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**MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-NINTH SESSION  
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**THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2010**

**Opening Service**

The Thirty-Ninth Session of the General Synod convened in the Cathedral Church of All Saints, Halifax, Nova Scotia, at 7:30 P.M.

The Holy Eucharist was celebrated with the Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, presiding. Bishop Miguel Tamayo, Bishop of the Dioceses of Uruguay and Cuba was the preacher. (*Appendix A*)

Bishop Susan Moxley and Dean Paul Smith welcomed everyone to the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island and to the Cathedral Church of All Saints.

Following the service, the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island hosted a reception at Saint Mary's University.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2010**

***At the Head Table***

The Ven. Harry Huskins, Deputy Prolocutor  
Canon Robert Falby, Prolocutor  
The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz, Primate  
Mr. Vianney (Sam) Carriere, Acting General Secretary  
Ms. Dianne Izzard, Recording Secretary

The Primate was in the chair and called the meeting to order.

**Report of the Credentials Committee**

Chancellor Ronald Stevenson reported that a sufficient number of each Order was present to constitute the Synod: Order of Bishops – 33, Order of Clergy – 102, Order of Laity – 130. The President of the Synod, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, Primate, declared that the Thirty-Ninth Session of the General Synod was duly constituted.

***Act I***

**Adoption of the Agenda**

Moved by: Chancellor Ronald Stevenson  
Seconded by: Canon Barbara Burrows

That the Draft Agenda #9 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

***Act 2***

## **Orders of the Day**

Canon Barbara Burrows, Chair of the Agenda Committee, reviewed the Orders of the Day.

## **Introductions**

The Primate made the following introductions:

*(\* indicates those not present, who would be introduced later in the meeting.)*

### ***Ecumenical Partners***

The Rev. Bruce Adema, President  
The Canadian Council of Churches

Ms. Martha Gardner\*  
The Episcopal Church Partner to the Council of General Synod

Ms. Mary Corkery, Executive Director\*  
KAIROS: Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives

The Most Rev. Anthony Mancini\*  
Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

The Most Rev. Dr. Katharine Jefferts-Schori\*  
Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church

Ms. Mardi Tindal, Moderator\*  
The United Church of Canada

### ***International and Overseas Partners***

Mrs. Grace Akwii-Wangusa, Anglican Observer at the United Nations\*

The Rt. Rev. Suheil Dawani, Bishop of the Anglican Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem,  
and his wife Shafeeqa Dawani

The Rt. Rev. Miguel Tamayo, Bishop of the Dioceses of Uruguay and Cuba\*  
and his wife the Rev. Martha Lopez\*

Ms. Sooriyakumari Sinnathamby, Director of the Sri Lanka office of the Organization for  
Eelam Refugees and Rehabilitation

### ***Full Communion Partner***

The Rt. Rev. Susan Johnson\*  
National Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

### ***Anglican Communion Partner***

The Rev. Canon Kenneth Kearon, Secretary General\*  
Anglican Communion

### ***Directors of Church House and Related Entities***

Mr. Vianney (Sam) Carriere, Director of Communications and Information Resources  
and Acting General Secretary  
Ms. Adele Finney, Interim Executive Director, Primate's World Relief and  
Development Fund  
Ms. Michèle George, Treasurer, Director Financial Management and Development  
The Rt. Rev. Mark MacDonald, National Indigenous Anglican Bishop  
Ms. Judy Robinson, Executive Director, Pensions  
The Rev. Dr. Eileen Scully, Interim Director, Faith, Worship and Ministry  
Ms. Henriette Thompson, Director, Partnerships  
The Very Rev. John Van Nostrand Wright, Executive Director,  
Anglican Foundation

### ***Anglican Video and Communications Teams***

Ms. Lisa Barry, Sr. Producer, Anglican Video  
  
The Ven. Paul Feheley, Principal Secretary to the Primate  
and Head of the Communications Team at General Synod

### ***Sessional Committees***

Agenda Committee:	Canon Barbara Burrows, Chair
Expenditures Committee:	Mr. Robert Dickson, Chair
Nominating Committee:	The Rt. Rev. Michael Ingham, Chair
Resolutions Committee:	Mr. David Jones, Chair
Honorary Secretaries:	The Ven. Ronald Harrison, Honorary Clerical Secretary The Ven. Geoffrey Hall, Honorary Assistant Clerical Secretary Ms. Margaret Jenniex, Honorary Lay Secretary Mr. Stephen Koning, Honorary Assistant Lay Secretary

Assessors: Mr. Justice Brian Burrows, Vice-Chancellor, Coordinator  
Ms. Ann Bourke, Ottawa  
Mr. Anthony Chapman, Nova Scotia and PEI  
Ms. Heather Dixon, Keewatin  
The Rev. Canon Alan Perry, Montreal  
Mr. Douglas MacAdams, Province of BC and Yukon  
The Hon. Ronald Stevenson, Chancellor

## Resolutions

### Minutes of the 38<sup>th</sup> Session of the General Synod

Moved by: Chancellor Ronald Stevenson  
Seconded by: Canon Robert Falby

That the minutes of the 38<sup>th</sup> Session of the General Synod, held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, June 19-25, 2007, as approved by the Certification of Minutes Committee and printed in the General Synod Journal, be adopted.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 3*

### Courtesies of the General Synod

Moved by: Chancellor Ronald Stevenson  
Seconded by: Canon Robert Falby

That the *Courtesies of the General Synod* be extended to the Partners and Visitors and to the Directors of General Synod at the National Office and to the Acting General Secretary.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 4*

### Reception of Notices of Motion and Memorials

Moved by: Chancellor Ronald Stevenson  
Seconded by: Canon Robert Falby

That the Notices of Motion and Memorials, as amended, and as printed in the Convening Circular be received.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 5*

### Rules of Order and Procedure

Moved by: Chancellor Ronald Stevenson  
Seconded by: Canon Robert Falby

That the Rules of Order be suspended so far as is necessary to permit the No Debate List Procedure printed in the Convening Circular to be used at this Synod.

**CARRIED**

*Act 6*

## **Nominating Committee Responsibilities**

Moved by: Chancellor Ronald Stevenson  
Seconded by: Canon Robert Falby

That the Nominating Committee be responsible for arranging balloting and appointing scrutineers in any election where such is required.

**CARRIED**

*Act 7*

## **Deadline for Receipt of Nominations to Standing Committees**

Chancellor Ronald Stevenson announced 9:00 P.M. June 7<sup>th</sup> as the deadline for receipt of nominations to Standing Committees.

## **Deadline for Receipt of Resolutions**

The Chair of the Resolutions Committee announced that the deadline for resolutions arising from the human sexuality discernment process was 9:00 P.M., Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> and that for all other resolutions the deadline was noon on Monday, June 7, 2010.

## **Community Building**

Canon Barbara Burrows introduced Mr. Brian Lisson and Mr. Adam Brown, of *Adventure Works*, who led members in a community building exercise.

## **Presidential Address**

Archbishop Fred Hiltz delivered the Presidential Address. (*See Appendix B*)

## **Noon Watch**

The Rev. Charlie Black led *Noon Watch*, a traditional Maritime practice of prayer, thanking God for the blessings of life and recognizing the needs of the world.

## **Worship at General Synod**

The Rev. Katherine Bourbonniere, Co-chair of the General Synod Worship Committee introduced members to the worship opportunities at Synod, the Bible Study which would focus

on the Marks of Mission and the pastoral care available to members. She introduced The Rev. Les Skonnard, Chaplain and member of the Pastoral Care Team.

## **Nominations for the Position of Prolocutor**

Bishop Michael Ingham called for nominations for the position of Prolocutor and announced that nominations would close at 7:00 P.M.

## **No Debate List**

Mr. David Jones, Chair of the Resolutions Committee, presented the proposed No Debate List (*as of 2:00 P.M., Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup>*)

A033	Constitution re Primate and Gen Sec
A034	Constitution re ACIP revised
A035	Constitution re ELCIC revised
A036	Constitution Section 4 Business of Synod
A052	Pensions Amendments to Canon VIII
A053	CANON VII re MSCC Revised
A054	Revision of Canon VI Financial Management
A055	References to FMDC in Canons II & XI
A112	General Synod Continuance
A138	FWM 40th Anniversary Anglican Roman Catholic International Commission
A139	FWM Dialogue with the United Church of Canada
A140	FWM Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Authorized Version of the Bible
A141	FWM Principles for Liturgical Revision
A142	FWM Solemnization of Marriage
A143	FWM Theological Education for Presbyteral Ministry
A144	FWM Sexuality Dialogues
A176	PMEJ UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
A177	PMEJ Mandate
A178	PMEJ Housing-Homelessness
A179	PMEJ TRC Participation
A180	PMEJ Climate Change
A181	PMEJ Nuclear Free World
A182	PMEJ Youth Secretariat
A183	PMEJ Strengthening Partnership with Jerusalem
A184	PMEJ Peace-Justice in Palestine Israel
C001	UN-IMO Year of Seafarers

Removal Requested:

A136	FWM National Aboriginal Day of Prayer
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Mr. Jones announced that 8:45 PM Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> was the deadline for requesting the removal of a resolution from the No Debate list

## **Resolutions**

### **Declaration of Principles – Election, etc. of National Indigenous Anglican Bishop – Second Reading**

Moved by: The Ven. Larry Beardy  
Seconded by: The Ven. Sidney Black

That this General Synod give *second reading* to the Resolution that section 6 of the Declaration of Principles be amended by deleting the word “and” at the end of clause p) and adding a new clause r) as follows:

r) the appointment, election, confirmation, consecration and resignation of a National Indigenous Anglican Bishop;

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**  
*Act 8*

### **Declaration of Principles – Election, etc. of Bishop Ordinary to the Canadian Forces – Second Reading**

Moved by: Major the Rev. Michelle Staples  
Seconded by: Major the Rev. Todd Meaker

That this General Synod give *second reading* to the Resolution that section 6 of the Declaration of Principles be amended by adding a new clause s) as follows:

s) the appointment, election, confirmation, consecration and resignation of a Bishop Ordinary having jurisdiction over the chaplains of The Anglican Church of Canada on duty with the Canadian Forces.

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**  
*Act 9*

### **Declaration of Principles – Membership of National Indigenous Anglican Bishop in General Synod – Second Reading**

Moved by: The Ven. Sidney Black  
Seconded by: Mrs. Freda Lepine

That this General Synod give *second reading* to the Resolution that section 3 b) of the Declaration of Principles be amended by adding a new clause vii) as follows:

vii) the National Indigenous Anglican Bishop.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 10*

## **Constitution – Membership of the National Indigenous Anglican Bishop in the General Synod**

Moved by: The Ven. Larry Beardy

Seconded by: The Ven. Sidney Black

That this General Synod amend section 8 b) of the Constitution of the General Synod by adding a clause vii) as follows:

vii) the National Indigenous Anglican Bishop.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 11*

## **Resolutions with Financial Implications**

Moved by: Mr. Robert Dickson

Seconded by: Ms. Judy Darling

That all resolutions adopted by this session of the General Synod that

- involve the spending of money, and
- for which the necessary financial resources have not been identified in the motion or are not included in the budget of General Synod

be referred to a group comprised of the Primate, the Prolocutor, and the General Secretary who shall, in consultation with the Treasurer, review any expenditure that would be required to implement the motion and the financial resources available. The group may, in their discretion, authorize expenditures to implement the motion in whole or in part, or may determine that implementation is not financially feasible. The General Secretary shall report the decisions of the group to the Council of General Synod.

### ***Amendment***

Moved by: The Most Rev. Colin Johnson

Seconded by: The Most Rev. David Ashdown

That the words “which may reconsider those decisions” be added.

**CARRIED**

***The amended resolution which reads:***

That all resolutions adopted by this session of the General Synod that

- involve the spending of money, and
- for which the necessary financial resources have not been identified in the motion or are not included in the budget of General Synod

be referred to a group comprised of the Primate, the Prolocutor, and the General Secretary who shall, in consultation with the Treasurer, review any expenditure that would be required to implement the motion and the financial resources available. The group may, in their discretion, authorize expenditures to implement the motion in whole or in part, or may determine that implementation is not financially feasible. The General Secretary shall report the decisions of the group to the Council of General Synod, which may reconsider those decisions.

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**CARRIED**  
**Act 12**

## **Report of the Vision 2019 Task Group**

The Very Rev. Peter Elliott, Chair of the Vision 2019 Task Group, introduced the report of the Vision 2019 Task Group, with the video presentation “*Vision 2019: catch the buzz.*” Archdeacon Sidney Black, Captain Rob Marsh, the Rev. Lisa Vaughn, Bishop Susan Moxley and the Rev. Bill Mous (via video) spoke in turn, each connecting one of the *Marks of Mission* to the Vision 2019 plan. Dean Elliott summarized the report and presented a list of the top ten reasons to support Vision 2019. The Ven. Dr. Michael Thompson and Archbishop Fred Hiltz spoke in support of the report. Table groups considered the questions: *How is your Diocese responding to the call to mission?* and *What do you see in the Vision 2019 plan that supports mission and what, if anything, is missing?* Dr. Lela Zimmer spoke of the seven priorities in the report and Dean Elliott concluded the presentation with a summary of the five practices.

## **Report of the Governance Working Group**

Mr. David Jones, Chair of the Governance Working Group, introduced a number of resolutions proposed in its report.

## **Declaration of Principles – Membership in General Synod - First Reading**

Moved by: Mr. David Jones  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley

That this General Synod give *first reading* to amend sections 3, 4 and 5 of the Declaration of Principles to read as follows:

### **3. Membership**

- a) The General Synod of The Anglican Church of Canada shall be organized in three Orders: the Order of Bishops, the Order of Clergy and the Order of Laity.
- b) Members of the Orders of Clergy and Laity shall be members of the diocesan synod, or eligible to be members of the diocesan synod, of the diocese they represent.
- c) The number of clergy and lay members elected by each diocese shall be determined relative to the population of the diocese.
- d) Each diocese shall elect the same number of lay members as clergy members.
- e) Each diocese shall be entitled to elect or appoint one youth representative, either clergy or lay, in addition to the clergy and lay members it is entitled to elect.
- f) Other non-diocesan or quasi-diocesan jurisdictions in the Church may also be entitled to representation as specified in the Constitution.
- g) The Constitution may provide for ex officio members of the General Synod.

### **4. Sessions**

The three Orders shall sit and vote together, except where specifically provided for in the Constitution, Canons or Rules of Order.

### **5. Voting by Dioceses**

The Rules of Order shall make provision for a vote by dioceses where demanded.

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 13*

## **Constitution - Section 3 – President and Chairperson of the General Synod**

Moved by: Mr. David Jones  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley

That this General Synod amend section 3 of the Constitution to read as follows:

### **3. President and Chairperson of the General Synod**

- a) The President of the General Synod shall be the Primate of The Anglican Church of Canada, who shall be elected and hold office under, and have such privileges, powers, authority and duties as are defined by the Constitution, Canons and Rules enacted by the Synod.
- b) In case of the absence of the Primate for any cause, the archbishop senior by appointment or election, or if no archbishop be present the bishop senior by appointment or election, shall be and act as President of the Synod.
- c) The President shall be chairperson of the General Synod.
- d) In the absence, or at the request, of the President, the Prolocutor shall be the chairperson of the synod.

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 14*

## **Constitution - Section 6 – Chairing the Different Orders**

Moved by: Mr. David Jones  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley

That this General Synod amend section 6 of the Constitution to read as follows:

### **6. Separate meetings of Orders**

- a) The agenda of the General Synod may provide for separate meetings of the three Orders.
- b) When the three Orders meet separately
  - i) the Primate shall be the chairperson of the Order of Bishops, or in the absence of the Primate, the archbishop senior by appointment or election, or if no archbishop be present, the bishop senior by appointment or election;
  - ii) the Prolocutor or the Deputy Prolocutor, whichever is a member of the Order of Clergy, shall be the chairperson of the Order of Clergy, or in the absence of the said officer, the Order of Clergy shall elect a chairperson;

- iii) the Prolocutor or the Deputy Prolocutor, whichever is a member of the Order of Laity, shall be the chairperson of the Order of Laity, or in the absence of the said officer, the Order of Laity shall elect a chairperson.

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**  
*Act 15*

## **Amendments to the Rules of Order and Procedure**

Moved by: Mr. David Jones  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley

That this General Synod amend the Rules of Order as follows:

1. deleting section 17(d);
2. amending section 18(b) to read as follows:
  - b) The three Orders of Bishops, Clergy and Laity shall vote together unless a vote by Orders is required by the Constitution or called for pursuant to the Rules of Order. In order to be passed the motion shall require a majority of the votes cast, and abstentions shall not be counted in determining the majority.
3. amending section 18(d) to read as follows:
  - d) When voting by Orders, the vote shall be put to all members of General Synod regardless of the result in any order.
4. adding section 20(a.1) to read as follows:
  - a.1) Ex officio and other non-diocesan members of General Synod shall vote with the diocese in which they are normally geographically resident for laity, or canonically resident, for clergy.

and this resolution shall come into effect upon Second Reading being given to Resolution A019 (Act13).

### ***Amendment***

Moved by: The Very Rev. Iain Luke  
Seconded by: Canon Terry Leer

That Clause 4 be removed from the resolution.

***Motion to table***

Moved by: Mr. James Sweeney

That the motion be tabled.

There being no seconder for the *Motion to Table*, consideration of the amendment continued.

***Motion to put the question.***

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Michael Ingham

Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. James Cowan

That the question be put.

**CARRIED**

***Vote on the amendment***

**DEFEATED**

***Vote on the motion***

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 16*

**Constitution - Section 8(f) - Changing the basis for determining the number of clerical and lay members of General Synod from each diocese (A029).**

Moved by: Mr. David Jones

Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley

That this General Synod amend section 8(f) of the Constitution to read as follows:

- f) Each Diocese shall be entitled to elect clerical and lay members of the General Synod, with the number from each Order being determined by the following formula:

Average Weekly Attendance in the Diocese divided by Average Weekly Attendance in all Dioceses, multiplied by 110.

Provided that:

- (i) the resulting number will be at least 1;
- (ii) if the resulting number is a fractional number and is greater than 1, it will be rounded down to the nearest whole number if the fraction is 0.5 or less, and rounded up to the nearest whole number if the fraction is greater than 0.5;

- (iii) “Average Weekly Attendance” means the combined total attendance at Regular Services in the particular calendar year, divided by 52;
- (iv) the Average Weekly Attendance figures to be used are those for the second calendar year prior to the year in which General Synod will take place;
- (v) “Regular Service” means any worship service for which the attendance has been recorded in the Register of the Congregation (including Home Communion) but excluding weddings, funerals and services held in medical or long-term care facilities.

and this resolution shall come into effect upon Second Reading being given to Resolution A019.

