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THE PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF CANADA
SASKATCHEWAN DISTRICT

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

This constitution, dated this 2nd day of May 2023, is the current, valid constitution of our Saskatchewan District Conference and renders all previous constitutions null and void.

ARTICLE 1 – NAME

The name of this body shall be the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, Saskatchewan District Inc.

ARTICLE 2 – TERRITORY

This District Conference shall embrace the territory of the Saskatchewan District as already determined by General Conference.

ARTICLE 3 – RELATIONSHIP

This District Conference is an integral part of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, therefore the principles of cooperative fellowship, as set forth in the Bylaws of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, are the principles which shall govern this District Conference.

ARTICLE 4 – TENETS OF FAITH

This District Conference accepts the Holy Scriptures as the all-sufficient rule of faith and practice and adopts the Statement of Essential Truths and the Positions and Practices as approved by The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

ARTICLE 5 – OBJECTIVES AND PREROGATIVES

The objectives and prerogatives of this District Conference shall be:

- 5.1 To promulgate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by all Scriptural means, both at home and abroad; to promote Christian fellowship among its members; in accordance with its tenets of faith.

- 5.2** To supervise all the District Conference activities of the affiliated assemblies in its prescribed territory, in accordance with the rights conferred by the Bylaws of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.
- 5.3** To examine, license and ordain ministers who have met the requirements as set forth in Bylaw 10 of the General Constitution and Bylaws of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, subject to the appropriate approval of the District Conference.
- 5.4** To elect the District Executive to arrange for its meetings and to govern itself. However, it shall be subordinate to the General Conference of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.
- 5.5** To establish and maintain such committees and departments for the District Conference as may be required.
- 5.6** To own, use, sell, convey, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of such property, real or chattel, as may be needed for the prosecution of its work, in accordance with the laws of the Province and Bylaws of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

ARTICLE 6 – MEMBERSHIP

- 6.1** Members of the District Conference shall consist of the following:
- Holders of the following categories of current, valid credentials from The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, and who have their permanent residence within the boundaries of the district conference (residential exceptions may be made at the discretion of the district executive) shall be recognized as members of the district conference.
 - Ordained
 - Licensed Minister
 - Recognition of Ministry
 - Ministry Related
 - Ministerial license for women (not being issued since 1985)
 - Deaconess (not being issued since 1996)
 - NOTE: For a description of the credentials, qualifications and privileges of such refer to The General Constitution and Bylaws of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada; Bylaw 10, Ministerial Credentials
 - Duly appointed lay delegates from any affiliated local assembly
 - Duly appointed executive members;
 - The chair of the board of Living Waters Camp or their appointee.
- 6.2** Each self-governing Assembly in the District Conference shall have the right to representation in the District Conference meetings by lay delegates as outlined in the General Constitution and Bylaws of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

ARTICLE 7 –DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

The Executive of the District Conference shall be: the District Superintendent, three Executive Members, and two appointed members.

ARTICLE 8 – COMMITTEES

8.1 The District Executive shall consist of the duly elected members and the two appointed members and in addition such other members as the District Executive shall determine from time to time.

8.2 Special committees may be created as the need may arise.

ARTICLE 9 – MEETINGS: DISTRICT CONFERENCE

9.1 The District Conference shall meet biennially in years ending with an odd number.

9.2 A majority of the District Executive shall have authority to call any special meeting of the District Conference.

9.3 All members and lay delegates to the District Conference who are registered at any session of the District Conference shall constitute the voting constituency.

9.4 Those members of the voting constituency present at the time of a duly called meeting shall constitute a quorum. Present at the time of meeting consists of the following:

9.4.1 In person

9.4.2 Electronically, that permits participation by registered voting members, subject to any rules regarding participation in an electronic meeting that the District Executive Committee may declare; or

9.4.3 A combination of in-person and electronic means that satisfies the requirements prescribed in Bylaw 9.4.2.

ARTICLE 10 – LOCAL ASSEMBLIES

Assemblies associated with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada shall be classified as affiliated assemblies.

ARTICLE 11 – AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the constitution may be made at any regular or special meeting of the District Conference, provided the proposed amendment has been submitted to the District Executive at least 30 days before such meeting for consideration. A two-thirds vote of all members present and voting at the Conference shall be necessary for adoption of any amendment. All amendments shall be submitted to the General Executive Committee for ratification.

