

**WOLFVILLE AREA INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL  
MINUTES**

**Wednesday 14 November 2007**

**7:30 pm**

**Manning Memorial Chapel**

1. Meeting called to order by President, Neil Cloghesy. Agenda circulated

Present: Neil Cloghesy, Liz Vermeulen, Penni Burrell, Helen Whidden, Nancy Burbidge, Gene Trites, Allison Trites, Tim McFarland, Diana Shelley, (9)

Absent with regrets: Keith Churchill, Maurice Tugwell, David Garrett, Ann Watson, Gary Dunfield

2. DEVOTIONS The Chaplain gave an interesting talk on the prophet Amos. He gave a Contemporary twist to Amos, who presents God as a harsh judge of those who instigate and perpetuate injustice. However, Amos also gives hope that there is another chance offered. Today we extol the love of God and soft-pedal judgment, but Amos presents both elements.

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of 10 October 2007 had been circulated. Corrections: date of meeting should be 10<sup>th</sup> October not 20<sup>th</sup>: Nancy noted that Musique Royale concert is on Friday 23 November at 7:30 and not as shown in Minutes. Moved PB/NB Minutes be accepted as corrected. Motion carried.

4. CORRESPONDENCE:/COMMUNICATIONS

Letters received from Port Williams Elementary School and from Gaspereau School both requesting financial support for their breakfast programme. Moved LV/HW that \$1,000 be sent to each school. Motion carried

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

Liz Vermeulen (acting Treasurer) reported balance-on-hand 13 November 2007 \$15,762.76. She noted that there were a number of outstanding cheques and that with these deducted, the balance would be \$14,046.34. Adoption of Treasurer's report moved LV/NB and carried. Treasurer reported further that the WAICC Christmas campaign letters have been mailed She circulated to those present a resume of the current financial standing of WAICC members and considerable discussion followed... As a result, it was moved PB/AAT that invoices be sent by treasurer to all identified members each fiscal year on a regular basis. Motion carried

6. BUSINESS ARISING

To be dealt with under New Business

## 7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- (a) Clergy Committee – Tim McFarland noted that the Town clergy will meet on the 15<sup>th</sup> November and he agreed to approach Glen Donellan at that meeting regarding his intention and his wishes as far as his church community's involvement in WAICC is concerned.
- (b) Food Bank Committee – Nancy reported that things in general at Food Bank going very well. Since Christmas vouchers are no longer being given out, it has been suggested that Christmas hampers be given instead. It is proposed by the committee that each member church (or interested faith community) be asked for a certain quantity of a specific food item or if this would be difficult for them, a cash donation instead. 120 hampers are going to be prepared. Some discussion followed and agreement was given by the WAICC committee in principle for the project to go ahead. Members of the committee will convey the relevant information to their respective churches. Hamper Day is to take place on Saturday 22 December in Wolfville Baptist Church. Details of the operations of the Hamper day and of the preceding day which will be a "packing day" are still being worked out and will be available to members by the time of the next WAICC meeting. There is a possibility that Gary Dunfield's youth group might be available on the Friday and/or the Saturday to assist with packing and distribution.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

- (a) Responding to Dr. Doran's request (see September Minutes) – the committee appointed at the October meeting consisting of Neil, Penni, Ann, Helen and Diana (Committee for the Stranded) met on 17 October and came up with some suggestions to pass on to Dr. Doran for his consideration.. No answer yet from Dr. Doran.
- (b) Programme Committee – no further development to date

## 9. NEWS OF MEMBERS

- (a) Chapel – The Rev'd. Tim McFarland has been formally inducted as Chaplain. It was noted that the University Advent service will take place on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December.
- (b) Wolfville Baptist – a challenge to liquidate the debt was issued by a member of the congregation and ...great news, it was met!
- (c) St. John's Wolfville – The Rev Cathy-Lee Cunningham was married on 4<sup>th</sup> November. Helen reported that it was a very happy occasion and that the bride looked radiant. Coffee party to take place on 24 November – plum puddings have already been made. Turkey supper took place on the 13<sup>th</sup> November and was successful. St. John's 190<sup>th</sup> anniversary is coming up and many events are being planned by the Spiritual Development Committee
- (d) Quakers – Penni reported that Ladney Richmond's ashes were scattered in a very pretty and peaceful part of Willowbank Cemetery on 12<sup>th</sup> November. She also reported that she herself is now an official member of the Canadian Friends Services Committee which meets every six months in Toronto and that that as a result of her membership of this committee she is an ambassador in the Quakers Aboriginal Affairs Committee.

- (e) Wolfville Pastoral Charge (United) – Is entering into a year long initiative focusing on peace. Their Annual Tea and Sale takes place on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November from 2 to 4 pm and in Greenwich there is a Coffee Party on 1<sup>st</sup> December from 10 to noon... On 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7:30 pm there is a special concert featuring the Spinney Brothers.
- (f) John’s Cornwallis – A special service to remember those who have died in the parish during the past year was held in St. Michael’s Canning on All Souls Day. A very successful Harvest Supper took place last Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> November. On the evening of 11<sup>th</sup> December a Regional Choral Evensong was held in St, James’ Kentville featuring a 35 voice regional choir. The Bishop of Manicaland was the preacher and good number of people attended from parishes across Clermont Region.

Nancy reiterated the very special concert to be held on FRIDAY, 23<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER AT 7:30 PM (note change in date and time from previous Minutes) in Manning Chapel with guest organist Craig Humber “a rising star in the organ world” performing.

Mention was also made of a Musical Fund Raiser being organized by Wendy Elliott and Heather Price at Wolfville Baptist Church on 7<sup>th</sup> December. The proceeds are to go to the Food Bank. Further details TBA.

**11. NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December 2007 at 7:30 pm.**

Liz moved adjournment of meeting

Allison closed with prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Trites  
Diana Shelley

Secretaries