# **Smythe Street Church**

# Annual General Meeting Minutes

# March 13, 2022

**Chair: Darren Murphy** 

- 1. The chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
- 2. Pastor Jean Bosco opened the meeting in prayer.
- 3. In memoriam of members who passed away since last Annual General Meeting by Pastor Wayne Flowers

Gary Billington, Gene Descroches, and Darrell Kitchen

Report on Induction of 44 new members by Pastor Wayne Flowers

4. Approval of minutes from 2021 Annual General Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes from 2021 Annual General Meeting

Moved by Melanie McLaughlin Seconded by Bernie Zebarth Motion carried

- 5. Election and ratification members for Board of Trustees
  - a. Introduction of the candidates: Aaron Kamondo, Ron Goodine, and Terry Loughead presented by David Drost
  - b. Ratification of Board of Trustee member, Darren Murphy, for another 2-year term
  - c. Appointment of Scrutineers: Jim Lewis, Karen Simonson, and Chad Billington
  - d. Balloting procedure explained by Darren Murphy
- 6. 2021 Audited Financial Statement by Richard Shupe

Motion to receive the 2021 Audited Financial Statement as presented by Richard Shupe

Moved by Melanie McLaughlin Seconded by Edward Dimayacyac

Motion carried

7. 2022 Budget by Richard Shupe

Motion to receive the 2022 Budget as presented by Richard Shupe

Moved by Mike Haggerty Seconded by Jean-François Jutras Motion carried

### 8. State of the Church

A vision map illustrating 18 mountains that we need to conquer was launched in AGM 2019.

8.1. **ROAD HOME** - working with our city to eliminate unnecessary homelessness By partnering with other churches and community agencies in the city, this year we provided 69 families with help in housing.

We worked as part of a coordinated committee called "By Name List" which is a list of all known consenting individuals who are experiencing homelessness in Fredericton. The committee enabled 126 people to transition out of homelessness.

Supported 140 families throughout the year with essential needs and 40 families on Christmas.

Our Housing First microhomes on Jaffrey Street will be ready in June.

## 8.2. WATER IS LIFE (HAITI)

We've been working towards a long-term goal of raising \$100,000 for water projects in Haiti. Over the year, we raised a total of over \$48,000 which brings us up to \$80,000 towards our goal.

#### 8.3 NEXTGEN MINISTRY

Some of the initiatives over the last year included driveway visitation for over 120 families, presented 17 babies in Baby D Presentation Sunday, graduation dinner, youth camps, and an upcoming Finding Christmas film.

Covid recovery initiatives included block party, NextGen riverboat, church in the park, The Messiah.

### 8.4. **DISCIPLESHIP**

Some of the initiatives over the last year included virtual small groups, small groups at the church, courses offerings: Good and Beautiful Community, Emotionally Healthy Spirituality and Emotionally Healthy Relationships, Marriage, Marriage Preparation, Alpha, and Foundations.

Also developed and delivered is Operation Sheep which is an initiative to connect with families in our church during this difficult period of isolation due to COVID.

- 8.5. **FIRST IMPRESSIONS** significant investments were made in our online presence to connect with members remotely.
- 8.6. **FACILITY UPGRADE** -creative arts room renovation
- 8.7. **EMPOWERING LEADERS** Camp Lead, training young people, Pastor Jean Bosco as pastor of Swahili church; Bill McLaughlin for Under the Tent

8.8.  $\mbox{\bf KINGDOM CENTERED}$  - focusing entirely in the kingdom of God in our city and in the world

## 9. Trustee Voting Results

Aaron Kamondo, Ron Goodine, Terry Loughead have been elected as members of Board of Trustee for a 2-year term.

Darren Murphy has been ratified for another 2-year term.

10. Pastor Verner Drost closed the meeting in prayer

Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m. by Sarah McLaughlin

Darren Murphy – Chairperson

Krista Paget – Secretary