DAY ONE – SESSION ONE
(Thursday, May 28th, 2015 1:50 pm)

Singing
Led by Flamingo Friday: Laurie Cole, Susan Hill-Urfer, Christine Kendall and Rob Reed

Opening
President Gayle Wensley introduced herself and then opened the meeting with the words: In the name of Jesus Christ, the head of the church, I declare the 89th Annual Meeting of Saskatchewan Conference to be open and call the court to order.

President Gayle Wensley invited Kathleen James-Cavan, Candidate for Ordination, to light the Christ Candle. Kathleen also led the court in prayer.

Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory
President Gayle Wensley read the following, recognizing the traditional territories on which we meet:

At the 82nd annual meeting of Saskatchewan Conference in 2007, a motion was passed which read as follows:

Therefore be it proposed that it be ensured that an acknowledgment of the First Peoples of the land be made at the opening of annual meetings of Conference each year.

And so we acknowledge that for thousands of years Indigenous people have walked in this land, on their own country. Their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives. As we open our meeting today, we acknowledge that we are gathered in the traditional territory of the Nakota, the Cree, and the Saulteaux First Nations – in the area most recently defined as Treaty 4, and we acknowledge their stewardship of this land throughout the ages.

At the 2013 annual meeting, the decision was made that Saskatchewan Conference became an affirming ministry of the United Church and as a result, a motion was passed that there be an Affirming Welcoming Statement at all subsequent gatherings of the Conference which is to be read immediately following our acknowledgement of the traditional territories.
And so we also acknowledge that Saskatchewan Conference is an Affirming Ministry of The United Church of Canada as one that embraces diversity and strives to include and be a safe place for all people regardless of age gender, race, culture, education, ability, economic status, marital status, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

2015 Theme and Banners
President Gayle Wensley noted that as a symbol of our arrival in this space and of the existence of the diversity in the life of Saskatchewan Conference, the presbyteries and other groups within Saskatchewan Conference have been invited to bring their banners to display them at this meeting of Saskatchewan Conference.

Attention was drawn to the two banners new to the Conference as follows:

1. The banner with the new United Church Crest was quilted in 2013 by Karen Mundt of St. Andrew’s United Church in Moose Jaw.

2. The banner for this Annual Meeting was designed and quilted by Barb MacNaughton, minister at St. Andrew’s Pastoral Charge, in Eston and Convenor of the Annual Meeting Planning Committee. The symbol on the banner reflects the theme chosen by President Gayle Wensley. The tree represents Saskatchewan Conference, with the branches and birds representing the seven presbyteries and the 179 pastoral charges within the Conference. Our presbyteries are our roots and wings. Each branch bears a presbytery name, and the leaves represent each pastoral charge within the presbyteries.

Introduction of Dignitaries and Guests
President Gayle Wensley introduced the dignitaries and invited them to say a few words of welcome. These dignitaries were:
- **rev. Jack Robson**: lay minister with the Anglican Church in Nokomis.
- **Andrew Cebryk**: Mayor of the Town of Langian.
- **Donna Harpauer**: Member of the Legislative Assembly for Humbolt.
- An invitation was extended to the **Honourable Lynne Yelich**, Member of Parliament for Blackstrap. Due to parliamentary commitments, Ms. Yelich is in Ottawa and unable to attend this meeting. Ms. Yelich sent a letter of greeting which Executive Secretary Bill Doyle read to the court.

President Gayle Wensley welcomed special guests who joined the meeting. The guests’ table group numbers were shared so that they could be welcomed personally and engaged in conversation:
- **Lorne Calvert**: theme speaker for the meeting
- **Tannis Schmidt**: musical accompanist for Lorne Calvert
Joe Ramsay: General Council Office representative. Joe is the Manager of Ministry Personnel Policies and Programs. He leads a staff of 7 people to support the denomination in the improvement of pastoral relations, candidacy, and admissions policies, and programs that support ministry personnel and the church as a whole.

Maylanne Maybee: Principal of the Centre for Christian Studies

Don Schweitzer: representative of St. Andrew’s College

Laurie Cole: music team –Flamingo Friday

Susan Hill-Urfer: music team –Flamingo Friday

Christine Kendall: music team –Flamingo Friday

Rob Reed: music team –Flamingo Friday

Meewasin Valley United Spiritual Gathering Interest Group: worship leadership

Joan Tessier: responsible for the United Church Resource and Distribution Centre table

Charlene Orr: responsible for the sale of the remaining books and merchandise from Calling Lakes Centre.

Pam Thomas: retiree

Mike Williams: retiree

Mary Young: retiree

Kathleen James-Cavan: ordination candidate.

Al Driver: floor manager

Susan Paley: responsible for Children at Conference

Michelle Rowe: responsible for Children at Conference

Roy Bortolotto: coordinator for the production of the Common Tater – the annual meeting newsletter

The Youth Leaders

The Staff

The Annual Meeting Planning Committee

John Haas: President Elect and responsible for the Celebration of Ministries Banquet

Rosellen Bjarnason: responsible for the display space

Tricia Gerhard: minute secretary

Linda Gunningham: convener of scrutineers

Andrew Hecker: Choir leader for the Service of Praise.

Karen Mitchell: Reviewer of Presbytery Records

Cathy Anderson: responsible for projections

Trisha Little: responsible for projections and part of the Worship team

Spiritual Nurture

“You are Stardust” – led by the Meewasin Valley United Spiritual Gathering Interest Group

Announcements

Annual Meeting Planning Committee Convener Barb MacNaughton came forward and shared announcements with the court. These included:

- Thanks to Good Spirit Presbytery for supplying goodies and coffee for the duration of the conference.
The very recent death of Don Leitch.
Reminder of the Coffee House on Friday night and an invitation to participate and share talents.

**Enabling Motions**
Executive Secretary Bill Doyle introduced the following Enabling Motions:

**Bounds:**
MOTION 2014-15-82
Bill Doyle/Barb MacNaughton
That the bounds of Conference for voting purposes be the floor of the meeting room defined by the table groups.
CARRIED

**Quorum:**
MOTION 2014-15-83
Bill Doyle/Barb MacNaughton
That the quorum for the 89th Annual Meeting be 20% of those entitled to vote, of who at least one-third shall be members of the Ministry Personnel and one-third lay persons.
CARRIED

**Agenda:**
MOTION 2014-15-84
Bill Doyle/Barb MacNaughton
That the agenda for the 89th Annual Meeting be as printed in the Docket, and marked “Agenda” subject to such changes as may be recommended by the Flow Committee.
CARRIED

**Flow Committee:**
MOTION 2014-15-85
Bill Doyle/Barb MacNaughton
That the Flow Committee consists of the President, the Covenor of the Annual Meeting Planning Committee, the Floor Manager, and the Executive Secretary.
CARRIED

**Roll of Conference:**
MOTION 2014-15-86
Bill Doyle/Barb MacNaughton
That the Roll of Conference be those delegates regularly elected by the Presbyteries including the Youth Delegates and registered with the Presbytery Secretaries; the Conference Committee Convenors; and such other members who are not delegates from the Presbyteries as appointed by the Conference Executive; all ministry personnel on the rolls of the Presbyteries; members of the Order of Ministry who are not members of Presbyteries in Saskatchewan Conference but who are serving within its bounds; and ordinands and commissionands in attendance at the Annual Meeting.
CARRIED
**Corresponding Members:**

**MOTION 2014-15-87**

Bill Doyle/Barb MacNaughton

That the following persons be named corresponding members of the Court: General Council Office Representative, Joe Ramsey; Center for Christian Studies Representative, Marylanne Maybee; ecumenical guests; all registered visitors; and Conference Office Staff: Bev Diebert, Rose Seifert, and Heather Dootoff.

CARRIED

**Business Procedures:**

**MOTION 2014-15-88**

Bill Doyle/Barb MacNaughton

That the business procedures for the Annual Meeting be those outlined in the Docket.

CARRIED

**Budget Implications:**

**MOTION 2014-15-89**

Tim Ellis/Bill Doyle

That motions with budget implications will be moved “for approval in principle” and, if approved in principle, then be referred to the Finance and Administration Committee who, if necessary, will consult with the Conference Sub-Executive, and will determine possible sources of funding which then can be part of any new motions.

CARRIED

**Nominations:**

**MOTION 2014-15-90**

Miles Russell/Bill Doyle

That nominations for the two (2) Members-At-Large on the Conference Executive, the Lay Representative to General Council Executive, one (1) Commissioner to the 42nd General Council, and the President-Elect be in the hands of the Floor Manager no later than 7:00 pm Friday, May 29th, 2015.

CARRIE

**Elections:**

**MOTION 2014-15-91**

Miles Russell/Bill Doyle

That, with regard to elections that require a ballot, these positions not be declared elected until the person has received the majority of all votes cast (a majority is defined as 50% of the votes cast plus one vote).

CARRIED
Scrinineers:

MOTION 2014-15-92
Miles Russell/Bill Doyle
That the scrutineers for the 89th Annual Meeting be the Convenor of Scrutineers and other persons named by the court as follows:
- Linda Gunningham – Convenor
- June Blau
- Cindy Bourgeois
- Debbie Mayer
- Kathy Platt
- Laura Sundberg
- Donna Rumpel
- Linda Anderson

CARRIED

Minutes:

MOTION 2014-15-93
Tricia Gerhard/Bill Doyle
That the minutes, including the minute Digest 2012-2013, of the 88th Annual Meeting of Saskatchewan Conference held May 30 to June 2, 2013, at Estevan, Saskatchewan, pages B-162 to B-198 of the Record of Proceedings, be approved, and,

That the minutes, including the minute Digest, of the Executive and Sub-Executive meetings of Saskatchewan Conference during the church year 2013-2014, pages B-199 to B-203 of the Record of Proceedings, be received for information.

CARRIED

Further Introductions
Executive Secretary Bill Doyle introduced some other people to the members of the Court.
- Linda Anderson: Proposals Task Group
- Darryl Woods: Proposals Task Group
- Marilee Iverson: Sexual Abuse Prevention and Response Consultant
- Russell Mitchell-Walker: Sexual Abuse Prevention and Response Consultant
- Jim MacNaughton: Chaplain
- Linda Stumpf: Chaplain

Community Building
President Gayle Wensley invited the table groups to spend some time in conversation getting to know one another around the table. Gayle created trivia questions for each table group that reflected some of the communities that she visited during her tenure. Groups were given five minutes per set of questions and were then invited to share exciting and fascinating stories about the questions with the whole court.
**Point of Personal Privilege:**

Bev Kostichuk, Good Spirit Presbytery, informed the court that Jordan Cantwell has been nominated by Riverbend Presbytery as a Nominee for Moderator.

**Singing**

**Proposals Process Orientation**

Linda Anderson, member of the Proposals Task Group, outlined the process for handling proposals during this Annual Meeting as was fully outlined in the Docket on page A12. Linda reminded the court that proposals are a way for the church to have things happen in the various courts.

Members of the court were also reminded to be succinct in the information they bring to the microphone, and that word-smithing would not happen at this point.

Linda also stated that “Deliberative dialogue is an opportunity to listen with respect and intention to what the person is saying about the proposal.”

A minority opinion regarding a proposal can be an intimidating position to be in but it is important for that voice to be heard, and for the court to listen to the minority voice with respect and openness.

Joe Ramsay arrived and was introduced to the court.

President Gayle Wensley handed the chair over to President-Elect John Haas in order for the President to give the Conference Executive Report.

**Conference Executive Report**

President Gayle Wensley presented the Conference Executive Report. The full digest of the Conference Executive is found in the Docket, pages B1-B7.

The Conference Executive endorsed the idea of reducing the number of meetings in Saskatchewan Conference in an effort to reduce the resulting carbon footprint. The Executive met three times in face to face meetings and the Sub-Executive met five times via conference calls.

President Gayle Wensley thanked the members of the Conference Executive. She mentioned that it was a pleasure working with such a conscientious, discerning, dedicated people.

**MOTION 2014-15-94**

Gayle Wensley/Karen Mitchell

That the report of the Conference Executive be received for information.

CARRIED

President Gayle Wensley resumed the chair.
Lorne Calvert arrived and was introduced to the court.

Report on Staffing
Executive Secretary Bill Doyle gave an overview of the report found in the Docket on page B8-B9.

During the report, Executive Secretary Bill Doyle invited Hazel Arbon, Conference Mission and Education Program Staff, to mark Pam Thomas’, Conference Ministry and Personnel Program Staff, retirement. Joe Ramsey, General Council Staff Representative, also spoke marking Pam’s retirement. Joe and Pam worked together for many years at the General Council level. He remarked that her contributions have been important and that she developed a level of expertise that she shared with the other Conference Personnel Ministers across the country. Joe expressed his gratitude for all she has done.

Pam was presented a floral bouquet and gift representing her time in the conference office.

