

**THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**

**MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL SUB-EXECUTIVE**

**MINUTES**

**Friday, April 28, 2023 (video conference call)**

The Sub-Executive of the General Council of The United Church of Canada held a meeting beginning at 3 p.m. (Eastern) on Friday, April 28, 2023 by video conference call.

**Attendance**

**Voting Members:** Richard Bott, Teresa Burnett-Cole, Jennifer Henry (acting General Secretary), Carmen Lansdowne, Arlyce Schiebout (alternate)

**Regrets:** Catherine Glover, Michael Blair

**Resource:** Diane Bosman

**Constituting the Meeting**

The Moderator, Carmen Lansdowne, constituted the meeting of the Sub-Executive: " Au nom de Notre Seigneur, Jésus-Christ, seul chef souverain de l'Église, et par l'autorité qui m'a été conférée par le quarante-quatrième Conseil général, I hereby declare this meeting of the Sub-Executive of the General Council to be in session for the work that may properly be brought before it to the glory of God."

**Procedural Motions**

**Motion: Jennifer Henry/Teresa Burnett-Cole**

**2023-04-28-028**

That Shirley Welch be appointed recording secretary, and that Diane Bosman, be resource staff for this meeting of the Sub-Executive of the General Council.

**Carried**

**Minutes of the Sub-Executive of the General Council**

**Motion: Richard Bott/Teresa Burnett-Cole**

**2023-04-28-029**

That the Sub-Executive of the General Council approve the minutes of the last Sub-Executive meeting held on January 12, 2023.

**Carried**

**NOM 04 Recommendations for Appointment**

Diane Bosman, Resource Staff to the Nominations Committee, introduced this proposal. Affirmation and gratitude was expressed for the work done by the Nominations Committee.

**Motion: Richard Bott/Arlyce Schiebout**

**2023-04-28-030**

The Nominations Committee recommends that the General Council Sub-Executive

Appoint or reappoint the following members with terms as noted:

**General Council 45 Planning Committee (November 2025)**

- Kenji Marui (Ordained Minister, Antler River Watershed), *Business Coordinator*

*For information, as invited by the General Secretary:*

- Taylor Croissant (Ordained Minister, Chinook Winds, *Committee Chair*)
- Miriam Spies (Ordained Minister, Horseshoe Falls), *Worship Coordinator*

**General Council Executive (46th General Council 2028)**

*Pending confirmation at the next regular meeting of the General Council*

- David Leyton-Brown (Lay Person, Shining Waters)

**Muslim Christian Liaison Committee (May 2026)**

- Takouhi Demirdjian-Petro (Ordained Minister, Eastern Ontario Outaouais)

**Indigenous Justice Advisory Committee, Settlers (March 2026)**

- Robin McGauley (Ordained Minister, Western Ontario Waterways), *second term*
- Debbie Hubbard (Lay Person, Northern Spirit), *second term*
- Daniel Reed (Ordained Minister, Shining Waters), *second term*

**Pension Board, Specialist (June 2026)**

*With the joint recommendation of the Pension Board and the Nominations Committee*

- Katharine Preston (Lay Person), *third term*

**Pension Plan Advisory Committee, Specialist (June 2026)**

*With the joint recommendation of the Pension Board and the Nominations Committee*

- Laura Newman (Lay Person), *second term*

**Carried**

**Remit – Indigenous Church**

Teresa Burnett-Cole raised a concern that she has encountered many communities of faith who report not having received the remit information packages. She noted concern about the general lack of knowledge about this important piece of work. Jennifer Henry confirmed that she will follow up.

The Moderator thanked everyone present for their participation in this meeting and closed with a prayer.

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Carmen Lansdowne, Moderator

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Jennifer Henry, Acting General Secretary