

Collier St. United Church - Music Task Force

Report to the Board

September 25, 2018

Members of the committee:

Tom George & Dorothy Ramsay Co-chairs

Kim Hambrook Secretary

Rev. Hewitt Holmes, Derryl Johnston, Winston Blogg & Ian Knox

Activities to date:

Through weekly meetings, our committee has created a revised job description (see email circulation from Rev. Hewitt) and devised a plan to advertise and select potential candidates to be interviewed for this position. In the coming weeks, the committee will create a series of interview questions that will meet current United Church of Canada hiring guidelines.

Job advertisements will be initially posted online with the United Church Observer and the Royal Canadian College of Organists. Deadline to receive job applications and resumes has been initially set for November 2, 2018.

To assist with the creation of a new Music Director job description, the Task Force Committee consulted two sources;

- last year's survey data to gain insights into our congregation's expectations for Collier's music program,
- Rev. Hewitt, Dorothy Ramsay and Winston Blogg met with the Collier choir on September 6th, to determine the format for the interim music program and the choir's expectations for the new Music Director.

Recommendations:

1. **Job Description** – that the revised Job Description be accepted as circulated or amended.
2. **Choral Scholar** – that the program discontinue until January 2019.
3. **Collier Street Brass Ensemble** – that the contractual arrangement with Collier Street Brass Ensemble continue until December 2018.

Furthermore, that the funds from Huronia Symphony, in January 2019, be sent directly to Collier Ancillary Account for purchase of contemporary musical instruments for enhancing a blended or a contemporary worship service.

Submitted by: Dorothy Ramsay