BYLAWS

BYLAW 1 – MEETINGS

- 1.1** The time and place of the biennial District Conference meeting shall be determined by the District Executive.
- 1.2** A majority of the District Executive shall have authority to call any special meetings of the District Conference.
- 1.3** Notice of meeting shall contain the time and place of meeting and in the case of special meetings shall also contain a concise statement of the business to be dealt with at the meeting. Notices shall be forwarded to each member and the member's last known address, and to the secretary of each assembly, not later than two months prior to the biennial meeting, and not later than ten days prior to the time of any special meeting.
- 1.4** Holders of the following categories of current, valid credentials from The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada and subject to Bylaw 2.2.1 and who have their permanent ministry within the boundaries of the Saskatchewan District Conference are eligible for election and able to vote at Conference. Exceptions to Bylaw 1.4 may be made at the discretion of the District Executive; for those who reside outside the Saskatchewan boundaries, such a person or persons shall be recognized as members of the district conference with full voting privileges. Such persons are not considered eligible for nomination for an elected position. (Such exempt persons could include but is not limited to those invited from a Bible college, Global Workers, International Office of PAOC.
- Ordained
 - Ministerial License for Women
 - Licensed Minister
 - Deaconess
 - Recognition of Ministry
 - Ministry Related
 - Duly appointed lay delegates from any affiliated assembly
 - Duly appointed district department directors and/or coordinators
 - Global Workers with qualifying credentials in the Saskatchewan District
 - District layperson who is a member of the General Executive

BYLAW 2 – ELECTIONS

2.1 Qualifications of Candidates

- 2.1.1** The District Superintendent of this District Conference shall be an ordained person of mature experience, sound judgment, recognized giftings and ability,

and Christian character who has ministered for at least ten consecutive years as an ordained minister before the end of the year preceding the year district conference is being held. They must currently be holding an active credential and have served at least two years as a member of their district immediately prior to nomination.

If they are a pastor at a Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada church, their church shall have consistently tithed to the District Office since the previous District Conference or since its inception, or if their church is not tithing, they shall have been consistent in their personal tithes to the District Office.

2.1.2 The three elected members of this District Conference shall be chosen from the credentialed membership, and shall be ordained persons of mature experience, sound judgment, recognized giftings and ability, and Christian character who have ministered for at least five consecutive years as an ordained minister and have been ministering with a credential within the District for at least one full calendar year immediately preceding the year for which the District Conference shall be held. If they are a pastor at a Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada church, their church shall have consistently tithed to the District Office since the previous District Conference or since its inception, or if their church is not tithing, they shall have been consistent in their personal tithes to the District Office.

2.1.3 The two appointed members of the District Executive – at least one of which will be a Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada credential holder – shall be members in good standing of a Saskatchewan District church. They shall have been consistent in their personal tithes to their local assembly or to the District Office. They shall be recognized as mature believers, with sound judgment and Christian character.

2.1.4 Nominees for election shall be in active full time ministry in a PAOC church and/or approved ministry position, or have a ministry appointment in a PAOC church and/or approved ministry position, or a retired credential holder who is a member in good standing in a PAOC church, or a credential holder involved in a para-church organization which is a member in good standing in a PAOC church, or if in transition, be actively seeking another place of ministry in a PAOC church and/or approved ministry position and shall demonstrate that they are tithing to a PAOC approved ministry or to the District Office.

2.2 Procedures

2.2.1 Nominations

2.2.1.1 A pre-conference nomination ballot for each elected District Executive member position shall be mailed not later than 90 days prior to the

District Conference to all members including lay delegates eligible to vote as described in Article 6. Their eligibility to participate in the preconference nomination process shall be based upon the District Office receiving from the Secretary or Pastor of the Assembly a letter certifying his or her appointment by the Assembly to represent the Assembly in the District Conference no later than 100 days prior to the conference. This ballot is to be returned postmarked no later than 60 days prior to the District Conference. The preconference nomination ballot shall be mailed to all members eligible to vote at the District Conference together with a description of the qualifications, responsibilities, giftings and duties of the elected members.

