

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

MEETING OF THE SUB-EXECUTIVE OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL MINUTES

January 15, 2002
(Teleconference Call)

The Sub-Executive of the General Council of The United Church of Canada met from 12:30 p.m. to 1:05 p.m. on Tuesday, January 15, 2002 at 3250 Bloor Street West, Etobicoke, Ontario. The Moderator, The Right Reverend Marion Pardy, presided.

ATTENDANCE

Voting Members

Hazel Bigby, Claire Borel-Christen, Virginia Coleman, Sheila Duffin, Joanna MacQuarrie, Bill Phipps
Marion Pardy (Chair), Sheila Snelling, Jack Spencer, Peter Wesley

Corresponding Members

Steve Adams, David Iverson, Anne Shirley Sutherland

Regrets

Ron Holotuk, Jon Jessiman, Lynn Maki, Karen Ptolemy-Stam (voting), Steven Chambers, Richard Choe,
Chris Ferguson (corresponding)

CONSTITUTING THE MEETING

The Moderator constituted the meeting with the following words:

"In the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ the Sovereign head of the Church, and by the authority vested in me by the 37th General Council, I hereby declare this meeting of the Sub-Executive of the General Council to be in session for the work that may properly be brought before it to the glory of God."

Marion Pardy opened the meeting with a prayer.

OPENING PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

Minute Secretary

Motion: Virginia Coleman/Bill Phipps

2002-01-15-0288.PRO

That Isabela Simon be the minute secretary for this meeting of the Sub-Executive.

Carried

Corresponding Members

Motion: Virginia Coleman/Bill Phipps

2002-01-15-0289.PRO

That Steve Adams, Anne Shirley Sutherland and David Iverson be made corresponding members for this meeting of the Sub-Executive.

Carried

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PAST MEETINGS OF THE SUB-EXECUTIVE

Motion: Virginia Coleman/Sheila Duffin

2002-01-15-0290

That the minutes of the Sub-Executive meeting held on June 20, 2001 and November 20, 2001 be approved as circulated.

Carried

AUTHORIZING THE LEGAL DOCUMENTS FOR THE RETURN OF SPACE AT 3250 BLOOR ST. W

Motion: Bill Phipps/Joanna MacQuarrie

2002-01-15-0291

That the Sub-Executive approve that:

- (a) the actions taken by the General Secretary of General Council in issuing a notice dated July 19, 2001 exercising the right of The United Church of Canada to surrender, with a surrender payment and on the other terms specified in Section 23.01 of the Lease entered between The United Church of Canada and Shipp Corporation Limited dated July 14, 1994 as amended, the space which the Church leases on the 5th Floor at 3250 Bloor Street West, Toronto, and all actions

taken in connection with the said notice, be and they are hereby ratified, sanctioned, confirmed and approved;

- (b) any two of the authorized signing officers of the Church listed below be and they are hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Church (with or without the corporate seal) any and all documentation, including a lease amending agreement, in connection with the said surrender of space, the form of any such documentation to be approved by them, and such execution and delivery thereof by them to be conclusive proof of their approval of the same; the said authorized signing officers being as follows:

Moderator, The United Church of Canada	A. Marion Pardy
General Secretary, General Council	K. Virginia Coleman
General Secretary, Theology, Faith & Ecumenism	(vacant)
General Secretary, Human Resources	Anne Shirley Sutherland
General Secretary, Division of Communication	(vacant)
General Secretary, Finance	Steven R. Adams
General Secretary, Division of Ministry Personnel & Education	Steven J. Chambers
General Secretary, Division of Mission in Canada	David Iverson
General Secretary, Division of World Outreach	Chris Ferguson
General Secretary, Ethnic Ministries Council	Richard Choe

AND, the following six persons all appointed by the Executive of the General Council:
Cynthia Gunn, Kathy McDonald, James Pickering, Mary May, (vacant), (vacant)

Carried

The members of the Sub-Executive were informed that the surrender payment for this space is \$641,000 plus GST; however, it has no impact on our operating budget.

The Sub-Executive was updated on the progress of the move. Not everyone is happy, but by and large people are adjusting and the move has gone very well. The biggest frustration is around the telephones.

SUB-EXECUTIVE MEETING OF DECEMBER 19, 2001 - DEBRIEFING SESSION

Marion noted that it was felt that the Sub-Executive needed an opportunity to debrief taking into consideration that a number of people had to leave early during that meeting.

It was suggested that the letter of complaint from the December 19th meeting be sent to the Supervision Committee of the General Secretary since that is the appropriate place for it to go. The General Council Secretaries indicated that conversations have taken place and they have moved beyond December 19th and want to keep moving forward.

Motion: Bill Phipps/Sheila Duffin

2002-01-15-0292

That the correspondence from the members of the General Council Secretaries given to the members of the Sub-Executive on December 19, 2001, be referred to the Supervision Committee of the General Secretary for whatever action they deem necessary.

Carried

SEARCH & SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR VACANT GCM POSITIONS

Anne Shirley updated the Sub-Executive on this process. The search and selection process has been worked out and is now clear to all involved. It will be chaired through our internal HR process and all the members who were on the central committee for the last process have been invited to be part of this one. Also, a different person who is knowledgeable in the area of work will be invited to be part of the process for each of the vacant General Council Minister positions.

It was confirmed that the next Executive of the General Council meeting will be held from April the 26th to the 29th in Toronto; we will have the location very soon. By the end of the month these details will be available to everyone.

ADJOURNMENT

Marion Pardy declared the meeting of this Sub-Executive adjourned.

Moderator, Marion Pardy

General Secretary, K. Virginia Coleman