

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

Place/Time: Zoom Meeting 9:00 a.m.

Roster: Marie Santos (L, Chair), Deb Ellacott (L), Jim Evans (OM), Adam Kilner (OM), Andi McKillop (L), Mark Perry (OM), Greg Simpson (DLM), Jeff Smith (OM), Dave Whiting (L)

Staff Support: Pretima Kukadia-Kinting, Admin Assistant, PKukadia@united-church.ca
Rev. John Neff, Minister, Congregational Support & Mission, jneff@united-church.ca

Present: Marie Santos, Deb Ellacott, Jim Evans, Andi McKillop, Mark Perry, Jeff Smith, Dave Whiting, John Neff

Regrets: Pretima Kukadia-Kinting

Absent: Adam Kilner (sabbatical?), Greg Simpson (new member)

Welcome and Constitute Meeting: The meeting was constituted and opened by Marie Santos.

Acknowledging the Land: Territorial lands are acknowledged on behalf of the Covenant Commission by Marie Santos:

We are gathered this morning on traditional lands. We recognize and deeply appreciate the historic connection to this ground we share. We also recognize the contributions of the Metis, Inuit, and other Indigenous peoples have made to our country. As settlers, this recognition must be clearly connected to our commitment to make the promise and the challenge of the Truth and Reconciliation real in the communities in which we live and worship. We are grateful to the Creator for this time and this place.

Opening Worship: Mark Perry presented worship and noted that June was National Indigenous month and Pride Month.

Consent Docket:

Corresponding Member(s):

That John Neff, Minister for Congregational Support and Mission, Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council, be made a corresponding member for this meeting.

1. Approval of Previous Minutes of May 5, 2021 be accepted as amended (see 2. a.).
2. Pastoral Charge Supervisors & Companions

Correct Elizabeth Parsons as pastoral charge supervisor for Melville United Church, effective immediately.

3. Annual Reports

The Covenant Commission receives the following communities of faith 2020 annual reports with thanks:

Trinity United Church, Ingersoll	
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4. Self Assessments to be received with thanks

5. Community of faith profiles to be received with thanks

MOTION by Jim Evans / Deb Ellacott that the Covenant Commission of Antler River Watershed Regional Council approve the consent docket as circulated.

MOTION

CARRIED

Other Business:

6. Zion Cemetery, Lambton County

Transfer to the Township request to be handled by Executive Minister, Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa.

7. Discussion:

Status of Rev. Lynne Allin and possible supply

2020 Annual Reports – Marie to assign members to three annual reports to review

Pastoral Charge Supervisor Check-In – will discuss in the fall regarding members calling PCS to get updates and status

Updating of Motion Tracker – need to determine if tracker is up to date

Thanked Deb Ellacott for her past service on the commission and wish her well. Thanked Andi McKillop and Jim Evans for their past service and continuing with the commission for the next three years.

Deb Ellacott volunteered to arrange flowers from the covenant commission for Lynne Allin.

Dave will be following up regarding reduction of hours at Sprucedale Providence

Next Meeting: July 7, 2021 at 9:00 am

Worship by: Marie Santos

MOTION that the Covenant Commission of Antler River Watershed Regional Council having concluded its business, be adjourned.

June 2, 2021

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MOTION

AGREED

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 am.

