

SHARON HOUSE CORPORATION ANNUAL MEETING
First Church of Christ, Scientist, Toronto
Saturday, April 6, 2013 – 2:00pm

“Love’s Provision - Christian Science Nursing”

Welcome

Readings

Hymn 105

Guest Speaker – Barbara Waite, Christian Science Nurse

2012 – 2013 Board of Director’s Report

Treasurer’s Report

Election of the Board of Directors for 2013-2014

Hymn 458 (from Hymnal Supplement – words on reverse of this agenda)

Questions and Answers

Closing

Church Manual – The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts by Mary Baker Eddy
Art. VIII, Sect. 31 **Christian Science Nurse.** A member of The Mother Church who represents himself or herself as a Christian Science nurse shall be one who has a demonstrable knowledge of Christian Science practice, who thoroughly understands the practical wisdom necessary in a sick room, and who can take proper care of the sick.

The cards of such persons may be inserted in *The Christian Science Journal* under rules established by the publishers.

Hymn 458 – Christian Science Hymnal Supplement

Based on I Corinthians 13

Fenella Bennetts

Though I may speak with moving words,
Which can inspire the heart of man,
But have no love to seal their worth,
They are but emptiness and sham.

Though I may give my worldly goods
Without a thought of self or gain,
Unless they bear the fruits of love
They are as clouds without their rain.

Though I may search the deepest books,
Companion with the wisest men,
God's loving voice still calls to me,
It bids me turn and look again.

Now I would learn to know this Love
Through meek and patient ministry,
Until my life has grown anew
And Love is All-in-all to me.

Sharon House AGM
April 6, 2013

Love's Provision....Christian Science

Nursing

What an exciting time for our Cause!

I feel we are in a sort of "back to basics" mode in our movement. The "basics" being Love. Love is the place we go when any sort of challenge arises. We must understand love, think love, express only love, be love.

Some months ago it occurred to me that if perfect love casteth out fear and all claims of error, as Jesus demonstrated and the Comforter teaches, then our job is clear. Simply strive to perfect that same divine Love as demonstrated by the Master. Can we *learn* to love, one might ask? I say yes we must, until we understand we are the love, of Love. We are Love's provision - for one another.

The love we are learning to know and to be, has no element of personal sense to it...no "mere personal attachment." It cannot be limited to human affiliations of any kind. It is the pure, perfect reflection of Soul. It is and must be within, and rest upon, all.

There are 281 references in the Bible and 1090 in Science & Health about love/Love.

So for us as students of Christian Science it's a central theme. We understand that God is Love. It is written on the wall of our churches...it's the one synonym John used to describe God, so we need to understand and practice it aright. It is our true nature.

In Science & Health 113:5 MBE writes: "The vital part, the heart and soul of Christian Science, is Love."
And in My. 258:4: "Nothing is worthy the name of religion save one lowly offering — love."

Looking at world events today, one might argue that love is not being practiced, nor is it even present! We see and hear of war, famine, sin, disease, death constantly - it seems to be all around. But the Bible reassures us that God is "of purer eyes than to behold evil" (Hab 1:13) and that God only knows our perfection - as Love's reflection.

In My (135:27) we find some guidance to allay concern about this apparent lack of love:

"As Christian Scientists you understand the Scripture, "Fret not thyself because of evil-doers;" also you spiritually and scientifically understand that God is divine Love, omnipotent, omnipresent, infinite; hence it is enough for you and me to know that our "Redeemer liveth" and intercedeth for us."

So, it is enough for you and I to work and exemplify what we understand of divine Love, to heal an ailing world. Our "Redeemer", the Christ message, guides and comforts us as we help one another make our way back

Home. How blessed we *all* are to be called to this work.

We have all had times when we have been tested to express a purer, higher love. I have found time and again, that I go back to a familiar passage from Science & Health to help me understand the unlimited ways to express Love. There is no formula, only sincere desire.

