

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
MEETING OF THE SUB-EXECUTIVE OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
February 6, 2007
(Teleconference Call)

The Sub-Executive of the General Council of The United Church of Canada met from 11:00 a.m. until 11:25 a.m. on Tuesday, February 6, 2007, by teleconference call. The Moderator, The Right Reverend David Giuliano, presided.

ATTENDANCE

Voting Members

Dwaine Dornan, David Giuliano, Heather Leffler, Paul Reed, Nora Sanders.

Corresponding Members

Ian Fraser, Carol Hancock, Tarrance Whiteye.

Regrets

Debra Bowman, Anne-Marie Carmoy, Cindy Desilets, Amber Ing, Scott Parsons, Chuck Scott, Peter Short, Allan Sinclair, Bruce Gregersen, Janet McDonald, Kim Uyede-Kai

The Moderator invited the members to share where they are sitting both physically and spiritually.

CONSTITUTING THE MEETING

The Moderator began the meeting with prayer and constituted the meeting with the following words:

"Au nom de Notre Seigneur, Jésus-Christ, seul chef souverain de l'Église, et par l'autorité qui m'a été conférée par le 39ième Conseil général, je déclare ouvert, par la présente, le sous-exécutif du Conseil général et ses travaux dans l'intérêt du Royaume de Dieu."

"In the Name of Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, and by the authority vested in me by the 39th 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."

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

Corresponding Members

Motion: Nora Sanders/Heather Leffler

2007-02-06-109

That Ian Fraser and Carol Hancock be made a corresponding members for this meeting, and that Joan MacGillivray be the recording secretary for this meeting of the Sub-Executive.

Carried

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The paragraph at the bottom of page 88 was reworded as follows: “The Moderator noted that he attended the funerals of Charlotte Sullivan (Gitxsan) and Floyd Steinhauer (Saddle Lake) in their First Nations communities.”

Motion: Nora Sanders/Dwaine Dornan

2007-02-06-110

That the minutes of the Sub-Executive of the General Council for December 14, 2006 be adopted as corrected.

Carried

Nominations Committee Report

Heather Leffler introduced the work and excitement of the Nominations Committee in recommending the following appointments.

Motion: Paul Reed/Heather Leffler

2007-02-06-111

That the Sub-Executive of the General Council appoint the following people to the Task Group on the Leadership Outcomes Framework (February 2007-May 2007):

- Alison West (OM, Sask)
- Carmen Lansdowne (L, BC)
- Linsell Hurd (OM, Sask)
- Caryn Douglas (DM, MNWO)
- Gordon Staples (L, Tor)
- Amber Ing (L, Ham)

Carried

Heather Leffler responded to questions regarding the decision of the Nominations Committee to defer the recommendations for appointment to the Roman Catholic – United Church of Canada Dialogue.

Motion: Dwaine Dornan/Paul Reed

2007-02-06-112

That the Sub-Executive of the General Council receive for information the report of the Nominations Committee.

Carried

Solidarity Visit by a United Church Delegation to partners in Israel/Palestine

Nora Sanders reported that Allan Seal will be a member of the solidarity visit by a United Church delegation to partners in Israel and Palestine. She noted that at the last Sub-Executive meeting authority was delegated to the General Secretary to consult with the Moderator and select a voting member of the Executive of the General Council for this delegation that would balance the delegation with respect to age, sex, and ministry.

Closing

Paul Reed led closing prayer. The Moderator adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Moderator, David Giuliano

General Secretary, Nora Sanders

APPENDIX A**Nominations Committee Report to the Sub-Executive of the General Council –Jan. 31, 2007**

The Nominations Committee met January 31 via conference call to select spiritual leaders for the church using the practices of spiritual discernment. The office of Committee Member Services coordinated the recruitment process and the preparation of information for the Nominations Committee. We offer the following for the consideration of the Executive of the General Council.

Committee Members:

Paul Stott (Chairperson)	Betty Kelly	Shirley Cleave
Scott Parsons	Stéphane Vermette	Heather Burton
Lynn Boothroyd	Chuck Scott	Tarance Whiteye (regrets)
Heather Leffler	Bruce Hutchinson	Diane Bosman (staff)
Dwaine Dornan	Allan Sinclair (regrets)	Leila Mae De Castro (staff)
Don Koots	Cynthia Desilets	

1. Recommendations for appointment to the Task Group on the Leadership Outcomes Framework–

Whereas the Executive of the General Council requested that the Nominations Committee discern four-five members for the Task Group on the Leadership Outcomes Framework from among interested and willing members of the Executive of the General Council and the four Permanent Committees, and

Whereas six members expressed their interest and willingness to serve in this capacity, each bringing a unique, valued perspective and skill set to the work of this task group, and

Whereas the Nominations Committee considers that the absence of the gifts of any of these six members would be a loss to the effectiveness of the task group's work and recommendations,

The Nominations Committee proposes that ...

the Sub-Executive of the General Council appoint the following people to the Task Group on the Leadership Outcomes Framework (February 2007-May 2007):

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- Linsell Hurd (OM, Sask)
- Caryn Douglas (DM, MNWO)
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- Amber Ing (L, Ham)

2. Discernment for appointments to the Roman Catholic – United Church of Canada Dialogue (for information)

Recommendations for appointment to the Roman Catholic – United Church of Canada Dialogue are being deferred until the May 2007 meeting of the Nominations Committee, following further recruitment, in order to ensure that the membership of the Dialogue will represent the full range of skills and perspectives required.