



**THE ANGLICAN SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
DIOCESAN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting of June 28th, 2018 at St. Paul, Nanaimo

EX OFFICIO

Bishop	Rt. Rev. Dr. Logan McMenamie R
Chancellor	Canon Dr. Constance Isherwood R
Vice Chancellor	Bob Gill R
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ELECTED BY SYNOD

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

ELECTED REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

The Rev. Craig Hiebert	Canon Dr. Jeanette Muzio
The Ven. Lon Towstego	David Buckman
Janice Varga R	Andrea Davis

APPOINTED

The Rev. David Chillman
The Ven. Alastair McCollum
Don Wilson **R**

STAFF

Gail Gauthier, Finance Officer
Peter Daniel, Asset Manager
Catherine Pate, Communications Officer

GUESTS (with voice and vote)—REGIONAL NOMINEES

The Rev. Aneeta Saroop, Selkirk R	The Rev. Juli Mallett, Haro
Lynn Schumacher, Selkirk	The Rev. Patrick Sibley, Tolmie
Walter Stewart, Haro	The Rev. Anthony Divinagracia, Nimpkish R
The Rev. Heather Cutten, Cowichan/Malaspina	Boyd Shaw, Cowichan/Malaspina
Denise Ropp, Nimpkish R	

OTHER GUESTS

Brendon Neilson, Diocesan Vision
Animator
Susan Graham Walker Stewardship
Ministry Associate, Anglican Church
of Canada

The Venerable Brian Evans, Diocesan
Stewardship Officer
John Glover

1. Welcome

The Bishop opened the meeting with prayer and shared his remarks (on File) and was followed by the Reverend Clara Plamondon, Incumbent of St. Paul's, who welcomed the members of council.

2. Vision Reflection/Bible Study

The Reverend Juli Mallett based on the passage from 2 Corinthians offered a reflection. She reminded people despite everything we hear today "We are the church" and "We are alive". The members of council took time to discuss what Juli had offered and then shared some of the discussion with the larger group.

3. Living the Vision #1

a) Stewardship

Susan Graham Walker and Brian Evans spoke to the Stewardship (Parish Giving) Programme that is taking place in the Diocese of British Columbia. To date the 4 regional conferences have taken place with 150 lay people and 27 clergy taking part.

It is a programme of generosity and giving that fits individual parishes. The programme is designed in such a way as to be inspiring (design the parish programme to do something that touches the heart), inviting (invites people to contribute generously); thanking (includes opportunities to thank individuals for their contributions of time, talent and treasure, the thankyou should be timely, personal and sincere). In the language of discipleship start where you are; use what you have and do what you can. There was a very helpful conversation with regards to both Transforming Futures and the Parish Giving programme. They are not the same thing and it is unfortunate that there is this confusion. The parish giving programme is meant to encourage people to prayerfully examine their giving to the parish for its day to day life and ministry. Transforming Futures is a programme of giving that supports ministries that may need funds that cannot be accommodated by the regular givings in a parish or the diocese. The conversations regarding these programmes will be on-going.

Susan Graham Walker then offered this list of things that clergy should know about the giving of their parishioners

- They should always know when there is a first gift.
- When a parishioner becomes a regular giver.
- When the giving pattern changes either up or down.
- The givings of anyone who is in a leadership position.
- When someone has the capacity to be generous.

4. Faith in Foundation #1

a) Regrets for Absence

The Secretaries noted the regrets for absence from the meeting.

b) Minutes of May 31st, 2018

MOVED BY: Walter Stewart

SECONDED BY: Jeanette Muzio

That the minutes of the meeting of the Diocesan Council of May 31st, 2018 be adopted.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

c) Business Arising

The business arising was covered under other discussions.

d) Educational Trust Board Minutes

MOVED BY: Ansley Tucker

SECONDED BY: David Chillman

That the minutes of the Education Trusts Board minutes of June 12th, 2018 be received.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

e) Diocesan Council Workplan Update

It was expected that the document for support for Transforming Futures would be tabled at the June meeting of the Diocesan Council, but it is not ready yet. Esther Jang from Philanthropic will be in conversation with individuals from 9 or 10 parishes throughout the diocese and well as members of the diocesan staff on July 3rd and 4th. All this information will come to the Council meeting in July as well as the FAQs that were requested.

f) Privacy Policy

Catherine Pate and John Glover lead the members of council through the documents: Information Security and Privacy Policy Anglican Diocese of British Columbia and Social Media Policy (on file). The question was asked 'How do we implement this document, particularly at the parish level, and when do we release it?' At this time there are no definitive answers, but more work needs to be done on the documents.

John Glover volunteered to be a resource to the diocese for this ministry.

Clara Plamondon said Grace for the meal and the council meeting will resume at 12.30pm

When the council meeting resumed the following motion was put forward regarding the social media and privacy policy document.

MOVED BY: Penny Holt

SECONDED BY: Juli Mallett

That the document "Information Security and Privacy Policy, Anglican Diocese of British Columbia" be approved in principle and to be reviewed by the Vice Chancellor, and to include a definition section.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

5. Living the Vision #2

a) Youth Gathering

Amber Santerelli spoke to the members of council of the youth gathering held in Duncan of June 7th. Bishop Logan and Joan Hoffman met with the young people to have a conversation about ministry with young adults in the diocese. Another meeting is planned in the near future.

b) Reconciliation and Beyond

Archdeacon Lon Towstego spoke to the report (on file) that was written by Doug Bowen, one of the members of the committee along with Archdeacon Towstego and the Reverend MJ Leewis-Kirk.

c) Engaging God's World

Brendon Nielson, the Vision animator and a member of this committee along with Penny Holt and Elizabeth Welch, spoke to the document that dealt with concrete actions to advance economic, ecological and social justice, the fair and equitable distribution of resources and the responsible custodianship of the environment.

6. Faith in Foundation #2

Gail Gauthier spoke to the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting, held on June 21st, 2018. It was

MOVED BY: Craig Hiebert

SECONDED BY: Jeanette Muzio

That the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee of June 21st, 2018 be received.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

Motions to be ratified from the June minutes.

MOVED BY: Alastair McCollum

SECONDED BY: Penny Holt

That the Diocesan Council receive the Financial Reports as of May 31st, 2018.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

MOVED BY: David Chillman

SECONDED BY: Lynn Schumacher

That the Diocesan Council approve the year-end financial statements for 2017.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

MOVED BY: Clara Plamondon

SECONDED BY: Lon Towstego

That the Diocesan Council approve the withdrawal by St. Mark, Qualicum Beach of \$7,343.32 from its Consolidated Trust Funds Rectory Fund.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

MOVED BY: Ian Alexander

SECONDED BY: Andrea Davis

That the Diocesan Council approve up to \$45,000 in grants from the Vision Fund to the following ministries

Vision Implementation: Emerging Communities Learning Party \$10,000

Victoria Orange Shirt Day (in liaison with Reconciliation & Beyond) up to \$10,000

St. Anne & St. Edmund, Parksville Adult Day Programme \$ 3,500

<i>Spirituality Beyond Borders</i>	\$ 5,000
<i>St. Mary Magdalen, Mayne Island</i>	\$ 2,500
<i>St. George, Cadboro bay Upper Hall Renovation</i>	up to \$ 4,000
<i>Church of the Advent, Summer Day Camp</i>	up to \$ 2,500

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

7. Other business

There was no other business.

8. Closing Reflections

Juli Mallett offered a closing reflection.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm with The Grace.