

Metropolitan Community Church of Toronto 2023 Annual Congregational Business Meeting

AGENDA

Sunday, July 9, 2023 | 12:45PM

#	Item/Description	Motion
1	Call to Order	
	The Annual Church Business Meeting was called to order at	
	12:30PM, at the conclusion of the 11AM online worship	
	service.	
2	Establishment of Quorum. Voting members were identified	
	in-person and a quorum (49) was established.	
3	Opening Prayer – Rev. Junia Joplin (she/her)	
4	Motion to approve 2023 ACBM Agenda	Moved by: Nicole
		Seconded by: Martin
		Motion: Carried
5	Motion to approve amended 2022 ACBM Minutes	Moved by: Grace
	This item was missed and followed item 6	Seconded by: Stephenie
		Motion: Carried
6	Acting Senior Pastor's Report 2023 (received for	
	information) – Rev. Deana Dudley (she/they)	
	Recap:	
	- Thanked staff for their dedication	
	 Highlighted return of in-person events since the 	
	COVID-19 pandemic	
	- Completion of knob & tube wiring	
	- Sanctuary renovation project announced	
	Report received for information	
	Question 1: with the renovation project in sanctuary is there	
	any plan to insulate the doors and windows and if not is there	
	any government plan we can apply for?	

Answer 1: Facilities looked at cost for the type of work previously. When we devised our Congregational Campaign we recognized that it may be one bar too far, the estimated cost was around \$250k-500k to do the doors and windows. Holding hope to find budget for the exterior doors Question 2: curious about carpet renovation

Answer 2: carpets won't be replaced, blank spots will be filled in.

Jim provide an update on the audio system. The system was 20 years old. The Digital Signal processor DSP was replaced and the new mixing board is in place now.

Question 3: church benches are not in a good state could they be repaired?

Answer 3: regular maintenance is carried out on benches Question 4: have we looked into rebates for eco friendly improvements?

Answer 4: we have looked into that and continue to do so

7 | Motion to receive Audited Financial Statements for 2022

Highlights:

- Overall MCC Toronto ended 2022 with a small operating surplus.
- Some fluctuations from budget, some due to decreased sustained giving. Encouragement to sign up as sustained giver. Sustainers on a downward trend
- Compared to previous year we have increase in assets due to capital assets, renovations to social hall, increased accounts receivable due to rental income
- Decrease in overall revenue
- Expenses increased. Return to in-person worship and filled staff vacancies. Increased cost due to social hall renovations.

Question 1: we have \$60k loan we can take advantage of from the government

Answer 1: the government extended the loan and we took it in 2022

Note: could we have some graphs for making things more simple to understand?

Question 2: from a board perspective what are we worried about the most?

Answer 2: the decrease in sustained giving. Keep in mind section in Beatitudes to not worry about tomorrow. The things we don't know relating to the building. Low but consistent decrease in sustainers funds most of Sunday morning programming. We need to fund ourselves for worship and most of staff.

Moved by: Kevin Seconded by: Brad Motion: Carried

	Question 3: with regards to anniversary shirts. Does the profit go towards activity or toward the activity of the church Answer 3: for the most part, we were not making much profit on each t-shirt, no real profit, but rather only covering costs. profit goes towards pride related activities. Question 4: is there any significance to the board members not signing to approve the financial packages Answer 4: there is no physical signature required from the board unless the statements weren't professionally audited.	
8	Motion to appoint Hilborn LLC as the Auditor for 2023	Moved by: John Seconded by: Stephenie Motion: Carried
9	Election of Members to the Board of Directors Slate of Board Members presented for voting by Kevin Wilcock and Sheryl Smith James Beattie, Colleen Kenny, Valerie Mills Voting results: including 8 online votes. 51 yes and 2 no Suggestion for resumes to be available for members, although resumes were not required, but brief bio is available	
10	Thanking of Outgoing Members of Board of Directors Bradley Hickman (he/him), Joe Jamieson (he/him) and Bentley Springer (he/him) were thanked for their dedicated service on the Board and multiple committees.	
11	Motion for Call to Adjourn	Moved by: Henry Seconded by: Paul Motion: Carried
12	Closing Prayer – Rev. Deana Dudley (she/they)	