



# The Ontario Provincial Synod

## The Anglican Church of Canada

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**Meeting of the Provincial Council called for Monday, March 21, 2022 to be held by video conference.**

### **Agenda**

9:30 am: Opening Worship

9:45 am Acceptance of the Agenda  
Courtesies of the House if any

9:50 am Remarks by the Archbishop on the State of the Church in the Province

1. Update on Safe Church Resource Team Training - Chancellor Finlay.
2. Report on Vocations and Formation Conference June 2022.
3. Report from Bishop Oulton on Provincial Executive Officer's position.
4. Finances
5. Report from House of Bishops and Executive Officers
6. Eldercare

Any other business

Noon Adjournment

## Appendix 1:

### The Ontario Provincial Synod Comparative Income Statement

	Actual 01/01/2021 to 12/31/2021 Percent	Actual 01/01/2020 to 12/31/2020	
<b>REVENUE</b>			
<b>REVENUE ASSESSMENT</b>			
Assessment - Algoma	10,200.00	10,200.00	0.00
Assessment - Huron	31,250.00	31,250.00	0.00
Assessment - Moosonee	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00
Assessment - Niagara	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
Assessment - Ontario	11,300.00	19,275.00	-41.37
Assessment - Ottawa	22,836.08	22,599.96	1.04
Assessment - Toronto	54,550.00	54,550.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL ASSESSMENTS</b>	<b>157,536.08</b>	<b>165,274.96</b>	<b>-4.68</b>
<b>THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION</b>			
Theo.Education Grant - Algoma	16,300.00	16,300.00	0.00
Theo. Education Grant - Huron	0.00	0.00	0.00
Theo. Education Grant- Moosonee	3,700.00	3,700.00	0.00
Theol. Education Grant- Niagara	17,500.00	17,500.00	0.00
Theo.Education Grant- Ontario	17,300.00	30,275.00	-42.86
Theo.Education Grant - Ottawa	20,816.62	15,958.34	30.44
Theo.Education Grant - Toronto	62,200.00	62,200.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL THEO. EDUCATION GRANTS</b>	<b>137,816.62</b>	<b>145,933.34</b>	<b>-5.56</b>
<b>REVENUE: OTHER</b>			
Bank interest	554.08	501.92	10.39
OPCOTE-Video Project Contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Donations	0.00	78.00	-100.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00
GST Rebates Received	1,877.89	2,439.83	-23.03
Fed.Gasoline Excise Tax Refund	0.00	-0.47	-100.00
Quebec Sales Tax Rebates	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE OTHER</b>	<b>2,431.97</b>	<b>3,019.28</b>	<b>-19.45</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>297,784.67</b>	<b>314,227.58</b>	<b>-5.23</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>			
<b>ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES</b>			
Adm.-Metropolitan's Exp.	1,961.39	1,999.30	-1.90
Adm.-Metropolitan's Honorarium	8,289.64	7,976.61	3.92
Adm.- Treasurer's Salary + E.I.	5,886.12	5,886.07	0.00
Adm.-Exe.Officer's Stip+Benefits	33,870.32	31,758.74	6.65
Adm.-Staff Professional Development	0.00	0.00	0.00
Adm.- Gen.Office Expenses+Resources	8,573.17	8,110.42	5.71
Adm.- Travel + Allowances	2,751.61	7,712.41	-64.32
Adm.- Miscellaneous Exp.	16,000.00	8,467.01	88.97
Adm.- Auditor's Fees+Exp.	2,582.05	2,531.20	2.01
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES</b>	<b>79,914.30</b>	<b>74,441.76</b>	<b>7.35</b>
<b>OTHER EXPENSES</b>			
Provincial Executive Council	0.00	9,833.56	-100.00
OPCOTE-Video Project Contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00
House of Bishops Meetings	200.00	4,255.13	-95.30

