

## THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

### MEETING OF THE SUB-EXECUTIVE OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL MINUTES

**Monday, December 6, 2010  
(Teleconference Call)**

The Sub-Executive of the General Council of The United Church of Canada met from 3:00 p.m. EST until 4:32 p.m. on Monday, December 6, 2010, by teleconference call. The Past Moderator, The Very Reverend David Giuliano, presided.

#### **Attendance**

**Voting Members:** Heather Burton, Shirley Cleave, Brian Cornelius, David Giuliano, Bruce Hutchinson, Amber Ing, Betty Kelly, Louise Rogers, Nora Sanders, Paul Stott.

**Regrets:** Mardi Tindal, Barbara White

#### **Constitution of the Meeting**

The Past Moderator opened the meeting with a moment of prayer. We remembered our Moderator who is in the Philippines today.

The Past 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 39e Conseil général, je déclare ouvert, par la présente, le sous-exécutif du Conseil général et ses travaux pour chercher à bâtir le Royaume de Dieu."

"In the Name of Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, and by the authority vested in me by the 39th 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**

**Motion: Nora Sanders/Amber Ing**

**2010-12-06-112**

That Alan Hall, Bill Kennedy, Beth Moore, Michael Blair, Maggie McLeod, Bruce Gregersen and Karen Smart be the corresponding members, and that Karen Smart be the recording secretary for this meeting of the Sub-Executive.

**CARRIED**

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

**Motion: Heather Burton/Bruce Hutchinson**

**2010-12-06-113**

That the Sub-Executive of the General Council approve the corrected minutes of the Sub-Executive of the General Council meeting held on September 30, 2010.

**Sale of Woodgreen United Church property (Toronto).**

Beth Moore joined this portion of the meeting as our legal counsel. Appraisals have been completed. The offer is in range of the market value.

**Motion: Paul Stott/Louise Rogers**

**2010-12-06-114**

That the Sub-Executive:

- (i) approve the sale of the property located at 875 Queen Street East, Toronto, substantially on the terms set out in an Agreement of Purchase and Sale dated October 28, 2010 between The United Church of Canada and Woodgreen Red Door Family Shelter;
- (ii) ratify and confirm the execution and delivery of the Agreement of Purchase and Sale by the Executive Secretary of Toronto Conference on behalf of The United Church of Canada; and
- (iii) authorize and direct the signing of the transfer/deed and all other closing documents for the sale in accordance with Section 515 of The Manual.

**CARRIED.**

Beth Moore left the meeting at 3:18 p.m.

**Implementation Date for the Sexual Abuse Prevention and Response**

Alan Hall explained the documents were not ready at the time of the Executive of General Council, but are now available. April 1<sup>st</sup> is the beginning of the second quarter.

**Motion: Brian Cornelius/Heather Burton**

**2010-12-06-115**

That the Sub Executive of the General Council implement the changes to the Sexual Abuse Policy and Procedures of The United Church of Canada (renamed the Sexual Abuse Prevention and Response Policy and Procedures) to come into effect on April 1, 2011.

**CARRIED.**

Alan offered an update on Settlement Incentives. There will likely be a recommendation to bring forward after the 16<sup>th</sup> of December. Monday, January 10 at 3 p.m. is the proposed meeting date for the Sub-Executive of General Council. Alan Hall excused himself from the meeting at 3:24 p.m.

**Nominations Report**

**Accommodations Working Group:**

There was considerable discussion about the outcome of having members on the task group who are resident in two but not all three of the conferences which wish to host the national office. Bruce Hutchison advised that Nominations had a fulsome conversation. Diane Bosman put out a second call for applicants from the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario. Terms of Reference had been reviewed in light of the skills of these people and the Nominations Committee felt that these were the right people to do this work.

**Motion: Bruce Hutchinson/Paul /Stott****2010-12-06-116**

That the Sub-Executive of the General Council appoint the following members to serve:

General Council Office Accommodations Working Group:

- a. Louise Rogers (Lay ANW Conference)
- b. Brian Cornelius (OM M& Conference)
- c. Heather Burton (OM BC Conference)
- d. Don Hunter (Lay Tor), as named by the Permanent Committee on Finance
- e. Charles McMillan (Lay Lon), named by the Permanent Committee on Governance and Agenda.

Interest was declared and Abstentions noted by Louise Rogers, Brian Cornelius and Heather Burton.

**CARRIED.**

**Motion: Bruce Hutchinson/Amber Ing****2010-12-06-117**

That the Sub-Executive of the General Council appoint the following members to serve:

Communities in Mission Unit-Wide Committee (GC41, August 2012)

- f. Mitchell Anderson (Lay Sask)
- g. Eiko Hosaka (OM Tor), as named by the Japanese Association.

**CARRIED.**

**2010 Emergent Funds Related to the Amalgamation of the Two Aboriginal Schools**

Nora Sanders reminded us that \$1,000,000 has been set aside for emerging work. To date \$471,000 has been allocated. Maggie McLeod spoke about the meetings between these two schools in Edmonton this weekend. Concerns had been shared and trust was built. It is understood that the funds will not be spent within 2010. The breakdown of this allocation varied from the original proposal to be as follows:

**Transition Budget - Aboriginal Schools Consolidation**

Consultations (shared with AMC)	10,000
Employer Obligations & Move	90,000
Bridge and Transitional Funding	<u>100,000</u>
Total	\$200,000

**Motion: Brian Cornelius/Betty Kelly****2010-12-06-118**

That the Sub-Executive of the Executive of General Council approve the allocation of up to \$200,000 from the 2010 Emergent Budget Line towards the transitional cost related to the amalgamation of the two Aboriginal schools – The Francis Sandy Theological Centre and the Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre.

**CARRIED.**

**Funding of Church-Wide Survey in 2011 to Contribute to Understanding Issues of Identity**

Nora Sanders introduced the motion. Bruce Gregersen spoke to three movements (the intercultural movement, the question of the funding base of the church and the release of the demographics study) which have led from the idea of a census to a survey.

**Motion: Amber Ing/Betty Kelly**

**2010-12-06-119**

That the Sub-Executive of the Executive of General Council approve the allocation of \$150,000 from the 2010 Emergent Budget Line towards the conduct of a church-wide survey in 2011 to contribute to an understanding of key issues in the identity of The United Church of Canada.

**CARRIED.**

The Past Moderator thanked us for our discussion and concluded the meeting with a prayer at 4:32 p.m.

Nora Sanders thanked David Giuliano for chairing this meeting.

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Past Moderator, The Very Rev. David Giuliano

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General Secretary, Nora Sanders