

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
MEETING OF THE SUB-EXECUTIVE OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
Thursday, January 26, 2012
(Teleconference Call)

The Sub-Executive of the General Council of The United Church of Canada met from 12:30 p.m. EST until 1:23 p.m. on January 26, 2012, by teleconference call. The Moderator Mardi Tindal presided.

Attendance

Voting Members: Heather Burton, Brian Cornelius, Betty Kelly, Amber Ing, Louise Rogers, Nora Sanders, Paul Stott, Mardi Tindal, Barbara White

Regrets: Shirley Cleave, David Giuliano, Bruce Hutchinson

Welcome

The Moderator Mardi Tindal welcomed the Sub-Executive of the General Council to the meeting. She asked the Sub-executive members how winter was treating them. She spoke about how we are holding David Giuliano in our prayers during this time of grief due to his father's passing (Bob Giuliano). The Moderator read her letter which will be given to David Giuliano to read at Bob Giuliano's memorial service.

The Moderator then opened with a prayer.

Constituting the Meeting

"Au nom de Notre Seigneur, Jésus-Christ, seul chef souverain de l'Église, et par l'autorité qui m'a été conférée par le 40e 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 40th 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

2012-01-26-194

That Erik Mathiesen, Heather McLean and Karen Smart be the corresponding members, and that Susan Sigal be the recording secretary for this meeting of the Sub-Executive.

Carried

Minutes of the Sub-Executive of the General Council

Motion: Paul Stott/Brian Cornelius

2012-01-26-195

That the Sub-Executive of the General Council approve the minutes of the Sub-Executive of the General Council meetings held on November 28, 2011, December 8, 2011 and January 10, 2012.

Carried

Amendment to Sub-Executive minutes of November 28, 2012.

Paul Stott asked that two sentences of the section entitled Appointment of Conference Executive Secretary, Bay of Quinte Conference be changed to read:

- 1) “We are keeping the identity of the appointee completely confidential until January 8, 2012.”
- 2) Carol Hancock will be requesting another Sub-Executive meeting the middle of January 2012 for appointment of NFLD/Labrador Conference Executive Secretary.”

Sale of former Empress United Church property by United Church Council of Middlesex Presbytery

Heather McLean spoke to the sale of this property. The church is located in a residential area near downtown London, Ontario. The building will be used as an outreach to the community. Nora Sanders thanked Heather McLean for her service as Conference Executive Secretary for London conference as this is her second last day.

Motion: Barbara White /Betty Kelly

2012-01-26-196

That the Sub-Executive of the General Council approve the sale of the property known municipally as 75 Blackfriars, London, ON, which is the former site of Empress United Church and is now owned by United Church Council of Middlesex Presbytery, for a sale price of \$880,000 and on the other terms set out in the Agreement of Purchase and Sale with Southside Construction Management Limited (purchaser).

Carried

Information Item – Update on Office Location Process and Next Steps

Nora Sanders and Erik Mathiesen gave an update on the relocation of the General Council office.

Detailed proposals for the two projects are due Friday, February 3, 2012.

Nora Sanders would appreciate being able to use the former Working Group members as a resource as she works through the proposals.

It was suggested by Paul Stott that the Sub-Executive of the General Council encourage the General Secretary as she thought best to work with particularly the members of the former Working Group on the upcoming proposals with regard to the relocation of the General Council office.

Nora Sanders indicated the desire to bring a proposal to the Sub-Executive of the General Council for decision prior to the next Executive of the General Council in March 2012. Paul Stott also reminded the Sub-Executive members that the motion from the last Executive of the General Council in November 2011 stated that the final relocation of The General Council office decision can be made by either the Sub-Executive of the General Council or during the next Executive of the General Council in March 2012.

Point of personal privilege

Heather Burton thanked Moderator Mardi Tindal for the letter of appreciation she received from her to thank Heather for her service on the Executive of the General Council.

The Moderator closed with a prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 1: 23 p.m.

Moderator, Mardi Tindal

General Secretary, Nora Sanders