Pam responded that it has been a privilege and a joy to serve the Conference. She spoke of her deep gratitude and deep love for the work she has done. She plans to remain in Saskatchewan Conference but in a much different way.

**MOTION 2014-15-95**

Bill Doyle/Bob Hayes  
That the report about the staffing of the Conference be received for information.  

**CARRIED**

Prayer
Michelle Armstrong, Couteau Hills Pastoral Charge, led the court in prayer.

General Council Executive
Laura Fouhse, Representative to General Council Executive (OM), and Bev Kostichuk, Representative to General Council Executive (Lay), reported on the business of General Council Executive. The full report is in the Docket, pages B9-B10. Joe Ramsey joined Laura and Bev for the report.

**MOTION 2014-15-96**

Bev Kostichuk/Laura Fouhse  
That the report of the General Council Executive be received for information.  

**CARRIED**

Mission and Service/Stewardship Education Report
Roland Legge, Convenor of the Mission and Service/Stewardship Education Task Group, shared the report of this task group which was in the docket, pages E5 to E6.
Roland highlighted the importance of continued stewardship. He also emphasized the fact that we give out of recognition of the blessings we have in life and by living in a rich country. In 2014, $1,349,977 was raised for the M&S fund in Saskatchewan Conference.

Roland also drew the court's attention to a new resource tool that will be distributed by General Council in the summer of 2015. “Called to the Church” is a resource tool offering ideas and plans for a five week program of giving. It offers the opportunity to ask “Why do I give?” It also includes learning programs and education resources. The stewardship website: www.stewardshiptoolkit.ca, and the Saskatchewan Conference Mission Facebook page both helpful resources.

**MOTION 2014-15-97**
Roland Legge/Carolyn McBean
That the report of the Mission and Service/Stewardship Education Task Group be received for information.

CARRIED

**Introduction of the Mission and Service (M&S) Fundraiser**
Roland Legge of the Mission and Service/Stewardship Education Task Group, and Hazel Arbon, Conference Program Staff for Mission and Education, gave the court information on the M&S Fundraiser that will run during the Annual Meeting.

Throughout the site, M&S buttons had been hidden. Those in attendance were instructed to find a button, then “dare to be generous” by giving a donation to M&S to Hazel or Roland. With a donation, a person would receive a bracelet that indicates that a donation is already given so that those who don't have a bracelet on would be eligible to give again! 😊 Updates would be given during the meeting.

**Announcements**
Barb MacNaughton shared announcements with the court.

Russell Mitchell-Walker, Yvonne Terry, Moses Kanhai, Matthias Ross and Jennifer Irving shared an announcement on behalf of the Intercultural Ministries Network. They spoke about the Diversity Icebreaker- a communication tool created by a Norwegian group. It is a colour coded orientation system that shows how people prefer to approach communication within groups and how to communicate with groups of differing preferences. More information would be available through the network.

*President Gayle Wensley declared the meeting adjourned after grace until 6:50 pm*

Grace
Singing

Point of Personal Privilege: Marilee Iverson, Prairie Pines Presbytery, mentioned that it was Helen Mooney’s birthday. The court sang Happy Birthday

Nominations Committee (part 1 of 3)
Miles Russell, Convenor of the Nominations Committee, shared the report of the Nominations Committee. At this time, information about the election of the General Council Commissioners was given and an invitation was extended for nominations for the various vacant positions that were to be elected at the Annual Meeting. These positions were: the President-Elect, two (2) Members at Large to the Conference Executive, and the Lay Representative to the General Council Executive. The report is located in the docket from H1 to H5.

Miles also added names to the report as follows:
Finance and Administration Member-at-Large: David Dorr (1)
Sexual Abuse Prevention and Response member: Rodger Emberley (1)
Conference Global Mission Personnel Coordinator: Laura Sundberg (1)

Finance and Administration (F&A) Committee (1 of 2)
Tim Ellis, Vice-Convenor of the Finance and Administration Committee, started the report by naming the members of the F&A Committee. Tim then thanked the members and Conference staff associated with the committee. The court was informed of the process of filling out the travel forms for the Annual Meeting.

Executive Secretary Bill Doyle then took the microphone. F&A did not have a display at this meeting but the court was informed that two documents were in the process of being produced and would be available in the near future.

The budget document is in the docket, pages K1 to K7. The financial situation is changing drastically both in the Conference and in the National Church. The national balanced budget means that there will be reduction of General Council grants to all of the Conferences. For 2016, the grant is reduced by $93,000. For context the 2015 grant was $309,000, 2016 will be $216,000, and by 2018 the grant amount will be zero (0).

There is a major change in the format of the written presentation of the budget as to what is included in the document. This year, transfers from reserves such as the Moats Land Fund will not be included as income but rather the budget would be presented as a deficit budget with the transfers from the other funds to offset the deficit shown at the end of the budget document.
In the commitments portion of the budget, it was highlighted that the Mission and Education Program Staff position is reduced to half time. This reduces the total amounts under commitments by approximately $40,000.

Prayer
Vic Wiebe, of Twin Valleys Presbytery, led the court in prayer.

Conference Interview Board (CIB)
–Introduction of Candidate for Ordination and Voting.
Krystal Sheremeta, member of the Conference Interview Board, and Lonita Schular, River Bend Presbytery Education and Students Committee, introduced the Candidate for Ordination.

Candidate Introduction: Kathleen Viola James-Cavan
Background information found in the Docket on pages J1

Candidate Speech:
Kathleen was asked to choose a hymn that has inspired her journey to ordered ministry. The court was invited to sing a few verses of the hymn, and then Kathleen continued with a brief comment. The Hymn that Kathleen chose is from More Voices, “My Love Colours Outside the Lines”

Voting on Ministry Status,
The applicable provisions of The Manual (s.D.4.4) are as follows:
Voting on Ministry Status
This section applies if the Conference is making a decision about the membership or standing of a member of the order of ministry.
The Conference makes the decision by adopting or defeating a motion.
The vote on the motion takes place by ballot.
The vote may take place by voice or show of hands instead, but only if the following requirements are met:
(a) the Conference first adopts a motion to vote in that other way;
and
(b) the motion in paragraph (a) above is adopted with unanimous consent.

MOTION 2014-15-98
Krystal Sheremeta/Donna Rumple
That Kathleen Viola James-Cavan, a candidate for Ordained Ministry, having completed her studies and having been recommended for ordination by River Bend Presbytery, and having satisfied the Conference Interview Board as to her fitness in life and character for the Christian Ministry, be ordained by Saskatchewan Conference of The United Church of Canada in Lanigan, Saskatchewan on Sunday, May 31st, 2015.
Ballots for the candidate for ordination were distributed to the delegates and the scrutineers later reported the result of the vote as “carried” as indicated above.

MOTION 2014-15-99
Linda Gunningham/Linda Anderson
That the ballots be destroyed.

CARRIED

MOTION 2014-15-100
Krystal Sheremeta/Lonita Schular
That the report of the Conference Interview Board be adopted.

CARRIED

Announcements
Barb MacNaughton shared announcements with the court.

Spiritual Nurture
“Together We Move” - led by the Meewasin Valley United Spiritual Gathering Interest Group

Adjournment
At 8:30 pm, President Gayle Wensley declared the meeting adjourned until 8:45 am, Friday May 29th, 2015

Benediction

DAY TWO, SESSION THREE
(Friday, May 29th, 2015, 8:45 am)

Singing

Announcements
Barb MacNaughton gave the court information.

Spiritual Nurture
“Rhythm” – led by the Meewasin Valley United Spiritual Gathering Interest Group

Point of Personal Privilege: Jordan Cantwell, River Bend Presbytery, asked: what is length of time for the president elect?
Executive Secretary Bill Doyle answered: One year.

Point of Personal Privilege: Nobuko Iwai, River Bend Presbytery requested that the Proposals Task Group allow time for the court to look at the Comprehensive Review Task Group (CTRG) Report proposals as a whole so that the members of the court can see and understand the connections between the proposals and the impact each of them has on another.
Linda Anderson, Member of the Proposals Task Group, responded that the court does not have to choose among the proposals and emphasized that there is wisdom in each of them. There may be a chance of combining one or two into a single proposal. If there is, the Proposals Task Group would do that work.

Mission & Service Fundraiser

Roland Legge, reported that the current fundraising total is $746.03 as of Friday night.

Introduction of our Guests from the All Native Circle Conference (ANCC)

President Gayle Wensley introduced the guests from All Native Circle Conference who had arrived at the Annual Meeting. Each were asked to come forward, given a pouch of tobacco, and invited to speak.

- Cheryl Jourdain, Speaker of the ANCC
- Bernice Saulteaux, representative from Plains Presbytery of the ANCC
- Lorna Standingready, Leading Elder of the ANCC

Report from the General Council (GC) Youth Forum Pilgrimage

Sheldon Dugas, General Council 42 Commissioner and Youth Pilgrim; Taylor Balfour, a Youth Pilgrim Partner; Dylan Reimer, a Youth Pilgrim Partner; Dee Sarauer, a Youth Forum participant; and Aurora Coulthard, a Youth Forum Participant reported on the GC Youth Forum.

5 youth from each conference were chosen to gather in February in preparation of General Council 42. At that gathering, people were chosen from those gathered to be the GC Pilgrim, Pilgrim Partners, and for some conferences, commissioners to GC42. One pilgrim from each Conference was to travel across Canada for a month, stopping in each conference to learn about the changing church and preparing for GC. Their progress could be followed at www.gc42pilgrimage.blog.com or https://www.facebook.com/gc42pilgrims. Pilgrim Partners were folk who were intentionally following the GC 42 pilgrims as they travelled to Newfoundland. Youth delegates were the youth going to GC in Corner Brook, Nfld.

MOTION 2014-15-101

Dee Sarauer/Sheldon Dugas
That the report from the General Council Youth Forum be received for information.

CARRIED


Bev Kostichuk, Saskatchewan Conference Representative to General Council Executive (Lay) reviewed the process that has been used to look at the report of the CRTG and introduced the process that would be used as the court of the Annual Meeting.
Laura Fouhse, Saskatchewan Conference Representative to General Council Executive (OM) moved the process to the next step by encouraging table group conversation. The initial question for the table groups was “How engaged have you been with the CRTG report?” After this start, Laura asked the table groups to consider the following questions:

- What excites you about the recommendations?
- What are your questions and concerns?

Plenary discussion followed.

Comments, questions, and concerns raised were:

- the church as an established organization has the job of transferring the God concept to future generations. This proposal doesn’t seem to establish an environment of transferring the concept of God to others in worship

- as to the proposal that the United Church move from The United Church of Canada Act to the Not-for-Profit Corporations Act, there was a fear that the United Church might lose that status if we don’t follow the “rules”

- a concern was raised about people not being able to connect with people in meetings held entirely electronically. The challenge will be to start giving more so that we can continue to meet face to face

- a concern about the probable 25% increase in assessments of communities of faith.

- questions about discipline and oversight of faith communities

- it feels like there is no theological rational for the change, that it feels top down rather than bottom up, and that the proposal is all about money

- affirmation of the term “faith communities”

- a question about whether the Denominational Council will include outreach ministries in the assessments of faith communities

- there is no help for struggling congregations and it is unclear where developing shared ministries comes in the three council system. It feels like for struggling congregations it is “sink or swim” under this model.

- there was affirmation for the centralized accreditation and education for ministers but not the college of ministers

- there was affirmation for the innovation in the report but reservations about the make-up, the size, and remoteness of the regional councils
- as to the process to be used at this meeting, we are considering if the proposal offers wisdom to the church, but shouldn’t the court discuss where the wisdom comes from?

- affirmation for moving human resources from presbytery to places where people know what to do in a more professional way.

- there was a question about how the United Church will go about getting rid of church properties. Whose responsibility will it be?

- a question about voting on changes for youth and young adults under the Not-For-Profit Corporations Act. Will the voting age be 18 years?

- encouragement that the church needs to continue to think about aboriginal ministries

President Gayle Wensley closed the time of conversation with thanks to Laura Fouhse and Bev Kostichuk for facilitating the process.

Prayer
Barb Dornan, of Wascana Presbytery, led the court in prayer

Centre for Christian Studies (CCS) Report
Maylanne Maybee, the Principal the Centre for Christian Studies, reported on the life and work of CCS. The CCS report is part of the docket, pages F10 to F11.

In her verbal report she high-lighted:

- that the proposed model of competency based theological education would result in questions about how CCS students would be assessed and by whom, and what would happen to the model of learning in community under this competency based model

- the CCS’s staff team and the search process that is on-going to fill the existing vacancy in their program staff, and,

- their success in recruiting students and how this will be a continuing challenge.

