

Diocese of Rupert's Land
Executive Committee Minutes
March 17th, 2026 at 1:30pm at St. George, Crescentwood

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

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| P | Akinwale, The Rev. Wilson | P | Laldin, The Ven. Karen (* Archdeacon) |
| P | Bellay, Vic (*Chancellor) | P | Luke, The Ven. Dr. Iain (* Exec. Archdeacon) |
| P | Bowman, The Rev. Matthew | P | Manzongo, The Rev. Naboth |
| P | Brown, Eva | P | Mawejje, The Ven. Godfrey (* Archdeacon) |
| P | Buxton, Debbie | P | Schoeck, The Ven. Lauren (*Archdeacon) |
| R | Cotton, Ted (*Diocesan Treasurer) | | |
| R | Domenick, The Ven. Lee (*Archdeacon) | | Staff |
| P | Dorrian, Colin | P | Nixon, Melissa (Office Coordinator) |
| P | Dugan, The Ven. James | P | Valencerina, Joy (Dir. Of Finance) |

1. Call to Order at 1:36 pm.

2. Land Acknowledgment Opening prayer and Acknowledgment of the land by I. Luke

3. Regrets reviewed by I. Luke and M. Nixon

4. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: *Be it resolved that the Agenda for the 17 March 2026 meeting of the Executive Committee be adopted.*

Moved by J. Dugan, Seconded by V. Bellay **Carried**

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion: *Be it resolved that the minutes of the 17 February 2026 meeting of the Executive Committee be approved.*

Moved by G. Mawejje, Seconded by E. Brown **Carried**

6. Shared Ministry Funding Request

-Discussion about whether this met the criteria for the fund, specifically if a computer program is what was intended by the term programs in the criteria.

- There was some confusion over whether they were asking for \$2000 or \$3469

Motion: *Be it resolved that the Executive Committee refer the funding request from the Cathedral Parish of St. John to Diocesan Council and ask for further clarification.*

Moved by J. Dugan, Seconded by W. Akinwale **Carried**

7. Request for funding from Indigenous People's Restoration Fund

-A brief review of the request, as it is an annual request.

Motion: *Be it resolved that the Executive Committee request Diocesan Council approve the 2026 funding request for \$3000 from the Indigenous People's Restoration Fund for the 'We Are All Treaty People' event.*

Moved by L. Schoeck, Seconded by M. Bowman **Carried**

Motion: *Be it resolved that the Executive Committee request Diocesan Council approve the 2026 funding request for \$300 from the Indigenous People's Restoration Fund for the 'Grandfather Rock' event.*

Moved by M. Bowman, Seconded by E. Brown **Carried**

8. Disbursal of Funds for Emmanuel Ignace, ON

-The final number of the sale is still fluctuating with closing costs, so we shall work in percentages of total instead of dollar amounts. The percentage will be figured out after any Common Ministry + Mission, or insurance arrears are deducted.

-In the past we have allowed disestablished parishes 10% to leave a legacy but they had done that before selling the building and it is not necessary

Motion: *Be it resolved that the Executive Committee allocates the proceeds from the sale of Emmanuel in Ignace, On into the following Diocese of Rupert's Land accounts; 10% to Archives; 10% to cemeteries; and 80% to the New Church Development Fund*

Moved by G. Mawejje, Seconded by E. Brown

Carried

9. Draft Budget

- J. Valencerina read the statement from Ted Cotton, chair of the investment committee, in regards to the following motions

MOTION: *Be it resolved that the Executive Committee accept the recommendation from Investment and Finance Committee and approve a one-time additional 5% distribution be made from the investment fund of the Diocese of Rupert's Land making the total distribution of earnings at 10% in 2026.*

Moved on behalf of Finance Committee

Carried

-J. Valencerina presented the budget with the notes about areas of change, pointing out areas of lost income and increasing costs. She also highlighted where the following motions would impact the deficit.

MOTION: *Be it resolved that the Executive Committee accept the recommendation from Investment and Finance Committees to increase the administration fees for the investment funds from 0.25% to 0.5% beginning 2027 to inject an estimated \$30K revenue yearly for the Diocese.*

Moved on behalf of Finance Committee

Carried

(1 opposed)

-J. Valencerina mentioned that we saved about 30% of management fees when we transferred our investments from Integra to PH&N. Increasing the administration fees for the investment funds from 0.25% to 0.50% will still leave a 5% saving in fees

MOTION: *Be it resolved that the Executive Committee accept the recommendation from Investment and Finance Committees that the base minimum earnings distribution be increased from 4% to 4.5% beginning 2027*

Moved on behalf of Finance Committee

Carried

(Rationale: The investment funds saved about 30% of management fees when we transferred our investments from Integra to PH&N. Increasing the administration fees for the investment funds from 0.25% to 0.50% and increasing the base minimum earnings distribution from 4% to 4.5% will help decrease the Diocesan deficit estimated at \$130K each year by \$45K each year).

MOTION: *Be it resolved that the Executive Committee accept the recommendation from Investment and Finance Committees to approve version 4 of the 2026 budget with a surplus of \$9,428 and positively refer it to Diocesan Council.*

Moved on behalf of Finance Committee

Carried

10. Executive Archdeacon Report

- I. Luke presented his report. Noting the correction that All Saints, Ignace is actually Emmanuel, Ignace.

-Updated *Terms of Reference* for the Urban Indigenous Ministry Developer are attached.

11. Communication Working Group

MOTION: *Be it resolved that the Diocesan Council establish a Communications Working Group to develop opportunities for parishes to communicate among themselves and to strengthen communication between diocesan ministries and parishes.*

The Working Group will develop strategies that support our common unity within the diocese while promoting the value of the Diocese, highlight supported ministries, and share parish-level initiatives, with the goal of celebrating our common mission and ministry within the Diocese of Rupert's Land.

The Working Group will include both lay and ordained members, meet regularly, and report to Diocesan Council on a quarterly basis.

Moved by D. Buxton, Seconded by J. Dugan

Carried

12. Members Announcements

- Warden's workshop is coming up April 18th

-Year End Forms are Due! Please get them in.

-Wednesday, March 25 St. Michael & All Angels will be holding a Feast of Annunciation for the Archbishop of Canterbury

13. Adjournment – Moved at 2:47pm by E. Brown

Closed with doxology

Carried