

Minutes
of the 37th Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of BC & Yukon
Gather, Transform, Send
held September 18-20, 2015
at Sorrento Centre, Sorrento, BC

Present:

Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior

The Rt. Rev. Barbara Andrews
The Rev. Kristen Dobyns
The Rev. Danny Whitehead

Ms. Heather Shuter Trosky
Ms. Betty Long
Ms. Cathy Wozlowski

Diocese of British Columbia

The Rt. Rev. Logan McMenamie
The Ven. Brian Evans (Prolocutor)
The Rev. Clara Plamondon
The Rev. Alastair McCollum

Mrs. Barbara Henshall
Mr. Stephen Martin
Ms. Sally Orr

Diocese of Caledonia

The Rt. Rev. William Anderson
The Rev. Roy Andrews
The Very Rev. Jason Haggstrom

Mr. Randall Dering
Mr. Joshua Haggstrom

Diocese of Kootenay

The Most Rev. John Privett (Metropolitan)
The Rev. Dr. Katherine Hough
Canon Dr. Neil Elliot

Canon Dr. Randall Fairey
Ms. Kayla Fish
Mrs. Elizabeth Peto

Diocese of New Westminster

The Rt. Rev. Melissa Skelton
The Rev. Ruth Monette
The Rev. Jessica Schaap

Mr. Cameron Gutjahr
Ms. Caitlin Beck
Ms. Mary McIntyre

Diocese of Yukon

The Rt. Rev. Larry Anderson
The Rev. Laurie Munro (Secretary)
The Rev. Dr. Sean Murphy

Ms. Shirley Pennell
Ms. Betty Davidson

Ms. Sheryl Hunt (Treasurer)
Mr. Douglas MacAdams (Chancellor)
Indigenous
Mr. Terry Bepple (Registrar)
Peoples)

Ms. Sarah Stephens (BCYAYM)
Mr. Willard Martin (Anglican Council of

Regrets: Mr. John Haugen (Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples)

Friday, September 18, 2015

Synod began with a delicious chicken stir-fry supper at 6:30 pm.

The Most Rev. John Privett called Provincial Synod to order at 7:40 pm and opened the meeting with prayer.

He welcomed the Provincial Executive members, delegates, and guests. The Rev. Louise Peters, Executive Director of Sorrento Centre, greeted everyone. The Archbishop then read written greetings from The Rev. Kenneth Jones, Chair of the Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery of the United Church of Canada and from Bishop Greg Mohr of the BC Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. The Archbishop noted that a letter had been sent to Chief Robin Billy of the Adams Lake Indian Band asking if he or a representative would be able to welcome Synod to their traditional territory, but that no reply had been received.

MOTION 1: That the Privileges of the House be extended to the following people:

Moved by: Brian Evans Seconded by: Randall Fairey

- The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz, Primate, ACC
- The Ven. Paul Feheley, Principal Secretary, ACC
- The Rev. Colin Fox, The New England Company
- The Rev. Tina Draycott, The New England Company
- The Rt. Rev. Mark MacDonald, National Indigenous Bishop, ACC
- Ms. Melanie Delva, Archivist, Province of BC & Yukon
- The Rev. Louise Peters, Executive Director, Sorrento Centre
- Ms. Kimberly Blair, Synod Planning Committee

CARRIED

The Archbishop warmly welcomed Bishop Melissa Skelton, the theme speaker. He also welcomed spouses who had accompanied delegates to Synod.

The Registrar, Terry Bepple, gave the Declaration of Attendance, and a quorum was declared.

The Nominations Committee was appointed as follows: Brian Evans (Chair), Ruth Monette, and Cathy Wozlowski.

The Resolutions Committee was appointed as follows: Douglas MacAdams and Terry Bepple.

The Scrutineers were appointed as follows: Stephen Martin, Kimberly Blair, Kayla Fish and Betty Long.

The Metropolitan appointed a committee to respond to his address, comprising Alistair McCollum, Mary McIntyre, and Neil Elliot.

Delegates were reminded that the deadline for submission of both Resolutions and Nominations would be 2:00 pm on Saturday, September 19, 2015.

Minutes of Provincial Synod 2012

MOTION 2: That the reading of the minutes of Provincial Synod 2012 be waived.

Moved by: Neil Elliot Seconded by: Barbara Henshall

CARRIED

MOTION 3: That the minutes of Provincial Synod 2012 be adopted as circulated.