Mrs. Eddy writes:

"If we would open their prison doors for the sick, we must first learn to bind up the broken-hearted. If we would heal by the Spirit, we must not hide the talent of spiritual healing under the napkin of its form, nor bury the morale of Christian Science in the grave-clothes of its letter. The tender word and Christian encouragement of an invalid, pitiful patience with his fears and the removal of them, are better than hecatombs of gushing theories, stereotyped borrowed speeches, and the doling of arguments, which are but so many parodies on legitimate Christian Science, aflame with divine Love." SH 366:30

The side bar summarizes this as "Genuine healing." So it follows that the purer our love the better healers we will be.

Together with the apostle Paul's teaching in 1 Cor 13:1 on charity, you have the best reminder on what it takes to love better, to be the love of Love.

The winds of God are blowing! Let's not "hug our tatters"(S&H201), our outgrown ideas, close about as we

know Soul has infinite ideas with which to bless mankind. Fresh new ideas are coming to the fore in our church and all elements of it, including nursing. These changes serve only to move us higher; to further growth out of material concepts to the divine idea. There is nothing to fear and much to be joyful about at this time.

This new generation has ushered in a fresh new mode of communication which has the potential to reach more seekers than ever before and in a way that they understand. Church is becoming seamless, borderless, without walls...is heading perhaps more to church universal and triumphant! God alone knows and is working His purpose out.

And, as we all know:" The true theory of the universe, including man, is not in material history but spiritual development." (S&H 547:25)

I recently read an "Items of Interest" from an older Sentinel (July 18/2011) which puts in to perspective the changes occurring in modes of worship today. It is a very worthwhile read if you need an objective, less personal or emotional view of the times we are in, relative to church activity.

We all understand that God knows nothing of human organization, church buildings, nursing facilities, money (whether too much or too little) - these are all temporary aids or means of support for present need. They are Love's provision for a time. They change constantly, as all things material do, but we know that Divine Love always has met and always will *continue* to meet every human need as we journey Spirit-ward.

While these material supports are certainly useful in their time, they can sometimes give a false sense of being established - can distract us from true Church work and thereby lure us to take our ease and possibly slow our progress or demonstration. But Love will always provide a "jump-start" to waken us!

As a nurse, I hear comments from members about our church buildings and membership. The same concern has been surfacing about CS nursing and facilities. It would seem that the mode of worship and CS nursing is undergoing change within our Movement and even the world. But, can that touch the structure of Truth and Love in any way? Would divine Love ever stop meeting the world's need, including ours? Could these changes ever interfere with the Christ message and Love's natural activity being expressed? To use an expression from a favourite hymn ... "Ah never!" (Hymn 283)

Look at the immense work Jesus and a small band of followers ushered in. It changed the world. Also the accomplishments of our dear Leader, bringing the leaven of the Comforter to broken hearts. True Christian practice has never been about numbers of people or buildings. Its basis of practice has only, always been spiritual Love. It takes only one.

In Science & Health (136:1) we read:
"Jesus established his church and maintained his mission on a spiritual foundation of Christ-healing."

Jesus embodied Church, the expression of Truth and Love - as should you and I. As we do, we become Love's

provision here and now, meeting the human need for this time.

That "one on the side of God is a majority" is seen in the lives of the Patriarchs, the prophets, disciples and, most certainly, Christ Jesus and Mary Baker Eddy.

In like manner, each one of us, striving to bring healing love and light to a materially buried world, is Church, is nurse, is that one.

Mrs Eddy put it this way: "Each of Christ's little ones reflects the infinite One, and therefore is the seer's declaration true, that "one on the side of God is a majority." (Pul 56:7)

I love Mrs Eddy's description of the divine "Us" found in MW (18:1). She says, in part, that we are:

..... "children of one common Parent, — wherein and whereby

Father, Mother, and child are the divine Principle and

divine idea, even the divine "Us" — one in good, and

good in One."

That's who we are gathered here today, who we all are - the divine "Us" !

