



Maritime Conference
The United Church of Canada

The 89th Annual Meeting
Sackville, New Brunswick
May 22 - 25, 2014

SECTION 2
MINUTES OF CONFERENCE
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF
THE MARITIME CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

**FIRST SESSION – THURSDAY EVENING
May 22, 2014**

Time and Place and Constitution of the Court:

The 89th Annual Meeting of Maritime Conference, United Church of Canada, began at 6:50 pm, on Thursday, May 22, 2014, in the Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre, Sackville, New Brunswick. The meeting was called to order in the name of Jesus, the Christ, the Head of the Church, by the President, Rev. Meggin King.

Constitutional Motions:

David Hewitt / Don Uhryniw moved that the constitutional motions as printed in Section 1, *Reports to the Conference 2014*, page 16, including the Conference Roll, Quorum and Bounds, agenda, adoption of minutes, and reports not requiring further action, including those in the registration package be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

David Hewitt / Stephen Mills moved that Mary-Beth Moriarity and Sean Handcock be named as Reference and Counsel for the 89th meeting of Maritime Conference 2014.

MOTION CARRIED

Announcements:

Annika Sangster shared announcements.

Acknowledging the Land:

In absence of an aboriginal guest to open the meeting, Andy O'Neill, Chair, Aboriginal Concerns and Relations Working Group, introduced new practice for opening. Challenging Presbyteries and Church courts to always acknowledge whose land we are on with a statement such as:

“As we gather to share the work that rightly comes before *this court*,

let us pause to remember that in this region

we live and work and worship on lands that are, by law,

the unceded territories of the Wabanaki peoples

– predominantly the lands of the Mi'kmaq, Maliseet, and Passamaquoddy.

May we live with respect on this land, and live in peace and friendship with its people.”

Worship:

The Christ candle was lit. The service of worship was led by the Worship Planning team Rev. Robyn Brown-Hewitt, Mr. Dan Edmonds, Mr. Rick Gunn, Rev. Dr. Shawn Redden, and Rev. Catherine Smith.

Introduction of Ecumenical Guests:

Rev. Dr. Arthur Davies introduced the ecumenical and interfaith guests, Rev. Roderick Black, Diocese of Fredericton, Rev. Ralph Weigold, Eastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, and Mr. John MacDonald, Atlantic Ecumenical Council. He also noted regrets were received from Cheryl Weeks, Moderator, Synod of the Atlantic Provinces, The Presbyterian Church in Canada, Dr. Peter Reid, Executive Minister, Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, and Rev. Rick Cowles, Interim Conference Minister, Maine Conference United Church of Christ.

Introduction of General Council Office Representative:

The Executive Secretary noted that Erik Mathiesen, Chief Financial Officer, The United Church of Canada, will join us tomorrow.

Introduction of the Atlantic School of Theology (AST) President:

The Executive Secretary welcomed Rev. Canon Eric Beresford, President, Atlantic School of Theology.

Introduction of the Tatamagouche Centre:

The Executive Secretary welcomed Michelle Ferris, part of the Executive Leadership Team, Tatamagouche Centre.

Introduction of Theme:

Catherine Stuart, Annual Meeting Planning Committee, introduced the theme of this year's meeting, "Stories of Faith: Telling...Listening...Sharing." She invited the delegates to think about the theme. She invited table groups to have a time of preliminary sharing, a time to hear your stories. Who are you? Where do you come from? What excites you about the church? She asked table groups to write a covenant for this annual meeting, a five word story as a way to be together this weekend.

Service of Remembrance:

The Service began with stories of faith followed by the act of remembrance.

The Court then held a service of remembrance. Those remembered were Ms. Corinne M. Allen, Ms. Gwenneth M. Archibald, Rev. Ronald "Bruce" Atkinson, Ms. Megan Laura Balcom, Ms. Marion Alberta Banks, Ms. Doris Marion Bent, Rev. Dr. James Harris Bragan, Ms. Ellen Greta Brown, Ms. Violet Cotter, Dr. Donald L. Craig, Ms. Leona Currie, Mr. Blake Curry, Mr. Harold Wayne Alexander Dunlop, Ms. Georgia Pauline Durno, Rev. Ronald E. Feltmate, Ms. Verna J. Forsythe, Ms. Elizabeth "Libby" Fraser, Mr. Denton Graham, Ms. Evelyn Henshaw, Mr. Lester Ross Horton, Ms. Joan Hutchinson, Mr. David Jones, Rev. Harold D. Kingston, Padre Earle Leslie, Ms. Mary MacDonald, Rev. William Grant MacDonald, Mr. Conrad "Connie" MacNeil, Ms. Joyce Anna McKenzie, Ms. Elizabeth "Beth" Janet McLean, Ms. Audrey "Lina" Middleton, Ms. Bertha Mills, Ms. F. Joyce Moase, Mr. Donald A. Neily, Ms. Onabel Marcia Norton, Ms. Ruby Pentz, Ms. Georgie E. Phinney, Mr. R. Wendell Phinney, Ms. K. Louise Pritchard, Mrs. Doris Evangeline Reagh, Mr. Allan Sears, Rev. Robert Malcolm Shaw, Ms. Ruth G. Stirling, Mr. William "Bill" Swetnam, Ms. Dorothy Thorne, Ms. Florence Jean Urquhart, Ms. Gwynneth J. Wallace, Ms. M. Ruth Waterbury, Mr. Tom Watson, Ms. Shirley Woodworth, and Mr. Frederick Arlie Wynn.

Recess:

The meeting recessed until 9:00 am Friday morning.

The President's Reception was held in the main level of the Civic Centre.

Meggin King, President

David Hewitt, Executive Secretary

**SECOND SESSION – FRIDAY MORNING
May 23, 2014**

Gathering and Welcome:

The music team led in a time of musical worship at 8:50 a.m. to reconvene the 89th Annual Meeting of Maritime Conference in the second session.

Worship:

The gathering worship began at 9:00 am led by the Worship Planning team Rev. Robyn Brown-Hewitt, Dan Edmonds, Rick Gunn, Rev. Dr. Shawn Redden, and Rev. Catherine Smith. The Story of LIFE – Tending. The Christ candle was lit. The President welcomed the delegates back.

Announcements:

Annika Sangster shared announcements.

Nominations for President-Designate:

Ruth Gamble, Chair, Nominations Committee introduced the nominees for President-Designate, Ms. Breanna Redden-Kelly and Rev. Matthew Fillier. Each were invited to address the court answering the question "What you think is all great with the church?"

Settlement Committee:

Steven Longmoore, Chair, referred to the Settlement Committee report printed on page 68 of Section 1, *Reports to Conference*. He then presented the 2014 Settlement Committee report (Appendix A, pages 176 - 178).

Steven Longmoore / Blair Lewis moved that Sections A, B, C, D, E and G (Appendix A, pages 178 - 183) in the minutes of the Annual Meeting, be received for information.

MOTION CARRIED

Steven Longmoore / Blair Lewis moved that Section F, Applications To Be Left Without Pastoral Charge 2014-15, (Appendix A, page 183) in the minutes of the Annual Meeting, be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

Steven Longmoore / Blair Lewis moved that Section H, Retirements, (Appendix A, page 183) in the minutes of the Annual Meeting, be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

Steven Longmoore / Blair Lewis moved that we receive this report as a whole.

MOTION CARRIED

Church in Action:

Jim Wicks, Chair, Church in Action Committee, noted that the Committee has a twofold mission: responding to justice issues on behalf of The United Church and joining in ongoing issues in this region.

The other part is that we as part of The United Church of Canada, reach out and help those that are treated unjustly. The working groups that are part of the Church in Action Committee are: Aboriginal Concerns and Relations, Access to Justice, Environmental, Towards Just Peace for Israel and Palestine, Refugees Working, and Mission Interpretation.

Mining the Connections Working Group, represented by Georgina Baisley and Emma Hebb and Gary MacDonald, talked about the effects of Canadian mining in Guatemala. They highlighted that The United Church Pension board has investments in GoldCorp. In response to our Guatemalan partners' requests, the Mining the Connections Working Group has been working for the last five years to have the pension divest pensioners funds from GoldCorp. To date they have not been successful in this. Kathryn Anderson noted that invitations to sign a petition was available on the tables.

Ministry Personnel and Education Committee:

Kevin MacKenzie, Chair, Ministry Personnel and Education referred to the committees report printed on page 58 of Section 1, *Reports to Conference*.

