



THE ANGLICAN SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of December 22nd, 2017 at St. Luke, Cedar Hill

EX OFFICIO

The Bishop	The Chancellor
The Rt. Rev'd Dr. Logan McMenamie	Canon Dr. Constance Isherwood R
The Dean	The Registrar
The Very Rev'd M. Ansley Tucker	Nathan Lampard R
The Lay Secretary	The Vice Chancellor
Canon Judy Trueman	Bob Gill
The Clerical Secretary	The Treasurer
The Rev. Canon Susanne House	Michael Murgatroyd R

ELECTED BY SYNOD

The Rev. Canon Dr. Dawna Wall	Canon Ian Alexander
Bruce Winter R	David Stewart
Penny Holt	Brenda O'Brien
The Reverend Clara Plamondon	Elizabeth Walker R
Aidan Cunningham R	Catherine Yeo R

ELECTED REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

The Reverend Eric Partridge	Canon Dr. Jeanette Muzio R
The Reverend Craig Hiebert	David Buckman
The Venerable Lon Towstego	Tony Davis
Janice Varga	Andrea Davis R

APPOINTED

The Reverend David Chillman	Dr. Don Wilson R
The Venerable Alastair McCollum	

EXECUTIVE STAFF

The Director of Finance	The Asset Manager
Gail Gauthier	Peter Daniel
Diocesan Executive Officer	Communications Officer
Stephen Martin	Catherine Pate
Diocesan Stewardship Officer	
The Venerable Brian Evans	

Guests: The Reverend Rod Crosby-Shearer, Julie Poskitt

Bishop McMenamie opened the meeting with prayer and the Reverend Daniel Fournier gave an introduction to the parish of St. Luke and to the work that it is doing in the community and with Lutheran Church of the Cross across the street from St. Luke's.

1. Bishop's Remarks

The Bishop spoke to his report which is on file and ended with prayer

2. Vision Reflection/Bible Study

The Reverend Craig Hiebert led the Council through a reflection focusing on Wine and Wineskins (Mark 2. 1-22)

3. Living the Vision #1

a) Communications.

Catherine Pate, our Diocesan Communications spoke to her work in the diocese regarding the various aspects of her communications portfolio. The presentation was given as a power point and that power point presentation is on file. The time was spent listening to Catherine's presentation and asking questions of her.

b) Vison Fund

Canon Ian Alexander and Ms. Julie Poskitt, representing the Vison Fund Jury Team made a presentation as to the progress and present situation of the Vision Fund. The Vison Fund Jury members are Canon Ian Alexander, Stephen Martin, the Rev'd Gillian Hoyer, the Rev'd Clara Plamondon, Julie Poskitt, Canon Victor Flett, Joan Hoffman. Julie spoke of some of the projects that had received funds from the Vison Fund; Holy Trinity, North Saanich for a programme of Cultural Sensitivity Training and Indigenous Perspectives Training, St. Mary of the Incarnation, Metchosin for a Messy Church programme and Vacation Bible School, Star of the Sea, Salt Spring Island for the Centre of Spirituality and Wellness, the Tolmie and Selkirk region for Lay Pastoral Care Training, Longhouse Tent, Vancouver Island Regional Correctional Centre (Wilkinson Road).

There is lots of excitement about opportunities for programmes supported by the Vision Fund. The Jury continues their work of encouraging applications and supporting applicants in their work.

4. Faith in Foundation Item #1

a) Regrets for absence.

The Secretaries noted the regrets for absence from the meeting

b) Minutes of November 23rd, 2017

MOVED BY: Ansley Tucker

SECONDED BY: David Chillman

That the minutes of the meeting of the Diocesan Council of November 23rd, 2017 be received.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

c) Business Arising

No business arising.

d) DC Work Plan and Motions

Canon Ian Alexander spoke to this topic. We will be using the work plan as a guide until the Synod in April. Melanie Delva, the Reconciliation Animator for the National Church, will join us for the next Diocesan Council meeting. We continue to hold the Synod goals before us as we work toward Synod.

The council broke for lunch at 12pm. We will return at 1pm. Canon Dawna Wall offered the thanks of the council members to the women of St. Luke's who prepared a wonderful lunch and to the Cathedral for the wine.

5. Living the Vision #2

a) Emerging Communities

The Reverend Craig Hiebert with the Reverend Rob Crosby-Shearer made a presentation of Emerging Communities is the life of the Church. They offered us many examples of different emerging communities using the information that the communities were sharing about themselves. It was an

enlightening presentation as we were made aware of the different ways ministry was offered in these communities.

6. Faith in Foundation #2

Finance Information

a) Finance Minutes of December 14th, 2017

it was

MOVED BY: Clara Plamondon

SECONDED BY: Jeanette Muzio

That the minutes, report and financial statements of the December 14th, 2017 meeting of the Finance Committee be received.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

b) Financial Statements to the end of November

It was

MOVED BY: Lon Towstego

SECONDED BY: Ian Alexander

That the financial statements to the end of November 2017 be received.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

c) Bank overdraft and assessment statements

it was

MOVED BY: Tony Davis

SECONDED BY: Craig Hiebert

That the November 2017 bank overdraft and assessment statements be received.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

Ratifications of motions passed at the meeting of November 16th, 2017

St. Mark, Qualicum Beach

MOVED BY: Dawna Wall

SECONDED BY: Penny Holt

That an additional parish grant of \$3000 be granted to the Anglican/United parish of St. Columba, Port Hardy to cover their 2017 shortfall.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

Refugee Ministry amendment

MOVED BY: Penny Holt

SECONDED BY: David Buckman

That an amendment to the previous motion of support for the Diocesan Refugee Ministry, namely that the Diocese provides funding for one full-time employee's salary and benefits for the fiscal year 2018, with subsequent COLA increases as mandated by the Council for the fiscal years 2019, 2020, and 2021.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

Vision Fund Jury

MOVED BY: Tony Davis

SECONDED BY: Ansley Tucker

That the Diocesan Council approve the nine recommendations of the Vision Fund Jury: Two Saints (\$2,000); Greater Victoria Acting Together (\$5,000); St. John the Divine, Victoria (up to \$10,000); St. Mary, Oak Bay (\$2,000); St. Mary of the Incarnation, Metchosin (\$2,000); Star of the Sea, Salt Spring Island (\$5,000); Emmaus Community (up to \$10,000), Prison Chaplaincy (up to \$6,000); St. Peter and St. Paul (\$2,000).

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

b) Asset Management

Nothing to report this month.

7. Other Business

a) Order of British Columbia (Companion of the Dragonfly)

The Diocesan Council received the report of the committee struck to look at this initiative along with all of the information (on file). This will be referred to the Canons Committee.

MOVED BY: Dawna Wall

SECONDED BY: David Chillman

That the Order of British Columbia (Companion of the Dragonfly) Constitution be referred to the Canons Committee to be incorporated into our Diocesan Canons and Constitutions.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

8. Closing Reflections

Craig Hiebert offered the closing reflections for this meeting asking

1. Where did I hear something new and/or have my attitude changed or significantly enriched?

The meeting adjourned at 3 p.m. with The Grace.