

**Version 2 Amendments to previous notes starred \*\* 20.1.20  
(This is reminder that these are highlighted notes and not official minutes taken as verbatim)**

**In attendance:**

Deb Udraufski (Deb U)  
Glyn Udraufski (Glyn U)  
Mark Heydon (Mark H)  
Lorraine Heydon (Lorraine H)  
Gail Thomas Gail T)  
Rachel Steed (Rachel S)  
Lynne Thomas (Lynne T)  
Debbie Merridew (Debbie M)  
Julia Thomas (Julia T)  
Jane Williams (Jane W)  
Merlyn Ipinson- Fleming (MIF)

**Apologies**

Pam Gladdish (Pam G)

Lynne T opened in prayer

MIF and Debbie M explained the fortunate position that we are in as a church for having a Guiding Principles to help us through this time of transition. We also have a Constitution which is required by the Charity Commission and used for funding applications and insurance renewals. Mark had a copy of the trust deed which is our governing document and he was interested to know the evolution of these documents from the trust deed which is dated from 1943. It was explained that throughout the decades various Pastors, Elders and Leaders had reviewed these documents and they had been brought before by the Partners of the church when the Church agreed to become a Registered Charity. Mark stated that he had no recollection of the partners agreeing these documents and so Debbie M said she would trace when the current documents were last agreed.

The Trustees confirmed that it would be a good time to hold a business meeting with the Partners ,where we would have an opportunity to inform all of our partners of the plans of the Leaders going forward. The Trustees confirmed that it was their belief that the Leaders should plan forward including services, special events and study opportunities for the Partners, (we later confirmed for at least 6 months) and also there would be the opportunity to vote Jane W to join the trustees as previously agreed by the Trustees and proposed at the AGM. **\*\* For clarification, partners were advised at the AGM that Jane's voting to join the trustee board would be deferred until the next business meeting and for the time being**

**she would be co-opted onto the board as agreed at the trustees meeting dated 9/9/19\*\***

Updates were then provided by those who are supporting the Church and Centre during this transition period.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Update</b>	<b>Lead and Actions</b>
<b>Speaking rota for Sunday Sessions</b>	Deb U felt really blessed from the response from all our speakers to offer to bring God word on a Sunday	Deb U.  Continuation of rota to be reviewed for up to 6 months including Easter.
<b>Worship Team &amp; Production</b>	Again very positive and a worship meeting was to be held on Thursday. There was still concern over the running of the Mac and recognised that more people would be required to get a Rota going.  Glyn agreed to ask people to help set-up on a Sunday and it was noted that more people would need to have keys to open up at 9:30.  Gail expressed concern for church family members who we haven't seen for a while and encouraged us make contact with them. It was noted that perhaps our BCLC Life Facebook group may need updating in the future	Jane W.       Glyn
Pastoral Care		
<b>Families &amp; Sunday School</b>	Following the success of Cribfest the next Brunch Clubs will take place on Weds 19th and Thurs 20th of Feb. Following that we will hold our first Brunch Sunday on the 23rd when we will invite families from the Bruch Club to our church service. We would have bacon rolls and when the children go up to Sunday school we would have a Sofa Sunday style meeting in the main hall	Rachel S.

<p><b>Life Centre Management</b></p>	<p>Mark Partridge reports to the trustees and treasurer every Monday with a health and safety update and any maintenance needs and coatings. Deb M and Gail met last month to decide a priority list of spending and it was decided the repair of the roof was uppermost. The boiler at the rear of the building has been repaired and serviced.</p> <p>Sarah is continuing to run Baby Basics at the moment at BCLC but is really in need of volunteers to help out</p> <p>Jaci Brown has officially retired from running our catering activities. She attended an end of year dinner with other centre staff to mark this event. She kindly has offered to help out if and when required at large conferences.</p> <p>The centre team are looking into alternative ways of buying catering from external sources.</p> <p>Gail gave a brief run through on our average monthly incoming and outgoings and expressed concern that we may need to delay any large outlays.</p>	
<p><b>Request to have a book lending library</b></p>	<p>Debbie M. advised that Jonny Matthews had an idea to start a book lending resource to benefit the congregation. Everyone agreed this was a very good idea as most people had books they could donate. A suggestion was made that the office at the top of the stairs opposite the Uniform swapshop could be used. Concern was raised however that it wouldn't just become a dumping ground for old books It was suggested that if Jonny could manage this facility and propose a process, it could help considered but that location would be important so as not to create any fire risks and also not to block rooms that were used for conferences or meetings.</p>	

<p><b>Senior Pastor Advert</b></p>	<p>MIF said we had two applicants for the senior pastor/centre director. It was confirmed that the interview process was being agreed by the trustees who were looking at setting up a panel that would include the involvement of a neutral interviewer who would have knowledge about BCLC as a <b>ministry</b> <b>**This procedure was announced at the previous meeting on 24.11.19. Mark raised the question as to why a neutral interviewer was required but the consensus of attendees agreed that this was a good idea**</b></p> <p>She went on to say even though remaining a partner and trustee of the church she would not be taking part in the interview.</p>	
<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p>	<p>TBC</p>	<p>Trustees will send a reminder closer to the time.</p>