

**Tolstoi Holy Trinity Church Historical Society Inc.**  
**Annual General Meeting (Draft Minutes)**  
**Sunday, June 26, 2016**

1. Call to order:
  - Board chair, Denise Lubiansky, called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.
  - Twelve members were present. (Note: According to our by-laws, 11 members constitute a quorum at a general meeting.)
  
2. Welcome and introductions:
  - Denise welcomed everyone to the fourth AGM of the organization.
  - She introduced the current board of directors:
    - i. Morgan Fisher, vice chair and secretary (not able to attend)
    - ii. Sandra Drewniak, treasurer
    - iii. Monique Mayner
    - iv. Theresa Nanka
    - v. Elaine Holodryga (not able to attend)
    - vi. Marie Probizansky (not able to attend)
  
3. Presentation of the agenda:
  - There were no changes or additions to the agenda.
  - Denise reminded everyone any changes to the by-laws could only be made at an AGM.
  
4. Minutes from the 2015 AGM:
  - Denise pointed out a draft copy of the minutes had been posted on the organization's website. Any errors in that draft were corrected before the meeting.
  - As Morgan was not in attendance, Sandra read the minutes of the previous AGM.
  - Motion: Sandra Drewniak, Joyce Fisher – To accept the minutes as read.  
CARRIED.
  
5. Financial report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016:
  - Sandra Drewniak presented the financial report for the period from April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016.
  - The window restoration project final cost was \$26 741.94.
  - The account balance at March 31, 2016 was \$16 984.75.
  - Sandra noted hydro service was restored. Basic fee is approximately \$50 for two months.
  - Payables include \$8 080.00 to Andrew Heinrichs (final payment for windows) and \$10 000.00 to the Access Credit Union.

- Motion: Sandra Drewniak, Monique Mayner – To accept the financial report as read. CARRIED.

#### 6. Chairperson's report:

- Organization's activities included:
  - i. Cutting and removing unstable trees on the north side of the building.
  - ii. Grass cutting and trimming.
  - iii. Auction sale canteen fundraiser (July 2015).
  - iv. Bud, Spud and Steak Dinner (October 2015)
  - v. Christmas Bake Sale (November 2015)
  - vi. Spaghetti Supper (April 2016)
  - vii. Canada 150 grant application
  - viii. Other activities such as paperwork, preparing for and attending meetings, updating the website, research, etc.
- Thanks to Joyce Drewniak for supplying refreshments for this meeting.

#### 7. Old business:

- Transfer of church ownership – Denise spoke of her numerous attempts to reach M. Frechette at the Archdiocese office regarding the ownership transfer. Recently she was contacted by the legal firm retained by the Archdiocese, which informed us the transfer was now in process. Issues regarding property transfer will be dealt with at the upcoming directors' meeting (held July 5, 2016).
- Window restoration – At the last AGM, a motion was passed to obtain estimates for repairing the coloured glass windows. At this meeting, Jo-Anne spoke regarding the urgency and cost of repairs. A directors' meeting had been held and a motion was passed to arrange a contract with Andrew Heinrichs for the repair and/or replacement of eleven windows. Andrew agreed to delay part of his bill to June 2016 even though the work was completed in September 2015.
- Other:
  - i. Donation drive
    - We contacted members and others via our mailing list regarding the cost of the window project. We encouraged sponsorship of a window for \$2 500, the approximate cost of repairing a single window. Plaques will be used to acknowledge the sponsorships. To our everlasting appreciation, four sponsorship donations were received (total \$10 000.00).
    - Other donations of \$3 175.00 were also gratefully acknowledged.

- ii. Membership in the Association of Manitoba Museums (AMM) - Although not discussed at this meeting, membership in the AMM is in place.
- iii. Development of policies – See notes in “new business”.

8. New business:

- By-law changes – None were proposed.
- Repairs (priorities and Canada 150 grant application).  
Motion: Joyce Fisher, Monique Mayner – Move that our priorities are repairing and re-shingling the roof and painting the outside of the church. CARRIED.
  - i. The Canada 150 grant is a matching grant for which the application deadline was June 22, 2016.
  - ii. The organization applied for \$12 500.00 in funding, to cover half the cost of the roof repairs (estimated \$15 000.00) and half the cost of painting (estimated \$10 000.00).
- Fundraising:
  - i. Auction canteen on July 23, 2016 at the farm of Ed and Wendy Fisher.
  - ii. Spaghetti suppers, in fall (October?) and spring.
  - iii. A fifth annual bake sale on November 19, 2016. Joyce Drewniak to book the Tolstoi Senior Centre.
- Collections policy – Jo-Anne Drewniak spoke on guidelines to managing the contents of the museum. She will post a draft policy on the website.  
Motion: Jo-Anne Drewniak, Joyce Fisher – Move that the collections policy will be in draft form for one year as a test run. CARRIED.  
Motion: Sandra Drewniak, Joyce Fisher – Move that Jo-Anne Drewniak head the collections committee for the next year. CARRIED.

9. Election of directors:

- Denise Lubiansky, Sandra Drewniak, Monique Mayner and Marie Probizansky have one year remaining of their two-year terms.
- Theresa Nanka filled the remaining year of Stan Kwiatkoski’s term, after his untimely passing.
- Morgan Fisher and Elaine Holodryga completed their two-year terms.
- Nominations:
  - i. Joyce Drewniak, Monique Mayner – nominated Theresa Nanka.
  - ii. Jo-Anne Drewniak, Joyce Drewniak – nominated Morgan Fisher.
  - iii. Sandra Drewniak, Joyce Fisher – nominated Brent Patten.
  - iv. Motion: Monique Mayner, Jo-Anne Drewniak – Move that nominations cease. CARRIED.
  - v. Nominated persons accepted their nominations.

- The 2016-2017 board of directors include: Denise Lubiansky, Sandra Drewniak, Monique Mayner, and Marie Probizansky in the second year of their two-year terms, and Morgan Fisher, Theresa Nanka and Brent Patten in the first year of their two-year terms.

10. Adjournment:

- Motion: Jo-Anne Drewniak, Joyce Fisher – Move the meeting is adjourned. CARRIED.
- The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Submitted by Sandra Drewniak