MOTION 2014-15-102
Russell Mitchell-Walker/Wendy Gibson
That the report from The Centre for Christian Studies be received for information.
CARRIED
Proposals (1 of 4)
Executive Secretary Bill Doyle outlined the timing process for the proposals. Specifically, each speaker either for or against the proposal would be allowed two (2) minutes at the microphone. A sign would be raised marking when the speaker has 30 seconds left. Linda Anderson and Daryl Woods, members of the Proposals Task Group, reminded the court about the process that will be used to deal with the proposals.

At this time, the delegates from the All Native Circle Conference left the court for the duration of the discussion of Proposal 1.

PROPOSAL NO. 1
Jordan Cantwell introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No.1.

Title: RESOURCE REVENUE SHARING FROM THE MOATS LAND FUND
Originating Body: Saskatchewan Conference Executive
Financial Implications: One half of the capital and income of the Moats Land Fund
Staffing Implications: None
Source of Funding: The Moats Land Fund

The Saskatchewan Conference Executive Proposes that 50% of both the Moats Land Fund and the net income which accrues to such fund be shared with the All Native Circle Conference, or its successor.

Background:
A proposal was made to Saskatchewan Conference in 2013 (which was considered by the Saskatchewan Conference Executive in lieu of an annual meeting) that Saskatchewan Conference call upon the Government of Saskatchewan to enter into discussions on resource revenue sharing with First Nations. That proposal was approved by consensus and during the discussion of the proposal it was suggested that if Saskatchewan Conference is going to ask the government to share resource revenue then we should also be discussing how the proceeds resulting from the sale of the Moats Land Fund should also be shared with First Nations. The result was a decision, again by consensus, that a conversation be initiated with the Saskatchewan Conference All My Relations Network about resource revenue sharing by the sharing of a proportion of the income from the Moats Land Fund with First Nations people within the United Church.

A variety of suggestions were received from the All My Relations Network which resulted in a conversation with the Speaker of the All Native Circle Conference (ANCC), Cheryl Jourdain. The conversation with Cheryl Jourdain informed the Executive that:
there is a general lack of funding and also specific financial needs at both the ANCC and the Sandy-Saulteaux Spiritual Centre, which is the theological school which trains ministry personnel to serve as ministers within First Nations communicates,

there is also a place for charity within First Nations communities as the ANCC often receives requests from First Nations communities for this type of assistance,

the sharing of money without directions or conditions allows the recipient to make their own decisions about priorities, and, most importantly, sharing will support good relations regardless of who the sharing is with and how it happens.

Treaties were covenants to allow both First Nations and settler communities to dwell together in peace and harmony and live off the fruits of the land. However, First Nations people have suffered and continue to suffer negative social and economic consequences because of colonial oppression and have consistently asked for a share of the bountiful wealth which is derived from the resources of the land. To date no sharing has taken place. A decision as proposed would be consistent with who we are as Christians and who we are as The United Church of Canada.

Such a decision would also have financial consequences. At April 30th, 2015, the Moats Land Fund had a balance of $303,599.65. The income of the Fund over the 5 years from 2010 to 2014 has averaged approximately $60,250 per year.

Sharing of one-half of the Moats Land Fund and of the interest which accrues upon the Fund would affect the status of the reserves of Saskatchewan Conference and the annual budget process.

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable

President, Gayle Wensley, allowed for a time of informal discussion. This was followed by a time of formal debate.

**MOTION 2014-15-103**
**Jordan Cantwell/Tony Thompson**
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt Proposal No. 1

**CARRIED**

_Point of Personal Privilege: Moses Kanhai, Wascana Presbytery, rose to celebrate the fact that the court was talking about revenue sharing and drew attention to the previous joint sharing of the costs to obtain possession of a Pictograph created by Chief Pasqua that documents the Chief’s response to signing Treaty 4 which is now situated in Ft. Qu’Appelle._
The Commissioners from All Native Circle Conference returned to the floor.

PROPOSAL NO.2
Nobuko Iwai introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No. 2.

Title: SUPPORT AND CONTINUING SUPPORT FOR A NATIONAL PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN AND GIRLS

Originating Body: River Bend Presbytery
Financial Implications: None
Staffing Implications: None
Source of Funding: Not applicable

The River Bend Presbytery Proposes that River Bend Presbytery, Saskatchewan Conference of The United Church of Canada, and the General Council of The United Church of Canada:

1. Support and continue to support a National Public Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls[i].

2. Call upon its churches and ministries to at least annually remember Missing and Murdered Aboriginal Women through education[ii], and in our prayers[iii], in particular on the Sunday immediately prior to October 4, the date of the cross-Canada Sisters in Spirit Vigil[iv],

3. Urge individuals to participate in the Sisters in Spirit Vigil on October 4

4. Urge congregational members to contact their Member of Parliaments to voice support for a National Public Inquiry.

Background:
As people of faith, we rely on sharing stories: stories of creation, stories of faith, stories of Jesus, stories of salvation. As a church increasingly seeking to strengthen our intercultural identity, it is crucial that our voices be heard, and the voices of those oppressed are heard clearly. We believe in a Holy Love that loves us all equally, and passionately. While it is clear that while the issue of Missing and Murdered Aboriginal Women is a Canadian issue[v], it is also a faith issue. The issue is a symptom of intersecting colonializing oppressions including racism, patriarchy, and economics. Yet we seek to celebrate and live in a world created by a justice-seeking, story-loving Divine Presence. Without hearing the voices and stories of those directly involved, which an Inquiry would provide, as Canadians we risk perpetuating the errors of the past in trying to fix problems without listening broadly or understanding the issues completely. Any action must be guided by the 'essential voices', that is, those directly involved.
Churches can be safe places for exploring why so little changes have occurred when the economic, social, violence and health disparities between aboriginal communities and non-aboriginal communities are well researched and well documented. At its best, our churches are places for self-reflection and collective action. [vi]

At an ecumenical endeavour held in Saskatoon in 2015, Voices of Our Sisters: Standing Together in Hope [vii], stories were shared, and solidarity sought. River Bend Presbytery believes that at the local, regional and national level we walk with our murdered and missing aboriginal women when we stand with the National Association of Chiefs of Police in partnership with the Native Women’s Association of Canada (NWAC); the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities, the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations, the Saskatoon Tribal Council, the Assembly of First Nations, the Premier of the Province of Saskatchewan, Amnesty International, and the (Washington based) Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and many others, to support a National Public Inquiry. We choose to seek justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God and with each other.

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable

Notes:

i. In May 2013, the United Church’s General Secretary wrote Prime Minister Stephen Harper informing him of The United Church of Canada’s support of the call by NWAC and the Assembly of First Nations (AFN) for a National Inquiry, and urging him to act quickly to institute one. All members of The United Church of Canada were also encouraged to write their respective councillors, mayors, provincial representatives, and MPs.

ii. Information is available at www.united-church.ca/getinvolved/takeaction/140912

iii. A prayer, written by Alydia Smith is available at www.united-church.ca/files/planning/theme/aboriginal_prayer.rtf

iv. In early 2004, the United and Anglican Churches joined with NWAC to launch the Sisters in Spirit campaign, raising concerns about elevated levels of violence against Aboriginal women. The campaign included a letter from then-Moderator Peter Short and a congregational action kit.

v. Indigenous women are going missing and being murdered at a much higher rate than other women in Canada—a rate so high it constitutes nothing less than a national human rights crisis. (Amnesty International). According to RCMP data, at least 1,017 Indigenous women and girls were murdered from 1980-2012.

vi. Summarized from a letter "Call for Collective Action", Saskatoon Star-Phoenix, written by Janet L. Clarke.

vii. Organizing participants included those from the Anglican Diocese of Saskatoon; the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada-Saskatchewan Synod; Mennonite Church, Saskatchewan; Presbyterian Church in Canada, Presbytery of Northern Saskatchewan; Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon; Saskatoon Native Ministry; Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon; and the River Bend Presbytery of The United Church of Canada.

Because of the Order of the Day, conversation about this proposal was continued in the next Proposal section on the agenda. The revised proposal (without background) appears as the first proposal considered in the Proposals Section in Day Two, Session Four (See page B-209 of these minutes).
Announcements
Barb MacNaughton shared announcements with the court

President Gayle Wensley declared the meeting adjourned after grace until 1:20 pm

DAY TWO, SESSION FOUR
(Friday, May 29th, 2015 1:20 pm)

Singing

Theme Presentation (1 of 2)
President Gayle Wensley introduced Lorne Calvert and Tannis Schmidt

Lorne Calvert, Principal of St. Andrew’s College, led the court in theme time on Friday and Saturday. Two main images were used: Caragana bushes to talk about roots, and migrating geese to talk about wings. Lorne talked about the strength and hardiness of the roots of the caragana bushes found throughout Saskatchewan. He compared the delegates of Conference annual meeting to those roots –we don’t have to be here, and yet we are because our roots run deep in our church and our faith. We are rooted in faith such that we aren’t alone and in the belief that the Spirit IS alive and moving amongst us.

Tannis Schmidt played music along the way to offer time for reflection. Two questions were asked to offer opportunity for table group discussions: 1. Discuss your roots in the faith…the individuals, the experiences, the communities that have shaped your faith. What are the roots that “hold you close”? 2. Are there elements in our tradition that now encumber our ability to serve God and community? What can we, what should we, let go of? What roots remain our foundations? This last question was asked after looking at the progress and the failures of the United Church as a whole. He wondered if our roots as a church have some-how become “root bound”.

Singing

Finance and Administration Committee (2 of 2)
Finance and Administration Committee Convenor Tim Ellis and Executive Secretary Bill Doyle continued this discussion with the following question from the court:

The budget for 2106 includes the transfer of $118,363 from reserves. The document states that reserve levels are “still well over the minimum established (k2)” – what is the amount that will be in our reserves after the expected transfer to fulfill the 2016 budget? As well, how many years could we expect to be able to draw from our reserve funds if it continues at a similar rate?
Response by Tim Ellis: The minimum balance in the Reserves (including the Reserves Fund and the Moats Land Fund) in any year (based upon the most recent internal unaudited figures) is 30% (thirty percent) of the Conference’s annual budgeted expenses for that year. For example in 2014, the amount would be about $240,000, which reflects the following calculation: $867,360 - $20,000 (contingency fund balance) - $46,250 (grants) x 30% = $240,333. As of February 28th, 2015 the reserve fund balance for this calculation is $632,221.64. Even taking into consideration both options for the Mission and Education Program Staff position, the reserve fund is well over the minimum level. At this rate, the fund would last at least 5 years, taking into account the surrounding circumstances such as the decreases in the General Council grant to the Conferences.

MOTION 2014-15-104
Tim Ellis/Bonnie Morton
That the Saskatchewan Conference Budget for 2016 be as outlined on Page K6 in the Saskatchewan Conference Budget Document resulting in a deficit of $118,863 which would be satisfied by a transfer from reserves.
CARRIED

Tim Ellis and Bill Doyle also introduced the following motion which appears at Page K6 of the Docket.

MOTION 2014-15-105
Tim Ellis/Bill Pollock
That the amount available for Green Initiative projects from the Moats Land Fund be $20,000.00 for the year 2016.
CARRIED

MOTION 2014-15-106
Tim Ellis/Gary Keefe
That the report of the Finance and Administration Committee be adopted.
CARRIED

Prayer
Michael Webster, Minister at Saskatoon: St. Martin’s United Church, led the court in prayer.

Proposals (2 of 4)
Conversation continued on Proposal No. 2 which was introduced in the previous Proposals section of the Agenda and referred to at pages B-205-B-206 of these minutes. In light of that conversation, a small group of delegates looked at refining the proposal that was previously offered, a new proposal was created. The new portions are in italics.
The following was proposed:

PROPOSAL No. 2
Nobuko Iwai introduced the following revised proposal to the court, now replacing beginning of Proposal No.2 in the Docket.

River Bend Presbytery Proposes that Saskatchewan Conference of The United Church of Canada, and the General Council of The United Church of Canada:

1. Support and continue to encourage “the struggle against the devaluation of aboriginal women by holding” a National Public Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls [i].

2. Call upon its churches and ministries to at least annually remember Missing and Murdered Aboriginal Women through education[iii], and in our prayers[iv], in particular on the Sunday immediately prior to October 4, the date of the cross-Canada Sisters in Spirit Vigil[iv],

3. Urge individuals to participate in the Sisters in Spirit Vigil on October 4

4. Urge congregational members to contact their Member of Parliaments (no. 5) to voice support for a National Public Inquiry.

5. Call upon the government of Canada and all levels of governance, to put resources towards the implementation of the 16 recommendations made by the Special Committee on Violence Against Indigenous Women

AMENDMENT 2014-15-107
Cindy Bourgeois/ Russell Mitchell-Walker
That clause 1 be amended by including at its end the phrase “and two-spirited women”.

DEFEATED

Debate then resumed on Proposal 2.