Commission on Theological Education	3,571.03	1,984.65	79.93
Communications Committee	226.00	0.00	0.00
Chancellors Meeting	0.00	0.00	0.00
Anglican/R.C. Bishops Meetings	0.00	0.00	0.00
Provincial Synod Meetings/Reserve	0.00	22,000.00	-100.00
Insurance-D&O,Lia,Eqpt,Etc	4,165.56	3,967.92	4.98
Contingencies	0.00	0.00	0.00
Theo Edu.Grants paid to Colleges	137,816.62	145,934.33	-5.56
Advocacy Justice Camp	0.00	0.00	0.00
Senior Diocesan Staff Consultation	2,975.00	1,492.00	99.40
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	148,954.21	189,467.59	-21.38
PROGRAM EXPENSES			
Program-ACPO+Chaplaincy	0.00	6,000.00	-100.00
Program- {Provincial Youth Network	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program- Stewardship Conferences	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program-I.S.A.A.R.C.	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program- Meeting Reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bad Debt Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	0.00	6,000.00	-100.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	228,868.51	269,909.35	-15.21
NET INCOME	68,916.16	44,318.23	55.50

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## Appendix 2:

Secretariat for Government Relations

Report to the Provincial Council

March 21, 2022

The Secretariat exists to advise the Metropolitan, the House of Bishops, and the Provincial Synod on matters relating to the Ontario provincial government. It also keeps the Church informed of governmental matters and issues of emerging importance, when asked to its members advocate the policy positions taken by the Synod and the House with their political Parties, and the Secretariat members assist Provincial Synod agencies and representatives in their work. The Secretariat members maintain both formal and informal contacts with the three political Parties to enable this to happen.

The Secretariat was originally established under Article Fourteen of our Constitution, but this has since been amended (2001) so that the Secretariat is now numbered among the other Commissions and Committees of our Provincial Synod, though it continues to be directly responsible to the Metropolitan. This original constitutional Mandate provided that:

There shall be attached directly to the office of the Metropolitan a Secretariat for Government Relations for the following purposes:

- (II) To make representations on behalf of the Provincial Synod to government
- (II) To keep the Provincial Synod informed about government action of concern to the Church in the Province
- (III) To liaise with the Diocese of Keewatin in relation to the above matters
- (IV) Taxation

Membership on the Secretariat shall be determined by the Executive Council in consultation with the Metropolitan.

The Secretariat has members who act as liaison for each of the three political Parties at Queen's Park. These are its Chair, Donna Cansfield (Liberal Party), Terence Young (Progressive Conservative Party) and David Krause with the New Democratic Party

The traditional Anglican position in regard to relationships with civil government was set out by William Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury:

*This is the function of the Church in relation to public life. Its main work now, as always must be the conversion and sanctification of individuals. On that everything depends; if that goes, all goes. But the Church must also have its direct impact upon the ordered life of the community - its politics, industry, its social life, thought and order, and all the rest.*

*It will not pretend to expert knowledge, or offer to settle technical disputes. But it will constantly affirm the spiritual principles which are involved in any department of public life, and it will try to bring together in mutual good will those who are in variance, that together they may find the solution to their problem.*

*Above all the Church will perpetually insist that no question touching human life is ever merely secular, merely economic, or merely material. All that touches human life is fundamentally spiritual, and can only be rightly settled under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.*

Essays in Christian Politics, 1927

The COVID situation has meant that the Secretariat's work has been more constrained over the last two years than has been usual in the past. However, we have been able to work with success on one particular piece of legislation. This is the new Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act.

Six of our seven dioceses have Special Acts of the Ontario Legislature that incorporate them (allowing them to conduct their business affairs such as entering into contracts and holding property and bank accounts), and to manage their own internal affairs through Canons enacted by their Synods. The exception is the Diocese of Moosonee, which has a federal incorporation dating from 1902, because it includes large areas of territory in both the provinces of Quebec and Ontario.

In 2009 the federal government enacted a new Not-for-Profit Corporations Act which separated its governance of not-for-profit corporations from the more general provisions of its Corporations Act which they had previously been under. The Diocese of Moosonee's incorporation has been continued under this new federal Act.

At the same time the province of Ontario was developing its own version of this. This new Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act was put into place in November of last year. It was more than fifteen years in its development and we have engaged in this process throughout those years.

Our concern has been that our Special Acts long antedated the provisions of both the provincial Corporations Act and the new Not-for-Profit Corporations Act, having their roots in our 1856 Enabling Act passed by the Parliament of the, then, United Province of Canada before Confederation.

