

# **Morialta Uniting Church**

# Living Streams ~ Giving Life

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# MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION 10.45 am Sunday 8 December 2019

In attendance: 58 Chairperson: Margaret Cargill Apologies: 12 Secretary: Craig Mackenzie

#### 1. WELCOME

In opening the meeting and welcoming those present, Margaret

- acknowledged that we meet on the land of the Kaurna people,
- thanked all those who had helped in setting up and preparing for the meeting,
- highlighted the muffin morning tea, thanked the Beyond Morialta Mission Project Team and other helpers for the day, and reminded those present to make their donations,
- invited members to record their attendance and any apologies they may know of on the sheets on the tables, and
- drew attention to the papers before them, noting that these are the same as those distributed by email, being
  - Agenda
  - Minutes of meetings of the congregation held 4 August and 6 October
  - Balance Sheet as of 31 October 2019
  - o Profit & Loss (Budget Analysis) for the period January October 2019
  - o Draft 2020 budget
  - o Information sheet for deciding 2020 Beyond Morialta Mission Projects

#### 2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Refer Attachment 1

#### 3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

#### It was RESOLVED to adopt the agenda and that the order of business be as the agenda:

- 1. Welcome, acknowledgment of land, attendance and apologies
- 2. Confirmation of agenda
- 3. Confirmation of minutes of meetings of 4 August and 6 October 2019
- 4. Mission in Action:
  - 4.1. Ministry Update
    - 4.1.1. Chairperson's Reflections
    - 4.1.2. Minister's Reflections
- 5. Resourcing and enabling Mission
  - 5.1. Treasurer's report, January to October 2019
  - 5.2. 2020 Budget
  - 5.3. Community Building and Fundraising update
- 6. Wider Church
  - 6.1. Beyond Morialta Mission Projects for 2020
  - 6.2. Report of the Meeting of the Synod of South Australia, 13-16 November 2019
- 7. Any Other Business and Closing Remarks
- 8. Next meeting, 10.45 am, Sunday 5 April 2020

#### 4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The meeting RESOLVED to ACCEPT the minutes of the meetings held 4 August and 6 October 2019.

#### 5. MISSION IN ACTION

#### 5.1. Ministry Update

#### 5.1.1. Chairperson's update

Fantastic few months atmosphere of community, working together

- Magill Market
- Lunch on chapel
- Large Memorial service
- Play group revitalisation and commitment to continue in 2020
- On the way to Scenario 2 ideas bubbling

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Margaret shared from Fred Rogers www.Mybeautiful words.com:

"Love is not a state of perfect caring. It is an active noun, like struggle.

To love someone is to strive to accept that person exactly the way he or she is right here and now."

Margaret spoke of the need for leadership flexibility, that leadership is not just the responsibility of a few of us but everyone, and highlighted that

- 5 members of Church Council are near the end of their terms and are eligible for re nomination.
- her own term On Church Council will conclude with the Annual General Meeting and she will not be seeking nomination to Council
- John Drew will resign as Acting Leader for the Audio Visual Leadership Team at the end of February 2020
- Christine Secombe is resigning as an Elder at the AGM of the congregation in 2020, and will
  not be seeking nomination as Secretary of the Congregation
- John Thornton has resigned from Council and as Treasurer and Leader of the Finance Operational Ministry Team at the end of 2019 and as a member of the congregation.

Morialta congregation **PLACED ON RECORD** warm thanks to John Thornton for his contribution to our mission and ministry as Treasurer during 2019 and in many additional ways, and for his willingness to continue to look after the 2019 accounts until the end of the year.

Margaret invited expressions of interest to be co-opted to Church Council to serve as Treasurer, or as Interim Treasurer, from December 2019 to April 2020 and asked they be forwarded to her by noon on Sunday 15 December.

Margaret indicated that 'testing the water' conversations are welcome at any time – in person, by email or by phone.

Margaret closed by reading our Vision Statement:

"Morialta Uniting Church seeks to be an inclusive community

who hold to the way of Jesus, expressed through love, service and hospitality.

We offer, for all ages, learning opportunities, spiritual expression, action for justice, and social connection.

We understand the Chapel Street properties to be a community resource." and best wishes for the season.