MOTION 2014-15-108
Nobuko Iwai/Bev Kostichuk
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt Proposal No. 2

CARRIED
PROPOSAL NO.3
Russell Mitchell-Walker introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No. 3.

Title: AMENDMENT TO THE CRTG PROPOSAL: CHASING THE SPIRIT
Operating Body: Wascana Presbytery
Financial Implications: None
Staffing Implications: None
Source of Funding: Not applicable

Wascana Presbytery proposes that the Chasing the Spirit Proposal be amended as shown by *italics* in the following:

That the 42nd General Council:

1. Commit to supporting new ministries and new forms of ministry through an initiative tentatively called “Chasing the Spirit” *Moving with the Spirit or Embracing the Spirit*; and

2. **Commit to supporting initiatives for the renewal of continuing ministries;**

3. In addition to the 10% for new ministries recommended in the report, direct that 10% of annual Mission and Service Fund givings be invested in *each of these initiatives* for a total of 20% from M&S. The United Church will begin work immediately towards implementation of these directions.

4. **That 30% of funds from the assets of closing congregations be sequestered and directed for this support and renewal.**

Background:
There is concern in the naming of this program/project, that Chasing the Spirit indicates a running after, that the Spirit is not with us. This is contrary to the experience of many in the Church. Suggesting a name change is to reflect a more interactive relationship with the Spirit.

If M&S givings are to be spent only on mission activities as described in the proposal on strengthening regional councils, (rather than a significant portion spent on program staff in the Denominational Council office and some staff in Regional Council offices) there will be sufficient funding to provide for these new initiatives that offer hope for renewal and new life within the United Church.

This report and proposal recognizes that we are in a changing time in the church. There is a movement of Emergence and Brian McLaren is one of its leaders. He is a pastor, theologian and author, and suggests that one thing the United Church could consider, in specific to this proposal of ‘Chasing the Spirit’, is that
all funds from the sale of church property from closed churches be sequestered for the future of the church. This Proposal, suggests 30% of these funds be made available for ‘Chasing the Spirit’, this new, renewing, and emergent ministries in our communities of faith.

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable

MOTION 2014-15-109
Doreen Hewitt/Linsell Hurd
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt Proposal No. 3
DEFEATED

MOTION 2014-15-110
Russell Mitchell-Walker/Bonnie Morton
That Saskatchewan Conference transmit Proposal No. 3 to General Council
DEFEATED

It was agreed that the members of the Proposals Task Group, Daryl Woods and Linda Anderson, consider Proposal No. 3 and Proposal No. 4 and prepare an amalgamation of the two proposals for consideration by the court later in the meeting. The court would return to its consideration of Proposal No. 4 at that time. Please refer to Page B-219 of these minutes.

PROPOSAL NO. 5
Marilyn Leuty introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No. 5 (with the appropriate change in the pre-amble of the proposal to correct the reference to indicate the appropriate permanent committee of the General Council).

Title: TRAINING AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF MINISTRY PERSONNEL

Originating Body: Chinook Presbytery
Financial Implications: None
Staffing Implications: None
Source of Funding: Not Applicable

Chinook Presbytery proposes that:
- the 42nd General Council 2015 approve the Accountability of Ministry Personnel to The United Church of Canada be to The General Council of the United Church through a Training and Accountability Section within the Permanent Committee on Ministry Employment Policies and Services. (not through an “arms-length” College of Ministers and not requiring renewals of membership)
- As to Governance, this Training and Accountability Section would be overseen by a 20-member Board, with the composition of the board set by denominational policy to include:
  - equal number of: (1) ministers whether ordained, diaconal, or designated lay ministers and (2) lay people;
  - ensuring representation of each of ordained, diaconal, and designated lay ministers;
  - ensuring representation of Aboriginal ministries;
  - election of lay persons on a regional basis; and
  - election of ministry representatives by their peers on a regional basis.

The Training and Accountability Section would have the following three committees, composed of members of the Board, with each committee to include at least one minister and one layperson:

- Admission and Standards Committee: to assess (1) candidates for ordination or commissioning, {and designated lay ministers, unless they are to remain regionally accountable as is current} (2) ministers seeking admission from other denominations; and (3) UCC ministers seeking readmission.

- Complaints Committee: to assess complaints about ministry personnel, order investigations, order a formal hearing, and determine other appropriate outcomes. Complaints about effectiveness in ministry would continue to require 10 signatures from the ministry unit where the clergy serve; and

- Hearings Committee: to hold formal hearings of complaints and determine appropriate outcomes. Only the Hearings Committee has authority to place a minister’s name on the Discontinued Service List (Disciplinary).

- as to Authority and Responsibilities:
  - the Training and Accountability Section would maintain an up-to-date list of Ordained, Commissioned and Designated United Church ministry personnel and ministers from other denominations who have been approved to enter the admissions process,

  - Congregations and other communities of faith would only be permitted to call, appoint, or hire people who are on this list or United Church ministry students approved for internships and supply positions. All calls and appointments must be reported to this Training and Accountability Section so that an accurate list of ministry personnel in active service can be maintained.
o all people in paid ministry in The United Church of Canada would be accountable through this Section, including ministry students and candidates for admission who are taking courses towards being credentialed in The United Church of Canada.

o the Section would have authority and responsibility for:

o the assessment of candidates, ministers seeking admission from other denominations, and ministers seeking readmission to ministry in the United Church; and

o the oversight and discipline of ministry personnel and all those described in (1) above, according to policies and standards set by the General Council [or denominational council].

o the Conference [or “regional council,” if approved through the United Church’s legislative process] would remain responsible for the ordination and commissioning of members of the order of ministry and recognition of designated lay ministers.

And further that the 42nd General Council 2015 authorize a Category 3 remit to presbyteries and pastoral charges to test the will of the church with respect to the establishment of a Training and Accountability Section as set out above.

Background:
In continuity with almost all other Christian denominations’ theology of ministry, and with our own denominational theology and practice, Ordination to the Ministry of Word, Sacrament and Pastoral Care continues to be understood as a lifetime vocation, suspended only by disciplinary action of the denomination or intentional resignation by a minister.

In continuity with most other Christian denominations’ theology of ministry, and with our own denominational theology and practice, Commissioning to the Diaconal Ministry continues to be understood as a lifetime vocation, suspended only by disciplinary action of the denomination or intentional resignation by a minister.

People who are trained and affirmed as Designated Lay Ministers, unless they are to remain accountable to regional bodies (current or revised) take on the mantle of clergy and are placed in the same position of trust and authority as the other orders of ministry, should be subject to, and beneficiaries of, the same governance as the other orders of ministry.
There is a need to streamline our United Church of Canada decision-making model.

Theology of ministry is important and needs to be in continuity with Reform Protestant churches with whom we are most closely associated. Within this theology, ministry personnel need to be trained by, supported by, and responsible to the whole church and not to a vocational association. The Church cannot abdicate its responsibility to clergy to a vocational association. Even if this were not our theology of ministry, there are not enough members of United Church clergy to make a “College of Ministers” an effective body.

Having all files of ministry personnel: where they are serving, pensions, group insurance etc handled through one division should be helpful to all. (An Alternative to that proposed by the Comprehensive Review Final Report because it represents a major and unacceptable change in theology of ministry)

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable

**MOTION 2014-15-111**
Andrew Hecker/Linda Tomlinson
That Saskatchewan Conference adopts Proposal No. 5.

**CARRIED**

**PROPOSAL NO.6**
Dwayne Dornan introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No. 6

**Title:** AMENDMENT TO THE CRTG PROPOSALS – COLLEGE OF MINISTERS AND ASSOCIATION OF MINISTERS

**Originating Body:** Wascana Presbytery

**Financial Implications:** None

**Staffing Implications:** None

**Source of Funding:** Not applicable

The Wascana Presbytery proposes that the Proposals regarding the College of Ministers and the Association of Ministers be received and postponed definitely until rationalization of the Denominational and Regional Councils has been completed.

**Background:**
This very complex decision needs to be balanced with knowledge of the shape and functions that form the structure of the new Three Council system. Therefore it can be addressed after the rationalization of the structures, functions and finances of the Councils have been determined.

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable
MOTION 2014-15-112
Dwaine Dornan/Carolyn McBean
That Saskatchewan Conference adopts Proposal No. 6

CARRIED

PROPOSAL NO. 7
Ray Purdy introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No. 7

Title: COLLEGE OF MINISTERS AND ASSOCIATION OF MINISTERS
Originating body: Good Spirit Presbytery
Financial implications: None
Staffing Implications: None
Source of Funding: Not applicable

The Good Spirit Presbytery proposes that the 42nd General Council develop and implement the Proposals regarding the College of Ministers and the Association of Ministers simultaneously.

Background:
The College of Ministers will provide the accreditation, oversight and discipline of ministers with the Association of Ministers providing the peer support and collegiality of ministers. Presbytery has been the court that provided the connection and hopefully support and collegiality to ministers. In the proposed 3 Council structure, the regional council will not provide the same peer support and collegiality and therefore the Association must be formed to provide this at the same time that the College is being formed to provide for discipline and oversight.

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable

MOTION 2014-15-113
Ray Purdy/Jennifer Dresser
That Saskatchewan Conference adopts Proposal No. 7.

CARRIED

PROPOSAL NO. 8
Lorna King introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No. 8

Title: SUPPORT, ASSESSMENT, OVERSIGHT AND DISCIPLINE OF APPLICANTS FOR DESIGNATED LAY MINISTRY
Originating Body: Tamarack Presbytery
Financial Implications: None
Staffing Implications: None
Source of funding: Not applicable
The Tamarack Presbytery proposes that the 42nd General Council (2015):

1. approve the inclusion of applicants for Designated Lay Ministry as members in the proposed College of Ministers in order that they might receive the assessment, oversight and discipline of the College and that they might be eligible for appointment to ministry positions with Communities of Faith,

2. direct the proposed Regional Councils to provide support for applicants for Designated Lay Ministry during discernment, to provide support for applicants and for the Communities of Faith where they are appointed to ministry positions during the educational process, and to implement a process for sharing recommendations about the applicants’ fitness and readiness for ministry, and,

3. direct the General Secretary to ensure that applicants for Designated Lay Ministry are included in appropriate clauses in Remits and other documents that establish Regional Councils and the College of Ministers.

Background:
As The United Church of Canada moves towards implementing the recommendations included in United in God’s Way, the intention is clear to continue to include Designated Lay Ministers as ministry personnel in The United Church of Canada and to include them as members of the College of Ministers. The proposal for A Three Council Model gives authority and responsibility for recognizing Designated Lay Ministers. The proposal for A College of Ministers says, “Membership in the College would be mandatory for all members of the order of ministry and Designated Lay Ministers serving in paid accountable ministry in congregations and other communities of faith.”

The Manual 2013 and earlier editions of that document do not and did not include a description of the processes of discernment, supervision and receiving Designated Lay Ministers, with details of this work being included in the Designated Lay Ministry Handbook. But as The United Church of Canada implements the proposed Regional Councils and the proposed College of Ministers we need to ensure that applicants for Designated Lay Ministry would be eligible for appointment to ministry positions with Communities of Faith. In order for them to be eligible for appointment to ministry positions, applicants for Designated Lay Ministry could be named as student members of the College. Naming applicants for Designated Lay Ministry as student members of the College would also ensure that the proposed College of Ministers would have authority and responsibility for the assessment, oversight and discipline of Designated Lay Ministers while they are completing their educational program, while serving in supervised ministry appointments.
In addition we need to ensure that the proposed Regional Councils will be able to take responsibility for providing support during the discernment process and while applicants complete their preparation for ministry while appointed to ministry positions within Communities of Faith. That might be accomplished through appointing persons similar to those in place for candidates for ordained and diaconal ministries. Those persons could also provide necessary support to the Communities of Faith where the applicants are serving in ministry during their preparation for ministry, while also providing recommendations to the College of Ministers about the applicants' fitness and readiness for ministry.

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable

MOTION 2014-15-114  
Lorna King/Tony Thompson  
That Saskatchewan Conference adopts Proposal No. 8  
CARRIED

Singing

Report from St. Andrew’s College  
Don Schweitzer, representative from St. Andrew’s College, shared this report with the court. The Report from St. Andrew’s College is found in the Annual Meeting Docket, page F1

MOTION 2014-15-115  
Vic Wiebe/Lorne Calvert  
That the report from St. Andrew’s College be received for information.  
CARRIED

Pastoral Relations/Settlement Committee Report (1 of 2)  
Sheila Krueger, Pastoral Relations/Settlement Committee Convenor, and Carolyn McBean, Pastoral Relations/Settlement Committee Corresponding Secretary, gave a verbal report on behalf of the committee. They also introduced the written document on membership in Saskatchewan Conference for 2014-2015 which is attached as Appendix A to these minutes. The court was asked to look through the document for errors and omissions. The Pastoral Relations/Settlement Committee report is located in the Annual Report Docket, pages C10 to C11.