- 2.2.1.2** Should a candidate's credential change between the beginning of pre-conference nomination and the date of an election, the candidate shall be eligible to be elected for positions based on the credential they held at the beginning of the preconference nomination process at the end of the calendar year prior to the District Conference.
- 2.2.1.3** The District Executive shall appoint a Preconference Ballot Nomination Committee of three members at a meeting of the District Executive no later than four months prior to the District Conference. The members of the Preconference Ballot Nomination Committee shall declare themselves to be non-candidates.
- 2.2.1.4** The Preconference Ballot Nomination Committee and two members of the District Executive and/or their appointees shall constitute the Nomination Committee. The Nomination Committee shall interview all potential nominees with regards to the qualifications, responsibilities, duties and giftings required. The Nomination Committee will present the slate of candidates to the District Conference.
- 2.2.1.5** Nominees receiving five percent or more of ballots cast shall be contacted by the Preconference Ballot Nomination Committee prior to the District Conference for the purpose of accepting or declining the nomination. A decision to accept or decline the nomination shall be made to the Nomination Committee not later than 30 days prior to conference. Nominees may stand for more than one position. Once a nominee has been elected or acclaimed to a position, their name shall be deleted from all other election ballots with the exception of the General Executive Member at Large, if applicable.
- 2.2.1.6** In the case where there are insufficient nominees for a position after following through the nomination process, the Nomination Committee will do their due diligence to provide a nominee and/or nominees.

- 2.2.1.7** A list of all nominees who have agreed to let their name stand as a result of the preconference nomination process shall be forwarded to each member and registered lay delegate not later than 21 days before District Conference at the member's last known address.
- 2.2.1.8** In the event that a standing candidate receives the required two-thirds nomination on the preconference nomination ballot, it shall be noted as such by use of an asterisk (*) on the election list distributed 21 days before District Conference. A ratification vote shall be conducted at the District Conference and a simple majority vote shall constitute election on this ratification ballot.
- 2.2.1.9** In the event that a candidate fails to receive at least 50% plus one yes vote on the ratification ballot, the newly elected District Executive will have the opportunity to fill the position by appointment. If the position is for the District Superintendent, the conference shall have the right to fill the position within six months via the reengagement of the election process.
- 2.2.1.10** There shall be no nominations from the floor for any member of the District Executive since all of the eligible voting constituency shall have had the opportunity to participate in the preconference nomination process.

2.2.2 Elections

All nominees who allow their name to stand will be eligible for the first election ballot. If no election is declared, the candidate with the fewest votes on each ballot shall be removed and the election shall proceed until a simple majority vote is received.

2.2.3 Nomination and Election of the District Superintendent

Candidates for Superintendent of the Saskatchewan District shall be ordained persons of mature experience, sound judgment, recognized ability, and Christian character, who have been ordained for a period of not fewer than ten consecutive years with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. Candidates for Superintendent shall have served at least two years as a member of their district immediately prior to nomination.

2.2.4 Elections will occur in the following order:

- District Superintendent
- Three Executive Members
- One General Executive Nominee

For the General Executive Nominee, the District Conference shall receive three nominations from the District Executive in keeping with the qualifications outlined in Bylaw 2.1. An additional nomination ballot shall also be held at District Conference. Additional nominees receiving more than 5% on the District Conference nomination ballot shall be added to the three nominations from the District Executive and this group of nominees shall constitute the first election ballot. The successful candidate will be presented as a nominee on the election ballot to the General Executive to be voted on at the next General Conference.

2.2.5 Terms of Office and Vacancies

The first term of the District Superintendent shall be for four years and each subsequent election will be for two-year terms and the term for all other elected District Executive Members shall be for two years from the time of their election or appointment. Executive Members shall take office at the close of the Conference at which they are elected. The new District Superintendent shall assume office within six months of the election in consultation with the District Executive. The tenure of all District Executive Members shall be determined by the Conference electoral process.

Should a vacancy occur in any office through resignation, removal from the District, by death, or disqualification, power shall be vested in the remaining members of the District Executive to fill the office either by appointment or special election until the next meeting of the District Conference. In the case of the District Superintendent, a special election shall be held within sixty days unless the vacancy occurs less than six months prior to the next conference. The District Executive will appoint a qualified credential holder to serve as District Superintendent in the interim.

