

WOLFVILLE AREA INTERCHURCH COUNCIL
Minutes of Executive Meeting
Manning Chapel Library Dec 8 2004

1. Members present: Nancy Burbidge (pres), Margaret Burton (rec sec), Neil Cloghesy, Maurice Tugwell, Roger Prentice, Audrey Lounder, Roger Cann, John Mercer, Janet Kirkconnell, Diana Shelley and Bruce Dienes. Regrets: Helen Whidden.
2. Meditation: Audrey Lounder led a thoughtful seasonal meditation.
3. The minutes of the last meeting June 9 2004 were approved as circulated.
4. Correspondence – none
5. Old Business
 - a) Cochrane's Pharmasave fundraiser luncheon postponed until spring and clear roads.
 - b) Fall Hymn Sing: Successful again and much appreciated for fellowship and format. The month of May was suggested to have a start up meeting for better organization next year.
 - c) Time for Caregivers: documents and information were passed out at meeting. Still need endorsement for New Horizons Application from a few of the churches.
6. Treasurer Report (M Tugwell) Balance (minus GIC) \$20020.93
Questions arising: How much money is each Christmas voucher worth? Question about school donations, which are given out as requested. Moved report be accepted. (MT/ NC). Carried
7. Committee reports
 - (a)AEC: (BD) Date of Annual meeting: Fri May 6 and Sat May 7th. Acadia Residences may be available for overnight stay.
 - (b) Clergy 2005 Week of Prayer discussions were postponed. Advent service went well.
 - (c) Ministries Committee: (MB) (no report but a verbal note that the committee is pleased with the financial help WAICC gives to the needy. A card will be sent to Joao Matwawana with New Year /Christmas greetings from council.
 - (d) Nominating Committee: inactive
 - (e) Program Committee (RP, NC, DS) Janet K. will contact the filmmaker to see about obtaining copies of the Housing Video
 - f) Web Committee: still looking for church news
 - (g) VLT Menace vltmenace.ca is up and running. Moved by RC, seconded by NC to allot up to \$200 to help with costs. Carried

8. Church reports

- a) St Francis (NC, MB): All is well for Advent/Christmas.
- b) St John's (DS): All is well for Advent/Christmas
- c) St Andrew's (JM, AL): Covenenter church services; potluck at Greenwich to raise funds for WAICC; longest night Dec 21 service.
- d) Wolfville Baptist Church (RC) New WAICC executive: Alison and Jean Trites, and Gary Dunfield.
- e) Society of Friends (BD): 19th 4PM skits and family gathering; Carol sing in Hantsport; New Years Eve silent worship at 11PM.
- f) Port Williams: Nancy will call Sylia Berger to invite attendance at these meetings
- g) Manning Chapel (RP: Advent/Christmas services went well. Renovations almost complete.

9. Other business

- (a) Janet Kirkconnell and Nancy Burbidge opened discussion about ways to help the newly settled refugee family obtain English language training. Motion (BD/JM) to write a letter to the president of Acadia University requesting the university waive the fee for one or both of the adult refugee family members to enable them to take the offered course. Carried.

10. Date of next meeting: **Wed 12 January 2005 7:30 PM, Manning Chapel Library**

11. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM, and AL closed with a prayer.

VOLUNTEERS FOR 2005 OPENING MEDITATION:

Jan 12th John Mercer; Feb 9th Neil Cloghesy; Mar 9th Helen Whidden; Ap 13th TBD; May 11th Nancy Burbidge; June 8th, Roger Prentice.