Announcements  
Barb MacNaughton shared announcements with the court, including a reminder of the deadline for nominations. M&S fundraiser update - $2242.85

Spiritual Nurture  
“Gratitude” - led by the Meewasin Valley United Spiritual Gathering Interest Group.

President Gayle Wensley declared the meeting adjourned until 8:45 am Saturday May 30th, 2015
The Court was invited to the Open Mic/Coffee House at Lanigan United Church.

DAY THREE, SESSION FIVE  
(Saturday, May 30\textsuperscript{th}, 2015, 8:45 am)

Singing

Spiritual Nurture  
“Doubt” - led by the Meewasin Valley United Spiritual Gathering Interest Group

M&S Fundraiser  
The court was updated on the progress of the Fundraiser: $2304.60

Children at Conference  
Children at Conference Coordinators Susan Paley and Michelle Rowe, along with the children, led the court in their report.

\textbf{MOTION 2014-15-116}  
\textbf{Jordan Cantwell/Sheldon Dugas}  
That the report of the Children at Conference be received for information.  
\textbf{CARRIED}

Point of Personal Privilege: Dave Whalley asked the question about where the conference banner would go after Sunday and the end of the annual meeting.  
President Gayle Wensley explained the meaning of the banner and indicated that it would be taken home by her. However, as a response to encouragement from the questioner, the President agreed to auction it off for M&S. It was later acknowledged by the court however that this was unfair to the President because the banner had been gifted to her by Barb MacNaughton. The result was that it went home with the President.

Nominations (2 of 3)  
Miles Russell, convenor of the Nominations Committee, introduced the candidates for election and invited them to speak to the court in answering the questions on the nominations form.

\textbf{Nominees for President-Elect:}  
Tracy Murton  
Wendy Gibson  
Krystal Sheremeta

\textbf{Nominees for Lay Representative to General Council:}  
Moses Kanhai  
Cathy Anderson  
Vic Wiebe
Ballots were distributed and then collected for tally.

Upon completion of the work of the scrutineers, the following elections were made:

President-Elect: Krystal Sheremeta

MOTION 2014-15-117
Tracy Murton/Karen Mitchell
That the vote be made unanimous
CARRIED

MOTION 2014-15-118
Linda Gunningham/Kathy Platt
That the ballots be destroyed
CARRIED

Lay Representative to General Council: Vic Wiebe

MOTION 2014-15-119
Linda Gunningham/Linda Anderson
Moves that the ballots be destroyed.
CARRIED

Prayer
Lorna King, minister at Bridging Water Pastoral Charge, led the court in prayer.

Proposals (3 of 4)
Daryl Woods and Linda Anderson, the Proposals Task Group, reminded the court of the process used for proposals and indicated that the order of the proposals would continue from the previous day.

PROPOSAL NO. 14
It had been agreed earlier in the meeting that the members of the Proposals Task Group, Daryl Woods and Linda Anderson, would consider Proposal No. 3 and Proposal No. 4 and prepare an amalgamation of the two proposals for consideration by the court later in the meeting. Please refer to Page B-211 of these minutes.

Daryl Woods introduced the following version of Proposal No.14 which is not in the docket, but is an amalgamation of Proposal Nos. 3 and No. 4 in the docket.

Title: AMENDMENT TO THE CRTG PROPOSAL: CHASING THE SPIRIT

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2. *Commit to supporting initiatives for the renewal of continuing ministries;*

3. *In addition to the 10\% for new ministries recommended in the report, direct that 10\% of annual Mission and Service givings be invested in each of these initiatives for a total of 20\% from M&S.*

4. *The United Church will begin work immediately towards implementation of directions 1 and 2.*

5. *That 30\% of funds from the net assets of closing congregations be sequestered and directed for this support and renewal.*

6. *That the United Church of Canada congregations that are disbanding be strongly encouraged to give at least 10\% of the net proceeds from the sale of any property to the initiative tentatively called “Chasing the Spirit”*

**Background:**
There is concern in the naming of this program/project, that Chasing the Spirit indicates a running after, that the Spirit is not with us. This is contrary to the experience of many in the Church. Suggesting a name change is to reflect a more interactive relationship with the Spirit.

The background to the proposal for Chasing the Spirit outlines a number of new and emerging church ministries across The United Church of Canada and describes similar kinds of experiences in other denominations, in other countries. Some of the new ventures described seem to be new initiatives, with some being brand new communities of faith. Other ventures emerge from an existing community of faith envisioning a new way of being the church. As we move into the future and engage with the Spirit in a new creation, we want to value the good parts of the Church that has been and to be open to ways that we can transform and evolve to be the Church that we are meant to be. As we embark on this journey of transformation, may we partner with our God who has created and is creating.
If M&S givings are to be spent only on mission activities as described in the proposal on strengthening regional councils, (rather than a significant portion spent on program staff in the Denominational Council office and some staff in Regional Council offices) there will be sufficient funding to provide for these new initiatives that offer hope for renewal and new life within the United Church.

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This Proposal, suggests 30% of these funds be made available for 'Chasing the Spirit', this new, renewing, and emergent ministries in our communities of faith.

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable

It was requested that the court deal with Proposal No 14. in seriatim.

As to Clause 1:
MOTION 2014-15-120
Daryl Woods/Linda Anderson
That Saskatchewan Conference adopts Clause 1 of Proposal No. 14
CARRIED

As to Clause 2:
MOTION 2014-15-121
Darryl Woods/Linda Anderson
That Saskatchewan Conference adopts Clause 2 of Proposal No. 14
CARRIED

As to Clause 3:
MOTION 2014-15-122
Darryl Woods/Linda Anderson
That Saskatchewan Conference adopts Clause 3 of Proposal No. 14
DEFEATED

As to Clause 4:
MOTION 2014-15-123
Darryl Woods/Linda Anderson
That Saskatchewan Conference adopts Clause 4 of Proposal No. 14
CARRIED

As to Clause 5:
AMENDMENT 2014-15-124
Nancy Steinbach/Lynette Miller
That the clause be amended to delete the word “congregations” and replace it with “pastoral charges”
DEFEATED
MOTION 2014-15-125
Darryl Woods/Linda Anderson
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt Clause 5 of Proposal No. 14
DEFEATED

An amendment was then offered to Proposal 14 by the addition of a Clause 6:

AMENDMENT 2014-15-126
Jennifer Irving/Russell Mitchell-Walker
That a clause 6 be added to read as follows:

6. That the United Church of Canada congregations that are disbanding be strongly encouraged to give at least 10% of the net proceeds from the sale of any property to the initiative tentatively called “Chasing the Spirit”

CARRIED

MOTION 2014-15-127
Darryl Woods/Linda Anderson
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt Proposal No. 14 as a whole.
CARRIED

The following is the revised Proposal No. 14 as passed by the court and reworded by the Proposals Task Group and the Executive Secretary and forwarded to the General Council.

Title: AMENDMENT TO THE CRTG PROPOSAL: CHASING THE SPIRIT
Originating Body: Saskatchewan Conference
Financial Implications: None
Staffing Implications: None
Source of Funding: Not applicable

The 42nd General Council (2015):

amend the Chasing the Spirit Recommendation by:

- immediately commit to supporting new ministries and new forms of ministry through an initiative tentatively called “Moving With the Spirit” or “Embracing the Spirit”,
- immediately commit to supporting initiatives for the renewal of continuing ministries, and,
- strongly encourage United Church congregations that are disbanding to give at least 10% of the net proceeds from the sale of any property to the initiative tentatively called “Chasing the Spirit”.


Background:
There is concern in the naming of this program/project, that Chasing the Spirit indicates a running after that the Spirit is not with us. This is contrary to the experience of many in the Church. Suggesting a name change is to reflect a more interactive relationship with the Spirit.

The background to the proposal for Chasing the Spirit outlines a number of new and emerging church ministries across The United Church of Canada and describes similar kinds of experiences in other denominations, in other countries. Some of the new ventures described seem to be new initiatives, with some being brand new communities of faith. Other ventures emerge from an existing community of faith envisioning a new way of being the church. As we move into the future and engage with the Spirit in a new creation, we want to value the good parts of the Church that has been and to be open to ways that we can transform and evolve to be the Church that we are meant to be. As we embark on this journey of transformation, may we partner with our God who has created and is creating.

If M&S givings are to be spent only on mission activities as described in the proposal on strengthening regional councils, (rather than a significant portion spent on program staff in the Denominational Council office and some staff in Regional Council offices) there will be sufficient funding to provide for these new initiatives that offer hope for renewal and new life within the United Church.

This report and proposal recognizes that we are in a changing time in the church. There is a movement of Emergence and Brian McLaren is one of its leaders. He is a pastor, theologian and author, and suggests that one thing the United Church could consider, in specific to this proposal of 'Chasing the Spirit', is that all funds from the sale of church property from closed churches be sequestered for the future of the church.

This Proposal, suggests 30% of these funds be made available for 'Chasing the Spirit', this new, renewing, and emergent ministries in our communities of faith.

Intermediate Court Action: Concurred with by Saskatchewan Conference

PROPOSAL NO. 4
With the adoption of Proposal 14 by Saskatchewan Conference, it was agreed that Proposal No. 4 in the Docket was withdrawn.

Singing

Announcements:
Hazel Arbon updated the court on the M&S fundraiser total: $2491.90
Jen Dresser: upcoming event Barbara Lloyd will be giving five day long sessions in October on focusing on congregations with tentative or part time or no ministry.

Barb MacNaughton shared announcements with the court. Quilt auction total: $550
Grace

President Gayle Wenlsey adjourned the meeting following grace until 1:20 pm

Theme Presentation (2 of 2)
Lorne Calvert and Tannis Schmidt led the court in the second theme session of Conference. Lorne pointed out that migrating geese rotate leadership of the “v” formation. The lead goose’s role is to make flight easier for the wings of others. That being said, leadership means offering service to the group, which coincides with the Christian principle of leadership – being a servant of the servants of God. If we seek to give wings to our communities of faith then we must raise up a new generation of leaders, which won’t happen unless we make it happen. We need to establish a culture of call.

Lorne asked the following question of the court: Can Saskatchewan Conference lead The United Church of Canada in creating a “culture of call” to servant leadership? Lorne offered these words of encouragement: we are all adrift on a stormy sea and owe each other a terrible loyalty; and God does not forget us but sends us a sign on the wings of a dove.

Prayer
Karen Mundt, from Chinook Presbytery, led the court in prayer

YAYAC (Youth and Young Adult Community) Report
Amanda Wuchner, Sheldon Dugas, and Katie Curtis presented the report to the court. The YAYAC Report is found in the docket, pages, D6 and D7

MOTION 2014-15-128
Katie Curtis/Amanda Wuchner
That the report of the Youth and Young Adult Community Network be received for information.

CARRIED

Pastoral Relations/Settlement Committee Report (2 of 2)
Sheila Krueger, Pastoral Relations/Settlement Committee Convenor, and Carolyn McBean, Pastoral Relations/Settlement Committee Corresponding Secretary. The report is located in the Docket on pages C10 to C11. The Membership Document for 2014-15 is attached as Appendix A.

Carolyn McBean had completed 7 years as corresponding secretary. She was sent from the job with the court’s thanks and blessings.

Pam Thomas who was retiring had also been the program staff for this committee for 14 years. Deep gratitude was expressed for patience and wisdom. The court wished her well, praying that retirement gives her life, good times and lots of joy.
MOTION 2014-15-129
Sheila Krueger/Carolyn McBean
That the report of the Pastoral Relations/Settlement Committee be adopted.

CARRIED

Point of Privilege – Sheila Krueger, Pastoral Relations/Settlement Committee Convenor informed the court that Rev. Brenna Nickel, of St. Paul’s International Pastoral Charge in Twin Valleys Presbytery, will be transferring from the conference. This was mistakenly left out of the Pastoral Relations report.

Spiritual Nurture
“In Memoriam” - led by the Meewasin Valley United Spiritual Gathering Interest Group

Nominations – Elections and Reporting Block (3 of 3)
Miles Russell presented the final report of the Nominations Committee. His report included the following nominations:

Election of two (2) Conference Executive Members-at-Large
Annette Taylor
Susan Reed

Delegate of Saskatchewan Conference to 42nd General Council
– Nicholas Sauarer (by acclamation)

MOTION 2014-15-130
Linda Gunningham/Kathy Platt
That the ballots be destroyed.

CARRIED

The work of the Nominations Committee continued with the following motions.

MOTION 2014-15-131
Miles Russell/Bev Kostichuk
That Tricia Gerhard be elected Minute Secretary for Saskatchewan Conference and its Executive for 2015-16.

