

**MINUTES** of the Executive of Canadian Shield Regional Council held on November 3, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom.

**PRESENT:** Barb Nott (Chair), Nancy Ferguson, John Watson, Kathie Smith, Helen Smith, Mastard Sakala, Bill Steadman, Joy Galloway, Stewart Walker, Susan Lindquist, Dave LeGrand

**STAFF:** Peter Hartmans, Susan Whitehead, Rob Smith

**REGRETS:** Eun-Joo Park, Jim Jackson

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting of Executive.

Barb honoured the traditional lands upon which we meet and then read the CSRC safe space statement.

Peter led Executive in a reflection including a reading from Psalm 27:1-4 and then ended with prayer.

#### **CHECK-IN**

Executive took time to do a check-in with each other.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Chair added an Executive check-in to the agenda.

**MOTION by Nancy Ferguson/Bill Steadman** **2022-11-03-01**  
**That the agenda for the meeting be approved, as amended.**  
**CARRIED**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION by John Watson/Helen Smith** **2022-11-03-02**  
**That the Minutes of the meetings of the Canadian Shield Regional Council Executive held on October 13, 2022 via Zoom be approved, as circulated.**  
**CARRIED**

#### **RECEIVE MINUTES FROM COMMISSIONS**

**MOTION by Bill Steadman/Nancy Ferguson** **2022-11-03-03**  
**That the Minutes of the CSRC Support to Community of Faith Commission Minutes from May 25, June 16, June 28, and October 13, 2022 and the Pastoral Relations Commission Minutes from September 28, 2022 be received, for information.**  
**CARRIED**

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

**OMNIBUS MOTION FROM THE INCORPORATED MINISTRIES (Thunder Bay United Church Camps Incorporated - Camp Duncan)**

**MOTION by Peter Hartmans/John Watson** **2022-11-03-04**  
**That the Canadian Shield Regional Council Executive, based on the guidance received from General Council Staff, pursuant to the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada, approve the Constitution and By-Laws of the incorporated ministry known as Thunder Bay United Church Camps Incorporated (*Camp Duncan*), revised May 18, 2021, and approved by the members of the *Thunder Bay United Church Camps Board (Camp Duncan)* on May 18, 2021.**  
**CARRIED**

**SIGNING AUTHORITY UPDATE NEEDED (JANET, SUSAN, RACHAEL, WILL, AND JOAN)**  
Peter indicated that the regional signing authorities list needs to be updated from having Janet MacDonald, Susan Whitehead, Rachael Howes, Will Kunder and Joan Bailey. Peter asked if Kathie Smith would like to be added to the list to replace Will and Joan.

**MOTION by Bill Steadman/John Watson** **2022-11-03-05**  
**That the Canadian Shield Regional Council Executive remove Will Kunder and Joan Bailey as signing authorities and add Kathie Smith.**  
**CARRIED**

#### **REGIONAL MEETING UPDATE**

- *Proposal: Renaming the Regional Council*  
Executive reviewed the proposal submitted to the Regional Council after the deadline date, which was then referred to the Executive.

**MOTION by John Watson/Dave LeGrand** **2022-11-03-06**  
**That the CSRC Executive write to Mr. Taggart thanking him sincerely for offering this proposal but the Regional Council will not proceed with his Regional Renaming proposal.**  
**CARRIED**

- *Executive Conversation around Scheduling the Next RCM and Location*  
Rob Smith joined Executive to discuss the idea of a learning event (Festival of Faith) instead of a Regional Council Meeting (RCM) every year. Executive had a fulsome discussion about the possibility of a learning event in the spring in lieu of an in-person RCM, with the possibility of having an online RCM in the fall (2023) or a full hybrid meeting the following year (2024).

There was interest in having a sub-committee to discuss this possibility and the report back to the December meeting of Executive. Members include: Barb Nott, Rob Smith, Stewart Walker, Diane Matheson-Jimenez, Peter Hartmans (Susan Whitehead – Staff Resource).

- *Regional Meeting Travel Remuneration Policy*  
Executive looked at the past remuneration motions for RCMs and discussed having a permanent policy in place going forward.

**There was consensus that Peter draft a Travel Remuneration Policy to be presented at the next Executive meeting in December 2022.**

#### **RECOMMENDATION FROM FINANCE RESOURCE TEAM**

Peter indicated that Janet MacDonald was unable to attend this meeting and would like Executive to defer this conversation until the next meeting of Executive, when she can be present and have the final numbers for the RCM.

***Finance Resource Team June 23, 2022 Meeting Motion:***

*Motion by Barb Cunningham/Bill Jones*

*2022-06-23-01*

*That the CSRC Finance Resource Team recommend to the CSRC Executive that \$100,000 from surplus funds accumulated due to Covid be distributed to communities of faith within the CSRC.*

*CARRIED*

**EXECUTIVE MINISTER'S REPORT**

Executive received the Executive Minister Report and Peter discussed a few items. In future reports, Peter will include the strategic plan of The United Church of Canada and the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The UCC in 2025.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**NEXT MEETING DATES:**

- December 1, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom
- January 5, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom
- February 2, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom
- March 2, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom
- April 6, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom

**CLOSING**

Barb adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m. and Nancy ended with a prayer.