**Executive**

**Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council**

**of The United Church of Canada**

**MINUTES August 21, 2024, 9:30 AM**

**Zoom**

**Roster:** Rebekah Duncan (President Elect), Dawn Blanchard (Recording Secretary), Brent Caslick (Treasurer), Andrea Allan, Ann Harbridge, Andrew Hyde, Beth Kerr, Terry Smith

**Staff Support:** Mark Laird, Executive Minister

**Regrets:** Heather Leffler, Cathy Larmond, Jennifer Irving (President)

President Mark asked for permission to record for executive members to review. All agreed.

**Welcome/Constitute Meeting/Acknowledging the Land:** President Elect Rebekah Duncan

I constitute this meeting in the name of Jesus Christ, the one true head of the Church and by the authority vested in me by Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council for whatever business may properly come before it. The bounds of this meeting will be the Zoom call.

**Opening Worship**

Pres. Mark Laird - A wealthy farmer Messiah story - what is ours what is God’s? We can get lost in our material goodness.

**Opening Agreements**

**Consent Docket**

Any of the following matters that require discussion can be lifted from the consent docket and voted upon separately:

A.  Enabling Actions

1. That the proposed Agenda be approved as presented.
2. That the minutes of the June 19, 2024 and July 17, 2024 meetings be approved as distributed.
3. That motions be written and given to the Recording Secretary.

B.  Confirmation of Email Vote

Motion: Andrea Allan/Andrew Hyde: That the WOWRC Executive approve the awarding of a Learning Fund Grant, in the amount of $500, to Amber Culley. Carried**.**

**Approved by Consensus.**

**New Business**

1. WOWRC Rural Ministry Grant application (LLWL Enrichment Day)

HR Commission supportive of Exec approving the grant. $1136.40

Motion – Ann / Brent Carried.

1. Looking at finances/property policy/grants/regional council budgeting.
* Parameter ideas discussed for use of funds. It was decided that a small group would take away the ideas that were discussed and come up with suggestions to present to the WOWRC Executive. Volunteers for the group – Ann Harbridge, Terry Smith & Brent Caslick. Executive President Mark will also be present.

**Approved by Consensus**

Meeting was closed in prayer by President Elect Rebekah Duncan.