Moved by: Cameron Gutjahr

Seconded by: Kayla Fish

CARRIED

The Opening Eucharist was held at 8:00 pm with the Metropolitan presiding and the Primate preaching. Marion Sheerstone accompanied on the piano. A wine and cheese reception was held following the service.

Saturday, September 29, 2012

Saturday began with breakfast followed by a group photo in the rain taken by Kimberly Blair.

Morning Liturgy was led by members of the Diocese of British Columbia. This was followed by the Metropolitan’s Address.

Reports

1. Provincial Canons and Constitution Committee – Terry Bepple
On behalf of the Provincial Canons and Constitution Committee, Registrar Terry Bepple highlighted some of the resolutions which would be considered in the afternoon.
2. Task Force on Safe Church Practices – Danny Whitehead
Task Force member Danny Whitehead referred to the written report in the Provincial Synod report packet (pp. 39-43.) Chancellor Douglas MacAdams noted that this task force had a lot of material from other sources on which to draw, and rather than creating a new bureaucracy, they have decided to change the culture to focus on understanding and awareness. A correction was made on page 42 of the report, first column, four lines from the bottom – should read Diocese of *British Columbia*. It was suggested that developing common Safe Church Practices could be a Provincial partnership opportunity, but it was also noted that one model may not suit all the dioceses in our Province.
3. Provincial Archives – Melanie Delva
Melanie gave an interesting and humourous report about her work in the archives over the past three years, and finished with a selfie-video tour of the new space at St. John’s, Shaughnessy, Vancouver.

Following a break, Melissa Skelton presented part one of *Gather, Transform, Send*.

At this point, The Revs. Tina Draycott and Colin Fox of The New England Company arrived from Salisbury, England via Kamloops, and were introduced to the Synod.

4. ACIP and Sacred Circle – Bishop Mark MacDonald
Bishop MacDonald noted that at the Sacred Circle in August 16-22 in Port Elgin, two delegates to this Synod, John Haugen and Willard Martin, had been elected.

MOTION 4: That all reports, both written and oral, be received.

Moved by: Clara Plamondon

Seconded by: Jason Haggstrom

CARRIED

Noonday prayer was led by delegates from the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior.

Following a barbecue lunch, the Primate, The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz, addressed the members of Synod. He began by thanking all who have participated in the life of the National Church. He then reported that the Commission on the Marriage Canon, established following the 2013 General Synod, will present its final report to the Council of General Synod on September 22, 2015. [Click [here](#) for more information.] He announced that in the Fall of 2015 there will be a joint meeting between the Anglican Church of Canada and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. He also noted that General Synod 2016 will be July 7-13 in Toronto and that the theme will be *You Are My Witnesses*. Guests will include the Archbishop of Jerusalem and the Bishop of Cuba. The Primate closed by asking for our prayers.

Memorials to Provincial Synod

The following memorial was noted. From the Diocese of Caledonia: *The Rev. Katherine Lewis, Deacon at Christ the King, Port Edward, passed away December 15, 2012.*

Response to the Metropolitan’s Address

The response to the Metropolitan’s Address was provided by Ms. Mary McIntyre, The Rev. Alastair McCollum, and Canon Dr. Neil Elliot.

Discussions regarding the Truth and Reconciliation Commission

Several people shared their experiences with the TRC.

Resolutions

Article 1 providing for Designated Territories – Resolution #1

MOTION 5: Moved by: Larry Robertson Seconded by: Heather Shuter Trosky

That the Constitution be amended by replacing article 1 with the following:

The territory covered by this Synod is:

- a) The Diocese of British Columbia, New Westminster, Caledonia, Kootenay, Cariboo and Yukon;
- b) All other Dioceses at any time erected within the area covered by such Dioceses;
- c) Any other Diocese in Canada outside the said area which may from time to time be lawfully added thereto; and
- d) Any territory within the civil province of British Columbia or the civil territory of Yukon that is not included within any Diocese, and which this Synod has designated in accordance with Canon 1 to comprise a Designated Territory.”