**DEFEATED**  
*Act 17*

## **Reconsideration of Motion A029 - Amendment to Section 8(f) of the Constitution**

The Primate noted that, while resolution A029 had not passed, it had received about 60% support in each of the orders and there appeared to be momentum throughout synod to reconsider the motion - possible only under Section 21 of the *Rules of Order and Procedure*.

Moved by:               The Most Rev. David Ashdown  
Seconded by:           The Most Rev. Claude Miller

That this General Synod reconsider the decision in respect of motion A029 as an item of business on Monday, June 7, 2010.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 18*

## **Constitution - Section 33 – Reducing the size of the Council of General Synod (A030-R2)**

Moved by:               Mr. David Jones  
Seconded by:           The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley

That this General Synod amend section 33 of the Constitution as follows:

- (a) by changing “forty-five percent” to “twenty-five percent” in section 33 a) v) I;
- (b) by deleting the words in section 33 a) v) after section 33 a) v) II);



- (c) by rewording section 33(e) (iii) to read as follows:
  - iii) in the case of a member elected under subsection 33 a) v) or vi), ceases to be eligible for membership in a synod of the diocese in the ecclesiastical province that he or she represents, or
- (d) by adding section 33 e) iv) as follows:
  - iv) in the case of a member elected under 33 a) vii) ceases to be eligible to represent the Anglican Ordinariate,
- (e) in section 33 f), by substituting “metropolitan” for “bishop” and “ecclesiastical province” for “diocese” in paragraph i), deleting the comma at the end of paragraph ii) and adding paragraph iii) as follows:
  - iii) in the case of a member elected under the provisions of subsection 33 a) vii), be filled by the Prolocutor, in consultation with the Bishop Ordinary of the Canadian Forces.

***Informal Session (Committee of the Whole)***

Moved by: Mr. David Jones  
 Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley

That this General Synod move into an informal session for the consideration of this motion.

**CARRIED**

The proposed reduction in the size of the Council of General Synod was discussed.

Moved by: Mr. David Jones  
 Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley

That this General Synod move out of informal session.

**CARRIED**

***The resolution was then put and was -***

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**  
*Act 19*

**Constitution - Section 35 - Providing for COGS to meet by video and telephone conference**

Moved by: Mr. David Jones  
 Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley

That section 35 of the Constitution be amended to add the following:

- c.1) Meetings of the Council of General Synod need not be in-person; some or all of the members may participate in meetings by telephone, video or other electronic means.

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**  
*Act 20*

## **Compline**

The day concluded with a Service of Compline.

## **SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 2010**

The session began with morning prayer and Bible Study

The Primate was in the chair.

## **Orders of the Day**

Canon Barbara Burrows reviewed the Orders of the Day.

## **Election of the Prolocutor**

Nominating Committee Chair, Bishop Michael Ingham, announced the names of those nominated for the position of Prolocutor and gave biographical information on each.

Nominees:

Canon Robert Falby	Diocese of Toronto
Ms. Cynthia Haines-Turner	Diocese of Western Newfoundland
The Rev. Canon Terry Leer	Diocese of Athabasca
The Rev. Canon Alan Perry	Diocese of Montreal
The Rev. Canon John Alfred Steele	Diocese of British Columbia

Ballots were distributed and collected. The Primate declared the balloting closed.

## ***Point of Privilege***

The Ven. Richard Salt rose on a *Point of Privilege* to express his concern that paper copies of the biographical information was not available for review prior to the election.

## **Community Building**

Members participated in a second community building exercise conducted by *Adventure Works*.

## Election of the Prolocutor – Results of the First Ballot

Canon Robert Falby - 104  
Ms. Cynthia Haines-Turner - 30  
The Rev. Canon Terry Leer - 30  
The Rev. Canon Alan Perry - 70  
The Rev. Canon John Alfred Steele- 50

Total number of ballots cast - 284

The names of the two nominees with the lowest number of votes were dropped from the ballot. Ballots were distributed and collected. The Primate declared the balloting closed.

## The Rt. Rev. Suheil Dawani and Mrs. Shafeeqa Dawani

The Primate introduced The Rt. Rev. Suheil Dawani, Bishop of Jerusalem, and Mrs. Dawani and welcomed them to General Synod. Bishop Dawani and Mrs. Dawani addressed Synod. (*Bishop Dawani's address is attached as Appendix C*)

Mrs. Dawani reported on her work with women in the diocese, which included finding ways for women to pray together, to empower themselves and to build bridges into the ecumenical and interfaith arenas.

Bishop Dawani thanked the Anglican Church of Canada for its continuing support and presented the Primate with an icon of the Last Supper.

## Election of the Prolocutor

Bishop Michael Ingham reported the results of the second ballot.

Canon Robert Falby - 139  
The Rev. Canon Alan Perry - 70  
The Rev. Canon John Alfred Steele- 64

Total number of ballots cast – 273

The Primate declared that ***Canon Robert Falby*** was elected Prolocutor.

***Act 21***

## Noon Watch

The Rev. Dawn Leger led *Noon Watch*.

## Nominations for the Position of Deputy Prolocutor

Bishop Michael Ingham reviewed the process for electing the Deputy Prolocutor and called for nominations. He announced that nominations would close at 9:00 A.M., Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.

## **Vision 2019**

The session began with the video “*Vision 2019: catch the buzz.*” Dean Peter Elliott expressed appreciation to Ms. Lisa Barry, Senior Producer Anglican Video for her work in creating it.

Dean Elliott gave an overview of the Vision 2019 Report. Table groups were asked to discuss what they could affirm in the report; what questions they had, and what was missing from the report.

### ***Informal Session (Committee of the Whole)***

Moved by: The Very Rev. Peter Elliott  
Seconded by: Canon Robert Falby

That this General Synod move into an informal session for the consideration of the Vision 2019 report.

**CARRIED**

In the informal session members gave feedback from the table group discussions.

Moved by: The Very Rev. Peter Elliott  
Seconded by: Canon Robert Falby

That this General Synod move out of informal session.

**CARRIED**

Dean Elliott outlined the process for further consideration of the Vision 2019 Report, which would include a *Port of Call* information session and consideration of the resolution on June 9<sup>th</sup>.

## **Financial Management and Development Committee**

The Primate welcomed Ms. Monica Patten, Chair of the Financial Management and Development Committee. Ms. Patten introduced the Treasurer Michèle George, Mr. Jim Cullen, Mr. Robert Dickson and Archdeacon John Robertson and presented the report of the Financial Management and Development Committee.

Ms. George reviewed the financial statements of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, the Anglican Church of Canada Consolidated Trust Fund and the Anglican Church of Canada Resolution Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2010.

## **Auditors Report and Financial Statements**

Moved by: Mr. Robert Dickson  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Michael Hawkins

That this General Synod approve the Auditors Report and the audited Financial Statements of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, the Anglican Church of Canada Consolidated Trust Fund and the Anglican Church of Canada Resolution Corporation for the fiscal year ended as at December 31, 2009.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 22*

## **Appointment of Auditors**

Moved by: Mr. Robert Dickson  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Michael Hawkins

That this General Synod approve the appointment of the chartered accounting firm of Ernst & Young LLP as the Auditors for the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, the Anglican Church of Canada Consolidated Trust Fund and the Anglican Church of Canada Resolution Corporation, for the fiscal year of 2010.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 23*

## ***Financial Outlook***

Ms. George gave a presentation on the financial outlook of General Synod and the challenges that must be addressed over the triennium.

## ***Philanthropy***

Ms. Patten presented the report of the Philanthropy Committee. She acknowledged the fine work of Archdeacon John Robertson, the staff and the network of consultants and highlighted the work being done with the Council of the North. Members viewed a video presentation outlining the four Pillars of Philanthropy and the planned nationwide fundraising initiative.

## **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF)**

Ms. Adele Finney, Interim Executive Director of PWRDF, thanked members for fifty years of support and for contributing \$94 million dollars to support the work of PWRDF. She outlined the various ways PWRDF's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary would be celebrated throughout synod.

Staff member Ms. Suzanne Rumsey spoke of the creation of PWRDF. She recognized people over years who had been involved in its works and asked members to indicate their involvement. *Images of PWRDF*, a video illustrating PWRDF's rich history was shown; facts about PWRDF were shared and five PWRDF supporters spoke of the ways PWRDF has responded to peoples' need in times of crisis.

The Primate spoke of PWRDF's relationship with its partners and its work in the four regions of the world where it is present.

## ***Introduction and welcome***

The Primate introduced the Rev. Canon Kenneth Kearon, Secretary General of the Anglican Communion and welcomed him to the meeting.

## **Youth Initiatives**

Ms. Judy Steers spoke of a number of youth initiatives: including Justice Camps, Ask & Imagine and JustGeneration.ca. She highlighted activities since General Synod 2007 including the National Anglican Youth Ministry Forum, Generation 2008 and looked forward to upcoming events including '*Common Ground*' a Canadian Ecumenical Youth Ministry Forum and the Canadian Lutheran Anglican Youth (CLAY) gathering.

## **Resolutions**

Ms. Monica Patten introduced resolutions dealing with the restructuring of the Financial Management and Development Committee.

## **Constitution – Section 39 - Restructuring of the Financial Management and Development Committee**

Moved by: Mr. Robert Dickson  
Seconded by: Ms. Suzanne Lawson

That this General Synod amend section 39 of the Constitution of the General Synod

1) by amending paragraph a) iv) to read

iv) Financial Management Committee

2) by adding a new paragraph a) vi) as follows

vi) Philanthropy Committee.

3) by amending paragraph e) to read

e) The Financial Management Committee shall consist of seven members:

i) four of the members shall be elected by the General Synod at least one of whom shall be a member of the Council of the General Synod

ii) three members shall be appointed by the Primate

iii) one of the members shall be a member of the Philanthropy Committee.

4) by re-lettering paragraphs f) to l) to be paragraphs g) to m) and adding a new paragraph f) as follows

f) The Philanthropy Committee shall consist of seven members:

i) three of the members shall be elected by the General Synod at least one of whom shall be a member of the Council of the General Synod

ii) four members shall be appointed by the Primate

iii) one of the members shall be a member of the Financial Management Committee.

and amend sections 17, 28 and 34 of the Constitution by striking out the words “Financial Management and Development Committee” wherever they appear and substituting the words “Financial Management Committee”.

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 24*

## **Revision of Canon VI – Financial Management Development**

Moved by: Ms. Suzanne Lawson

Seconded by: Mr. Robert Dickson

That this General Synod repeal Canon VI (Financial Management and Development) and enact a new Canon as set out in Appendix A.

**CARRIED**

*Act 25*

*Revised Canon VI is attached to the minutes as Appendix D.*

## **Amendment to the Canons and Rules of Order and Procedure – Reference to the Financial Management Committee**

Moved by: Mr. Robert Dickson

Seconded by: Ms. Suzanne Lawson

That this General Synod amend Canon II (Corporate Seal) and Canon XI (Anglican Book Centre), and the Rules of Order and Procedure by striking out the words “Financial Management and Development Committee” wherever they appear and substituting the words “Financial Management Committee”.

**CARRIED**

*Act 26*

The Primate thanked Ms. Patten and acknowledged that she and Mr. Robert Dickson were recipients of the *Anglican Award of Merit* recognizing their faithful service to the church.

## ***Moment of Silence***

The Primate called for a moment of silence to remember the life and work of ***Canon Geoffrey Jackson***, who served as Senior Development Officer for the Anglican Church of Canada from May 2005 until his death in January 2010.

## **Jazz Vespers**

The session concluded with Jazz Vespers.

## **SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2010**

The Primate was in the chair.

The session began with a hymn and prayer

The Primate welcomed The Rt. Rev. Susan Johnson, National Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.

## **Orders of the Day**

Canon Barbara Burrows reviewed the Orders of the Day.

## **Sexuality Discernment - Session One – *Faithful Reporting***

The Primate introduced the first of the sexuality discernment sessions, *Faithful Reporting*, designed to provide members with an overview of the work that has been done in this area since General Synod 2007 and to set the context for further discussion.

Bishop Linda Nichols, Chair of the Primate's Theological Commission (PTC) and members the Rev. Jamie Howison and the Rev. Dr. Gary Thorne, reported on the work of the Commission leading to the Galilee Report and accompanying papers.

Ms. Janet Marshall spoke of the work of the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee and the challenges it faced developing a theological rationale for changes to the Marriage Canon supporting the marriage of same-sex couples – the Rothesay Report.

Dr. Lela Zimmer reported on focus groups held across Canada and gave a synthesis of the responses gleaned from them. Bishop Michael Bird and Archbishop Colin Johnson spoke of international dialogues on issues of human sexuality and mission.

The Primate spoke of the House of Bishops discussions over the years, its expressed desire to stay together even in the midst of difference and its commitment to pastoral generosity. He reviewed the significant conversations and developments that had taken place across the church



in recent years and acknowledged that the landscape had shifted. The House of Bishops Statement on Human Sexuality of October 2008, would be the starting point for further discussions on human sexuality.

## **‘Ports of Call’ Information Sessions**

Members attended one of the six *Ports of Call* sessions, designed to give members an opportunity to hear and discuss the work of the various committees and councils of General Synod.

- Faith, Worship and Ministry - *Liturgical Principles – Principles to guide liturgical revision*
- Financial Management and Development
- Partners in Mission EcoJustice – *We’re a part of something bigger.*
- Pensions Committee
- Vision 2019
- Youth Initiatives

## ***A Journey Just Begun, Diocesan Celebration***

Members travelled to Exhibition Park to join the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island for “*A Journey Just Begun*,” a special celebration of 300 years of continuous Anglican presence and worship in the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. Bishop Susan Moxley presided and Archbishop Hiltz preached.

## **MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2010**

The session began with morning prayer and Bible Study.

The Primate was in the chair.

### ***Introduction and welcome***

The Primate introduced The Rt. Rev. Mark MacDonald, National Indigenous Anglican Bishop, and welcomed him as a member of General Synod.

## **Orders of the Day**

Canon Barbara Burrows reviewed the Orders of the Day and announced that nominations for the position of Deputy Prolocutor were closed.

## **Fresh Expressions**

Archbishop Colin Johnson introduced the Rev. Canon Nick Brotherwood, Diocese of Montreal, who gave a dynamic presentation on Fresh Expressions Canada, a program of innovative

approaches to worship and evangelism in response to change. Changing relationships and cultures, less knowledge of faith, changing Sundays and a deep spiritual hunger all call for new approaches. Fresh Expressions seeks 'to encourage the development of fresh expressions of church alongside more traditional expressions, with the aim of seeing a more mission-shaped church take shape throughout the country.' Mr. Brotherwood gave examples of non-traditional programs and informed members of a number of programs offered by Fresh Expressions Canada.

## **The Rev. Canon Kenneth Kearon**

The Primate introduced the Rev. Canon Kenneth Kearon, Secretary General of the Anglican Communion.

Canon Kearon came to General Synod to listen to what the Anglican Church of Canada is doing and to thank the Canadian church for what it does for the Communion. He acknowledged the contribution to the Anglican Communion of Canadians Archbishop Fred Hiltz, Archbishop Colin Johnson, Bishop Patrick Yu, the Rev. Dr. Eileen Scully, Bishop Philip Poole and Canon Dr. Alyson Barnett-Cowan. He presented an overview of new areas of mission in the Communion including the formation of the *Anglican Relief and Development Alliance*, the evangelism and church growth initiative, *The Bible in the Life of the Church Project* and the use of official networks to facilitate communication and cooperation among Anglicans.

Canon Kearon acknowledged the tensions that currently exist in the Communion and noted that tension damages the mission of the church.

*The Prolocutor assumed the chair.*

## **Primatial Role Task Force Report**

Bishop Michael Ingham, Chair of the Primatial Role Task Force, presented the report. He noted that a friendly amendment had been received and accepted subsequent to the resolution's inclusion in the Convening Circular.

### ***Committee of the Whole***

Moved by:               The Rt. Rev. Michael Ingham  
Seconded by:           The Rt. Rev. Linda Nicholls

That this General Synod move into *Committee of the Whole* for the consideration of the report of the Primatial Role Task Force

**CARRIED**

Following a brief discussion, it was

Moved by:               The Rt. Rev. Michael Ingham  
Seconded by:           The Rt. Rev. Linda Nicholls

That this General Synod move out of *Committee of the Whole*.

**CARRIED**

## **Canon III – The Primate A056**

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Michael Ingham  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Linda Nicholls

That this General Synod amend Canon III as indicated in Appendix A to this Resolution (additions are in **bold**, deletions are in ~~strikeout~~).

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**  
*Act 27*

*The text of the amendments to Canon III, presented as Appendix A to the resolution, follows:*

### **APPENDIX A**

#### **CANON III**

#### **The Primate**

##### **Part I - The Primacy**

##### **1. The Primacy**

- a) There shall be a Primate who shall be the presiding bishop of The Anglican Church of Canada.
- b) The Primate, upon assuming office, shall be the Senior Metropolitan of The Anglican Church of Canada.
- c) The Primate shall have the title “Archbishop”.

##### **2. Election to the Primacy**

The Primate shall be elected in accordance with the procedures established in part II of this Canon.

##### **3. Definition of Senior Metropolitan**

**As Senior Metropolitan, the Primate:**

- i) is *primus inter pares* among the Provincial Metropolitans**

**ii) convenes and chairs meetings of the Provincial Metropolitans**

**iii) consults with Provincial Metropolitans on matters of leadership and mission.**

#### **3 4. Term of Office**

a) The term of office of the Primate shall commence upon installation to the office.

b) As soon as practicable following election, but in any case not more than 90 days after the date of election, the Primate shall resign ~~the any~~ **any** Episcopal ~~or~~ **and** Metropolitan offices held at the time of election to the Primacy.

c) The Primate shall hold office until:

i) attaining 70 years of age, or

ii) the effective date of a resignation accepted pursuant to section ~~7~~ **9** b) of this Canon, or

iii) the adoption of a resolution declaring the Primacy vacant pursuant to section ~~8~~ **10** d) of this Canon.

