

Human Resources Commission
Antler River Watershed Regional Council
OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
Holding and Encouraging Communities of Faith

Place: Special Zoom Meeting 10 am

Roster: Olav Kitchen (OM, Chair), Jim Drummond (L), Paul Browning (OM), Carol Ferguson (OM), Doreen Hewitson (DLM), Norm MacPherson (L), Beth Parsons, Mary Anne Silverthorn (L), Tracy Wygiera (L)

Staff Support: Rev. Diane Blanchard, Minister, Pastoral Relations DBlanchard@united-church.ca

Present: Olav Kitchen, Paul Browning, Jim Drummond, Carol Ferguson, Beth Parsons, Mary Anne Silverthorn, Diane Blanchard

Regrets: Doreen Hewitson, Tracy Wygiera, Norm MacPherson

Absent:

Welcome and Constitute Meeting: Olav Kitchen welcomed everyone to this special meeting of the Human Resources Commission for the purpose of considering the pastoral relationship between the Olde West Oxford cluster and the Rev. Cordell Parsons.

Emergent Business

Correspondence was received from the Boards of Foldens United Church and Sweaburg United Church advising Rev. Cordell Parsons that they are relieving him of his duties for the remaining months of his appointment to June 30, 2020. This followed meetings of the boards held on February 4, 2020.

The meeting was informed of a motion from the February 5, 2020 meeting of the Covenant Commission of Antler River Watershed as follows:

MOTION by Deb Ellacott / Judith Fayter that in light of correspondence received from West Oxford U.C., Sweaburg U.C. and Foldens U.C., the Covenant Commission dissolves the ministry sharing operating as the Olde West Oxford Cluster effective immediately.

MOTION

CARRIED

Following discussion of the correspondence received in the last month, the Human Resources Commission made the following motion:

MOTION by Beth Parsons / Jim Drummond that in light of the action of the Covenant Commission to dissolve the Olde West Oxford Cluster and the correspondence of Rev. Cordell Parsons, the Human Resources Commission accepts Rev. Parsons' request for a

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change in pastoral relations from the Olde West Oxford Cluster effective immediately. Rev. Parsons will be compensated for the balance of the appointment period.

MOTION

CARRIED

MOTION by Paul Browning / Carol Ferguson that The Human Resources Commission allow for the continuing role of the current Congregational Designated Minister, Lynne Dunlop, during the transition as the parties (Foldens, Sweaburg and West Oxford United Churches) agree up to August 31, 2020.

MOTION

CARRIED

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:40.

Closing Prayer: Paul Browning led in prayer for all involved.

Next Meeting: February 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. by/at Zoom