

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL SUB-EXECUTIVE
MINUTES
Tuesday, March 11, 2025 (video conference call)

The Sub-Executive of the General Council of The United Church of Canada held a meeting by video conference call on Tuesday, March 11, 2025.

Voting Members: Katherine Brittain, Richard Bott, Alan Hall, Carmen Lansdowne, Jane McDonald

Resource: Jennifer Henry, Jennifer Janzen-Ball, Harry Li, Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa, Nicole Treksler

Welcome

The Moderator welcomed the Sub-Executive.

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 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."

Unfinished Business from the March 7 meeting of the Executive of the General Council.

The Moderator thanked Jane McDonald and Katherine Brittain for filling in for those who could not be here.

The Moderator invited acting General Secretary, Alan Hall, to introduce the unfinished business from the March 7 meeting of the Executive of the General Council.

The acting General Secretary noted that three proposals were not dealt with at the most recent meeting of the Executive, and that they have some urgency for decision-making. These being proposals GS 143 Future of Fundraising in the Church, GS 144 Increase Loan to Captive Insurance Entity, and GS 145 Authorizing the Signing of the Unanimous Shareholder Agreement. The Executive reviewed notes taken during the most recent meeting and dealt with each proposal in turn.

GS 143 Future of Fundraising in the Church

The Moderator invited the acting General Secretary to introduce this proposal. The acting General Secretary introduced the proposal, and invited Sarah Charters, Executive Minister, Philanthropy, and President, United Church of Canada Foundation, to answer any questions. There was time for questions and comments

Approved Motion 2025-12-09-037

Motion: Richard Bott/ Jane McDonald

2025-03-11-187

The Sub-Executive of the General Council:

- a. **Directs the General Secretary to begin negotiations and sign an agreement with the Board of The United Church of Canada Foundation to undertake the responsibility for fundraising for Mission and Service including special appeals for emergencies, etc.**

Carried

GS 144 Increase Loan to Captive Insurance Entity

The Moderator invited the acting General Secretary to introduce this proposal. Alan Hall invited Harry Li, Executive Officer, Finance, to answer any questions.

There was time for questions and comments.

Motion: Jane McDonald/ Katherine Brittain

2025-03-11-188

The Sub-Executive of the General Council:

- a. **approves additional funding of up to \$1.5 million for the captive insurance company through a loan to the Common Good Foundation.**
- b. **directs the General Secretary to recommend to the Executive transparent processes for oversight, reporting, and evaluation of the program with benchmarks for organizational and financial health.**

Carried

GS 145 Authorizing the Signing of the Unanimous Shareholder Agreement

The Moderator invited Alan Hall to introduce GS 145 Authorizing the Signing of the Unanimous Shareholder Agreement. Alan Hall reminded the Sub-Executive of the discussion had regarding this proposal at the most recent Executive Meeting.

There was time for questions and comments.

Motion: Jane McDonald/ Richard Bott

2025-03-11-189

The Sub-Executive of the General Council:

- a. **directs the General Secretary along with the Executive Officer Finance (CFO) to sign the Unanimous Shareholder Agreement (USA and ancillary documents for Kindred Works Inc.) as negotiated.**
- b. **authorizes the establishment of a new United Property Resource Corporation, and**
- c. **appoints Harry Li and Jennifer Henry as interim Directors for the new United Property Resource Corporation.**

Carried

GS 146 Memorandum of Understanding: Mount Allison University and The United Church of Canada

The Moderator invited Alan Hall to introduce Jennifer Janzen-Ball to discuss the proposal before the Sub-Executive. Jennifer Janzen-Ball gave some background on the proposal, noting that this formalizes what has been happening in practice, and is brought to this body for ratification. It is similar to other such agreements that the church has signed with educational institutions.

There was time for questions and comments.

Motion: Richard Bott/ Jane McDonald

2025-03-11-190

The Sub-Executive of the General Council:

- a. **approves the Memorandum of Understanding between Mount Allison University and The United Church of Canada as appended, and authorizes the General Secretary and the Executive Minister, Theology and Ministry Leadership, to sign the Memorandum as appended.**

Carried

The Moderator closed in prayer.



Moderator, Carmen Lansdowne



Acting General Secretary, Alan Hall