Our diocesan and provincial Synods are "episcopally led and synodically governed" in conformity with our Anglican tradition. This makes the way in which we function quite different from that required under the Corporations Act and the new Not-for-Profit Corporations Act. We have wanted to ensure that our Dioceses and Synods could continue to function as they have for more than the last century and a half.

In working on this we have been very grateful for the willingness of successive Ontario governments to meet with us and listen carefully to our concerns, for the support given to us by Cabinet Ministers and Critics from all three political Parties and, particularly, to John Gerretsen (Kingston and the Islands) during his time as Municipal Affairs Minister and Attorney-General.

In this we worked with the Roman Catholic Bishops of the province as they had their own concerns about the new legislation as their dioceses, like ours, operate quite differently from what the new Act would require of us. In response to this, successive Ontario governments wrote into the new legislation separate provisions exempting the Roman Catholic and our own Church, and similar historically different organizations, from the provisions of the new Act.

Our Chancellors, however, continued to have some concerns. To address these, we met with then Government Services Minister, Lisa Thompson, in 2020. We are very grateful to Donna Cansfield, as a former Minister, who arranged for this meeting and sat in on it with us. The result has been that the new Act, when it came into effect in November of last year, had a rewritten and strengthened exemption for us that now reads:

*" Conflict with other law*

*If there is a conflict between a provision that applies to a body corporate without share capital in this Act or in a regulation and a provision that applies to the body corporate in any other Act or in a regulation made under it, the provision in the other Act or regulation prevails...*

*A provision in this Act or in a regulation does not apply to a body corporate without share capital to the extent that it is inconsistent with the intent or purpose of another Act or a regulation made under it that applies to the body corporate without share capital."*

The effect of this is that, if there should be a conflict between the provisions of this new Act and our existing diocesan and provincial Synod Special Acts, then the provisions of our Acts prevail. In particular, that "the intent or purpose" of the 1856 Enabling Act, and our other Special Acts, is that our Dioceses and Synods function differently from what would otherwise be required by the new Act and are exempted from it.

### **Appendix 3:**

#### **ECCLESIASTICAL PROVINCE OF ONTARIO**

Journal of Proceedings  
Thirty-seventh Session of the Synod

The thirty-seventh Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario was held via the Zoom platform October 13-14, 2021.

Executive Officers of the Synod assembled together at Zion Lutheran Church, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021

Login to Zoom 11:45 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Archbishop Anne Germond welcomed the delegates to Synod. She offered a special welcome to honoured guests:

The Most Reverend Linda Nicholls, Primate, The Anglican Church of Canada  
The Most Reverend Mark MacDonald, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop  
The Venerable Alan Perry, General Secretary, The Anglican Church of Canada  
The Reverend Canon Doctor Judy Rois, Executive Director, The Anglican Foundation of Canada  
Mr. Will Postma, Executive Director, Primate's World Relief and Development Fund

Opening worship with Archbishop Linda Nicholls preaching.

Archbishop Anne Germond expressed appreciation to our Primate, Archbishop Linda Nicholls, for her homily and for being present with Synod.

Call to order by The Most Reverend Anne Germond (The Archbishop)

Introduction of the Head Table by the Archbishop  
Members of the Executive Committee  
Archdeacon Harry Huskins – Executive Officer  
Gilles Tessier – Treasurer  
Bryan Finlay – Provincial Chancellor  
Laura Walton – Prolocutor

Archdeacon Bill Mous – Diocese of Niagara – communications and technical support; the Archbishop expressed appreciation to Bill for all the efforts he has put into supporting the Province and this Synod.

The Archbishop expressed appreciation to Liz Hamel, her Administrative Assistant, who is acting as recording secretary of the Synod.

Housekeeping arrangements and Zoom protocols outlined by the Archbishop.

Election of the Assessors

Moved by: Harry Huskins  
Seconded by: Laura Walton

That pursuant to Article 8 (b) of the Constitution, the following be elected as assessors:  
Bryan Finlay and Henry Schultz  
CARRIED #1

## Election of Honorary Secretaries

Moved by: Laura Walton  
Seconded by: Harry Huskins

That Haroldine Neil-Burchert be elected as Honorary Lay Secretary and the Venerable Tanya Phibbs be elected as Honorary Clerical Secretary.

