Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee [PMEJC]

Wednesday, Sept. 30 – Sunday, October 4, 2009 -- Vancouver School of Theology, UBC, Vancouver Agenda/Timetable for the Meeting

Regrets:

Guests: John Steele, WCC Central Committee; the Rev. Janice Lowell, TSIIP Student Presentation; Gerry Melville, VIM; Lutheran guests, Bishop Michael Ingham

WHEN	ITEM/ QUESTIONS	WHAT/WHO
Wed., Sept. 30	Travel/Arrival at Vancouver School of Theology & Carey Hall	Staff set up
	Dinner on our own – may be taken at Carey Hall beginning at 5:30 pm	
7-8:00 pm	Gather for Welcome to VST and New Westminster, logistics, housekeeping items	Margaret, Wendy, local First Nations leader, Lydia
8:00	Social time – committee will begin our worship with opening Eucharist Thursday morning	
Thurs., October 1	Day 1	
7:30-8:30 am	Breakfast	
8:30 - 9:00 am	Agenda Review-Welcome & Announcements Approve/amend minutes of the last meeting Church House update	Peter &Sue Andrea Henriette
9:00 - 9:45	Opening Eucharist	Bishop Ingham + V,T & W
9:45 – 10:00 am	Brief overview of New Westminster	Bishop Ingham
10:00	Break	
10:15-10:30	Brief Check- in – share, with your prayer partner, two important things that have happened since the last meeting in your life and in your diocese Chair invites sample responses from check-in	With prayer partners
10:30-12:30	Session 1: Theological Reflection on: ACC Principles of Partnership through the lens of theology, liberation, justice and care for creation. a) A brief exercise through which PMEJ members are made familiar with	Margaret Cornish & John Brewin
	the ACC's "Principles of partnership." b) Panel of voices reflecting on: What do these principles look like in actual practice? What are the problems? How do they work well? What are preconditions for partnership? What are barriers to partnership? How to	Panel: Florence Ayban, Andrea Mann, Iola Metuq

	deal with barriers?	
12:30-1:30	Lunch	
1:30 – 3:00 pm	Session 2: Discussion around Indigenous People and resource extraction: Committee response	Facilitated by EcoJ working group Panel: Caroline Chum, Elizabeth Beardy, Florence Ayban
3:00	Break	
3:15 – 5:30	Session 3: Applying principles of partnership to areas of work/interest: a) A process where the group brainstorms list of areas of interest. b) Top 4 or 5 become conversation groups into which we break; applying principles of partnership to those areas. c) Report back to large group	Jonathan
6:00 pm	Supper	
7:00pm	What are we doing?!? Iola + Sue Winn – partnership visit to Inukjuak John Alfred Steele–WCC Cent. Committee Peggy Wilmot & Margaret Cornish– Homeless/housing Andrew & Grace Z'Saw Lwin – VST scholarship students	15 min. presentations from each and ½ hour for committee questions Peter Fenty moderator
8:30 pm	Evening Worship followed by Social Time	Margaret Cornish and John Brewin
Friday, October 2	Day 2	
7:30-8:30 am	Breakfast	
8:15 –8:45 am	Morning Worship	With VST students this morning
8:45 – 10:45 am	Program working groups meet to 1. Discuss work pending to end of triennium, considering: 2. What needs to be reported to General Synod about this aspect of our work? 3. In addition, what would we tell the next committee?	Staff and Convenors
[10:00 am]	Refreshment Break	

