

# From Council...December 2017

At our UBC Semi-Annual Meeting on November 22, 2017, our focus for the evening was to incorporate praise, prayer and worship throughout the business agenda.

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- Approved the agenda, the minutes and the financial statements for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2017
- Got NAB/ABA Updates from Rob McLaren regarding the ABA, upcoming Triennial and Camp Caroline status
- Were encouraged to give to the Angel Tree fundraiser
- Reviewed the timeline from 2015 to the present for the building expansion of our church building and the idea of joining Hope Mission to partner together to reach Red Deer North.
- Were introduced to the Unity Baptist/Hope Mission Joint Venture Committee, their role and responsibilities and a review of how we came to be at this point. Committee Members: Jen Turner, Chantel Tombs, Lionel Stuber, Stewart Duffin and Ron Murdoch (Heather Plett and Rob McLaren are ex officio members)
- Were led in an exercise to record on sticky notes pros (yellow) and cons (blue) regarding the big question *“Is Unity Baptist Church committed to sharing resources in a Joint Venture with Hope Mission over the long term”?*
- Were updated on the Missional Communities Report by Ben
- Were reminded that the Missional Communities are a structure used for our congregation to live the UP-IN-OUT within our community. We currently have four communities:
  - i. Refugee Group
  - ii. Monday Night Group
  - iii. Thursday Night Group at Bromley’s - Serving with respite care for Alzheimer’s patients.
  - iv. Friday Night Group at Bunney’s home.
- Listened to a quick review by Rob about the Strategic Plan
- Heard about the UP-IN-OUT Team Proposal and how it fits into the Strategic Plan and that the purpose for establishing UP, IN, and OUT committees to carry out the important ministries in our church and community.
  - i. UP-worship experience, participation in service, book resources etc...
  - ii. IN-meal blessings, showers, potlucks etc...
  - iii. OUT-connection with NAB/ABA, outside agencies, church missions etc...
- Had opportunity for Questions & Answers after each presentation followed by a time of prayer