Those appointed to the District Executive shall have their tenure determined and reviewed by the District Executive at the first meeting following District Conference.

BYLAW 3 –RESPONSIBILITIES OF DISTRICT EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

3.1 District Superintendent

- 3.1.1** The District Superintendent shall provide spiritual and pastoral leadership for the District.
- 3.1.2** The District Superintendent shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the District Conference. The District Superintendent or designate shall preside at all meetings of the District Conference and the District Executive.

- 3.1.3** The District Superintendent shall appoint a Vice-Chair and Secretary-Treasurer to the District Executive at the first meeting following the biennial District Conference.
- 3.1.4** The District Superintendent shall provide visionary direction and relational leadership to the District in fulfilling the mission statements of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada and the Saskatchewan District.
- 3.1.5** The District Superintendent shall, with the District Operations Team, establish strategic processes to ensure the fulfillment of the District vision as defined in coordination with the District Executive.
- 3.1.6** The District Superintendent shall work with the other District Superintendents to ensure continuity, unity, and cohesiveness in Canadian and International matters as they affect The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.
- 3.1.7** The District Superintendent shall assist assemblies with advice and ministry, as the need may require or at the request of the pastor, the local leadership team, or the congregation as outlined in the Local Church Constitution (Bylaw 2.1.5).
- 3.1.8** The District Superintendent shall be responsible for overseeing all credential processing.
- 3.1.9** The District Superintendent shall ensure that true records are recorded and published as directed by the District Conference.
- 3.1.10** The District Superintendent shall supervise the expenditure of District Funds as directed by the District Executive.
- 3.1.11** The District Superintendent shall ensure that a record is kept of all ministers and assemblies in the District and ensure the ongoing maintenance and development of the District Constitution.
- 3.1.12** The District Superintendent shall administer discipline according to Bylaw 10 of the General Constitution and Bylaws of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.
- 3.1.13** The District Superintendent shall present a biennial report to the District membership.
- 3.1.14** The District Superintendent shall be, ex-officio, a member of all District committees.
- 3.1.15** When a lead/senior pastoral position becomes vacant, the District Superintendent or his/her authorized representative shall be empowered to act

in full legal capacity of the pastor and shall arrange, in consultation with the local church leadership team, to supply the pulpit with suitable ministry until such time as a new pastor has been duly installed.

3.1.16. He/she shall be official signing authority representing the District Executive as it relates to legal documents.

3.1.17 He/she shall be a member of the Board of Governors of Horizon College and Seminary.

3.1.18 The District Superintendent shall perform such other functions as are usual and customary for presiding officers and such other duties as may be designated by the District Conference and District Executive.

3.2 Executive Members

3.2.1 The Executive Members shall give oversight and support, under the leadership of, and in harmony with, the District Superintendent in establishing the vision, mission and policies of the district subject to the District Conference.

3.2.2 They shall have authority to approve applications for credentials between conferences subject to ratification by the District Conference.

3.2.3 They shall assist the District Superintendent in the discipline of members of the District Conference according to the standards set out in the Constitution of the Saskatchewan District of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada and the General Constitution and Bylaws of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

3.2.4 They shall be responsible for the supervision of all district matters subject to the ultimate approval of the District Conference.

3.2.5 They shall give a biennial report to the District Conference of significant activities which affect the district.

3.2.6 They shall have oversight of the district budget according to the established policies of the district.

3.2.7 They shall hold in trust such funds as may be committed to them or dispose of the same as they may be directed.

3.2.8 They shall appoint special committees as the need arises.

3.2.9 District Executive meetings shall be called at the discretion of the District Superintendent or by authorization of a majority of the District Executive Members.

3.2.10 They shall appoint members to sit on the Board of Governors of Horizon College and Seminary in accordance with its constitution.

3.3 Roles

3.3.1 Vice-Chair:

The appointed Vice-Chair of the District Executive shall have authority and responsibility to call and chair executive meetings upon the absence or inability of the District Superintendent to fulfill his/her duties. The District Superintendent will also ask the Vice-Chair to assume the chair in situations when the District Superintendent is in conflict of interest.

