

APPENDIX A Email Poll

Subject: FW: ***Email Poll - CSRC Executive***

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Motion to Recognize DLM

The Regional Council meeting in June 2019 approved the proposal allowing the consideration of requests for special celebration of ministry services not connected to the Regional Council Meetings, where ordination/commission/recognition would be done through a commission of the Regional Council. The Pastoral Relations Commission has, within its mandate, the authority to consider such requests.

Laura Hutchison completed all requirements of her DLM program as of October 31, 2019 and had her final interview with the North Central Candidacy Board in early November, at which time she was approved as ready for recognition.

In mid-November, she communicated the request to have a special service of recognition. The Pastoral Relations Commission considered the request and approved it at their November 25th, 2019 meeting. While the commission has responsibility for considering the request for a special service, it does not (at least as it reads the proposal and the Governance Document) authority to actually pass the motion regarding the Regional Council acting to ordain/commission/recognize. This is the responsibility of the Executive when there is no meeting of the Regional Council.

Therefore, it is requested by the Pastoral Relations Commission that the Executive of the Canadian Shield Regional Council consider the following motion:

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That the Canadian Shield Regional Council recognize Laura Ellen Hutchison as a designated lay minister, whom the Office of Vocation has confirmed as having completed all the requirements for recognition and whom the Regional Council has confirmed as having a covenantal relationship in place with a community of faith; and that the Regional Council hold a liturgical celebration of recognition by commission on Saturday, February 8, 2020 at 11:30 am at Trinity United Church, Iroquois Falls, ON.

This is an email poll for the CSRC Executive to vote on the above motion.

You have the opportunity to ask questions for clarification and offer comments by email or you may vote yes or no to the request right now. You can vote any time beginning now and up to the closing date for the vote. You can change your vote at any time up to the close of voting. Please reply all on any comments, questions, and your vote. If two or more members of the Executive have concerns about addressing this by email, we will set up a brief zoom meeting.

*The closing date for the vote will be **Friday, December 13, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.** We require a quorum of 7 people to respond by that date for the vote to be valid.*

REMEMBER: PLEASE CLICK REPLY ALL WITH ANY RESPONSES YOU GIVE TO THIS EMAIL.

Thank you!

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