#### **~~4. Duties of the Primate~~**

~~a) The Primate shall:~~

~~i) exercise pastoral and spiritual leadership throughout the Anglican Church of Canada;~~

~~ii) function as the President of the General Synod, the Chair of the Council of the General Synod, the Chair of the meetings of Metropolitans and the Chair of the meetings of the House of Bishops;~~

~~iii) function as the Chief Executive Officer of the staff of the General Synod and shall delegate such duties of that office as the Primate deems appropriate, to the General Secretary and other executive members of the staff of the General Synod;~~

~~iv) give leadership in developing the policies and strategies of the Anglican Church of Canada;~~

~~v) oversee the implementation of the decisions of the General Synod and the Council of the General Synod;~~

~~vi) report to each meeting of the Council of the General Synod and to the General Synod;~~

~~vii) speak in the name of The Anglican Church of Canada after consultation with, or in accordance with the policies set by, the Council of the General Synod or the General Synod;~~

~~viii) be, ex officio, a member of all committees, councils, boards and commission, standing or special, appointed under any provision of the Constitution or any Canon enacted by the General Synod, or under any resolution of the General Synod, or of the Council of the General Synod;~~

~~ix) visit every diocese of The Anglican Church of Canada;~~

~~x) represent The Anglican Church of Canada internationally and ecumenically.~~

## **5. Ministry of the Primate**

### **a) The Primate shall:**

**i) lead the Anglican Church of Canada in discerning and pursuing the mission of God;**

**ii) exercise pastoral and spiritual leadership throughout the Anglican Church of Canada and regularly visit every diocese of the Anglican Church of Canada;**

**iii) exercise a pastoral ministry in particular to the members of the Order of Bishops;**

**iv) serve as the President of the General Synod, Chair of the Council of General Synod, Chair of the meetings of the Provincial Metropolitans and meetings of the House of Bishops;**

**v) serve as Chief Executive Officer of the General Synod;**

**vi) be, ex officio, a member of all committees, councils, boards and commissions, standing or special, appointed under any provision of the Constitution or any Canon enacted by the General Synod, or under any resolution of the General Synod or of the Council of the General Synod;**

**vii) report to each meeting of the Council of General Synod and to the General Synod;**

**viii) speak and write prophetically to the Anglican Church of Canada, and on behalf of the Anglican Church of Canada to the world, in consultation with the Metropolitans and/or the Bishops, and the General Synod or its Council as appropriate;**

**ix) represent the Anglican Church of Canada internationally and ecumenically.**

b) The Primate may, after consultation with the Provincial Metropolitans and the Chapter of the Anglican Military Ordinariate and subject to the provisions of financial requirements, appoint a Bishop Ordinary who shall have episcopal jurisdiction over the chaplains of The Anglican Church of Canada on duty with the Canadian Forces **in accordance with any applicable Canon.**

c) **The Primate may, after consultation with the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples and the Sacred Circle and subject to the provisions of financial requirements, appoint a National Indigenous Anglican Bishop who shall have a pastoral episcopal relationship with all indigenous ministries, in accordance with any applicable Canon.**

## **6. Sacramental Ministry of the Primate**

**The Primate, as Senior Metropolitan, is expected to exercise the apostolic ministry of a bishop throughout the Anglican Church of Canada, primarily by teaching and preaching the Word of God in Scripture, and also by:**

i) **subject to the invitation of the diocesan bishop, presiding at the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation and Ordination during pastoral visits across the Anglican Church of Canada,**

ii) **having a visible role in the consecration of newly elected bishops of the Anglican Church of Canada,**

iii) **acting as chief consecrator of the National Indigenous Anglican Bishop and the Bishop Ordinary, as required,**

iv) **having a visible role in the installation of metropolitans, including, if invited, presiding at their installation, and**

v) **presiding at all liturgical events of the General Synod and its Council, and all national church events, though the Primate may delegate this to another.**

## **§ 7. The Office of the Primate**

a) The Primate shall maintain an office at the headquarters of the General Synod of The Anglican Church of Canada.

b) The Primate may retain personal assistants after appropriate financial arrangements have been made pursuant to sections ~~§ 7~~ c) and ~~§ 7~~ d) of this Canon.

c) The Financial Management ~~and Development~~ Committee shall, in accordance with its budgeting procedures, determine the financial needs of the Primacy, including all salaries, office expenses, living allowances, travel expenses, entertainment allowances and other expenses.

d) The financial needs of the Primacy shall be met first from the income of any capital fund designated for such purpose and, second, from the proportional gifts that are made by the dioceses.

## 6 8. Acting Primate

During a vacancy in the Primacy or during the incapacity of the Primate, the Provincial Metropolitan senior by election, able and willing to act, shall have authority to perform all the duties of the Primacy and shall be styled “Acting Primate”.

## 7 9. Resignation from Office

a) The Primate may submit notice of intention to resign from the office of Primate to the Provincial Metropolitan senior by election.

b) The ~~senior~~ **Provincial Metropolitan senior by election** shall, after consultation with the other Metropolitans and with the Prolocutor and Deputy Prolocutor of the General Synod, jointly with the Primate determine the date on which the Primate’s resignation should take effect.

c) The Primate shall then submit to the ~~senior~~ **Provincial Metropolitan senior by election**, and the ~~senior~~ **Provincial Metropolitan senior by election** shall accept, a resignation to take effect on the date determined pursuant to section 9 b).

d) The ~~senior~~ **Provincial Metropolitan senior by election** shall report the resignation to the Council of the General Synod and to the Order of Bishops of the General Synod.

e) The title of the Primate after ceasing to hold office shall continue to be “Archbishop”.

## 8 10. Incapacity of the Primate

a) The incapacity of the Primate to carry out the functions of the Primacy for reason of illness or otherwise shall be established:

i) by the deed of the Primate to that effect addressed to the Provincial Metropolitan senior by election, or

ii) by a Certificate of Incapacity addressed to the Provincial Metropolitan senior by election, and signed by four Diocesan Bishops of The Anglican Church of Canada and one of:

a) The Provincial Metropolitans,

b) The Chancellor of the General Synod, or

- c) The Prolocutor of the General Synod.
- b) Where the incapacity of the Primate has been established by the deed of the Primate to that effect, the Primate may resume the functions of the Primacy by giving notice of intention to do so to the Acting Primate.
- c) Where the incapacity of the Primate has been established by a Certificate of Incapacity, the Primate may resume the functions of the Primacy by giving to the Acting Primate notice of intention to do so, and
  - i) a certificate establishing the capacity of the Primate to resume the functions of the Primacy, signed by the persons who signed the Certificate of Incapacity, or their successors in office, or
  - ii) a certified copy of a resolution of the Council of the General Synod, or of the General Synod, directing that the Primate may resume the functions of the Primacy.
- d) After the incapacity of the Primate to carry out the functions of the Primacy, has been established under section 8 10 a) of this Canon, the Primacy may be declared vacant:
  - i) by special resolution of each of the Council of the General Synod and the Order of Bishops, or
  - ii) by special resolution of the General Synod.

## **Part II - Election Procedures**

### **9 11. Procedural Guidelines**

The Council of the General Synod shall establish procedural guidelines for the conduct of the election of a Primate but this Canon shall have precedence over anything contained in the guidelines as established.

### **10 12. Eligibility**

All bishops of The Anglican Church of Canada who are members of the Order of Bishops of the General Synod in accordance with the Constitution of the General Synod shall be eligible for election to the Primacy.

### **11 13. General Synod to Elect**

The Primate shall be nominated and elected by the General Synod of The Anglican Church of Canada in accordance with this Canon.

### **12 14. Time of Election**



a) Where a vacancy in the Primacy occurs less than 12 months before a regular session of the General Synod, the General Synod shall elect a Primate during such regular session at a time fixed by the Acting Primate.

b) Where a vacancy occurs more than 12 months before a regular session of the General Synod, unless the Council of the General Synod directs otherwise, the General Synod shall elect a Primate at a special session held at a time and place fixed by the Acting Primate in consultation with the Council of the General Synod.

#### **13 15. Meeting of the Order of Bishops**

The Order of Bishops shall meet not earlier than one hundred and twenty days and not later than thirty days before the date fixed for the election of the Primate and shall nominate three or more bishops for the office of Primate.

#### **14 16. Notice to the Orders of Clergy and Laity**

Immediately following the meeting of the Order of Bishops, the General Secretary of the General Synod shall send to all members of the Orders of Clergy and Laity the names of the nominees together with such biographical information about each nominee as is required by the guidelines established under section 9 11.

#### **15 17. President**

The Prolocutor of the General Synod or, in the absence of the Prolocutor, the Deputy Prolocutor shall preside during the election of the Primate by the General Synod.

#### **16 18. Celebration of Holy Communion**

On the day appointed for the election, the General Synod shall convene for a celebration of Holy Communion.

#### **17 19. Report of the Credentials Committee**

Upon conclusion of the celebration of Holy Communion, the Credentials Committee shall report as to the standing of all persons present and as to the presence of a quorum of the General Synod.

#### **18 20. Withdrawal of the Order of Bishops**

A quorum of the General Synod being present, the Order of Bishops shall withdraw and sit apart from the other Orders.

#### **19 21. Voting and Election in the Orders of Clergy and Laity**

a) When the Order of Bishops has withdrawn, the Orders of Clergy and Laity shall proceed immediately to vote by ballot on the nominations made by the Order of Bishops.

b) Votes shall be taken by Orders and, subject to sections ~~20~~ **22** and ~~22~~ **24**, shall continue until there is an election.

c) After the second and each subsequent vote:

i) the name of any nominee who has received fewer than 10 per cent of the votes cast in the Order of Clergy and fewer than 10 per cent of the votes cast in the Order of Laity, or

ii) if all nominees have received at least 10 per cent of the votes in both Orders, the name of the nominee who received the fewest votes in the aggregate,

shall be removed from the ballot before the next vote, until only two nominees remain.

d) An election occurs when a nominee receives a majority of the votes of:

i) the members of the Order of Clergy present, and

ii) the members of the Order of Laity present.

e) Upon an election occurring, the Order of Bishops shall be notified.

#### ~~20~~ **22**. Further Nominations

a) Either the Order of Clergy or the Order of Laity may, at any time after the second vote is taken, by resolution request further nominations from the Order of Bishops.

b) Upon receipt of such a request, the Order of Bishops shall submit one or more additional nominations.

#### ~~21~~ **23**. Resolutions

a) resolutions shall be presented in writing to the President.

b) No debate shall be permitted on any resolution or ballot.

#### ~~22~~ **24**. Failure of Orders of Clergy and Laity to Elect

a) When, after the number of nominees has been reduced to two,

i) an election has not occurred after three successive votes, and

ii) no request for additional nominations has been made,

the Order of Bishops shall be notified that the Orders of Clergy and Laity are unable to elect.

b) When the Order of Bishops is notified that the Orders of Clergy and Laity are unable to elect, the members of the order of Bishops shall proceed to vote on the two remaining nominees and an election occurs when one of the nominees receives a majority of the votes of the members of the Order of Bishops present.

## **23 25. Declaration of Election**

When an election occurs, the Order of Bishops shall return and sit with the Order of Clergy and Laity and ~~the Acting Primate shall formally proclaim the elected person to be the Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada~~ **the Prolocutor shall announce the election.**

## ***Closing Remarks***

The Rev. Edmund Laldin, member of the Primatial Role Task Force, offered closing remarks.

## **Resolutions**

### **Constitution – Operational Roles of the Primate and the General Secretary**

Moved by: Chancellor Ronald Stevenson  
Seconded by: The Ven. Harry Huskins

That this General Synod amend the Constitution of the General Synod as follows:

1) by amending section 13 b) to read:

b) The Primate shall be President **and Chief Executive Officer** of the General Synod; **and** chairperson of the Council of the General Synod, ~~and Chief Executive Officer of the national staff.~~ In the event of the inability of the Primate to act as the President or chairperson, the provincial metropolitan senior by election, or if none be present, the diocesan bishop senior by appointment or election, shall act.

2) by amending section 16 c) to read:

c) Under the direction of the Primate the General Secretary shall:

i) **be the Chief Operations Officer** ~~exercise a general oversight of the work of the General Synod, its committees, councils, boards and commissions;~~

ii) make the necessary arrangements for meetings of the General Synod and Council of the General Synod and act as secretary of both bodies;

iii) perform such other duties as are defined by the Constitution, Rules of Order and Procedure, Canons and resolutions of the General Synod or the Council of the General Synod-;

**iv) report to the Primate in the Primate's capacity as Chief Executive Officer of the General Synod.**

3) by amending section 16 e) to read:

e) The General Secretary shall be assistant to the Primate in the Primate's capacity as President of the General Synod ~~and Chief Executive Officer of the national staff.~~

4) by amending section 45 to read:

#### **45. National Staff**

a) ~~All staff employed by Directors of the departments of the General Synod shall be responsible to the~~ **General Secretary, as Chief Operations Officer, Primate, as Chief Executive Officer,** for the performance of their duties.

b) The organization of the ~~national staff~~ **of the General Synod shall be directed by the General Secretary** ~~shall be under the direction of the Primate,~~ in consultation with the other Officers of the General Synod.

**NOTE:** Additions are in **bold**, deletions are in ~~strikeout~~.

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 28*

## **Constitution – Adding two ACIP Nominees to the Council of General Synod**

Moved by: Chancellor Ronald Stevenson  
Seconded by: The Ven. Harry Huskins

That this General Synod:

1) amend section 33 a) of the Constitution of the General Synod by adding a new subsection viii) as follows:

viii) two members who may, but need not be, members of the General Synod, nominated by the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples and elected by the General Synod; and

2) amend section 33 f) of the Constitution by adding a new subsection iv) as follows:

iv) in the case of a member elected under the provisions of subsection 33 a) viii), be filled by the Prolocutor, in consultation with the Chair or Co-chairs of the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples.

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 29*

## **Constitution – Adding an ELCIC Nominee to the Council of General Synod**

Moved by: The Most Rev. Colin Johnson  
Seconded by: The Ven. Harry Huskins

That this General Synod:

1) amend section 33 a) of the Constitution of the General Synod by adding a new subsection ix) as follows:

ix) one member elected by the General Synod, nominated by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.

2) amend section 33 f) of the Constitution by adding a new subsection v) as follows:

v) in the case of a member elected under the provisions of subsection 33 a) ix), be filled by the Prolocutor, in consultation with the National Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 30*

## **Constitution – Communication re Business of the Synod**

Moved by: Chancellor Ronald Stevenson  
Seconded by: The Ven. Harry Huskins

That this General Synod amend section 4 b) of the Constitution of the General Synod to read as follows:

b) The General Secretary of the General Synod shall prepare a list of all business, notices of motion, petitions and memorials received by the General Secretary for submission to the synod and shall transmit a copy to every member of the synod at least 30 days before the day appointed for the holding of a meeting of the synod.

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 31*

## **Canon VII – Missionary Society**

Moved by: Chancellor Ronald Stevenson

Seconded by: The Ven. Harry Huskins

That this General Synod repeal Canon VII (Missionary Society) as now in force and enact the following new Canon:

### **CANON VII**

#### **Missionary Society**

##### **1. The Society**

There shall be a society for the general missionary work of the Church to be known as The Missionary Society of The Anglican Church of Canada and consisting of all members of the General Synod of The Anglican Church of Canada.

##### **2. Board of Directors**

Subject to the authority of the General Synod the work of the Society shall be under the direction of a Board of Directors composed of

i) all members of the Council of the General Synod elected or appointed under the Constitution of the General Synod, and

ii) the officers of the Society.

##### **3. Reports**

a) The officers of the Society shall ensure the circulation, not later than five months after the close of the fiscal year, of an annual report to the members of the Society in any year that the General Synod meets, and to the members of the Board of Directors in years in which the General Synod does not meet.

b) The report shall include financial statements with respect to all funds held or monies received and disbursed in connection with the work of the Society.

c) The report shall be presented for approval to a meeting of the members of the Society in a year that the General Synod meets and to a meeting of the Board of Directors in years that the General Synod does not meet.

#### 4. Meetings of the Society

There shall be a meeting of the members of the Society at the time and place fixed for any regular meeting of the General Synod.

#### 5. Meetings of the Board of Directors

There shall be a meeting of the Board of Directors at least once in each year at the time and place fixed for a meeting of the Council of the General Synod.

#### 6. Officers of the Society

a) The Primate is the President of the Society and the Chair of the Board of Directors.

b) The General Secretary of the General Synod is the Secretary of the Society and of the Board of Directors.

c) The Treasurer of the General Synod is the Treasurer of the Society.

d) The Board of Directors may appoint additional officers of the Society.

#### 7. Receipts and Execution of Documents

a) All subscriptions, donations, bequests, collections or other funds received by the Society not designated by the donor for any specified object or purpose shall be designated by the Board of Directors.

b) The Treasurer shall have custody of the corporate seal of the Society.

c) All deeds, documents and releases requiring execution by the Society shall be sealed with its corporate seal and signed by two officers of the Society.

#### 8. Investments

a) The personal property, securities and moneys which have been, now are, or hereafter become vested in or held by the Society shall be invested in The Anglican Church of Canada Consolidated Trust Fund under the management, administration and control of the Financial Management Committee of the General Synod.

b) Cash on hand and bank deposits shall be held for the Society by the General Synod.

**CARRIED**  
**Act 32**

## **Continuance of the General Synod as a corporation under the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act**

Moved by: Chancellor Ronald Stevenson

Seconded by: The Ven. Harry Huskins

That this General Synod authorize the Council of the General Synod, at such time as it considers appropriate, to apply for continuance of the General Synod as a corporation under the *Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act*.

**CARRIED**

**Act 33**

## **Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Authorized Version of the Bible**

Moved by: The Very Rev. Iain Luke

Seconded by: Dr. Lela Zimmer

That this General Synod:

- a) recognize the year 2011 as the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Authorized Version (the King James Bible);
- b) direct the Faith Worship and Ministry Committee to prepare an information and liturgical resource for use on Sunday, 30 October, 2011 or another appropriate day as determined by local ordinary;
- c) invite dioceses and parishes to find and share appropriate ways to celebrate this anniversary, where possible inviting other community groups (e.g. cultural or literary) to participate.

