

**THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE 42ND GENERAL COUNCIL**

**Final Motions – as passed**

**GS 12 Opening and Procedural Motions**

**Motion: Nora Sanders/Fred Monteith**

**GC42 2017-018**

**Bounds of Council**

That the bounds of the 42nd General Council, 2017, be the General Council meeting room and the connections through Adobe Connect and the telephone to that meeting space.

**Corresponding Members**

That the following persons in attendance be named corresponding members of the special meeting of the 42nd General Council, 2017, and as such, be entitled to speak but not to move motions or to vote:

- Former Moderators of The United Church of Canada
- General Council Officers, Executive Ministers, Executive Officers, and Conference Executive Secretaries and Speaker
- those who have been requested by the General Secretary to serve as resource persons to the Council

**Business Table Membership**

That the Business Table for the special meeting of the 42nd General Council, 2017 be

- Fred Monteith, Chair
- Tim Reaburn
- Jordan Cantwell, Moderator
- Nora Sanders, General Secretary
- Diane Bosman, resource to the Business Committee
- Cynthia Gunn, resource to the Business Committee (Parliamentarian)

**Scrutineers**

That the Scrutineers for the special meeting of the 42nd General Council, 2017 be

- Norma Thompson (Chief Scrutineer)
- Kathy McDonald

**Minute Secretary**

That the Minute Secretary for the special meeting of the 42nd General Council, 2017, be Susan Fortner.

**Business before the Special Meeting of the 42nd General Council, 2017**

That the business before the special meeting of the 42nd General Council, 2017, be the following proposals:

- GCE 12 Effective Date for Comprehensive Renewal Implementation
- GCE 13 Mandate and Nominating Process for GC 43 Executive and Transition

- GCE 14 Mandate and Nominating Process for Boundaries Commission
- NOM 3 Recommendations for Appointment to the Boundaries Commission

### **Agenda**

That the special meeting of the 42nd General Council, 2017, accept as its agenda the agenda as circulated and approved on the understanding that the agenda may be changed, as necessary, by the action of the General Council, on the recommendation of the Business Table.

### **Business Procedures**

The Moderator will assume responsibility for chairing the meeting, making any rulings necessary and ensuring that there is full opportunity for discussion and decision-making. The Moderator will apply the Rules of Debate and Order (*The Manual* Appendix). Bourinot's Rules of Order will be used as the authority should a question arise that is not answered by the Appendix.

Speakers will:

- indicate their intention to speak as per instructions provided at the meeting
- be recognized by the Moderator prior to speaking
- begin comments by identifying themselves by name, role, and Conference (or position as appropriate)
- only speak once to a given proposal except at the discretion of the Moderator
- offer a new perspective or information
- keep comments brief except at the discretion of the Moderator

**Carried**

### **GCE 12 Effective Date for Comprehensive Renewal Implementation**

**Motion: Bev Kostichuk/Kathleen Smith**

**GC42 2017-019**

That the recalled 42nd General Council on September 30, 2017, establish January 1, 2019 as the effective date of Comprehensive Renewal implementation with respect to all changes contemplated by the approved remits, subject to enactment by the 43rd General Council and recognizing that some transitional steps may take place before or after that date.

**Carried**

### **GCE 13 Mandate and Nominating Process for GC 43 Executive and Transition**

**Motion: Bev Kostichuk/Teri Meyer**

**GC42 2017-020**

That the recalled 42nd General Council on September 30, 2017 approve that:

1. The Nominating Committee of the 42nd General Council Executive be authorized and empowered to serve as the Nominating Committee for the 43rd General Council, to bring to the General Council recommendations for 15 members to serve along with the Moderator, past Moderator and the General Secretary, as the Executive of the General Council from January 1, 2019, until the next Executive is installed by the 44th General Council.
2. In doing this work, the Nominating Committee will:

- a. Request that a representative be chosen by the Aboriginal Ministries Council;
  - b. Request that each Conference recommend 3 – 5 people for consideration; and
  - c. Take into account the need to reflect the diversity of an intercultural church, lay/ministry personnel, geography, as well as the need to ensure that competencies in theology, governance, finance and vision are present within the group of those recommended.
3. Except for the Moderator, who will be replaced by the Moderator elected by the 43rd General Council, and who would in turn replace the past Moderator in that role on the executive, the Executive of the 42nd General Council be extended to serve until December 31, 2018, to enable appropriate transitional arrangements to be put in place.

**Carried**

### **GCE 14 Mandate and Nominating Process for Boundaries Commission**

**Motion: Bev Kostichuk/Ken DeLisle**

**GC42 2017-021**

The Executive of the General Council recommends that the recalled 42nd General Council on September 30, 2017:

1. Establish a commission to determine the number and boundaries for the regions of The United Church of Canada, with a mandate to:
  - a. Consult broadly through meetings or electronic or other means taking into consideration geographic, cultural, linguistic and other affinities and
  - b. Take into account discussions that have already been held across the church
  - c. Consider the study guide that was made available to the church for remit 1, along with input received through the consultation process and related research, having in mind the history, present day, and future of The United Church of Canada;
  - d. Issue an interim report not later than January 10, 2018, and after receiving and considering the responses, issue a final report by March 15, 2018.

**Carried**

### **NOM 3 Recommendations for Appointment to the Boundaries Commission**

**Motion: Graham Brownmiller/Wilson Gonese**

**GC42 2017-022**

That the recalled 42nd General Council (2017)

1. receive the Report of the Nominations Committee
2. appoint the members named in the Report of the Nominations Committee to serve as the Boundaries Commission until the convening of the 43rd General Council (July 2018).

**Carried**

### **Adjournment**

**Motion: Nora Sanders/Fred Monteith**

**GC42 2017-023**

That the special meeting of the 42nd General Council 2017 be adjourned.  
**Carried**