The Master Christian reminds us not to hide our love-light under any bushel, but to let it shine for all to see.

I have sometimes asked myself: Do I have a bushel over my light? Am I letting fear, a sense of self, organization, buildings, human opinion confine or hide my reflection of God's light?

If being a good church worker or CS nurse only means work within the walls of a church or facility , how is this obedient to Jesus command for his disciples to "go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature?"

I've asked myself, if we are only serving one another (within the walls), how is this bringing the Comforter to an ailing world? If we shrink from this demand , the outcome will be shrinkage individually and collectively! We all must be willing to share what we understand of Truth and Love without reservation."We are all capable of more than we do, " Mrs Eddy suggests. (S&H 89)

In a recent online Bible Course, I learned about the symbolism of the geographical nature of the area of Galilee where Jesus did much of his healing and teaching. In brief, the point was made that the Galilean Sea had not only an intake flow (via the River Jordan) but also an exit point ...allowing the water to flow *through and outward*, keeping it fresh...a *living* water.

Contrastingly, the Dead Sea has only an intake but *no exit point* - thus rendering it *dead*. The spiritual lessons gleaned from this help us to see the conditions needed to be a conduit for loving, uplifting, healing.

In Science & Health (79:31) we are reminded: "Giving does not impoverish us in the service of our Maker, *neither does withholding enrich us.*"

As with church, the idea of "nurse" has certainly been elevated to new heights within the teachings of Christian Science. The office of the CS nurse was inserted in the

Manual in 1908. Based on the teachings of Christ Jesus and the Comforter it supports true, spiritual healing.

I like to think of Jesus as our Lead Nurse! He did little physical touching - only enough to perhaps quiet mortal thought, but, certainly much healing. To me, He was the ideal nurse.

While understanding the need for proper physical care, the primary role of the CS nurse is to understand the truth of our untouched, perfect, spiritual identity so clearly, that it aids healing. We understand that prayer is never about asking God to come down and heal us, but rather for us to rise higher and see Him (and ourselves) as He is, as we really are, - again, the divine "Us!"

In Webster's the word nurse is defined as a noun or a (transitive) verb. As a noun it means: a person who cares for the sick or infirm.

As a verb: to promote the progress or development of.....

To me, as a verb, it becomes less about a person and more about the spiritual activity of the Christ...loving God and our neighbour as ourselves - the two greatest commandments.

If thought of as a noun, the idea falls to a somewhat limited personal sense; one person taking care of another person and thus attached to only a few individuals who profess to this calling.

I don't see nursing this way and I could never limit the nursing activity to physical care giving nor to only a few. It is an activity we all can and do express now. It is one

element of our Christian Science practice.

Because one is not declaring oneself as a CS nurse, by no means suggests one is not engaged in some form of nursing. It is a spiritual quality we all possess. To promote spiritual progress is something we can all do by way of sharing what we understand of Truth and the only motive can be Love.

Mrs Eddy puts it this way:

"The rich in spirit help the poor in one grand brotherhood, all having the same Principle, or Father; and blessed is that man who seeth his brother's need and supplieth it, seeking his own in another's good." Christian Science nursing is indeed a reciprocal activity.

I know that I have often been nursed metaphysically by fellow church members, for we are all, poor in spirit at times!

There has been some concern within our movement about the changes taking place in nursing and the impact that might have on the availability of a CS nurse. The activity and availability of CS nursing will never be lost. It is a quality Soul, and thus is ever-present. CS nursing is, and never was, about just a job or career - it is foremost a spiritual activity. An activity we all express.

The nurses in the GTA and, indeed in eastern Canada, have been on a journey these last 2 years. I think we would all agree that this journey has unified us, made us stronger individually and collectively, and has engraved in our hearts more permanently, love for this Manual based provision.

There is much help available for those relying on Christian Science for healing. The support we need will always be there - divine Love has promised.

In this auditorium today are 7 of the 10 CS nurses available in eastern Canada. Together we represent 175 years of combined commitment to the office of the CS nurse, ranging from 2 - 35 years of service. Hardly fading away I would say!

