

WOLFFVILLE AREA INTERCHURCH COUNCIL
Minutes of Executive Meeting
Manning Chapel Library Mar 15, 2005

1. Members present: Nancy Burbidge (pres), Margaret Burton (rec sec), Neil Cloghesy, Helen Whidden, Roger Prentice (briefly), Roger Cann, John Mercer, Diana Shelley and Bruce Dienes. Sincerest regrets: Audrey Lounder, Allison and Gene Trites, Gary Dunfield, Maurice Tugwell.
2. Meditation: Helen Whidden led a thoughtful Lenten meditation – Jn 6:27-40... Faith is the heart of Christian Life.
3. The minutes of the last meeting Feb 16 2005 were approved as circulated.
4. Correspondence – Easter wishes and news of his latest trip to Angola from Joao Matwawana (on file)/ thank you letter from Port Williams school for WAICC funding for lunch program (on file)
5. Old Business
 - a) Cochrane's Pharmasave fundraiser Healthy Together evening Mar 2 was excellent but few turned out because of weather and many conflicts with other events around town. Total funds raised at the door: \$55.00
 - b) Ecumenical Pastoral Visitation Initiative: Roger Cann reported on progress and roadblocks encountered. A 'pared down' project has been outlined. They are now reapplying to the EKM HF for more funding. New Horizon grant money was not awarded.

Motion: "that the WAICC reaffirm its endorsement of the Home Visitation Project of Nov 10/ 2004 and recommend the modified Project to its member churches and to the Eastern Kings Memorial Health Foundation for funding."
Roger Cann moved/ Margaret Burton seconded. Motion carried.
- Note:** Neil suggested churches might have funding to help with printed and other resource materials.
- c) Tom Peace of l'Arche is interested in attending some of our meetings.
6. Treasurer Report (sent in by M Tugwell) Balance as of Mar 15, 2005 \$32919.76
Note: Discussion of member churches and their annual dues should be placed on the April agenda
7. Committee reports
 - (a)AEC: (BD) Date of Annual meeting: Fri May 6 and Sat May 7th. Mail out happening soon. Committee members should expect calls for help at the meeting.
 - (b) Clergy 2005 Walk of the Cross is being planned by St Andrews.
 - (c) Ministries Committee: no report
 - (d) Nominating Committee: no report
 - (e) Program Committee ongoing talks with video people. Tentative date in April for viewing.
 - (f) Web Committee: page has been modified a bit...still needing church news
 - (g) VLT Menace vltmenace.ca is ready for official launching. Timing is great because the issue is in the media spotlight these days.

8. Church reports

- a) St Francis (NC, MB): There may be a follow-up to the video/movie book by Father Monty Williams/ A 25 hour youth Thinkfast happened last weekend. Monies raised go to Development and Peace Water Campaign /All is well for Easter.
- b) St John's (DS, HW): There will be combined services in the fall (trial for a year)/ Campaign for Primates Relief Fund for Life without Aids /ACW had a Lenten Evensong / Helen presented a page from the Internet: alternet.org/ All is well for Easter.
- c) St Andrew's (JM, NB): Just finished a 5-week study session /Gloria Churchill is going to be the 4 month intern while Robyn is away/ New Council in place/ Monthly lunches are starting.
- d) Wolfville Baptist Church (RC) Seder supper March 23/ Apr 3 Christianne Rushton and the Camerata singers/ Death and Dying Workshops will take place in April on Thursday evenings.
- e) Society of Friends (BD):Potluck Sundays/ Study groups linking historical testimonies of Quakerism with current day issues/ Family gatherings will be tried/ Apr 1 is non event day.
- f) Port Williams: no report
- g) Manning Chapel Good Friday service at chapel 1PM./ Pageant next Tues- Fri 7:30PM.

9. Other business

Note new Mud Creek Medical Co Op.

Suggestion was made for our committee to form an ongoing study seminar on new issues. Further discussion next meeting.

10. Date of next meeting: **Wed 13 April 2005 7:30 PM, Manning Chapel Library**

13. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM, and HW closed with a prayer.

VOLUNTEERS FOR 2005 OPENING MEDITATION:

Apr 13th Margaret Burton; May 11th Nancy Burbidge; June 8th, Roger Prentice.