

# Diocese of New Westminster

*(Minutes of the Meeting of Diocesan Council held June 10<sup>th</sup> 2003,  
at St. Augustine's Parish Hall, Vancouver)*

Present: The Very Rev. Peter Elliott (Chair), The Rev. Rodney Andrews, The Rev. Michael Batten, Ms. Margaret Briscall, The Rev. Randolph Bruce, Mr. George Cadman, Mr. Jack Calhoun, Mrs. Penny Charlesworth, Ms. Kathy Derksen, Mrs. Anne Field, The Rev. Sheila Flynn, Ms. Bonnie Fulton, Mr. Robert Gauthier, Phoebe Hamilton, Mr. Peter Hare, The Ven. Ronald Harrison, Mr. Basil Izumi, Ms. Beth Johnson, Ms. Muriel Kerr, The Rev. John Mash, The Rev. Dawn McDonald, Mr. Glen Mitchell, Mr. Donald Paul, The Ven. Andrew Pike, The Rev. Paula Porter Leggett, Ms. Marcia Sauder, The Ven. Beverley Stewart, Mr. Roger Sweeny, The Rev. Helen Tervo, Mr. Alexander Wilson.

Regrets: Ms. Ruth Anderson, The Rev. Charles Balfour, The Ven. Barbara Clay, The Rev. Kevin Dixon, Mrs. Wendy Harris, The Right Rev. Michael Ingham, The Ven. David Retter, The Ven. Louis Rivers, Mr. David Rushton, Mr. Jim Stewart, The Ven. John Struthers.

Absent: The Rev. Ken Baker, Ms. Ashley Brear.

Also Present: The Rev. Paul Borthistle, Ms. Andrea Rosgen, Mr. Michael Wellwood.

## 1. OPENING:

Because the Bishop was leading a course at Sorrento, the meeting was chaired by his Commissary, the Very Rev. Peter Elliott.

The Dean welcomed new members to Diocesan Council. The Dean, the Chancellor, Archdeacon Beverley Stewart, the Rev. Paul Borthistle and Ms. Beth Johnson spoke about the function and importance of Diocesan Council.

All present introduced themselves.

The Dean opened the meeting with prayer.

The Dean thanked the Rev. Graeme Brownlee and the Parish of St. Augustine for their hospitality.

The Dean introduced the Rev. Lynne McNaughton, Regional Dean of Granville/Point Grey. She spoke about the Deanery and introduced representatives of Deanery parishes.

## 2. PRESENT/REGRETS:

Regrets were received (see above) and a sign-in sheet was distributed.

### 3. MINUTES:

**Motion**      **Moved:**                      **The Rev. Michael Batten**  
                  **Seconded:**                      **Ms. Margaret Briscall**

THAT the Minutes of the May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2003 meeting be adopted as circulated.

*CARRIED*

### 4. ITEMS FOR ACTION:

#### 4.1. No Debate Motions

**Motion**      **Moved:**                      **The Chancellor**  
                  **Seconded:**                      **The Registrar**

THAT the following Synod motions be adopted:

1. THAT this Synod give thanks for the work of the Mission to Seafarers Society in Vancouver and Delta; and join in celebrating the centennial of the Flying Angel Ministry during the week of September 13 - 21, 2003 which has been proclaimed "International Seafarers Week" by the City of Vancouver.
2. THAT Synod express its commitment that public education is a sacred trust which we all share as British Columbians, and uphold the premise of public education being one of equal opportunity for all children in British Columbia. In affirming our commitment to this, we request the Bishop on our behalf to write to the Minister of Education and the Minister of Children and Families to ask that sufficient financial resources are provided to ensure a free and appropriate public education system that meets the needs of all the children in the Province of British Columbia.

*CARRIED*

Mr. Glen Mitchell spoke about the Mission to Seafarers and encouraged everyone to participate in the centennial celebrations. Phoebe Hamilton presented a Mission to Seafarers flag to the Dean, asking him to give it to the Bishop.

#### 4.2. Synod Motion 9 - Synod Delegates

**Motion**      **Moved:**                      **The Registrar**  
                  **Seconded:**                      **The Rev. John Mash**

THAT the Canons be amended to permit the Rector and the Wardens of a parish to appoint an additional Alternate Synod Delegate or Delegates where there are insufficient Alternate Delegates available to attend Synod and there is insufficient time to hold a Church Committee meeting to elect further Alternate

Delegates. Any additional Alternate Delegates shall be current elected members of the Church Committee;

and that the Constitution and Canons Committee be directed to prepare an appropriate amendment for consideration by the next regular Synod.