3.3.2 Secretary-Treasurer:

The Secretary-Treasurer is not required to be a voting member of the District Executive. They are responsible for the taking and keeping record of business meeting minutes, presenting the financial reports, and ensuring the accuracy of the records.

3.4 Administering the Duties of Office

3.4.1 Conflict of Interest

No member of the District Executive shall place him or herself in a position where there is a conflict of interest between the duties as a member of the respective committee and his or her other interests. Every committee member who is in any way directly or indirectly interested in or may become interested in an existing or proposed contract, transaction, or arrangement with the district or an affiliate assembly or who otherwise has a conflict of interest by virtue of involvement of a member of his or her family, or a corporation that the member is involved with as either a director, shareholder, officer, employee, or agent, then such committee member shall declare his or her conflict of interest fully at a meeting of the committee and withdraw from any discussion or vote.

A conflict of interest in a meeting shall be considered to include, but not limited to, any matter being discussed which touches in any way the personal life and/or ministry of any committee member or the local church of which the committee member is involved in ministry.

During any presentation which may involve a conflict of interest by a committee member, the member will, upon completion of the initial presentation, absent him or herself voluntarily from the meeting before further discussion and voting.

Should a member not voluntarily withdraw from the meeting when a conflict of interest is perceived, either the Chair or any other member may ask that the committee member absent him or herself from the meeting. If there is a challenge as to whether or not a conflict of interest exists, it shall be decided by a majority vote of the remaining members.

The paid staff shall absent themselves from any meeting when their salary package is being considered.

3.4.2 Execution of Documents

Contracts, documents, or any instruments in writing requiring the signature of the corporation shall be signed by the District Superintendent and by one of the other Executive Members.

In the event that the District Superintendent is not available to sign, any two of the other Executive Members (duly authorized) shall be authorized to sign documents.

The District Executive Members shall have power by resolution, from time to time, to appoint any other officer or officers on behalf of the corporation either to sign contracts, documents or instruments in writing generally, or to sign special contracts, documents or instruments in writing.

The seal of the corporation may, when required, be affixed to contracts, documents, and instruments in writing, signed as aforesaid, or by any officer or officers appointed as aforesaid, by the District Executive Members.

3.4.3 Borrowing Powers

The District Executive Members of the corporation are hereby authorized from time to time:

3.4.3.1 To borrow any sum or sums of money from a bank upon the credit of the corporation either by way of overdraft, discount, loan, line of credit or otherwise, and upon such terms as they may think proper and as security for any money so borrowed or as security for any advances, liabilities heretofore made or incurred or that may hereafter be made or incurred, to hypothecate, mortgage, pledge and give to the bank all or any stock, bonds, debentures, negotiable instruments, choose in action or other real property of the corporation or other assets of the corporation as they may see fit, or as may be required by or on behalf of the bank, and it is expressly declared that any security given pursuant to this Bylaw may be by way of chattel mortgage or in such other form as a bank may require, or as the District Executive Members see fit.

3.4.3.2 To authorize from time to time by a resolution or Bylaw, such officer(s), clerk, cashier or other employee of the corporation as the District Executive Members may appoint to transact the banking business of the corporation with a bank, to make, draw, accept and endorse bills of exchange, promissory notes and checks, and to execute on behalf of the corporation all such documents as aforesaid, and further, that this Bylaw shall continue in full force, virtue and effect as between the corporation and a bank until notice of revocation or cancellation thereof be given to a bank in writing.

3.4.3.3 In addition to their power to borrow as set out in Bylaw 3.4.3.1 herein, without limiting the generality of the powers otherwise conferred upon the District Executive Members, the District Executive Members shall have the power and authority, to buy, sell, mortgage, lease, hypothecate, pledge or otherwise acquire, dispose of, hypothecate or deal with all of the real and personal property of the Corporation wheresoever situated on such terms and in such manner as the District Executive Members deem expedient.

3.4.4 Property

All property, both real and personal, acquired by or in the name of, or for the purpose of the Corporation, shall be vested in the corporation subject to any Declaration of Trust that may be executed by the corporation. All property, whether real or personal, acquired in the opening of new assemblies where funds of the corporation are used and employed shall be known as the property of the corporation or the property of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada and shall not be transferred or disposed of without written consent under seal of the corporation in the hands of the proper officers thereof.