CARRIED #2

## Agenda check/review

The Archbishop reviewed the agenda and entertained any changes. None identified.

## Courtesies of the House

The Archbishop declared Courtesies of the House to the Venerable Larry Armstrong.

## Courtesies of the Floor

The Archbishop extended Courtesies of the Floor to the following:

The Most Reverend Linda Nicholls, Primate  
The Most Reverend Mark MacDonald, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop  
The Venerable Alan Perry, General Secretary  
Janet Marshall  
Ian Alexander  
Jean Bedard  
The Reverend Michael Garner, Diocese of Ottawa  
The Reverend Canon Doctor Judy Rois, Executive Director, The Anglican Foundation of Canada  
Doctor Scott Brubacher, incoming Executive Director, The Anglican Foundation of Canada  
Mr. Will Postma, Executive Director, Primate's World Relief and Development Fund  
The Right Reverend John Chapman

## Omnibus motion organizing synod

Moved by: Bryan Finlay  
Seconded by: Harry Huskins

Moved that:

- 1.The appointment of committees be confirmed.
- 2.The regrets of absences, greetings, and courtesies of Synod and of the Floor be extended or received, as the case may be.
- 3.The Report on Credentials in regard to the number of Episcopal, Clerical, and Lay Delegates be regarded as received, and that the Chair, as soon as may be practicable, shall announce the result of such scrutiny.
- 4.The agenda be adopted.
- 5.The minutes of the Thirty-sixth Session of Synod, having taken place in Ottawa, Ontario in 2018, be adopted.
- 6.The Reports and Motions printed or posted on the web as part of the Convening Circular, additional Reports, and additional non-canonical motions be received.
- 7.The actions of the Provincial Executive Council be approved.

### CARRIED #3

#### Small Group Discussions

Breakout groups randomly chosen to discuss the Theme of Provincial Synod (In All Our Relations: Love One Another. 1 John 4:7-21) and how it relates to your Diocesan Context.

Some feedback received from breakout groups.

#### Explanation and Report on Prolocutor Election

Harry Huskins provided details.

The Constitution provides that “there shall be a Prolocutor who shall be elected by the Provincial Synod from the House of Delegates and who shall be the Vice-President of the Provincial Synod. In the absence, or at the request of the Metropolitan, the Prolocutor shall preside at meeting of Provincial Synod.”

The present Prolocutor is Laura Walton. By acclamation she has been re-elected for another term which consists of the next three years.

The Archbishop offered congratulations to Laura.

Laura expressed her appreciation to Synod and indicated she is pleased to carry forward in this role working with Provincial Synod for the next three years.

A “Missional Moment” video was shared from the Diocese of Huron

#### General Synod Update

The Archbishop welcomed, again, the following people to provide a report on General Synod:

The Most Reverend Linda Nicholls (Primate) and the Venerable Alan Perry (General Secretary), with Ian Alexander and Janet Marshall.

#### Archbishop Linda Nicholls

- we are starting slowly to resume some in-person meetings; National House of Bishops met at Mount Carmel with 2/3 of the house present in person
- how do we move forward and keep everyone safe in our churches?
- work of General Synod has continued even through online connections
- Council of General Synod met twice in person prior to lockdown; met online on numerous occasions; carry out the work of the council in relatively new and innovative ways
- Governance working group has done some significant work on several motions that came out of last General Synod; difficulty with looking at all the possible governance models; now is the opportunity for input through diocesan members
- Strategic Plan working group presentation: Reimagining The Anglican Church of Canada During a Triennium of Transition – Courageous conversations claiming a vision of transformative change for our church in our time. A Changing Church...A Searching World...A Faithful God
- engaging with a wide variety of groups; listening, consulting, and hearing back
- more than happy to engage with individual dioceses at their Executive meetings or with other Diocesan gatherings
- two years of work since last General Synod
- strategic planning in a time of pandemic – impossible-essential-liminal times/transitional and transformational; pivoted into “listening” mode
- 11 listening groups/approximately 120 people, up to 3 sessions – diverse membership
- transitional plan – journey not a destination – compass not a road map

June 2021 – First response to some preliminary draft language

November 2021 – in-depth review of first draft of plan

March 2022 – final draft for amendment/ratification

Judith Moses joined the meeting and was offered Courtesies of the Floor by the Archbishop.

