

MANITOU CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE MEETING

Via Adobe Connect
August 18th, 2017

FRIDAY, August 18th, 2017 - 9:30 a.m.

Attendance	Will Kunder, Cindy Desilets, Erin Todd, Mary-Jo Tracy, Bill Jones, Tracy Davis
Ministry Personnel	
Laity	Kathie Smith, Janice Brownlee, Peter Haddow, Barb Nott, Dawn Monroe
Staff support	Susan Whitehead, minute-taker
Regrets	Linda Saffrey, Barb Cunningham, Stewart Walker
Welcome and Prayer	<p>The President welcomed Executive to the meeting and Constituted the Court. Kathie invited each Executive member to recognize the Traditional Territory from where they were calling.</p> <p>Kathie then read an opening prayer entitled <i>Circles of Grace</i> by Keri K. Wehlander.</p>
“Meeting Tips”	The President reviewed the procedures for Adobe Connect meetings with Executive.
Conference Executive mandate/Conference Handbook – p.8	The President reviewed the Conference Executive mandate on page 8.
Approval of Agenda	MOTION 17-19 #2: Tracy Davis/Mary-Jo Tracy That the agenda be accepted. CARRIED
Check-In	Executive members participated in a brief check-in.
Minutes of the Meeting of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• April 20-21, 2017• June 22, 2017 via Adobe Connect• July 6, 2017 Sub-Executive via Adobe Connect	<p>Executive reviewed the minutes of the April 20-21, 2017 meeting, the June 22, 2017 Adobe Connect meeting, and the July 6, 2017 Adobe Connect meeting.</p> <p>MOTION 17-19 #3: Will Kunder/Cindy Desilets That the minutes of April 20-21, 2017 meeting of Executive be approved as printed. CARRIED</p> <p>MOTION 17-19 #4: Will Kunder/Mary-Jo Tracy That the minutes of the June 22, 2017 Adobe Connect meeting of Executive be approved as printed. CARRIED</p>

MOTION 17-19 #5: Will Kunder/Cindy Desilets
That the minutes of July 6, 2017 Adobe Connect meeting of the Sub-Executive be approved as printed.
CARRIED

Remit Implementation

- Recall of GC42 – Saturday, Sept. 30
- Manitou submission to the Boundaries Commission

Will informed Executive that there will be a recall of GC42 Commissioners on September 30th, 2017 to vote on proposals re: the remit that was passed on the Three-Court Model. If the Commissioners approve the proposal, they will then create the new Boundaries Commission at that meeting.

The preliminary proposals from the Boundaries Commissions will be presented to the entire Church on January 10th, 2018. The Boundaries Commission will have full authority to make decisions regarding final regions.

If the Commissioners do not approve the proposals from the Commission, then the church will need to have an alternate plan in place.

The next two face-to-face Executive meetings fall between the creation of the Boundaries Commission and when they give their preliminary report.

It was suggested that we make both the September 28-29, 2017 and the November 24, 2017 meetings face-to-face. This will give Manitou the opportunity to invite members of the Boundaries Commission to a meeting where we can give Manitou's boundaries input.

There was consensus that we explore the possibility of the November 24th, 2017 Executive Meeting to be a face-to-face meeting for the purpose of meeting with representatives from the boundaries commission. The suggestion was made that we consider inviting our GC43 Commissioners to that meeting.

Affirming Ministry

- Mandate of Conference Affirming Ministry Committee – p. 10

Executive reviewed the draft Affirming Ministry Committee mandate in the Conference Handbook on page 10.

The original Affirming Ministry steering group is meeting on August 28th to review the mandate and to create a committee. Any changes will be made by the group and will be approved by Executive at the September 28-29, 2017 meeting.

One of the questions for that group will be which members of the steering group might wish to continue on the new standing committee of the Conference. Executive will need to think about how to populate the rest of the committee.

It is the Conference's procedure to send out a revised copy of the Handbook every September. This year, since the timing is off between

when it is sent out and when the steering committee next meets, page 10 in the handbook will have DRAFT written on it to indicate the Affirming Ministry mandate will change.

Camping Ministry Bursary

Will informed Executive that 5 pastoral charges have made applications for funding for camping this summer. All applications have been approved and paid out.

Service of Admission –
Rev. Joshua Kang –
Mindemoya Pastoral
Charge

Executive discussed the upcoming Service of Admission for Rev. Joshua Kang.

In order for a quick turn-around between the worship service gathering and the presbytery meeting, it was decided that pizza and salads will be served as the meal.

**MOTION: 17-19 #6: Mary-Jo Tracy/Barb Nott
That Manitou Conference, on the advice of its Conference
Assessment Team, which has completed its examination of the
applicant, and is assured that all the requirements for Admission
have been completed, recommend Joshua Kang for admission into
the Order of Ministry in The United Church of Canada as an
ordained minister at the specially called meeting of Manitou
Conference to be held Wednesday, September 6th, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.
at The United Church of Espanola.**

Other Business

There is no other business.

Looking ahead:

- September 28-29, 2017 – Villa Loyola
- Friday, November 24, 2017 – 9:30 – Adobe (possibly in person)
- Friday, January 19, 2018 – 9:30 – Adobe Connect
- April 19-20, 2018 – Villa Loyola
- September 27-28, 2018 – Villa Loyola
- General Meeting 2018 – October 19-20, 2018 – North Bay

Closing Prayer

Mary-Jo led Executive in a closing prayer.

Adjournment

Having completed the business before Executive, the President adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

President, Kathie Smith

Recording Secretary, Susan Whitehead

Executive Secretary, Rev. Will Kunder