**CARRIED**

**Act 34**

## **Principles for Liturgical Revision**

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Gregory Kerr-Wilson

Seconded by: The Rev. Canon Pierre Voyer

That this General Synod:

- 1) receive the Report of the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee entitled *Liturgical Principles: Principles to Guide the Revision of Contemporary Language Common Worship Texts of the Anglican Church of Canada* as containing a set of principles and an agenda to guide the work of liturgical revision;
- 2) direct the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee to create a Task Force for Liturgy with membership drawn from the Faith, Worship and Ministry



Committee, the House of Bishops, and members at large with the necessary skills and breadth of experience of the Anglican Church of Canada, as well as ecumenical and full communion partners;

- a. that this Task Force report regularly to the Council of General Synod and to the House of Bishops through the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee;
  - b. that the Task Force make the best use of all forms of communications technology in its work both in the creation of new and revised texts, and in the testing of such new texts in trial use and evaluation;
- 3) direct the Council of General Synod to ensure the adequate provision within the budget of the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee to undertake this work.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 35*

## **Solemnization of Marriage**

Moved by: The Rev. Greg Gilson  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Gregory Kerr-Wilson

That this General Synod request the Council of General Synod

1. to direct a study of the canonical, theological and liturgical implications, as well as the potential effects on the mission and witness of the Anglican Church of Canada, of the cessation of the solemnization of matrimony by the clergy of the Anglican Church of Canada and of the adoption of the European model of blessing those civil marriages that conform to a canonical definition of marriage as the normative practice of the Church; and
2. to report the findings of this study to the General Synod in 2013.

### ***Motion to remove resolution from the No Debate List***

Moved by: Mr. Ron Chaplin  
Seconded by: The Rev. Canon Neil Elliott

That the motion be removed from the No Debate List

**DEFEATED**

***The resolution was put and was***

**CARRIED**  
*Act 36*

## **Theological Education for Presbyteral Ministry**

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. John Chapman  
Seconded by: Dr. Lela Zimmer

That this General Synod:

1. affirm the continued need of the church to make the formation of persons for ministry a continuing priority of the church in the coming triennium;
2. request the Primate to appoint a 'Commission on Theological Education and Formation for Presbyteral Ministry' which shall report to the Council of General Synod and the House of Bishops through Faith, Worship and Ministry.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 37*

## **Sexuality Dialogues**

Moved by: Dr. Lela Zimmer  
Seconded by: Ms Rene Jamieson

That this General Synod:

1. express its appreciation for the initiative, commitment, and spirit of dialogue undertaken in national and international, inter-diocesan conversations regarding human sexuality and mission;
2. mandate the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee to continue to facilitate, support and report on national and international, inter-diocesan conversations regarding human sexuality and mission that began in the 2007-2010 triennium.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 38*

## **Revised Mandate for the Partners in Mission and EcoJustice Committee**

Moved by: Ms. Susan Winn  
Seconded by: The Ven. Peter Fenty

That this General Synod approve the following preamble and revised mandate for the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee, effective at the beginning of the 2010-2013 triennium.

### ***Preamble***

We as the Church are mandated to be signs and instruments of God's reconciling love in the world. We have a responsibility to incarnate our response to Jesus' summary of the law, 'to love God and our neighbour as self,' to Jesus' example of being in right relationships, and to the question posed by the prophet Micah (6.8): 'And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with your God?'

The work of the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee is to help the Anglican Church of Canada understand and participate in God's mission in the world by:

- challenging attitudes and structures in church and society that cause injustice;
- building relationships among people and provinces within and beyond the Anglican Communion;
- modelling respectful inclusion and hospitality;
- fostering commitment to the integrity of God's creation;
- ensuring that mission is handed on from generation to generation.

### ***Mandate***

The Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee shall:

- a) Engage itself and the wider church in biblical, theological and ethical reflection, listening for the Spirit and discerning God's mission for the church and the world.
- b) Equip Canadian Anglicans to live out their baptismal promise to "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being."
- c) Equip Canadian Anglicans to build and strengthen relationships with Anglican and ecumenical partners.
- d) Oversee policies governing mission personnel programs and financial grants to partner organizations.
- e) Support the formation of networks for mission and justice throughout the church and encourage Canadian Anglicans to participate.
- f) Engage in teaching and learning about Indigenous peoples in Canada and globally, identify ways that Canadian Anglicans can move toward healing and reconciliation from the legacy of colonialism, and participate in advocacy and

solidarity initiatives in the struggle of Indigenous peoples in Canada to protect their land and rights, including the right to self-determination.

- g) Monitor events, become familiar with established church policy, and recommend priorities for responding as the Anglican Church of Canada to social, ecological and ethical issues in Canada and globally.
- h) Report to the Council of General Synod and recommend new policies and actions.
- i) Monitor and support the involvement of the Anglican Church of Canada in the World Council of Churches, the Anglican Consultative Council, the Canadian Council of Churches, in relevant networks of the Anglican Communion, and in partner organizations such as KAIROS, Project Ploughshares, the Churches' Forum for Global Ministries, the Church Council on Justice and Corrections.
- j) Raise awareness among Canadian Anglicans at regional, diocesan, and parish levels of how the Anglican Church of Canada is involved in mission and justice.

**CARRIED**  
**Act 39**

## **National Strategies to Address Poverty and Homelessness**

Moved by:                   The Most Rev. Colin Johnson  
Seconded by:               The Rev. Canon Joyce Sanchez

That this General Synod:

1. Calls on Parliament and the Government of Canada, in conjunction with provincial, territorial and local governments, the not-for-profit and private sectors, and with Canadians, to adopt policies in the next three years that will establish:
  - a. a national strategy to ensure adequate and affordable housing for all Canadians;
  - b. a national strategy to reduce or eliminate poverty in Canada by 50% over the next 10 years and to substantially reduce the growing gap between rich and poor by 2020.
2. Affirms the endorsement of the *Dignity for All Campaign*, launched by Citizens for Public Justice and Canada Without Poverty, with these stated goals:
  - a. a federal plan for poverty elimination that complements provincial and territorial plans;
  - b. a federal anti-poverty Act that ensures enduring federal commitment and accountability for results;

- c. sufficient federal investment in social security for all Canadians.

**CARRIED**

***Act 40***

## **Toward a World Free of Nuclear Weapons**

Moved by: The Rev. Canon Dr. William E. Prentice

Seconded by: The Rev. Dr. Linda Privitera

That this General Synod expresses its support for a world free of nuclear weapons, and ask the General Secretary to convey our position to the Government of Canada, requesting:

1. from the Government information about Canadian activities in the last three years to support nuclear disarmament, and
2. from the Prime Minister a public affirmation of Canada's commitment to a world free of nuclear weapons.

**CARRIED**

***Act 41***

## **General Synod Youth Secretariat**

Moved by: The Ven. Peter John Hobbs

Seconded by: The Rev. Elliott Siteman

That this General Synod request the General Secretary to give consideration to the establishment of a General Synod Youth Secretariat and make a recommendation to the Council of General Synod at its November 2010 meeting. The recommendation should specify:

- 1) Size and membership of the Youth Secretariat, drawing from:
  - Current membership of the Youth Initiatives Working Group, made up of representatives from dioceses and from Ask and Imagine youth theology program
  - Past organizers from the Justice Camps Initiative of the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee
  - Representation from The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (someone connected with Lutheran youth initiatives).
- 2) Functions of a Youth Secretariat would be:
  - a. to envision, encourage conversation and deep reflection on youth ministry and related matters;
  - b. to engage and promote opportunities for training for professional youth workers;
  - c. to create networks of support and develop collaboration between various youth related projects where appropriate;

- d. to work in partnership with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada in all areas of youth ministry development;
  - e. to encourage gatherings of youth, young adults and youth leaders.
- 3) Financial provisions for staffing and program support.

**CARRIED**  
**Act 42**

***Point of Personal Privilege***

Archdeacon Harry Huskins rose on a point of personal privilege to acknowledge the exceptional work of Chancellor Ronald Stevenson in leading an effort to have an exemption written into the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act. This exemption will relieve the General Synod from the requirement to meet each year.

**Strengthening Partnership with Diocese of Jerusalem**

Moved by:               The Rt. Rev. John Chapman  
Seconded by:       The Ven. Ronald Harrison

That this General Synod:

- 1) In thanksgiving for the long partnership of the Anglican Church of Canada with the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, commit the Anglican Church of Canada to:
  - a. **Pray for peace**, calling on Canadian Anglicans to:
    - i. pray regularly for the diocese of Jerusalem and for Christians in the Land of the Holy One, and for peace for all people in Palestine and Israel
    - ii. designate one Sunday a year for prayers. (According to the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, Jerusalem is particularly remembered on Palm Sunday.)
  - b. **Educate for peace**, encouraging Canadian Anglicans to:
    - i. study the history and current events of the land of the diocese of Jerusalem, including Jerusalem, Palestine, Gaza, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria
    - ii. post links on parish and diocesan websites to Anglican Church of Canada, KAIROS, Anglican Communion, World Council of Churches and Diocese of Jerusalem websites
    - iii. host and/or participate in at least one event a year to discuss and learn about realities and issues of Palestinian and Arab Christians in the Middle East, in partnership with ELCIC events as possible
    - iv. enable Canadian distribution of Palestinian products and services

**c. Strengthen relationships for peace by:**

- i.** supporting the formation of national network of Canadian Companions of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem
- ii.** broadening the profile of St. George's College Jerusalem, in collaboration with the North American Regional Council of St. George's College
- iii.** inviting financial and other forms of support from Canadian Anglicans for the health care, educational, and interfaith ministries of the diocese.
- iv.** fostering links with the Diocese of Jerusalem through the Theological Students International Internship Program, Volunteers in Mission, and the new companionship between the dioceses of Jerusalem and Ottawa
- v.** promoting Canadian Anglican group visits to Land of the Holy One in cooperation with the diocese of Jerusalem and Christian tour guides

**2) And:**

- a) Request the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee to provide information, guidelines, and resources for parishes and dioceses to participate in multi-faith dialogues in their own communities; and
- b) Request the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee to develop a resource for Canadian Anglican pilgrims to the region.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 43*

**Constitution - Reduction in size of the Partners in Mission and EcoJustice Committee**

Moved by: Ms. Susan Winn  
Seconded by: The Ven. Peter Fenty

That this General Synod amend paragraph c) of section 39 of the Constitution to read:

- c) The Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee shall consist of eleven members:
- i) six members shall be elected by the General Synod and five members shall be appointed by the Primate
  - ii) at least five of the members elected by the General Synod shall be members of the General Synod and at least one of those shall be a member of the Council of the General Synod

- iii) at least one member shall be an indigenous person and at least one member shall be a youth or young adult
- iv) one member shall be nominated by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada
- v) one member shall be nominated by an overseas partner Church designated by the Committee.

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 44*

## **Nominating Committee**

Bishop Michael Ingham announced that nominations for the position of Deputy Prolocutor had closed and he gave notice that nominations for membership in Standing Committees would close at 9:00 P.M.

## **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund Presentation**

Ms. Adele Finney introduced Ms. Carolyn Vanderlip, 50th Anniversary Program Facilitator and Ms. Cydney Proctor, Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, who spoke on two of PWRDF's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary initiatives: – *50 Refugees*, involving parishes and dioceses in sponsoring 50 additional refugee families and *50 Leaders*, a leadership empowerment program for young adults.

## **Noon Watch**

Ms. Adele Finney led *Noon Watch*.

## **Informal Session with Bishop Dawani**

In an informal session over the lunch break, members of Synod had an opportunity to hear Bishop Suheil Dawani and Mrs. Shafeeqa Dawani speak further about their life and ministry in Jerusalem.

## **Sexuality Discernment - Session Two - *Discussion One***

Members met in mixed groups of twenty-four for a facilitated discussion responding to:

*“In the spirit of House of Bishops Pastoral Statement (10.8) and using the affirmations, request, and hopes found on page 2 (in **bold italic**) as a model:*

*What would you like GS to affirm, request and hope for the Anglican Church of Canada for the next triennium?”*



Each group included a recorder. Feedback from all the groups was collated, synthesized and later presented to Synod.

## **‘Ports of Call’ Information Sessions**

Members attended the *Port of Call* of their choice.

- Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples
- Collective Creations
- Council of General Synod
- Faith, Worship and Ministry – *Congregational Development*
- Partners in Mission EcoJustice – *Greening Anglican Spaces*
- Primates World Relief and Development Fund

## **Diocesan Caucuses**

Diocesan delegations met to prepare for Provincial Caucuses and the election of the Council of General Synod.

*The Prolocutor was in the chair for the evening session.*

## ***Introductions***

The Prolocutor Canon Robert Falby introduced:

Ms. Martha Gardner, The Episcopal Church Partner to the Council of General Synod  
The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church, and  
Mr. David Booth Beers, Chancellor to the Presiding Bishop

## **Nominating Committee**

Bishop Michael Ingham announced that nominations for all positions were closed.

## **Resolutions**

### **Constitution - Section 8(f) - Changing the basis for determining the number of clerical and lay members of General Synod from each diocese – *Reconsidered***

Moved by:                      The Most Rev. David Ashdown  
Seconded by:                The Most Rev. Claude Miller

That this General Synod:

A. amend section 8(f) of the Constitution to read as follows:

- f) Each Diocese shall be entitled to elect clerical and lay members of the General Synod, with the number from each Order being determined by the following formula:

Attendance at Easter Communion services in the Diocese divided by the total in all Dioceses, multiplied by 110.

Provided that:

- (i) the resulting number will be at least 2;
- (ii) if the resulting number is a fractional number and is greater than 2, it will be rounded down to the nearest whole number if the fraction is 0.5 or less, and rounded up to the nearest whole number if the fraction is greater than 0.5;

and this resolution shall come into effect upon

(a) General Synod 2013 giving Second Reading to Resolution A019 (Act 13), and

(b) General Synod 2013 passing a resolution to confirm or amend this revised resolution.

B. direct Council of General Synod to gather and publish the required statistics for 2010 and subsequent years.

***Amendment***

Moved by: The Ven. Vicars Hodge  
Seconded by: The Ven. Greg Gilson

That “attendance at Easter Communion Services” be replaced by “attendance at Advent Sunday Services.”

***The Motion to Amend was***

**WITHDRAWN**

***Amendment***

Moved by: The Rev. Dawn Leger  
Seconded by: The Rev. Steve Timpson

That “attendance at Easter Communion services in the Diocese” be replaced by “attendance at Easter Communion services in the Diocese, averaged over the three years prior to General Synod.”

**DEFEATED**

The Primate polled the House and then called the vote.

*The resolution was put and was*

**CARRIED IN ALL ORDERS**

*Act 45*

## **Continuing discussion about whether and how the structures of the church need to be modified to support and enhance mission**

Moved by: Mr. David Jones  
Seconded by: Canon Dr. Randall Fairey

That this General Synod confirm and reiterate its commitment to continuing the conversation about whether and how the diocesan, provincial and national structures need to be modified to support and enhance mission, and requests the whole Church to make this conversation a priority during the next triennium.

### ***Friendly Amendment***

The mover and seconder accepted a friendly amendment moved by The Rt. Rev. Michael Bird and seconded by The Rt. Rev. James Cowan:

That the existing wording be numbered “1” and the following be added at the end thereof:

- “2. Request the Provinces to undertake a discussion of the appropriate number of dioceses and the appropriate boundaries within the Province, and inform General Synod 2013 of the result of these discussions.”

### ***Amendment***

Moved by: The Most Rev. David Ashdown  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Donald Phillips

That the motion be amended by deleting Section 2.

**DEFEATED**

### ***Motion to Divide***

Moved by: The Rev. Elliott Siteman  
Seconded by: The Rev. Trevor Lightfoot

That the motion be divided and the clauses be debated and voted on separately.

The Primate sought advice from the Assessors as to whether the motion to divide was in order. The Assessors advised that it *was* in order to divide the motion.

The ***motion to divide*** was put and was

**DEFEATED**

*The amended resolution which reads:*

That this General Synod:

1. Confirm and reiterate its commitment to continuing the conversation about whether and how the diocesan, provincial and national structures need to be modified to support and enhance mission, and requests the whole Church to make this conversation a priority during the next triennium; and
2. Request the Provinces to undertake a discussion of the appropriate number of dioceses and the appropriate boundaries within the Province, and inform General Synod 2013 of the result of these discussions

*was put and was*

**CARRIED**  
*Act 46*

## **Amendments to Canon VIII – General Synod Pension Plan**

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Philip Poole  
Seconded by: The Ven. Ronald Harrison

That this General Synod approve the amendments to Canon VIII as approved by the Council of General Synod by deleting the underlined portions and adding the bold portions as shown on the attached copy of the Canon.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 47*

*The text of the amendments to Canon VIII, presented as Appendix A to the resolution, follows:*

### **GENERAL SYNOD PENSION PLAN CANON VIII**

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- 1.b)ii) "Bishop" means the Bishop of **and** any **coadjutor, suffragan or assistant Bishop of any** Diocese of The Anglican Church of Canada, **the Primate, the Bishop**

**Ordinary to the Canadian Forces and the National Indigenous Anglican Bishop;**

- 4.b) To make and amend Regulations establishing the terms of the Pension Plan and the Long Term Disability Plan and providing for the administration thereof, subject to the approval of the Council of General Synod. **The These Regulations or amendments** shall be become effective from the date **fixed of approval** by the Council of General Synod and shall remain in effect until the next session of the General Synod at which time **when** they will cease to be in effect unless confirmed by the General Synod. The general principle to be observed when considering matters relating to the Long Term Disability Plan shall be the maintenance of a rate of contribution, paid by Members or by Participating Employers where so provided by applicable Regulations, adequate to support the benefits and the establishment of appropriate amounts reserved or retained in respect of claims, whether or not known to the Pension Committee.

**Amendments to Canon XII and the Regulations – Continuing Education Plan**

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Philip Poole  
Seconded by: The Ven. Ronald Harrison

That this General Synod approve the amendments to Canon XII and the Regulations effective January 1, 2008 as approved by the Council of General Synod by deleting the underlined portions and adding the bold portions as shown on the attached copy of the Canon and the Regulations.

**CARRIED**  
**Act 48**

*The text of the amendments to Canon XII and the Regulations, presented as Appendix A to the resolution, follows:*

**CANON XII**

**CONTINUING EDUCATION PLAN**

**1. Continuing Education Plan of The Anglican Church of Canada**

- a) There shall be a plan to provide resources for continuing education of the clergy and lay persons who are employed by dioceses and other employers who are affiliated with the Anglican Church of Canada. The sole purpose of the Plan is to provide education or training for such clergy or lay persons in order to improve their work or work-related skills and abilities.

- b) The plan shall be called the 'Continuing Education Plan of The Anglican Church of Canada' and is hereinafter referred to as the "Continuing Education Plan" or the "Plan".
- c) The Administrator of the Continuing Education Plan shall be the Pension Office unless the Pension Committee determines otherwise.