**Clergy CARRIED
Laity CARRIED**

Re: Article 9 deeming provision for Designated Territories and Anglican Institutions – Resolution #3

MOTION 6: Moved by: Brian Evans Seconded by: Randall Fairey

That the Constitution, Article 9 be amended as follows:

By adding to Article 9 (Interpretation) the following:

“As the context requires the word “Diocese” and the words “Diocesan Synod” and “Synod of a Diocese” shall be construed as including a Designated Territory or an Anglican Institution as may be designated or

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established by Canon 1, and “Diocesan Bishop” and “Bishop of a Diocese” shall be construed as including a Bishop elected by an Anglican Institution serving a Designated Territory.”

so as to cause Article 9 to read as follows:

9. Interpretation

Wherever the singular or masculine is used in any enactment of Synod the same shall be construed as meaning the plural or the feminine or body corporate or politic where the context so requires. As the context requires the word “Diocese” and the words “Diocesan Synod” and “Synod of a Diocese” shall be construed as including a Designated Territory or an Anglican Institution as may be designated or established by Canon 1, and “Diocesan Bishop” and “Bishop of a Diocese” shall be construed as including a Bishop elected by an Anglican Institution serving a Designated Territory.

Clergy CARRIED
Laity CARRIED

Re: Canon 1 providing for Designated Territories and Anglican Institutions - Resolution #4

MOTION 7: Moved by: Randall Fairey Seconded by: Neil Elliot

That the Canons, Canon 1, be amended as follows:

By adding to Canon 1:

“(c) In the event a Diocese ceases to function and its territory is not transferred to another diocese, the Synod may designate the territory of the defunct Diocese or any part of the territory of the defunct Diocese as territory in which the Synod, in consultation with parishes and congregations within the territory of the defunct Diocese, will provide for episcopal oversight and will establish an appropriate institution for shared ministry among the parishes and congregations of the defunct Diocese. Territory so designated shall be referred to as Designated Territory and an institution so established shall be referred to as an Anglican Institution.”

so as to cause Canon 1 to read as follows:

CANON I. The Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and its Dioceses

- (a) The Synod may subdivide any Diocese or alter or rearrange the boundaries between Dioceses with the consent of the Diocese or Dioceses concerned after seeing that appropriate financial and other arrangements are made.
- (b) Upon division of a Diocese the Bishop (if there be a Bishop then in office) thereof shall choose which part of the divided Diocese he or she shall retain and the appointment of a Bishop of a new Diocese howsoever formed shall be according to the Regulations laid down in Canon 3.
- (c) In the event a Diocese ceases to function and its territory is not transferred to another diocese, the Synod may designate the territory of the defunct Diocese or any part of the territory of the defunct Diocese as territory in which the Synod, in consultation with parishes and congregations within the territory of the defunct Diocese, will provide for episcopal oversight and will establish an appropriate institution for shared ministry among the parishes and congregations of the defunct Diocese. Territory so designated shall be referred to as Designated Territory and an institution so established shall be referred to as an Anglican Institution.

Laity CARRIED
Clergy CARRIED

Resolutions (cont'd)**Re: Canon 4 providing for election of a bishop by an Anglican Institution for a Designated Territory
(Resolution #5)****MOTION 8:** Moved by: Cathy Wozlowski Seconded by: Betty Long

That the Canons, Canon 4, be amended as follows:

by adding to Canon 4:

- (a) Except as provided in Subsection (e) and (f) hereof a Bishop shall....

and by adding as Subsection (f)

- (f) In the event the Synod in consultation with parishes and congregations within a Designated Territory, makes provision for a Bishop to provide episcopal oversight within a Designated Territory, a Bishop shall be elected under Rules and Procedures of the Anglican Institution serving the Designated Territory. Canon 4(a) to 4(d) shall apply to any Bishop so elected.”

so as to cause Canon 4 to read as follows:

