

AGASSIZ PRESBYTERY EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES
March 7, 2017

ATTENDANCE

Chair	Lynne Sanderson
Past Chair	
Chair Elect	
Conference Minister	Joan Jarvis
Education & Students	Margaret Scott
Life Committee	Sandra Rex
Music United	Carol Zacharias
Nominations	
Pastoral Relations	Julie Baker
Pastoral Oversight	
Property	
Stewardship & Mission	
Treasurer	Lloyd Baker
Secretary & UCW North	Claire Ommerli
Member at Large	Marion Reykdal

REGRETS: Ken Thomas, Peggy Reid, Sarah Bruer, Heather Lea, Chuck Ross

CALL TO ORDER: 1:31 - meeting was constituted and quorum was noted.

Chair, Lynne Sanderson, opened the meeting saying: "In the name of Jesus Christ, the only true head of the church and by the power vested in me as the chair of Agassiz Presbytery I declare this meeting of Agassiz Presbytery Executive open for education, worship, fellowship, and any work and business that may come before us.

PURPOSE OF MEETING:

This Conference Call was held to deal with two motions - one from Meridan Pastoral Charge regarding the use of money being held in their Manse Fund and one from Valley Pastoral Charge.

PASTORAL RELATIONS

Julie Baker gave us some background for this motion.

MOTION # 963: J.Baker/M.Scott that Agassiz Presbytery Executive approve the request from Meridan Pastoral Charge to access up to \$10,000 per year from their Manse Fund for the purpose of sustaining a ministry position. **CARRIED**

MOTION # 964: J.Baker/L.Baker that Agassiz Presbytery approve, with regret, the request from Jordan Basso for a change in pastoral relations with Valley Pastoral Charge effective June 30 2017, and to transmit that information to the Settlement Commission for action **CARRIED**

Attached is the Settlement Commission report dated February 14, 2017.

The next Agassiz Presbytery Executive meeting will be held on April 4 in Trinity United Church, Portage la Prairie

The next Agassiz Presbytery Full Court meeting will be held on April 27 & 28 in Altona.

Lynne Sanderson adjourned this conference call at 1:50.

Chair: Lynne Sanderson _____

Secretary: Claire Ommerli _____

Agassiz Presbytery Report from the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario for February 14, 2017

TO: Claire Ommerli, Secretary of Agassiz Presbytery

CC: Julie Baker, Pastoral Relations Convener of Agassiz Presbytery; Cathie Waldie and Laurel Buschau, Settlement Commission Representatives for Agassiz Presbytery; Heather Robbins, Chair of the Settlement Commission; Judy Hare, Conference Personnel Minister; Cherry Abad, Conference Administrative Assistant

FROM: Elsie Douglas, Secretary of the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario

Please attach this report to your circulated minutes as an appendix.

The new pastoral relations process -Ministry Profile and Search (MPS) - became effective in January. By including all the matters requiring action in omnibus motions, whenever possible, the Settlement Commission is attempting to make our meetings more efficient.

Note: You have already received Omnibus Motion 2016/2017 #90, which was the action taken at the meeting of the Settlement Commission on January 10, 2017.

At the meeting of the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario on February 14, 2017, the following omnibus motion was approved:

OMNIBUS MOTION # 2016/2017 # 94 (A-E, G-I)

Moved: Laurel Buschau

Seconded: Joy Bott

That the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario approve the following actions:

A. Minutes of the Settlement Commission - January 10, 2017

That the minutes of the meeting of the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario on January 10, 2017 be approved as circulated.

B. Minutes of the Ministry Profile Review Group - January 24, 2017

That the minutes of the conference call meeting of the Ministry Profile Review Group on January 24th, 2017 be received for information.

C. Appointment of Brent Denham to Thompson

Having received completed form PR 450 (Covenant for Call, Settlement, or Appointment) and the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario Appendix to Form PR 450 (including a current Police Records Check) and approval of the applicant from Bishop Elaine Sauer, Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario Bishop of Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, that the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario, on behalf of Northland Presbytery, approves the **APPOINTMENT of BRENT DENHAM** (Retired Ordained Minister) to **Lutheran-United Church of Thompson**, full-time, effective February 15, 2017 to June 30, 2017, with the following terms:

1. Salary at Category E – COL 2 for Retired Ordained Minister at full-time \$54,489.00 per year (\$4540.75 per month)
2. Basic telephone for home (*excluding personal long distance*) \$480.00 per year (\$40.00 per month)
3. Continuing Education and Learning \$1,374.00 per year (\$ 114.50 per month)
4. Three weeks of study leave within each pastoral year, including Sundays.
5. No less than three consecutive months of sabbatical after five consecutive years of service to the pastoral charge that is party to this covenant.
6. A minimum of one month vacation (including 5 Sundays) within each pastoral year (July 1 – June 30).
7. Moving expenses (*based on reasonable estimates*)
8. Adequate secretarial assistance defined as volunteer help(approximately 10 hours per week)
9. Travel expenses reimbursement (based on current Minimum Salaries for Ministry Personnel) as well as receipted parking costs while on pastoral charge work
10. Pension and other benefits as assessed.