10:45 – 12:45pm	Functional working groups meet 1. Discuss work pending to end of triennium, considering: 2. What needs to be reported to General Synod about this aspect of our work? 3. In addition, what would we tell the next committee?	Staff and Convenors
12:45-2:00 pm	Lunch	
2:00 – 4:45pm	Session 4: questions/hopes for a theme of "partnership" addressed. The intent of this session would be to see specific strategies and tasks emerge for the final work of PMEJ during the remainder of the triennium. Some initial ideas of questions to be discussed: • Given what we have heard, where do you feel God is calling us? How is God's mission apparent? • Partnerships: With whom should the Anglican Church of Canada be in solidarity? Whose voices should we be listening to? • Roles: How do you think our committee and staff can be most effective? (E.g. engaging ACC members? Influencing public policy?) What can committee members specifically contribute? • Priorities: Given diminishing program resources, where should we put our time and energy? What projects and initiatives should we concentrate on for the remainder of the triennium?	
5:00-5:30 pm	Partners' Reflections	Jonathan, Florence, Paul
6:00 pm	Supper	
7:00-8:30 pm	What are we doing?!? Colleen Sym – Justice Camps Gerry Melville – VIM, Janice Lowell – TSIIP-Belize, PJ Hobbs – Youth Initiative	15 min. presentations from each and ½ hour for committee questions Sue Winn moderator
8:30 pm	Evening worship	V,T & W
9:00 pm	Social time	
Saturday, October 3rd	Day 3	
7:30-8:30 am	Breakfast	
8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Diocesan visits –Committee members would choose one module only. 4 exposure modules: 1. 2010 Winter Olympics: Stories beyond the Podium 9:00am-Noon Venue: Interfaith Spiritual Centre, Vancouver. a. Session will introduce participants to two social	Margaret and New West group organizing

- justice issues in the Lower Mainland associated with 2010 Olympics: increased trafficking of sex workers and the critical shortage of affordable housing.
- Session will introduce participants to the work of the Interfaith Spiritual Centre developed for 2010 Olympics.
- c. Session will include a guided site tour of the Olympic Skating Oval, Richmond.
- Sanctuary: Stories of Migrant Workers and Refugees 7:30am-Noon Venue: Mission to Seafarers, Vancouver Port and First Lutheran Church, Down Town East Side (Breakfast in provided at Mission to Seafarers)
 - a. Session will introduce participants to ecumenical urban ministry with migrant seafarers and refugees, and to Mr. Mikail Lennikov currently in sanctuary at First Lutheran Church. A member of the diocesan Refugee Unit will speak about their refugee settlement program and recent work with Karen families from Thai-Burma border camps seeking new life in Canada.
- 3. On the Street DTES 9:00am-Noon Venue: St. James Anglican Church, East Vancouver Maximum Number: 6
 - a. Session will introduce participants to diocesan supported street ministry with people living in Vancouver's Downtown East Side (DTES). Participants will meet Anglican clergy in this ministry and walk with them to meet various workers, organizations and services dedicated to supporting people living in the area. Lunch will be out at a local restaurant before returning to VST.
- 4: Pacific North West Spirituality: Cascadia 9:00am-Noon Venue: Museum of Anthropology, UBC Campus or Christ Church Cathedral/Bill Reid Gallery
 - Session will introduce participants to two expressions of Pacific North West Spirituality through informal conversation with Mr. Douglas Todd, Vancouver Sun journalist and writer of Cascadia spirituality and Dr. Sally McFague, VST Professor and renowned scholar in eco-spirituality.
 - Session allow participants to experience the expression of local indigenous spirituality through the art of Bill Reid and others at the Museum of Anthropology or Bill Reid Gallery.

12:30 Noon	Lunch for those at VST	
1:30 – 2:15 pm	Debrief morning modules in plenary – 15 minutes for each group	Co-Chairs
2:15 – 3:00	 Input from working groups: updates, GS resolutions, items for GS report OWG to present recommendations re. composition, size and name of PMEJC – with plenary discussion/decision 	Co-Chairs + WG reporters
3:00	Break	
3:15 -5:00	 Review of decisions made International partners to GS – report to PMEJC Work assignments in preparation for next meeting Items for Report to CoGS including revised PMEJC mandate Evaluation, questions, comments "What have you heard, learned about Mission and Ecojustice at this meeting?" Next meeting - remind of date for conference call	Co-Chairs
5:00 pm	Final reflections from partners	Jonathan, Florence, Paul
5:30 →	Evening –thank you dinner and gift giving for this committee, given a conference call meeting for February	
Sunday, Oct. 4	Day 4 - World Communion Sunday	
7:30-8:30 am	Breakfast	
8:30 – 12:00 noon	Church and speaking in local parishes	All members & staff
After 2 pm	Homeward travel	

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