#### 5.1.2. Minister's update

Bob expressed his best wishes for the season

Advent will be focused on the theme of "looking in" (a play on the word 'inn') to the Christmas season

- disturbing joy /joyful disturbance
- · where does the baby Jesus grow in our lives?

Activities Bob has been involved in

- On a panel for selection of students for Uniting College for Leadership and Theology in South Australia
- Trustee of Spicer Cottages Trust (Provides assistance to those retired from practicing in the religion and seeking affordable housing arrangements).
- Serving along Bruce Ind on the Joint Nominating Committee for Para Hills as they seek a replacement minister for their congregation
- Pastoral care
  - Coffee & chat group that meets on first and third Tuesday mornings each month at the Hibernia Café on Magill Road
  - Hospital visits
  - Carpark chats
- Milpara services expressed thanks for the participation of Doug Hosking, Rhonda Amber and others
- Inter church community, schools' ministry group.

Closed with Prayer - Make me a Channel of Your Peace

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#### 6. RESOURCING AND ENABLING MISSION

### 6.1. Treasurer's report, including financial reports January - October 2019

Balance Sheet to 31 October 2019

- Operating surplus to 31 October \$ 19,779.09
- Due mainly to
  - o Increased income
  - o Generous donations
  - Savings in general team expenditure

#### Income

Total Income to date \$202,058.74 Budgeted Income to date \$186,815.00

So we are \$15,243.74 or 8.20% ahead of where we planned to be

#### **Expenses**

Total Expenses to date \$242,993.75 Budgeted expenses to date \$247,530.00

So we have spent \$4,536.25 or 1.80% less than we planned so far this year

#### **Deficit and Operating Profit**

At this point the deficit should be \$60,715.00 but is only \$40,935.01

Therefore because we have earned more and spent less than budgeted our position is \$19,779.99 better than budgeted

But remember we planned to have a deficit of \$46,063 so this is not a profit as you and I might think.

These and other smaller variances have been factored into the 2020 budget

#### Income and Expenditure, January to October 2019

Item	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
Facilities hire	17,586	10,000	7,586
Major fundraising	10,563	5,400	5,163
Japanese playgro	up 2,035	350	1,685
Morialta playgroup	523	180	343
Interest	5,233	1,250	3,893

#### Some good news

- College Drive sale giving access to
  - sale profits for selected property-related expenses recovery of MUC investment in Student houses (more information on later slides)
- Success of Mighty Magill Market (result not included here) and other major fundraising efforts
- Increased receipts from facilities hire
- Generous donations (some received post this date)
- Hard work by everyone to keep expenditure down
  - eg Flowers \$0 instead of \$334: Library \$73 instead of \$736 (thanks largely to the to the generosity of Burnside library)

#### Some not so good news Offerings

- The decline in offerings
- The drop in Lunch on Chapel takings despite tight control of expenses
- Further expenditure on the property into the future

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Category	Actual	Budgeted	Difference	%
Envelopes	28,647	26,666	1,981	7.4
Electronic	68,970	73,000	-\$4,030	-5.5
Loose plate	7,271	9,166	-\$1,894	-20.7

The long term outlook is very worrying and is under review.

Is it time for you to:

- review your giving?
- consider switching to electronic giving to provide us with more consistency?

#### Lunch on Chapel

Profit to date: \$5,820 Expected profit to date: \$6.989

- 16% drop in income.
- Expenses have to match possible attendance whether people turn up or not
- Still a great earner for the Church, but it is very hard work for a team who are not getting any younger

#### Property

- Likely future expenditure to deal with damp in the Church and other issues resulting from the **Engineering Survey**
- Continuing expenditure on the Manse into the New Year.
- Clear message is that work deferred will end up more expensive in the end defects do not usually rectify themselves!
- Obvious example is the refurbishment that still needs to be done on the stained glass
- Our self-help capacity and capabilities are reducing

#### **Total Assets**

31 December 2018	152,877
31 October 2019: Current Assets:	
<ul> <li>Cash at Bank</li> </ul>	\$15,934
<ul> <li>Cash Investments (UC Invest)</li> </ul>	\$77,550
Receivables	\$ 2,000
<ul> <li>Total Assets (MUC Balance Sheet):</li> </ul>	\$95,484
<ul> <li>Plus – on Synod Balance Sheet:</li> </ul>	

Proceeds, sale of 10 College Drive \$157,000 approx.