CANON 4. The Election and Resignation of Bishops

- (a) Except as provided in Sub-section (e) and (f) hereof, a Bishop shall be elected by the Synod of a Diocese under its own Rules of Procedure and confirmation thereof shall be sent to the Metropolitan within seven days. The Metropolitan shall in turn notify the other Bishops of the Province who shall register with him or her then- concurrence or objection.
- (b) Objection to the election of a Bishop may be taken on any of the following grounds: (i) That the person elected is not thirty years of age. (ii) That he or she is not a Priest in Holy Orders of the Anglican Church of Canada or of some church in full communion therewith. (iii) That he or she is deficient in learning, training or experience. (iv) That he or she has either directly or indirectly secured or attempted to secure the Office by an improper means. (v) That he or she is guilty of any crime or immorality. (vi) That he or she teaches or holds or has within five years previously taught or held anything contrary to the Doctrine or Discipline of the Anglican Church of Canada. The decision of the House of Bishops shall be final.
- (c) Prior to the election of any Bishop the Metropolitan shall be responsible to see that sufficient financial provision is made.
- (d) All Bishops shall submit their resignations to the Metropolitan when they attain the age of seventy years. Bishops resigning before the age of seventy years shall do so to the Metropolitan and the House of Bishops. The Metropolitan shall do so to the Senior Bishop and the House of Bishops.
- (e) When provision is not otherwise made by the Synod of a Diocese, the election of a Bishop to fill a vacancy in its Bishopric shall be vested in the Executive Council. The Metropolitan having fully satisfied himself that such a vacancy exists and that there is adequate episcopal income secured to the See, shall convene and preside over a meeting duly called for the express purpose of electing a Bishop therefore and shall have the casting vote therein.
- (f) In the event the Synod in consultation with parishes and congregations within a Designated Territory, makes provision for a Bishop to provide episcopal oversight within a Designated Territory, a Bishop shall be elected under Rules and Procedures of the Anglican Institution serving the Designated Territory. Canon 4(a) to 4(d) shall apply to any Bishop so elected.

Laity CARRIED
Clergy CARRIED

Resolutions (cont'd)**Re: Canon 7 to provide for oath of clergy serving in Designated Territories – Resolution #6****MOTION 9:** Moved by: Danny Whitehead Seconded by: Alasdair McCollum

That the Canons, Canon 7, be amended as follows:

By adding to Canon 7 the following:

providing always that when appropriate, these words shall be used:

“ I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Bishop providing episcopal oversight within (name of Designated Territory) and his or her successors in all legal and honest demands; I will abide by the Canons which have been or shall be from time to time passed by the General Synod and by the Provincial Synod and I will abide by the policies and practices mandated by (name of Anglican Institution serving the Designated Territory).”

so as to cause Canon 7 to read as follows:

CANON 7. Oaths and Subscriptions of the Clergy

Oaths and subscriptions shall be taken at Ordination as Deacon and Priest and Consecration as Bishop and on such other occasions as shall be requested by the Diocese. The following form shall be used:

"I..... do solemnly make the following Declarations: I..... profess the faith set forth in the Scriptures and in the Catholic Creeds and affirm my allegiance to the Doctrine of the Anglican Church of Canada as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer and no other except so far as shall be ordered by lawful authority; I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Bishop of and his or her successors in all legal and honest demands; I will abide by the Canons which have been or shall be from time to time passed by the General Synod, the Provincial Synod and the Synod of the Diocese of Witness:

_____ Signature: _____"

providing always that when appropriate, these words shall be used:

I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Bishop providing episcopal oversight within (name of Designated Territory) and his or her successors in all legal and honest demands; I will abide by the Canons which have been or shall be from time to time passed by the General Synod and by the Provincial Synod and I will abide by the policies and practices mandated by (name of Anglican Institution serving the Designated Territory).

Clergy CARRIED
Laity CARRIED

Re: designating the Designated Territory and establishing the Anglican Institution – Resolution #7**MOTION 10:** Moved by: Heather Shuter Trosky Seconded by: Barbara Andrews

That

- subject to the consent of General Synod pursuant to section 7 b) iii) of the Declaration of Principles of General Synod in respect of re-arrangement of boundaries, and
- foregoing the consent of the Diocese of Cariboo pursuant to section 7 b) iii) of the Declaration of Principles of General Synod and Canon 1(a) of the Canons of the Anglican Provincial Synod of British Columbia in respect of re-arrangement of boundaries by reason of the cessation of functioning by Diocese of Cariboo and lack of officers to act on behalf of Diocese of Cariboo;

the Anglican Provincial Synod of British Columbia, serving the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon, pursuant to Canon 1(a) and Canon 1(c) enact as follows:

Resolutions (cont'd)

That

- a. the Diocese of Cariboo is declared to have ceased to function;
- b. the former territory of the Diocese of Cariboo (which territory is precisely described in *An Act to Incorporate the Anglican Synod of the Diocese of Cariboo* S.B.C. 1915, c. 5) is hereby designated as a Designated Territory and, until renamed, shall be known as the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior;
- c. the unincorporated confederation of worshipping communities known as Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior (which unincorporated confederation has since January 1, 2002 provided shared ministry and episcopal oversight within the said Designated Territory) is hereby designated as the Anglican Institution serving the Designated Territory;
- d. upon the request of the Anglican Institution the provincial executive council may re-name the Designated Territory and may re-name the Anglican Institution; and
- e. upon the request of the Anglican Institution, the provincial executive council may substitute for the Anglican Institution any incorporated body created to carry on the work and ministry of the Anglican Institution.