## 2. Membership

- a) **The Those participating dioceses and other employers are the Members of the Plan and are subject to the provisions of this Canon and the regulations appended hereto or made pursuant to section 6.b).** referenced in section 1.(a) above, that are assessed under paragraph 2(b) above shall be "Members" of the Continuing Education Plan and shall be subject to the provisions of Canon XII and its regulations.
- b) **Membership shall be limited to the dioceses and other employers referred to in section 1.a).** No clergy or lay person is eligible to be a Member of the Plan.

## 3. Continuing Education Fund of The Anglican Church of Canada

- a) There shall be a fund designated as the 'Continuing Education Fund of The Anglican Church of Canada', hereinafter referred to as the "Continuing Education Fund" or the "Fund", for the purpose of providing benefits in accordance with the regulations. approved by the Council of General Synod.
- b) The Continuing Education Fund shall be funded by the Members.

## 4. Accounts

- a) Bishops and members of the Clergy who are on the register of a **Member diocese participating employer in the Plan**, may have an account recorded with the Continuing Education Plan **to record in order to monitor** contributions to the Fund, in respect of **each a particular** clergy person and payments made for his or her **their** education or training.
- b) Lay **persons workers who are** in paid employment of a Member, upon application by the lay person and the employer, may have an account with the Continuing Education Plan **to record in order to**

monitor contributions to the Fund in respect of **each** a particular lay person and payments made for his or her education or training.

- c) Persons who become eligible for an account with the Plan after reaching sixty years of age may choose not to have **or not to have** such an account.
- d) When an employee ceases paid employment with a Member, the **employee's** account will be frozen for a period of 2 **two** years. **If the employee resumes paid employment with a Member** In the event of return to work for a participating employer within 2 **two** years **his or her account will be reinstated at the level it was at when the employee ceased paid employment. If the employee resumes paid employment with a member more than two years after ceasing paid employment, of ceasing participation, his/her account will be reactivated at the level it was upon leaving. After 2 years, a return to work will result in a new account being will be** established.
- e) **Employees who retire are not** When an employee retires, he/she is no longer eligible to make claims under the Plan, unless **they continue** continuing to work in some capacity for a **Member. Participating Employer.**
- f) **An** Each account **for an eligible clergy or lay person will be opened** originates on the first day of the **first** any month. An applicant becomes eligible for an account at the beginning of the first month after commencing the date of the commencement of continuous employment with a Member.

## **5. Administrative Unit**

- a) There shall be a Continuing Education Plan Administrative Unit responsible for the operation of the Plan, subject to the authority of the Council of General Synod. It shall report to the Council of General Synod through the Pension Committee.
- b) The Continuing Education Plan Administrative Unit shall consist of:
  - i) the Executive Director of the Pension Office Corporation; and
  - ii) representatives of five Members of the Plan appointed by the Pension Committee at its first meeting following each regular session of the General Synod and as vacancies occur.

- c) The functions of the Unit shall be: to advise the Administrator on matters of policy; to authorize payment of special and sabbatical grants, and expenses incurred in the administration of the Plan; and, from time to time, to propose changes in regulations to the Pension Committee.
- d) The Administrative Unit may delegate authorization of the payment of special and sabbatical grants and expenses to the Administrator.

## 6. Policy and Regulations

- a) The policy and operation of the Plan shall be governed by the regulations appended to this Canon **or made pursuant hereto**.
- b) The Council of General Synod may from time to time alter or replace the regulations or any of them or make new regulations. The regulations or amendments **thereto** shall be effective from the date fixed by the Council of General Synod and shall remain in effect until the next session of the General Synod when at which time they will cease to be in effect unless confirmed by the General Synod.

Revised May 2008  
Operationally  
effective Jan. 1, 2008  
subject to General  
Synod's approval in  
2010

## 7. Collection and Disbursement of Funds

- a) Members shall remit their assessments to the Administrator.
- b) The Continuing Education Fund shall be held by the Trustees appointed pursuant to Canon VIII.
- c) Payments out of the Fund for the cost of education or training of clergy or lay persons shall be authorized by the Administrator.
- d) Withdrawals from the Fund for special and sabbatical grants and to defray expenses incurred in the administration of the Plan and the Fund shall be authorized by the Administrative Unit or the Administrator if so delegated.

## 8. Effective Date

**This Canon and the appended Regulations, as amended by the General Synod in 2010, are deemed to have come into force on January 1, 2008.**



## **CONTINUING EDUCATION PLAN - CANON XII**

### **REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CONTINUING EDUCATION PLAN**

#### **1. Assessments**

- a) The assessments to sustain the fund shall be \$450 per year from each member in respect of each of the Member's account holders.
- b) Assessments shall be paid quarterly and remitted within 30 days of the expiry of such period.

#### **2. Funding from the Plan**

- a) A clergy or lay person may apply to the Administrator to obtain reimbursement for eligible education or training costs for his or her work, in respect of:
  - i) expenses for any continuing education program or course of study,
  - ii) the purchase of books or other study materials, or equipment,
  - iii) the purchase of computer hardware or software.
- b) An application for reimbursement must be approved by the applicant's bishop (or the bishop's deputy), or the director of the organization or department, as the case may be.
- c) The Administrator shall establish the form of application to be used under this section.

#### **3. Shared Cost of Education or Training**

- a) Where the Administrative Unit approves an application under section 2, the reimbursement to the applicant will be paid to the extent of 75% from the Fund in respect of the applicant's account and 5% from the general assets of the Fund.
- b) The applicant shall pay the remaining 20% of the cost of his or her education or training.
- c) The Administrative Unit may:
  - i) suspend the operation of subsection a),

- ii) reduce the percentage of a payment to be paid out of the general assets of the Fund if it determines that the level of the general assets of the Fund will not support the continued application of subsection a), or
- iii) increase the percentage of a payment to be paid out of the general assets of the Fund if it determines that the level of the general assets of the Fund will support the increase.

#### **4. Special Grants and Sabbatical Grants**

- a) From time to time, as resources permit, special grants may be authorized by the Administrative Unit in addition to payments under section 2.
- b) Special grants of \$300 or less may be authorized by the **Administrator** administrator in consultation with the chair of the Administrative Unit or the designate of the chair.
- c) From time to time, as resources permit, sabbatical grants may be authorized by the Administrative Unit for periods of full-time study of not less than eight weeks duration, after five years of eligibility in addition to payments under section 2.
- d) The Administrative Unit may establish:
  - i) guidelines to apply in considering applications for special grants and sabbatical grants, and
  - ii) the methods by which the Administrative Unit will consider and decide upon such applications.
- e) The Administrative Unit may delegate any of its authority under subsection a) or b) or c) to the Administrator.
- f) The Administrator may establish the form of application to be used for special grants and sabbatical grants.

#### **5. Education Leave**

Absence for continuing education from a parish or other place of employment shall be procured by the customary diocesan/organizational procedures.

## 6. Cessation of Participation

- a) The Administrator shall pay to those individual clergy or lay persons who were formerly members of the Plan the remaining amount of contributions made by such persons to the Fund as at December 31, 2007, after payment of approved expenses to December 31, 2007.
- b) The remaining accumulated contributions from the Members shall stay in the Fund.

## Amendments to the Regulations of Canon VIII – General Synod Pension Plan

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Philip Poole  
Seconded by: The Ven. Ronald Harrison

That this General Synod approve the amendments to the Regulations of Canon VIII as approved by the Council of General Synod by deleting the underlined portions and adding the bold portions as shown on the attached copy of the Regulations

**CARRIED**  
**Act 49**

*The text of the amendments to the Regulations of Canon VIII, presented as Appendix A to the resolution, follows:*

### GENERAL SYNOD PENSION PLAN REGULATIONS

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#### REGULATION 1 – DEFINITIONS

1.9(b)(i) has been continuous for a period of at least **one** three years, or

#### REGULATION 3 - CONTRIBUTIONS

3.1 The Contributions required from each Participating Employer shall be as follows for all Members in Active Service:

- i) Effective January 1, 2004: 10% of Salary
- ii) Effective January 1, 2005: 8.3% of Salary
- iii) Effective January 1, 2006: 9.0% of Salary
- iv) Effective January 1, 2007: 10% of Salary
- v) **Effective January 1, 2010: 11.2% of Salary**
- vi) **Effective January 1, 2011: 12.4% of Salary**

- 3.4 Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Contributions shall be made in respect of a Member after the December 31 coincident with or next following the Member's attainment of the age of sixty nine **seventy-one** years **or such other date as may be prescribed by Applicable Pension Legislation.**

#### REGULATION 4 - RETIREMENT

- 4.3 A Member who continues in Active Service, **or who is in receipt of disability benefits from the Long Term Disability Plan or the Long Term Disability Plan Pre-2005**, subsequent to the Member's Normal Retirement Date shall receive a Pension calculated in accordance with Regulation 5.3 accruing on the first day of the month following the Member's retirement date. For purposes of the Plan, the Member's retirement date must be no later than the December 31st coincident with or next following the Member's attainment of the age of sixty nine **seventy-one** years **or such other date as may be prescribed by Applicable Pension Legislation.**

#### REGULATION 5 – RETIREMENT BENEFIT

- 5.1(b) for Years of Contributory Membership after December 31, 1960, percentages of Salary in accordance with the following table:

1961 to 1972	-	1.5%
1973 to 1975	-	1.6%
1976 to 1978	-	1.7%
1979 to 1980	-	1.8%
1981 to 1982	-	1.85%
1983 to 1996	-	1.9%
1997 to <u>2011</u> <b>2009</b>	-	2.0%
<u>2012</u> <b>2010</b> and later	-	<u>1.9%</u> - <b>1.8%</b>

#### REGULATION 7 – LUMP SUM DEATH BENEFIT

##### 7.1 Death of a Member in Active Service

##### On the death of a Member in Active Service,

- (a) if a surviving Partner's allowance is payable pursuant to Regulation 8, no lump sum benefit is payable except as provided under section 1(d) of this Regulation;
- (b) if no surviving Partner's allowance is payable pursuant to Regulation 8, the Member's beneficiary shall receive a lump sum benefit equal to the greater of:
  - (i) the Member's Contributions pursuant to Regulation 3.2 together with Interest; or
  - (ii) the commuted value of the benefit accrued by the Member after December 31, 1986;
- (c) if the Member has not had at least five Years of Contributory Membership, the Member's beneficiary shall receive a lump sum benefit equal to the greater of:
  - (i) the Member's Contributions pursuant to Regulation 3.2 together with Interest; or

- (ii) the commuted value of the benefit accrued by the Member after December 31, 1986.
- (d) where the deceased Member has a Partner at the time of the Member's death the Partner may elect to receive the commuted value of the benefit accrued by the Member after December 31, 1986 as a lump sum benefit, or in the form of an immediate or deferred annuity having the same commuted value, in which case any other benefits payable to the Partner under the Plan shall be reduced by an amount having the same commuted value.

# **1. Death of a Member in Active Service**

- (a) **On the death of a Member in Active Service, the Member's Partner, or beneficiary if there is no Partner, is entitled to receive a lump sum payment equal to the commuted value of the benefit accrued by the Member to the date of death.**
- (b) **In lieu of the lump sum payment described above, the Member's Partner may elect to receive:**
  - (i) **an immediate annuity in accordance with Regulation 8.1(a) plus a lump sum payment, if any, in accordance with Regulation 8.1(b);**  
**or**
  - (ii) **an immediate annuity whose commuted value is equal to the lump sum death benefit under Regulation 7.1(a); or**
  - (iii) **a deferred annuity whose commuted value is equal to the lump sum death benefit under Regulation 7.1(a).**

## **REGULATION 8 - SURVIVING PARTNER'S ALLOWANCE**

### **8.1. Death of a Member in Active Service**

- (a) On the death of a Member in Active Service who had at least five years of contributory membership, the surviving Partner of the Member shall may elect to receive a surviving Partner's allowance equal to 60% of the Pension accrued by the Member to date pursuant to Regulation 5.1.
- (b) **If the surviving Partner elects to receive a surviving Partner's allowance under this Regulation 8.1(a), then the lump sum benefit payable under Regulation 7.1(a) shall be reduced by the commuted value of the benefit payable under this Regulation 8.1(a).**

## **REGULATION 15 - GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **15.10 Solvency Minimum Funding Requirements**

In the event that the Contributions payable pursuant to Regulation 3 are insufficient to **satisfy the minimum funding requirements** maintain the solvency of the Plan in accordance with **Applicable Pension Legislation** the requirements of the Pension Benefits Act, 1987 (Ontario) and regulations thereunder, the Plan shall be amended to restore the solvency thereof **sufficiency of the Contributions.**

### **15.11. Transfer**

- (a) A Member on entering the Plan may transfer into the Pension Fund monies from a pension plan of the Member's previous employer and there shall be credited to the

Member such additional amount of Pension as may be determined by the Trustees on the advice of the Actuary.

- (b) A Member may, subject to Applicable Pension Legislation, transfer into the Pension Fund monies from a registered retirement savings plan of the Member. Such monies may be applied either:

(i) to credit to the Member such additional amount of Pension as may be determined by the Trustees on the advice of the Actuary; or

(ii) as additional voluntary contributions pursuant to Regulation 14

#### REGULATION 17 - AMENDMENTS AND TERMINATION OF THE PLAN

- 17.1.(a) where the amendment is made pursuant to Regulation 15.10 in order to restore the solvency of the Plan **sufficiency of the Plan's Contributions**; or

- 17.3 On full or partial termination of the Plan and subject to Applicable Pension Legislation, the provisions under Section 2 of Regulation 5 do not apply and are replaced with the following:**

**The amount of annual Pension payable on early retirement pursuant to Regulation 4.2 shall be the amount determined in accordance with section 1 of this Regulation 5 but reduced to be the actuarial equivalent of the amount of annual Pension payable at the Member's Normal Retirement Date. The basis for the actuarial equivalent shall be determined by the Trustees on the advice of the Actuary.**

#### SCHEDULE A - BONUS ADDITIONS TO ACCRUED PENSIONS

- 1.(b) for Years of Contributory Membership after December 31, 1960, percentages of Salary in accordance with the following table:

1961 to 1972	-	1.5%
1973 to 1975	-	1.6%
1976 to 1978	-	1.7%
1979 to 1980	-	1.8%
1981 to 1982	-	1.85%
1983 to 1996	-	1.9%
1997 to <u>2011-2009</u>	-	2.0%
<u>2012</u> <b>2010</b> and later	-	<u>1.9%-1.8%</u>

- 8. The amount determined as of December 31, 2006 in accordance with Regulation 5.1 with respect to a Member in Active Service as of July 1, 2007 shall be increased by 4.5%.**

## Amendments to the Regulations of Canon IX – Lay Retirement Plan

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Philip Poole  
Seconded by: The Ven. Ronald Harrison

That this General Synod approve the amendments to the Regulations of Canon IX as approved by the Council of General Synod by deleting the underlined portions and adding the bold portions as shown on the attached copy of the Regulations.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 50*

*The text of the amendments to the Regulations of Canon IX, presented as Appendix A to the resolution, follows:*

### **LAY RETIREMENT PLAN REGULATIONS**

**Bold** indicated addition, underline indicates deletion

#### **REGULATION 2 - ELIGIBILITY & MEMBERSHIP**

- 2.1. All lay employees of a Participating Employer **whose collective agreement, if applicable, is not in conflict with the Plan** shall be Members except as provided under sections 2 and 3 of this Regulation. **For greater clarity, if such collective agreement conflicts with the Plan for any employee, the collective agreement will be deemed to conflict for all employees working under the collective agreement.**

#### **REGULATION 3 - CONTRIBUTIONS**

- 4.(a) in respect of a Member who is in receipt of Pension after the December 31 coincident with or next following the Member's attainment of the age of sixty-nine **seventy-one** years **or such other date as may be prescribed by Applicable Pension Legislation.**

#### **REGULATION 4 - RETIREMENT**

- 4.3 Member who continues in Active Service subsequent to the Member's Normal Retirement Date shall receive a Pension calculated in accordance with Regulation 5 accruing on the first day of the month following the Member's retirement date. For purposes of the Plan, the Member's retirement date must be no later than the December 31 coincident with or next following the Member's attainment of the age of sixty-nine **seventy-one** years **or such other date as may be prescribed by Applicable Pension Legislation.**

## Amendments to the Long Term Disability Plan Pre-2005

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Philip Poole  
Seconded by: The Ven. Ronald Harrison

That this General Synod approve the amendments to the Long Term Disability Plan Pre-2005 as approved by the Council of General Synod by deleting the underlined portions and adding the bold portions as shown on the attached copy of the document.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 51*

*The text of the amendments to the Long Term Disability Plan Pre-2005, presented as Appendix A to the resolution, follows:*

### **LONG TERM DISABILITY PLAN PRE-2005 DOCUMENT**

**Bolded** text is new and strikeout is removed

#### **SECTION G.4 - PAYMENTS FROM THE FUND**

The Administrator will authorize the payment from the Fund of the following amounts:

- (a) Benefits payable under the Plan;
- (b) administrative expenses and fees incurred in the operation of the Plan and Fund including but not limited to costs incurred by the Pension Committee, the Administrator and the Trustees in the operation of the Plan, custodial fees related to medical examinations and advice, legal fees, actuarial and consulting fees and rehabilitation expenses;
- (b)(c)–any taxes payable by the Fund under any law of Canada or of a province of Canada.

**The Administrator may also authorize the payment of administrative expenses and fees incurred in the operation of the Plan and Fund, as described below, from the Fund, or from such other source as approved by the Pension Committee.**

**Administrative expenses and fees incurred in the operation of the Plan and Fund include but are not limited to costs incurred by the Pension Committee, the Administrator and the Trustees in the operation of the Plan, custodial fees, fees related to medical examinations and advice, legal fees, actuarial and consulting fees and rehabilitation expenses.**



## **Silent Night Project**

The Primate announced the launch of the *Silent Night Project*, an initiative modeled after the *Amazing Grace Project*. Congregations and church groups across Canada are encouraged to sing *Silent Night* and to send in their videos. Participants are encouraged to contribute a toonie. All proceeds will support the work and ministry of the Bishop Ordinary.

## **Service of Light**

The session concluded with a Service of Light led by the Rev. Keirsten Wells.

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2010**

The session began with morning prayer and Bible Study.

The Primate was in the chair.

## **Orders of the Day**

Canon Barbara Burrows reviewed the Orders of the Day

## **Election of the Deputy Prolocutor**

Bishop Michael Ingham announced the names of those nominated for the position of Deputy Prolocutor and gave biographical information on each.

