



THE ANGLICAN SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of September 24, 2020 - Virtual meeting using ZOOM.US platform

EX OFFICIO

Bishop	Vacant
Chancellor	Bob Gill
Vice Chancellor	Vacant
Dean and Diocesan Administrator	The Very Rev. M. Ansley Tucker
Registrar	Nathan Lampard
Lay Secretary	Canon Elaine Ellison
Clerical Secretary	The Rev. Paul Schumacher
Treasurer	Michael Murgatroyd

ELECTED BY SYNOD

The Venerable Dr. Dawna Wall	The Venerable Clara Plamondon
Don Wilson	Michael Wolff
Joan Hoffman	Penny Holt
Ashley Blair R	Aleesha Barkemeier R

ELECTED REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

The Rev. Juli Mallet	Walter Stewart
The Rev. Patrick Sibley R	Lynn Schumacher
The Rev. Aneeta Saroop	Denise Ropp
The Rev. Heather Cutten	Ed Norman

APPOINTED

The Rev. David Chillman
Boyd Shaw

STAFF

The Ven. J. Barry Foster, Executive Officer
Gail Gauthier, Finance Officer
Catherine Pate, Communications Officer
Brendon Neilson, Vision Animator R

GUESTS (with voice, no vote)

Faith in Foundation: Asset Management • Financial Resources • Effective Communication • Current Ministries
• Shared and Remote Ministries

RENEWED HEARTS RENEWED SPIRITS RENEWED PEOPLE

Welcome

The diocesan administrator, Ansley Tucker, opened the meeting and welcomed the members of diocesan council. Ansley thanked the members of council for joining in this virtual meeting on the Zoom platform. She offered thanks to all the members of synod staff, the diocesan officers, and the planning and agenda team for their diligent work over the past many months leading up to this episcopal election.

Barry Foster offered a prayer.

The Dean asked if there were any changes to the agenda: The chancellor requested that Item #3 be removed from the consent agenda for reasons of clarification.

Consent Agenda

- a) Regrets for Absence - The clerical secretary noted the regrets for absence from this council meeting. There was one voting member, plus two youth voting members of council absent.
- b) Consent agenda approval:
 1. June 25, 2020 Diocesan Council minutes.
 2. Receiving of the minutes and supporting materials of the Finance committee meeting held September 17, 2020.

MOVED BY: Walter Stewart

SECONDED BY: Michael Murgatroyd

That the remaining items listed as part of the consent agenda were accepted.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

The chancellor spoke about the recommendation to diocesan council to suggest to parishes that they provide a 0.7% increase in wages to lay staff for the year 2021.

MOVED BY: Bob Gill

SECONDED BY: Penny Holt

That Diocesan Council recommends to all parishes that they provide a 0.7% wage increase for each lay staff person for the year 2021.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

3. Motions from Finance Committee meeting held September 17, 2020 for Diocesan Council ratification.

MOVED BY: Walter Stewart

SECONDED BY: Aneeta Saroop

That Diocesan Council ratify the recommended motions as presented by the Finance Committee, September 17, 2020.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

Property Advisor's Report

St. Peter and St. Paul, Esquimalt – Ministry Centre update – For Information Only
A further report will be forthcoming in October 2020.

St. Philip, Cedar – Memorandum of Understanding

MOVED BY: Ed Norman
SECONDED BY: Clara Plamondon

That Diocesan council approves signing an MOU between Island Crisis care Society and the Synod of the Anglican Diocese of British Columbia so the Society can apply for feasibility study funding from BC Housing.

The feasibility study would examine the suitability of St Philip, Cedar as a potential site for an affordable housing project sponsored by the Island Crisis Care Society.

A period of discussion and questions followed.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

Electronic Election Process

Catherine Pate reviewed the electronic election process and spoke briefly about the need for all delegates and clergy to take part in a dress rehearsal of the voting procedure and platform. Details of the time and date of this opportunity to test the platform have been sent out to all delegates and active clergy.

Diocesan council members asked many questions and clarification of many points of concern regarding the process.

Other Business – None

Closing Reflection

The Dean thanked all in attendance for their commitment to the life of the Diocese.

Clara Plamondon offered thanks to the staff, the executive officer, and the Dean for their work in moving this process toward a successful completion.

David Chillman asked for our continued prayers for the organizing team, the volunteers, and the technical crew preparing for the episcopal election.

With no further business, the Dean offered a prayer for the candidates. She then asked Heater Cutten to offer the dismissal.

The meeting adjourned at 10:51 AM.

Next Scheduled Diocesan Council meeting
Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 10:00 am by Zoom Platform