CARRIED**Re: request to General Synod about membership in General Synod – Resolution #8****MOTION 11:** Moved by: Danny Whitehead Seconded by: Cathy Wozlowski

That the Anglican Provincial Synod of British Columbia, serving the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon request The General Synod of The Anglican Church of Canada to take all steps required to cause the following persons to be recognized pursuant to Article 8 of the Constitution of General Synod as being the persons who will become members of General Synod to be held July 7 to 13, 2016:

- the current Bishop Suffragan serving Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior;
- clerical members of the Anglican Church of Canada elected as clerical delegates by Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior,
- communicant lay members of the Anglican Church of Canada as lay delegates elected by Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior;
- a youth representative elected or appointed by Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior; and
- alternative delegates elected by Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior.

CARRIED**Re: finalizing Rules and Procedures for election of a bishop – Resolution #9****MOTION 12:** Moved by: Betty Long Seconded by: Kristen Dobyns

That the Anglican Provincial Synod of British Columbia, serving the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon, pursuant to Canon 4(f), require Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior to finalize Rules and Procedures for election of a bishop to provide episcopal oversight within Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior following the eventual retirement of the present Bishop Suffragan to the Metropolitan.

CARRIED**Resolution #10****Re: request to consider incorporation – Resolution #10****MOTION 13:** Moved by: Barbara Andrews Seconded by: Cathy Wozlowski

Resolutions (cont'd)

That the Anglican Provincial Synod of British Columbia, serving the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon, encourage Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior to consider favourably transitioning as soon as is possible from its current status as an unincorporated confederation of worshipping communities to being an incorporated organization.

CARRIED

Election Results

Provincial Council

Diocese	Clergy	Lay
APCI	The Rev. Kristen Dobyns	Cathy Wozlowski
BC	The Rev. Clara Plamondon (Secretary)	Sally Orr
Kootenay	Canon Dr. Neil Elliot	Randall Fairey (Prolocutor)
Caledonia	The Rev. Roy Andrews	Randall Dering
New Westminster	The Rev. Jessica Schaap	Mary McIntyre
Yukon	The Rev. Dr. Sean Murphy	Shirley Pennell

Officers of Synod

- Prolocutor: Canon Dr. Randall Fairey (Diocese of Kootenay)
- Secretary: The Rev. Clara Plamondon (Diocese of British Columbia)
- BCYAYM: Ms. Sarah Stephens
- ACIP: Mr. Willard Martin and Mr. John Haugen
- VST Board of Governors: The Rev. Anne Privett and Mrs. Judy Hagar

MOTION 14: That all these nominees be acclaimed.

Moved by: William Anderson Seconded by: Ruth Monette

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm for the viewing of displays and to visit the Book Shoppe.

After a delicious roast beef supper, the meeting reconvened.

Melissa Skelton presented part two of *Gather, Transform, Send*.

Caitlin Beck presented information on *The Inspire Conference*, to be held March 4-6, 2016 in Vancouver. This conference is for education and community for leaders of children, youth, young adults and families, and is sponsored by the BC Conference of the United Church of Canada, the BC Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, and the Anglican Diocese of New Westminster. She noted that the website with more detailed information would go live on October 1 www.inspireconference.ca

The two representatives from The New England Company, The Revs. Tina Draycott and Colin Fox, presented information about the company and the mission work the Company has done since 1649.

Resolutions (cont'd)

Re: Articles 3(a) and 3(b) providing for ACIP – Resolution #2

MOTION 15: Moved by: Betty Long Seconded by: Neil Elliot

That the Constitution, Articles 3(a) and 3(b) be amended as follows:

1. In Article 3(a) by deleting the words “two delegates nominated by the Anglican Council of Indigenous People (ACIP),” and by adding at the end of the paragraph the sentence “There may be two delegates nominated by the Anglican Council of Indigenous People (ACIP).”
2. In Article 3(b) by deleting the last sentence in that paragraph and by replacing it with “Two delegates representing ACIP may be chosen by ACIP from persons who are resident within the Ecclesiastical Province, but not necessarily by Diocese. If no delegates are chosen by ACIP within 30 days of the first day of Synod, the Metropolitan may appoint as delegates one or two indigenous persons resident in the Ecclesiastical Province.”

