MINUTES of the Executive of Canadian Shield Regional Council held on February 1, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. online via Zoom.

PRESENT: Nancy Ferguson (Chair), Barb Nott, Bill Steadman, Stewart Walker, Jim Jackson, Helen Smith, Joy Galloway, Dave Le Grand,

STAFF: Diane Matheson-Jimenez (Acting Executive Minister), Susan Whitehead

REGRETS: Susan Lindquist, Kathie Smith, Peter Hartmans, Mastard Sakala, John Watson

Chair Nancy welcomed everyone to the meeting of Executive.

Nancy honoured the traditional lands upon which we meet and then spoke about the CSRC being a safe space.

Diane opened the meeting with worship

CHECK-IN

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There was an addition of the Commission Minutes date that needed to be made on the agenda and the addition of the General Council Executive (GCE) Summary to New Business.

MOTION by Dave Le Grand/Joy Galloway CS Exec 2024-02-01-01 That the agenda for the meeting be approved, as amended. CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were some errors in the Minutes that will be corrected.

MOTION by Bill Steadman/Jim Jackson CS Exec 2024-02-01-02 That the Minutes of the meeting of the Canadian Shield Regional Council Executive held on December 7, 2023 be approved, as corrected. CARRIED

RECEIVE MINUTES FROM COMMISSIONS

MOTION by Helen Smith/Barb NottCS Exec 2024-02-01-03That the Minutes of the CSRC Pastoral Relations Commission from
November 28, 2023 and the CSRC Support to Communities of Faith
Commission from November 28, 2023 be received, for information.
CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

There is no correspondence at this time.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- PRC Update re: RCM and Possible Ordination/s
 - The Chair of the PRC was not present at the meeting so Stewart and Nancy gave an update on the possible ordinations. The PRC has indicated that the Office of Vocation is in charge of approving ordinations and the PRC plans them. The CSRC has not received Testamur for the current applicant therefore, they will not be ordained at the 2024 CS RCM.

Nancy shared that the candidate will not be present at the 2024 CS RCM as they will be attending their convocation in Halifax that weekend. Stewart indicated that there may be 2 Designated Lay Minister Ordinations and/or Commissioning at the 2024 CS RCM.

CS FINANCE RT MOTION RE : 2022 AUDIT

The CSRC Finance Resource Team forwarded a motion to the CS Executive: MOTION by Bill Jones / Michael Wesa CS FIN 2024-01-22-01 That the Finance Resource Team of Canadian Shield Regional Council recommend the 2022 Audit to the Canadian Shield Regional Council Executive for approval at their meeting February 1st, 2024.

CARRIED

Executive received the 2022 CSRC Audited Statements in the Agenda Package and reviewed the statements.

MOTION by Jim Jackson/Bill Steadman CS Exec 2024-02-01-04 That the CSRC Executive receive the 2022 CSRC Audited Financial Statements. CARRIED

SIGNING AUTHORITIES

It was decided to add Diane Matheson-Jimenez as a signing authority for the CSRC.

MOTION by Joy Galloway/Bill Steadman CS Exec 2024-02-01-05 That the signing officers for all Bank Accounts at the Bank of Montreal and BMO Nesbitt Burns for the Canadian Shield Regional Council be Susan Whitehead, Janet MacDonald, Kathleen Jones, Diane Matheson-Jimenez and Kathleen Smith, effective February 1, 2024. CARRIED

2024 CS REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING (RCM): UPDATE ON THEME, PLANNING AND MEAL COSTS

Executive discussed the planning for the Canadian Shield Regional Council Meeting scheduled for May 2024, with a theme titled "Upon This Rock" being proposed.

MOTION by Jim Jackson/Dave Le GrandCS Exec 2024-02-01-06That the CSRC Executive approve the theme entitled "Upon This Rock"for the 2024 CS Regional Council Meeting to be held May 3-5, 2024.CARRIED

Executive deliberated on the financial implications of meal costs and Diane proposed asking delegates to contribute towards meals due to the substantial expenses at the hotel. It was agreed that two dinners (Friday and Saturday) and one lunch (Saturday) will be provided, with delegates being responsible for their own lunche on Sunday. The budget for the RCM was discussed, with estimates ranging from \$40 to \$50 per person for meals. Executive decided to empower the planning team to make decisions on cost savings and requested a report back at the March meeting of Executive. The team also noted that next year's in-person Festival of Faith would replace the in-person regional meeting, potentially saving costs.

MOTION by Jim Jackson/Bill Steadman CS Exec 2024-02-01-07 That the CSRC Executive direct the 2024 CS RCM Planning Team to explore the possibility of charging an amount of money per delegate to

help offset the cost of meals and for the planning team to report their recommendation back to the March 7, 2024 CSRC Executive meeting. CARRIED

INCORPORATED MINISTRIES

• Camp Duncan

Diane brought Executive up-to-date on the confidential issues facing Camp Duncan and on the CSRC Executive's fiduciary duties as it related to the Camp Duncan Board.

• Camp McDougall

Diane brought Executive up-to-date on significant issues facing Camp McDougall and its ability to offer a successful 2024 Camping Season. The issues include: ongoing financial challenges, outstanding bills from 2023, a Board Director shortage, subsequent management problems, and a failure to meet deadlines for several key grants to run the summer program for 2024. The Executive decided to recommend that the board suspend the 2024 camping season to allow time for regrouping and planning. The Executive also discussed the need for the Board to work with Regional Council staff on visioning and strategic planning. Executive has also tasked Diane with inquiring if the Executive has the power to not approve board members in case of an issue like this and finding out the authority of the Canadian Shield Regional Council Executive regarding the operation of the camp.

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MOTION by Barb Nott/Jim JacksonCS Exec 2024-02-01-08That in light of the current fiscal reality of Camp McDougallInc., that the CSRC Executive direct the Camp McDougall Boardto suspend operations for the 2024 camping season.CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

GCE Summary – November 2023 There were no questions about the GCE Summary circulated.

NEXT MEETING DATES:

- March 7, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom
- April 4, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom
- April 25, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom
- May 3-5, 2024 Regional Council Meeting in Sault Ste. Marie
- May 30, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom

CLOSING

Nancy adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m. and ended with a prayer.