And, if I were to count all of you as you embrace the nurse within - we are great in number indeed!

The new 24/7 model introduced recently by Sharon House is similar to one I have been personally blessed by within my own community for about 8 years now. As I see it, this new nursing model is less confined and allows for broader expression and experience of the individual nursing ministry.

In a nutshell this is how it works. The nurses are paid a stipend to be available or "on call" 24 hrs per day/7 days per week. It is not a full salary or living wage, but it helps to offset expenses and ensures the availability of nurses if needed.

In a like manner, you might say Sharon House is now "on call" and available for nursing use! The funds you so generously provide have helped to sustain the house for use and ensure that a continued nursing presence is available for our church communities. The Sharon House Board has worked closely with the nurses this past year to bring forth a good solution for this time, exemplifying wisdom, economy, and brotherly love. It blesses us all. All of the nurses here feel that the continued presence

and availability of Sharon House is invaluable and they unanimously feel it should remain ready for use, as needed.

The "24/7" nurses have found this new model allows for more flexibility of individual and team nursing either in home or at Sharon House....but I know you will hear more of that later.

We are all workers for God and man.... that is our only purpose. As we each work to be the living, loving Church that Jesus demonstrated and our Leader reinstated, we are nursing, we are healing. As we conscientiously practice divine Science, we will witness more holiness, health, harmony, and there will naturally be less need for physical care taking.

We will become as the Master, as our Leader.....healing the Home-sick with the touch of Truth and Love.

It *really is* just a matter of practicing within ourselves "legitimate Christian Science, aflame with divine Love," *isn't it ?* (Science & Health 367:3)

REPORT OF THE SHARON HOUSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – APRIL 6, 2013

You may have noticed in a recent Christian Science Sentinel that a writer quoted an inscription that she'd read on a friend's mug. It said, "Just when the caterpillar thought life was over, it turned into a butterfly". This made me think of what the Sharon House situation appeared to be about a year ago. No, we didn't think "life was over", but we were struggling a bit to see how Sharon House might best utilize its available resources to support Christian Science nursing. We weren't seeing that remarkable transformation to the beautiful butterfly, or the realization of Sharon House actively fulfilling its mission. Right now we're seeing some new lovely glimpses of fresh opportunities. We may not know what the future representation will be, but we're seeing evidences of something good happening with Christian Science nursing in our field, including the greater recognition of the value of this Manual-mandated ministry of healing. And that's what Sharon House is all about. Just as Mary Baker Eddy recognized that home is not a place but a power, we're seeing more of the "power" of the Sharon House mission in action, right where it needs to be, - in our hearts. A butterfly unfolds from the chrysalis state, and the mission of Sharon House is ever unfolding in our hearts and in its practical representation.

The purpose of Sharon House Corporation is "to support Christian Science nursing and its availability to those relying on Christian Science for healing". Two issues have been our particular focus in this past year. We have sought a good sense of unity with the Christian Science nurses in our field, thus strengthening the first part of our mission, to support the nursing. Secondly, we have sought to help make this nursing more available to those relying on Christian Science for healing, wherever they need this assistance.

In late 2011, a way had been found to again make Sharon House available for patient care, but under a new arrangement of renting space to a Christian Science Journal-listed nurse to bring a patient to the facility. Last June we invited those nurses who had been most recently involved in nursing at Sharon House to meet with the Board of Directors. We had a day-long meeting with them and freely discussed issues of concern. This resulted in some practical steps being taken to improve communication and to explore the most effective way at this time to ensure the availability of Christian Science nursing care in our field. What became evident was that it seemed difficult, if not impossible, for enough nurses to be

readily available if a patient needed around-the-clock care for an extended period. Several nurses who had been employed full-time at Sharon House in recent years had moved from Eastern Canada to do nursing elsewhere. And some nurses in the GTA were needing to undertake employment outside of nursing to make ends meet, so were not fully available for nursing. The few nurses available could give short-term care, even care for a patient for a few days on their own, but beyond that there was no guarantee that another nurse, or a team of nurses, could be available to offer needed relief if a case required extended care, and especially if they had other cases to attend to.

