

**The First Spiritualist Church of Galt
2000 Speedsville Road, Cambridge, Ontario N3C 4R6**

**Annual General Meeting Minutes
Sunday March 26, 2018**

Meeting was opened at 1:24 p.m. with the recognition of quorum.

Opening prayer: Rev. Karen Charles

Members in Attendance:

Dianne Wey
Rev. Patti Tomczyk
Frank Schneider
Marlene Snow
Rev. Karen Charles
Tracy Ishmael
Rev. Heather Lambie
Edda Morsher
Rev. Debra Falco (arrived at 1:34 pm)

Proxies:

Tracy Ishmael – 1 proxy
Rev. Patti Tomczyk – 2 proxies

Absent Board Members:

Carol Boyd
Ro Kuchman
Emma Smallbone
Pat Cranmer

Minutes:

Approval of the previous year's minutes was deferred to later in the meeting.

Financial Report:

The financial report presented by Rev. Karen Charles.

Total Revenue for 2017 was \$23,815.51.

Sunday Service revenue was \$10,589.37.
Wednesday Night Services revenue was \$5,458.33.
Development Classes revenue was \$1,283.05.
Workshop revenues were \$1,308.50.
Membership Dues revenue was \$560.00.
Mediums' Days and other Fundraiser revenues were \$3,320.00.
Miscellaneous Donation revenue was \$1,320.00.
Pay Pal charges were minus \$23.74.

Total Expenses for 2017 were \$23,206.69.

Hydro expenses were \$1,042.00.
Oil/Propane charges were \$4,293.91.
Telephone expenses were \$1,214.40.
Cleaning expenses were \$2,600.00.
Snow Removal expenses were \$1,372.00.
Building & Maintenance expenses were \$2,592.42.
Travel Costs (for speakers) was \$1,040.00.
Travel Costs (for musicians) was \$720.--.
Music and Audio expenses were \$38.20.
Expenses for Church and Social Supplies were \$1,286.60.
Insurance Costs (liability and board of directors) were \$3,893.82.
Office expenses were \$1,473.93.
Bank Service Charges were \$63.15.
Website & Electronic Communication costs were \$287.03.
Board Meeting Expenses were \$481.37.
Miscellaneous expenses were \$75.81.
Fundraising expenses were \$706.76.
External Donations were \$25.00.

Motion to accept the financial report as presented 1st: Frank Schneider 2nd: Edda Morsher. The motion was carried.

Auditor's Report:

No Auditor's Report was available.

Carol offered to ask Laurie Wright to do the Auditor's Report for 2018.

Motion to appoint Laurie Wright to do Auditor's Report for 2018 1st: Rev. Karen Charles 2nd: Dianne Wey. The motion was carried.

2017 Board Motions:

The list of motions made by the board during 2017 was read by Rev. Karen Charles and all in attendance were offered a hard copy of the Motion Summary. No one requested a hard copy.

Minutes from the 2017 Annual General Meeting:

The Minutes from last year's AGM were read by Rev. Karen Charles. The following changes were requested:

- At the bottom of the first page the comma is in the wrong place;
- Rev. Patti Tomczyk's name was misspelled;
- The financials did not match the handout (total expenses and variance); and
- Tracy Ishmael's name was misspelled.

Motion to approve the minutes with the changes requested 1st: Marlene Snow 2nd: Rev. Debra Falco. The motion was carried unanimously.

2018 Board Nominations:

Rev. Patti Tomczyk presented an e-mail from Carol Boyd indicating that she would allow her name to stand for consideration as a Director should she be nominated.

The Treasurer and secretary positions were not scheduled to be up for renewal this year. Tracy Ishmael has been filling in as the Secretary following the departure of Adele Ritchie. Tracy has indicated that she is not willing to continue as the Secretary beyond this AGM.

The following vacancies are open for nomination:

President, Vice-President, Secretary, and up to 7 Directors positions.

The minimum number of Board members in accordance with the By-Laws is 8 and the maximum is 12. It is noted that Rev. Karen Charles and Rev. Heather Lambie hold 2 voting board positions.

- Rev. Karen Charles nominated Rev. Patti Tomczyk for the position of President, the nomination was 2nd by Rev. Debra Falco. No other nominations for the position of President were brought forward. Rev. Patti Tomczyk will assume the role of President by acclamation.
- Rev. Patti Tomczyk nominated Dianne Wey for the position of Vice-President, the nomination was 2nd by Marlene Snow. No other nominations for the position of Vice-President were brought forward. Dianne Wey will assume the role of Vice-President by acclamation.
- There were no nominations for the position of Secretary. It was decided that this position would be left vacant and would be filled by the Board at a future date.

For the various positions of Director:

- Rev. Patti Tomczyk nominated Carol Boyd, the nomination was 2nd by Rev. Karen Charles.
- Tracy Ishmael nominated Rev. Debra Falco, the nomination was 2nd by Marlene Snow.
- Rev. Debra Falco nominated Tracy Ishmael, the nomination was 2nd by Dianne Wey.

No other nominations were brought forward for the position of Director. All those nominated will assume the role of Director by acclamation.

Board Members for 2018-19:

Rev. Patti Tomczyk, President - Voting Member

Dianne Wey, Vice President - Voting Member

Marlene Snow, Treasurer - Voting Member

Secretary position left vacant until the Board meets.

Rev. Debra Falco, Director - Voting Member

Tracy Ishmael, Director - Voting Member

Motion to close the meeting 1st: Marlene Snow 2nd Rev. Debra Falco. The motion was carried unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:00 p.m.

Closing Prayer: Rev. Heather Lambie