

**Pinawa Christian Fellowship
Annual General Meeting via ZOOM
October 25, 2020**

MINUTES

The format of our AGM is very different this year due to restrictions imposed by the Covid-19 pandemic.

- All the documents (Committee reports, Minister's report, Treasurer's report, 2019 AGM minutes, plus proposed revised By-laws #1 and #2) were posted on the PCF website and the congregation encouraged to review them.
- Two AGM Resolutions were announced in the What's Up email, one to receive and accept all the routine documents published on the PCF website and one to adopt the proposed changes to the PCF By-Laws (#4 and #5 below).
- This ZOOM meeting is an information session for discussion and questions on any of the documents and is considered the first part of the AGM.
- Questions on any document may also be asked by email or phone during the coming week.
- Voting on the Resolutions (the second part of the AGM) can be done by email or phone responses until October 31 and the results announced on November 1.
- Compliance with the quorum requirement will be determined by the number of people who vote on the resolutions (Reminder: please note if your email response is a vote for one or two people).

ZOOM meeting attendance: 15 people on video, 2 people on phone

1. Greeting and Call to Order – Rob Murray / Deb Smith

2. Opening Prayer – Rob Murray

3. Adoption of the Agenda – Wally Kukurudz /Heather Westdal, carried.

4. Resolution 1

MOVED by Myrna Tiede, **SECONDED** by Robert McCamis, that the minutes of the September 29, 2019 General Meeting, and the reports of the Convenors, the Minister, the Treasurer, and the various committees of the PCF, as published on the website pinawa.church, be received and all recommendations adopted.

(Reports published on pinawa.church: Convenors, Minister's, Treasurer's, Financial, Stewardship, Missions, Social)

There were no questions on these documents.

5. Resolution 2

MOVED by Robert McCamis, **SECONDED** by Myrna Tiede, that the proposed changes to the By-Laws of the Pinawa Christian Fellowship Inc. as published on the website pinawa.church, be adopted.

Discussion/questions:

- By-law 2: does not name the sub-committees; this was deliberately done so the By-Laws do not have to be changed every time a committee comes and goes. A list of sub-committees will be in the Standard Operating Procedures.
- Proposal to table the resolution for the time being and have a legal mind look it over;

Convenors are reluctant to delay because:

- Updated by-laws are needed to give to Parent Churches to help us with our search for a new minister and this process can't be delayed a year.
 - The proposed changes would provide a streamlined document that allows us to keep up with the times, follow the guidelines and work within the by-laws without having to spend an unreasonably large amount of meeting time to keep them updated.
 - Legal advice was received and is reflected in the definitions of terms in the By-Laws; also received some good suggestions from the United Church.
 - Noted that the existing By-Laws do not allow for our new way of being (e.g. online AGM).
- Two minor typos were noted and will be fixed.

If there are any further questions between now and the voting deadline, contact a Convenor or Rob Murray for clarification/discussion.

6. Clarification of email voting

- Please return your vote by next Friday October 30
- Vote by email or phone call, leave message on the church phone. If there are more than one member in a household, please indicate, e.g. 1 or 2 votes.
- A special What's Up reminder to vote, including a preamble on why it is important to revise the By-Laws, will be sent out approx. Wednesday.
- The election of General Committee and affirmation of other positions have been deferred to the January meeting.

7. Search Committee

Rob's retirement date is April 1, 2022. Because of our unique situation and trying to work with four parent denominations, the selection process will take some time. We need about 6-8 individuals to agree to serve on our Search Committee, a cross-section of denominations, long-time and new members, and someone with HR experience would be optimal. Prayerfully consider if you can be part of the Search Committee. The parent churches have people who will help the committee with finding a new minister.

8. Motion to Adjourn – Chuck Vandergraaf, 2:55 p.m.

9. Closing Prayer – Rob Murray

October 31, 2020 – AGM part 2

42 people voted by email or phone

Resolution 1 (above) – adopted unanimously

Resolution 2 (above) – adopted with more than the required two-thirds majority vote