



WESTVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH of LONDON

Budget Meeting

Saturday, November 27th, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.

Notice of Meeting and (Revised) Agenda

Please note the DAY of this meeting. There a couple of logistical reasons to move the meeting day and we hope we can meet a quorum. Please come if you can at all make it.

Open in Prayer & Devotional

1. Welcome! Determination of quorum and guidelines for the meeting.
2. Courtesy Motion: A motion to allow adherents to speak to the agenda items in the meeting.
3. Motion: Approval of Agenda for this meeting on Sat. Nov. 27
4. Motion: Approval of the minutes from the meeting on November 22, 2020.
5. Motion: Approval and validation of the unofficial votes conducted on November 22, 2020.
6. Motion: That the Accountants report (Wilkinson Rogers) for the year ended December 31, 2020 is approved. The Public Accountant's Report *-is available upon request*
7. Motion: That Wilkinson Rogers be appointed by Ordinary Resolution as our accountants for the year ending December 31, 2021 in accordance with the Act.
8. Motion: Approval of the Slate of Officers for 2021-22.
9. Motions: Approval of new members.
10. Motion: To change Section 7.09 (a) so that the required quorum percentage is 25%.
11. Motion: To change Section 7.11 to allow for participation of Members by electronic means.
12. Motion: Approval of the Budget for 2022.
13. Motion to adjourn

Westview Baptist Church of London

Business Meeting

Sunday, November 22, 2020

Meeting convened at 11am

Chair: Liz Pellmann Webb, Moderator

Determination of Quorum and Guidelines for the Meeting: (Section 7:09 (a) and (d) – By-Law No. 3) 231 members – 24 Exempt members (207 x 30%) = 62 members required to meet Quorum. 57 members attending.

Liz Pellmann Webb - We will continue with this meeting and vote at this meeting, even though we are 5 members short of the required quorum. Our decisions will not be legally binding, but they will serve as indicators that the Board will use to move forward in 2021.

Devotional and Prayer – Pastor Phil

Rev 2:29 – The phrase ‘Whoever has ears let them hear’ is repeated 7 times in 2 chapters. In the book ‘Reverse Thunder’ by Eugene Peterson he focuses on 2 main things from this passage: - The spirit speaks. The people listen. Each one of us is committed to having our ears open and listening to what the Spirit is saying, one ear open to God’s word and one ear open to hear each other.

Courtesy Motion

Moved by Kathy Moniz

Seconded by Nancy Addison

That all are invited to speak at this business meeting where we will all hear and listen. However, only members may vote.

All in favour. motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mary Fink

Seconded by Ricardo Moniz

That the Agenda for today’s meeting be approved.

All in favour. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of the February 23, 2020 Business Meeting

Moved by Audrey Gleason

Seconded by Susan Phillips

That the February Minutes be adopted as recorded.

All in favour. Motion carried.

Election of members to the Executive Board, Officer Positions, Committees and other Church Positions for the program year beginning in July 1, 2020

Moved by Lois Garrett

Seconded by Charlotte Van Roestel

That the proposed amended 2020-2021 Slate of Officers be accepted as presented.

All in favour. Motion carried.

Review & Approval of the Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Approval of the Public Accountant’s Report – Marycatherine Kusch/Doug Lynds

(Marycatherine not in attendance)

Moved by Doug Lynds

Seconded by Clayton Root

That the Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2019 are approved, and that the Accountants report (Wilkinson Rogers) for the year ended December 31, 2019 are approved. All in favour. Motion carried.

To Appoint the public accountant Wilkinson Rogers by Ordinary Resolution for the year ending December 31, 2020 in accordance with the Act

Moved by Doug Lynds

Seconded by Kathy Moniz

That Wilkinson Rogers be appointed as our accountants for the year ending December 31, 2020. All in favour. Motion carried.

Financial update and vote on proposed Budget for 2021

Moved by Doug Lynds

Seconded by Rob Petteplace

That the proposed Budget for the year ending December 21, 2021 be accepted as presented. 1 Opposed. 1 Abstained. Motion carried.

Vote on each of the following prospective New Members

Moved by David Norton

Seconded by Nancy Addison

That we recommend accepting Temitope Akinsola as a member into Westview Baptist Church fellowship, to be received on experience and testimony of faith.

All in favour. Motion carried.

Moved by David Norton

Seconded by Joyce Titus

That we recommend accepting Micheal Laroche into membership at Westview Baptist Church, to be received on experience and testimony of faith.

All in favour. Motion carried.

Update from the Executive Board – Jim Fink

We are working through how to be a church in a pandemic.

Jim invited comments and questions regarding his report that was previously sent with the bundle of material in preparation for this meeting.

Adjournment

Moved by Bill Carey

Seconded by Christine Norton

That the meeting be adjourned at 11:35am

All in favour. Motion carried.