In November last year Sharon House began a six-month pilot project called “Christian Science Nursing 24/7”. The thrust behind this project was to ensure availability and commitment on the part of those Christian Science nurses in the field, so that extended 24/7 care could be assured for anyone relying on Christian Science treatment for healing. This was the “butterfly” that emerged after much prayer, exploration, and discussion.

The last few years have been a time of transition for Sharon House. Transitions aren’t always easy, but they can provide time and space for prayerful consideration, and helpful perspective. So often these times of transition look like dormancy, but we well know from lessons of nature that dormant periods can be times of great productivity resulting in growth. The first evidences of solutions to current needs and situations may not be the ultimate perfect solutions and may look different from the right solutions for other times. But they are stepping stones. The Sharon House Board is in a listening mode and ready to be guided to whatever the next right steps will be.

At this time, as an outgrowth of that meeting with the nurses last June and with communications since then, I would say we have a good working relationship with Christian Science nurses in the field. Recently we have invited a few nurses in the Toronto area to attend our Board meetings, each on a rotating basis so that we can have input from them on nursing issues and they will have a feel for the workings of the Sharon House Board. And we’ve kept in touch with nurses further afield – with Barb Waite in Ottawa and with Nora Myers in Halifax.

At our Board meeting at the end of January this year the Board, along with the nurses involved with the 24/7 program, did a mid-term assessment of this pilot project. As mentioned, the purpose of this 24/7 program is to close the gap in

availability of nurses should there be a need for extended care. Through contracts with six nurses, and monthly payments to them, the availability of Christian Science nursing to the field 24 hours a day, 7 days a week is ensured, – either in a patient’s home or at Sharon House. This plan encourages individuals who are nurses to remain in the practice, it can encourage new individuals to consider entering the practice of Christian Science nursing, it ensures that Sharon House remains in a state of readiness to accommodate a patient, and it facilitates the assembling of a care team on short notice.

The mid-term assessment included input from all the nurses and we’re pleased to share some key points from that assessment with you now. Every nurse expressed gratitude for the program. One nurse said that the program “is blessing my ministry and providing newness in my communication with the field.” Another said, “it has made me be alert and ready to serve when there is a need.” Several nurses spoke of a stirring of thought that is having a ripple effect, with “more activity in Christian Science nursing...” This is a lovely by-product of this activity – this stirring of thought generally, - an awareness of the vital contribution that Christian Science nursing makes to spiritual healing. The report also included various suggestions made by the nurses, some of which have already been acted upon, such as their representation at Board meetings.

We are delighted that several nurses are now active in providing skills workshops in the field and in more active communication with the field through the branch churches and societies. A workshop is being offered at Sharon House on April 20th and flyers about this have been provided by the nurses and are in the handouts you received. Also, available in the foyer, are copies of the mid-term assessment of the 24/7 pilot project. This report is being made available to churches and societies, and will be posted on the Sharon House website. The current Sharon House Board has extended this project through June of this year and is recommending to the 2013-2014 Board that this program be continued beyond this time. The report, which was reviewed and approved by the nurses in the project, certainly confirms the success of the program and supports its continuation.

We’ve included with the package of handouts today, a bookmark that has the telephone number for the 24/7 nursing line printed on it. You don’t have to use this phone number to contact a Christian Science nurse, but it ensures that you’ll always reach a Christian Science nurse, 24/7, - to ask a question or to arrange for immediate needed, practical care.

Before closing this report of the Board of Directors, I'd like to mention a few other items. As you know, the fee to be a member of Sharon House has been lowered to just \$10 per year. Many have given far more than this basic fee and this support is much appreciated. We can't stress enough how important it is to have sustaining support from the field, - whether it's the \$10's a year or a larger amount that contributes to the costs of maintaining the facility ready to serve a need on short notice and making modest payments to nurses to ensure their availability 24/7. We wish to broaden the membership so that we can keep Christian Science nursing in the thought of everyone in our field.

