

## Minutes of Council executive email meeting Initiated February 19, 2024

Marion Staples initiated the email, which was sent to Leslie Veldman, Wayne Pease, Cecily Chiles, Pat Morrison, Kenji Marui, Bob Newman.

Email to Executive Council: Two motions were brought to Council Executive by the committees Congregational Care and Growth and M&P. These motions require action before the next scheduled meeting on March 6.

1. Kenji is planning a baptismal and membership welcoming by March 2.

Through CC&G the following people have been put forward for baptism or membership transfer:

- Theodore Laird, son of Nick and Afrodite for baptism, at a later date
- Tory Walko for baptism
- Kathy Shailer transfer from Bothwell-Wabash Charge
- Vanessa Benoit transfer from Bothwell-Wabash Charge
- Jane Allen transfer from Hillhurst United Calgary
- Bruce Longley transfer from Chedoke Presbyterian Church Hamilton
- David Nicols profession of faith
- Marianne Nichols profession of faith

**Motion: that Council approve the people named above for baptism and to be received as members of Grace United Church, as recommended to Council by Congregational Care and Growth Committee.**

**[Bev Walkling / Leslie Veldman]**

Discussion– none

**Motion carried, unanimously in favour.**

2. The second motion deals with the annual contract for music services.

**Motion: that Grace Council approves the renewal of the contract for Marque Smith as the Director of music for 2024 with a consulting fee of \$35,616 [Joanna Catterson / Cecily Chiles].**

Discussion: Please note re: fee - Marque's remuneration is classified as a consulting fee as it is critical that the relationship is maintained as a contractor and not an employee of the church. The amount is 6.3% increase from last year which is the same increase all other staff members received. This amount is already accounted for in the M&P budget submission which was passed at our Annual Meeting February 11, 2024. The responsibility for contract approval rests with Council. By endorsing the budget in January 2024, Council has also endorsed the compensation for Marque and the intent to renew. In future, approval should be completed in December.

**Motion Carried unanimously in favour.**

Minutes of Council executive email meeting Initiated February 29, 2024

Marion Staples initiated the email, which was sent to Leslie Veldman, Tory Walko, Wayne Pease, Cecily Chiles, Pat Morrison, Kenji Marui.

**Motion: that Ronee Capes be received as a member of Grace United Church through profession of faith, as recommended to Council by Congregational Care and Growth Committee. [Leslie Veldman / Cecily Chiles].**

Discussion– none

Motion carried, unanimously in favour.