

MINUTES

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF TYENDINAGA PARISH COUNCIL	PRESENT: The Rev'd Brad Smith, Marlene Brant-Castellano, Paul Robertson, Bev Hill, Shirley Maracle, Kim Maracle, Cathie Vick, Keith Sero	MEETING TIME/LOCATION: Wednesday 18 March 2009 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Queen Anne Parish Centre
	REGRETS: Bill Brant, Carla Barnhardt, Pat Brant, Laverne Maracle, Marilyn Maracle, Doug Green	
	ABSENT: Lester Brant	

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION/DECISION	ACTION
1.0 OPENING PRAYER AND SCRIPTURE REFLECTION	The meeting was called to order with prayer at 7:10 p.m.	
2.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	The agenda was accepted as presented. Moved: Paul Robertson; Seconded: Bev Hill. Carried. The minutes of the last meeting were approved as circulated. Moved: Paul Robertson; Seconded: Bev Hill. Carried.	
3.0 BUSINESS 3.1 Worship, Witness, Parish Life 3.2 Faith Formation 3.3 Stewardship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work on developing habit of using hand sanitiser on a regular basis in the churches, particularly after the Peace and before Communion. • 225th committee planning to meet to discuss the events of 22-24 May, hopefully dovetailing with the efforts of the Language Circle. • Nothing to report. • Christ Church's bank accounts are still outstanding and need to be closed and transferred to the parish account. • Rectory Maintenance: Inspection Report from the Band Building Inspector identified a number of areas needing work. There are 7 areas still to be addressed. 	<p>Paul: procured hand sanitiser and dispensers for each church. Wardens: ensure installation.</p> <p>Brad: call meeting. Bev: contact Language Circle.</p> <p>Kim: will close account and write cheque to parish account.</p> <p>Brad: get quotations for necessary work for Parish Council to determine what is affordable in this year (can request money from investments at Diocese if needed.</p>

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3.4 Outreach and Mission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter to Band re: Environment. Discussion on a letter to the Band that Brad brought. Needs to be edited (suggestions from the floor were incorporated into the rough draft). Motion to send amended letter to Band Council on behalf of Parish Council. Moved: Marlene Brant-Castellano; Seconded: Keith Sero. Carried. • Received Parish Treasurer’s Report (General Ledger): no questions. • General discussion on outreach. Some questions that were asked included: do we need a parish outreach committee and what/who are the possible recipients of outreach spending? • Discussion on how to engage with the community. Marlene suggested that before we think of ways to attract people to church, we should use our networks to ask people what they want/need. Ask the question “is your faith important to you?” We need to engage people with a language that addresses the raising of children in a faith community. Most people seem not to see church as meeting their needs. How do we change this? Keith responded that people don’t always have the introspection to articulate their needs so we might offer choices to people to help “narrow” the data being presented and we should research other churches to see how they interact with their communities. Brad noted that the conversation was about welcoming <i>all</i> people and that we need to be prepared to follow through on that conviction (i.e. not be exclusive). 	<p>Brad: edit letter and bring final copy to Parish Council for approval and signatures.</p>
4.0 OTHER BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A series of speakers on third Sundays, when the parish worships together was proposed by Brad. He asked for names of possible speakers or suggestions for topics (not necessarily church related). Two that were mentioned were: Marlene on the work of the TRC and a residential school student to tell us about the experience and their “needs” regarding apology, reconciliation, etc. 	<p>All: Consider and suggest possible speakers/topics.</p>

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5.0 UPCOMING EVENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy Week and Easter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maundy Thursday, 9 Apr, 6 p.m., QAPC, Potluck Supper and Liturgy - Good Friday, 10 Apr, 10 a.m., All Saints' - Great Vigil of Easter, 11 Apr, 8 p.m., Christ Church - Easter Day, 12 Apr, usual times. • 225th Anniversary events and service Fri 22 to Sun 24 May. • Palm Sunday <i>The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John</i> at St Mary Magdalene's, Napanee, 7 p.m. Free to attend. 	
6.0 NEXT MEETING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wed 15 Apr, 7:00 p.m., QAPC. 	
7.0 CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to adjourn: Shirley Maracle. Carried. The meeting concluded at 9:00 p.m. with the Grace. 	