She offered comments on the plan:

- umbrella document working with other groups
- not a top down process
- bubbled up from all involved in the church



#### Five Transformational Aspirations

1. Invites and deepens life in Christ
2. Is intentionally post-colonial and passionately inclusive
3. Embraces mutual interdependence with the Indigenous church (Sacred Circle)
4. Stewards God's creation and attends to the well-being of humankind
5. Lives in relationship with each other in local, diocesan, national, and global communities

October 28th gatherings scheduled.

The Archbishop expressed appreciation to the group for their presentation and entertained questions from the floor.

Final comments: looking forward to the small group conversations; perhaps a venue at extended Executive Council meetings; discussion is about 45 minutes in length.

The group expressed appreciation for the opportunity to present and engage with this Provincial Synod session.

Archbishop Linda Nicholls expressed thanks for allowing her to be with this session during this time.

A "Missional Moment" video was shared from the Diocese of Ottawa

Break

Resumed 2:55 p.m.

Announcement regarding youth delegates to Provincial Synod. Following the Synod proceedings, they will caucus with Laura Walton to determine the youth representative for Provincial Council.

#### Metropolitan's Report

Archbishop Anne Germond offered her Metropolitan's Report to Provincial Synod, which included a Report from the Ontario House of Bishops and a slide-show presentation. The Reports are attached to these minutes as Appendix #1 and Appendix #2.

The Archbishop expressed a warm welcome to Mr. Jean Bedard, former Provincial Chancellor, and the Rev. Michael Garner, Diocese of Ottawa.

She expressed extreme appreciation to Michael Garner for his guidance and support during this time of pandemic and for sharing his expertise as an epidemiologist with the Provincial House of Bishops.

The Rev. Michael Garner offered a few words in response to the Archbishop. He expressed his appreciation for her leadership and indicated that he is filled with hope as we move through these challenging times. The Archbishop expressed appreciation to the Ven. Bill Mous, Executive Archdeacon (Diocese of Niagara), for his communications ministry across the province in providing his time and facilitating this Provincial Synod in addition to helping with provincial communication needs. He is a gift to us.

The Archbishop shared a photo journal Power Point.

The Archbishop expressed special thanks to Jean Bedard as our former Provincial Chancellor. He went above and beyond in whatever was expected in his service to the Province. We were gifted by his knowledge and wisdom and his amazing sense of humour.

Mr. Jean Bedard offered a few words in response. "For a lawyer engaged in the church in this way is a ministry. This has been my guiding principle as I undertook the role. Every day, it was through a sense of service that I was doing it. I am happy that what I have done has been seen as being useful. It has been a great pleasure to serve, especially with members of the House of Bishops and with members of the Provincial Synod Council. It has been a privilege to serve under the leadership of Archbishop Colin and Archbishop Anne and I am thankful for your support and leadership of the province over all the exchanges we have experienced."

The Archbishop introduced the Diocesan chancellors:

Garth O'Neill	(Algoma)
Canon Jim Ferguson	(Huron)
Canon Bryan Finlay	(Moosonee)
Greg Tweney	(Niagara)
Garth Allan	(Ontario)
Henry Schultz	(Ottawa)
Canon Clare Burns	(Toronto)

The Archbishop expressed gratitude to these individuals for the way in which they make themselves available to our Dioceses and to us personally as bishops. You are all generous with your time and provide us with spiritual gifts of knowledge and wisdom.

The Archbishop announced that Canon Bryan Finlay has accepted appointment as our new Provincial Chancellor.

The Archbishop expressed her thanks to those who work closely with her:

Executive Officer	Harry Huskins
Treasurer	Gilles Tessier
Prolocutor	Laura Walton
Communications	Bill Mous

She closed with a prayer for retired Bishop Michael Bedford-Jones whose funeral will be held on October 30th and for all those we have loved and see no longer whom we have lost during this time of pandemic.

