

**The United Church of Canada
Winnipeg Presbytery – General Meeting
October 10, 2017**

The regular General Meeting of Winnipeg Presbytery was held on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at St. Mary's Road United Church with the Chair of Presbytery, Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd, presiding.

Attendance: 83

Quorum: Yes

Personnel in Paid Accountable Ministry in Pastoral Charges and Community Ministries

Best, Mary	Kury, Joanne	Rutherford, Beth
Campbell, Robert	Malavsky, Milly	Shepherd, Loraine MacKenzie
Cho, Kwang Beom	Maxwell, Cathy	Suministrado, Noel
Fletcher, Carol	McConnell, Sherri	Taylor, Gordon
Gilbert, Bob	Millar, Bill	Tilleman, Susan
Greenwood, Irene	Moysey, Teresa	Trono, Lynda
Johnson, Don	Murray, Deborah	Walker, Janet
Kang, Min-Goo	Park, Ha Na	Whitehead, Marc
Kinsman, Cathy	Read, Philip	Woodbeck, Patrick

Personnel under Appointment by General Council, Conference or Presbytery

Manley-Tannis, Richard

Personnel without Settlement or Engaged in Other Employment with the Permission of Presbytery

Compton, Adel	Fox, Lesley	Stewart, Lori
Douglas, Caryn	Naylor, Ann	

Personnel Regularly Retired from Paid Accountable Ministry

Butcher, Dennis	Duncan, Anne	Rainey, Irene
Douglas, Peter	Gillis, Bill	Sanders, Nancy

Lay Representatives and Members at Large

Abra, Katherine	Fabbri, Donna	Rausch, Boyd
Allen, Joyce	Gillis, Diane	Seguire, Marilyn
Antonyshyn, Julia	Hill, Holly	Sexsmith, Del
Arintok, Abraham	Holowka, Deborah	Sheffer, Margaret
Ashdown, Howard	Ketchen, Susan	Sulyma, Carol
Ashton, Vinny	Khadka, Damber	Sutton, Maureen
Barker, Peggy	Latter, Carol	Swan, Rita
Barr, Terry	Leontowich, Greg	Teichroew, Judy
Baschak, Richard	Martindale, Lorrie	Thompson, Warren
Brehaut, Peter	Mattus, Hope	Todd, Patricia
Codd, Shirley	Mian, Heather	Walker, Anne
Colgan, Maureen	Millard, Jo	Wall, Karen
Dwarka, Diane	Miller, Sheron	Windsor, Dorcas
Emberly, Sheldon	Pokotylo, Gaye	Windsor, Kirk

Candidates

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Corresponding Members

Zoske, Maggie

Visitors

Douglas, Elsie

Sanderson, Lynne

Regrets

Armstrong, Jack

Lumley, Karen

Quinn, Doris

Brown, Elizabeth

Hofley, Kathryn

Renwick, Nancy

Cook, Jeff

Magalas, Carol

Rutherford, Dwight

Crouch, Tim

McCarthy, Shannon

Satterly, Mark

DeLisle, Ken

Paul, Linda

Taylor, Ross

Friesen, Heather

Purcell, Gail

We Gather as God's People

1. Call to Order

Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Loraine acknowledged that we are gathered for worship and work in Treaty One territory, which is also the homestead of the Metis Nation. For thousands of years Indigenous Peoples walked this land and knew it to be the centre of their lives and their spirituality.

Loraine announced that Westminster United Church would be celebrating its 125th anniversary on November 5. Congratulations were extended by the court.

2. Welcome & Introductions

Sherry McConnell introduced Lynne Sanderson from Gladstone, Manitoba, who would be participating in the panel discussion on Remit 6.

Patrick Woodbeck introduced Howard Ashdown, the new lay representative from Windsor Park United Church.

3. Opening Worship/Prayer

Josh Ward from St. Matthew's-Maryland Community Ministry led the opening worship.

4. Welcome from Host Group

Philip Read welcomed everyone to the meeting on behalf of the Host Group.

5. Omnibus Motion A – Procedural Motions 150/2017/2017 - 153/2017

Moved: Patrick Woodbeck Seconded: Joanne Kury

150/2017 Courtesy: "That all visitors and guests be made corresponding members for this meeting of Winnipeg Presbytery

151/2017 Agenda: That the agenda for this meeting be approved as presented

152/2017 Minutes: That the minutes of the Executive Meeting of August 29, 2017, be received for information (pages 8906-8913)

153/2017 Minutes: That the draft Minutes of the Winnipeg Presbytery General Meeting of September 12, 2017, be approved (pages 8914-8919)."

CARRIED

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We Listen for the Spirit as We Work Together

6. Nominating Committee

Patrick Woodbeck, the Chair of the Nominating Committee, expressed the need for two individuals to serve on the Education and Students Committee – one lay representative and one ordered ministry person. Interested persons may contact Patrick Woodbeck at wpucrev2@mymts.net or 204-256-8792.

7. Joint Pastoral Relations

Mary Best thanked ministry personnel who brought their Police Records Check to be viewed prior to the meeting. There would be additional times for those who still need to do so.

