

**The United Church of Canada  
Winnipeg Presbytery – General Meeting  
April 10, 2018**

**The regular General Meeting of Winnipeg Presbytery was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018, at Harrow 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**

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|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| Bleue, Tammy     | Kinsman, Cathy    | Satterly, Mark              |
| Brown, Elizabeth | Kury, Joanne      | Shepherd, Loraine MacKenzie |
| Campbell, Robert | Lumley, Karen     | Suministrado, Noel          |
| DeLisle, Ken     | McConnell, Sherri | Taylor, Gordon              |
| Fletcher, Carol  | Moysey, Teresa    | Trono, Lynda                |
| Gilbert, Bob     | Murray, Deborah   | Walker, Janet               |
| Greenwood, Irene | Park, Ha Na       | Ward, Josh                  |
| Johnson, Don     | Rutherford, Beth  | Woodbeck, Patrick           |
| Kang, Min-Goo    |                   |                             |

**Personnel under Appointment by General Council, Conference or Presbytery**

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| Blaikie Whitecloud, Tessa | Harrison Lesley | Manley-Tannis, Richard |
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**Personnel without Settlement or Engaged in Other Employment with the Permission of Presbytery**

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| Blaikie, Bill | Compton, Adel | Fox, Lesley |
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**Personnel Regularly Retired from Paid Accountable Ministry**

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| Anstie, Ken    | Douglas, Peter | Millar, Bill |
| Cooke, Richard | Gillis, Bill   |              |

**Lay Representatives and Members at Large**

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|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Allen, Joyce     | Holowka, Deborah   | Rausch, Boyd     |
| Arintok, Abraham | Ketchen, Susan     | Renwick, Nancy   |
| Armstrong, Jack  | Khadka, Damber     | Seguire, Marilyn |
| Ashton, Vinny    | Kuras, Betty       | Sexsmith, Del    |
| Barnett, Ted     | Kyung, Myung soo   | Smith, Michele   |
| Barr, Terry      | Leontowich, Greg   | Sulyma, Carol    |
| Baschak, Richard | Martindale, Lorrie | Sutton, Maureen  |
| Brehaut, Peter   | Mattus, Hope       | Swan, Rita       |
| Codd, Shirley    | McConnell, Wanda   | Teichroew, Judy  |
| de Jong, Gerta   | Millard, Jo        | Todd, Patricia   |
| Dwarka, Diane    | Miller, Sheron     | Walker, Anne     |
| Emberly, Sheldon | Paul, Linda        | Wall, Karen      |
| Gaburno, Wilma   | Purcell, Gail      | Windsor, Dorcas  |
| Gershuny, Alan   | Quinn, Doris       | Windsor, Kirk    |
| Gillis, Diane    |                    |                  |

**Candidates**

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**Corresponding Members**

MacAuley, Scott                                  Zoske, Maggie

**Visitors**

Douglas, Elsie                                      Smith, Karen    Whitecloud, Hanwakan

**Regrets**

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|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Best, Mary      | Hill, Holly     | Owens, Michelle    |
| Colgan, Maureen | Hofley, Kathryn | Rutherford, Dwight |
| Cooke, Jeff     | Malavsky, Milly | Stewart, Lori      |
| Douglas, Caryn  | Pokotylo, Gaye  | Whitehead, Marc    |
| Duncan, Anne    |                 |                    |

**We Gather as God's People**

**1. Call to Order**

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

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.

**2. Welcome & Introductions**

Hanwakan Whitecloud, Tessa Blaikie Whitecloud's partner, was introduced to the court.

Cathy Kinsman introduced Tammy Bleue, Student Supply from St. Mary's Road United Church.

Ken DeLisle introduced Wanda McConnell, the new lay representative from John Black Memorial United Church.

**3. Opening Worship/Prayer**

Min-Goo Kang from Fort Garry United Church and Diane Dwarka from The United Church in Meadowood led the opening worship.

**4. Welcome from Host Group**

Teresa Moysey, from Harrow United Church, invited everyone to the meeting on behalf of the Host Group.