Executive Officers' Report

The Ven. Tanya Phibbs, Executive Officer for the Diocese of Huron provided a report on behalf of the Executive Officers of the Province. It is attached as Appendix #3.

The Archbishop expressed thanks to Archdeacon Tanya for her report and indicated how grateful the province is for the collegiality that exists at that level.

A "Missional Moment" video was shared from the Diocese of Ontario

Ontario Provincial Council on Theological Education (OPCOTE)

Bishop John Chapman was to provide a report on the work of this group over the last triennium. He has been called away on an urgent matter this afternoon. A comprehensive report is available on Pages 48-50 of the Convening Circular.

Vocations Conference – June 2022

The Archbishop invited Bishop Susan Bell to speak on the special vocations conference being planned for June 2022.

Bishop Susan advised of the members of the planning committee: Bishop John Chapman (Co-chair), Bishop Susan Bell (Co-chair), Laura Walton (Prolocutor), Archdeacon Jay Koyle (Algoma), Archdeacon Tanya Phibbs (Huron), Bishop Todd Townshend (Huron), Dr. Chris Brittain (Trinity University), Archdeacon Harry Huskins (Provincial Executive Officer), Canon Mary Conliffe (Toronto), Susan Graham Walker (consultant/facilitator), and Archbishop Anne Germond.

Bishop Susan continued with an outline. We had wanted to hold this conference in the spring of 2021 but Covid intervened. Vocation to the priesthood is changing both pre-pandemic and now. We are in "listening" mode to determine a way forward. Our group consists of heads of colleges, Executive Officers, and bishops. We've discussed information in detail and at length. "Pathways to Partnership" is our conference theme. We are hoping to come together to help us to understand the challenges of the colleges and of the church; to address issues affecting theological colleges and dioceses; discover ways for partnerships and integrations; possible sharing of roles. We have ambitious expectations for the conference, for the pre-conference preparation and for the post-conference process. We have been communicating via zoom once a month prior

to the conference so we can hit the ground running. We are hoping to identify concrete actual solutions and build trust to work together effectively. The process represents hard work but the dividends could be striking for church and theological colleges. The "Pathways to Partnership" vocations conference will be held at the Nottawasaga Conference Centre – June 21, 2022. We ask for prayers from synod for this landmark conference.

Bishop Susan entertained questions on the conference. Any questions on OPCOTE may be directed to Archdeacon Harry Huskins as a member.

Questions/Comments:

School of Ministry in Moosonee; how best to train people who have a calling especially in some of our remote areas; will this conference create some common ground; also, how is an elder raised up in a community; we need to focus on how to be Christian but to learn how people are trained in other traditions.

The Archbishop indicated that the National House of Bishops devoted an entire morning discussing the shape of vocation; very different across different contexts; academic and formation is key; we have discovered in Moosonee that ongoing training and academic studies are necessary for formation; all kinds of new possibilities to reach all levels and all contexts; as a church we need to raise up academic and formation as ongoing learning; want the best for peoples' abilities and their contexts.

The upcoming conference is for bishops, heads of colleges, Executive Officers, and anyone who has anything to do with formation for candidates for the priesthood.

Regarding ACPO (Advisory Committee on Postulants for Ordination) – are we vetting the process; is it integrated with this process; Bishop Susan is the National and Provincial Bishop for ACPO so, yes, conversations at that level are included.

Diocesan Breakout groups organized to determine Provincial Council representatives.

The Archbishop expressed appreciation to the Ven. Kathryn Otley and the Very Rev. Paul Millward who chaired the Worship Committee – thank you for all you have done to make this synod so spiritual.

The Archbishop welcomed new guests to Synod:

The Rev. Canon Dr. Judy Rois – Executive Director of the Anglican Foundation of Canada  
The Archbishop thanked Judy for sharing her many gifts so freely with the Anglican Foundation.  
Her leadership over the past 11 years has been invaluable. We wish her well as she prepares to begin retirement with her husband, Wes.

Dr. Scott Brubacher – incoming Executive Director of the Anglican Foundation of Canada effective October 18th.

