CHURCHES TOGETHER in GLENROTHES & DISTRICT

Coaltown of Balgonie, 12th June 2013

PRESENT: Richard Gilmour - Church of Christ

Rev Alexandra Rosener, Wilma Page - Christ's Kirk

Jim Bowman - Collydean Baptist

George Carratt (mins) - King's Covenant Fellowship

Betty Nicol - Leslie Baptist Rev Alan Kimmitt - St Columba's

Una Fidoe - St Luke's

Joy Allan(chair), Marjorie Cowie, Betty Menzies - St Margaret's

Rev Allistair Roy, Mary McIndoe, Craig Higgins, Sheena Pirrie - St Ninian's

Margaret Duffy - St Paul's and St Mary's

Irene Ross - Trinity Leslie

Paul & Lynne Sinclair, Grace Baxter, Heather Leighton - United Reformed

Church

Apologies: Allan McDonagh, Alice Davidson, Rev John McSporran, Rev Thomas Brauer,

Clare Atkin, Anne Burns.

Action

1. Opening

<u>Welcome</u> Joy welcomed everyone to the AGM. Grace introduced Paul & Lynne Sinclair, the interim minister at URC to the meeting.

Worship Paul led our opening worship in prayer, thanking God for older traditions and praising Him for new traditions in worshipping together. We look to our magnificent God as we seek to share knowledge, experience, gifts & concerns in the unity of the Spirit and fellowship of Christ.

2. Minutes

The minutes of 13th June 2012 were accepted as a true record and were proposed by Richard Gilmour and seconded by Irene Ross.

3. Correspondence

None.

4. Reports (summaries)

<u>Chair</u> - This has been a very encouraging year for Churches Together. Office bearers have been appointed as Chair, Depute-Chair Treasurer & Secretary. St Margaret's have organised a 'Show-case' event for all Churches to come together to display and share the various activities and organisations within their congregations. This will be followed by a short worship celebration finishing at 4pm. Please contact Joy on 752692 or <u>jallan905@talktalk.net</u> to discuss requirements. It is expected that another Church or group will lead the planning for a headline event in 2014. A 'Jesus Message' project for all ages is gaining momentum. There are pledges of £500 towards the set up costs of approx £700. There is collaboration between the Churches and the YMCA in setting up a Foodbank in conjunction with Trussell Trust and useful dialog with Auchmuty High School and GROW. Carol Singing in the Kingdom Centre benefited form the new one hour format. Craig Higgins carried the Kirkcaldy banner at the Heart & Soul event in Edinburgh. We are grateful for God's help in bringing us this far and pray that we will continue on together.

<u>Treasurer</u> - The audit report was presented and showed and confirmed the balance of £212.51 credit. We are grateful to Jo Wylie for conducting the audit. It was suggested that a gift could be made to support another project/ministry. There was discussion in connection with the Jesus Message T-shirts, however, with £500 already pledged from 5 Churches it was felt unnecessary to commit these funds at this time.

<u>GROW</u> - This project continues to offer great value in terms of involvement with young people in the schools and youth groups and the Gospel. Popular events are Powerpoint, H2O, Holiday Clubs & Summer Camps. P7's are being coached in their transition to S1.

Create & display ALL

Reports from the GROW presentations to each Church are very favourable. The AGM is planned for Friday 21st at 6:30 in St Columba's. H2O is on Sat 22nd at 7:30 in the Salvation Army hall.

<u>Foodbank</u> – The 'Y' has affiliated to the Trussell Trust and funding applications have been submitted. Suitable local premises are still being sought. (A list of those already considered is available from the 'Y'). Around 45 volunteers will be required. Letters giving further details have been issued to all the Churches. Donations of non-perishable foods are still welcome at the 'Y'

<u>Gravy Train</u> – This project has now been running for over 9 years and has grown to include access to other health and welfare advisory services. Funding is mainly from grants available through St Ninian's Charity Shop and from donations by the project volunteers and others. There were 674 meals provided in 2011; 793 in 2012 and so far in 2013, 405 meals. See other business below for the new name for this project.

5. Appointments

<u>Secretary</u> – Sheena Pirrie was nominated by Mary McIndoe and seconded by Betty Menzies. Sheena was duly appointed to the post.

6. Other Business

<u>Carol Singing</u> – Application is to be made to Rothes Halls for one hour of Carol Singing in December. It is hoped a short seasonal message will also be 'displayed'.

<u>Bible Society Action Group</u> – please send all sponsorship money to Allan McDonagh as soon as possible.

<u>Gravy Train</u> – The 'Y' have requested that name be brought in line with other services available. 'Y Lunch' seemed acceptable to one of the volunteer teams. This suggestion was proposed by Alexandra and seconded by Jim Bowman.

<u>Churches Together Banner</u> has now moved from King's Covenant Fellowship to Coaltown of Balgonie URC.

Meeting Schedule - Wed 11th September 7:30pm @ St Ninian's

Close The meeting closed at 8:45pm. We blessed one another with 'The Grace'.

Diary June

Fri 21st 6:30pm @ St Columba's. GROW AGM

Sat 22nd 7:30pm @ St Columba's. Musical 'From Pharaoh to Freedom' Tickets £5/£1 from St Columba's, St Ninian's & Trinity.

Sat 22nd 7:30pm @ Salvation Army H20 youth event.

<u>July</u>

Sun 7th 10am @ St Margaret's. Last service led by Rev. John McLean.

Sat 13th 10-noon @ Trinity, Leslie. Coffee morning. All proceeds to GROW and the 'Y Lunch' (prev known as Gravy Train)

September

Sat 7th 10-3pm @ St Margaret's. Church Showcase Event & Joint Worship at 3pm

Wed 11th 7:30pm @ St Ninian's. Churches Together mtg.

October

Sun 6th 6:30pm @ Collydean Granary Baptist. Praise Night

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