

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

MEETING OF THE SUB-EXECUTIVE OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

MINUTES

April 13, 2006

(Teleconference Call)

The Sub-Executive of the General Council of The United Church of Canada met from 11:00 a.m. EDT until 11:40 a.m. on Thursday, April 13, 2006, by teleconference call. The Moderator, The Right Reverend Peter Short, presided.

ATTENDANCE

Voting Members

Anne-Marie Carmoy, David Giuliano, James Jackson, Stephen Mabee, Barbara Rafuse, Donald Koots, Marion Pardy, Peter Short, Jim Sinclair, Michelle Slater, George Takashima, Kent Ward

Corresponding Members

Janet McDonald, Carol Hancock, Kim Uyede-Kai, Ian Fraser, Bruce Gregersen

Regrets: Lynn Boothroyd

The moderator welcomed and thanked everyone for coming out on Maundy Thursday and spoke on the season of Lent. The Moderator opened with prayer.

CONSTITUTING THE MEETING

The Moderator constituted the meeting with the following words:

"Au nom de Notre Seigneur, Jésus-Christ, seul chef souverain de l'Église, et par l'autorité qui m'a été conférée par le 38ième Conseil général, je déclare ouvert, par la présente, le sous-exécutif du Conseil général et ses travaux dans l'intérêt du Royaume de Dieu."

"In the Name of Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, and by the authority vested in me by the 38th General Council, 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

Corresponding Members

Motion: Jim Sinclair/Stephen Mabee

2006-04-13-344

That Ian Fraser, Bruce Gregersen, Janet McDonald, Carol Hancock, and Kim Uyede-Kai are made corresponding members for this meeting and that Terry Beaumont be the recording secretary for this meeting of the Sub-Executive.

Carried

Minutes of the Sub-Executive of the General Council

Motion: Don Koots/Jim Jackson

2006-04-13-345

That the minutes of the Sub-Executive of the General Council for February 28, 2006 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

APPOINTMENTS

Ian gave background information on the Information Technology Service Unit and the decision to hire an Executive Officer. This position was advertised both internally and externally with six candidates interviewed from a field of thirty.

The selection committee was composed of Michael Burke (Ministry and Employment Policies and Services), Ian Fraser (Supervisor), Don Hunter (Permanent Committee on Finance), and Paul Stott (Executive of the General Council). Anne Kline (Permanent Committee on Finance), and Shawn Keown (Permanent Committee on Finance) were unavailable to attend due to conflicting schedules.

Ian gave a brief education and background history of the candidate recommended by the Selection Committee.

An offer of employment, subject to appointment by the Sub-Executive, is acceptable to the candidate.

Executive Officer, Information Technology Services

Motion: David Giuliano/George Takashima

2006-04-13-346

That the Sub-Executive of the General Council appoint Vanda Orsini as Executive Officer, Information Technology Services.

Carried

Voting Member of the Executive of the General Council

Motion: Marion Pardy/Don Koots

2006-04-13-347

That the Sub-Executive of the General Council appoint Carmen Lansdowne, a member of The United Church of Canada as a voting member of the Executive of the General Council by virtue of her election to the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches [see manual 521 (g)].

Carried

NARAMATA CENTRE, MORTGAGE LOAN (see supporting documents)

Whereas the Board of Directors of Naramata Centre will be requesting approval at the 2006 Annual General Meeting of Naramata Centre to borrow the sum of \$150,000 by way of a mortgage loan for a term of 3-5 years;

And whereas the purpose of the loan is to fund the operating loss incurred by Naramata Centre in 2004 (approximately \$105,000), and to repay the Centre's operating fund for capital expenditures (\$45,000) made from the operating fund rather than the capital fund, all as more particularly outlined in the letter dated March 14, 2006 from Naramata Centre to B.C. Conference;

And whereas the by-laws for Naramata Centre require the approval of B.C. Conference and the General Council for any mortgage by Naramata Centre for a term of 5 years or more;

And whereas B.C. Conference, as Supervising Court, has given approval of this mortgage loan to Naramata Centre.

Motion: Michelle Slater/Don Koots**2006-04-13-348**

That the Sub-Executive of the General Council approve the borrowing by Naramata Centre of the sum of \$150,000 by way of a mortgage loan for a term of 3-5 years, for the purpose of funding the operating loss incurred by Naramata Centre in 2004, and repaying the Centre's operating fund for capital expenditures made from the operating fund rather than the capital fund.

Carried**Residential School Settlement – for information only**

Jim briefed the committee that the General Council Office will be sending out the draft legal agreement within the next week. The General Secretary will be asking the council to give permission for the General Secretary to sign the document when appropriate.

Closing

Peter concluded the meeting with blessings. The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Moderator, Peter Short

General Secretary, Jim Sinclair