We're so appreciative of the Sharon House Advocates in the branch churches and societies who help communicate Sharon House news to members and adherents. This is such a help to us in keeping in touch with our field. And we appreciate so much the support of the churches and societies in this regard – not only their financial support for the Sharon House mission, but for their assistance in communicating this support for the healing ministry of Christian Science.

We feel there's a growing awareness of the importance of our Leader's provision for this ministry of loving care which is Christian Science nursing. It exemplifies the humble "foot washing" that the Master Christian encouraged his followers to do in extending brotherly love and care to one another in a way that promotes healing, - and ultimately leads to the salvation of mankind.

MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Treasures report - SHARON HOUSE

Our treasurer, Doreen Leigh is out of town so I as assistant treasurer I will give the Treasurer's report.

Does everyone have a copy of the auditors financial statements for the year ending Dec 31, 2012?

Please turn to page 3 where you will find the statement of operations and fund balances; (pages not numbered)

We will look at the different accounts;

REVENUE

Donations were \$147,455 down 10% from 2011

We had more bequests and compared to 2011 these were up a substantial amount to \$86,975 from \$8,697.

Our investment income was \$22,814 up 11% from last year

Net revenue was \$259,575 or up 32%. This increase was due to the additional bequests received

EXPENSES

General operating expenses were down \$35,506 down 63%

Outside services is a new expense and the amount spent here was \$10,845 (need detail on this) Marilee

Property expenses were about the same as last year being \$55,815

Wages and benefits were \$44,256 down 9%

You will see the item of \$90,657 as depreciation. This is an auditors entry and does not reflect any cash being paid out. Note 1 shows rate of depreciation and Note 6 the amount of depreciation taken to date.

Auditors group many expenses together so lets look at the detail on some of the specific expenses that are included in these general categories amounts.

Grounds \$7,600

Maintenance \$7864

Insurance \$20,337

Property taxes \$26,248

Utilities \$33,884

Professional fees \$18,500 (audit \$6000)

CSN project \$22,000

Now look at:

OTHER INCOME (EXPENSES)

Here you will notice 2 items; Income of \$32,656 from insurance and an expense item due to adjustment of investment market value of \$7,952 resulting in an additional amount of income of \$24,704. So, overall our surplus over expenses was \$45,685 compared to a loss last year of \$139,483.

Before we review the Balance sheet, does anyone have a question they would like to ask?

Now, let's look briefly at the balance sheet. TURN BACK ONE PAGE TO SEE THE BALANCE SHEET. You know that a Balance sheet shows what one owns and what one owes.

Ours Assets (what we own) consist of \$153,192 of which most of this is cash. This is an increase of \$118,153 from a year ago. In addition to this we have investments in our endowment fund valued at \$421,423. Our other asset is our property which as a book value of \$1,416,049.

We have only one small liability of \$5,688.

Questions on the Balance Sheet?

We are so grateful for the financial support from the field. Your thoughtful, unselfish giving to SH is very much appreciated Also want thank the Vint Foundation and the Dalglish Family Foundation, for their significant help and the many branch churches and Societies that continue to be so generous.

Do you know what a sustaining member is of SH? It is one who donates on a regular basis, could be monthly, every other month, quarterly, even every 6 months. This is a wonderful aid to helping us know what donations we will be receiving on a regular basis. If you wish to become a sustaining member, please see any board member or Marilee, our bookkeeper.

You have not heard much about the endowment fund for awhile however we will be in touch with the field in the near future so they know how to support this fund. This fund, which is professionally managed, provides income to SH from the investments it holds. Please speak to any board member about how you could become a sustaining member or for information on the endowment fund.

