**Draft Minutes**

**Kemble-Sarawak and Zion-Keppel Pastoral Charge Official Board Meeting**

**Thursday, February 23, 2017 Kemble-Sarawak UC**

**Present:** John Harrison, Cathy Hird, Vi Hill, David Burns, Carol MacDonnell, Keith Elliott, Kurt Danard, Mike Milne, Lorraine Rutherford, Mary Ellen Parsons, Fred Parsons, Paul Morris, Connie Morris, Mary Beth Gray, Don Dailey, Wanda Dailey, Elaine Wallace, Jack Wallace

**quorum attained**

**Regrets:** Cory McQuigge, Murray McQuigge, Beth Anne Currie

**Opening**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 on Thursday, February 23, 2017 by John Harrison. Rev Cathy Hird opened the meeting with prayer.

**Approval of Agenda**

**Motion to adopt the agenda.**

**Motioned by: Lorraine Rutherford**

**Seconded by: Fred Parsons**

**Motion carried.**

**Approval of Previous Pastoral Charge Official Board Meeting Minutes**

**Motion to approve the Minutes of the Pastoral Charge Official Board Meeting of November 17, 2016 as corrected/amended:**

**Motioned by: Mary Ellen Parsons**

**Seconded by: Lorraine Rutherford**

**Errors and Omissions**

Janice Hurst Dave Burns - spelling errors

**Motion Carried**

**Business Arising**

* Christmas Eve donations, clarify amount received from Cottage Reads to UW Heating Fund
* One lunch meeting has occurred re House Church Opportunity with Kathy Underwood and Beth Anne Currie

**Financial Report of the Pastoral Charge**

Mary Beth -expenses into PC are less than expected

**Motion to have Board return $15681 of overpayment $20429 back to K-S and Z-K by deferring monthly assessment for Jan, Feb. March 2017**

**Motioned by: Mary Beth Gray**

**Seconded by: Don Dailey**

**Discussion:**

why do we have almost $40000 in bank account

ask finance committee to review what kind of cushion is necessary

- defer question to when Bill is present

**Motion carried.**

**Ministry and Personnel Report**

met last fall to get to know one another….are reorganizing

Communicators Position review is due

**Joint Elders Report**

met Tuesday Zion was represented by Glen Beacock

After discussing the membership review done by K-S, Glen may do a membership review at Zion

book available on Prayer Practice for Lent

Maundy Thursday 7:00 Medeterrain Foods to be shared

Good Friday 10:00

Easter Sunday Sunrise 7:00 am Big Bay, breakfast following at K-S

Easter Sunday Service 10:30 K-S Baptism

Joint Service at Zion April 30 10:30 First Nations Sunday

Anniversary Service K-S June 11

Glen to check with Zion what they would like to do

Summerlite Services

July 6, 9, 16, 23, 30 at Kemble Sarawak,

Aug. 6, 13, 20 at Zion

Aug. 27, Sept. 3 at Kemble-Sarawak

**Motion to accept Joint Elders Report**

**Motioned by:Lorraine Rutherford**

**Seconded by: Elaine Wallace**

**Motion carried.**

**Mission and Service Report**

Jan Hurst

no report available

Sunday presentation was well received

M+S givings have been declining. Need to try to keep it up

**Presbytery Report**

April 1st next meeting

Markdale coventing service of Audrey Brown who is part of Toronto Conference will take place in Markdale March 12. Rev. Kathy Underwood presiding, Rev.Neil Parker speaking

**Minister’s Report**

lot of pastoral care, lots of visiting

lots of administration, learning routines, etc

moving along….good three months

making sermons available…..available for Sunday School, will send requests for those who might like emails….could take them to those not with computer access

**New Business**

1. Setting a date for a meeting to deal with remits

 will email package to everyone….costly to make hard copies….5 remits and study guide

 is a constitutional Change….complicated process….

50 % of Congregation and Presbytery must vote in favor….non vote is opposition

substantial financial issues therefore very relevant

Congregation Board meeting..May 4, 7:00pm K-S

2. Website

**Motion to approach Jennie Hoekstra about revamping Church Website and come back to board with projected costs**

**Moved by: Connie Morris**

**Seconded by: Lorraine Rutherford**

**Motion Carried**

3. Spirit Newsletter

way to connect with wider community

feels important to get out to the wider community

**Motion to proceed with preparation of Spirit Newsletter to be sent out by March 30, 2017**

**Moved By Mary Ellen parsons**

**Seconded By Lorraine Rutherford**

**Discussion:**

sponsors may be willing to pay to help defer costs

copies to be available at church and posted at KWI Parkette

Connie Morris will visit Jenny at Post Office to get costs of distribution

Looking for help to create it: upcoming church events…..Maple syrup Tour, Garden Tour, Easter Services, KeppleCroft Service, bio of minister, Stewards and Lions Beef Dinner, Cottage Country Reads, KWI Parkette Anniversary etc

**Motion Carried**

4. David Burns shared his concerns around interfaith issues recently

Muslim, Jew, Christian Issues, Sikh, Buddhist, First Nations

asked if there has there been opportunity for discussion

might we have an Interfaith Minute, much like Mission Minute?

Discussion Nights and talks happening in Owen Sound at St. George’s Church were shared

**Next Meeting**

The next Official Board will be on May 4 at K-S at 7:00pm. just to do remits

**Motion to adjourn moved by: Vi Hill**

**Motion carried**.

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**Seconded by:Don Dailey**

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**Reports**

**United Church Women**

March 1 World Day of Prayer The Philippines 1:00 All Welcome Food Included

Audrey and Willie to present Arctic Pictures fundraising date TBD hopefully April

 **Elders**

4 baptisms, and a wedding upcoming

$300 given to Syrian family in Wiarton

Elders lists….member and adherents are on a list….watch out!!

**Stewards:**

**no report**

**Trustees**

FU - proceeds from Sarawak Heritage Funds…..wording is being worked out. Money should be sent in next few weeks, with money available for distribution 3.5% sustainable on long term basis.

money coming back as grants to be distributed annually by a small committee

to be sustainable

elders committee will call for applications for grants, then make decision

**Sunday School**

kids doing a musical on April 23…Moses and the Exodus!!

**New Business**

1. **Report on the Building Process**

surveys went out….69 returned plus input from Lions, Kemble Kids, Ratepayers Association, KWI, ….emails received

Sunday we will look at principles, etc we will workshop and have discussions and statements of consensus

that goes back to building committee and who will then bring it to the Board BoardMeeting needed to prepare a statement to go to Congregation for approval

biggest challenge is costs we will need more money can it be done in footprint? to build to code

need to find a way to build consensus to move forward

**Motion for Building Committee to invite another member of the church to join the building committee**

**Moved by Keith Elliott**

**Seconded by Elaine Wallace**

**Motion Carried**

**Next Meeting**

we will await until Sunday

**Motion to adjourn moved by: Mary Ellen Parsons**

**Motion carried**.