so as to cause Articles 3(a) and 3(b) to read as follows:

3. Membership of Synod

- (a) The Synod consists of the Bishops, whether Diocesan, Coadjutor, Suffragan or full-time Assistant; the Chancellor of the Ecclesiastical Province; Clerical and Lay Delegates from each Diocese within the Ecclesiastical Province; two Delegates representing the Anglican Youth Movement in the Ecclesiastical Province; and the Prolocutor, the Registrar, the Treasurer, and the Secretary of Provincial Synod. There may be two delegates nominated by the Anglican Council of Indigenous People (ACIP).
- (b) The Representation of clerical and Lay Delegates shall be as follows: For every Diocese there shall be three (3) Lay Delegates and two (2) Clerical Delegates to be chosen by the Diocesan Synod. Such Delegates shall be canonically resident in the Diocese by which they are chosen. The Delegates representing the Anglican Youth Movement shall be chosen at the Annual Meeting of that Movement last held before the Session of Synod at which they are to be Delegates. Two delegates representing ACIP may be chosen by ACIP from persons who are resident within the Ecclesiastical Province, but not necessarily by Diocese. If no delegates are chosen by ACIP within 30 days of the first day of Synod, the Metropolitan may appoint as delegates one or two indigenous persons resident in the Ecclesiastical Province.

Laity: CARRIED
Clergy: CARRIED

Re: receiving report of Task Force on Safe Church Practices - Resolution # 11

MOTION 16: Moved by: Brian Evans Seconded by: Jason Haggstrom

That Provincial Synod

- a. receives the August 15, 2015 report of the Task Force on Safe Church Practices;
- b. expresses appreciation to Rev. Bruce Bryant-Scott, chair, and to Elizabeth Barr, Douglas MacAdams, Q.C., Sandra Scarth, Rev. Alisdair Smith and Rev. Danny Whitehead, members, for their contribution to the mission of the church in preparing this report.

CARRIED

Resolutions (cont'd)

**Re: action arising from recommendation 5(d) of Task Force on Safe Church Practices re BCYAYM
Resolution # 12**

MOTION 17: Moved by: Barbara Henshall Seconded by: Kayla Fish

That Synod strongly requests the provincial executive committee and the leadership of the BCYAYM on an urgent basis to implement prior to the 2015 BCYAYM Fall Conference to be held October 9 to 12, 2015 recommendation 5(d) of the Task Force on Safe Church Practices regarding preventative training regarding safe church practices, including policies around sleeping arrangements, and regarding requiring criminal records checks of leadership, chaperones and other volunteers.

CARRIED

**Re: further action arising from recommendation 5 of Task Force on Safe Church Practices
Resolution # 13**

MOTION 18: Moved by: Betty Long Seconded by: Danny Whitehead

That Synod requests the provincial executive council to oversee and monitor implementation of recommendations 5(a), (b), (c), (e) and (f) of the Task Force on Safe Church Practices and requests provincial executive council over the triennium leading up to the anticipated 38th Session of Synod in 2018 to cause quarterly reports to be sent to all members of Synod advising of steps taken to implement those recommendations.

Proposed AMENDMENT (change)

...quarterly reports to be sent to all ~~members of Synod~~ Bishops of the Province

DEFEATED

Moved by: Randall Fairey Seconded by: Joshua Haggstrom
That we refer this resolution to Provincial Executive Committee.

CARRIED

Rationale: material in recommendations seems to be outdated and erroneous.

**Re: action arising recommendation 5 (g), (h) and (i) of Task Force on Safe Church Practices
Resolution # 14**

MOTION 19: Moved by: Alastair McCollum Seconded by: Stephen Martin

That Synod commends recommendations 5(g), (h) and (i) to the House of Bishops and requests the House of Bishops to report to provincial executive council prior to July 1, 2016 the response of the House of Bishops to those recommendations.

CARRIED

**Re: action arising from recommendation Resolution #155(j) of Task Force on Safe Church Practices
Resolution #15**

MOTION 20: Moved by: Katherine Hough Seconded by: Kayla Fish

That Synod requests the dioceses and the Designated Territory/Anglican Institution of the ecclesiastical province to carry out prior to December 31, 2016 an inter-diocesan discussion about (a) the desirability of

Resolutions (cont'd)

common standards regarding safe church practices, (b) the possibility of setting up a single response team for the ecclesiastical province for cases of sexual misconduct, (c) sharing resources for screening, (d) sharing resources for training and (e) providing on line training to remote locations.

