceptance of Agenda

MOTION: Karen Klassen Bender/Ben Stokes

That the agenda be accepted as presented, moving Topic 1 immediately following this motion to allow the guest to depart.

For: Unanimous

CARRIED

Business Arising from Minutes

1. Lead on Janitorial Consideration re: Budget Changes
Michael Minor and Ben Stokes are willing to pursue this conversation. Parishioners may volunteer for cleaning duties. Andrew will provide a list of current duties to Michael and Ben.

2. Standing Item: COVID-19 Protocols

MOTION: Evelyn Fondse/Rhianna Erickson

That the parish policy of requiring masks to be worn in the building be revised to recommending masks be worn in the building effective Sunday, 14 May. (Zilla Jones arrived during this discussion.)

For: Ritchie Arthurson, John Koroma, Rob Loudfoot, Andrew Rampton, Ben Stokes

Opposed: Zilla Jones; Karen Klassen Bender, Michael Minor

CARRIED

Correspondence

1. The Rev. Cathy Campbell Parish Affiliation

The rector has received notice from the bishop's office that the Rev. Cathy Campbell has requested that her license be transferred to St Matthew's, Maryland.

2. Update on Organ Repair

Steve Miller has received the required parts and done such construction as he can in his workshop. He anticipates being in Winnipeg to complete the work over the summer.

Topics

1. Use of Former Chapel Pews on Pride Parade Float

The Diocese of Rupert's Land and MNO Synod of the ELCIC are planning a joint float in the 2023 Winnipeg Pride Parade. To facilitate people of all abilities who wish to participate, the committee would like to borrow some of the 1966 pews from Holy Trinity.

MOTION: Rob Loudfoot/Andrew Rampton

That the parish lend some of the 1966 to the joint Pride committee pews for the purpose of the joint DRL/MNO Pride Parade float.

For: Unanimous

CARRIED

2. Vestry Orientation

The Rev. Andrew Rampton provided an orientation for the vestry regarding general meeting practice, canons, diocesan structure, and parish policies.

3. Finance Report
Ritchie Arthurson presented Q1 financial statements to vestry, highlighting the features in reporting of the new accounting software.

MOTION: Evelyn Fondse/Rob Loudfoot

That the financial statements be accepted as presented.

For: Unanimous

CARRIED

4. Clergy Mobile Phone Policy
The parish currently pays expenses for personal mobile phones of clergy. This creates a situation where it is unclear as to who owns the telephone and the rights to files and communications stored there. It was suggested that, if the parish sees need for clergy to carry a mobile phone for regular use in their work, the parish would be best served with a phone and plan in its own name.

MOTION: Andrew Rampton/Zilla Jones

That the parish cease paying for clergy's personal mobile telephones effective 30 April 2023.

For: Unanimous

CARRIED

5. Baptismal Font
An adult baptizand has requested baptism by full immersion. This is the Church's ideal form of baptism. The Rev. Andrew has located options for tanks that would accommodate this practice going forward.

MOTION: Andrew Rampton/Zilla Jones

That the parish authorize spending of up to \$1,000 to acquire a full immersion baptismal tank.

For: Unanimous

CARRIED

6. PWRDF Grow Hope Donation

MOTION: Rhianna Erickson/Rob Loudfoot

That the parish donate \$350.00 to the PWRDF Grow Hope project.

For: Unanimous

CARRIED

7. Land Title Application

The diocese/parish currently holds deed to the property. This is an outdated system that limits what kind of work and partnerships can be considered with regard to the property. The Rev. Andrew has made contact with a lawyer who can transfer our deed to a modern land title. (Ritchie Arthurson stepped out from the meeting during this conversation)

MOTION: Andrew Rampton/Karen Klassen Bender

That the parish authorize spending up to \$5,000 to contract with MTerra Legal to convert the parish deed to a modern land title.

For: Rhianna Erickson, Evelyn Fondse, Zilla Jones, Karen Klassen Bender, John Koroma, Rob Loudfoot, Michael Minor, Andrew Rampton, Ben Stokes

Abstaining: Ritchie Arthurson

CARRIED

8. Organ Bench for St Matthew's Maryland

The parish has an unused, backless organ bench in the office. St Matthew's is in need of a new organ bench.

MOTION: Andrew Rampton/Zilla Jones

That the parish donate its disused organ bench to St Matthew's Maryland.

For: Unanimous

CARRIED

Minutes of Current Meeting

Andrew read the minutes of the current meeting to the vestry

MOTION: Andrew Rampton/Rob Loudfoot

That the minutes be accepted as read.

For: Unanimous

CARRIED

Next Vestry Meeting

11 June 2023 after morning worship.

Closing Prayer

Those present recited together the Doxology.

Adjournment

The business of the agenda concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 2:07 PM.