Membership & Mission Committee Minutes-Tuesday, October 20th, 2015

The Meeting was held in the choir room at 7pm.

Catharine Crawford chaired the meeting and opened with prayer. Recording Secretary-Jean Johnson

Members Present: Catharine Crawford, Ursula Portz, Melinda Smegal, Gabriele Hertwick, Krista Ritchie, Jean Johnson. Ministry Reps: -Don Harry, Meg Jordan.

Regrets: Neil Wasylycia

Motion to approve the agenda by Melinda Smegal, seconded by Ursula Portz, carried.

Motion to approve minutes of Sept.15th meeting by Catharine, seconded by Melinda, carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

1-Mission Sunday Review: We received positive feedback from Stan's presentation. Thanks to Don, Catharine and Gabriele for putting the service together.

2-Photo Directory: Email from Simone that the directories should be delivered to her this week and she would soon be able to mail them to the church.

3-Youth Events: Catharine is hosting a campfire Oct. 24th for the youth.

4-Minute for Mission: Shirley Marie Harris is doing the 1st one at worship service Nov. 1st. It was decided that we would do Minute for Mission the 1st Sunday of the month starting in January as Dec. is quite full of events. Jean will check with Shirley Marie re availability of the booklet and the coordination.

5-Report from Council Meeting Sept. 29th: Melinda reported that Don Harry announced his retirement for June 2016.

Jackie Clements has replaced Emily Perry as chair on the program committee.

New idea brought forth —Teddy Bears for shut ins. We deliver Poinsettias at Christmas. Perhaps this could be looked at for a different time of year.

Sound System is still presenting problems. Time to get the fellow back that installed the system for a consultation.

6-White Gift Sunday is Nov. 29th –Bernd and Ursula offered to deliver the gifts and will coordinate the time with Rev. Heather Davies at Cape Croker. Catharine will put notice in the bulletin 3 weeks in advance.

7-Advent Pot Luck –December 6th-More planning to be done at Nov. meeting. Meg is planning a candlelight event in Victoria park after the service .We will plan on having candles on the tables and a musical CD.

7-Community Service Fund- \$400 has been sent to Big Brothers and Big Sisters this year.

New Business:

1-M&M replacements needed for members who are leaving- Catharine has been actively trying to find people. We are all asked to try and recruit new members.

2-Discussion about ways to help bring Syrian Refugees to our Community. Don Harry brought us up to date on the Muslim group in our area who are trying to raise funds to bring a family here. Meg and Jackie Clements are going to a meeting at the Presbyterian church who are also looking at bringing a family. We felt we could offer our support to these efforts.

3-Child and Youth Service Nov.15th. Meg is working on a service based on the song. As I Live. She will be in contact with Krista and Catharine and their children.

4- M& M Budget – Some of our expenditures do not show up on the latest budget sheet. Melinda will contact Liz Dillman and bring updates to our next meeting and we will prepare our budget at that time.

Next Meeting is Nov. 17th at Melinda Smegal's home at 7pm

Melinda will chair that meeting. Krista will be recording secretary.

Melinda will attend Council meeting Oct. 27th

Motion to Adjourn the meeting by Krista Ritchie at 8:55 pm

Signed	Catharine Crawford ,Chair
Signed	Jean Johnson,recording secretary