Education and Students (E&S):

Dan Wellwood, Chair, Conference Education and Students Committee, referred to the E&S report printed on page 59 of Section 1, *Reports to Conference*. He introduced each the ten individuals who will be ordained at this year's annual meeting: Krista Anderson, Gerald Blaquiére, David Campbell, Kevin Cox, Keith Gale (not in the court), Carol Gillard, Lynda MacCulloch, Gneid Walsh, Greg Williams, and on behalf of the British Columbia Conference, Sue Breisch. He made the following motions:

It is moved by Dan Wellwood / Kevin MacKenzie, that **Krista L. A. Anderson** be ordained at the Service of Celebration on Sunday, May 25, 2014.

It is moved by Dan Wellwood / Kevin MacKenzie, that **Gerald Blaquiére** be ordained at the Service of Celebration on Sunday, May 25, 2014.

It is moved by Dan Wellwood / Kevin MacKenzie, that **David Erskine Campbell** be ordained at the Service of Celebration on Sunday, May 25, 2014.

It is moved by Dan Wellwood / Kevin MacKenzie, that **Kevin Cox** be ordained at the Service of Celebration on Sunday, May 25, 2014.

It is moved by Dan Wellwood / Kevin MacKenzie, that **J. Keith N. Gale** be ordained at the Service of Celebration on Sunday, May 25, 2014.

It is moved by Dan Wellwood / Kevin MacKenzie, that **Carol Gillard** be ordained at the Service of Celebration on Sunday, May 25, 2014.

It is moved by Dan Wellwood / Kevin MacKenzie, that **Lynda G. MacCulloch** be ordained at the Service of Celebration on Sunday, May 25, 2014.

It is moved by Dan Wellwood / Kevin MacKenzie, that **Gneid D. H. Walsh** be ordained at the Service of Celebration on Sunday, May 25, 2014.

It is moved by Dan Wellwood / Kevin MacKenzie, that **Gregory B. Williams** be ordained at the Service of Celebration on Sunday, May 25, 2014.

Kevin MacKenzie / Dan Wellwood moved that we receive the Ministry, Personnel and Education Committee reports as a whole.

MOTION CARRIED

Nominating Committee:

Ruth Gamble, Chair, Nominating Committee, referred the court to the “Directory of Membership of Standing Committees” report printed on pages 70-78 of Section 1, *Reports to Conference*. She noted that there are vacancies to be filled as seen in the report. She noted that if you are interested in putting your name forward for candidate for Moderator those names are due June 8, 2015, and the General Council Executive Ministry Personnel position will also need to be filled next year.

Ruth Gamble / Bonnie Fraser moved that the “Directory of Membership of Standing Committees” report (pages 70-78 printed in Section 1, *Reports to Conference*) be received for information with permission to add as they are able and as necessary.

MOTION CARRIED

Tatamagouche Centre:

Robyn Brown-Hewitt, member of the Program Development Team, introduced Michelle Ferris, Outreach Director, Executive Leadership Team who talked of Tatamagouche’s now full staffing compliment, which they are very excited about. There were five education centres across Canada but at the end of this year there will only be three. Tatamagouche Centre is a good news story. This year there are 60 programs being offered with more than \$100,000 in funding and grants being received. The United Church of Canada grant provides core funding allowing the Centre to maintain the facility and keep programs affordable. They have installed an elevator in their main building this year through fundraising. They talked about the important work that the Centre does, sharing the good news. One note of concern is the one group that appears to be shrinking at the Centre, the church. She asked for delegates to tell the Centre what kinds of programs will support you and invite the Centre staff to come to you. Last year the Moderator Rev. Gary Patterson lead of group of 100 United Church of Canada to Greenbelt and through some of those who attended Greenbelt the Tatamagouche Centre will be offering Festimagouche on August 23-24, 2014.

United Church Resource Distribution:

The President introduced Pat Gilmore, Booktable/Resource Displays Coordinator, who highlighted some of the resources that are offered at the United Church Resource Distribution Centre, including subscriptions to *Gathering* and *Mandate*.

Yoga Break:

Annika Sangster led the delegates in a yoga break.

Rendez-vous:

Rick Gunn talked about Rendez-vous 2014 that is happening August 13-16, 2014 in Winnipeg, MB. This is a national gathering for youth, young adults and leaders who are passionate about youth and young adult ministries in The United Church of Canada. It is an opportunity to come together and worship, dream, and connect with one another. This event will provide a showcase for local, regional, and national ministry ideas, speakers, and musicians.

Affirming Process, First Session:

April Hart welcomed Youth Forum and Intermediates at Conference to the court and a brief video was shown. Jane Johnson gave the background on Maritime Conference becoming an Affirming Ministry within The United Church of Canada, noting that Maritime Conference started these conversations three years ago. The Affirming Task Group team consists of April Hart, Meggin King, Jane Johnson, David Hewitt and Bob Johnson. In the time allotted on the agenda we will be deciding together what we mean by becoming affirming. The task group asked individuals to read draft statements that reflect a broad range of possible approaches to becoming an Affirming Conference and rate them from 1 Strongly Agree to 5 Strongly Disagree. Then as a group they were asked to do the same using a similar scale.

Announcements:

The Executive Secretary shared announcements.

Table Blessing:

The meeting was recessed for lunch by singing grace.

Meggin King, President

David Hewitt, Executive Secretary

**THIRD SESSION – FRIDAY AFTERNOON
May 23, 2014**

Worship:

Worship was led by Youth Forum in the Quad at Mount Allison University at 1:00 pm.

Gathering and Welcome:

The President welcomed the delegates and Youth Forum back to the meeting at 1:40 p.m. and reconvened the 89th Annual Meeting of Maritime Conference in the third session.

Theme Address:

Keith Gale introduced Steven Reid, a Youth Forum participant, who shared stories of his faith. Keith then asked table groups to discuss these two questions:

How has your faith shaped who you are?
Where is God calling you to share your story?

Keith invited Lori Crocker to the stage to share how faith has impacted her life. Keith then asked table groups to discuss these two questions:

Why is sharing our stories important?

As people of faith, our stories intersect: who has inspired you and how?

The Youth Forum left the court.

Education and Students (E&S):

Ballots were distributed for the ordinands. The President declared the ballot closed.

Budget:

The President invited Mac MacLeod, Chair Finance and Property Committee, who introduced Alan Gray, Treasurer, to present the Financial Statements found on pages 36-50 of Section 1, *Reports to Conference*. Discussion followed.

Mac reviewed the 2015 proposed budget. Discussion followed.

Mac MacLeod / Michael Ball moved that the proposed operating budget for the year 2015 be established with expenditures of \$1,272,621.61, with revenues other than Allocations of \$361,045.03 and a budget deficit of \$0.

MOTION CARRIED

Mac MacLeod / Michael Ball moved that the proposed allocation to presbyteries be set at \$911,576.58, which is an increase of \$22,233.58 (2.5%) over the allocation set in November 2013 for 2014, and the Treasurer be authorized to strike the allocations according to the formula.

MOTION CARRIED

Mac MacLeod / Michael Ball moved that the proposed capital expenditure for 2015 budget be approved at \$3,500.00.

MOTION CARRIED

Mac MacLeod / Michael Ball moved that Maritime Conference committee travel rate of \$0.30/km, meal rates of \$30/day, and annual meeting travel rate of \$0.10/km remain the same for 2015.

MOTION CARRIED

Mac MacLeod / Michael Ball moved that Grant Thornton, CA, Moncton, NB, be re-appointed as auditors of the Maritime Conference Fund for the year ending December 31, 2014.

MOTION CARRIED

Mac MacLeod / Michael Ball moved that a revised allocations formula used by Conference for allocations to presbyteries be based on Column 40 of the United Church Year Book (Expended for the Operation of the Pastoral Charge, including all salaries) averaged over a 3 year period.

MOTION CARRIED

Mac MacLoed / Michael Ball moved that we receive this report as a whole.

MOTION CARRIED

It was agreed that the Finance and Property Committee will put together a narrative budget that tells a story of our ministry.

Worship Moment:

Gneid Walsh led the delegates in the singing of “Swing Low Sweet Chariot”.

Atlantic School of Theology (AST):

The President invited Robyn Brown-Hewitt, Director of the Youth Ministry Diploma Program at AST, to the stage who shared a video about the program at AST.

Eric Beresford noted that this is his last year addressing the court as he is in his tenth year as President of AST and offered his thanks to many for their work over his years as President. He noted that this is a time of transition at AST – they recently had a successful fund-raising campaign of 3.5 million; five of the eight faculty are new since he started; broader reach of students; and new programming. They recently received \$500,000 for scholarships from a single donor, and The United Church of Canada is now offering assistance to candidates to ministry from The United Church of Canada.