CARRIED

Re: action arising from recommendation 5(k) of the Task Force on Safe Church Practices re: reporting Resolution #16

MOTION 21: Moved by: Jason Haggstrom Seconded by: Cathy Wozlowski

That Synod requests the Metropolitan in advance of the anticipated 38th session of Synod in 2018 to prepare a report or to cause a designate to prepare a report to all members of Synod on progress in implementing the recommendations of the Task Force on Safe Church practices.

CARRIED

Re: support for BCYAYM - Resolution #17

MOTION 22: Moved by: Sarah Stephens Seconded by: Cameron Gutjahr

That Synod

- a. recognizes and affirms the work of the British Columbia & Yukon Anglican Youth Movement as an important and valued ministry of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon,
- b. encourages the provincial executive council and the provincial executive committee to provide all possible support and encouragement for the work and ministry of BCYAYM; and
- c. encourages the provincial executive council and the provincial executive committee in particular to provide tangible support for BCYAYM by way of financial support, assistance with insurance issues, personnel support, and support in practical matters of administration, governance and record-keeping.

CARRIED

Re: encouraging consultations - Resolution # 18

MOTION 23: Moved by: Stephen Martin Seconded by: Logan McMenamie

That Synod endorses the initiative of the Metropolitan in having convened the March 23-24, 2015 Kelowna Consultation and encourages the Metropolitan to convene further consultations in the triennium leading up to the anticipated 38th Session of Synod in 2018.

CARRIED

Compline was led by delegates from the Diocese of Caledonia, which was followed by hospitality.

Sunday, September 30, 2012

The meeting reconvened at 8:30 a.m. following a breakfast of Eggs Benedict.

Eucharist was led by delegates from the Diocese of Yukon, with the sermon preached by Bishop Larry Robertson and Wally.

Melissa Skelton presented part three of *Gather, Transform, Send*.

Following the break, Archbishop John presented thank you gifts to outgoing Executive members Brian Evans and Laurie Munro. Then the delegates broke into diocesan discussion groups to discuss what they would take away from Bishop Melissa's talks.

Resolutions (cont'd)

MOTION 24: That the financial statements January 1 – August 31, 2015 be accepted as distributed.

Moved by: Laurie Munro

Seconded by: Jason Haggstrom

CARRIED

MOTION 25: That the Review Engagement for the year 2014 be accepted as distributed.

Moved by: William Anderson

Seconded by: Caitlin Beck

CARRIED

MOTION 26: That Green Horwood & Co. be appointed as accountants for the Province.

Moved by: Randall Fairey

Seconded by: William Anderson

CARRIED

MOTION 27: That this session of Synod authorize the Provincial Executive Committee to name people to be signing authorities at the bank.

Moved by: Cameron Gutjahr

Seconded by: Kayla Fish

CARRIED

MOTION 28: That this Synod decline the election of Assessors for the Provincial Court of Appeal and request that they be appointed by the Provincial Council if and when necessary.

Moved by: Stephen Martin

Seconded by: Barbara Henshall

CARRIED

MOTION 29: That Synod move the following vote of thanks, giving thanks to God for our many blessings in Christ:

Moved by: Jason Haggstrom

Seconded by: Kayla Fish

CARRIED

- To outgoing members of the Provincial Executive: Brian Evans and Laurie Munro
- To the current and new members of Provincial Executive: Douglas MacAdams, Sheryl Hunt, Terry Bepple, Randall Fairey, and Clara Plamondon
- To our Metropolitan John Privett
- To all who have served on Provincial Committees since the last Synod (Ministry Committee, Constitution and Canons Committee, Task Force on Safe Church Practices)
- To Members of the Synod Planning Committee, the Nominations Committee, and the Resolutions Committee
- To our Primate for preaching at our Opening Service
- For all the dioceses and their leadership in worship this weekend
- To our many guests and their contribution to Synod
- To Bishop Melissa for her inspiring and challenging addresses
- To Sorrento Centre staff for their hospitality

At this point, Archbishop John announced that Bishop William Anderson plans to retire in the fall of 2016. Bishop Anderson thanked Archbishop John for his excellent leadership.

MOTION 30: That this meeting be adjourned.

Moved by: Kayla Fish

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 11:45 am.
A delicious lunch of wraps followed.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn Lockhart

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