BYLAW 4 – OPERATIONAL COMMITTEES

4.1 District Operations Team

The District Operations Team shall consist of the District Superintendent, the District Administrator, Staff Leads and any other members that may be appointed by the District Superintendent.

4.2 Other Standing Committees

Standing committees shall be created by the District Conference and their membership designated by appointment or election as the District Conference shall determine. The terms of office shall continue from the date of appointment to the adjournment of the next regular meeting of the District Conference, except as hereinafter provided.

4.3 Conference Committees

The following committees shall be appointed by the District Superintendent, with the help and advice of the District Executive, at least one month before each District Conference session, for the purpose of planning and conducting the business of the Conference while in session: The Resolutions Committee, the Roster Committee, and such further committees as may be necessary for the conduct of the Conference business. The membership of such committees shall be declared at the Conference in session, and additional nominations to the above committees may be made from the conference floor.

BYLAW 5 – ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Conference business sessions shall be preceded by a period of devotions. The business sessions of the Conference shall be governed by love and fellowship, accepted rules of parliamentary procedure as outlined in Robert's Rules of Order as they apply to District Conference and the Agenda as approved by the District Executive.

BYLAW 6 – MINISTRY

6.1 Ministry Described

Recognition of candidates for the ministry within the jurisdiction of the District Conference, shall be granted to those who meet the requirements prescribed by the General Constitution and Bylaws of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

There shall be six grades of credentials:

- Ordained
- Licensed Minister
- Recognition of Ministry
- Ministry Related
- Ministerial License for Women (not being issued since 1985)
- Deaconess (not being issued since 1996)

NOTE: for a description of the credentials, qualification and privileges of such refer to The General Constitution and Bylaws of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, Bylaw 10, Ministerial Credentials.

6.2 Credentials

6.2.1 All candidates for Credentials shall complete the official application form and forward the same to the District Office along with the required references. They shall appear before the Credentials Committee and shall be prepared to be examined as to their doctrine, ability, character and conduct.

6.2.2 The granting of Credentials, recommended by the Credentials Committee, shall be subject to the approval of the District Executive and the District Conference.

6.2.3 The time and place of ordination ceremonies and the officiating ministers shall be decided by the District Executive, consideration being given to the wishes of the candidate.

6.3 Ministerial Relations

All Credential holders who transfer their residence from another district into this district shall obtain a Certificate of Transfer from their former District and shall present it to the District Executive for acceptance. No minister shall exercise his/her privileges of membership in this District Conference until transfer of credentials has been completed.

6.4 Discipline of Ministers

The District Conference through its District Executive shall avail itself of the prerogatives conferred upon it in the matter of discipline of members as defined by the General Conference of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada and the Local Church Constitution.

BYLAW 7 – LOCAL ASSEMBLIES

7.1 Affiliation

7.1.1 In areas where there is an established church or churches affiliated with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, those wishing to establish another or other churches shall obtain the consent of the District Executive, in consultation with the leaders of the existing church or churches in the area affiliated with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, with the recommendation that the proximity of existing churches to newly established or relocating churches be kept to a reasonable distance, based on the density of population in urban areas and on demographics. Affiliation shall be deemed to have occurred when approved by official decision of the District Executive.

7.1.2 All assemblies established by a minister of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada shall be known and recognized as affiliated assemblies of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada without the necessity of a congregational vote.

7.1.3 Application for Affiliation: All developing and independent assemblies desiring to affiliate with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada must fulfill the following requirements:

7.1.3.1 An application form must be completed once a local congregation, at a duly called meeting, passes a resolution authorizing the officers of the local assembly to petition the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada for affiliation. Developing assemblies without an existing congregational

membership can apply with the approval of the current church leadership.

7.1.3.2 The local congregation shall, at a duly called meeting, pass a resolution adopting the Statement of Essential Truths of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

7.1.3.3 The local congregation shall be governed by the Local Church Constitution of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada or a local church constitution approved by the District Executive.

7.1.3.4 The General Executive of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, on recommendation of the Saskatchewan District Executive, may grant the petition of affiliation and shall notify the local congregation of its decision.