**5. Omnibus Motion A – Procedural Motions 058/2018 - 061/2018**

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| Moved: Richard Cooke      | Seconded: Jack Armstrong   |
| <b>058/2018 Courtesy:</b> | “That all visitors and guests be made corresponding members for this meeting of Winnipeg Presbytery                  |
| <b>059/2018 Agenda:</b>   | That the agenda for this meeting be approved as presented  |
| <b>060/2018 Minutes:</b>  | That the minutes of the Executive Meeting of February 27, 2018, be received for information (pages 8967-8975)        |
| <b>061/2018 Minutes:</b>  | That the draft Minutes of the Winnipeg Presbytery General Meeting of March 17, 2018, be approved (pages 8976-8980).” |

**CARRIED**

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Robert Campbell requested Correspondence Item #18-09 from The Hon. M. Mihychuk and the response from the Executive, Correspondence Item #18-24 be released for information. It was agreed Maggie Zoske would forward these items to him.

**We Listen for the Spirit as We Work Together**

**6. Conference Annual Meeting Planning Committee**

Beth Rutherford and Sherri McConnell highlighted the upcoming Conference Annual Meeting, taking place May 24-27 at The University of Manitoba.

The theme for this final gathering of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario is “Remembering, Celebrating, Imagining”. Theme presentations will be “Remembering” led by Ted Dodd and Erin Acland and Holly Berofe of Conference Archives, “Celebrating” through a wide variety of workshops on Friday afternoon (May 25) and “Imagining” with the Conference YAAY Committee.

It was noted that the various Presbyteries were invited to lead worship times during Conference with the exception of Winnipeg Presbytery as local arrangements wanted to maximize its support from Winnipeg Presbytery in the form of billets, baking, book display/sales and other volunteer opportunities.

The music at Conference will be provided by the Gerhard brothers. We will be trying out new ways of doing business and will have education around our new process.

The Saturday evening, which was formally the retirees dinner, will be a celebration dinner acknowledging the retirees as well as the Conference staff.

It was hoped that Presbytery reps would encourage their ministry personnel and vice versa to attend the Conference.

A letter had been sent to all congregations encouraging closure of their churches so that all may attend the Sunday morning service on May 27. It was hoped this worship service space would be filled to capacity. To assist with planning, it is asked that congregations respond with approximate numbers of those that may attend this service. At this service, we will also be celebrating the Ordination of Patrick Woodbeck from our Presbytery.

**7. Conference Annual Meeting Local Arrangements**

Del Sexsmith reported that extra volunteers for the following were urgently needed: baking muffins and cookies for the Conference breaks, billets and book sales.

Please contact Sheron Miller at [miller01@mymts.net](mailto:miller01@mymts.net) if you're available to help with any of these volunteer opportunities.

**8. Notice of Motion – St. Matthew's-Maryland Community Ministry**

Gordon Taylor reported that the rationale behind the governance of St. Matthew's-Maryland Community Ministry being transferred to 1JustCity is threefold: efficiency (volunteers, staff, enhanced collaboration and efficiency of operations, money – access public money and Maryland Fund sharing); liability (as an incorporated body, the exposure is somewhat less); visibility (have lots of inner city ministry, UCC Ministries not as well-known as Siloam Mission).

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Gordon noted that the Service Agreement that was circulated, describes the relationship between St. Matthew's-Maryland Community Ministry and 1JustCity. It clarifies the boundaries of these two groups.

Gordon introduced the Notice of Motion, which would be voted on at the May Presbytery Meeting and asked that any corrections to the Service Agreement and motions be sent to him prior to the next Presbytery meeting. No amendments will be made at the meeting.

The Board of St. Matthew's-Maryland Community Ministry would like CDI to continue to manage this fund and that the proceeds of the fund be automatically available to 1JustCity without restriction.