What does AST contribute to the life of the conference? They give their alumni, opportunity for lifelong learning through Halifax or online, and resources for ministry.

Following the Conference he will write to the Conference Executive Secretary and chair of Pine Hill on how they can strengthen their relationships and new opportunities.

The President offered our thanks to Eric for attending the Maritime Conference over his ten years at AST.

Education and Students (E&S):

The Executive Secretary noted that the ballots have been counted for ordination (354 ballots) and the majority are in favour.

David Hewitt / Don Uhryniw moved that the ordination ballots be destroyed.

CARRIED

Dan Wellwood, Chair, Conference Education and Students Committee, introduced each of those being Ordained; Krista Anderson, Gerald Blaquiere, David Campbell, Kevin Cox, Keith Gale, Carol Gillard, Lynda MacCulloch, Gneid Walsh, Greg Williams, and on behalf of the British Columbia Conference, Sue Breisch. Catherine MacLean, on behalf of the United Church Women, made a presentation to the candidates, a gift to the Mission and Service Fund in each of their names. Michelle Ferris, on behalf of the Tatamagouche Centre, made a presentation to each of the candidates.

Minute of Worship:

Catherine Stuart offered an action prayer.

Maritime Conference Executive Accountability Report:

The President gave the Executive accountability report. She referred to the Decisions and Actions of the Executive and Sub-Executive report on pages 112-120, Section 1, *Reports to Conference*. She noted it was her privilege to work with the Executive over the past year.

Commissioners to General Council:

The Executive Secretary presented the names of those nominated from Presbyteries (Appendix B).

David Hewitt / Valerie Kingsbury moved that Maritime Conference elect those names as listed as Commissioners to General Council 42.

MOTION CARRIED

General Council Executive Report:

Ivan Gregan and Pauline Walker reported on behalf of the General Council Executive:

- A thank you from General Council for the support of the United Church people for the work of the church.
- Mission and Service support thank you.
- The importance of generous gifts of time, talent and treasures.
- The success of the second sitting of GC41.
- The impact of the World Council of Churches.
- Unsettling Goods - boycott of manufactured goods made in the Israeli settlements in the West Bank. Contact Steve Berube from St. Paul's Church, Riverview.
- Rendez-vous 2014 in Winnipeg from August 13-16. Contact Rick Gunn from Bedford Church.
- Pulpit Supply rate will increase by 1.5%. Refer to Salary Scale.
- Mutual Recognition of Ministry - an agreement has been struck with the United Church of Christ in the Philippines while further discussions are continuing with the United Church of Christ in the USA, and the Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea.
- Ministry Compensation Plan - to introduce a new comprehensive remuneration package which will include salary and housing.

Ivan introduced Erik Mathiesen, Chief Financial Officer, The United Church of Canada, to the court. He brought greetings from everyone at General Council office. He talked about his work at General Council.

Discussion followed.

Archives Committee:

Gary MacDougall, Chair, Archives Committee shared a story of faith and talked about the work of the committee. Gary introduced Sarah Wallace, Maritime Conference Archivist, who gave an overview of "everything you need to know about archives".

Announcements:

Annika Sangster gave announcements.

Recess:

The meeting was recessed for supper following a blessing offered by Meredith Fraser.

Meggin King, President

David Hewitt, Executive Secretary

**FOURTH SESSION – FRIDAY EVENING
May 23, 2014**

Gathering and Welcome:

The 89th Annual Meeting of Maritime Conference fourth session formed at 6:35 p.m.

Announcement:

Phillip Kennedy, Past-President, noted that there are still tickets available for the Retirees / Jubilarians Banquet.

President-Designate:

The ballots for president-designate be distributed. The President declared ballots closed.

Announcement:

Annika Sangster noted that the Maritime Conference UCW have made sleep matts for Haiti and are looking for anyone going to Haiti to deliver them.

Theme Address:

Barb Wagner was welcomed to the stage to talk about the theme for this year's annual meeting and introduced the last theme speaker Jean Ward, who shared a faith story. Barb thanked Jean for sharing her story and then asked table groups to discuss these two questions:

How can our stories shape who we will be as a church?

What is your dream for the church, and how will you share it?

Barb thanked those who shared their stories of faith.

The President thanked those involved with the theme planning and those who shared their stories of faith.

President-Designate:

The Executive Secretary announced that the ballots (295) for President-Designate have been counted and Matthew Fillier has been elected.

Breanna Redden-Kelly / Leo Mills moved that the President-Designate ballots be destroyed and that the election be unanimous.

CARRIED

Staff Committee:

Brett Anningson, Staff Committee, thanked and introduced the Maritime Conference staff.

Church in Action:

Kathryn Anderson, Chair, Mining Group, noted that Mary Lou Harley has been appointed to the Responsible Investment Reference Group of the United Church of Canada.

Margaret Machum, Co-Convener, Environmental Working Group, spoke about hydraulic fracking in NB and NS. She explained how fracking works, its environmental effects, and the related ethical issues. She talked about what is happening locally regarding shale gas exploration. What can we do? Delegates can distribute information to presbyteries and congregations. As leaders of congregations we can give the congregations concrete things to do to reduce energy use. We need to act with non-violent resistance. As individuals we can write letters to our Premiers and Ministers responsible for environmental issues. A video was shown about the 2013 Elsipogtog protest and call to action. This video can be found on The United Church YouTube channel.

Truth and Reconciliation Commission:

The President welcomed David MacDonald to the stage. He thanked Maritime Conference for hearing all the work that has been done with Truth and Reconciliation Commission. The work of healing creation and healing relationships is front and centre. He reminded the delegates that the work that is done here is important and does make changes. The Truth and Reconciliation Commission will finish their work in less than a year. He invited the members of Maritime Conference that as the invitations come to respond.

Proposals:

Mary-Beth Moriarity, Proposals Unit, overviewed the proposal we have before us.

Proposal 1

Title: Ritual of Child Blessing: Expanding Rituals of Introduction of Children into Congregations

Originating Body: Official Board of St. John's United Church, Halifax, NS

Intended Court(s) for Action: General Council

Financial Implications: Costs for educational and liturgical resources to be developed

Staffing Implications: Staff time for development and distribution of educational and liturgical resources

Source of Funding if known:

Courts (as applicable) Receiving Proposal and Action Taken by:

Congregation/Pastoral Charge: St. John's United Church

Date:

Presbytery/Synod: Halifax Presbytery

Date: May 13, 2014

Concurrence (Agree with Proposal)

Non-Concurrence (Disagree with Proposal)

Comments:

Concurrence (Agree with Proposal)

Non-Concurrence (Disagree with Proposal)

Comments:

The Halifax Presbytery purposes that Maritime Conference (2014) forward with concurrence the following Proposal:

(a) the 42nd General Council (2015) affirm a ritual distinct from the sacrament of baptism for introduction of children to congregations, a ritual blessing of a child and

(b) assure the preparation of educational and liturgical resources to support this ritual.

THEOLOGICAL RATIONALE: We acknowledge children as the gifts of a gracious God. By bringing children into a broken world we live out an extraordinary faith and hope in God. God, incarnate in Jesus Christ, welcomed the children and urged his followers to be like them, full of life and joy. As Canadian society changes from the long held assumption of being a Christian nation to embrace a multi-faith society, the United Church also has adherents from other faiths or non-theists. Some adherents of the United Church, while they experience the blessing of the birth of a child, feel they cannot, with integrity, say the baptismal vows. Yet they still seek a way to acknowledge the riches of parenting within a Christian community, and a ritual expression of the grace that their children embody. A ritual of blessing acknowledges these things, but neither claims nor displaces the special significance of the sacrament of baptism. A liturgy of the blessing of a child would best be placed within an action that acknowledges, in addition, the blessing of all children within the congregation. This action merely acknowledges symbolically what has happened and is already known – when children arrive in our midst they are a blessing of God. (Example of liturgy attached).

WHEREAS faithful parents in congregational worship at United Churches seek ritual expression of their sense of the blessedness of their children, and that their children have been welcomed into the community

WHEREAS these adherents take the vows of baptism seriously and cannot, with integrity, claim the vows of baptism

WHEREAS these adherents seek to raise their children within and with the support of a Christian community

WHEREAS it is good for the well being of the entire community to be reminded of the blessedness of all its children

WHEREAS it is good for the entire church to engage in discussion about the welcoming of children into Christian community

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- (a) the 42nd General Council (2015) affirm a ritual distinct from the sacrament of baptism for introduction of children to congregations, a ritual blessing of a child and
- (b) assure the preparation of educational and liturgical resources to support this ritual.