Screen sharing was enabled as Judy and Scott offered their presentation on the Anglican Foundation of Canada.

The presentation concentrated on Funding Impact Zones and the "Say Yes! To Kids" funding initiative.

Funding Impact Zones - amounts dispersed over last 10 years

Diverse Infrastructure (2.6 M)

- old and new infrastructure; gardening, solar panels
- improved places where Anglicans gather for ministry

Leadership and Education (1.7 M)

- bursaries and grants to theological institutions and students
- improve accessibility for formation for all students who require it

Community Ministries (1.5M)

- churches have deep roots in communities
- churches can be catalysts for and facilitators of community building projects

#### Indigenous Ministries (430,000)

- guided by wisdom of Indigenous leaders
- education, healing, and reconciliation

#### Sacred Music and Liturgical Arts (360,000)

- traditional and innovative liturgical arts

#### Say Yes! to Kids

Goal was \$100,000; we raised \$110,000; issued RFP this summer with October 1st deadline; we have been overwhelmed with over 80 applications totaling over \$500,000; we are working with finance committee and seeking additional gifts so that we may be as generous as possible with these initiatives for children and youth in communities across the country; 21 out of 30 dioceses were represented in the application process.

Judy Rois expressed appreciation for the generosity displayed with the Say Yes! To Kids initiative as well as overall support for the Foundation. She also offered a personal word of thanks as she prepares to retire.

The Archbishop expressed appreciation to Judy and Scott for their overview of the work of the Anglican Foundation. She congratulated Scott on his appointment as the new Executive Director of AFC and assured him and his partner, Max, of our prayers as he prepares to undertake this new role. She also assured Judy of our prayers as she prepares for retirement and all that will bring into her life and that of her husband.

The session on October 13th concluded with Evening Prayer.

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14TH, 2021

The Archbishop welcomed all delegates back to the second day of Synod. She expressed special thanks to Bishop Cliff for his beautiful "Be at Rest" hymn during Evening Prayer the night before.

#### Report of the Credentials Committee

In attendance at this Provincial Synod:

- 8 bishops
- 34 lay delegates
- 28 clerical delegates

70 delegates in total

- every eligible person is online except for 2 people

#### Gospel Based Discipleship

The Archbishop introduced the Most Rev. Mark MacDonald, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop, who will lead us through our morning worship in the form of Gospel Based Discipleship.

The Archbishop expressed the appreciation of all delegates for the wonderful experience of Gospel Based Discipleship and for Archbishop Mark's leadership throughout.

A "Missional Moment" Power Point was shared from the Diocese of Algoma

#### Report from Eldercare Working Group

Laura Walton, Chair of the Provincial Eldercare Working Group, provided a report on the group's activities to date. The report is attached to these minutes as Appendix #4. Specifically, at this point in time and to assist the group with moving forward in their mandate, it is requesting for a representative from each diocese to be the link between the group and their diocese. If you have a passion or a desire to assist with this work, please connect with Laura.

The Archbishop expressed gratitude to the group for their commitment and dedication to the task at hand.

#### Chancellor's Time

Provincial Chancellor, Canon Bryan Finlay, shared some of his background with delegates. He has been a litigation lawyer for the past 50 years, in Toronto. He was raised in a home of a parish priest and his father had a profound effect on his religious faith. His wife is an ordained priest and his daughter is an Anglican priest. This background and experiences have developed the framework of who he is. He finds it a great privilege to be asked to be the Provincial Chancellor and to fill the shoes of former Chancellor, Jean Bedard. Chancellor Finlay spoke about the Safe Church working group and, in particular, the one recommendation of the establishment of a Safe Church Response Team comprised of two representatives from each diocese. The expectation for this team is as follows:

- a complaint would be dealt with by the Diocesan Chancellor;
- The Safe Church Resource Team would be available to be called upon to provide an independent investigation of the situation if deemed necessary; this team would be a trained resource for use across the Province.

Currently nine names have been received as potential members of the Safe Church Resource Team. The remaining dioceses will be approached to obtain the other names required.

The floor was opened for questions. None were received.