Gordon Taylor introduced the Notice of Motion, to be voted on at the May 8, 2018 Presbytery meeting:

That the Board of St. Matthew's Maryland Community Ministry recommend to Winnipeg Presbytery

1. that as of July 1, 2018, governance of St. Matthew's Maryland Community Ministry be transferred to 1JustCity, Inc.;
2. that as of July 1, 2018, the governance of St. Matthew's Maryland Community Ministry, and the relationship between 1JustCity, Inc. and the St. Matthew's Maryland Community Ministry, be described by the attached Service Agreement (*titled "Service Agreement to take effect July 1, 2018 between St. Matthew's Maryland Community Ministry [SMMCM] and 1JustCity, Inc. [JCI]"*);
3. that as of July 1, 2018, the ownership of all St. Matthew's Maryland Community Ministry liabilities and assets (*including account balances held at the Toronto Dominion Bank and Assiniboine Credit Union, accounts receivable, accounts payable, etc.*) and fiduciary responsibility for St. Matthew's Maryland Community Ministry be transferred to 1JustCity, Inc.; and
4. that Winnipeg Presbytery change the terms of the Maryland Trust so that, as of July 1, 2018
  - a. proceeds from the Maryland Fund shall be made automatically available by Church Development Inc. for the use of 1JustCity; and
  - b. disbursements of capital from The Maryland Fund may be made available by Church Development Inc. for the use of 1JustCity, Inc. through their request; and
  - c. that the use of such proceeds or disbursements by 1JustCity, Inc. is no longer to be restricted only for the benefit of St. Matthew's Maryland Community Ministry.

It was noted that Winnipeg Presbytery cannot decide on anything regarding finances until after a consultation at General Council in June. Sherri McConnell will be attending this consultation on behalf of Winnipeg Presbytery.

Gordon Taylor encouraged the court to read the circulated information prior to the meeting next month.

**9. Joint Pastoral Relations**

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**Motion 062/2018 – Milly Malavsky – Request for Retirement**

Moved: Janet Walker                      Seconded: Beth Rutherford

“That Winnipeg Presbytery approves the request of Milly Malavsky to retire from active ministry as of September 15, 2018, and recommends her retirement to the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario for action.”

**CARRIED**

**10. Iridesce: The Living Apology Project**

A video presentation of Iridesce: The Living Apology Project was presented to the court. Richard Baschak invited everyone to an Iridesce event taking place at Churchill Park United Church on May 6. Elizabeth Brown invited everyone to an event taking place at Trinity United Church on May 20.

**All Purpose Break**

**We Continue to Listen and Respond**

**11. Nomination for Moderator**

Carol Fletcher introduced her nomination for Tessa Blaikie Whitecloud as Moderator. Tessa addressed the court.

**Motion 063/2018 – Tessa Blaikie Whitecloud – Candidate for Moderator**

Moved: Carol Fletcher                      Seconded: Karen Lumley

“That Winnipeg Presbytery nominate Tessa Blaikie-Whitecloud as a candidate for Moderator for consideration at General Council 43 in Oshawa, Ontario.”

**CARRIED**

**Motion 064/2018 – Motion to Destroy Ballots**

Moved: Carol Fletcher                      Seconded: Karen Lumley

“That the ballots from Motion 063/2018 be destroyed.”

**CARRIED**

This nomination would be forwarded to the General Council office before the deadline of June 1, 2018 along with the necessary documentation.

**12. 1JustCity**

Karen Lumley, the 1JustCity Chair, announced that 1JustCity was finally incorporated, have received their charitable number and have hired a new Indigenous worker, Vicky Catagas, who started work on April 1. 1JustCity is currently working with Judy Hare, the Conference Personnel Minister, on items that need to be in place before the charitable number is activated on July 1.

Karen thanked the court, on behalf of 1JustCity, for their continued support.

**13. Executive Minister Announcement**

Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd announced that the new Executive Minister for Region 2 (northern Alberta) Region 4 (Saskatchewan) and Region 5 (Manitoba and west of the time change in Ontario) would be Shannon McCarthy.

A Regional Transition Team is being formed and the representative from Winnipeg Presbytery would be Sherri McConnell.

**14. Ministry Update – Barbara Myers**

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Barbara Myers of SvN Architects & Planners presented information on the Immanuel United Church property development.

**We Go in Faith**

**15. Courtesies/Closing Worship/Prayer**

Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd thanked the Host Group: Harrow United Church, Westworth United Church, Fort Garry United Church and Crescent Fort Rouge United Church.

**16. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m. Richard Cooke

Maggie Zoske  
Recorder

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**Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd, Chair**

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**Linda Paul, Secretary**

