

Meeting of Elected Bodies

COUNCIL MINUTES

Executive Summary (minutes follow, below)

- Council spent the morning in a joint session of the *Meeting of Elected Bodies* —including Commission on Ministry, Standing Committee and Trustees
- Council convened in the afternoon to approve the agenda, March 2012 minutes, and then broke into committees (Mission, Ministry and Management)
- Council re-convened for Committee reports

Members & Guests Present

The Rt. Rev. Brian N. Prior, Bishop of Minnesota
Brian Ostenso, First Vice President

Ex-Officio

The Rev. Canon Timothy Hodapp, Missioner for Mission, Missioner to Council,
Acting Secretary

Council Representatives

Region 1 The Rev. Georgia Hecock - Present
Emma King - Absent

Region 2 The Rev. Pam Webster - Present
Kathy Hoopman - Present

Region 3 The Rev. John Husband - Absent
Mary Kay Welsand - Absent

Region 4 The Rev. Tom Harries - Present
Ronnie Feit - Absent

Region 5 The Rev. Jill Tollefson - Present
Paul Double - Present

Region 6 The Rev. Wanda Copeland - Present
Mike Anders - Present

- Region 7 The Rev. Rex McKee - Present
 Becky Garthofner – Present
- Region 8 The Rev. Richard Norman - Absent
 Chris Bowman – Present via Phone
- Region 9 The Rev. Nancy Brantingham - Absent
 Bob Sykes - Present

Guests:

Chad O’Leary, Missioner for the Bishop
Jennifer Gamberg

- 12:40 PM** Call to Order: Bp Prior
 Prayer: Pam Webster

- Approval of Agenda
 - Motion: Discuss budget information first, discuss land swap second (see below), then move to beginning of this agenda
 - Second: Wanda Copeland
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Approval of March 10, 2012 Minutes
 - Motion: Becky Garthofner was not present at March meeting.
 - Second: Paul Double
 - Motion passed unanimously

12:50 PM Council’s Discussion of Proposed ECMN 2013 Budget

- **Committee on Mission**
 - Motion: Brian Prior
 - Second: Paul Double
 - Notes about discussion:
- The Bishop summarized the process the ECMN office has taken since the last MEB Meeting & LeAnn’s retirement. Jennifer assisted the Bishop in explaining the budget. Chris Bowman shared that the joint finance committee had not yet seen the working budget being discussed. Bob Sykes suggested that explanation/notes be added in a notes section so that shifts/changes can be easily explained by council/others to the faith communities they represent.

- Actions: None on behalf of Council; budget will now go to joint finance committee, to the web, to region meetings and then to convention.
 - Motion passed unanimously

1:15PM Land Swap at All Saint's in Northfield

Another motion was added for a land swap at All Saint's in Northfield with respect to the faith community's driveway. (for questions on this give Jill Tollefson a call)

- Motion to pass: Paul Double
- Second: Becky Garthofner
- Motion passed unanimously

1:20 PM Council Committee on Missioner for Mission

- Motion to approve Council's Committee on Mission proposal for Mission Areas and to write a resolution for Convention by June 30 for Council to vet and vote electronically: Georgia Hecock
- Second: Pam Webster
- Concerns shared in discussion: (1) diaconal involvement given the small numbers of them in greater MN (2) the creation of staggered terms for council members given the realities of institutional memory (3) language: recommendation vs. requirement and, relatedly, respecting the organizational choices/structure of each respective mission area
- Motion passed unanimously

2:03 PM Adjournment

- Motion: Bob Sykes
- Second: Becky Garthofner
- Passed unanimously
- Pam Webster offered a Closing Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,



The Rev. Canon Tim Hodapp
Missioner for Council *for*
Karen Olson, Secretary for Council

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- **Talking Points for the Joint
Finance Committee**

(From Chris Winter, via Chris
Bowman to Council, March 10,
2012)

- First meeting of the Joint Finance Committee was held in February. The Committee consists of 4 members from Council, 2 members from Trustees and 1 member appointed. Rev. Dr. Doug Sparks is the Chairman of the committee.
- The goal of the JFC would be to serve ECMN in a user-friendly and streamlined manner, providing financial transparency.
- A review of the 2011 year end financials.
 - MMS outstanding 2011 balances \$164,214
 - Council – 2011 approved a deficit budget allocating funds to balance the budget. Council ended the year as projected.
 - Trustees – 2011 approved a balanced budget. Trustees ended the year as projected.
- As the first step in preparing the 2013 budget, parochial reports were due March 1. We have received about 60% of the reports which make the 2013 budget process more difficult. Please encourage all faith communities to complete their parochial reports.
- Townhall 2013 Budget Listening Area Meeting will be scheduled in April (to be determined) at:
 - Twin Cities - St. Mark's Cathedral
 - Faribault – Cathedral of Our Merciful Savior
 - Grand Rapids – Christ Episcopal Church

Council Committee Structure & Membership

Committee on Mission

- Faith Communities
 - DIW
 - Ethnic
 - Emerging
 - Affiliates
- Commission on Mission
- Bishop Area Gatherings
- Mission Project
- Camping Ministry
- Youth Ministry
- College Ministry
- Environmental Network

Members

- Wanda Copeland
- Paul Double
- Ronnie Feit
- Emma King
- Rex McKee
- Bob Sykes
- Jill Tollefson

MINISTRY

- Discernment Process
- School for Formation
- Clergy Continuing Education & Support
- Mutual Ministry Process
- Spiritual Directors

Members

- Tom Harries
- Georgia Hecock
- Kathy Hoopman

- Chuck Johnson
- Pam Webster
- Maren Kay Welsand

MANAGEMENT

- Finance
- Operating
- Audit
- Endowment & Investment
- Property
- Personnel
- Communication

Members

- Nancy Brantingham
- Mike Anders
- Chris Bowman
- Becky Garthofner
- John Husband
- Richard Norman

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