Liz Pellmann Webb prayed.

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Recorded by Lois Garrett,
Acting Church Clerk

Westview Baptist Church Slate of Officers 2021-2022

Committee/Role	Retiring June 30, 2022	Retiring June 30, 2023	Retiring June 30, 2024
Moderator		Liz Pellmann Webb 1st term, 3rd yr	
Executive Board Jim Fink (Director) Lois Garrett (Church Clerk)	Jim Fink (Board Director) 1st term, 3rd yr Rob Petteplace (Dir. HR&PM) 1st term, 3rd yr James Norton (Dir. O&M) 2nd term, 3rd yr Charlene Root (Dir. C.E.) 1st term, 3rd yr David Norton (Dir. S. L. & F.) 1st term, 3rd yr	Susan Phillips (MAL) 1st term, 3rd yr Lois Garrett (Church Clerk) 2nd st term, 2 nd yr	Sharon Griffiths (MAL) 1st term, 3rd yr Martha Reis (Dir. Finance) 1st term, 3rd yr Rhodora Laylo (MAL) 1st term, 3rd yr
Nominating Committee (Min. 6 members – 2 from Board*) VACANT (Director)	Sharon Griffiths 1st term, 3rd yr	Darlene Crowe 2 nd term, 3rd yr *Martha Reis 1st term, 3rd yr *Charlene Root 1st term, 3rd yr	
Church Life Committee	Christian Education (incl Youth Specialist & C.E. Specialist) Charlene Root (Director)	Charlotte Van Roestel 1st term, 3rd yr	Temitope Akinsola 1st term, 3rd yr
	Spiritual Life & Fellowship David Norton (Director)	Harvey Park 2 nd term, 3rd yr Brian Humphrey 1st term, 3rd yr	Wes Suchard (Adht) 1st term, 3rd yr Ricardo Moniz 1st term, 3rd yr
	Finance (5 – 7 members, including Treasurer) Martha Reis (Director) Envelope Steward – Margaret Habermehl	Kathy Moniz 1st term, 3rd yr Clayton Root 1st term, 3rd yr	Arber Gashi (Adht) 2 nd term, 3rd yr
Human Resources & Property Management Rob Petteplace (Director)	Chris Allan 1st term, 3rd yr Bob Rousson 1st term, 3rd year	Jim Bailey 2 nd term, 3rd yr	David Crowe (Adht) 2nd term, 3rd yr
Outreach & Mission James Norton (Director)	Ruthe Murphy 1st term, 3rd yr Tricia Tack 1st term, 3rd yr		Sandra Lally (Adht) 1st term, 3rd yr
Middlesex-Lambton-Huron Association (2 council members)		Harvey Park 1st term, 3rd year	Kathy Root Parr 1st term, 3rd year

NOTE: 1 Term = 3 years Adht = Adherent * = Executive Board Rep

October, 2021

Prospective Members Biographies

Two members voted on November 22, 2020 – vote to be ratified on November 27, 2021:

Temitope Akinsola

Temitope and her husband Oyeyemi emigrated from Nigeria to Canada as a permanent residence 2 years ago seeking a better life for themselves and their future family. At early stage of her life, she worshipped in a Baptist church as a child; along the line her parent relocated to another city in which the closest church to where they moved to was The Redeemed Christian Church of God. She was a choir member at The Redeemed Christian Church of God until when she got married. She and her husband both worshipped at Daystar Christian Centre in Nigeria before they permanently relocated to Canada. She sometimes attends The Redeemed Christian Church of God in London the first Sunday of the month for thanksgiving worship.

She would like to join Westview Baptist Church as she feels we are a welcoming home and she feels the presence of God here. She asks for prayer for her heart's desire – for a good job and a family. Back home, Temitope worked as an event planner and has training in accounting. She presently works at Dr. Oetker's. She appreciates the ability to zoom to services at home as well as at Westview in person worship. Despite Covid 19 God has been using these options to continue to provide opportunities for worship, Christian fellowship and as a method to reach others for Christ.

We recommend accepting Temitope Akinsola as a member into Westview's Baptist Church fellowship, to be received on experience and testimony of faith.

Charlene Root & Charlotte Van Roestel

Michael La Rochelle

Michael grew up in Toronto and Pickering. His Mother was Roman Catholic but sent her 5 children to the local Baptist Church to “get religion into us”. At 12 years of age he accepted Christ as his Saviour. Later he became a member of Heritage Baptist Church in Barrie with Pastor Leroy Pennell.

Michael spends many hours studying the Bible and has completed several studies with Walkin' the Walk, receiving excellent marks. He has also memorized many Bible verses. Although he is on a limited budget, God has always provided for his needs. He appreciates the support he has received from Westview. He would like to make more friends who accept him for who he is and support his growth in the Lord. A couple of Michael's favourite verses: 1John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 2:1,2 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

We recommend accepting Michael La Rochelle into membership at Westview Baptist Church., to be received on experience and testimony of faith.