## Sales proceeds, 10 College Drive

These exist in 2 parts:

- \$100,000 (minus GST already claimed) this is the money we spent on the building of the houses as a loan to Synod, which can be returned to us unencumbered (action for return is in
- \$57,000 these funds are 'tied' (have conditions attached to how we can spend them). We must apply to Synod for each project. Some of these funds appear in the 2020 budget as income

#### 6.2. 5.1.2 2020 Proposed Budget

- Income summary
- Notes on income summary
- Notes on expenditure adjustments
- Expenditure summary
- Overall proposal
- Proposal for adoption

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INCOME CATEGORY	INCOME	ADJSTM	ADJT TOTALS
Giving envelopes	33,000		33,000
Giving electronic	82,000		82,000
Giving loose plate	10,000		10,000
Student accommodation rent received	38,000		38,000
Student accommodation utilities	8,400		8,400
Hire of facilities	15,000		15,000
Hire of audio-visual equipment	1,000		1,000
Majorfundraising	16,000		16,000
Community Centre programs	23,950		23,950
Hospitality/catering	1,100		1,100
Beyond our Walls	300		300
Interest received	5,000		5,000
Donations - general	5,000		5,000
Donations – Morialta Netball Club	1,500		1,500
College Drive Proceeds		18,100	18,100
TOTAL INCOME	240,250	18,100	258,350

- A new income line 'College Drive Proceeds' has been established to record funds we have approval to spend from the 'tied' sale proceeds held for Morialta in the Synod accounts
- The POMT budget includes 2 items that have recently been approved for payment from the tied funds
  - \$12,100 for balance of manse pergola
  - 6,000 for concreting at the manse \$18,100

#### Notes on Expenditure Adjustments agreed by Council

- At its 26 November meeting, Council considered the draft expenditure budget prepared by the Treasurer and FOMT based on submissions from the Ministry Teams
- The adjustments agreed at that meeting are shown on the following slide
- The adjustments to expenditure and income mean that the deficit proposed for 2020 is decreased

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MINISTRY TEAMS	EXPENSES	ADJUSTMENTS agreed by Church Council	ADJUSTED TOTALS	2 0 2
Children and Youth Mission MT	710		710	0
Community Centre Mission MT	18,475		18,475	
Pastoral Care Mission MT	590		590	B
Social Justice Mission MT	300		300	D
Worship $\&$ Faith Educ'n Mission MT	3,150		3,150	G
Audio-Visual Leadership Team	26,500	(\$20,000)	6,500	E
Administration Operational MT	1,000		1,000	Т
Communications Operational MT	1,760		1,760	P
Finance Operational MT	2,020		2,020	R
Property Operational MT	63,400	*3,000	66,400	0
TOTAL EXPENSES	282,104	(\$17,000)	265,104	P
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OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(\$41,854)		(\$6,754)	E
* \$3,000 for Stormwater modifications to address damp in church				

Team	Item	Cost \$	Total \$
AVLT	Church projector replacement	10,000	
	Church lighting Phase 3	10,000	20,000
POMT	Church stained glass window repair	25,000	
	Further repair/maintenance: church	1,000	
	Further repair/ maintenance: manse	2,000	
	Further repair/ maintenance: Student houses	2,000	
	Solar panels: Student houses	16,500	46,500
	TOTAL DESIRABLE ITEMS OMITTED		66,500

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Lower deficit not achieved through regular activities but by spending \$18,100 of College Drive proceeds held as tied funds by Synod

**Summary Position: 2020 Proposed Budget** 

Total income	258,350
Total Expenses	265,104
Operating surplus/ (Deficit)	*(\$6,754)

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Questions and comments on the budget from the congregation:

Jill Kerr: Asked about why Synod hold s the funds from the sale of College drive manse, Funds held in in trust for Morialta UC, Access to funds is conditional, they be used for major capital projects or missional projects, but not for general running expenses. They can be called on by MUC, through an application to Synod - for approval. Some funds \$18k have already been approved and incorporated into the 2020 budget.