Mary reminded those who had not yet filled out forms to be retained on the roll to do so at their earliest opportunity. For those who choose not to fill out the forms for two consecutive years, they may be placed on the Discontinued Service List (DSL).

Motion 154/2017 – Request for Retirement – Joanne Kury

Moved: Mary Best

Seconded: Beth Rutherford

“That Winnipeg Presbytery approve the request of Joanne Kury to retire from active ministry as of June 30, 2018, and recommends her retirement to the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario for action.”

CARRIED

Motion 155/2017 – Leslie Clark – Retained on the Roll

Moved: Mary Best

Seconded: Beth Rutherford

“Having received a completed PR442 Retained on the Roll, that Leslie Clark be retained on the roll of Winnipeg Presbytery effective immediately until June 30, 2018.”

CARRIED

8.a Mission Support Grants Recommendations

Dorcas Windsor reported that she and Linda Paul were appointed by the Executive to review the applications again this year. Dorcas reviewed the distributed report and commented that there had been applications submitted from other Presbyteries, besides the ones from Winnipeg Presbytery.

Motion 156/2017 – Mission & Service (M&S) Fund Block Grant – 2018

Moved: Dorcas Windsor

Seconded: Milly Malavsky

“That Winnipeg Presbytery request a Mission and Service (M&S) Fund Block Grant of \$136,000 from the Conference Mission Support Grants Committee to be allocated as follows: \$34,000-Oak Table; \$34,000-St. Matthew’s-Maryland; \$34,000-West Broadway; \$34,000-Indigenous Elder for 1JustCity/North End Stella.”

CARRIED

After the motion was carried, questions were raised about the implication of the motion’s passage for the 1JustCity application for a grant. A motion to reconsider was then put forward.

Motion 157/2017 – Motion to Reconsider Motion 156/2017

Moved: Gordon Taylor

Seconded: Irene Rainey

“That Winnipeg Presbytery reconsider Motion 156/2017.”

CARRIED

During the reconsideration of the motion, the question was raised as to whether a friendly amendment might be framed in light of concerns raised related to 1JustCity. None was immediately forthcoming but a second motion was put forward.

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Motion 158/2017 – Motion 156/2017 To Be Tabled Until After the Break

Moved: Joanne Kury

Seconded: Patricia Todd

“That Motion 156/2017 be tabled until after the break.

CARRIED

All Purpose Break

8.b Mission Support Grants Recommendations

The chair lifted Motion 156/2017 from the table and opened the floor for discussion.

It was noted by Irene Rainey that the priority of the 1JustCity was for the funding of the Indigenous Spiritual Caregiver.

Josh Ward reported that representatives of 1JustCity had met during the break and were prepared to recommend that the court pass the motion as originally put. Josh indicated that 1JustCity would do further work to see what proposal it might put before Presbytery later in the year.

The motion was then put to a vote.

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Dorcas Windsor commented that she would be taking these recommendations to the Conference Mission Support Grants Committee Meeting on October 17, 2017 on behalf of Winnipeg Presbytery. Dorcas cautioned that although these amounts are being recommended by Winnipeg Presbytery, these amounts may be adjusted by this committee.

9. Remit 6: One Order of Ministry Presentation & Discussion

Janet Walker chaired this portion of the meeting.

Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd (Ordained Minister), Lynne Sanderson (Designated Lay Minister), Patrick Woodbeck (Candidate for Ordained Ministry) and Sherri McConnell (Diaconal Minister) presented the various views on the proposed Remit 6: One Order of Ministry.

Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd returned to the chair.

We Continue to Listen and Respond

10. United Church Regional Boundaries Conversation

Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd introduced the United Church regional boundaries conversation and the three questions that were proposed by the Boundaries Commission to be discussed by Presbyteries. The three questions discussed at table groups were:

- 1) What criteria should the Boundaries Commission use to establish the number of regions and the placing of boundaries?
- 2) Specifically speak to geography, what is relevant in your area geographically (travel patterns, time zones, flight access).

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3) What else do you want the commission to know?

The concerns/questions from the table groups to be forwarded to the Boundaries Commission through Shannon McCarthy, are attached to the permanent record book as **Appendix 17-XVIII**.

Motion 159/2017 – Motion to Extend Meeting Time

Moved: Carol Fletcher

Seconded: Gerta de Jong

“That Winnipeg Presbytery agreed to extend the meeting time for ten minutes.”

CARRIED

11. Ministry Update

Philip Read gave an update from St. Mary’s Road United Church.

We Go in Faith

12. Courtesies/Closing Worship/Prayer

Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd thanked the Host Group: St. Mary’s Road United Church, Churchill Park United Church, Korean United Church and St. Matthew’s-Maryland Community Ministry.

Josh Ward from St. Matthew’s-Maryland Community Ministry led the closing prayer.

13. Adjournment

Patricia Todd moved for adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 9:20pm.

Maggie Zoske
Recorder

Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd, Chair

Linda Paul, Secretary