*CARRIED*

#### **4.3. Christ Church Cemetery**

**Motion**      **Moved:**                      **The Chancellor**  
                  **Seconded:**                    **The Ven. Ronald Harrison**

1. THAT the existing bylaws of Christ Church Cemetery (Surrey), if any, be repealed.
2. THAT the Schedule of Fees presented to Diocesan Council be approved for immediate implementation subject to the approval of the Registrar of Cemeteries. If the Memorial Garden has not been approved by the Registrar of Cemeteries, references to the Memorial Garden in the Schedule of Fees shall be deleted until the Memorial Garden is approved by the Registrar, at which time fees for the Memorial Garden shall be added back into the Schedule of Fees and the Schedule of Fees as so amended shall be resubmitted to the Registrar of Cemeteries for approval.
3. THAT the bylaws (including Schedules A to D) as amended by A & F be approved subject to the approval of the Registrar of Cemeteries and that, subject to approval of the Registrar of Cemeteries, the Schedule of Fees for the Cemetery be incorporated into the Bylaws as Schedule E of the Bylaws.
4. THAT the Cemetery Board's request that George Orr, C.A., be appointed as Treasurer be approved.
5. THAT the following appointments to the Board are hereby made:

Director	Al Kirk (Re-appointment)
Director	Rev. Pam Worthington, Regional Dean (Re-appointment)
Director	Donald N. Paul, Registrar (Re-appointment)
Director	Susan Waddacor (Re-appointment)
Director	George Orr, C.A.

*CARRIED*

Mr. Donald Paul abstained from voting on the above motion.

**4.4. All Saints, Burnaby**

**Motion**            **Moved:**                    **The Ven. Andrew Pike**  
                         **Seconded:**                **The Registrar**

THAT Diocesan Council allows the parish of All Saints, Burnaby to withdraw \$20,000.00 from its Rectory Fund within the Consolidated Trust Fund (CTF), with the net amount remaining following the withdrawal becoming the new "restricted" fund balance within the CTF. The Parish is to receive a cheque for \$20,000.00 less the amount owing on the parish loan from the Diocese.

*CARRIED*

The Rev. Randolph Bruce abstained from voting on the above motion.

**5. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/INFORMATION**

**5.1. Strategic Development Plan Implementation**

Ms. Marcia Sauder, on behalf of the Chairs of Standing Committees (commonly known as the Standing Chairs), presented a report on the implementation of the Diocesan Strategic Development Plan.

**5.2. Diocesan Financial Statements**

Mr. Mike Wellwood presented the Diocesan Financial Statements for April and May, 2003. The Dean declared these statements received with thanks.

**5.3. Diocesan Council Address List**

Mr. Mike Wellwood asked that any errors in the Address List be reported to him.

**5.4. Diocese of Caledonia Correspondence**

The Chancellor circulated copies of a Pastoral Letter from the Bishop of Caledonia in which he declared an impairment of communion with the Diocese of New Westminster.

**5.5. St. Matthew, Abbotsford**

**Motion**      **Moved:**                      **The Chancellor**  
                  **Seconded:**                      **Ms. Beth Johnson**

THAT Diocesan Council move in camera.

*CARRIED*

**Motion**      **Moved:**                      **The Chancellor**  
                  **Seconded:**                      **Ms. Beth Johnson**

THAT the Business Administrator be requested by Diocesan Council to communicate with the Treasurer and Trustees of the Parish of St. Matthew, Abbotsford to obtain the necessary financial reporting pursuant to Regulation 12, pp. 5. 1 and report to the September meeting of Diocesan Council

*CARRIED*

**Motion**      **Moved:**                      **The Chancellor**  
                  **Seconded:**                      **The Rev. Rodney Andrews**

THAT Diocesan Council move ex camera.

*CARRIED*

**5.6. Baxter Class Action**

The Chancellor circulated correspondence with regard to a Third Party Claim by the Federal Government in Baxter Class Action.

**6. STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

**Motion**      **Moved:**                      **The Ven. Beverley Stewart**  
                  **Seconded:**                      **Mrs. Penny Charlesworth**

THAT the people listed in Appendix A be appointed to the Standing Committees, effective immediately. (Those marked with an asterisk have already been appointed by the Bishop but are included for completeness.)

*CARRIED*

**7. NATIONAL CONSULTATION**

The Dean reminded all members of Diocesan Council that they are invited to participate in a National Consultation on June 21, 2003.

## 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

### 8.1. Administration and Finance Committee:

Minutes for the May 27<sup>th</sup> meeting were circulated.

### 8.2. Communications Committee:

Minutes for the May 29<sup>th</sup> meeting were circulated.

### 8.3. Ministry and Congregational Development Committee:

Minutes for the May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting were circulated.

