

## **Governing Board Meeting Minutes**

### **28 June 2018**

Attended: Rev. Elder Rachelle Brown, Rev. Victoria Burson, Angel Collie, Rev. Jakob Hero-Shaw, Rev. Miak Siew, Dr. David Williams. Staff: Barbara Crabtree, Director of Operations, Jack Hutter

Absent: Rev. Joe Cobb, Dr. Mark Dalglish, Kimberly Brown

Quorum was established.

After a brief check-in, the meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Rachelle.

#### **Consent Agenda:**

2018 04-27 thru 29 GB F2F Meeting Minutes  
2018 June – Moderator’s Report  
2018 April Financial Reports  
2018 May Financial Reports

There was discussion about the April minutes and the decision made to pull from the consent agenda until additional clarifications are made.

**A motion to accept the consent agenda as modified without the 2018 04-27 thru 29 GB Meeting Minutes was made by Dr. David Williams. The motion was seconded by Rev Victoria Burson.**

**Aye: All voting members present**

**No: None**

**Abstain: None**

**Motion carries.**

#### **Discussion Agenda:**

Assessment Committee Report – David, Barb, and Rachelle are working on assessment agreements with churches, as part of our ongoing work and to prepare amenable churches to be in good standing to vote in General Conference 2019. There are currently less than 10 churches without agreements and not paying any amount toward assessments. It was noted that while many churches are entering agreements to be in sync with current policy, some churches are not paying, or making agreements and then not honoring the agreement made and withholding their contribution to MCC. One recommendation being considered is to update our current policy to say that a church must be in compliance at least six months before a General Conference to ensure mutual accountability and commitment. Any formal recommendations to policy change will be addressed at forthcoming meetings. The Board also said that it is important to look at the quality of relationships when working with the churches, particularly stressing our interconnectedness locally and globally with regard to financial commitments and the delivery of ministry and programming.

Assessment Commission Report – David reported that the Commission is working on getting the revisions back to the Governing Board. It is anticipated that they will meet in the next couple of days to resolve the issue. The Board anticipates that the Virtual General Conference will take place in early August.

Finance Committee Report – David discussed the results of the 2014 Audit which highlighted some deficiencies. The first was in regard to personnel on stipends. They need to have an MOU or contract in place and those in the U.S. need to receive a 1099. The other issue was around credit card receipts being turned in in a timely manner. The current policy needs to be enforced more stringently.

**A motion to approve the 2014 Audit Report and authorize Dr. David Williams to sign the audit letter was made by Rev. Elder Rachelle. The motion was seconded by Rev. Jakob Hero-Shaw.**

**Aye: All present except Dr. David Williams**

**No: None**

**Abstain: Dr. David Williams**

**Motion carries.**

Governance Committee Report – Victoria discussed the Governance Committee's timetable as it pertains to the MNC, GBNC, and Bylaws Team going forward. She has created a time-line to reflect all the activities so that there are no conflicts or confusion. The Committee is still on task and meeting targeted dates. The GBNC has been announced. Orientation of the MNC is schedule for Saturday, 1 June 2018. Elisa Vega-Burns will be doing the training. Victoria said she is very appreciative of her committee members. The Board also discussed the Governing Board Nominating Committee charter.

**A motion to approve the Governing Board Nominating Committee Charter as presented was made by Rev. Miak Siew. The motion was seconded by Rev. Jakob Hero-Shaw.**

**Aye: All present**

**No: None**

**Abstain: None**

**Motion carries.**

Development Committee Report – Rev. Elder Tony Freeman will be assisting with development. Rev. Troy Perry and his husband, Phillip are going to be honorary chairpersons and will be doing a video for the Let Your Light Shine campaign. To date, over \$28,000 has been raised.

Communications Committee Report - Joe is working with the committee. The Q & A from the last GB Webinar will be posted in the near future. The next issue of Headline News is coming out on 3 July.

Meeting went into Executive Session at 7:20 pm EDT and returned from Executive Session at 8:00 pm EDT.

Meeting was closed in prayer by Rev. Miak.