



A Message from Carole Bennett Church Council Chair

November 3, 2021

Annual Meeting Part 1

On Wednesday, October 6, members of the congregation met via Zoom for the first part of Islington United’s Annual Meeting – a look back at the year ended June 30, 2021. Despite the pandemic (and in some cases because of it) fiscal year (FY) 2021 was a busy year. Vice-chair Steve Tower reminded us that although the building was closed for worship and other ministry major construction projects were completed and showed us photographs of the changes: the fully renovated Stewart East Hall Kitchen, reconfigured entrances to the auditorium and the office corridor, new transparent and energy-efficient windows upstairs and down in the Stewart East Hall wing, a renovated Church Office, refreshed Scout Hall and new eavestroughs and downspouts to protect the church’s foundations to name some.



Treasurer John Leavitt presented our year-end financial results expressing gratitude for the generous giving and careful management throughout the year.

Operating Fund	FY2021 Actual	FY2021 Budget	FY2020 Actual
Income	\$ 1,105,458	\$ 1,103,698	\$ 1,030,413
Expenses	\$ 1,140,372	\$ 1,136,725	\$ 874,551
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (34,916)	\$ (33,027)	\$ 155,862

Trustee Treasurer Ian McPherson reported on the positive return on investment last year and on costs of the major projects funded by the Memorial Fund including changes in how we use rooms since welcoming the German International School Toronto (GIST) to share our space.

Investment	2018	2019	2020	2021
Returns	4.63%	0.14%	0.87%	5.02%

Major Memorial Fund Expenditures	
Stewart East Hall Kitchen Project	\$ 438,000
GIST-related Renovations	\$ 45,000

We are grateful for the faithful service of Church Council members who retired this year – Heather Childs (Secretary), Bob Shirer (Chair, Facilities Committee) and Elsa van Vliet (Chair, Worship & Music Committee) and for retiring Trustee, Laurie-Beth Page. The cumulative total of their service is 57 years!



Heather Childs
Secretary

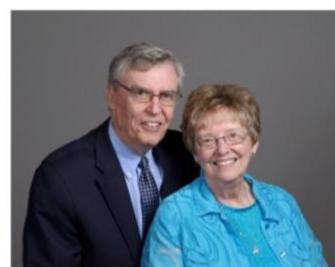


Bob Shirer
Chair
Facilities Committee



Elsa van Vliet
Chair

Worship & Music Committee



Laurie-Beth Page
Trustee

Board of Trustees

In the spirit of “looking back,” Voluntary Associate Minister, the Reverend Adam Hanley described Islington’s history project, [This Is Us](#), and encouraged our participation by posting our own memories of Islington United on the website. There’s still time to add your special memories!

If you have questions about Annual Meeting Part 1, please email or give me a call: carolebennett@sympatico.ca or 416-255-4389.

Coming next week in *Wednesday Weekly* – Part 2 of the Annual Meeting held on October 27 – a look ahead at FY2022 and one member’s Legacy of Faith.