

EASTSIDE SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING November 16, 2025

PROGRAM MEETING NOTICE: Notice for this meeting was part of the weekly announcements which are sent via email to Eastside members. As well, the meeting notice was given at the church services.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 by Janet Bjorndahl.

2. Motion to allow adherents to vote.

Moved by Elaine Hill. Seconded by Brian Mitchell-Walker. Carried.

3. Motion to adopt the agenda.

Moved by Donna Lindskog. Seconded by Jayne Kreuger. Carried.

4. Motion:

“That Eastside United Church agrees to Amendment Number 1 to the Collaborative Ministry Agreement between Eastside United Church, Heritage United Church, Regina Beach United Church, St. Andrew’s United Church, and St. James United Church”

Moved by Janet Bjorndahl. Seconded by Leanne Sudom.

Janet spoke about the reason for the motion, as well as the Collaborative Ministry Agreement and the amendments to that agreement.

Q1. Will formal feedback be requested from congregation?

A1. Was done of part of newsletter in September(?) and of the Leadership Team although there were not a lot of responses from the congregation.

Q2. Will further feedback be requested?

A2. The Agreement will be reviewed once a year for the next three years and further feedback may be requested.

Q3. Have other congregations been invited to join the Collaboration?

A3. Yes but so far others have declined.

Q4. How long will the Agreement continue as is? ??

A4. St. James and Heritage are currently amalgamating. We are hopeful the Eastside will remain as it currently is. They will no longer refer to Ministers as being for a current congregation but will be considered to all be ministers of the congregations under the Collaboration. Joint committees may be formed for specific items, for example one Worship Committee with representatives from each congregation.

Motion carried.

Janet was thanked for all the work she has done as part of this committee.

5. Enabling Motion

“the Eastside Leadership Team be empowered to deal with and act on all routine and emergent matters until the next congregational meeting except those matters which, according to the Manual of the United Church of Canada, require congregational approval.”

Moved by Heather Balfour. Seconded by Stephannie Banks. Carried.

6. Motion to Adjourn

Sonia Abrahamson moved meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Brian Mitchell-Walker.
Adjournment – 1:25 p.m.

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