GLEN WAVERLEY UNITING CHURCH MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION HELD MONDAY 5^{TH} JULY, 2010

The Chairperson of the Congregation, Graeme Frecker, chaired the meeting.

- 1. WELCOME The Chairperson welcomed 64 members to the meeting.
 - APOLOGIES John Hurst, Alan Lemke, Margaret Lemke, Cliff Baker, Alison Barr, Peter Barr, Ross Mackinnon, Warren Greenwood, David Morgan, Graeme Pratt, Margaret Frecker, Rewa Feenaghty, Graham Lockhart, Lesley Armstrong, Eric Armstrong, Alison Dingwall, Ineke Gyles, Marjorie Bedford, Ted Bedford, Evelyn Fleming, Lois Hocking, Helen Boucher, David Boucher.

2. DEVOTIONS given by Graeme Frecker

We read Psalm 122 responsively. Graeme shared thoughts on sharing/a desire to do good, and we shared with each other our concerns for the church and for the world at large. Graeme read from Ephesians 4, and then led us in prayer.

3. MINUTES of the meeting held 12th April, 2010 were taken as a true record. Moved: Beverly McGlead, Seconded: Jan Clear. Carried by Consensus

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4.1 Congregation Outreach Project 2010

Heather Hon outlined the projects that had put in applications for receiving proceeds from COP 2010. All applications were considered by the panel- John Hurst, David Fraser, Heather Hon

Moved: Heather Hon, Seconded: Dorothy Lockhart "That this meeting of the Church Congregation adopts the proposed allocation of funds from the 2010 Church Fete, as below:

\$1000

- Hotham Mission \$3000
- Kids Hope
- Frontier Services \$3870
- Friends of Ermera \$5500
- Kenya Outreach Group \$3130
- Friends of Baguia \$3000
- Cheryl Emms \$ 500

All proceeds of the 2010 Fete will be distributed to the approved Projects.

In the event that more or less than \$20,000 is raised by the Fete, the COP Selection Panel recommends that the shortfall or surplus be allocated pro rata to the difference between the requested amount and the allocated amount, with the provisos that:,

- The Frontier Services and Kids Hope amounts be held at \$3870 and \$1,000 respectively, and
- The Kenya Project requested amount be held at \$6,000, in line with the other projects.

This is to make sure that surplus funds are not allocated disproportionately to the Kenya project, due to the much higher ceiling they requested.

Questions were asked and answered.

Lyn McDonald put a further motion to the meeting, Moved Lyn McDonald, Seconded, Barbara Thompson – which was treated as an amendment to the motion put by Heather Hon: "That the advice of the 2010 COP decision by the Congregation to the Kenya Outreach Project applicant will be that:

• The funds shall be used for the needs decided by the Project Team and within those specified in the application.

Questions were asked and answered.

Following further discussion the following Amended Motion was put to the meeting: Moved Lyn McDonald, Seconded Walter Skilton –

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All proceeds of the 2010 Fete will be distributed to the approved Projects. In the event that more or less than \$20,000 is raised by the Fete, the COP Selection Panel recommends that the shortfall or surplus be allocated pro rata to the difference between the requested amount and the allocated amount, with the provisos that:, The Frontier Services and Kids Hope amounts be held at \$3870 and \$1,000 respectively, and that the advice of the 2010 COP decision by the Congregation to the Kenya Outreach Project applicant will be that the funds shall be used for the needs decided by the Project Team and within those specified in the application.

The meeting voted on the motion, which was carried by unanimous consensus.

The meeting responded with acclamation.

The Chairman advised the meeting that all applications received funding, and that ALL of the proceeds from the Fete will be directed to the COP.

4.2 Joint Nominating Committee - Rev. Greg Crowe

The Chairman, Graeme Frecker welcomed Rev. Greg Crowe appointed by the Port Phillip East Presbytery as Chair of the JNC to the meeting. Greg addressed the meeting [using PowerPoint presentation] and outlined the way in which JNC operates.

Seeking a new minister is a process of

- Spiritual discernment
- Not a "job" interview
- Listening with sensitivity
- Listening to the voice of the spirit
- Conversation
- Prayer

Greg presented a summarised version of the Synods 20 step process

- Step 1. Vacancy
- Step 2. Mission Study On the way together
- Step 3. Recommendation to fill vacancy

- Mission and Ministry

- PT/FT, M.O.W, etc

- Step 4. Profile - based on Mission doc - approved by C.C. - submitted to PRC
 - Submitted to ACOMP
- Step 5. JNC appointed and meets
- Step 6. JNC considers available ministers
- Step 7. ACOMP suggests up to 3 names to JNC
- Step 8. Conversation / Discernment Process
- Step 9. Agreement
- Step 10. Recommendation to Presbytery Pastoral Relations Committee then Congregation
- Step 11. Call
- Step 12. Response
- Step 13. Settlement Begins

Currently the JNC is in the process of preparing the Profile and a brief 1-page appendix outlining the Team Ministry dimension of GWUC. Once the profile is ready it will go to the Church Council for approval and to the congregation for information.

The congregation will be kept up to date with the steps and developments of the JNC via regular reports.

Questions were asked and answered.

The Chairman thanked Greg for his time and his leadership of our JNC. The meeting responded with acclamation.

5. REPORTS

- 5.1 Outreach Missional Group report given by Lyn McDonald
- 5.2 Inclusive Community report given by Jan Clear
- 5.3 The Hub report given by Judith Greenwood
- 5.4 Community of Faith written report distributed prior to the meeting
- 5.5 Elders written report distributed prior to the meeting.
- 5.6 Church Council no matters to bring the meeting
- 5.7 Ministry Team report given by Rev. Greg Fry
 - Greg advised the meeting of the death of Rev. Garry Jacobs, the funeral to be held Tuesday 6th July at High Street Road UC.
 - A donation has been given to the church in memory of K C Tan, and this is to be used to hold two 'Alpha" courses at GWUC.
- 5.8 Presbytery report given by Brian Clarkson.

6. APPOINTMENT OF PRESBYTERY REPRESENTATIVES.

The Chairman advised the meeting that this was put on the Agenda in error. Representatives are elected for two years. Our representatives, Brian Clarkson, John Hurst, Alison Dingwall were elected in 2009.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – Susan Stringer mentioned that the Monash Council Health Inspector had recently again approved the standard of cleanliness of our kitchen.

10. **BENEDICTION** The Grace was said together.