Nominees:

The Ven. Lynn Corfield	Diocese of Niagara
The Ven. Peter John Hobbs	Diocese of Ottawa
The Ven. Harry Huskins	Diocese of Algoma
The Very Rev. Iain Luke	Diocese of Athabasca
The Rev. Canon Alan Perry	Diocese of Montreal
The Rev. Canon John Alfred Steele	Diocese of British Columbia

Ballots were distributed and collected. The Primate declared the balloting closed.

## **Roots Among the Rocks**

Ms. Judy Steers and Ms. Jenny Salisbury introduced *Roots Among the Rocks*, a play created and performed by seven young people in which stories from the people who make up the church in Canada were told through a combination of music, poetry, humor, dance and drama.

The Primate thanked all those involved in the ‘wonderful, wonderful performance.’ Synod members expressed their appreciation with a prolonged standing ovation.

## **Election of the Deputy Prolocutor – Results of the First Ballot**

The Ven. Lynn Corfield - 75  
The Ven. Peter John Hobbs - 29  
The Ven. Harry Huskins - 79  
The Very Rev. Iain Luke - 35  
The Rev. Canon Alan Perry - 33  
The Rev. Canon John Alfred Steele – 24

Total number of votes cast - 275

The name of the nominee with the lowest number of votes was dropped from the ballot. The Ven. Peter John Hobbs and the Rev. Canon Alan Perry withdrew from the election.

Ballots were distributed and collected. The Primate declared the balloting closed.

## **The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church**

Bishop Jefferts Schori brought greetings from The Episcopal Church (TEC) and thanked the Anglican Church of Canada (ACC) for having raised two million dollars for relief in Haiti. She reviewed the churches’ common history, saying that it has usually been about shared mission possibilities.

Bishop Jefferts Schori highlighted the aspects of TEC’s ongoing mission efforts, which reflect the Five Marks of Mission. She noted that there are opportunities for a deeper partnership between the two churches in areas including: native ministry, advocacy work, leadership development and resource use. The churches’ voices could be strengthened by partnership and their varied context would enrich dialogue.

## **Election of the Deputy Prolocutor – Results of the Second Ballot**

The Ven. Lynn Corfield - 116  
The Ven. Harry Huskins - 112  
The Very Rev. Iain Luke – 36

Total number of votes cast - 264

The name of the nominee with the lowest number of votes was dropped from the ballot.

Ballots were distributed and collected. The Primate declared the balloting closed.

## **Presentation to Bishop Dawani and Mrs. Dawani**

The Primate bade farewell to Bishop Dawani and Mrs. Dawani and thanked them for their presence, presentations, prayers and perseverance in the pursuit of peace. He presented them with a framed picture of Peggy's Cove and noted that a crèche, to be added to the collection in the Bethlehem Peace Centre, would be sent to them.

## **Election of the Deputy Prolocutor – Results of the Third Ballot**

The Ven. Lynn Corfield - 134

The Ven. Harry Huskins - 138

Total number of votes cast – 275. There were three spoiled ballots.

The Primate declared that *The Ven. Harry Huskins* was elected Deputy Prolocutor. **Act 52**

## **Sexuality Discernment - Session Three – Feedback**

Material gathered by the recorders in the discussion groups had been collated and synthesized into a single working document . (*See Appendix E*) The Prolocutor delivered this feedback to Synod. Printed copies of the working document were distributed to members and posted on line.

## **Noon Watch**

Canon Barbara Burrows led *Noon Watch*.

## **Provincial Caucuses**

Members of Synod met in provincial groups in order to nominate members to the Council of the General Synod for the 2010-2013 triennium.

## **Service at St. Paul's Anglican Church**

Members travelled to historic St. Paul's Anglican Church, the oldest Protestant place of worship in Canada for a special celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

Bishop Ron Cutler, of the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, was the Presider. Fr. Paul Friesen, Rector of St. Paul's, and his special worship team lead the service. The service included a special Commissioning of Ministry on behalf of the PWRDF and their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. PWRDF staff member Ms. Suzanne Rumsey would embark the next day on *Le Tour de PWRDF*, a 1,300 km bicycle ride from Halifax to St. Anne de Bellevue in Quebec, to raise awareness and funds for PWRDF.

## ***Come Along Side Banquet***

General Synod members, partners and guests gathered at Pier 21 for the *Come Along Side* Banquet hosted by the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

## **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2010**

The session began with morning prayer and Bible Study.

The Primate was in the chair.

## **Orders of the Day**

Canon Barbara Burrows reviewed the Orders of the Day

## ***Introductions***

The Primate introduced and welcomed Mrs. Dorothy Davies-Flindall, Council of General Synod Partner to The Episcopal Church, and her husband the Rev. John Flindall and The Rt. Rev. Lydia Mamakwa, the new Area Bishop of Northern Ontario.

## **The Most Rev. Anthony Mancini**

The Most Rev. Anthony Mancini, Archbishop of Halifax, brought greetings from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops on behalf of Bishop Pierre Morissette. He thanked the Anglican Church of Canada for its support; affirmed the work being done by the Canadian Anglican Roman Catholic Dialogue and spoke of the friendships and collaboration that many Catholic bishops have with their Anglican counterparts.

## **Fortieth Anniversary of the Anglican Roman Catholic International Commission (ARCIC)**

Moved by:                   The Rt. Rev. George Bruce  
Seconded by;               The Very Rev. Iain Luke

That this General Synod:

1. recognizes that 2011 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ARCIC and gives thanks for this dialogue and for the progress it has made in strengthening the relationship between our two Churches;

2. requests that copies of this resolution be sent to the President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, the co-chairs of Anglican Roman Catholic dialogue-Canada and the co-chairs of the Anglican Roman Catholic International Commission.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 53*

## **Canadian Bible Society Presentation**

Canon Barbara Burrows introduced Dr. Allison Trites who brought greeting on behalf of the Canadian Bible Society. In recognition the Anglican Church of Canada's almost two hundred years of support, Dr. Trites presented Archbishop Fred Hiltz with a Bible. He then presented Bishop Mark MacDonald with a copy of the Plains Cree translation of the Gospel according to Mark, representing the Society's work in making God's word available in the languages of the indigenous people.

## **Vision 2019 Task Force**

Moved by:                   The Very Rev. Peter G. Elliott  
Seconded by:               The Ven. Dr. Michael Thompson

That this General Synod receive the report of the Vision 2019 Task Force - *Dream the Church 2019* - and direct that the Officers of General Synod and the Council of General Synod be guided by the priorities and practices laid out in pages 13 to 21 in their planning, program, and any organizational restructuring that may be undertaken.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 54*

The Primate thanked Dean Peter Elliott and all who worked with him. Synod expressed its appreciation with applause.

Following a break in the proceedings, during which a meeting of The Missionary Society of the Church in Canada was held, General Synod was reconvened.

## **Sexuality Discernment - Session Four - *Discussion Two***

Members met in mixed groups of twenty-four for a facilitated discussion responding to:

*Was there anything critical from our first discussion that was not represented in the summary that we need to say again?*

*Seeing the requests that emerged from our first discussion: What can you affirm? What are your concerns?*

## Nominating Committee - Council of General Synod

Bishop Michael Ingham presented the report of members elected to the Council of General Synod by the Provincial Caucuses.

Moved by:               The Rt. Rev. Michael Ingham  
Seconded by;           Mr. David Jones

That the persons named in the Report of the Nominating Committee be elected to the Council of General Synod.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 55*

## THE COUNCIL OF GENERAL SYNOD 2010 - 2013

Primate	The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz
Prolocutor	Canon Robert Falby
Deputy Prolocutor	The Ven. Harry Huskins
Chancellor	The Hon. Ronald Stevenson
General Secretary	The Ven. Dr. Michael Pollesel

### Elected Members:

#### ***Province of British Columbia and Yukon***

The Rt. Rev. James Cowan	Bishop	British Columbia
The Rev. Lynne McNaughton	Clergy	New Westminster
Canon Dr. Randall Fairey	Lay	Kootenay
Dr. Lela Zimmer	Lay	Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior
Miss Melissa Green	Youth	Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior

#### ***Province of Canada***

The Rt. Rev. Dennis Drainville	Bishop	Quebec
The Very Rev. Josiah Noel	Clergy	Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador
Mrs. Cynthia Haines-Turner	Lay	Western Newfoundland
Mrs. Susan Winn	Lay	Montreal
Mr. Felix Cote-Gaudreau	Youth	Quebec

#### ***Province of Ontario***

The Most Rev. Colin Johnson	Bishop	Toronto
The Ven. Dr. Michael Thompson	Clergy	Niagara
Mr. Ron Chaplin	Lay	Ottawa
Ms. Katie-Scarlett MacGillivray	Lay	Huron
Ms. Brianna Locke	Youth	Algoma

***Province of Rupert's Land***

The Rt. Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson	Bishop	Qu'Appelle
The Rev. Chris Harper	Clergy	Saskatchewan
The Rev. Canon Gene Packwood	Clergy	Calgary
Mrs. Verna Firth	Lay	Arctic
Mr. Peter Kitchekeesik	Lay	Keewatin
Mr. Jonathan Sinnatamby	Lay	Edmonton
Ms. Debbie Rye	Youth	Saskatchewan

***Anglican Military Ordinariate of Canada***

Major, the Rev. Michelle Staples      Clergy

***Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples***

The Ven. Sidney Black      Clergy  
The Rev. Gloria Moses      Clergy

***Evangelical Lutheran Church In Canada***

The Rev. Douglas Reble      Clergy

**Nominating Committee – First Report on Standing Committees**

Bishop Michael Ingham presented the First Report of the Nominating Committee on Standing Committees. He explained the process by which the committee had drawn up the slate and noted that every diocese was represented at the national level either on the Council of General Synod or on a standing committee. Synod members were invited to approach the committee with any comments, questions or requests for change.

**Ms. Mardi Tindal, Moderator of the United Church of Canada (UCC)**

Ms. Tindal brought greetings from the United Church of Canada. She thanked Synod for its prayers for the United Church of Canada during its 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary year. She spoke of the financial challenges facing both churches and the need, in the appearance of scarcity, to turn to the reality of God's abundance.

**Resolutions****Dialogue with the United Church of Canada**

Moved by:              The Rt. Rev. George Bruce  
Seconded by:          The Ven. Pierre Voyer

That this General Synod:

- a) congratulate the United Church of Canada on its 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and

- b) welcome the renewal of dialogue with the United Church of Canada and authorize the Council of General Synod to continue the dialogue for a period of three years, focused on an examination of the doctrinal identities of the two churches and the implications of this for the lives of the churches, including understandings of sacraments and orders of ministry.

**CARRIED**

***Act 56***

## **Climate Change**

Moved by:               The Rt. Rev. Michael Bird  
Seconded by:           The Rt. Rev. James Cowan

That this General Synod:

1. Join with other faith communities and secular groups to press the Government of Canada to adopt a comprehensive climate action plan with firm targets for greenhouse gas emissions reductions of 25-40% by 2020 based on 1990 levels (as per Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Working Group III report, Box 13.7, page 776), as a central concern of social and ecological justice;
2. Encourage dioceses and parishes to incorporate concerns about the care of creation more fully into regular liturgies and request the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee and the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee to provide resources to support this;
3. Encourage dioceses and parishes to join with other faith communities and secular groups in researching and providing information on the climate crisis to members of their own communities;
4. Encourage dioceses to work with the “Greening Anglican Spaces” project group of the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee to estimate and place their data in a national database, to consider professional audits, and to participate in a measurable and authoritative monitoring process.
5. Encourage the Council of General Synod to model how to estimate the annual rate of greenhouse gas emissions, (and other behaviours such as travel and operations) by gathering existing data from utility bills from Anglican buildings in at least 3 urban centres or regions in order to share this data, with subsequent professional interpretation, and make specific predictions for energy use reduction.
6. Request the Council of General Synod to consider having an estimate made of the annual greenhouse gas emissions for which the office of General Synod is



responsible, commit to a stated reduction in these, and report regularly on progress made.

**CARRIED**

*Act 57*

## **Providing Canonical Recognition for the Roles of the National Indigenous Anglican Bishop, the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, and Sacred Circle**

Moved by: Canon Dr. Randall Fairey

Seconded by: The Ven. Sidney Black

Be it resolved that this General Synod enact Canon XXII as follows:

### **CANON XXII**

#### **THE NATIONAL INDIGENOUS MINISTRY**

The origin of this Canon is the Covenant made by the participants at the 1994 *Journey of Spiritual Renewal* sponsored by the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples:

“...We acknowledge that God is calling us to a prayerful dialogue towards self-determination for us, the Indigenous Peoples, within the Anglican Communion in Canada. Through this new relationship we can better respond to the challenges facing us in a relevant and meaningful way....

“We, representatives of the Indigenous people of the Anglican Church of Canada, meeting in Winnipeg from the 23 to 26 April 1994, pledge ourselves to this covenant for the sake of our people and in trust of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ:

“Under the guidance of God’s spirit we agree to do all that we can to call our people into unity in a new, self determining community within the Anglican Church of Canada.

“To this end we extend the hand of partnership to all those who will help us build a truly Anglican Indigenous Church in Canada.

“May God bless this vision and give us grace to accomplish it.”

The purpose of this Canon is to provide canonical recognition of structures through which the National Indigenous Ministry may be a self determining community within the Anglican Church of Canada.

## **1. The National Indigenous Anglican Bishop**

The National Indigenous Anglican Bishop (NIAB) has a pastoral episcopal relationship with all indigenous ministries in the Anglican Church of Canada. This role is exercised in co-operation with diocesan bishops, who may delegate authority to the NIAB.

The NIAB is a member of the Sacred Circle, the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, the House of Bishops, General Synod and the Council of the North.

## **2. The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples**

The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples (ACIP) consists of representatives from dioceses where significant Indigenous ministry is taking place, the National Indigenous Anglican Bishop (who is the ACIP liaison with the Council of the North and the House of Bishops), and additional members as determined by ACIP.

ACIP maintains relationships with the House of Bishops, General Synod, the Council of General Synod, the Council of the North, and the Anglican Indigenous Network.

ACIP organizes the Sacred Circles.

## **3. The Sacred Circle**

The Sacred Circles have met approximately every three years since 1988.

The Sacred Circles are organized by ACIP. Invitations are sent to each of the known First Nations, Inuit, Metis and urban Indigenous ministries in the Anglican Church to send 1 clergy, 1 elder and 1 youth representative. The Primate and the National Indigenous Anglican Bishop are full participants. Invitations are also generally sent to the bishops from the Council of the North dioceses and the diocese in which the Sacred Circle is being held (if not otherwise included), as well as a small number of partners.

The date and location of the meeting of the Sacred Circle are determined by ACIP.

The Sacred Circle performs many of the functions of a “Synod” for the indigenous ministries: it provides an opportunity for representatives of the indigenous communities to come together to worship, to discuss, and to communicate with the broader Church.

#### **4. Organization of Indigenous Ministries**

Currently, the Indigenous ministries all operate within existing dioceses. In addition to their diocesan bishop, they may have a pastoral relationship with the National Indigenous Anglican bishop.

Some Indigenous area ministries have expressed an interest in having their own episcopal oversight—whether as part of their existing dioceses, or by becoming a separate diocese altogether. These developments will take place over time, and can be accommodated by changes to the existing constitutional and canonical structures.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 58*

### **National Aboriginal Day of Prayer**

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Gregory Kerr-Wilson  
Seconded by: The Ven. Sidney Black

That this General Synod:

1. establish the National Aboriginal Day of Prayer on the 21 June in the Calendar of the Anglican Church of Canada, enrolled under the heading of Commemoration, and to be celebrated on June 21<sup>st</sup> or the nearest convenient Sunday;
2. authorize the Propers for the National Aboriginal Day of Prayer to be as follows:

#### Collect of the Day

Creator God, from you every family in heaven and earth takes its name.

You have rooted and grounded us in your covenant love,  
and empowered us by your Spirit to speak the truth in love,  
and to walk in your way towards justice and wholeness.

Mercifully grant that your people, journeying together in partnership,  
may be strengthened and guided to help one another to grow into the full stature of Christ,  
who is our light and our life. Amen

#### Suggested Readings

Isaiah 40:25-31; Psalm 19; Philippians 4:4-9; John 1:1-18

Other suitable readings may be appointed.

#### Prayer over the Gifts

Creator, you bless us with many good gifts returned to you from your creation.  
Feed us with the Bread of Life, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Preface for Weekdays

### Prayer after Communion

Great Creator, you have fed us with bread from heaven.  
Continue to renew us in your truth, to give light to our minds  
strength to our bodies, and seal us with your Holy Spirit.  
We ask this in Christ's name. Amen.

### Sentence

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Psalm 19:1

### Collecte

Dieu créateur, de qui toute famille au ciel et sur terre tient son nom.  
Tu nous as enracinés et rattachés à la terre dans une alliance d'amour, et tu nous as donné,  
par ton Esprit la force de proclamer ce qui est vrai, avec amour,  
et de cheminer avec justice et constance.  
Dans ta bonté, accorde à ton peuple de poursuivre son pèlerinage dans l'unité;  
rends-le plus fort et guide-le afin que chacun aide l'autre dans l'atteinte  
de la pleine stature du Christ, notre lumière et notre vie. Amen.

### Lectures suggérées

Is. 40:25-31; Psaume 19; Phil. 4:4-9; Jean 1:1-18  
[“Other suitable readings may be appointed.” – à traduire]

### Off.

Dieu créateur, tu nous a comblés de toutes ces bonnes choses qui viennent de la terre.  
Reçois maintenant ces dons, fruits de ta création, que nous t'offrons, et nourris-nous  
du Pain de Vie, ton Fils Jésus Christ, notre Seigneur. Amen.

### Preface des jours de semaine

### Postcommunion

Créateur de l'univers, tu nous as permis de partager cette nourriture céleste.  
Sans cesse, renouvelle en nous ta vérité,  
éclaire nos esprits de ta lumière, donne force à nos corps, et marque-nous du sceau de ton  
Esprit Saint. Nous te le demandons au nom du Christ. Amen.

