

**Mission and Discipleship Commission**  
**Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council**  
**OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**  
*Connecting, Supporting, Transforming*

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**Draft Minutes**

**November 1, 2019**

**Clifford United Church**

**Present:** Rosemary Benbow, Deanne Dickson, Bruce Dickson, Rodger Filsinger, Mary Hawthorne, Pat McDonough, Keith Reynolds, Kathy Douglas, Kim Uyede-Kai, Joan Tuchlinsky, Ruthanna Mack

**Staff Support:** Ruthanna Mack, administrative staff support; Kathy Douglas Faith Formation staff; Kim Uyede-Kai, Right Relations and Indigenous Justice staff; Dave Jagger, Stewardship and Gifts Officer, General Council staff

**Welcome and Introductions:**

Deanne offered a brief worship on ‘what does the Lord require of us’  
She offered a Welcome to everyone

**Agenda Check:**

The agenda was reviewed. It was decided that we would focus on Mission Support Grants. Everyone agreed.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes of the September 16, 2019 minutes were approved as circulated.

**Cheryl-Ann:**

C-A shared background on Mission Support grants and outlined where the money comes from. There are two sources of income: Assessments and Mission and Service funds. The Mission Support Grant money comes from the Mission and Service funds. We have \$132,000 to work with for 2020 grants.

It was decided that the group would use a consensus model to approve Mission Support Grants.

**Mission Support Grants:**

Bruce Dickson recused himself from the discussion on the Ecumenical Campus Ministry of the University of Guelph.

Keith Reynolds recused himself from the discussion on Camp Bimini.

Camp Bimini: Kathy gave a brief overview of Camp Bimini. She noted that there are 3 camps in the Western Ontario Waterways Region – Bimini, Menesetung and Silver Lake

It was decided that Menesetung and Silver Lake would be given an opportunity to apply for a Mission Support Grant – Deanne will write and send letters to these camps.  
Bimini was granted \$15,000 by consensus

Grand River Spiritual and Educational Resource Centre:  
\$5,000 was granted by consensus

Christian Resource Centre, Mitchell:  
\$10,000 was granted by consensus

Grey Bruce Healthcare Chaplaincy Council:  
\$30,000 was granted by consensus

Ecumenical Campus Ministry at the University of Guelph:  
\$15,000 was granted by consensus

Total Grants approved: \$75,000

That leaves the group \$57,000 to grant as other applications become available

**Next Meeting:** Zoom meeting Date to be determined