Rhonda Amber: Lunch on Chapel is not a money making exercise, it's intent is express love

hospitality and service.

**Tennis Club:** will donate \$300 to the defibrillator

Carol Lyons: made an observation that the Sinking Fund does not appear in the budget (\$4k)

Morialta Congregation ENDORSED the budget for 2020 as outlined in the budget papers and NOTED that the proceeds of the sale of 10 College Drive do not yet appear on our Balance Sheet.

#### 6.3. Community Building & Fundraising update

Colin Cargill presented on the efforts of the Community Building and Fundraising Team. Judith Purling is the Elder, and Carole Lyons and Helena Begg are part of the team.

Mighty Magill Market \$10,000 Kym Purling Concert raised \$4,000 - \$2,000 for charity Second Wind Ensemble and Adelaide Jazz Connection raised \$1,600 - \$800 for mission Qiz night raised \$2,000 Guess who's coming to dinner

Colin invited the congregation to make suggestions for activities in 2020 Need to plan for the activity about 3 months before planned date.

- Second Wind Ensemble
- Adelaide Jazz Connection
- Adelaide Male Choir
- Instrumental Group
- Quiz Night
- Movie Night
- Wine/afternoon tea
- Classical singer

**Joan Wagner:** Commented that cost of the tickets need to be kept to a minimum.

The team is mindful of doing this, and are considering a discount membership option

#### 7. WIDER CHURCH

#### 7.1. Beyond Morialta Mission Projects for 2020

Beverley Tredrea spoke about the mission projects for 2019 and mentioned that \$3,000 had been raised and distributed evenly to all the 2019 missions project.

For 2020,

- Potential projects are on information sheet distributed, and on tables
- 3 to be chosen for support through our 2020 special-purpose fund-raising
- Take a moment now to read them attentively
- · Before you leave, please tick the three you wish to endorse; leave the paper on the table

#### 7.2. Report on the Meeting of the Synod of South Australia, 13-16 November 2019

Bruce Ind provided a report on the formation of the three new presbyteries that replace the single presbytery that we have had for the last seven years.

1 Non Geographic Presbytery, and Geographical Presbyteries – A & B MUC is in Presbytery A

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The aim of the Presbyteries is to encourage and nurture worship, faith exploration, engagement with the community, energise our connections, to be community and to share the love of Christ.

Presbytery A will meet in the new year to elect and form a Standing Committee. There is significant work to be done to establish the new structure.

The Synod website has further information on the new presbytery structures <a href="https://sa.uca.org.au/">https://sa.uca.org.au/</a>

#### 8. MEETING CLOSE

There being no other business, Margaret again thanked everyone who had helped with the meeting, acknowledged birthdays celebrated over recent days, and thanked members for their participation.

Margaret declared the meeting closed at 12.00 noon and concluded with prayer (last two verses of "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace") and a blessing.

#### 9. Next meeting, 10.45 am Sunday 5 April 2020

#### **Diary Dates**

Day	Date	Time	Details
Sunday	22 December	7.00pm	Blue Christmas
Friday	20 December	12 noon	Last office day for 2019
Sunday	22 December		Last newssheet for 2019
Tuesday	24 December	7.00 pm	Christmas Eve
Wednesday	25 December	9.00 am	Christmas Day
Sundays 5 Januar	ry – 9 February combin	ned service at 9.30	am in the hall
Monday	6 January 2020	9.00 am	Office re-opens
Sunday	26 January 2020		First newssheet for 2020
Wednesday	26 February		Ash Wednesday
Sunday	5 April	10.45 am	Meeting of the congregation Annual meeting including election of Elders
Friday	10 April		Good Friday
Sunday	12 April		Easter Day
Sunday	9 August	10.45 am	Meeting of the congregation
Sunday	6 December	10.45 am	Meeting of the congregation