Charlene Root & David Norton

Members to be voted on November 27, 2021:

Ken Geddes

Ken was born in Montreal and grew up attending the St. Lambert Baptist Church. He has been married to Corinne for almost 50 years. He retired from a 40 year career as a Police Officer in London. After retirement he had time to think about life. He met Pastor Phil about 3 years ago and told him he was searching for something and when he found it, he would let him know. He did find Jesus who forgave him and filled the longing in his heart for meaning and purpose. Ken has had 3 serious falls and he believes that God has rescued him for a purpose. The highlight of his spiritual life was the day (September 19) he was baptized and able to bear witness of his faith to his closest friends and family. Westview is “a friendly church who took me in”. He is being mentored and is growing in his faith. Ken looks forward to worshipping and serving at Westview, after recovery from his broken leg.

Harvey Park and Charlene Root interviewed Ken and recommend him for membership at Westview based on his baptism witnessing to his faith.

Sandra Lally

Ricardo Moniz and Charlotte Van Roestel met with Sandra (Sandy) Lally in mid-April to learn about her walk with Christ and her desire to become a member of Westview. Sandy was raised with no religion practiced in the family home. In grade 7, a traveling preacher mentioned Bible classes that were offered during the summer. Sandy attended these classes but needed more to convince her to give her life to the Lord. She moved away from home to attend college and a roommate would take her to church. She moved to London and did not take any further steps towards the Lord until she had a severe bike accident. Though she was injured in the accident, she was worried about her bike. She decided to take her bike to the repair shop that was near her apartment. It was there that she met Don Paul, who would be instrumental in Sandy’s walk with God. Don invited Sandy to attend his church, Forest City Baptist Church, and gave Sandy her first Bible. She was baptized in the 1980’s. The Bible verse she was encouraged with at her baptism was Proverbs 3:5 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thy own understanding. This however continued to be a problem for Sandy, who felt like she was a baby chick inside an egg who just cannot get out of their shell. While she continued to attend church, she did not lean on the Lord but rather felt the need to be independent and solve her own problems. Since the COVID Pandemic, she has slowed down, and opened her heart to listen to the Lord. While she has tried to read the Bible many times, she found it very difficult to understand. She now is reading the life Application Study Bible, New Living Translation and is now excited to get to the next chapter. “It is alive”. She has learned to lean on the Lord and let her pride go. She believes that God was always with her and wanted to use her to His service. Sandy has a passion for nature and serving those in need around her. She started attending Westview after she bought her own condo and friends encouraged her to attend the nearby Westview Baptist Church with them. She feels at home at Westview and would like to be considered for membership.

Ricardo and Charlotte would like to recommend that we extend membership and the right hand of fellowship to Sandra Lally at this time.

Colin Skiffington

From Newfoundland originally, Colin grew up in a strong Christian faith family (Anglican). Initially started going at a really young age with parents and family members. During my elementary and high school years I joined choir, server, and youth group leadership roles. I was confirmed at a young age by my choice to continue following Jesus. Married Bonnie in June 2001. Moved to London in August 2002. When we moved initially Bonnie and I decided to go to an Anglican church and also went to Pentecostal churches to find a church where we felt welcome. Discovered Westview through our friend, Tina Rae. I initially had been speaking to her about finding a church we felt that would help us grow in our faith. She invited us to come to a service. We wanted to find somewhere where we and our daughter, Alyssa would feel welcome and follow Christ.

Charlotte Van Roestel and Harvey Park interviewed Colin and recommend him for church membership through experience and personal testimony.

Bonnie Skiffington

Born and raised in Newfoundland. Went to church my whole childhood, often 3 times a Sunday. My dad was a Pentecostal minister. As a child I decided to follow Jesus once I understood what that meant and decided to be baptized by immersion at age 8 or 9. Taught Sunday school as a teenager/young adult. In my 20's I started to drift away from my faith and the church. In my late 20's my friend brought me to a Salvation Army service with her. There I was convicted of my sin and re-committed my life to Christ. Married Colin in my early 30's. Moved to London in August 2002.

We started going to church together; however, he was Anglican and I was Pentecostal. We have tried to find a church where we both felt comfortable worshipping. We went to many Anglican and Pentecostal churches but couldn't find our church home. One day Pastor Tina invited us to her church, when we were talking about our children who go to the same school. We attended Westview and felt welcomed. We found it to meet our needs and we both felt comfortable with the style of worship. We loved the messages and have felt blessed there. We have been attending for about 4 years now. We would like to become more involved in the church.

Charlotte Van Roestel and Harvey Park interviewed Bonnie and recommends her for church membership through baptism.