

Diocese of Rupert's Land
Executive Committee Minutes
September 19, 2023, St. George, Crescentwood, Winnipeg

Present = P Regrets = R Absent = A (*) = *ex officio*

R	Akinwale, The Rev. Wilson	P	Rampton, The Rev. Andrew
P	Blaikie, The Ven. Simon (*Exec. Arch.)	P	Ripley, Jim (*Chancellor)
P	Cummings, Lucy	P	Robinson, The Rev. Theo
P	Dorrian, Colin	P	Routley, Mrs. Sharon (*Treasurer)
P	Johnson, The Very Rev. Paul (*Dean)	P	Russell, Mr. Gary
P	Labdon, The Ven. Dave (*Archdeacon)	R	Woodcroft, The Rt. Rev. Geoffrey (*Bishop)
P	Lampman, The Ven. Paul (*Archdeacon)	Staff (Present not voting)	
P	Mawejje, The Ven. Godfrey (*Archdeacon)	P	Nixon, Melissa (office coordinator)
P	Manzongo, The Ven. Naboth (*Archdeacon)	P	Valencerina, Joy (director of finance)

1. Call to Order – 1:30 pm - Welcome – Read by S. Blaikie
2. Land acknowledgment - Land acknowledgement, and opening prayer read by Bishop Woodcroft
3. Regrets – Read by S. Blaikie
4. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: *Be it resolved that the Agenda for the 19 Sept 2023 meeting of the Executive Committee (EC) be approved*

Moved by P. Lampman, Seconded by A. Rampton

Carried

5. Reading and approval of matters minutes

- a. Receive E-vote of 3 motions (June 17, 2023) Motions 1-3 Carried.

Motion 1: be it resolved that the EC accept the Diocesan Refugee Committee minutes of 30 May 23.

Motion 2: be it resolved that the EC accept the May 2023 Ops Statement

Motion 3: be it resolved that the EC recommend the approval of the AFC grant application from St. John the Baptist, Fort Frances, ON to the Anglican Foundation of Canada.

- b. Receive: E-vote of motion (July 1, 2023) Carried.

Motion: be it resolved that the EC recommend the approval of the AFC grant application from St. Bartholomew, Winnipeg to the Anglican Foundation of Canada.

- c. Approval of minutes

Motion: Be it resolved that the meeting minutes from 17 May 2023 of the Executive Committee be adopted.

Moved by P. Johnson, Seconded by L. Cummings

Carried

6. Anglican Foundation Grant Applications

-We have four applications to review that require our approval to move on to the next step. The maximum we can submit is two, which will max out the amount of applications the Diocese of Rupert's Land for 2023.

- J. Ripley suggested we look at the applications with specific attention to urgency and alternative funding

- Questions regarding investment funds, or funds from the sale of property that may be available to some parishes to use as alternative funding sources. Discussions on urgency of leaking roof vs. updating heating systems vs. feeding our communities.

Motion: *Be it resolved that the Executive Committee support the AFC grant applications for St. Thomas Weston for "Kreative Take-out meal program"*

Moved by G. Russell, Seconded by A. Rampton

Carried

Motion: Be it resolved that the Executive Committee support the AFC grant applications for St. Andrew's, St. Andrew's for "Roof Replacement"

Moved by A. Rampton, Seconded by L. Cummings

Carried

7. Shared Ministry Investment Fund Applications (4)

-Review that all applications meet the qualifications, noted that one application asks for more than the maximum amount allowed to give, but we can still give the maximum amount.

Motion: Be it resolved that the Executive Committee approve the request for funding of \$2000 from the Shared Ministry Investment Fund for St. Peter's Parish Renewal Program

Moved by _____, Seconded by _____

(1 abstention)

Carried

Motion: Be it resolved that the Executive Committee approve the request for funding of \$2000 from the Shared Ministry Investment Fund for St. Thomas, Weston's "Kreative Take-out meal program"

Moved by P. Lampman, Seconded by Colin D.

Carried

Motion: Be it resolved that the Executive Committee approve the request for funding of \$2000 from the Shared Ministry Investment Fund for the Parish Church of Saint Luke's Stained Glass Window repair.

Moved by A. Rampton, Seconded by G. Mawejje

(1 abstention)

Carried

Motion: Be it resolved that the Executive Committee approve the request for funding of \$2000 from the Shared Ministry Investment Fund for the St. Andrew's, Woodhaven Food Bank.

Moved by D. Labdon, Seconded by P. Johnson

Carried

8. Discussion/response to "#1 Million March 4 Children"

-T Robinson briefly explained what the "1MillionMarch4Children" is and why it is attacking the LGBTTQ+ community and how we can offer help.

-S. Blaikie suggested a type of justice taskforce so we do not continue to be reactionary but instead do the best we can to be allies to all causes that focus hate towards minority groups.

-Brought up the "Safe Space" poster. It was also mentioned that the Lutherans have a "safe space" certification program.

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9. Finance Report

- S. Routley reviews the financial report for the date ending May 2023

Motion: Be it resolved that the Executive Committee receive the report provided by the Finance Committee

Sharon R. on behalf of the Finance Committee

Carried

-A. Rampton asks if there is any plan to deal with the probable insolvency of the diocese in the next 5 years. While there is no specific conversation or plan, we are working on multiple areas that should help with improvement, including the discipleship developer and common ministry and mission taskforce

- Update on the progress of the audit. PWC is really behind this year and we might look into another provider next year.

10. New Business

-G. Russell asks if this is an appropriate place to make a motion for a percent of sale of buildings to go to the Indigenous ministry fund. As Sacred Circle should be involved, this is not the correct avenue.

11. Parish Updates

-St. Bartholomew and St. George, Transcona have hired a new half time priest each, Rev. Wilson Akinwale.

-St. Michael & All Angels has hired a new rector, Rev. Lauren Schoeck and has an upcoming Celebration of New Ministry on October 8th (postponed to 11th).

-Rev. Jamie Howison has retired, he is now serving as an honorary at St. Michael & All Angels

- saint benedicts table is currently working on a parish profile and then they will post the position
- Rev. Murray has retired from St. Stephen & St. Bede and they have sold their building. The congregation is not disbanding but will now be worshipping out of St. Mary, Charleswood.
- The Ven. Dave Labdon will be retiring from St. Aidan's as of December 31st 2023, Thanks were given to Dave for being a wonderful minister in our midst and great wisdom to this council.
- We have hired a Diocesan Discipleship Developer, his name is Ryan Turnbull and he is based out of St. Margaret. He will be preaching at Eucharist at Faith Horizons and will be introduced to the community there.
- We have a new RLNews Editor, Misha Pensato, please reach out and welcome her.
- We also have brought in Rev. James Gomez from Calcutta India. He is serving two parishes part time, Church of the Ascension Stonewall and St. Paul's Middlechurch.

12. Announcements

- G. Russell shared that the workbook he did up on Franciscan / Indigenous Economics for the Franciscan Congress in Phoenix and it was very well received.
- Our attempt to repatriate the west land of St. Peter Dynevor to the people of Peguis is still underway. Our lawyer is nearing completion on the MOU to have the land transferred back to the people of Peguis

13. Adjournment – 2:45 pm

Motion: *Be it resolved that Executive council be adjourned*

Moved by T. Robinson