

Roxboro United Church Council Meeting May 19th, 2026, via Zoom

Present: Beverly Baker, Ann Beaupre, Diane Campbell, Françoise Côté, Caroline Golphin, Rev. Darryl Macdonald, Carol Paradis, Claudia Rourke-Frew, Janet St-Pierre, Cindy Snow/Sawers, Lynda Scardocchio, Sandra Thomson.

Regrets: Susan Beckmann, Heather Herridge, Vivien Lapa

Territorial Acknowledgment, Opening Worship & Welcome:

Rev. Darryl Macdonald opened the meeting with a prayer and the territorial acknowledgment. Call to order: by Janet St-Pierre at 7:21 p.m.

Adoption of Agenda: Janet St-Pierre asked that a topic about rental increases be added under New Business. Françoise Côté moved that the agenda be accepted as amended, seconded by Claudia Rourke-Frew. Motion was carried.

Correspondence: 1. Janet St-Pierre reported that an e-mail was received from Wendy Sherry who is helping to organize the West Island Pride Day in September. Our church regularly supports the Health and Wellness tent along with Cedar Park United, Beaconsfield United and Merging Waters United. Each church donates \$250.00. Carol Paradis moved that our church donate \$250 and Claudia Rourke-Frew seconded this motion which was carried unanimously. Françoise Côté suggested that visibility of this sponsorship is important and Darryl agreed to mention this to the organizing committee to ensure public recognition of the 4 churches' support.

2. There was a message sent from UCC General Office in Toronto asking why they had not received the annual statistics report from Roxboro United this year. Diane Campbell stated that she had placed it on the HUB on March 1st 2026. She said she would follow up with the person inquiring.

Adoption of Minutes of April 21st, 2026. Caroline Golphin moved that the April Council minutes be approved as written, seconded by Ann Beaupre. Motion was carried.

Time with Darryl:

1. Darryl Macdonald will be meeting with the other ministers of our cluster tomorrow to plan the summer services at the various churches. Some of the Sundays are assigned: The first service on July 5th will be at Riverside United. The last service will be held on Sept 5th in the Pointe-Claire park just east of Cartier. We hope to have the service at RUC on Aug 2nd with Wayne Johnson playing the piano. Other Sundays when we will need

Wayne to play would be our first Sunday back on Sept 13, either the 1st or 2nd Sunday in October, November 1st and December 6th.

2. The cluster will be attending Merging Waters United on Pentecost next Sunday, May 24th.
3. Since May 31st is a 5th Sunday, we will have a Chili Luncheon. Carol Paradis will order a birthday cake to celebrate 5 women who have had their 65th birthdays.
4. It was decided to have Communion at our church on June 7th. Wayne Johnson will be playing the piano. The Band will be playing at the service on Father's Day on June 21st. There will be a memorial service on June 28th.
5. Darryl Macdonald has asked Bev Baker to deposit \$275 in the church account. He received this when performing a funeral.

Business Arising: Janet St-Pierre reported:

- *Wooden Tables:* nothing to report for the moment.
- *Envelopes:* about 19-20 sets have been found at the church. Janet St-Pierre proposed buying white envelopes to save on the cost of buying printed church envelopes.

New Business: We will discuss the increase in rent under the Trustees.

Committee Reports:

- UCW: Cindy Snow/Sawers: see report. On June 14th the UCW will provide lemonade with cookies made by Janet St-Pierre. Cindy asked Janet to set a date for the harvest dinner.
- Regional Council: Diane Campbell: mentioned that our moderator Kimberly Heath has suggested we support the Senate as they move their bill on Guaranteed Livable Income (Bill S206) through Parliament.
- Affirming Ministry: no report
- Trustees: Rev. Darryl Macdonald comments:
 - (a) The Trustees suggest that the rents be raised 3.1%. This cost of living number was obtained from the Regie. Francoise Côté moved that the rents be increased 3.1% as of September 1st; seconded by Carol Paradis. Motion carried
 - (b) The signs indicating where fire extinguishers are to be found in the church have been installed.

(c) Up to three doors are to be replaced: 1. The back door leading outdoors from the back room and kitchen; 2. The door leading outdoors from the Parlour; 3. The door on the landing leading out to the parking lot. After receiving quotes from companies who deal with commercial doors, it seems the cost will be about \$30,000. Terry Wong will obtain one more quote. The outside doors near the office are not going to be replaced at this time. Francoise Côté has the name of a door installation company.

(d) Rentals: Janet St-Pierre discussed when the Kirkland Concert Band should present their Christmas concert. It was decided on Dec. 5th. The Daughters of the Nile will rent the gym and kitchen for their annual dinner on Feb 21, 2027.

- Cluster: Rev. Darryl Macdonald: See his report above.
- M & P: Françoise Côté: no report
- Pastoral Care (K.I.T) Lynda Scardocchio: still hasn't heard where Johanna van Ockenberg will be moving to.
- Roxboro Revelations: Cindy Snow reported that she will have the next newsletter out by June 14th.
- Special Events: Janet St-Pierre: Ninety people attended the Mothers' Day Kirkland Concert Band concert and \$825 was raised for RUC. \$117.50 was given to OnRock.
- Community Action /M&S: Claudia Rourke-Frew: Claudia's daughter, Kathy Floud, will take Claudia's place this summer while Claudia is on vacation for 3 weeks. Cindy will put a notice in the newsletter telling the congregation that they can donate funds rather than bring actual food when that is difficult for them to do.
- Finance: Beverly Baker: see report. No questions
- Membership: Carol Paradis: A card was sent to Jim Madsen.

Adoption of Reports: Motion to accept the committee reports was made by Lynda Scardocchio and seconded by Claudia Rourke-Frew. The motion was passed.

Motion to Adjourn & Closing Prayer: The motion to adjourn the meeting was proposed by Claudia Rourke-Frew, seconded by Carol Paradis. The motion was passed.

Darryl Macdonald closed the meeting with a prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. Next Meeting: Aug 18th, 2026 at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted – Diane Campbell