### Sentence

Les cieux racontent la gloire de Dieu, le firmament proclame l'oeuvre de ses mains. Psaume 19:1

**CARRIED**  
**Act 59**

## **Repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery**

Moved by:                   The Ven. Larry Beardy  
Seconded by:               The Rt. Rev. Mark MacDonald

That this General Synod:

1. Repudiate and renounce the Doctrine of Discovery as fundamentally opposed to the gospel of Jesus Christ and our understanding of the inherent rights that individuals and peoples have received from God;
2. Request that every diocesan bishop of the Anglican Church of Canada cause this declaration to be proclaimed in every parish and shared with all the nations and peoples located within their dioceses and request the Primate to share this declaration with the United Nations;
3. Commit to undertake a review of the Church's policies and programs with a view to exposing the historical reality and impact of the Doctrine of Discovery and eliminating its presence in its contemporary policies, program, and structures;
4. Encourage each diocese to reflect upon its own history, in light of these actions and encourage all Anglicans to seek a greater understanding of the Indigenous Peoples within Canada and to support those peoples in their ongoing efforts for their inherent sovereignty and fundamental human rights as peoples to be respected;
5. Request that the General Secretary inform all relevant governmental bodies in Canada of its action and requests that a similar and equivalent review of historical and contemporary policies that contribute to the continuing colonization of Indigenous Peoples and, to write to Queen Elizabeth II, the Supreme Governor of the Church of England, requesting that her Majesty disavow, and repudiate publicly, the claimed validity of the Christian Doctrine of Discovery.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Act 60*

## **United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**

Moved by: The Rev. Canon Dr. William E. Prentice  
Seconded by: The Rev. Canon Murray Still

That this General Synod:

1. Endorse the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples adopted by the UN General Assembly on 13 September 2007;
2. Request the General Secretary to call on the Government of Canada to endorse the UN Declaration in compliance with the will of the majority of the Members of Parliament which approved the endorsement and implementation of the Declaration in the House of Commons on 8 April 2008;

3. Adopt the Declaration as a standard for our own practice and commit to implementing the values and principles of the *Declaration* within the work and structures of General Synod;
4. Encourage dioceses and parishes to urge their municipalities, provinces or territories to endorse the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**  
***Act 61***

## **Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples (ACIP) Presentation**

The Ven. Tom Corston, Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Moosonee, introduced the presentation and called on representatives of First Nations, Innu and Metis from the Arctic and Northwest Territories, Haida Gwaii, British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec to join him on stage.

A video documenting the journey of Indigenous Anglicans from the Covenant to the present was shown. The Rt. Rev. Mark MacDonald gave an update on the work of the National Indigenous Anglican Bishop and Indigenous Ministries since General Synod 2007 and introduced speakers from the new Area Ministries. The Rt. Rev. Lydia Mamakwa, *The Northern Ontario Region*, The Ven. Larry Beardy and Ms. Freda Lepine, *Manitoba*, and The Ven. Adam Halkett, *Saskatchewan*, spoke of their area ministry developments.

On behalf of the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples gifts were presented to those who had assisted in beginning the journey toward self governance:

Mr. Justice Brian Burrows, 2004-2007 Governance Working Group and Indigenous Covenant Implementation Commission, presented by Ms. Yolanda Bird

Mr. David Jones, Chair, 2007-2010 Governance Working Group, presented by Bishop Lydia Mamakwa.

Canon Dr. Randall Fairey, 2007-2010 Governance Working Group, presented by The Rev. Gloria Moses

The Ven. Harry Huskins, 2007-2010 Governance Working Group, presented by the The Ven. Tom Corston.

The Rev. Arthur Anderson presented gifts of star blankets to Ms. Donna Bomberry and to Ms. Teresa Mandricks on behalf of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle.

Following the presentation, members joined in the Doxology.

## **Ms. Marion Saunders, Anglican Church Women**

Ms. Marion Saunders, National President of the Anglican Church Women (ACW) spoke of the work of the ACW over its 125 year history and of its current ministry which includes working closely with the Anglican Women's network, developing a new website, the establishment of a trust fund through the Anglican Foundation and support of the Council of the North.

## **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund Presentation**

Ms. Adele Finney introduced the presentation. She spoke of how PWRDF lives out the principle that the solution to local challenges is found in local wisdom through long term partnerships. She introduced three speakers representing organizations with which PWRDF is in partnership.

Ms. Sooriyakumari Sinnathamby, Director of the Sri Lanka office of the Organization for Eelam Refugees and Rehabilitation, spoke of the organization's mission to improve the life of refugees in India.

The Rev. Marian Lucas-Jefferies, PWRDF Representative on the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, spoke of its vision to end hunger and Ms Sarah Stratton, Education and Campaigns Program Coordinator for KAIROS spoke of ecumenical justice work and of a visit by leaders of six churches to the tar sands.

The presentation concluded with examples of ways to support PWRDF's partnerships – *pray, act, give*.

## ***Introduction and welcome***

The Primate introduced Mr. Eric Vernon, Director of Government Relations and International Affairs with the Canadian Jewish Congress, and welcomed him to General Synod.

## **Announcement**

The Acting General Secretary read a letter from the Very Rev. Paul Smith, Dean of the Cathedral Church of All Saints expressing gratitude to the members of General Synod for the offering received at the opening worship service. Nearly \$3,000 was raised for outreach ministries in the city of Halifax.

## **Second Report of the Nominating Committee – Standing Committees**

Bishop Michael Ingham presented the Second Report of the Nominating Committee.

## SECOND REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

### ***Communications and Information Resources Committee***

Mr. Jason Antonio, *Qu'Appelle*  
Ms. Yolanda Bird, *Saskatchewan*  
Rt. Rev. George Elliott, *Toronto*  
Rev. Canon Neil Elliot, *Kootenay*  
Mr. Peter Irish, *Fredericton*  
Ms. Katie-Scarlett MacGillivray, *Huron*  
Rev. Susan Titterington, *Yukon*  
Mr. Charles Wilson, *Algoma*

### ***Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee***

Rev. Canon Eric Beresford, *NS & PEI*  
Ms. Stephanie DeForest, *Niagara*  
Rev. Travis Enright, *Edmonton*  
The Ven. Gregory Gilson, *Caledonia*  
Dr. Kenneth Hull, *Huron*  
Very Rev. Iain Luke, *Athabasca*  
Rev. Lynne McNaughton, *New Westminster*  
The Ven. Bruce Myers, *Quebec*  
Rev. Ann-Marie Nicklin, *Saskatoon*  
Rev. Barbara Shoomski, *Rupert's Land*  
Rev. Canon John Steele, *British Columbia*  
Dr. Lela Zimmer, *APCI*

### ***Financial Management Committee***

Rt. Rev. James Cowan, *British Columbia*  
Rev. Hannah Dicks, *Western NF*  
Ms. Marion Jenkins, *Brandon*  
Mr. Kennedy Marshall, *Toronto*

### ***Partners in Mission and Eco-Justice Committee***

The Ven. Larry Beardy, *Keewatin*  
Ms. Caroline Chum, *Moosonee*  
Mrs. Cynthia Haines-Turner, *Western NF*  
Mr. Nicholas Pang, *Montreal*  
Ms. Nancy Ann Patterson, *Ontario*  
The Ven. Pierre Voyer, *Quebec*

### ***Pension Committee***

Rt. Rev. Stephen Andrews, *Algoma*  
Canon Elizabeth Barnes, *Eastern NF & L*  
Rev. Perry Cooper, *Central NF*  
Rt. Rev. David Irving, *Saskatoon*  
Mr. John McBride, *Ottawa*  
Rev. Canon Alan Perry, *Montreal*

### ***Philanthropy Committee***

Mr. Robert Dickson, *New Westminster*  
The Rev. Dr. Linda Privitera, *Ottawa*  
The Ven. Dr. Michael Thompson, *Niagara*

Moved by:                   The Rt. Rev. Michael Ingham  
Seconded by;               Ms. Kimberly Greenwood

That the ***Second Report*** of the Nominating Committee be accepted.

**CARRIED**  
***Act 62***

## **Peace and Justice in Palestine and Israel**

Moved by:                   The Rt. Rev. Michael Ingham  
Seconded by:               The Ven. Peter John Hobbs



That this General Synod express its commitment to the pursuit of peace with justice for all in Palestine and Israel, and

1. Commit the Anglican Church of Canada through the Partners in Mission and Eco Justice Committee to:
  - a) Review statements on the status of Jerusalem and other issues which confront the Christian, Muslim and Jewish faiths in Palestine and Israel, and
  - b) Commend them to members of the Anglican Church of Canada for examination and reflection for the benefit of mutual respect and understanding.
2. Request the General Secretary to write to the Prime Minister of Canada,
  - a. Reiterating the Anglican Church of Canada's established policy, which:
    - i. Calls for a comprehensive and lasting peace with justice in Palestine and Israel
    - ii. Recognizes the legitimate aspirations, rights and needs of Israelis and Palestinians to live within sovereign and secure borders
    - iii. Condemns the use of violence of all kinds, especially against civilians
    - iv. Requests the implementation of UN resolutions 242 (1967), 338 (1973), 194 (1948)
    - v. Calls for an end to the Israeli occupation of Palestinian Territories and the end of illegal Israeli settlements
    - vi. Calls Israel, as an occupying power, to respect the 4<sup>th</sup> Geneva Convention
    - vii. Requests measures by the Palestinian Authority to reduce poverty and unemployment, and to improve services to Palestinians
    - viii. Recognizes the city of Jerusalem as a shared holy place for Christians, Muslims and Jews
    - ix. Recognizes the need for trade between Palestine and Canada, and
  - b. Asking the Government of Canada to take a more constructive and active lead in creating conditions for peace, including the end of the boycott of supplies and services to Palestinian Territories, and policy and aid in support Palestinian infrastructure and economy.
3. Request the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee to equip Canadian Anglicans to work locally for peace with justice in Palestine and Israel in conjunction with ecumenical and interfaith organizations.

**CARRIED**  
***Act 63***

## **Actions Involving Israeli Defence Forces and Relief Ships**

Moved by: The Rev. Canon Eric Beresford  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley

That this General Synod:

1. Express its deep concern regarding the recent actions involving Israeli Defence Forces and relief ships in international waters and the resulting loss of life;
2. Request the General Secretary to communicate to the Prime Minister and Government of Canada its concern and view that a full international inquiry is necessary.

### ***Amendment***

Moved by: The Rev. Canon Alan Perry  
Seconded by: Ms. Heather Dixon

That the motion be amended by deleting the words “and view that a full international inquiry is necessary.”

**DEFEATED**

The motion was put and was:

**CARRIED**  
***Act 64***

## **Baptismal Covenant Addition**

Moved by: The Very Rev. Louise Peters  
Seconded by: Dr. Lela Zimmer

That this General Synod direct the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee

1. to compose and integrate an additional baptismal vow to the Baptismal Covenant set out in the Book of Alternative Services that would address our ministry to sustain, respect, and renew the life systems of the earth as stewards of creation; and
2. to report the proposed addition to General Synod 2013 for approval.

### ***Amendment***

Moved by: The Very Rev. Iain Luke  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. Fraser Lawton

That the resolution be amended to read:

“That this General Synod direct the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee

1. to consider the best way to incorporate into the Baptismal Covenant set out in the Book of Alternative Services our ministry to sustain, respect and renew the life systems of the earth as stewards of creation; and
2. to make a recommendation to General Synod 2013.

**CARRIED**

### ***Amendment***

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Stephen Andrews  
Seconded by: Ms. Briana Locke

That the resolution be amended by deleting the words “the life systems of.”

**CARRIED**

### ***The amended resolutions which reads:***

“That this General Synod direct the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee

1. to consider the best way to incorporate into the Baptismal Covenant set out in the Book of Alternative Services our ministry to sustain, respect and renew the earth as stewards of creation; and
2. to make a recommendation to General Synod 2013.

***was put and was***

**CARRIED**  
***Act 65***

## **Process Regarding the Proposed Budgetary Cuts for 2011**

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Dennis Drainville  
Seconded by: The Rev. Canon Andrew Asbil

That this General Synod instruct the Financial Management Committee, in carrying out its function under Canon VI, section 3, to provide the Council of General Synod, at its meeting in the fall of 2010, with a full range of options regarding budgetary cuts based

upon the Vision 2019 document, for consideration prior to approving the budget for 2011.

### ***Call for Information***

Archdeacon Harry Huskins called for additional information on the effects of the motion. The Treasurer responded.

### ***Point of Order***

Mr. David Johnstone rose on a ***point of order*** to ask if partners had a voice on the floor of Synod. The assessors advised that Section 3c) of the *Rules of Order and Procedure* allows for partners to participate in discussion.

### ***Vote on the Motion which reads:***

That this General Synod instruct the Financial Management Committee, in carrying out its function under Canon VI, section 3, to provide the Council of General Synod, at its meeting in the fall of 2010, with a full range of options regarding budgetary cuts based upon the Vision 2019 document, for consideration prior to approving the budget for 2011.

**DEFEATED**

***Act 66***

## **Fiftieth Anniversary of the 1962 Canadian Book of Common Prayer**

Moved by: Major the Rev. Todd Meaker  
Seconded by: Chief Petty Officer 2 Mark Nicolle

That this General Synod encourage parishes across the country to engage in commemorative activities to mark the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 1962 Canadian Book of Common Prayer in 2012.

**CARRIED**

***Act 67***

## **Review of Apportionment System**

Moved by: The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley  
Seconded by: The Rt. Rev. James Cowan

That this General Synod ask the Council of General Synod to organize a review of the current apportionment system, including consulting with diocesan finance officers, and report to General Synod 2013.

**CARRIED**

***Act 68***

## **United Nations – International Maritime Organization (UN-IMO) Year of the Seafarer 2010**

Moved by:               The Ven. Ronald Harrison  
Seconded by;           Mr. Glen Mitchell

That this General Synod:

1. recognize that the United Nations and the International Maritime Organization (IMO) have declared 2010 as the Year of the Seafarer;
2. commend the ministry of the Missions to Seafarers in ports throughout Canada;
3. recognize that all Canadians benefit from the important work that seafarers do in our import/export economy;
4. pay tribute to the world's seafarers for their unique contribution to society and recognizes the risks they shoulder in the execution of their duties in an often hostile environment; and
5. encourage all dioceses and parishes in the Anglican Church of Canada to celebrate the UN-IMO Year of the Seafarer with an appropriate liturgical or special event during the year 2010.

**CARRIED**  
*Act 69*

## **Sexuality Discernment – Session Five**

The Prolocutor reported that rather than a report back on the sexuality discussions, a statement, distilled from the conversations earlier in the day, had been generated. The Prolocutor read the statement. Copies were distributed. The Primate reminded Synod that the statement was still a work in progress.

## **Evensong**

The session concluded with Evensong.

## **THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2010**

The session began with morning prayer led by youth members of Synod and Bible Study.

The Primate was in the chair.

## Orders of the Day

Canon Barbara Burrows reviewed the Orders of the Day

### **Sexuality Discernment – Session Six – *Discussion and Decision***

Ms. Janet Marshall reviewed the process and the different ways of working that Synod had experienced throughout the discernment process.

The result was expressed in The Sexuality Discussion Statement, read aloud by the Prolocutor.

The Primate called for a time of silent prayer and the hymn *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song* before Synod considered the resolution.

### **Affirmation of Sexuality Discernment**

Moved by: The Most Rev. Colin Johnson

Seconded by: The Ven. Peter John Hobbs

That this General Synod affirms the attached statement of its discussions on human sexuality and requests the General Secretary to forward it to the Diocesan Bishops with the request that it will be distributed within each diocese.

**CARRIED**  
***Act 70***

*The text of the statement follows:*

#### **SEXUALITY DISCERNMENT STATEMENT, GENERAL SYNOD 2010**

The General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada met in Halifax, Nova Scotia in June of 2010. Together we entered into intentional conversations in order to hear where our Church is at this time in its life in relation to the matter of blessing of same gender unions. Our conversations were marked by grace, honesty and generosity of spirit towards one another. There was robust participation in the conversations. In dialogue we shared our passion for the mission of God in the world and our thoughts, feelings and convictions. We were attentive to each others' perspectives, experiences and stories and we shared a commitment to continued theological reflection and scriptural study as a foundation to our ongoing dialogue and discernment.

We engaged these conversations within the particularity of our Canadian context – a country that is diverse and many cultured. Canadians have been learning how to dialogue across their diversities over the course of our national life. We do so with deeply held commitments to transparency and openness, an approach that is not without risk and that we affirm as a great gift. Often, in processes of discernment, the task is to see our way through a paradox.

Our conversations affirmed the full inclusion of gay and lesbian members in our churches, aboriginal voices in our midst, and the wide range of perspectives on the issue of same gender blessings across all dioceses. Our dialogue has been a positive and helpful step in our discernment. At this time, however, we are not prepared to make a legislative decision. Above, in and through all of this, and despite all our differences we are passionately committed to walking together, protecting our common life.

We acknowledge diverse pastoral practices as dioceses respond to their own missional contexts. We accept the continuing commitment to develop generous pastoral responses. We recognize that these different approaches raise difficulties and challenges. When one acts there are implications for all. There can be no imposition of a decision or action, but rather we are challenged to live together sharing in the mission of Christ entrusted to us, accepting that different local contexts call at times for different local discernment, decision and action.

We are in a time of ongoing discernment which requires mutual accountability through continuing dialogue, diocese to diocese and across the wider church. It also requires continued theological and scriptural study and dialogue on the wide range of matters relating to human sexuality.

For many members of General Synod there is deep sadness that, at this time, there is no common mind. We acknowledge the pain that our diversity in this matter causes. We are deeply aware of the cost to people whose lives are implicated in the consequences of an ongoing discernment process. This is not just an 'issue' but is about people's daily lives and deeply held faith commitments. For some, even this statement represents a risk. For some the statement does not go nearly far enough.

In the transparency and openness we have experienced with one another, we have risked vulnerability but it is in such places that we grow closer in the body of Christ and behold each other as gift. Abiding with each other, and with God we are sustained through struggle, patient listening, and speaking from the mind and heart together. We have experienced these conversations as a gift for us here at Synod and hope that they will be a further gift to the Anglican Church of Canada and to the wider Church.

## **Motion of Thanks**

The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley moved a motion of thanks to Ms. Janet Marshall and to all who had worked on the discernment process. The motion was seconded and approved by resounding applause.

***Act 71***

## ***Procedural Inquiry***

The assessors were consulted and advised that resolutions C008, C009 and C011 were in order. Synod agreed to a short recess to allow the movers and seconders to caucus.

## **Moratoria and Pastoral Generosity**

Moved by: The Ven. Vicars Hodge  
Seconded by: Ms. Debbie Rye

That this General Synod affirm the Bishops' Pastoral Statement to General Synod, May 1, 2007 and A Statement from the House of Bishops, October 31, 2008, that:

1. There be a "continued commitment" at this time "to the greatest extent possible to the three moratoria – on the blessing of same sex unions, on the ordination to the episcopate of people in same sex relationships, and on cross-border interventions"; and
2. There be a "continued commitment to exercise the greatest level of pastoral generosity within the current teaching of the Church" to gay and lesbian Anglicans in accord with the provisions approved by the House of Bishops in the spring of 2007.