Mary-Beth Moriarity / Sean Handcock moved that the 89th Annual Meeting of Maritime Conference concur with Proposal #1 entitled “Ritual of Child Blessing: Expanding Rituals of Introduction of Children into Congregations” and transmit to the 42st General Council of The United Church of Canada.

MOTION DEFEATED

Mary-Beth Moriarity / Sean Handcock moved that the 89th Annual Meeting of Maritime Conference transmit with non concurrence Proposal #1 entitled “Ritual of Child Blessing: Expanding Rituals of Introduction of Children into Congregations” to the 42nd General Council of The United Church of Canada.

MOTION DEFEATED

Support for Peace Advocacy in Israel/Palestine:

Whereas: The Tent of Nations is an internationally recognized peace project where Christians, Jews and Muslims come to volunteer, dialogue and learn about peace from one another by working side by side on farm related projects and participating in other peace oriented educational projects,

Whereas: The Israeli military violated Israeli Supreme Court protocol by destroying 1,500-2,000 mature fruit trees on the property of Daoud Nassar otherwise known as the Tent of Nations on May 19, 2014;

Whereas: Daoud has asked for international support into an inquiry around this action;

Whereas: Rifat Kassis, the co-ordinator of the Kairos Palestine document, has called for international support with respect to investigations into the fatal shootings of Nadeem Siam Nawara, 17, and Mohammad Mahmoud Odeh Abu Daher, 16, by members of the Israeli military or para-military on May 15, 2014;

Whereas: Rifat Kassis and Daoud Nassar are both highly recognized peace advocates and friends of United Church of Canada staff, overseas personnel and others;

Be It Resolved:

1. The Executive Secretary of Maritime Conference, in consultation with members of the Church in Action Committee, be empowered to write to the Canadian and Bermudian Prime Ministers, Ministers of Foreign Affairs, opposition party leaders and local MP’s asking their respective governments to inquire into these apparent violations of the 4th Geneva Convention.

2. That the Executive Secretary be empowered to write to Doaud Nassar and Rifat Kassis to express our solidarity and support
3. Provide copies of this correspondence to the Moderator and the General Secretary of the General Council.

Steve Berube / Linda Scherzinger moved the proposal.

MOTION CARRIED

Recess:

The meeting recessed until Saturday morning.

Meggin King, President

David Hewitt, Executive Secretary

**FIFTH SESSION – SATURDAY MORNING
May 24, 2014**

Gathering and Worship:

The music team led the court in singing as people arrived for the day at 8:50 am.

The Christ candle was lit. The service of worship was led by the Worship Planning team, Story of LIFE – Refining.

The President welcomed everyone back to the fifth session of the 89th annual meeting.

Announcements:

Annika Sangster shared announcements.

Point of Privilege:

Steve Berube spoke on a point of privilege on Israel and Palestine, and commended information to the court.

Comprehensive Review:

Beth Symes, joined the court to talk about the issues in the comprehensive review. Hope to achieve today update, timeline to 2015, seek our wisdom (funding a new model, relationship of communities of faith within the denomination, social justice, regional mission and ministry), and conversation. She read from 1 Corinthians 12:27-31 and offered prayer. She shared background information, including the document “Trust God. Trust the Body.” Table group time was given to talk about finances. Discussion followed.

Agenda:

Linda Yates / Yvette Swan moved that we reserve time at this Maritime Conference to discuss the rest of the “Trust God. Trust the Body.”, by returning to the Civic Centre at 2pm for one hour.

MOTION CARRIED

Comprehensive Review:

Beth Symes closed this time.

Announcements:

Annika Sangster shared announcements.

Blessing:

The meeting was recessed for lunch with blessing be offered by Bill Corkum.

Meggin King, President

David Hewitt, Executive Secretary

**SIXTH SESSION – SATURDAY AFTERNOON
May 24, 2014**

Faith Fair:

Faith Fair was held at the Civic Centre with Intermediates at Conference, Youth Forum and delegates explored 24 displays and had conversations with the hosts.

1. Christian Life & Growth - AVEL and On-Line Retreats, Janice MacLean
2. Maritime Conference Archives, Sarah Wallace
3. Stewardship Committee, Laura Hunter
4. Tatamagouche Centre, Michelle Ferris
5. Tatamagouche Centre/Guatemala Breaking the Silence, Kathryn Anderson
6. AST – Diplomas in Youth Ministry, Robyn Brown-Hewitt
7. Kairos Atlantic, Bev McDonald
8. A Just Peace Israel/Palestine Working Group, Linda Scherzinger
9. Mining the Connections Working Group, Kathryn Anderson
10. Camp Abby, Bob Lockhart
11. Berwick Camp, Chrissie Crooks
12. Maritime Conference UCW, Catherine MacLean
13. Atlantic Seminar in Theological Education, Gloria Churchill
14. Oikocredit Atlantic Cooperative, Mary Rigby
15. Canadian Foodgrains Bank, Ian MacHattie
16. Canadian Armed Forces Chaplains Branch, Harold King, Jr.
17. Speakers' Corner, Janice MacLean
18. Godly Play Maritimes, Anne Pirie
19. Atlantic Jubilee Program in Spiritual Deepening & Spiritual Direction, Marilyn Burrell
20. Camp Ta-Wa-Si, Melissa Wells
21. Centre for Christian Studies, Lori Stewart
22. Canadian Bible Society, Keith Gale
23. Rendez-Vous, Rick Gunn
24. Sherbrooke Lake Camp, Charlotte Whynott

Comprehensive Review:

Beth Symes, welcomed everyone back to conversations around the comprehensive review. Table group discussions.

Beth then offered prayer before delegates went to workshops.

Announcements:

Annika Sangster shared announcements.

Point of Privilege:

Randy Crossman noted that Ian MacHattie organizer from Canadian Foodgrains Bank is now present as a visitor in the court.

Workshops:

Workshops were held on the campus of Mount Allison University.

1. Atlantic Jubilee Program: Spirituality: Developing a “Rule of Life” for Everyday Living, Marilyn Burrell
2. A Competency Based Approach to Faith Formation for Ordered Ministry & DLM in the United Church, Bob Lockhart & Andrew Richardson
3. Christian Life & Growth: Throwing Faith Formation on the Potters Wheel, Nigel Weaver
4. Property Matters, David Hewitt
5. Online Ministry (held online), Janice MacLean
6. Train the Trainers Workshop for “For the Death of Me”, Linda Yates
7. Ministries in French, Kathryn McIntosh
8. Canadian Bible Society: Mission and Getting Involved, Lorne K. Freake
9. Co-ops and Oikocredit: Social Responsible Investment, Eric Tusz-King & Doug Rigby
10. United Church Resource Centre: Review of New Resources, Pat Gilmore
11. OMG Rock: Contemporary Rock Music and Video, Keith Gale
12. Church in Action: Palestine/Israel 101, Steve Berube
13. Idle No More: Tools for Reconciliation, David MacDonald
14. Meet with author Paul Almond to discuss Canadian Culture after WWII, Writing, Publishing and Agents, Paul Almond
15. Cluster Ministry, Carol Smith
16. What is Godly Play? Childrens Curriculum, Anne Pirie & Karen Reynolds

Meggin King, President

David Hewitt, Executive Secretary

**SEVENTH SESSION – SATURDAY EVENING
May 24, 2014**

Gathering and Worship:

The delegates were greeted by *The Message*. The President welcomed everyone back to the sixth session that reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

Introduction of Retirees:

Rev. Phillip Kennedy, Past-President, introduced those members of the Conference who are retiring: Doreen Bird-Daley, Jeffro Bursey, K. Anne Cameron and Charles Paterson.

Introduction of Jubilarians:

Rev. Phillip Kennedy, Past-President, introduced those Jubilarians marking anniversaries of 50 years and above:

50 Years – M. Colin Grant, Foster B. Jenkins, Emily F. Kierstead, Victor A. MacLeod,
James Campbell Martell, Carolyn M. Palmer, Ronald W. Porter, A. John Roberts,
Norman J. Whitney

55 Years – A. Fred Archibald, Russell F. Burns, M. Boyce Elliott, Robert G. Hutcheson, Louis
Ihasz,
Ralph E. Johnston, Keith M. Rogerson

60 Years – R. Stewart Clarke, Robert S. Latimer, J. Henry Tye

65 Years – S. Raymond Purchase

Report from the Ecumenical Guests:

Each of the ecumenical guests reflected on their time at this meeting.

Youth Forum and Intermediates at Conference (IaC):

The Message welcomed in the Youth Forum and IaC. They each spoke of their experiences over the weekend and presented various skits.

