

FIRST UNITED CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

March 28, 2019 7:00-9:00 pm

**We, at First United Church, are called by the spirit to be a caring community of faith actively pursuing spiritual growth and compassionate outreach**

**Members Present:**

Ila Wilms, Acting Chair

Marie Andrews, Worship & Music

Maxine Olmsted, Ministry & Personnel

Fran Jackson, Membership & Pastoral Care

Donna Barber, UCW

Pat Dyck Bunkosky, Secretary

Annette Taylor, Minister

Charles Lotochinski, Stewardship

Jean Macnab, Trustee

Peggy Worrell, Past Chair

Linda Stumpf, Faith Formation

1. Call to order: Ila Wilms, acting chair, called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. A quorum was present.
2. Reminder of Holy Manner #5
3. Opening Devotion-Peggy Worrell, Past Chair
4. Check-in.
5. Approval of the agenda  
**Motion: Charles Lotochinski/Maxine Olmsted**  
**"To approve the agenda" Carried.**
6. Acknowledgement of February 19,2019 Executive meeting minutes
7. Approval of the February 21, 2019 Church Council meeting minutes  
Amended as follows: The date for the meeting should say Feb. 21, not Feb. 24 as listed on the heading and in the motion on #7. The opening devotion was given by Maxine Olmsted, not Peggy Worrell.  
**Motion: Fran Jackson/ Marie Andrews**  
**"To approve the February 21, 2019 minutes as amended." Carried.**
8. Old Business
  - a) Update on shortening of pews-Barb Foster is arranging for the altering of the cushions for the pews which will be shortened. She will donate the cost.
  - b) Review of revised rotation of church council chair
  - c) Leadership retreat takes place on Sunday, March 21, beginning at 12:00 p.m. An agenda has been sent out.
  - d) AGM thoughts-positive feedback
9. No Correspondence

10. Minister's Report (including Swift Current and Area Ministerial Association) – Annette Taylor

**Motion: Fran Jackson/Linda Stumpf**

**“That council will authorize the giving of \$30.00 for subsidy of registration for the Who is My Neighbor Conference. Those needing financial assistance can request it from the minister. Monies to come from planned giving.” Carried.**

11. Important Items from Reports

a) Nomination of Charles Lotochinski as chair of Stewardship

**Motion: Peggy Worrell/Donna Barber**

**“That we elect Charles Lotochinski as chair of stewardship committee and treasurer.” Carried.**

12. Motion to accept written reports

**Motion: Maxine Olmsted/Charles Lotochinski**

**“That we accept all reports as written.” Carried.**

14. New Business

a) Circle conversation to ask for volunteers to assist with a fundraising working group and to brainstorm fund raising ideas – Peggy Worrell will look for someone to facilitate this discussion to be held after church on April 28.

b) PRIDE service to take place on May 26 followed by a post service information session – Affirming Ministry is requesting permission for these to be listed on the Southwest PRIDE calendar of events for PRIDE week.

**Motion: Peggy Worrell/Charles Lotochinski**

**“That our May 26 Pride service be listed on the PRIDE calendar and poster.” Carried.**

c) Reminder of Volunteer Manual and agreements which should be signed by new committee members

15. Opening Devotion and closing prayer for April 25 will be Stewardship – Charles Lotochinski

16. Group norms – Marie Andrews

17. Reminder of action items – Marie Andrews

18. Meeting declared closed at 8:13 p.m.

19. Closing prayer – Peggy Worrell led us in a responsive prayer

**Acting Chair from March 29 – April 25 – Stewardship: Charles Lotochinski**

**Next Executive Meeting – Tuesday, April 23 , 5:15 p.m.**

**Upcoming Church Council Meeting – Thursday, April 25, 7:00 p.m.**

Note changes of dates for May meetings – if possible Executive meeting May 21 and Council meeting May 28. This is to accommodate the Living Skies Regional Council meeting.

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Ila Wilms, Acting Chair

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Pat Dyck Bunkosky, Secretary