With the Pastoral Charge committing to remuneration of the ministry personnel through The Pastoral Charge Payroll Service (ADP) WOUN

D. Transfer of Brent Denham from Winnipeg to Northland Presbytery

On behalf of Winnipeg and Northland Presbyteries, both in the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario, the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario approve the **TRANSFER of BRENT**

DENHAM (Retired Ordained Minister) from Winnipeg Presbytery, Conference of Manitoba & Northwestern Ontario to Northland Presbytery, Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario, effective February 15, 2017.

E. Disbanding of Joint Search Committee at Lutheran-United Church of Thompson

On behalf of Northland Presbytery, the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario **disbands the Joint Search Committee at Lutheran-United Church of Thompson**, with thanks, effective after the Covenanting Service to celebrate the pastoral relationship with Brent Denham.

G. Appointment of Jonelle McLellan to Northminster (Flin Flon)

Having received completed Form PR 450 (Covenant for Call, Settlement, or Appointment) that the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario, on behalf of Northland Presbytery, approves the **APPOINTMENT of JONELLE McLELLAN (Retired Ordained Minister) to Northminster United Church (Flin Flon)**, at halftime (20 hours per week), effective March 01, 2017 to June 30, 2017, with the following terms:

1. Salary at Category C – COL 1 for Retired Ordained Minister at halftime \$ 24,400.50 per year or (\$ 2,033.375 per month)
2. Basic telephone for home (*excluding personal long distance*) \$420.00 per year (\$35.00 per month)
3. Continuing Education and Learning \$687.00 per year (\$57.25 per month)
4. Three weeks of study leave within each pastoral year, including Sundays.
5. No less than three consecutive months of sabbatical after five consecutive years of service to the pastoral charge that is party to this covenant.
6. A minimum of one month vacation (including 5 Sundays) within each pastoral year (July 1 – June 30).
7. Moving expenses (*based on reasonable estimates*)
8. Adequate secretarial assistance defined as able by Northminster
9. Travel expenses reimbursement (based on current Minimum Salaries for Ministry Personnel)
10. Pension and other benefits as assessed. Not Applicable

With the Pastoral Charge committing to remuneration of the ministry personnel through the Pastoral Charge Payroll Service (ADP) W0X5

H. Appointment of Settlement liaison to Search Committee -Hamiota

Having received from the **Hamiota Pastoral Charge** the completed form PR 403 JN (Record of Joint Needs Assessment Report), the report of the Joint Needs Assessment Committee, the Financial Viability Review, form PR 436 MI (Manse Information), the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario form 425 V (Record of Vacancy), and a motion from Assiniboine Presbytery declaring a vacancy for a full-time position effective July 01, 2017, that the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario, on behalf of Assiniboine Presbytery, appoint **MONA DENTON** as resource or **liaison to the Search Committee** to work with those appointed by the Hamiota Pastoral Charge (Ed Beamish, Vicki Smith, Marianne Whyte, Dwayne Campbell and Carol Smith).

I. Appointment of Settlement Commission liaison to Ministry Profile processes

Having received **form MNWO 403 A : Presbytery Request to Initiate Ministry Profile Process** , that the Settlement Commission of the Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario appoint the following persons as **Settlement Commission representatives to resource the Ministry Profile Committees** in the following locations:

Elkhorn (Assiniboine Presbytery) –Mona Denton

Deloraine-Melita-Tilston (Assiniboine Presbytery)- Cathie Waldie

Hartney-Lauder (Assiniboine Presbytery)- Cathie Waldie

Virden (Assiniboine Presbytery)- Mona Denton

Immanuel (Winnipeg) (Winnipeg Presbytery)- Roberta (Bobbie) Tucker

John Black Memorial (Winnipeg Presbytery) – Roberta (Bobbie) Tucker

St. Matthew`s- Maryland Community Ministry (Winnipeg Presbytery)- Diane Gillis

CARRIED

[F. This section regarding an appointment at West Hawk Lake Pastoral Charge was taken out of the omnibus motion above for discussion, and was subsequently deferred to a later date.]

Settlement Commission liaisons previously appointed to Pastoral Relations processes in Agassiz Presbytery:

Meridian – Laurel Buschau

Cartwright – Harold Kenyon

Miami – Cathie Waldie
McKenzie (Portage) – Cathie Waldie
Pembina Parish – Harold Kenyon

The next meeting of the Settlement Commission (Ministry Profile Resourcing and Search Matters) will be on March 14, 2017. (Deadline for paperwork noon Friday, March 10.)

The next meeting of the Settlement Commission (Ministry Profile Review Group) will be on Tuesday, March 28, 2017. (Deadline for paperwork noon Friday, March 24.)