President-Elect:

The Executive Secretary invited Matthew Fillier, President-Designate, to address the court.

Agenda:

Ivan Gregan / Stephen Mills moved that we extend the time of the agenda by 30 minutes.

CARRIED

Comprehensive Review:

As a result of tonight's conversation expressing a deep desire to strengthen regional relationships through connection, accountability, and mission while acknowledging the need for a General Council the following motion was made:

Daniel MacDonald / Emily Duggan moved that Maritime Conference strike a task group to craft an alternate model of governance that is regionally based and incorporates some responsibilities/functions/powers from both Presbytery and General Council. This will be forwarded to the Comprehensive Review Task Group prior to the June 30th deadline, which has to established by the Comprehensive Review Task Group for receiving conference feedback

A graphic image was shown on the screen to help illustrate the motion.

Jack Spencer / Jane Johnson moved the college and association be removed from the illustration.

CARRIED

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MOTION CARRIED

Courtesies:

Catherine Stuart, Annual Meeting Planning Committee, gave courtesies for this Conference Annual Meeting.

Closing Motions:

David Hewitt / Jim Webber-Cook that regrets received and requests to leave early be recorded in minutes.

MOTION CARRIED

Regrets were received from the following member of the Order of Ministry:

Ross Bartlett (Halifax), Ruth Brown (South Shore), Anne Dalziel Singer (PEI), Russell Daye (Halifax), Verna Dunlop (Halifax), Jay Ettinger (Truro), Rob Fennell (AST), Michael Goodfellow (Woolastook), Wendell Gregan (Miramichi), Bob Johnson (St. Croix), Ray Kraglund (Miramichi), Marilyn MacDonald (Truro), Brian MacDonald (Woolastook), Heather MacDougall (Valley), Norman MacDougall (PEI), Karen MacNeill (Saint John), Kenley MacNeill (Truro), David MacLachlan (AST), Joanne McFadden (South Shore), Ewen Moase (PEI), Brenda Nesbitt (Valley), Alice Rutherford (Truro), Margaret Sagar (Halifax), Elizabeth Stevenson (Saint John), Scott Stuart (PEI), Linda Winton (Valley), Ross Wiseman (Miramichi).

Regrets were received from the following lay delegates to conference:

Elaine Almond (Miramichi), Don Ambler (Halifax), Robert (Bob) Bartlett (UC Men), Corina Bolo (Chignecto), Irvin Carmichael (Miramichi), Sandra Carver (South Shore), Karen Dickinson (Chignecto), Donna Doak (Miramichi), Marty Ettinger (Truro), Frances Fiddes (Truro), Rhonda Harris (Miramichi), Lois Hayes (Miramichi), Vivien Kierstead (Miramichi), Donald Mackay (Sydney), Robert MacIsaac (Sydney), John MacKnight (Miramichi), Isabel MacLaggan (Miramichi), Ruth Matheson (Truro), Wayne Mullin (Miramichi), Kathleen Paquet (Miramichi), Jennifer Robarts (Chignecto), Arlene Ross (Miramichi), Nancy Small (PEI), Evelyn Taylor (Miramichi), Sheila Van Schaick (Sydney).

Requests to Leave Early:

It was agreed that those who requested permission to leave early be listed in the minutes.

Kathryn Anderson (Truro), Kathy Bigsby (Truro), Rev. Jennifer Brown (Woolastook), Stephen Brown (Woolastook), Rev. Pix Butt (Halifax), Rev. Greg Davis (PEI), Rev. T. Kevin Dingwell (PEI), Emily Dixon (Chignecto), Rev. Boyd Drake (PEI), William N. Drysdale (Chignecto), Rev. Ron Frampton (South Shore), Sharon Gunn (Pictou), Burton Leathers (Valley), Rev. David LeBlanc (Truro), Joanna LeBlanc (Truro), Rev. Bob Lockhart (PEI), Jack Logan (South Shore), Rev. Gary MacDougall (Truro), Enid MacKay (PEI), Helen MacLeod (PEI), Rev. Robert McCarthy (PEI), Rev. Neil McEwen (South Shore), Ruth Miller (PEI), Rev. Mary Beth Moriarity

(Pictou), Linda Moffat (Valley), Tony Orlando (Valley), Carol Pippy (PEI), David Rackham (Halifax), Lydia Redden (Truro), Rev. Martin Reid (Truro), Rev. Carol Smith (Chignecto).

David Hewitt / Andy O'Neill moved that the 90th Annual Meeting of the Maritime Conference be in Sackville, New Brunswick May 28-31, 2015.

MOTION CARRIED

David Hewitt / Trent Cleveland-Thompson moved that the proposed dates for the future conference annual meetings be May 26-29, 2016, and May 25-28, 2017.

MOTION CARRIED

David Hewitt / Roland Hutchinson moved that the 89th Annual Meeting of the Maritime Conference designate to the Executive power to act for the Conference in all matters except those excluded by the Manual and the adoption of the 2016 operating budget for the Maritime Conference Fund for the period following the benediction concluding the Service of Praise and Celebration of Ministry May 25, 2014 until the Constitution of the annual meeting 2015.

MOTION CARRIED

Evening Prayer and Recess:

The President closed the meeting.

Meggin King, President

David Hewitt, Executive Secretary

**EIGHTH SESSION – SUNDAY MORNING
May 25, 2014**

Service of Worship and Holy Communion, Celebration of Ministry:

The members of the Conference gathered in the Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre, Sackville, New Brunswick, for the purpose of praise and celebration of ministry at 10:00 a.m., May 25, 2014.

Worship:

Worship was led by Rev. Meggin King, President.

Ordination:

The Executive Secretary, Mr. David Hewitt, presented the following persons for ordination to the ordained ministry of Word, Sacrament and Pastoral Care of The United Church of Canada: Krista Anderson, Gerald Blaquiere, David Campbell, Kevin Cox, Keith Gale, Carol Gillard, Lynda MacCulloch, Gneid Walsh, Greg Williams, and Sue Breisch on behalf of the British Columbia Conference.

The President conducted the Ordination Service and was assisted by the Executive Secretary, the General Council representative, Ecumenical guest and representatives from the Presbytery, Pastoral Charge, and family of the ordinands in the laying on of hands and presentation of the stole. The President presented a Bible and parchment to each of the ordinands.

Sacrament of Communion:

The President, assisted by the Executive Secretary, the Ordinands, and others conducted a service of Holy Communion.

Installation of President:

Rev. Gloria Churchill, President-Elect, was installed as President of the 90th Maritime Conference by Rev. Meggin King, President, and presented with the symbols of that office, including the Conference Bible, the President's stole, cane and gavel.

Appreciation:

The newly installed President expressed thanks to the Conference for the privilege of serving and excitement in assuming the office. She then presented Rev. Meggin King with a Past-President's stole.

Close of Conference:

The new President then declared the Eighty-Ninth Annual Meeting of Maritime Conference officially closed with the pronouncing of the Benediction, with the members to meet again in 2015 in Sackville, New Brunswick.

Meggin King, President

David Hewitt, Executive Secretary

Appendix A

**THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
MARITIME CONFERENCE
SETTLEMENT COMMITTEE
2014 REPORT**

LEGEND:

Time to Call = Search in Process

Call Pending = Call to take effect after July 1, 2014

Presbytery Supply

A. REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL TRANSFER COMMITTEE

**Maritime Conference Candidates
Accepting a Provisional Call or Appointment
Within Maritime Conference**

Anderson, Krista L.A. (Provisional Appointment) Dartmouth: Grace Pastoral Charge, Halifax Presbytery (Aug 20/14)
Blaquiere, Gerald C.(Provisional Call) Tabusintac Pastoral Charge, Miramichi Presbytery (Jul 1/14)
Campbell, David E.(Provisional Call) Bridgewater Pastoral Charge, South Shore Presbytery (Jul 1/14)
Cox, Kevin L.(Provisional Call) Newport Pastoral Charge, Valley Presbytery (Jul 1/14)

Gale, J. Keith N. (Provisional Call) Brookfield Pastoral Charge, Truro Presbytery (Jul 1/14)
 Gillard, Carol (Provisional Call) Upper Londonderry Pastoral Charge, Truro Presbytery (Jul 1/14)
 MacCulloch, Lynda G. (Provisional Call) Cumberland Pastoral Charge, Chignecto Presbytery (Jul 1/14)
 Williams, Gregory B. . (Provisional Call) Canterbury-Richmond Pastoral Charge, Woolastook Presbytery (Jul 1/14)