A "Missional Moment" video was shared from the Diocese of Niagara

#### Financial Report and Budget

Presented by Gilles Tessier – Provincial Treasurer

Following the example of the National Church and, in consultation with the Executive Officers of the province, in 2022 each diocese in the Province will be given a one month break in apportionment; perhaps dioceses will find a way to share this break in their own contexts.

Gilles reviewed the Financial Statements at December 31, 2020, presented the proposed Budget for 2022, and entertained questions.

#### 2022 Preliminary Budget

Moved by: Gilles Tessier

Seconded by: Laura Walton

That the Preliminary Budget for 2022 be approved.

CARRIED #4

#### Financial Review Statements

Moved by: Gilles Tessier

Seconded by: Laura Walton

That the Financial Review Statements be accepted.

CARRIED #5

#### Financial review

Moved by: Gilles Tessier

Seconded by: Laura Walton

That the firm of Joe Ruscio Professional Corporation be appointed to conduct the Financial Review.  
CARRIED #6

Break

A “Missional Moment” video was shared from the Diocese of Toronto

Bishop Andrew Asbil expressed appreciation to Archbishop Anne Germond for her leadership, specifically over the last 18 months.

Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund

The Archbishop introduced Mr. Will Postma, Executive Director, Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF).

Mr. Postma provided a presentation on the work of PWRDF.

Highlights

Love God-Love others

- fund developed to support people in time of crisis
- responding to emergencies and disasters
- support communities to become more self-reliant
- food security
- strong future for girls and women

Areas of Focus

- The PWRDF Difference – sustainable development working with trusted partners on the ground
- Preventive Health – improved quality of life through access and education for all
- Food Security – agricultural education initiatives in the face of climate change
- Empowering Women – microfinance programs and gender-based violence prevention
- Indigenous Programs – reconciliation support through language recovery, responsive grants and more
- Humanitarian Response – short- and long-term disaster relief at home and abroad
- Supporting Refugees – accompanying refugees and displace people at home and abroad
- Public Engagement – engaging Canadians to learn about PWRDF’s partners and programs

The secret sauce in all these initiatives is you...Anglicans in the pews...financially and by prayer support. Vaccine Equity - there is a huge inequity in vaccine distribution across the world. This initiative is encouraging Canadians to donate when they get vaccinated to support vaccine distribution in other countries where it is not readily available.

Reconciliation with Indigenous peoples – community health, empowering youth, safe water, climate action – Indigenous Responsive Support Program – engaging with Indigenous partners

World of Gifts catalogue - supports partners and PWRDF initiatives

The Archbishop expressed appreciation to Will for his presentation and opened the floor for questions or comments.

A “Missional Moment” was shared from the Diocese of Moosonee

Provincial Council

Laura Walton provided a list of the elected representatives for Provincial Council from each diocese.

The Diocese of Algoma

Archbishop Anne Germond

The Ven. Kelly Baetz

Ms. Alison Weir

The Diocese of Huron

Bishop Todd Townshend

The Rev. Dr. Grayhame Bowcott  
Mr. David Embury

The Diocese of Moosonee  
Archbishop Fred Hiltz  
The Rev. George Westgate  
Ms. Evadny Coonishish

The Diocese of Niagara  
Bishop Susan Bell  
The Rev. Rob Towler  
Mr. Andrew Clinkard

The Diocese of Ontario  
Bishop Michael Oulton  
The Ven. Nancy McLeod  
Brother Peter Cory

The Diocese of Ottawa  
Bishop Shane Parker  
The Ven. Kathryn Otley  
Ms. Lily Frampton  
The Diocese of Toronto  
Bishop Andrew Asbil  
The Rev. Dana Dickson  
Ms. Bronte Anderson

Youth delegates will be determined at a later date.

The Archbishop indicated that copies of her report and closing reflection will be posted on the Provincial website.

#### Vote of Thanks

The Vote of Thanks was offered by Laura Walton, Michael Oulton, and Anne-Marie Carriere. It is attached to these minutes as Appendix #5

#### Rite of Sending Forth

#### Prorogation of Synod

The Archbishop concurred with all actions of this Synod and prorogued it. She expressed appreciation to everyone for their part, their hearts, and their participation.