

**Covenanter Committee
Orchard Valley United Church
January 10, 2016**

Ernie Draper chaired the meeting and Rev Ivan Norton acted as secretary.

Attendance: Ernie Draper, Ivan L. Norton, Lynn McLelland, Dorothy Robbins, Betty Curry, Jim Keech, Maggie Keppie, John Cochrane

Regrets: Beth Crosby

The chair called the meeting to order. Ivan Norton offered prayer.

MOTION to approve the agenda: Dorothy Robbins/Ernie Draper. CARRIED

The Minutes of Dec 6 were reviewed. MOTION to approve the minutes: Dorothy Robbins / Jim Keech. CARRIED

Correspondence:

- Wolfville School, September 10, 2017. Reunion request to use the church. They will provide speaker and look after details of service and we will receive the collection.
- Laurie Ward asking to use the church for a wedding on July 15, 2017. Theresa has forwarded wedding information.

Treasurer's Report:

Attached to Minutes. November 1 balance \$15,948.79. November 30 balance \$11,203.54. \$5000 moved from Covenanter Heritage Fund to Covenanter Heritage Fund Reserve. MOTION to approve Treasurer's Report. Betty Curry / Lynn McLelland. CARRIED

Building Coordinator's Report:

- Jim reported on the "squirrel in the organ". Necessary to use the keyboard for the Christmas Eve service. A squirrel had formed a home in the organ.
- Reported on the use of the inside, plastic storm windows. One fell during the Christmas Eve service.

Old Business:

- Outreach – The chair read from an August 2016 document showing where Covenanter has its own form of outreach:

Committees to which the Covenanter Committee's work relates:

***Outreach:** Presents an educational ecumenical service of reconciliation for the cultures who have settled and developed the Grand Pré area referring to the theme of forgiveness, justice and hope for the future to peoples who have been forced from their homes in the past and in the present. Keeps the church building open daily for tourists and others for visitation and personal worship. Provides ecumenical summer services in*

the Covenanter Church. Encourages participation from the local community to assist in preparation for summer services and grounds maintenance.

New Business:

- Christmas Eve Service Review – Should print the carols. Could print a leaflet of carols for re-use. How much music? Desire to keep to the hour. Service was well received. Two years with the Nortons' leadership brought the service back to where it should be.
- Organ Update – Mark Bond report indicated that the original organ motor is burned out. Used motor available at \$250 plus installation of \$100 plus HST (new at \$600). Will temporarily install to see if it works. The choir will meet with Mark Bond at the church. MOTION that we proceed with the repair of the organ. Jim Keech / Dorothy Robbins.
CARRIED

Next Meeting: 10:00 am, February 14, 2017 at Orchard Valley United Church.

Adjournment was moved by Dorothy Robbins.

Covenanter Heritage Fund Summary December 2016

December 1 Beginning Balance		15,948.79
Revenue		
C Eve donations	941.75	
Total Revenue		941.75
Expenditures		
T,M&C lawyers	560	
C Eve soloist	125	
Bank charge	<u>2</u>	
Total Expenditures		687.00
Transfer to Heritage Fund Reserve		<u>5000.00</u>
Total Withdrawals		5687.00
December 31 Book Balance		11,203.54

Dec 1, 2016 Reconciled Bank Balance	16,328.54	
Not off	125	
<u>5000</u>		
Dec 31, 2016 Reconciled Bank balance	11203.54	

2016 HST Refund Due	187.80
Summer offerings due from OVUC	160.00

Dec 31, 2016 Enid Kelly Memorial Covenanter Fund	\$21,063
Dec. 31, 2016 Covenanter Heritage Fund Reserve	\$34,859

In 2017, OVUC Trustees will be asked to transfer \$1140 from the Enid Kelly Memorial Covenanter Fund to the Covenanter Heritage Fund. This amount matches the cost of repairs and maintenance in 2016 which is to be reimbursed from the Enid Kelly Fund.

Any interest earned on each of the above investments is expected to be added to their principals.