### 8.4. Ordained Ministry Division:

Minutes for the May 27<sup>th</sup> meeting were circulated.

### 8.5. Stewards in Action Ministry Committee:

No Minutes were circulated.

### 8.6. Stewardship Development Committee:

Minutes for the May 13<sup>th</sup> meeting were circulated.

### 8.7. Diocesan Planned Giving Unit:

Minutes for the May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting were circulated.

### 8.8. Grants and Loans Committee

Minutes for the May 28<sup>th</sup> meeting were circulated.

## 9. ADJOURNMENT:

The Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m. and closed with the prayer.

## 10. NEXT MEETING:

The next regular meeting of Diocesan Council will be held on September 9<sup>th</sup> 2003,  
at St. Augustine, Vancouver.

Ms. Margaret Briscall

Lay Secretary

Rev. Michael Batten

Clerical Secretary

## APPENDIX A

### Standing Committees Membership

#### STEWARDSHIP DEVELOPMENT

David Rushton *	St. David Delta	(Chair)
Walter Herring	St. Faith	
Ruth Lin	St. Matthias & St. Luke	
Tia Moras	St. Alban Richmond	
Trudy Shaw	St. John Port Moody	

#### ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

James Stewart *	St. Dunstan	(Chair and Diocesan Treasurer)
Susan Chortyk	St. Thomas Vancouver	
Anne Field	St. Cuthbert Delta	
Chris Funston	St. Stephen West Vancouver	
John Macintyre	St. David Delta	
Don Morris	Christ the Redeemer	
Carole Neilson	St. Christopher	
Charles Nurse	St. George Fort Langley	
Donald Paul *	St. Anne Steveston	
Andrew Pike	St. Anne Steveston	
Ian Robertson	St. David Delta	
Marcia Sauder	St. Mary Kerrisdale	

#### GRANTS AND LOANS

James Stewart *	St. Dunstan	(Chair and Diocesan Treasurer)
Rodney Andrews	St. Alban Richmond	
Pat Dempsey	St. David Delta	
Kevin Dixon	St. Mary Kerrisdale	
Cathy Hall	St. John Port Moody	
Tess Meadows	St. John North Vancouver	
Dan Meakes	St. John North Vancouver	
Don Morris	Christ the Redeemer	
Donald Paul *	St. Anne Steveston	
Reinhard Rudersdorfer	All Saints Ladner	
David Rushton	St. David Delta	
Marcia Sauder	St. Mary Kerrisdale	
Robert Turnbull	St. Anne Steveston	

## ORDAINED MINISTRY DIVISION

Rodney Andrews *	St. Alban Richmond	(Chair)
Margaret Briscall	St. Mary Kerrisdale	
Lilian Elliott	St. Margaret of Scotland	
John Firmston	St. David Vancouver	
Gary Hamblin	On leave	
Margery Kellett	Christ Church Cathedral	
Clarence Li	St. James	
Lynne McNaughton	Vancouver School of Theology	
Mary Millerd	St. Francis-in-the-Wood	
Bill Stephens	Retired	
John Struthers	St. David Delta	
Nicholas Wilson	St. John Shaughnessy	

## PLANNED GIVING

Kevin Dixon *	St. Mary Kerrisdale	(Chair)
Ken Blows	St. Andrew Langley	
Ed Fidler	St. Mary Kerrisdale	
Walter Herring	St. Faith	
Carla McGhie	All Saints Ladner	
Christopher Richardson	St. Helen Vancouver	
David Rushton	St. David Delta	
Pat Sallis	All Saints Ladner	

## STEWARDS IN ACTION

Beth Johnson *	All Saints Ladner	(Chair)
Anne Anthony	St. Philip	
Dave Bettesworth	St. George Maple Ridge	
Brian Corbould	St. Laurence Coquitlam	
Gail Edwards	St. James	
Carla McGhie	All Saints Ladner	

## COMMUNICATION

Ruth Anderson *	St. Catherine Port Coquitlam	(Chair)
Sheila Flynn	St. Bartholomew Gibsons	
Jordie Forbes	St. John Sardis	
Jane Osler	Christ Church Cathedral	
Reinhard Rudersdorfer	All Saints Ladner	

## MINISTRY AND CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Marcia Sauder *	St. Mary Kerrisdale	(Chair)
Brian Corbould	St. Laurence Coquitlam	
Gordon Dominey	St. Stephen Burnaby	
Peter Elliott	Christ Church Cathedral	
Muriel Kerr	All Saints Ladner	
Michael McGee	St. Mary Kerrisdale	
Sharon Salomons	St. Philip	
Brian Strehler	St. James	

\* Appointed by the Bishop