**Maritime Conference Candidate
 Accepting Settlement
 Within Newfoundland and Labrador Conference**

Walsh, Gneid D.H. Hillview Pastoral Charge, East District (Jul 1/14)

**Ordained by Maritime Conference
 On behalf of British Columbia Conference**

Breisch, Susan E. (Provisional Call) Lakeview Pastoral Charge, Wascana Presbytery, Saskatchewan Conference

TRANSFERS COMPLETED MAY 9, 2013 TO MAY 22, 2014

Transferred into Maritime Conference:

Name	Eff. Date	From: Presbytery/Conference	To: Presbytery/Conference
Bachem-Jennings, Elisabeth	May 23/13	Seaway Valley/M&O	Valley/MAR
Duggan, Emily M.	Oct 11/13	North Bay/MTU	Sydney/MAR
Elliott, Boyce	Nov 8/13	West District/NLB	Sydney/MAR
Horsman, Kent	May 5/14	Yellowhead/ANW	Woolastook/MAR
Hudson-Lewis, Kelly	Nov 8/13	East District/NLB	Saint John/MAR
Lohnes, Sharon M.	Sep 18/13	Huron-Perth/LON	South Shore/MAR
Nelson, Penny	Oct 11/13	Coronation/ANW	Truro/MAR
Parsons, A. John	May 5/14	Hill & Shores/BQ	Truro/MAR
Scarlett, Eleanor L.	Sep 18/13	Huron-Perth/LON	South Shore/MAR
Wilson, Tara-Ann B.	Oct 11/13	West District/NLB	PEI/MAR

Transferred out of Maritime Conference:

Name	Eff. Date	From: Presbytery/Conference	To: Presbytery/Conference
Bragan, James H.	May 21/13	South Shore/MAR	Prince Rupert/BC
Ford, Bradley	Mar 24/14	Halifax/MAR	Hill & Shores/BQ
Frame, Janice	Jun 25/13	Halifax/MAR	Sudbury/MTU
Gibbons, Michael R.	Sep 10/13	Woolastook/MAR	Victoria/BC
Jung, Sung Min	Nov 13/12	Woolastook/MAR	Toronto South West/TOR
Kerr, Gerald A.	Mar 24/14	Truro/MAR	Four Rivers/BQ
Kuschnik, Linda I.	May 13/14	Halifax/MAR	Toronto South East/TOR
Lloyd-Pearce, David	Jul 9/13	Truro/MAR	Calgary/ANW
Short, Peter B.	Aug 6/13	Woolastook/MAR	Ottawa/M&O
Van Heuvelen, Mary Anne	Nov 4/13	Halifax/MAR	Montreal/M&O
Waddell, Harvey R.	Sep 10/13	Halifax/MAR	Victoria/BC
Waddell, Helen E.	Sep 10/13	Halifax/MAR	Victoria/BC
Whyte, Blair	Mar 6/14	Miramichi/MAR	Red Deer/ANW

Transfers applied for and not yet complete:

Name	From: Presbytery/Conference	To: Presbytery/Conference
Armstrong, Patricia G.	Northern Waters/TOR	Woolastook/MAR
Budge, Sarah (Sally)	Halifax/MAR	Ottawa/M&O
Firth-Warlund, Sheila	Woolastook/MAR	Four Winds/BQ
Phillips, Paulette	Halifax/MAR	Montreal/M&O
Tingley, Mary	Woolastook/MAR	Niagara/HAM

**Correction from 2013 Settlement Report:
 Transferred into Maritime Conference:**

Name	Eff. Date	From: Presbytery/Conference	To: Presbytery/Conference
Biggar, Robert C.	Sep 9/11	Lindsay/BQ	Sydney/MAR

B. PASTORAL CHARGES

BERMUDA SYNOD

Emmanuel (1/2 Time)	Synod Supply
Grace Circuit.....	Synod Supply
Hamilton: Wesley	Synod Supply
St. George's.....	Synod Supply

CHIGNECTO PRESBYTERY

Alma/Albert (16 hrs/wk)	Presbytery Supply
Amherst: Trinity-St. Stephen's	Presbytery Supply
Baie Verte/Port Elgin/Tidnish Bridge (1/2 Time)..... (DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply)	W. Wayne Jarvis
Bayfield/Little Shemogue (Full Time)..... (DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply)	William N. Drysdale
Cumberland (1/2 Time)..... (Provisional Call)	Lynda G. MacCulloch (Jul 1/14)
Hillsborough (1/2 Time)	Presbytery Supply
Jolicure (4 hrs/wk)	(DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply) W. Wayne Jarvis
Lakeville-St. David's (12 hrs/wk)	Presbytery Supply
McCully (12 hrs/wk)	(United Supply) Lloyd Bruce
McKee's Mills (12 hrs/wk)	Presbytery Supply
Northumberland (Full Time)	(DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply) K. Ruth Gamble
Parrsborough Shore (Full Time)	Presbytery Supply
Rexton (1/2 Time)	Presbytery Supply
Riverview: Bridgedale (1/2 Time)	Presbytery Supply
Sackville (Full Time)	(United Supply) Catherine E. Smith
Salisbury (Full Time)	Presbytery Supply
Shediac (7 hrs/wk)	Presbytery Supply
Springhill (1/2 Time)	Presbytery Supply
Southampton (11 hrs/wk)	Presbytery Supply

HALIFAX PRESBYTERY

Bedford (1/2 Time)	(United Supply) Jennifer L. Power
Bedford (Full Time)	(DLM Non-Recognized – Presbytery Supply) Richard Gunn
Dartmouth: Woodlawn (3M)(35 hrs/wk).....	Presbytery Supply
Halifax: Bethany (Full Time).....	Time to Call
Halifax: Bethany (20 hrs/wk).....	(Retired Supply) Arlene Riches
Halifax: Brunswick Street (1/3 Time).....	Supplied by Halifax: St. Andrew's
Halifax: Rockingham (Full Time).....	Debbie A. Aitken (Oct 1/13)

Halifax: St. Andrew's (2M)(Full Time).....	Kevin C. Little (Oct 1/13)
Lawrencetown/Lake Echo (1/2 Time)	Time to Call
Sackville: Knox (Full Time)	I. Ross Bartlett (Aug 1/13)
Sheet Harbour (Part Time)	Presbytery Supply
St. Luke's (Full Time)	Time to Call
St. Margaret's Bay (Part Time)	Presbytery Supply
William Black (14 hrs/wk)	Presbytery Supply

INVERNESS-GUYSBOROUGH PRESBYTERY

Eastern Guysborough (1/2 Time).....	Presbytery Supply
Margaree (Full Time)	(DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply) Norma Mills
Middle River/Baddeck Forks	Supplied from Baddeck
Mulgrave (1/2 Time).....	Presbytery Supply
River and Lakeside (1/2 Time)	(Student Supply) Karen Ross
Saint John's (Full Time).....	(DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply) Margaret A. Plant
West Bay (Full Time).....	Presbytery Supply
Whycocomagh (1/2 Time)	Presbytery Supply

MIRAMICHI PRESBYTERY

Blackville (1/2 Time)	Time to Call
Douglstown (12 hrs/wk)	Presbytery Supply
Gaspé/Cap-aux-Os (Part Time)	Presbytery Supply
Loggieville/Black River (Full Time).....	(DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply) Penny Postlethwaite
Miscou (Part Time)	Presbytery Supply
New Bandon (Full Time)	(DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply) Kathryn J. McIntosh
New Carlisle (11% Time)	(Shared Ministry with New Richmond) Time to Call
New Richmond (89% Time)	(Shared Ministry with New Carlisle) Time to Call
Red Bank (Full Time)	Presbytery Supply
Tabusintac (Full Time)	(Provisional Call) Gerald C. Blaquiere (Jul 1/14)
Upsalquitch (Part Time)	Presbytery Supply

PICTOU PRESBYTERY

New Glasgow (Full Time).....	Donna E. Tourneur (Feb 1/14)
Saltsprings-Lyon's Brook-Scotsburn (Full Time).....	Time to Call
Stellarton (1/2 Time).....	(Retired Supply) W. James Shaffner
Trenton (Full Time).....	Wade L. Reppert (Mar 1/14)

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND PRESBYTERY

Bedeque North (Part Time)	Presbytery Supply
Bideford (Full Time)	Tara-Ann Wilson (Aug 1/13)
Cavendish/Breadalbane (3/4 Time).....	Presbytery Supply
Charlottetown: Spring Park (1/2 Time)	Presbytery Supply
Memorial (Full Time).....	Time to Call
O'Leary/West Cape (1/2 Time)	Presbytery Supply
St. David's, Georgetown (1/4 Time).....	Presbytery Supply
Wellington (1/2 Time)	Presbytery Supply

