

CHRIST CHURCH GABRIOLA

SUMMARY OF THE COUNCIL MEETING ON MARCH 21, 2024

The main discussion topics and decisions at the March 21, 2024, Council Meeting are as follows:

1. The Council approved the 2023 financial statements and discussed and agreed upon a draft 2024 budget to be presented to the congregation at the April 14th AGM.
2. Council discussed details of the upcoming March 24th special congregational meeting, the purpose of which is to approve minor changes to the CCG Community of Faith Profile and to consider a motion to offer a Call to a minister for CCG. Nancy Hetherington Peirce will chair the meeting and Rev. Sally Bullas will be the UCC Regional representative.
3. Council discussed details of the AGM scheduled for April 14th, including nominations and preparation and distribution of the Annual Report. Rob Brockley will chair the meeting.
4. Following discussion, Council voted unanimously on a motion to approve the United Church of Canada Category 3 Remit to establish an Autonomous National Indigenous Organization within The United Church of Canada.
5. In response to a letter received by CCG from Sanctuary Gabriola (SAGA24), Council approved a motion to offer a pledge of \$1000 in support of SAGA's recent application to the Mennonite Central Committee to sponsor Metaib al Merbed (younger brother of Mzyed al Merbed, who's family was previously sponsored by MCC and SAGA) for refugee re-settlement in Canada.
5. Council will encourage church attendees to wear nametags for the next several weeks to assist Rev. Suzanna and other recent CCG newcomers to learn the names of people.
6. Council thanked outgoing Council members Hilary Plowright and Mona Smart for their many years of faithful service.

Rob Brockley
Co-chair, CCG Council