

**ADARE UNITING CHURCH
MINUTES OF CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**

Date: 14 March 2017

Action

PRESENT: Lesley Mableson, Lesley Stevens, Lorraine Carbins, Neil Pontifex, Peter Manuel, Ruth Williamson, Susan Doughty, Vanessa Wiese

1. **WELCOME:** Lesley welcomed everyone, especially Vanessa
2. **APOLOGIES:** Johanna McCallum
3. **DEVOTIONS** Neil Woman at the well. Faith is about dialogue, not theology. She responds in such a way that Jesus can reveal Himself to her. He provided her, and provides us, with Living Water. Then prayed that we'd be filled anew with Living Water and God's Spirit to lead us.
4. **ELECTION** Susan declared all positions vacant and thanked Lesley M, Lesley S, Lorraine

Chairperson	Lesley M accepted but due to absences, either Susan or other members may chair those meetings Agreed
Public Officer	Our Minister, Susan (Authority to sign documents) Agreed
Secretary	Lorraine Agreed
Treasurer	Lesley S Agreed
Church Council Exec	Agreed Minister, Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer form Exec.

Susan prayed for the officers.

5. MEMBERSHIP CHANGES:

6. NEW FACES:

Some new couples and a new family have been worshipping recently.

7. MINISTRY AREA COORDINATOR Meredith invited to April meeting

Susan

8. PASTORAL CARE MATTERS

Lesley M prayed for several people and situations.

9. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: 14 February 2017 **Accepted**

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1. **IN:**

- 10.1.1. Minutes of Property Committee Meeting - 2 February 2017
- 10.1.2. Letter from Property Committee with details of possible chairs for the Church.
- 10.1.3. Letter from Ross Ford re Thursday services at Ross Robbie.
- 10.1.4. Email from Peter Manual re quote for establishment of new website.

10.2. **OUT:**

- 10.2.1. Response to Seeds Uniting Church confirming transfer of Jill Sprigg's membership to Adare.
- 10.2.2. Email to Jim Miles re timing of Congregation meetings after worship.
- 10.2.3. Letter to Barb Gepp - sincere thanks for her work with the children and their families through Kidz Church and KCO.
- 10.2.4. Letter of support re Men's Shed.

11. BUSINESS ARISING

11.1 Project team Ken Mableson (Property Rep), Rosemary Pontifex (Congregation Rep) and Ruth Williamson (Church Council Rep) have met and believe there are 3 areas to be addressed:

- i. Why we recommend chairs.
- ii. Possible methods of raising funds.
- iii. Which chairs are recommended.

Team are considering information from Property Committee

Team considering possibility of grants.

Need to articulate how chairs fits in to Mission of Adare e.g.- flexibility for worship, comfort to enable people with health issues

Possible use of some of Garage sale funds will be included in the proposal as part of our Mission & Outreach.

Ruth thanked for work on this.

Next meeting

<p>Letter to Property Committee: Thanks for work they've done . Project team has been set up with Ken Mablesen as member from property.</p>	Lorraine
<p>11.2 Storage – Exec discussed this with Wally. Agreed we consider asking 2 independent builders for suggestions, with overall development plan (in line with our Mission plan and vision for the future.)</p>	Ongoing
<p>11.3 Murray Horsnell nomination for Property Committee. Agreed we appoint him as member of Property Committee for 2 years</p>	Lorraine to notify him
<p>11.4 Transforming Worship Conference in Adelaide 27 - 30 July Susan has info and will send out to Church Council members. Agreed we fund Susan's attendance. Should we subsidise/fund 1 or 2 people from our congregation?</p>	Susan
<p>11.5 Commissioning of Leaders -to be held 19 March 2017. Includes commissioning of new web site and banner.</p>	
<p>11.6 Helpers for Church services at Ross Robbie – e.g. pushing people in wheelchairs to service. Agreed this be brought to congregation's attention on Sunday.</p>	Susan
<p>11.7 Quote from Sandra Caballero for establishment of new website. \$600 for setup, \$90 for annual hosting, \$12.50 for online hosting server. Agreed we accept and pay these accounts.</p>	
<p>11.8 Property committee re Posters on doors Agreed to monitor general 3rd party notices; use pinboard in church foyer on side facing outside through window. Advise Property committee.</p>	Lesley S
<p>12. REPORTS</p>	
<p>12.1 Resources Carpets to be steam cleaned 12 April at reduced price of\$450. KCO will be charged \$200 for carpet cleaning</p>	
<p>12.2 Christian Growth Started a new group, meeting at Manse. 14 attended Alpha course going very well with 3-4 seeking seriously. Muslim studies finished last night.</p>	
<p>12.3 Worship and Prayer Agreed Vanessa work with Susan as Church Council support to Helen Lindqvist.</p>	
<p>12.4 Mission and Outreach Susan to be interim Mission & Outreach Coordinator until we work out our Mission Statement. Accepted</p>	
<p>12.5 Pastoral Care and Fellowship Meredith thinking about another get-together with Pastoral Care Group coordinators</p>	
<p>12.6 Men's Shed Team meeting at 1:30pm today</p>	
<p>12.7 Minister 12.7.1 Peacemakers Course in May: agreed Lorraine to attend with Susan on Saturday 6 May and Monday 8 May Agreed training could be offered to someone else from congregation e.g. Meredith Koch (think about other possibilities) Agreed Susan purchase Peacemakers resource pack</p>	All Church Council members Susan
<p>13. WORK HEALTH & SAFETY</p>	
<p>13.1 Work Health & Safety Rep - Agreed Wayne Booth (Synod) be invited to talk to Church Council and Property members about risk management.</p>	Susan
<p>14. NEW BUSINESS INCLUDING SPECIFIC PROPOSALS</p>	
<p>14.1 Website 14.1.1 Agreed Finance Committee budget for ongoing costs. 14.1.2 Agreed letter of thanks be sent to Sandra</p>	Lorraine

<p>14.2 Welcome Service Agreed Peter & Susan to arrange a date and where'</p> <p>14.3 Mission Statement Planning – maybe start with brief worship then small group discussion. Could repeat on regular basis for a while. Possibility to explain in Home groups. Purpose & planning</p> <p>14.4 Agreed Kidz Church have soup day fundraiser for BEE 21 May. Lyn Barnes and Jill Sprigg to speak in worship.</p> <p>14.5 KCO 25 & 26 March - Barb Gepp, Dirkie Bezuidenhout, Eva Zorkovic and Shayna Wiese accepted as leaders for children attending from Adare.</p> <p>15.Close/Benediction Meeting closed with prayer by Lesley M at 12:05pm</p> <p>Next Meeting: Tuesday 11 April 2017, 9:15am for 9:30am</p> <p>Devotions: Peter</p>	<p>Susan Next meeting</p>
<p>Confirmation of Minutes /...../17</p> <p>Chairperson</p>	