7.1.4 They shall cooperate with the District and General Conferences in accordance with the Bylaws of those bodies.

7.1.5 Pastors of all affiliated churches must hold credentials with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

7.2 Privileges and Responsibilities of Affiliated Assemblies

7.2.1 They shall be governed by the Local Church Constitution of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada or a local church constitution approved by the district executive.

7.2.2 They shall be amenable to the district conference in doctrine, in conduct, in practice, and in all other matters which affect the peace and harmony of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

7.2.3 They shall have the right to choose their own pastor(s), select their officers and hold property, either by local trustees or vested in The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

7.2.4 They shall be entitled to representation in the General Conference and district conferences through accredited delegates, according to the provisions of the General Constitution and By-Laws.

7.2.5 They shall have the consideration of the district executive when it plans for prayer conferences, fellowship meetings and conventions, and shall be entitled to the services of evangelists and global workers on home assignment.

7.2.6 They shall be expected to cooperate in the promotion of departmental activities of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, such as Mission Global, Sunday school, youth ministries, ministers' Pension Fund, publications, Bible colleges and camp meetings.

7.2.7 They shall be expected to assume voluntarily their cooperative share in the expenses of the district ministry and administration. Assemblies shall recognize their responsibility to defray the moving expenses of an incoming pastor and to cooperate in making possible their attendance at the annual District Conference and the General Conference when feasible.

7.2.8 The property title of an assembly seeking affiliation shall be held in the name of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada according to the terms of the Declaration of Trust. Exceptions may be considered by a district executive.

7.3 Conference Representation

Lay representation of self-governing assemblies at District Conference meetings shall be based on the membership of the Assembly. Those Assemblies having a membership of fifty or less shall be entitled to one lay delegate and those having a membership of over fifty shall be entitled to two lay delegates. Lay delegates shall not be credential holders or the spouses of voting credential holders. The tenure of the delegate(s) shall be for two years beginning the January prior to District Conference unless otherwise directed by the assembly. Such delegate(s) will be eligible for all relative voting privileges between District Conferences.

As well, they shall be members of churches who have consistently tithed to the District Office since the previous District Conference or since their inception. Each lay delegate shall procure a letter from the Secretary or Pastor of the assembly certifying his or her appointment by the assembly to represent the assembly in the District Conference. This letter shall be presented to the Roster Committee of the District Conference a minimum of seven (7) days prior to the District Conference.

7.4 Building Projects

All building projects of local assemblies in the District shall be submitted to the District Executive for approval.

BYLAW 8 – LIVING WATERS CAMP

8.1 The management of Living Waters Camp shall be determined by regulations established by the Living Waters Camp Council.

8.2 All changes to the Living Waters Camp Constitution must be approved by the District Executive.

BYLAW 9 – MISSION GLOBAL

9.1 Mission Global

Assemblies affiliated with this District Conference shall work in harmony with the plans and methods of the Missions Global Department of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

9.2 Saskatchewan Missional Initiatives

9.2.1 Local Assemblies or individuals shall consult with the District Executive before establishing a disciple making community.

9.2.2 A disciple-making community is defined as: “A Christ-centered gathering of people, with the support of leadership, meeting regularly for worship, caring, teaching, praying, and actively engaging in mission with the intention of continuing to meet for these purposes indefinitely.”

BYLAW 10 – FINANCES

10.1 All funds received by the District Conference for Home Missions and Administration purposes shall be disbursed by the District Executive in accordance with the direction of the District Conference.

10.2 Each local church recognizing the important services rendered to it by the International and District Offices of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada shall support the ministry and fellowship services of the International and District Offices. Each local assembly shall forward an amount equal to ten percent of its general fund offerings (does not include missionary offerings, building fund, or any other special fund) to the District Office at regular intervals to support the ministry and fellowship services.

BYLAW 11 – DISTRICT DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES

11.1 That the District Executive appoint directors for district departmental activities as required.

11.2 Where sectional representatives are required, they shall be approved by the District Executive upon recommendation of the Departmental Director.

BYLAW 12 – AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Bylaws may be made at any regular or special meeting of the District Conference by a two-thirds majority of the members voting.

All amendments to the Bylaws shall be submitted to the General Executive for ratification.