CARRIED

MOTION 2014-15-132
Miles Russell/Bev Kostichuk
That Ian Wallace be named as auditor for Saskatchewan Conference for the year 2015-16

CARRIED
MOTION 2014-15-133
Miles Russell/Bev Kostichuk
That the following persons, listed on pages H1-4, be named to the positions listed for the Conference year 2015-2016
CARRIED

Names to be added to page H1 of the Docket for the following positions:
Interim Ministry Convener: Linda Stumpf (5)
Internship and Educational Supervision (CIES) (Lay): Wendy Barker (1)

The final update of the report of the Nominations Committee is attached as Appendix B to these minutes.

MOTION 2014-15-134
Miles Russell/Bev Kostichuk
That all the names on pages H5 be approved as Commissioners for Saskatchewan Conference to the 42nd General Council.
CARRIED

MOTION 2014-15-135
Miles Russell/Bev Kostichuk
That the list for Lay Alternate Commissioners for Saskatchewan Conference to the 42nd General Council be:
Dylan Reimer
Janette Stephenson
Diane Thurlow
Betty Ann Williamson
CARRIED

MOTION 2014-15-136
Miles Russell/Bev Kostichuk
That the list for Order of Ministry Alternate Commissioners for Saskatchewan Conference to the 42nd General Council be:
Daryl Woods
Kathleen James-Cavan
Tricia Gerhard
Donna Rumpel
Wendy Gibson
Tony Thompson
Sun Shim
Keith Hall
CARRIED

MOTION 2014-15-137
Miles Russell/Bev Kostichuk
That the report of the Nominations Committee be adopted
CARRIED

President Gayle Wensley asked Past President Darrell Reine forward to lead in the Commissioning of the Commissioners to the 42nd General Council
Commissioning of the Commissioners to the 42\textsuperscript{nd} General Council
Past President Darrell Reine led the court in the commissioning of the people representing Saskatchewan Conference at the 42\textsuperscript{nd} General Council in Corner Brook, Newfoundland. They are sent with our prayers and blessings.

Point of Personal Privilege: Barb Dornan, Wascana Presbytery, reminded the court to look at the intent of the Proposal and resist editing the proposals

Proposals (4 of 4)

PROPOSAL NO. 10
Dwaine Dornan introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No. 10

Title: STRENGTHENING THE REGIONAL COUNCILS – AN ALTERNATIVE TO AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY AS DESCRIBED IN COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW PROPOSALS, “A THREE-COUNCIL MODEL” AND “FUNDING A NEW MODEL”

Originating Body: Wascana Presbytery
Financial Implications: Unknown at this time
Staffing Implications: Unknown at this time
Source of Funding: Not applicable

The Wascana Presbytery proposes that approval in principle be given to the Three-Council Structure subject to the following:

1. boundaries for the Regional Councils be concurrent with the present Conference boundaries until the rise of the 43rd General Council.

2. decisions on the precise membership, authority and responsibilities of the Regional Councils and Denominational Council be determined at the 43rd General Council, following rationalization to be done within Regional Councils and the Denominational Council in the interim period.

Issues to be addressed during the 3 year period of rationalization:

- Effective and efficient oversight of all of the ministry and mission being carried out in the name of The United Church of Canada in each region/conference, including the formal and informal governance structures needed for each region.

- Deciding upon what formula will be used to determine assessments throughout the church, including
consideration of the differing types of ministries and communities of faith.

- Staffing needs for each region (to be determined by the region and to carry out their ministries under the oversight of each region).

- Effective and efficient functioning of the Denominational Council as it carries out its essential responsibilities of setting policies necessary to unite the whole United Church (property, pastoral relations, pensions and benefits, theology, global partnerships, public witness) and technical services such as information technology, payroll, accounting; and the election and support of the Moderator.

- Determining the structures for effective, accessible, representative decision-making Councils for each region and for the denomination as a whole. Communities of faith should not pay for representatives to Council meetings. Very large bodies cannot do real participatory decision making.

- Regional responsibility for nurturing the identity of the United Church and discerning and expressing public witness in each region.

- How the United Church will promote mission, including justice-seeking throughout the church

- Addressing in concrete ways the possible growth of financial inequity in the regions.

3. The following principles guide the budgeting process for The United Church of Canada:

- Spend only what is received, which will require at least an $11 million reduction in spending by 2018 from current 2015 spending levels.

- Use the Mission and Service Fund to fund only mission activities such as grants to partners; overseas personnel; mission support grants within Canada; investing in new ministries; supporting renewal within the continuing communities of faith; providing theological education for ministry personnel and laity.
• Mission and Service funds will not be spent on staff salaries in the Denominational Council or the Regional Councils after 2018.

• All staff work carried out by staff of the Denominational Council and the Regional Councils will be defined as ministry. This ministry work would be funded by sharing assessments gathered from communities of faith by the Regional Councils. Each Regional Council will keep 85% of the assessments and will give 15% of the assessments to the Denominational Council.

  ▪ The Denominational Council will make decisions regarding the use of the Mission & Service Fund until such time as the 43rd General Council makes further decisions.

  ▪ Aboriginal funding needs to be continued – in the interim it will continue to come from the General Council budget and after 2018 would come from assessments.

  ▪ Regional differences require differing approaches to organization and governance.

  ▪ Staff and human resources are most effective and efficient when they are closest to the active ministries and communities of faith – the core of the United Church.

Background:
Assumptions guiding this proposal
1. Need for change exists because of declining membership and insufficient resources, both of which may have resulted from perceived failure to remain relevant and adapt to cultural shifts.

2. Structural change without addressing the issue of relevance and adaptation may have only short-term benefits.

3. To do nothing is not an option.

4. Regional differences require differing approaches.

5. Dealing with each proposal put forward by the CRTG in detail may be counter-productive, therefore, we should concentrate on major issues.
6. An important part of the identity of The United Church of Canada is being conciliar.

“Conciliar” means:
- Each Council is made up of members of other Councils
- Shared responsibilities for finances and functions. Each Council has the authority to raise finances and make decisions about the use of its financial resources

Currently 86 Presbyteries and 13 Conferences fund their work through assessments of congregations. It has been proposed by the Comprehensive Review Task Group that in the future those assessments would be divided, with the successors to those 99 bodies receiving 50% and 1 Denominational Council receiving the other 50%. Plus the Mission and Service Fund would continue to be collected and used by decisions of the Denominational Council. Other sources of funding, such as retail sales, bequests, and investments would still be available to the Denominational Council. This is a significant centralization of financial resources and the power that goes with them.

As the Denominational Council rationalizes how to do its work with the funds available to it, it will able to negotiate with regions about where to most effectively place the program staff for leadership in ministry and mission from the current General Council Office, thus placing them closer to the communities of faith.

Development of resources can efficiently be shared amongst regions, given the technological advances in resource production and electronic communication.

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable

MOTION 2014-15-138
Dwaine Dornan/Linda Anderson
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt Proposal No. 10
CARRIED

PROPOSAL NO. 9
Andrew Hecker received permission to move the order of proposals and so introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No. 9 after Proposal No. 10.

Title: OVERSIGHT OF “COMMUNITIES OF FAITH” UNDER THE PROPOSED THREE-COURT MODEL
Originating Body: Chinook Presbytery
Financial Implications: None
Staffing Implications: None
Source of Funding: Not applicable
Chinook Presbytery proposes that:

- The new model have explicit, required provisions for oversight of communities of faith by their governing court, perhaps including, but not limited to, the following:
  
  o Under the proposed three-court model of The United Church of Canada, each community of faith holding a covenant with a Regional Council of the United Church must be subject to inspection by the same;

  o One or more representative(s) of the Regional Council of the United Church be recommended to attend a worship service at each community of faith with which that Regional Council of the United Church holds a covenant, at least once per year, as part of the audit of a community of faith’s self-assessment;

- The result of the audit of worship of a community of faith is that the Regional Council of the United Church may impose special or additional requirements on that community of faith in order for the community of faith to maintain its covenant with the Regional Council of the United Church;

- One or more representative(s) of the Regional Council of the United Church be recommended to attend a meeting of the governing body of each community of faith with which that Regional Council of the United Church holds a covenant, at least once per year;

- Changes in pastoral relations between a community of faith and their current or proposed ministry personal must have the consent of the Regional Council of the United Church;

- The Denominational Council have a set of unifying requirements for all covenants between a community of faith and the Regional Council of the United Church, which may include certain points mentioned above, and which must include guidelines for a community of faith’s self-assessment;

- The new model has explicit provisions outlining when the Regional Council has the authority to “step in” to manage a community of faith.
Background:
The theological and doctrinal consistency of United Church congregations across Canada is fundamental to our identity as The United Church of Canada.

To claim the title of a congregation or community of faith of The United Church of Canada requires that said congregation uphold the policies and doctrines of The United Church of Canada.

The proposed three-court model requires all communities of faith of the United Church to maintain a covenant with a Regional Council of the United Church. Maintaining an honest, truthful, and open covenant requires regular contact and clear obligations between both parties.

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable.

**MOTION 2014-15-139**  
Andrew Hecker/Karen Mundt  
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt Proposal No. 9

DEFEATED

**MOTION 2014-15-140**  
Andrew Hecker/Brenda Simon  
That Saskatchewan Conference transmit without concurrence Proposal No. 9 to General Council

CARRIED

**PROPOSAL NO. 11**  
Russell Mitchell Walker introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No. 11

**Title:** SOLIDARITY AND SUPPORT FOR PROGRESSIVE EVANGELICALS WITHIN THE EMERGING CHURCH MOVEMENT

**Originating Body:** Intercultural Ministries Network of Saskatchewan Conference

**Financial Implications:** None; Potential property transfer or sale

**Staffing Implications:** None

**Source of Funding:** Not applicable

The Intercultural Ministries Network of Saskatchewan Conference proposes that the 89th Saskatchewan Conference:

- send letters of support and solidarity to the Progressive Evangelical congregations in Canada and the US who have made supportive statements of inclusion and welcome to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people within the last year, and,
propose that the 42nd General Council:

1. send letters of support and solidarity to the Progressive Evangelical congregations in Canada and the US who have made supportive statements of inclusion and welcome to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people within the last year.

2. provide for ways and means for congregations who have made such statements and find themselves without a church building due to the denominational body withdrawing their support and property from the congregation, to enter into negotiations with United Church congregations that are closing or any congregation open to offer them their property. These negotiations, along with presbytery, could provide these progressive congregations with a building and explore ways for them to become a part of The United Church of Canada.

3. explore the implications and possibilities of welcoming Progressive Evangelicals (including pastors who wish to be admitted) into The United Church of Canada as we move through this time of Emergence in the Church.

Background:
We are in a changing time in the church. Part of the Emergence that is happening is a movement of evangelical conservative (and fundamentalist) Christians moving away from their tradition and seeking a more progressive and inclusive theology. This includes congregations within evangelical conservative denominations (for example, Christ Church in Portland) as well as independent congregations (for example, GracePointe in Nashville) and church plants. As The United Church of Canada has a progressive theology and an inclusive policy toward lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender members, we can offer support to these progressive evangelicals who may find this movement challenging and costly. Brian McLaren, Emerging Church leader, theologian and author, suggests that one way we could become more ‘emerging’ is for us to make church property from congregations that are closing available to some of these congregations who have been kicked out of their denomination because of their inclusive stance and have lost their buildings. The United Church of Canada has the potential to explore this and welcome these newly progressive Christians into our community.

The Marin Foundation and New Direction Ministry works with these congregations and can provide lists of congregations who have made inclusive statements and be a resource with regard to what congregations may be needing buildings for their ongoing ministry. There is also a newly forming Network of Progressive Evangelicals being established by Convergence US.
As we move through this time in the church, we need to be open to new ways of being church, of the convergence that is happening and work to be a part of it. This is one step forward doing that.

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable

It was requested that the court deal with Proposal No 11 in seriatim.

As to the part of the Proposal that Saskatchewan Conference send letters of support and solidarity to the Progressive Evangelical congregations in Canada and the US who have made supportive statements of inclusion and welcome to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people within the last year:

MOTION 2014-15-141  
Russell Mitchell-Walker/Jordan Cantwell  
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt this part of Proposal No. 11.  
CARRIED

As to the part of the Proposal that the 42\textsuperscript{nd} General Council send letters of support and solidarity to the Progressive Evangelical congregations in Canada and the US who have made supportive statements of inclusion and welcome to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people within the last year:

MOTION 2014-15-142  
Russell Mitchell-Walker/Jordan Cantwell  
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt this part of Proposal No. 11.  
CARRIED

As to the part of the Proposal that the 42\textsuperscript{nd} General Council provide for ways and means for congregations who have made such statements and find themselves without a church building due to the denominational body withdrawing their support and property from the congregation, to enter into negotiations with United Church congregations that are closing to offer them their property space and that these negotiations, along with presbytery, could provide these progressive congregations with a building and explore ways for them to become a part of The United Church of Canada.