**WITHDRAWN**

## **Pastoral Generosity**

Moved by: Mr. Ryan Ramsden  
Seconded by: Mr. Grant Williamson

That this General Synod affirm that the most generous pastoral response possible be provided to people in committed same sex relationships; and that in dioceses, with the approval of the diocesan bishop, the most generous pastoral response in each individual context be determined.

**WITHDRAWN**

## **Ongoing Study by the Canadian Church**

Moved by: Mrs. Susan Little  
Seconded by: Mrs. Carol Summers

That this General Synod request that all Dioceses, Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Military Ordinariate, and Religious Orders engage in theological and scriptural study of human sexuality in the coming triennium.

### ***Amendment***

Moved by: The Rev. Canon Paul Jennings  
Seconded by: The Rev. Canon Joyce Sanchez

That the resolution be amended by adding the words "in conversation with gay and lesbian voices, and with the full range of theological opinion in the Canadian Church."

**CARRIED**



### ***Amendment***

Moved by: The Rev. Captain David Parsons  
Seconded by: The Rev. Brian Candow

That the resolution be amended by adding “and ex-gay” before the word “voices.”

**DEFEATED**

### ***Amendment***

Moved by: Ms. Brianna Locke  
Seconded by: Ms. Breanna Pizzutto

That the resolution be amended by adding “as it pertains to the blessing of same gender unions” after the words “human sexuality.”

**DEFEATED**

### **The amended motion which reads:**

That this General Synod request that all Dioceses, Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Military Ordinariate, and Religious Orders engage in theological and scriptural study of human sexuality in the coming triennium, in conversation with gay and lesbian voices, and with the full range of theological opinion in the Canadian Church.

**was put and was**

**CARRIED**  
*Act 72*

## **Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund**

Mrs. Cynthia Haines-Turner spoke of PWRDF’s work in social justice. Bishop Philip Poole reviewed its history and formation. He thanked the Primate for his leadership and encouraged continued support of PWRDF.

Ms. Sooriyakumari Sinnathamby, Director of the Sri Lanka office of the Organization for Eelam Refugees and Rehabilitation, thanked PWRDF and members of Synod and for their support of Tamil refugees in Sri Lanka now living in India who want to return home. She noted that PWRDF funds are earmarked for education, income generating, livelihood training and food security and medical camps.

Bishop Barry Clarke spoke of PWRDF’s emergency response to the earthquake in Haiti.

## Noon Watch and Commissioning of *Roots Among the Rocks*

The Rev. Elliott Siteman led *Noon Watch*. The service included the commissioning of the cast of the theatre group *Roots Among the Rock*, about to embark on a Canada-wide performance tour.

## Anglican Communion Covenant

Bishop George Bruce, Chair of the Anglican Communion Working Group (ACWG) and Chair of the Anglican Ecclesiology Sub-Group of Faith Worship and Ministry, introduced the presentation which set the context for the discussion of the Covenant. He reviewed the composition of the ACWG, its mandate and work and introduced members Bishop Stephen Andrews, Ms Suzanne Lawson and Archbishop Colin Johnson, and also the Rev. Dr. Eileen Scully, member of the Covenant Design Group and the Covenant Review Group. Bishop Bruce reviewed the Covenant section by section highlighting changes since the first draft. He invited and responded to questions of clarification.

In table groups, members discussed and responded in writing to the question *What materials would be helpful in your study of the covenant document?*

Moved by:                   The Rt. Rev. George Bruce  
Seconded by:               The Rt. Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson

That this General Synod:

1. receive the final text of *The Covenant for the Anglican Communion*;
2. request that materials be prepared under the auspices of the Anglican Communion Working Group, for parishes and dioceses in order that study and consultation be undertaken on *The Covenant for the Anglican Communion*;
3. direct the Council of General Synod, after this period of consultation and study, to bring a recommendation regarding adoption of the Covenant for the Anglican Communion to the General Synod of 2013.

## *Amendment*

Moved by;                   The Rev. Canon Eric Beresford  
Seconded by:               The Very Rev. Peter G. Elliott

That the resolution be amended by adding the following two paragraphs after section two of the resolution.

3. request that conversations, both within the Anglican Church of Canada and across the Communion, reflect the values of openness, transparency, generosity of spirit, and integrity, which have been requested repeatedly in the context of the discussion of controversial matters within the Communion;

4. request that the proposed Covenant be referred to the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee and to the Governance Working Group in order to support these conversations by providing advice on the theological, ecclesiological, legal, and constitutional implications of a decision to adopt or not to adopt the Covenant;

***Amendment to the Amendment***

Moved by: The Rev. Canon James Robinson  
Seconded by: Ms. Brittany Young

That the amendment be amended by adding “the Primate’s Theological Commission” to paragraph 4 as follows: “. . .be referred to the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee, the Governance Working Group and the Primate’s Theological Commission. . .”

**DEFEATED**

**The amendment was put and was**

**CARRIED**

**The amended motion which reads:**

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4. request that the proposed Covenant be referred to the Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee and to the Governance Working Group in order to support these conversations by providing advice on the theological, ecclesiological, legal, and constitutional implications of a decision to adopt or not to adopt the Covenant;
5. direct the Council of General Synod, after this period of consultation and study, to bring a recommendation regarding adoption of the Covenant for the Anglican Communion to the General Synod of 2013.

**was put and was**

**CARRIED**  
***Act 73***

***Point of Order***

Dean Iain Luke rose on a ***point of order***, requesting that Resolution C004 respecting the Anglican Covenant be ruled out of order as it revisited the decision made in Motion A137. After consulting the assessors, the Primate ruled C004 to be out of order.

### ***Procedural Motion***

Bishop Linda Nicholls reported that Resolution C010 was received after the deadline for regular resolutions. As it was related to the sexuality discussion, she asked if Synod wished to consider the motion. The Primate, noting that a 2/3 majority was required, polled the House. The House indicated its desire to consider the motion.

***Act 74***

## **Persecution and Marginalization of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Persons**

Moved by: Mr. Daniel Draper  
Seconded by: Mr. Reuben Bonnell

That this General Synod:

1. Deplore any legislation calling for punishments for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons and their supporters and encourage our partners in jurisdictions with such legislation to do the same; and
2. Request the Anglican Church of Canada at all levels to embrace the outcast and stand against the abuse and torment of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**  
***Act 75***

## **‘Ports of Call’ Information Sessions**

Members attended the *Port of Call* of their choice.

- Anglican Foundation
- Communications and Information Resources
- Council of the North
- Faith, Worship and Ministry – *Theological Education for Presbyteral Ministry*
- Partners in Mission/EcoJustice
- Philanthropy

## **Greetings from the Diocese of Brazil**

The Acting General Secretary announced that greetings had been received from the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil, The Most Rev. Mauricio José Araújo de Andrade, Primate, and The Rev. Francisco de Assis da Silva, Provincial Secretary.

## **Ms. Helen Wangusa Anglican Observer at the United Nations**

Ms Wangusa spoke about the United Nation's Millennium Development Goals. She noted that we are almost at 2015 and are not halfway to reaching them. People are dying of hunger in Africa despite the wealth in some parts of the world. Ms. Wangusa said that the goals are achievable and she urged Anglicans to examine the causes of hunger and poverty in the developing world and to invest in education, climate change, clean water, and "everything that causes suffering."

## **The Rt. Rev. Susan Johnson, National Bishop Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada**

Prior to Bishop Johnson's address, a humorous video of outtakes from the Primate and National Bishop's joint Christmas greeting for the website was shown.

Bishop Johnson brought greetings from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada and expressed her gratitude for the mutual commitment she and the Primate have in their churches' Full Communion relationship. She noted some similarities in the realities faced by both churches including decreased financial resources and governance issues and spoke of a call to spiritual renewal - to deeper discipleship that includes regular worship attendance, study, service to the community, giving, and a commitment to sharing the Good News with those around us. Bishop Johnson led Synod in a Lutheran-style rendition of the Doxology.

## **Joint Anglican Lutheran Commission**

Dean Peter Wall reviewed the membership and the mandate of the Commission and highlighted its work since the signing of the Waterloo Declaration in 2001. He noted that the churches share ministry in many ways including CLAY, the Canadian Lutheran Anglican Youth Gathering. The Commission has a bold and ambitious agenda and is committed to working very hard together.

## ***Future Plans***

The Primate and Bishop Johnson informed Synod that, following similar motions being passed by the Council of General Synod and the National Church Council, the feasibility of a joint national office situated in Ottawa was being explored.

The Primate also informed Synod of a Joint meeting of COGS and NCC scheduled for March/April 2011 and of plans underway for a joint General Synod/ELCIC National Convention in 2013 at which the churches would meet together except when necessary to be separate under each constitution.

Bishop John Chapman of the Diocese of Ottawa, host of the 2013 General Synod, gave a video presentation on Ottawa and shared with Synod that the first fully incorporated parish, not entirely Lutheran or Anglican but equally shared, was located in the Diocese of Ottawa.

Synod viewed a humorous slide show on Ottawa presented by photojournalist Art Babych.

## **Presentations**

### ***Ms. Margaret Shawyer***

The Primate and Acting General Secretary presented Ms. Shawyer with a citation and a gift in recognition and appreciation of her work as General Synod Coordinator, a position she held since 1999. As Ms. Shawyer was retiring in December, the 2010 Synod would be her last.

### ***The Hon. Ronald Stevenson***

The Primate presented Chancellor Stevenson with a citation in recognition and appreciation of his contributions to General Synod. Mr. Stevenson served General Synod in the capacity as Chancellor since 1999. Canon Robert Falby presented the Chancellor with a gift.

### ***Canon Barbara Burrows.***

The Primate expressed his appreciation to Canon Barbara Burrows, Chair of the General Synod Planning Committee, and presented her with a gift.

### ***Mr. Vianney (Sam) Carriere***

The Primate recognized Mr. Sam Carriere, who had served as Acting General Secretary since January 2010, while the General Secretary was away on medical leave. The Primate presented Mr. Carriere with a gift.

## **Celtic Evening Prayer**

Celtic Evening Prayer was lead by Ms. Janet Marshall, The Rev. Kirsten Wells and Mr. Martin Hendy. Harpists *Ardith and Jennifer* provided the musical accompaniment.

## **FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2010**

The Prolocutor was in the Chair.

## **Thank you**

The Acting General Secretary thanked Ms. Melinda Robb for her work in decorating the plenary hall so beautifully.

## Orders of the Day

Canon Barbara Burrows presented the Orders of the Day.

### **Commissioner Marie Wilson, Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada**

Commissioner Marie Wilson of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada addressed Synod. Commissioner Wilson's address is attached as *Appendix F*.

### **Anglican Participation in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada**

Moved by:               The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley  
Seconded by:           The Rev. Travis Enright

That this General Synod:

1. Affirm the following goals of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada:
  - Prepare a comprehensive historical record on the policies and operations of Indian Residential Schools;
  - Complete a publicly accessible report that will include recommendations to the Government of Canada concerning the Indian Residential School system and its legacy;
  - Establish a research centre by the end of its mandate that will be a permanent resource for all Canadians;
  - Host seven national events in different regions across Canada to promote awareness and public education about the Indian Residential School system and its impact;
  - Support events designed by individual communities to meet their unique needs;
  - Support a Commemoration Initiative that will provide funding for activities that honour and pay tribute in a permanent and lasting manner to former Indian Residential School students.
2. Request the General Secretary and the Council of General Synod to ensure adequate resources for the Anglican Church of Canada to support and participate fully in the work of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada over the next five years (2010-2015).

3. Reaffirm the 3 goals for equipping leaders, taken from the *Equipping Ambassadors of Reconciliation* conference hosted by the Anglican, United and Presbyterian Churches in Orillia, Ontario in November 2009:
  - To provide training and resources to ensure that every church member has knowledge of the history of the Indian Residential Schools system, the mandate and purpose of the official Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC), and the possible roles of ordinary citizens in the official processes of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.
  - To provide training and resources to ensure that former students of Indian Residential School are given the opportunity to tell the story of his or her experience in a safe and respectful manner. These may be former students of Indian Residential Schools who are or were church members or who reside in the same communities or urban friendship or ministry centres.
  - To provide training and resources to encourage all Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal church members to work actively together to build right relationships with each other.
4. Recommend that the Anglican Church of Canada co-host at least two and up to three more events modeled after the first *Equipping Ambassadors of Reconciliation* conference during the 2010-2013 triennium, if possible in Western, Eastern, and Northern Canada.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**  
**Act 76**

## **Motion of Thanks**

Moved by:               The Rt. Rev. Percy Coffin  
Seconded by:           Ms. Margaret Jenniex

We the members of the 39<sup>th</sup> General Synod are privileged people. The Holy Spirit has sailed with us through the last nine days - during worship at the Cathedral, worship at St. Paul's and worship at the 300<sup>th</sup> Celebration at Memorial Park. We have felt the presence of the Holy Spirit as we talked, laughed and shared many meals and parties and we felt it moving among us as a gentle wind as delegates waved those voting cards in the air.

We have met in Galley Groups, Discussion Groups, and Diocesan Groups. What a unique and awesome way to get make friends with delegates all across this great land of ours and beyond as we welcomed partners and guests in our groups! We offer our thanks to the Chair Barbara Burrows and her very capable General Synod Planning Committee for having the foresight to arrange this. We also thank this committee for being brave enough to introduce the 'paperless Synod' amid some protests.



We want to express our delight to those who also chose such an appropriate theme. We have truly felt the *winds of God* and we have *charted our course* in positive directions.

We move that the members of the General Synod 2010 offer thanks and gratitude:

To the Rev. Randy Townsend and his capable team who were all members of the Local Arrangements Committee for the countless hours you have spent before and during Synod. Randy, under your leadership was an awesome team of volunteers. We thank you for your warm welcome, for those smiles and friendly faces, for the transportation to and from venues, and for those who were always available to take some of us to and from the plenary. Thank you for always being at the plenary hall to help out.

To Bishop Sue Moxley and Bishop Ron Cutler and to all the people of the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. You have enriched our gathering and have shown us a taste of your gracious hospitality. Thanks to those who helped decorate the plenary space reflecting the theme.

To that young fellow by the name of Peter Irish for being so helpful at the Information Desk.

To the Worship Committee with co-chairs - Peter Wall and Katherine Bourbonniere for the many different forms of worship that we have experienced; for those who shared their gifts of music; and for the galley group and discussion group leaders.

To all who staffed and chaired committees - Agenda, Expenditures, Resolutions and Nominating. We know that you and all the Sessional Committees have spent many hours ensuring that things ran smoothly. Many thanks for your commitment.

To the media teams - Anglican Video, Anglican Journal, for their hard work and dedication before and during the Synod; and to Monica Graham for her hard work doing the Daily Reports.

To the partners and guests that brought greetings and messages. We have enjoyed your presence with us. Blessings to you as you continue to serve God and the Church.

To the sponsors of our Evening Socials - we thank you for your generosity. We did so appreciate this at the end of a long day.

To Ronald Stevenson, our Chancellor and the team of assessors who have worked so quietly to help the Synod run so smoothly. Ron, you have brought us such invaluable advice over the years and every blessing to you.

We made history at this Synod. We welcomed Bishop Mark MacDonald as a full voting member of the Synod and two members of ACIP as full voting members of COGS.

Thank you for your stories, for your commitment, and for your love of God, as we work together to build up God's kingdom.

There are always many people who work behind the scenes and this is no different. Many staff members have often gone beyond their regular duties to look after all the needs and have done so with much grace and skill. Our thanks and love go out to you all.

To Margaret Shawyer, our General Synod Coordinator, we give you a heartfelt thanks for your helpfulness, devotion, and efficient manner in which you ensured that Synod ran smoothly and effectively. As you take another step in your journey, we give thanks, blessing and love to a special lady.

To all members of COGS, and Standing Committees over the past three years - it was a joy to work with you. Thanks go to all of you for the work you have done.

To the delegates of the 39th Session of Synod - lay, clergy and bishops - who gave of your gifts of blessing, perceptiveness, and understanding.

To the Principal Secretary, Paul Feheley, who also worked behind the scenes to ensure that everything was in tip top shape. Things get magically done because of your tireless work and your willingness to lend a hand where and when needed.

To all those whom we may have forgotten we ask your forgiveness and we are sure there may be some, we give thanks.

Our closing words of thanks are to those who sat under the heat and glare of the lights, and provided leadership:

To *Dianne Izzard*, who has been a faithful recording secretary. But her skills and dedication go way beyond that. She answers loads of questions, takes care of communicating to the Synod for the last three years. There is a tremendous amount of teamwork and I know how many hours she works to make sure things are done. You are an exceptional lady and we thank you.

To *Harry Huskins*, who will now step into the role of Deputy Prolocutor again, for the next three years, we are thankful for the role you have played in planning for the Synod. Best wishes to you as you go forward into the next triennium.

To *Bob Falby*, who took on the role of Prolocutor part way through the last triennium. Now you go forward into the next three years and we thank you for your commitment, wisdom and experience and we are sure that you will be faithful in your call to build up the vision we have for our Church.

To *Sam Carriere*, our Acting General Secretary, a sincere vote of thanks from all of us for having the courage to take over this position. You have a quiet unassuming way of offering advice and wisdom of experience. You also did a fine job as the Announcement Man.

And last but not never least, to *Fred our Primate* -

You have chaired your first General Synod with grace and you have surrounded us throughout those days with prayer. You show a genuine love for people and for your beloved Church. We admire you for your faithfulness, leadership, fairness, patience, and your passion. It shines forth in all you do. We are privileged to have you at the helm as our Captain and as the gentle breezes take us forward, we are ready to journey with you on the 'course you have charted'. We are proud to be called Anglicans and honored to be part of this Church. Thank you!!

As we leave this place to journey to our homes in the cities and towns and communities of this great land, we leave knowing that we have made many friendships, learned many new things, and celebrated historical moments. We can be sure that the Holy Spirit will go with us and we give thanks to God that we have been part of General Synod 2010.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**  
*Act 77*

## **Closing Service**

A celebration of the Holy Eucharist was held in the plenary hall. Bishop Susan Johnson, the National Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada presided. The Primate Archbishop Fred Hiltz preached.

## **Prorogation**

The Primate declared the 39th Session of the General Synod prorogued at 11:35 A.M.

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