

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

Draft Minutes

November 1, 2019

Clifford United Church

Present: Rosemary Benbow, Deanne Dickson, Bruce Dickson, Rodger Filsinger, Mary Hawthorne, Pat McDonough, Joyce Osborne, 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