As part of the informal process, this part of the Proposal was amended by deleting after the phrase “that are closing”, the phrase “to offer them their property” and by inserting in its place the phrase “or any congregations that are open to sharing their space” such that it reads as follows:

“provide for ways and means for congregations who have made such statements and find themselves without a church building due to the denominational body withdrawing their support and property from the
congregation, to enter into negotiations with United Church congregations that are closing or any congregations that are open to sharing their space. These negotiations, along with presbytery, could provide these progressive congregations with a building and explore ways for them to become a part of The United Church of Canada.”

MOTION 2014-15-143
Russell Mitchell-Walker/Jordan Cantwell
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt this part of Proposal No. 11.
CARRIED

As to the part of the proposal that the 42nd General Council explore the implications and possibilities of welcoming Progressive Evangelicals (including pastors who wish to be admitted) into The United Church of Canada as we move through this time of Emergence in the Church:

MOTION 2014-15-144
Russell Mitchell-Walker/Jordan Cantwell
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt this part of Proposal No. 11.
CARRIED

MOTION 2014-15-145
Russell Mitchell-Walker/Jordan Cantwell
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt Proposal No. 11 as a whole.
CARRIED

The following is the revised Proposal No 11 as passed by the court and forwarded to the General Council:

Title: SOLIDARITY AND SUPPORT FOR PROGRESSIVE EVANGELICALS WITHIN THE EMERGING CHURCH MOVEMENT
Originating Body: Intercultural Ministries Network of Saskatchewan Conference.
Financial Implications: None; Potential property transfer or sale
Staffing Implications: None
Source of Funding: Not applicable

The Intercultural Ministries Network of Saskatchewan Conference proposes that

The 42nd General Council (2015):

1. send letters of support and solidarity to the Progressive Evangelical congregations in Canada and the US who have made supportive statements of inclusion and welcome to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people within the last year.
2. provide for ways and means for congregations who have made such statements and find themselves without a church building due to the denominational body withdrawing their support and property from the congregation, to enter into negotiations with United Church congregations that are closing or any congregations that are open to sharing their space. These negotiations, along with presbyteries, could provide these progressive congregations with a building and explore ways for them to become a part of The United Church of Canada.

3. explore the implications and possibilities of welcoming Progressive Evangelicals (including pastors who wish to be admitted) into The United Church of Canada as we move through this time of Emergence in the Church.

Background:
We are in a changing time in the church. Part of the Emergence that is happening is a movement of evangelical conservative (and fundamentalist) Christians moving away from their tradition and seeking a more progressive and inclusive theology. This includes congregations within evangelical conservative denominations (for example, Christ Church in Portland) as well as independent congregations (for example, GracePointe in Nashville) and church plants. As The United Church of Canada has a progressive theology and an inclusive policy toward lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender members, we can offer support to these progressive evangelicals who may find this movement challenging and costly. Brian McLaren, Emerging Church leader, theologian and author, suggests that one way we could become more ‘emerging’ is for us to make church property from congregations that are closing available to some of these congregations who have been kicked out of their denomination because of their inclusive stance and have lost their buildings. The United Church of Canada has the potential to explore this and welcome these newly progressive Christians into our community.

The Marin Foundation and New Direction Ministry works with these congregations and can provide lists of congregations who have made inclusive statements and be a resource with regard to what congregations may be needing buildings for their ongoing ministry. There is also a newly forming Network of Progressive Evangelicals being established by Convergence US.

As we move through this time in the church, we need to be open to new ways of being church, of the convergence that is happening and work to be a part of it. This is one step toward doing that.

Intermediate Court Action: Concurred with by Saskatchewan Conference
PROPOSAL NO. 12
George Thurlow introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No. 12

Title: RESTORATIVE CARE FOR MISSION UNITS OR OUTREACH MINISTRIES

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<th>Originating Body:</th>
<th>The Saskatchewan Conference Finance and Administration Committee</th>
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<td>Financial Implications:</td>
<td>Currently approximately $700.00 per Mission Unit or Outreach Ministry</td>
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<td>Minimal, as there would be a few ministries added to the list of those contributing or claiming</td>
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<td>The Restorative Care levy would be assessed to the Mission Units or Outreach Ministries</td>
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The Saskatchewan Conference Finance and Administration Committee proposes that the 42nd General Council (2015) amend its policy with respect to Restorative Care so that Mission Units, Outreach Ministries, and other ministries which are not pastoral charges be required to participate in (that is, contribute to and receive benefits from) the Restorative Care Plan, and that Mission Units, Outreach Ministries, and other ministries which are not pastoral charges be advised of such requirement to participate.

Background:
Ministry Personnel who are in a pastoral charge Mission Unit or Outreach ministry who are disabled are entitled to receive salary & benefits for the duration of the disability up to a maximum of 6 months paid for by the pastoral charge, Mission Unit, or Outreach Ministry (The Manual, s. I.2.2.2 and s. I.2.2.3).

This places a burden on the pastoral charge, Mission unit, or Outreach ministry which must both pay salary & benefits and finance supply and staffing during this absence. Pastoral charges pay into the Restorative Care Plan which is an insurance plan whose benefits assist with these costs. Other Mission Units or Outreach ministries cannot pay in and are not eligible for benefits.

Not only is this a justice issue with some of our ministries being treated differently than others, not only does work in our health care and inner city ministries have a higher risk of illness or disability, but unlike pastoral charges which have collections and donations from members and adherents as a source of revenue Mission Units or Outreach Ministries are usually short of funds and have fewer sources of revenue both to pay salary for the disabled ministry personnel and to staff ongoing activities in the ministry personnel's absence.

Intermediate Court Action: not applicable
MOTION 2014-15-146
George Thurlow/Tim Ellis
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt Proposal No. 12
CARRIED

PROPOSAL NO. 13:
Krystal Sheremeta introduced the following version of the Proposal that was listed in the Docket as Proposal No.13

Title: FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN IN SASKATCHEWAN CONFERENCE
Originating Body: Tamarack Presbytery
Financial Implications: Unknown, but minimal
Staffing Implications: None
Sources of Funding: Unknown

The Tamarack Presbytery proposes that the 2015 meeting of Saskatchewan Conference:

a. Direct Saskatchewan Conference Executive to include a new task within the structure document: “to support current and emerging children’s and family ministries including resource sharing and training, within the Saskatchewan Conference.”

b. Ensure that the existing work of the Emergent Working Group established by the Conference Executive continues including enabling the sharing of resources for children’s and family ministries between congregations.

Background:
At the October 2014 meeting of Tamarack Presbytery there was a discussion on how to best support small congregations with Sunday School. Many of these congregations have dwindling numbers of children in attendance and have difficulty finding volunteers and suitable resources to provide Sunday School and confirmation classes. It was decided that Conference would be contacted to see what support and resources were already in place that could be tapped into. It was then discovered that, at this time, children’s and family ministries and faith formation does not fall under anyone’s purview within the current conference structure. It is our belief that supporting children’s and family ministries is of critical importance for the church moving forward.

Therefore, our Conference Executive representative took this matter to Conference Executive in November 2014 where an Emergent Working Group was created to support the sharing of resources for children’s and family ministries. It is our belief that this work, and other work supporting children’s and family ministries, should be included within the structure of Saskatchewan Conference. Giving children’s and family ministries a place within the Saskatchewan Conference structures ensures that faith formation for our children continues to be addressed, remembered, and supported within our Conference.
Intermediate Court Action: not applicable

**MOTION 2014-15-147**  
Krystal Sheremeta/Leslie Wally  
That Saskatchewan Conference adopt Proposal No. 13.  
CARRIED

**Singing**

**Prayer**  
Miles Russell led the court in prayer

**Announcements**

M&S Fundraiser update: $6178.55 ($2713 from the button hunt, $1265 from Calling Lakes book sale, $2200 for quilt auction)

Annette Taylor announced a workshop for presiding at funerals. It would be for lay leaders and led by Marg Janick-Grayston.

Russell Mitchell-Walker spoke in promotion of the Skylight Festival ([www.skylightfestival.ca](http://www.skylightfestival.ca))

Barb MacNaughton shared announcements with the court

*President Gayle adjourned the meeting following grace until after the Celebration of Ministry dinner -7:20pm*

**DAY THREE – SESSION SEVEN**  
(Saturday, May 30th, 2015, 6:00 pm)

**Celebration of Ministry Dinner**

During the dinner, the retirees were honoured, two of the retirees spoke, namely, Mike Williams and Pam Thomas; those celebrating significant ministry anniversaries were acknowledged; the President addressed those present; and the ordination of Kathleen James Cavan was celebrated.

**Singing**

**TRC Bell Ringing**

Hazel Arbon summarized the rationale behind the act of ringing of bells as was planned for the opening of the Worship of Praise and Celebration. She explained it as a call to attention, in this case to recognize the victims of residential schools, to mark the formal close of the TRC process, and to mark the continuing journey of reconciliation and relationship building. The court watched a video featuring Marie Wilson about the importance of the TRC.
Unfinished business
None was brought forward

Registration Report
Barb MacNaughton, Convener of the Annual Meeting Planning Committee, based on information given by Rose Seifert, reported that there were a total 236 with 10 guests

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TOTAL REGISTERED: 236
MOTION 2014-15-148
Barb Macnaughton/Tim Ellis
That the registration report be received for information.
CARRIED

Courtesies
Linda Anderson and Brenda Curtis thanked all the people associated with the annual meeting. They were named as follows:
The annual meeting planning committee and its convener, Barb MacNaughton
Jim MacNaughton (chaplain)
Linda Stumpf (chaplain)
The local arrangements Committee and all of the people of Lanigan and Good Spirit Presbytery who contributed to the local arrangements
Conference Staff
Pam Thomas (as she retires)
Hazel Arbon (as she retires)
Gayle Wensley (President)
Bill Doyle (executive secretary)
Tricia Gerhard (minute secretary)
The Commontater creator: Roy Bortolotto
Al Driver
Linda Gunningham
Scrutineers
ProAV
Cathy Anderson
Those who came from the All Native Circle Conference, Lorna Standingready,
Bernice Saulteaux, and Cheryl Jourdain
All who supported the M&S Fundraiser
Those who ran the bookstore: Joan Tessier and Charlene Orr
The YAYAC Network
The Children at Conference, Michele Rowe and Susan Paley
The Prayer team
Proposal task group
Those who created Proposals
The Retirees
The Worship team: the Meewasin Valley United Spiritual Interest Team
Flamingo Friday
Lorne Calvert
Tannis Schmidt
Every person who has participated in the annual meeting

MOTION 2014-15-149
Bill Doyle/Barb MacNaughton
That Saskatchewan Conference approve the meeting place for the 90th General Meeting of Saskatchewan Conference to be Regina in Wascana Presbytery from June 2nd to June 5th, 2016
CARRIED
MOTION 2014-15-150
Bill Doyle/Ray Purdy
That the Saskatchewan Conference Executive be empowered to do all routine and emergent business which is the conference itself may do, except those things which are, according to the Manual, beyond the power of the Executive.
CARRIED

MOTION 2014-15-151
Bill Doyle/Tricia Gerhard
That the minutes of the 89th Annual Meeting of Saskatchewan be printed in the Record of Proceedings after being reviewed by the Executive Secretary.
CARRIED

Spiritual Nurture
“Roots and Wings”—Meewasin Valley United Spiritual Interest Group

Announcements
Barb Macnaughton did final announcements

Benediction

President Gayle Wensley adjourned the meeting until the Service of Praise and Celebration 10:00 am, Sunday May 31st, 2015

DAY FOUR –SESSION EIGHT
(Sunday, May 31st, 2015, 10:00 am)

Service of Praise and Celebration
The court, visitors and guests gathered for the Service of Praise and Celebration at the Lanigan Recreational Centre.

TRC Bells: The service started with the ringing of bells brought by members of the court. The bell ringing marked the end of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and was co-ordinated with other groups across the country all ringing bells at 10:00 am.

Retirees: Pam Thomas, Michael Willliams, and Mary Young were presented with certificates and thanked for their years of service to the United Church of Canada

Ordination: Kathleen James-Cavan was ordained.

Installation of the President:
President Gayle Wensley installed John Haas as President of Conference, presenting him with the cane and stole of the office of President.
Past President Pin:
John Haas presented Gayle Wensley with the Past-President’s pin

Installation:
Members of the Conference Executive were installed by President Gayle Wensley

Closing of the Conference:
President Gayle Wensley closed the 89th Annual Meeting of Saskatchewan Conference with the words: In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the source of the Church’s life, and by the authority of this Conference of The United Church of Canada, I now declare this Conference to be closed, and pursuant to the decisions of the Conference, I order another Conference of The United Church of Canada in Saskatchewan to meet in Wascana Presbytery in 2016.

