



AMC Congregation meeting minutes – November 6, 2022, following the service

Present: Albert Bergen, Marilyn Bergen, Ang Enns, Susie Fisher, Marge Friesen, John Gerbrandt, Lil Gerbrandt, Ken Hamm, Marilyn Houser Hamm, Ray Hamm, Loren Hiebert, Lori Hiebert, Andrea Hildebrandt, Crystal Kehler, Dale Klassen, Bill Loewen, Elaine Loewen, Kareena Loewen, Ken Loewen, Nathan Loewen, Karen Martens, Peggy Martens, Robert Martens, Doreen Mierau, Ray Mierau, Marne Mierau Friesen, Mick Mierau Friesen, Kevin Neufeld, Nancy Neufeld, John Thiessen, Julia Thiessen, Norma Thiessen, Marlene Wiebe, Edna Zacharias Sandra Klassen, Greg Costen, Mary Costen, Albert Klassen, Sylvia Klassen, Margaret Rempel, Marlene Rempel, Karey Hildebrand

Proxy: Kim Batchelor, Perry Batchelor, Lori Dueck, Gina Enns, Kerry Enns, Harv Heinrichs, Kathy Heinrichs, Darlene Klassen, Ted Klassen, Paul Krahn, Margruite Krahn, Marlene Plett, June Schwartz

Memo of Understanding displayed on the screen for people to see.

Loren Braul gives a little history as to what has happened in our discussion with Erika Enns Rodine.

Loren goes over the MOU as review. It is similar to what was in place with our former pastor.

Salary as per conference guidelines.

Erika is enrolled in a Masters program. She would be allowed a unit of time to study.

Loren goes over how the salary rate is determined.

Conference rates with cost of living adjustment.

Hiring a full-time pastor is a financial commitment on our part.

Motion: That Altona Mennonite Church hire Erika Enns Rodine as a full-time pastor effective February 19, 2023 pursuant to the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding presented to the Congregation at the congregational meeting dated November 6, 2022.

Moved: Andrea Hildebrand

Seconded: Loren Hiebert

Motion carried without a recorded vote – unanimous

Discussion:

- Ray Hamm speaks in support of hiring. Encourages us to find the pattern to be self-sustaining. We need to do more as an AMC body. We still have to do our part when/if new pastor comes.
- We would need to have a pastoral support committee for the new pastor.
- Norma Thiessen says her daughters are envious of Erika coming. Also she will be missed at FMC.

Minutes recorded by Lori Hiebert