SAINT JOHN PRESBYTERY

Apohaqui/Norton/Kings Kirk (1/2 Time)	Time to Call
Hampton (Full Time)	Kelly Hudson-Lewis (Sep 1/13)
Lorneville/St. Giles (1/2 Time).....	Presbytery Supply
Millstream (24 hrs/wk).....	Pamela S. Reidpath (Sep 1/13)
Rothsay (Full Time)	(DLM Staff Associate – Presbytery Supply) Alicia Walls
Saint John: Carleton/Kirk (Full Time)	(DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply) Christina J. Hague

Saint John: Glen View United Church (1/2 Time).....Presbytery Supply
Saint John: Park Avenue (1/2 Time).....(DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply) Vincent Galbraith
Saint John: Silver Falls (1/2 Time)Presbytery Supply
Saint John: St. Andrew & St. David (1/2 Time)Presbytery Supply
Saint John: St. Mark’s (Full Time)John M. Roy (Oct 1/13)
St. Martin’s (1/2 Time) Time to Call
Welsford (37 hrs/wk)Presbytery Supply

SOUTH SHORE PRESBYTERY

Barrington (Full Time)Presbytery Supply
Blue Rocks-Stonehurst.....Supplied from Mahone Bay
Bridgewater (Full Time)..... (Provisional Call) David E. Campbell (Jul 1/14)
Brooklyn (1/2 Time)Presbytery Supply
Caledonia (Part Time) Time to Call
Clyde/Carleton (Part Time)Presbytery Supply
First South (12 hrs/wk).....(Retired Supply) G. Curtis McDonald
Liverpool (Full Time)..... (United Supply) Sheila Redden-Smith
Lockeport (Half Time)Presbytery Supply
New Germany (1/2 Time)Presbytery Supply
New West Pine (6 hrs/wk) (Retired Supply) Ivan Norton
Port Mouton (1/2 Time)Presbytery Supply
Yarmouth (Full Time) Sharon Lohnes (Aug 15/13)

ST. CROIX PRESBYTERY

Bocabec (Part Time).....Presbytery Supply
Lawrence Station (Part Time)Presbytery Supply
McAdam (Full Time) (Candidate Supply) Susan Breisch
Oak Bay (Part Time)Presbytery Supply
St. James (1/4 Time)Supplied by St. Andrew’s
St. Stephen: Kirk-McColl (12 hrs/wk) (Retired Supply – Sabbatical Leave Supply) Robert L. Johnson
Upper Mills United Church (Part Time)Presbytery Supply

SYDNEY PRESBYTERY

Boularderie (1/2 Time).....(DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply) Sylvia Fitzgerald
Chalmers/Warden (1/2 Time) Time to Call
Donkin/Morien/Birch Grove (1/2 Time)(Retired Supply) Robert Biggar
Florence/Little Bras d’Or (Part Time)..... Supplied by Sydney Mines
Glance Bay: Newsom United Church (1/2 Time)..... (Retired Supply) Donald J. MacDonald
Gordon (Part Time)Presbytery Supply
North Sydney (Full Time)Presbytery Supply
St. Ann’s Bay United Church (Full Time) (United Supply) Hazel J. Morris
St. Peter’s/Grand River/Loch Lomond (1/4 Time) (Retired Supply) Carolyn V. MacLeod
St. Peter’s/Grand River/Loch Lomond (1/4 Time) (Retired Supply) Victor A. MacLeod
Sydney: First (Full Time)(United Supply) Gary C. Burrill
Sydney: St. Andrew’s (Full Time) (Retired Supply) Boyce Elliott
Sydney: Trinity (Full Time)Presbytery Supply
Waterview (Full Time).....Presbytery Supply
Westmount (Part Time).....Presbytery Supply

TRURO PRESBYTERY

Brookfield (Full Time)(Provisional Call) J. Keith N. Gale (Jul 1/14)
Great Village (Part Time).....Presbytery Supply
Harmony-Camden (13.3 hrs/wk)Presbytery Supply
Kennetcook, St. Paul’s (10 hrs/wk).....Presbytery Supply

Lower Musquodoboit (1/2 Time)..... (Cooperative Ministry – Middle Musquodoboit) Time to Call
 Maitland (Part Time)Presbytery Supply
 Middle Musquodoboit (1/2 Time) (Cooperative Ministry – Lower Musquodoboit) Time to Call
 Onslow-Belmont (3/4 Time).....(Retired Supply) Glenn MacLean
 Rawdon (1/2 Time)Presbytery Supply
 River Philip (Part Time).....Presbytery Supply
 Tatamagouche (Full Time).....Penny Nelson (Jan 1/14)
 Truro: Brunswick Street-North River (1/2 Time) Time to Call
 Truro: First (10 hrs/wk)..... (Retired Supply) Roger K. Moore
 Upper Londonderry (Full Time)..... (Provisional Call) Carol Gillard (Jul 1/14)
 Upper Musquodoboit (Shared Ministry – Presbyterian) Michael Henderson
 Wentworth (1/2 Time)Presbytery Supply

VALLEY PRESBYTERY

Annapolis-Granville (Full Time) Elisabeth Bachem-Jennings (Sep 1/13)
 Cornwallis (14 hrs/wk).....Presbytery Supply
 Hantsport (Full Time)..... Time to Call
 Newport (1/2 Time)(Provisional Call) Kevin L. Cox (Jul 1/14)
 Orchard Valley (Full Time) Randall C. Crozsmann (Jul 1/13)
 Orchard Valley (Full Time) Annika L. Sangster (Jan 1/14)
 Rivers of Grace (1/2 Time)Presbytery Supply
 Ste. Croix (1/2 Time)Presbytery Supply
 Vaughans (Part Time)Presbytery Supply
 Walton (Part Time)Presbytery Supply
 William Black (Part Time)Presbytery Supply

WOOLASTOOK PRESBYTERY

Andover-Kincardine (3/4 Time) (United Supply) Steven R. Longmoore
 Boiestown (1/2 Time)(Shared Ministry with Doaktown) Patricia (Patti) G. Armstrong (Dec 2/13)
 Canterbury-Richmond (Full Time)(Provisional Call) Gregory B. Williams (Jul 1/14)
 Doaktown (1/2 Time)..... (Shared Ministry with Boiestown) Patricia (Patti) G. Armstrong (Dec 2/13)
 Edmundston (Part Time) (Ecumenical Shared Ministry - Anglican) Fran Bedell
 Faith Memorial (Full Time) Susan L. Estabrooks (Sep 23/13)
 Fredericton: Marysville-Penniac (1/2 Time).....Presbytery Supply
 Fredericton: St. Paul's (Full Time)..... Call Pending
 Fredericton: St. Paul's (1/4 Time).....(Retired Supply) Robert A. Jones
 Fredericton: Wilmot (1/2 Time).....Presbytery Supply
 Gagetown-Grand Lake (1/2 Time)..... Jane Johnson (Jun 1/13)
 Keswick Ridge (Full Time)..... A. David Luker (Mar 1/14)
 Kingsley/Birdton (Part Time).....Presbytery Supply
 Lake View United Church (1/2 Time)Presbytery Supply
 Lincoln (14 hrs/wk) Brian D. MacDonald (Jul 1/14)
 Minto (1/2 Time)..... Jane Johnson (Jun 15/13)
 Nashwaak (32 hrs/wk)..... Time to Call
 Oromocto (Full Time) Time to Call
 Plaster Rock-Grand Falls-Riley Brook (Part Time)
 (Ecumenical Shared Ministry – Anglican Parish of the Tobique) Amanda Longmoore
 Sheffield (1/2 Time)Presbytery Supply
 Stanley (Full Time) (DLM Recognized – Presbytery Supply) Wallace C. Ellis

