

MANITOU CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE MEETING

Via Adobe Connect
June 22nd, 2017

FRIDAY, June 22nd, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

Attendance	Will Kunder, Stewart Walker, Cindy Desilets, Erin Todd, Mary-Jo Tracy, Linda Saffrey, Bill Jones
Ministry Personnel	
Laity	Kathie Smith, Janice Brownlee, Barb Cunnington
Staff support	Susan Whitehead, minute-taker
Regrets	Tracy Davis, Peter Haddow, Barb Nott, Dawn Monroe
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>The President then led in a prayer by Joyce Rupp.</p>
“Who Are We?” and “Regrets”	The CES (Conference Executive Secretary) directed members’ attention to the list of the new Executive and then listed the regrets for the meeting.
“Meeting Tips”	Executive briefly reviewed the meeting tips sheet for Adobe Connect meetings.
Conference Executive mandate/Conference Handbook – p.8	<p>The Handbook is under revision and will be circulated to members this summer.</p> <p>Will reviewed the Handbook page 8 regarding the Executive mandate. The question was raised how do we answer the question as to why there is not a President-Designate? The CES suggested that because the results of Remit #1 are not in yet, there may or may not be a need for a designate.</p> <p>If a President-Designate is needed, they will be elected at the 2018 GM in the fall.</p>
Correspondence	There is no correspondence at this time.
Approval of Agenda	MOTION 17-19 #1: Bill Jones/Linda Saffrey That the agenda be accepted. CARRIED
Check-In	Executive members participated in a brief check-in.

Conference General Meeting: “Oh, The Places We’ll Go” debrief	<p>Will reported the GM 2017 evaluations are in and have been collated. The Local Arrangements Committee met on Monday, June 19th and debriefed. The evaluations were overwhelmingly positive.</p> <p>Executive members reflected on the GM.</p>
Remit Planning: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Communications re: decisions• Recall of GC42 – Saturday, September 30• Boundaries commission	<p>The CES reported that the remit results will be posted sometime between July 6th and 7th, 2017 and will be broadcast to everyone from the General Council Office.</p> <p>If Remit #1 passes, the Commissioners from GC42 will be recalled on September 30th, 2017 where the boundary commission will be established.</p> <p>The commission will have total authority to establish the new regional boundaries. The plan is that the boundaries commission will have their decision out well before GC43 (July 2018).</p>
Affirming Ministry	<p>Executive reviewed a letter from President Kathie to congregations re: Manitou Conference’s “yes vote” at the General Meeting 2017 to become an affirming conference.</p> <p>The point was raised that we must talk directly with the LGBTQ community and ask them to help us to continue this work.</p> <p>The Affirming Ministry Discernment Team will debrief later this summer and will make recommendations for the establishment of the Affirming Conference Committee.</p> <p>There was consensus that this work will continue at the next face-to-face meeting of Executive in September 2017.</p>
Camping Ministry Restricted Fund guidelines	<p>Will reported there have been 4 applications for camping ministry bursaries this summer, which were approved.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Camping Ministry Bursary Fund guidelines will be reviewed at the September 28-29, 2017 Executive meeting.</p>
Service of Admission – Rev. Joshua Kang – Mindemoya Pastoral Charge	<p>The Chair of MPESI, Mary-Jo Tracy, expressed MPESI’s wish to have the service for Joshua Kang in his home congregation of Mindemoya Pastoral Charge.</p> <p>This service will happen with consultation between Executive and MPESI. The President and the MPESI Chair will meet in the summer to start planning for the Service of Admission.</p>
Election of Sub-Executive – Conference Handbook –	<p>The Sub-Executive of Manitou Conference meets only when a matter of urgency arises and the whole Executive cannot be called together.</p>

- p. 9 **There was consensus that the Conference Sub-Executive for 2017-2018 be as follows:**
- **Kathie Smith: President (NB Presbytery)**
 - **Stewart Walker: Past-President (SUD Presbytery)**
 - **Janice Brownlee: 1 GCE Rep (NB Presbytery)**
 - **Cindy Desilets (SD Presbytery)**
 - **Will Kunder: Conference Executive Secretary**

Other Business **There was consensus that all Friday Adobe Connect meetings will occur at 9:30 a.m.**

Executive was reminded that the office is closed on Fridays for July and August.

- Looking ahead:
- Friday, August 18, 2017 – 9:30 – Adobe Connect
 - September 28-29, 2017 – Villa Loyola
 - Friday, November 24, 2017 – 9:30 – Adobe Connect
 - 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 Cindy Desilets offered a closing prayer.

Adjournment Having completed the business before Executive, the President adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

President, Kathie Smith

Recording Secretary, Susan Whitehead

Executive Secretary, Rev. Will Kunder