Meeting of Congregation 2 June 2019	Attachment 1.
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#### ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT	PRESENT	PRESENT	APOLOGIES
Margaret Cargill	Annette Latham	Mary Watson	Dawn Colegrove
Craig Mackenzie	Steve Begg	Joan Morrison	Sam Colegrove
Psuline Normn	Helena Begg	Helen Drew	Christine Secombe
Brian Hogben	Doug Hosking	John Drew	Ruth Wise
Rhonda Amber	Robert Cheel	Christine Garner	Barbara Buckton
Rob Webbe	Kath Cheel	Aileen James	Graham Buckton
Margaret Webbe	Marie Elson	Ruth Pitt	Jan Schroeder
Ervine McCormack	Brian Corrigan	Ruth Dunning	Jay Edwin
Betty McCormack	Margaret Dix	Colin Sampson	Jennie Hosking
Doreen Matheson	Dale Corrigan	Jenny Swanbury	Katrina Mackenzie
Alan Hale	Jill Kerr	Gaynor Hallows	Matthew Mackenzie
Eileen Hale	Margaret Pittman	Joan Wagner	
Beverley Tredrea	Miranda Clarke	Margaret Clogg	
Jenny Hancock	Judith Purling	Carole Lyons	
Lesley Tideman	Chris Ayles	Ray Clogg	
Arthur Tideman	Pam Ales	Anne Ind	
Colin Cargill	Craig Ottman	Bruce Ind	
PeterThornley	David Purling	Bob Hutchinson	
Ruth Carter	John Secombe	Mary Thornley	
Sharon Mackenzie			

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# Meeting of Congregation 8 December 2019 Attachment 2.

Income, Expenditure & Budget to			
	Amount	Budget	\$ Difference
Total Income	202,058.74	186,815.00	15,243.74
Total Expense	242,993.75	247,530.00	(4,536.25)
Operating Profit	(\$40,935.01)	(\$60,715.00)	\$19,779.99
Other Income			
10 College Drive sale proceeds	388,490.72	0.00	388,490.72
Reclassified sinking Fund	28,787.69	0.00	28,787.69
Total Other income	417,278.41	0.00	417,278.41
Other Expense			
24 Chapel Project	483,675.82	-	483,675.82
NETT INCOME	(\$107,332.42)	(\$60,715.00)	(\$46,617.42)

Balance Sheet as at 31 October	er 2019	
Current Assets		
Cash at Bank		15,934.66
Cash Investments		
UCInvest 143277	618.20	
UCInvest 188353 eGive	1.00	
UCInvest 228916 Term Deposit	43,538.04	
UCInvest 232885 Operating Inve	5,591.65	
UCInvest 234767 Sinking Fund	27,801.27	77,550.16
Receivables		2,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS		95,484.82
Liabilities		
Other Clearing Account	165.00	
Tax Liabilities (GST)	(2,432.81)	
Property Liabilities (Bonds)	475.00	
Youth & Young Adults	1,371.73	
Stonework repairs grant	861.98	
Employment Provisions	(199.30)	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		241.60
NET ASSETS		95,243.22
EQUITY		
Retained earnings	202,575.64	
Current Year Earnings	(107,332.42)	
TOTAL EQUITY		95,243.22

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SUMMARY, 2020 Budget					
	INCOME	EXPENSES	ADJUSTMENTS agreed by Church Council	ADJUSTED TOTALS	NOTES
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Giving Electronic	82,000			82,000	
Giving Loose Plate	10,000			10,000	
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Student Accomodation Utilities	8,400			8,400	
Hire of Facilities	15,000			15,000	
Hire of Audio Visual Equipment	1,000			1,000	
Major Fundraising (net of costs)	16,000			16,000	
Community Centre Programs	23,950			23,950	
Hospitality / Catering	1,100			1,100	
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Administration Operational Ministry Team		165,199	(,_,,,,,,	165,199	
Communications Operational Ministry Team		1,760		1,760	
Finance Operational Ministry Team		2,020		2,020	
Property Operational Ministry Team**		63,400	3,000		Include stormwater modifications
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* Notes to the Property Operational Ministry Team The Property Operational Ministry Team budget incl		\$63,400			
\$12,100 for the balance of payment for the perg	ola at the manse, an	d			
\$6,000 for concreting at the manse					
Funding for the both these has been approved by Sy	ynod, and an income	line, College Driv	e Proceeds, has bee	en established for	these funds (++)
Church Council, at its meeting of 26 November, inclusions \$3,000 for stormwater modifications at the church		Operational Minis	stry Team budget		