President Gayle Wensley  Executive Secretary Bill Doyle

Minute Secretary Tricia Gerhard.
APPENDIX A

PASTORAL RELATIONS/SETTLEMENT COMMITTEE,
SASKATCHEWAN CONFERENCE: REPORT 2014 – 2015

The Settlement Committee must consist of one member of the order of ministry and one lay member elected by each presbytery at a regular meeting previous to the annual meeting of Conference; one diaconal minister elected by the Conference; the Conference president or leading Elder. Conference elects a chair and secretary. The committee must have an executive consisting of its chair, its secretary, the Conference president or leading Elder, the chairs of the presbytery pastoral relations committees. [Conference Committees August 2013, a resource to The Manual 2013.] www.united-church.ca/handbooks#manual

MEMBERSHIP 2014 - 2015

Presbytery

Chinook Lynette Miller Norma Farnsworth
Good Spirit Roland Legge Dave Polacheck
Prairie Pine John Sellwood Diane Thurlow
River Bend Sheila Krueger Shirley Goodrich
Tamarack Emmanuel Menyereye Jean Perkins
Twin Valleys Ann White Darlene Thomson
Wascana Kathy Platt Marion Tudor

Conference President Gayle Wensley
Diaconal Representative Susan Reed
DLM Representative Linda Emberley
Student Representative [vacant]
Interim Ministry Representative Linda Stumpf
Convenor Sheila Krueger
Minute Secretary Marvin Mackie
Secretary Carolyn McBean
Office Support Staff Rose Seifert
Conference Personnel Minister Pam Thomas

LEGEND

Dates: Listed as month/day/year

Personnel Abbreviations used in this report:

* = part time  + = indicates change in Call/Appointment

OM = Ordained Minister
DM = Diaconal Minister
DLM = Designated Lay Minister – Recognized
DLM# = Designated Lay Minister – Not yet recognized

RS = Retired Supply Minister
US = United Supply Minister
IM = Interim Minister
CS = Candidate Supply (Candidate whose education and field requirements are complete)
SS = Student Supply (Candidate whose education and/or field requirements are in progress)
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| IS | Intern Supply (Candidate who has completed all OM/DM requirements except internship) |
| OS | Ordained Supply (from another denomination) |
| DS | Diaconal Supply (from another denomination) |
| SM | Shared Ministry |
| C | Call |

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Saskatoon: Grosvenor Park  Deanna Cox (SS)*  07/01/14-04/30/15
Watrous-Young  Alison West (OM, RS)*  10/01/14-01/31/15
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Saskatoon: St. Thomas-Wesley  Margaret McKeithney (OM, RS)*  11/01/14-06/30/15

Tamarack
Tisdale: St. Paul’s  Sharon Ferguson-Hood (OM, IM)  07/01/14-06/30/16
Shellbrook/Leask  James David Whalley (DLM)  07/01/15-06/30/16
Birch Hills  Duane Mohn (DLM#)*  07/01/15-06/30/16
Carrot River/Arborfield  Jamie Bushell (OM, IM)  07/01/15-06/30/17

Twin Valleys
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Oxbow – Glen Ewen  Jackie Van’t Voort (SS)*  10/15/13-06/30/14
Ogema-Bengough-Pangman  Marie Barr (DLM)*  09/15/14-06/30/15
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Balgonie-McLean  Bev Diduck (OM, RS)*  07/01/14-06/30/15
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Regina Anti-Poverty Ministry  Peter Gilmer (DLM)*  07/01/14-06/30/17
Regina Anti-Poverty Ministry  Bonnie Morton (DLM)*  07/01/14-06/30/17
Regina: St. James  Everett Hollis (OM, RS)*  04/01/14-06/30/14
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  - Dates: 10/01/14-12/31/14
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- Regina: Whitmore Park  
  - Celia Ricker (DM, RS)*  
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- Soo Line  
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  - Brian R. Ast (OM, RS)*  
  - Dates: 04/01/15-06/30/15
- Regina: Lakeview  
  - Kenneth Robinson (DLM, RS)*  
  - Dates: 04/07/15-06/30/15
- Regina: Westminster  
  - Darrell Reine (DLM)  
  - Dates: 07/01/15-06/30/18

### PRESBYTERY APPOINTMENTS IN PROCESS

#### Chinook
- Good Spirit
  - Cut Knife
    - Linda Emberley (DLM, RS)*  
    - Dates: 07/01/15-06/30/16
  - Wilkie, Scott
    - Linda Emberley (DLM, RS)*  
    - Dates: 07/01/15-06/30/16

#### River Bend
- Tamarack
  - Arcola-Kisbey  
    - Koshy David (OS)  
    - Dates: 01/01/15-06/30/15
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#### Twin Valleys
- Alameda & Oxbow-Glen Ewen: 07/28/14
- Prairie Points: 07/01/15
- Rocanville: 05/01/15

#### Wascana
- Long Lake*: 09/01/14

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DATE OF SETTLEMENT/CALLS/APPOINTMENTS AND VACATION PROVISIONS

July 1, 2015 is the date that Calls/Appointments take effect, except where noted. Ministry Personnel moving to a new Call/Appointment must negotiate vacation with the M&P Committee of the Pastoral Charge.
APPENDIX B

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE FINAL REPORT

A. It is moved by Miles Russell and seconded by Bev Kostichuk:

a) that Tricia Gerhard be elected Minute Secretary for Saskatchewan Conference and its Executive for 2015-16;

b) that Ian Wallace be named as auditor for Saskatchewan Conference for the year 2015-16.

B. It is moved by Miles Russell and seconded by Bev Kostichuk that the following persons, listed on pages H 1-4, be named to the positions listed for the Conference year 2015-2016.

1. Committees:

Annual Meeting Planning:
- Convenor: June Blau (1)
- Secretary: Charles McKenzie (1)
- Member: Charlene Orr (3)
- President: John Haas
- President Elect: Krystal Sheremeta

Finance and Administration:
- Convenor: Tim Ellis (3)
- Vice-Convenor: Bill Pollock (2)
- Secretary: Deborah Smith (1)
- Member-at-Large: Wayne Thompson (2)
- Member-at-Large: David Dorr (1)

Interim Ministry:
- Convenor: Linda Stumpf (4)
- Secretary: Bob Mitchell (2)
- Member: Emily Arthur (3)
- Member: Donna Rumpel (2)
- Member: Peggy Worrall (2)
- Member: Linsell Hurd (1)

Internship & Educational Supervision (CIES):
- Convenor: Dexter van Dyke (3)
- Vice-Convenor: Jo-Ann Hills (3)
- Secretary: John Dickey (1)
- Member (DLM): Wendy Gibson (3)
- Member (OM): Mathias Ross (3)
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Member (Lay)            Dwaine Dornan (2)
Member (OM)              Brock Shaver (1)
Member (Lay)            Wendy Barker (1)

Interview Board (CIB):
Convenor                  Jim Tenford (1)
Secretary                Marvin Mackie (1)
Diaconal Minister        Jen Dresser (1)
Ordained Minister        Krystal Sheremeta (3)
Designated Lay Minister  Donna Rumpel (2)
Member (Ministry Personnel) Andrew Appledore (2)
Lay Member               Sharon Hester (3)
Lay Member               Sheila Ivanchko (3)
Lay Member               Ron Ford (1)
Lay Member               Judy Krantz (1)

Mission Support:
Convenor                Leslee Whalley (2)
Secretary                Marvin Mackie (3)

Nominations:
Convenor                     Bev Kostichuk (1)
Member                       Linda Gunningham (1)
Member                       Brian Mitchell-Walker (1)
Member                        Gayle Wensley (1)

Pastoral Relations/Settlement:
Convenor                        Darrell Reine (1)
Secretary                       not an elected position
Minute Secretary            Marvin Mackie (4)
Diaconal Minister            Susan Reed (2)
Designated Lay Minister      Linda Emberley (2)

Sexual Abuse Prevention and Response:
Co-convenor (Male)            Bob Hayes (4)
Co-convenor (Female)          Karen Mundt (2)
Member (Female)                Lorraine Harkness (3)
Member                        Roger Emberley (1)
Member                         Marilyn Fredsberg

2. Networks:
All My Relations:
Co-Leader                     Dawn Guenther (3)
Co-Leader                     Lynn Thompson (2)
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Faith Formation:
Co-Leader Brenda Curtis (1)
Co-Leader Cameron Fraser (1)

Intercultural Ministry:
Co-Leader Yvonne Terry (2)
Co-Leader Cindy Bourgeois (1)

Local Global Advocacy:
Co-Leader Peter Gilmer (1)
Co-Leader Sharon Wood (1)

Presbytery Education and Students Convenors:
Co-Leader Joan Rennie-Laing (4)
Co-Leader Jane Jupe (3)

The Women of the United Church:
Co-Leader Betty Anne Williamson (2)
Co-Leader Mary Mohn (1)

Youth and Young Adult:
Co-Leader Amanda Wuchner (1)
Co-Leader Sheldon Dugas (1)

3. Tasks / Task Groups:
The Brief: Bonnie Morton (2)
Chaplaincy: Linsell Hurd (3)
Conference Global Mission Personnel Co-ordinator: Laura Sundberg (1)
Continuing Education: Corrie McLeod (3)
Dexter van Dyke (1)
Earthcare Connections Representative: Duane Mohn (1)
Micah Mission Representative: Marjorie Keyser (2)
Mission & Service/Stewardship Education Roland Legge (2)
Donna Nelson (1)
Proposals: Linda Anderson (3)
Carolyn McBean (1)
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Provincial Moderating Committee on Chaplaincy Rep:
(Correctional Facilities) Cathy Coates (1)

Recruitment of Students: VACANT

Refugee Liaison: Darren Wooff (2)

Reviewer of Presbytery Records Karen Mitchell (2)

Resource Pool Coordinator: Janice Edwards (1)

Saskatchewan Council for International Co-operation Representative (SCIC):
Sharron Bodnaryk (2)

C. NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS:

CALLING LAKES CENTRE:
Gladys Pavo-Penny Bill Unger

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ST. ANDREW’S COLLEGE:
(4 year term, renewable once)
2nd term ends 2018: Lorna Brick

D. NOMINATIONS TO GENERAL COUNCIL DIVISIONS AND COMMITTEES:

a) Order of Ministry Representative to General Council Executive:
6 Year Term ends 2018 Laura Fouhse

b) Lay Representative to General Council Executive:
6 year Term ends 2021 Vic Wiebe

c) Judicial Committee (four members named by the Conference – 9 year term)
Lorraine Harkness - O (elected 2012)
Charlene Orr - L (elected 2009)
Margaret McKechnie - O (elected 2009) Exec Member
Marilee Iverson - L (elected 2009)

d) Archives & History Committee John Haas

E. NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR ELECT FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS: (and filled by)

President-Elect Krystal Sheremeta
Lay Representative to General Council Executive Vic Wiebe
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General Council Commissioner *Nicholas Sarauer
Conference Executive Member at Large Susan Reed
Conference Executive Member at Large: Annette Taylor

F. NOMINATIONS FOR COMMISSIONERS TO THE 42nd GENERAL COUNCIL
   (21):

(a) Order of Ministry and Lay Commissioners
   It is moved by Miles Russell and seconded by Bev Kostichuk that the
   following persons be named as Commissioners to the 42nd General Council:

   Lay                      Ministry Personnel
   Dwaine Dornan            Jordan Cantwell (OM)
   *Andrew Hecker           Linda Emberley (DLM)
   Sheila Ivanochko         **Russell Mitchell-Walker (DM)
   **Moses Kanhai           Deborah Smith (OM)
   Mary Mohn                Annette Taylor (OM)
   *Kathryn Sarauer         Jim Tenford (OM)
   Darlene Thomson          Brian Maitland (OM)

   (* under 30 years of age  **identifies as Intercultural)

(b) Alternate Commissioners
   Our procedure for naming alternate Commissioners is to create lists for each
   category, in priority order and to take names in that order from those lists as
   needed. A motion presenting a list of people named as alternative
   Commissioners in each category will be presented at the annual meeting.

   Lay                      Ministry Personnel
   *Dylan Reimer            Daryl Woods
   Jeanette Stevenson       Kathleen James-Cavan
   Diane Thurlow            Tricia Gerhard
   Betty Ann Williamson     Donna Rumpel
   Tony Thompson            Sung Shim
   Keith Hall               Sung Shim
APPENDIX B

(c) For information
   (1) The Incoming President – John Haas
   (2) Past President – Gayle Wensley
   (3) The Incoming President Elect – Krystal Sheremeta
   (4) The Ministry Personnel Rep. to General Council Exec. – Laura Fouhse
   (5) The Lay Rep. to General Council Executive – Vic Wiebe

(d) Youth
   (1) Youth Delegates chosen by YAYACN – Aurora Coulthard & Diana Sarauer
   (2) Youth Pilgrim (Commissioner) chosen by YAYACN - Sheldon Dugas