

Social Action Committee Meeting Minutes

Wed. Feb. 1, 2023

Present on Zoom: Ann Warwick, Liz Probert, Ron Veerman, Dayle Vraets, Rev. Donalee Williams, Jane Scholer (recorder)

Regrets: Marion Quirk

Correspondence: 1) Wesley Urban Ministries thank you for "Generous Support of Holiday Hamper Program ... our White Gifts and Mitten Tree!

Fund Balances as of Jan. 31, 2023

M & S - \$2,629.17

S.A. Fund- \$ 570.70

Trinity Justice Fund -

S.A. Committee - \$ 76.89 (Poppy supplies)

Traditional Recipients:

Wesley Urban Ministries, Migrant Farmworkers Project, Grimsby Benevolent Fund, Habitat for Humanity Niagara, McNally House, Amnesty International, Nations Uniting, Angola MSF, Gillian's Place West Niagara, FORT, CFGB

Report From Board: Social Action Committee Fund will cover the costs of the Poppy Project, a bill has come in for \$86.89 in yarn so far!

Business:

- 1) Welcome back to **Ron Veerman!** God to have you back on the team.
- 2) **Toques Eh** - Kick off was January 22 with the number counted and reported each Friday bulletin and from the lectern. There were 123 on Saturday January 28!
- 3) Social Action has been invited to speak at the **Elizabeths' February 7** meeting. I will stand at the podium but most of our team is in the Elizabeths so loads to talk about!
- 4) **Amnesty International Letter Writing** - 2 cases have been suggested by Anne and Joan Greer. We intend to write to BOTH cases, having letters prepared for the congregation to sign. The letters will be available to sign both Feb. 12 and Feb. 19 following the service. AND information will have been sent out on the Friday, Feb. 10 and Feb. 17 emails. Plus a blurb from the lectern. **Huseyin Celil** and **Vahid Afkari**
- 5) **Traditional Recipients** - Grimsby Benevolent Fund will receive \$300.
- 6) **Cards of Caring and Concern** - cards sent to Holy Spirit Church which Constable Pierzchala attended with his family. Central United Church, Welland, which was vandalized.
- 7) **Social Action New Chair Person is Anne Warwick**

Next Meeting March 1, 7 p.m.

Annual General Meeting Sunday, February 26
Pancake Tuesday February 21!!