

**Social Action Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Wed. June 7, 2023**

**Present:** Anne Warwick, Liz Probert, Rev. Donalee Williams, Ron Veerman, Marion Quirk, Jane Scholer (recorder)

**Regrets:** Joan Greer, Dayle Vraets

**Correspondence:** 1) Amnesty International May newsletter

**Fund Balances as of May 31, 2023**

M & S - \$12,070.85

S.A. Fund- \$ 298.70

Trinity Justice Fund - \$250 remains (\$250 donation to UCC Turkey Earthquake Relief Fund)

S.A. Committee - \$ 423.11(Includes \$500 donation from Grimsby Legion for Poppy Project)

**Traditional Recipients:**

Wesley Urban Ministries, Migrant Farmworkers Project, Grimsby Benevolent Fund \$300, Habitat for Humanity Niagara, McNally House \$500, Amnesty International \$300, Nations Uniting, Angola MSF, Gillian's Place West Niagara \$300, FORT \$300, CFGB

**Business:**

**1)Guaranteed Livable Income (GLI) -** Progress! Rev. Donalee has composed a preamble to the resolution of support. Councillor Jennifer Korstanje will contribute additional paragraphs of Grimsby specific facts regarding needs and costs of living. The Resolution of support will be compiled for presentation to the Municipality of Grimsby by Councillor Korstanje and with the support of Councillor Charrois.

- 1) **Case for Kids** - Trinity had an amazing presence at the walk this year with Dayle and Bill Vraets, Donalee, Ron and Josh Veerman, and Marion plus the paws of Wifi and Ollie. Celeste Taylor was there as an organizer! You exceeded the target as more than \$1000 was collected thanks to generous Trinity Grimsby donors.
- 2) **St. Albans Hub** - every 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month 2 Trinity volunteers help out at the Migrant Farmworkers Hub. It just takes about 2 hours of time to welcome workers and assist in keeping the donations room organized. The Hub has a new 'cafe' area for our farmworkers to sit and chat with one another while enjoying a snack. **New volunteers warmly welcomed!**
- 3) **Cards of Care and Concern** - cards have been sent to Trinity United Church Beamsville on the destruction of their Pride flag and to Baitul Masjid in Scarborough because their member Mr. Chowdrey was attacked in the parking lot. Thank you Anne.
- 4) **Amnesty International Letter Writing** - Joan prepared 2 letters for each of us to sign and mail on the case of **Huseyin Celil.**
- 5) **Grandmothers Tea** - We discussed reserving a date to host the monthly Grandmothers Tea here at Trinity. We hope to get on their calendar for 2024. AND continued discussion about reconciliACTION - the deeply personal acknowledgments of territory, search for and engage Indigenous speakers, facilitate the Blanket Exercise.

Next Meeting Sept. 6, 7 p.m.

Roast Beef Dinner June 17!

Affirming Congregation Vote June 18