**C. TRANSFERS BETWEEN PRESBYTERIES
 2013 - 2014**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Presbytery From</u>	<u>Presbytery To</u>	<u>Date</u>
Burke-Cole, Kymberley	Truro	Halifax	Sep 9/13
Burrill, Gary	Truro	Sydney	May 22/14
Butt, Pix	Valley	Halifax	Sep 19/13
Churchill, Gloria E.	Valley	Halifax	Sep 19/13
Edsall, Holly J.	Halifax	Valley	Jan 16/14
Edsall, Holly J.	Valley	Halifax	May 5/14
Estabrooks, Susan L.	Chignecto	Woolastook	Nov 8/13
Kean, Wendy L.	Valley	Halifax	Jan 16/14
Luker, A. David	Sydney	Woolastook	May 5/14
MacLean, Glenn M.	Halifax	Truro	Jan 16/14
MacLeod, Carolyn V.	Chignecto	Sydney	May 22/14
MacLeod, Victor A.	Chignecto	Sydney	May 22/14
Matheson, R. Christen	Sydney	Inv-Guys	Feb 28/14
Mills, Stephen R.	Sydney	Inv-Guys	Sep 18/13
Morris, Hazel-Jane	Woolastook	Sydney	Sep 18/13
Pick, Shelley M.	Valley	Halifax	Nov 8/13
Reidpath, Pamela S.	PEI	Saint John	Nov 8/13
Reppert, Wade L.	Sydney	Pictou	Jan 16/14
Riches, Arlene E.	Pictou	Halifax	Jun 24/13
Roy, John M.	Pictou	Saint John	Nov 8/13
Sangster, Annika L.	Truro	Valley	Jan 16/14
Tourneur, Donna E.	Inv-Guys	Pictou	Jan 16/14

**D. APPOINTMENTS FOR LONGER THAN ONE PASTORAL YEAR
 REFERRED TO SETTLEMENT COMMITTEE FOR APPROVAL**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Presbytery</u>	<u>Pastoral Charge</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Period of Appt</u>
Breisch, Susan	St. Croix	McAdam	CS	Aug 15/12 – Aug 14/14
Bruce, Lloyd	Chignecto	McCully	US	Jul 1/13 – Jun 30/16
Drysdale, William N.	Chignecto	Bayfield-Little Shemogue	DLM	Jul 1/13 – Jun 30/15
Ellis, Wallace C.	Woolastook	Stanley	DLM	Jul 1/13 – Jun 30/16
Fitzgerald, Sylvia	Sydney	Boularderie	DLM	Jul 1/14 – Jun 30/17
Gamble, K. Ruth	Chignecto	Northumberland	DLM	Jul 1/13 – Jun 30/16
Gunn, Richard	Halifax	Bedford	DLM (NR)	Jul 1/13 – Jun 30/16
Hague, Christina J.	Saint John	Saint John: Carleton-Kirk	DLM	Jul 1/12 – Jun 30/15
Jarvis, W. Wayne	Chignecto	Baie Verte/Pt. Elgin/Tid...	DLM	Jun 1/13 – May 31/16
Jarvis, W. Wayne	Chignecto	Jolicure	DLM	Jun 1/13 – May 31/16
Longmoore, Amanda	Woolastook	Plaster Rock/...	Shared Min.	Sep 1/13 – Aug 31/15
Longmoore, Steven R.	Woolastook	Andover-Kincardine	US	Sep 1/13 – Aug 31/15
MacDonald, Donald J.	Sydney	Glace Bay: Newsom	RS	Jul 1/13 – Jun 30/15
Mills, Norma	Inv-Guys	Margaree	DLM	May 1/14 – Apr 30/17
Morris, Hazel-Jane	Sydney	St. Ann's Bay UC	US	Jun 1/13 – May 31/15
Norton, Ivan	South Shore	New West Pine	RS	Jan 1/14 – Dec 31/16
Plant, Margaret A.	Inv-Guys	Saint John's	DLM	Jul 1/13 – Jun 30/16
Postlethwaite, Penny	Miramichi	Loggieville-Black River	DLM	Jul 1/13 – Jun 30/16
Power, Jennifer L.	Halifax	Bedford	US	Jul 1/13 – Jun 30/16
Redden-Smith, Sheila	South Shore	Liverpool	US	Apr 8/13 – Apr 7/15
Smith, Catherine E.	Chignecto	Sackville	US	Jan 21/13 – Jan 20/15
Walls, Alicia	Saint John	Rothsay	DLM (NR)	Jan 1/14 – Jan 1/16

**E. APPLICATIONS TO BE LEFT WITHOUT PASTORAL CHARGE
2013 - 2014
Completed by Executive Action**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Presbytery</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Archibald, Margaret J.	Woolastook	Other Employment – Guidance Counsellor - China
Butler-Jones, Susan	PEI	In Search of Call/Appointment
Butt, Pix	Valley	In Search of Call/Appointment
Churchill, Gloria E.	Valley	In Search of Call/Appointment
Cory, Angela L.	Saint John	Long-term Disability
Crooks, Catherine	Truro	Other Employment – Minister in Congregational Church USA
Crump, Judith	Truro	Other Employment – NS Department of Justice
Hemming, Heather	Halifax	In Search of Call/Appointment
Matheson, R. Christen	Inv-Guys	In Search of Call/Appointment
Tusz-King, Eric C.	Chignecto	Other Employment
Uhryniw, Donaldson	Saint John	In Search of Call/Appointment

**F. APPLICATIONS TO BE LEFT WITHOUT PASTORAL CHARGE
2014 - 2015**

We recommend to Maritime Conference the following members of the Order of Ministry to be retained on the roll of Presbytery indicated for the Pastoral Year 2014 - 2015:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Presbytery</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Butler-Jones, Susan	PEI	In Search of Call/Appointment
Chant, Jeffrey M.	Halifax	Other Employment – HR Consultation
Greenwood, Lisa M.	Woolastook	Long-term Disability
Hamilton Dowell, Pamela	Halifax	Long-term Disability
Higgins, Kelly D.	Woolastook	Other Employment – Grief Counsellor
Matheson, Melaney	PEI	Other Employment – Farming/Parenting
Medeiros, Helena	Saint John	In Search of Call/Appointment
Morrison, Sandra	Sydney	Other Employment – Director, Spiritual Care & Volunteer Services
Travers, Janet	PEI	Long-term Disability

G. PLACEMENT ON DISCONTINUED SERVICE LIST

Maritime Conference acted to place the name of Geneviève Trudel on the Discontinued Service List [Voluntary] at her own request, with the concurrence of Sydney Presbytery, removing her from the roll of Sydney Presbytery and Maritime Conference, effective October 20, 2012. (Manual [2010] Section 427.3)

H. RETIREMENTS

We recommend to Maritime Conference the following members of the Order of Ministry for retirement and attachment to the Presbytery indicated on the date of retirement:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Presbytery</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Bird-Daley, Doreen	Miramichi	Jul 31/14
Burse, Jeffro	Saint John	Aug 31/13
Murray, Gordon S.	Halifax	Mar 31/13
Noble, Joy	PEI	Sep 30/14

Appendix B

PRESBYTERY NOMINATIONS FOR COMMISSIONERS TO GENERAL COUNCIL - 2015

Bermuda

Ministry Personnel

Lay

Lorraine Beasley

Pictou

Ministry Personnel

James Shaffner

Wade Reppert - alt.

Lay

Heather Facey

Margaret Anne Dodson - alt.

Sydney

Ministry Personnel

Rober Biggar

Duncan Roach - alt.

Lay

Donald MacKay

Margaret Blue - alt.

Chignectio

Ministry Personnel

Wayne Smith

Steve Berube - alt.

Lay

Anna Peters

Paul Wood - alt.

PEI

Ministry Personnel

Barbara Wagner

Ewen Moase - alt.

Lay

Garth Wood

Nathan Zwicker - alt.

Truro

Ministry Personnel

Valerie Kingsbury

Mary J White - alt.

Lay

Grant Vaughan

Mary Jo Harrison - alt.

Halifax

Ministry Personnel

Linda Yates

Mathew Fillier - alt.

Lay

Joyce Wylie

Henry Ellsworth - alt.

Saint John

Ministry Personnel

Alicia Walls

Scott Hillier - alt.

Lay

Krista Tabor

Nelson Ball - alt.

Valley

Ministry Personnel

Robyn Brown-Hewitt

Michael Mugford - alt.

Lay

Don Holmesdale

Linda Moffat - alt.

Inverness-Guysborough

Ministry Personnel

Heather Manuel

Alison Etter - alt.

Lay

Alice MacAskill

Lorna MacRury - alt.

St. Croix

Ministry Personnel

Jane Doull

Mark Hatfield - alt.

Lay

Barbara Greenlaw

Shirley Clarke - alt.

Woolastook

Ministry Personnel

Kelly Burke

Rose-Hannah Gaskin - alt.

Lay

Heather Donnelly

Karen Elliott - alt.

Miramichi

Ministry Personnel

Charlene Maguire MacKnight

Blair Lewis - alt.

Lay

Georgina Baisley

Marion Green - alt.

South Shore

Ministry Personnel

Bethe Benjamin-Cameron

Sheila Redden-Smith - alt.

Lay

Janet Hartlen

Jack Logan - alt.