At this point I would like to move the adoption of the treasurer's report, including the financial statements. Move: that the measurer's report and the Financial statements be approved. Before making the next motion, which has to do with the appointment of our auditors for this year I will share some background information, as we are recommending that we hire a new firm. The original partners of the firm we have been using are no longer with the firm that we have been using and the firm does not seem as well managed. Their fee was higher than we felt it should be, especially after conversations with them about this.

We had 2 other firms quote on doing the work, and we have selected one of these other firms. Based on this I make the following motion: Move that the firm of FRUITMAN-KATES be appointed auditors for Sharon House Corporation for the year 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

**Don Zacher
assistant treasurer**

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ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARON HOUSE

Saturday, April 6, 2013

Held at First Church of Christ, Scientist, Toronto
(June 16/13 version)

Directors and Officers Present

Kathy Shuff	President
Bob Cooke	Secretary
Denis Hall	Vice-President
Don Zacher	Director
Marilee Marshall	Office Manager

Kathy Shuff opened the meeting and expressed appreciation to First Church, Toronto for making their church available for this event. Kathy introduced Denis Hall who read from the Bible and from Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy. All present then joined in the singing of Hymn 105.

Kathy then introduced the guest speaker, Barbara Waite, a Journal-listed Christian Science Nurse from Ottawa, Ontario. Barbara spoke on the topic of “Love’s Provision – Christian Science Nursing”.

Kathy presented the Board of Directors Report for 2012-13. In the report, she spoke of two issues of particular focus to the Board in the past year. The first is seeking a good sense of unity with the Christian Science nurses in our field. The second is to seek way of making nursing more available to those relying on Christian Science for healing, wherever they need this assistance.

An update on the status of the Christian Science Nursing 24/7 (CSN24/7) pilot project was included in the President’s report. The Board has reviewed the mid-term assessment report of the pilot and is recommending to the 2013/14 Board that the program be extended and no longer considered a pilot project.

The President also noted other items, such as the lowering of the membership fee to \$10. and the importance of broadening our base of support, especially from sustaining donors.

There was a short break in the meeting, during which the Board of Directors conferred and voted to accept new members of the Corporation.

Don then presented the Treasurer’s Report and highlighted items in the Auditor’s Report which was included in packages given to the members present. He thanked the donors for their support, including the support of Vint Foundation. He also thanked all present for their support for Sharon House and all that it stands for. Questions about the Treasurer’s Report were invited and were answered by Don. He **moved** the adoption of the Treasurer’s Report, including the audited financial reports. The motion was **seconded** and was **carried** by vote of the members.

Don also **moved** that the firm of Fruitman Kates be appointed as auditors for the fiscal year 2013 and that the Board of Directors be authorized to fix the auditors’ remuneration.

This was **seconded** and **carried** by vote of the members. The signed report of the auditor is attached to these minutes.

It was announced that the reports from the Board of Directors and the Treasurer will be posted on the Sharon House website. Copies of the assessment report on the CSN24/7 pilot project were available in the lobby after the meeting.

Kathy noted that there were five members of the current Board, as well as two other Sharon House members standing for election to the Board of Directors for 2013-14. The following members were elected to the Board by acclamation: Bob Cooke, Denis Hall, Gayle Herrington, Doreen Leigh, Joyce Pottier, Don Zacher, Brian Zavitz. She announced that the new Board would meet briefly directly after the meeting and thanked all those who were willing to let their names stand for election to the Board of Directors as well as those who have served on the Board in the past year, including Marilee Marshall and Rob Sherman.

Christian Science nurses were invited to speak in turn about their work as independent CSNs. The following nurses took part: Peggy Jackson, Ruth Matthews, Bev Moore, Rob Sherman.

Denis Hall thanked Kathy for her six years on the Board of Directors, including serving as Secretary and then President. This was also appreciatively acknowledged by those present.

The meeting was opened for questions from the floor and questions from members present and answered by members of the Board.

After the singing of Hymn 458, the meeting was adjourned and all present were invited to refreshments in the lobby.

President

Secretary