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	Saturday 8	Sunday 9	Monday 10	Tuesday 11	Wed. 12	Thurs. 13	Friday 14	Sat 15
7:00-8:15		Breakfast Swim 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Travel Day Breakfast
8:30-12:00	Stewards Orientation at 11 a.m.	9 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship Commons 1 10: a.m. Further introductions	Commons 3	Gather in Commons for Worship Commissions	Commons 6	Commons 7 Election of Moderator	Commons 9	8:30 GCE 9:00 Staff Leaders
12-1:30	Lunch – Registration Starts –new Residence Building Foyer	12–2 Extended lunch Alvin Dixon Memorial 5k run/2k walk	Lunch Learning Options	Lunch	Lunch Sabbath Time	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
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7:30 - 9:30	Worship, Welcome, Introductions Orientation	Celebrating 90 Years: Stoling the Moderator Nominees	Moderator Nominees Address Council & Youth Forum Worship	Gather in Commons 5 Theological Reflection Pilgrimage to Spiritual Practices	OFF/Free Time Optional Beer and Hymns Swim 8 to 9 p.m.	Kitchen Party – Local High School	Closing Worship	

Please note: There will be no formal breaks. Please use the facilities and get snacks as you need them.

Daily Start Times: Most days the meeting starts at 8:30 a.m. (with gathering music at 8:15). On Sunday, August 9, there will be a later 9:00 a.m. start (with gathering music at 8:45).

Lunch Time: Will normally be 90 minutes. On Sunday, August 9, it will be two hours to allow for the 5k run/2k walk.

REV. DEBRA BOWMAN



Nominating Body

Vancouver South, Cariboo, Vancouver-Burrard, and Fraser presbyteries (British Columbia) and BC Conference

Biographical Sketch

Chair of Agenda and Planning Committee for 39th General Council

I was responsible for planning, with the Moderator and the General Secretary, a meeting of 700 people in which we needed to discern the future direction of The United Church of Canada. This undertaking involved familiarity with discernment methodologies and large group facilitation, as well as strong leadership skills.

2000–2009 Member of General Council Executive,
Chair of Business Committee of GCE for some of that time

2001–2002 Member of GCE Governance Project Team

2002–2006 Member of GCE Governance, Planning, and Budget Processes Committee

Attended the 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, and 40th meetings of the General Council

Leadership with Congregations

- Ryerson United Church: Coordinating Minister, 2006–present
During the nine years I have been the Coordinating Minister of Ryerson United Church in Vancouver I have learned an enormous amount about the potential of the church as a partner in new work. Forging and leading partnerships involves work with the congregation, Vancouver City, nonprofits, developers, and architects to determine how our property resources and our sanctuary can undergird the ministry of Ryerson United in the 21st century. I am very committed to considering how our buildings both shape and reflect our mission and theology; this includes considering how we hold space for the sacred and the secular to encounter each other; how our buildings can serve as “commons space” or “piazza space.” I believe that the holy can be made known and experienced in beauty and am wondering how the church can be a space that allows, even encourages, this to happen.
- I have also served Wilson Heights and Capilano United Churches.

Leadership with the Larger Church

- President BC Conference 2011–2012
- Executive Secretary, BC Conference, February 2000–June 2003
While Executive Secretary we implemented the changes brought about by the Conference’s decision to restructure. While the implications of such changes are often far-reaching such decisions can be implemented well.
- Facilitated workshops on leadership practices for several presbyteries; for the Emerging Spirit program; for the BC Sowing Promise, Growing Leaders Events; and for the Interim Ministry program. This work has three foci: (i) where we are in our development as an

organization, (ii) what leadership is required, and (iii) what kinds of relationships and personal behaviours are required.

- Served on the LeaderShift Advisory Resource group.
- Worked with groups in the Effective Leadership Pilot project. This initiative presents many of the same challenges that a move from presbyteries to regional councils might offer.

Education

- Following a Master's of Divinity degree (1995, Vancouver School of Theology) I have pursued a wide range of courses dealing with leadership during times of organizational change.
- Powers of Leadership: Meeting the Challenges of the New Commons
The focus is on a framework of leadership for a time of adaptive challenge, extremely relevant to leadership in the church at this juncture in our history.

Statement

Once in a long time there is a point when “hope and history rhyme” (*The Cure at Troy* by Seamus Heaney, www.goodreads.com/author/quotes/29574.Seamus_Heaney). A time when the caustic flow of cynicism is staunch and a collective call for justice is heard. We are at such a time in our history.

I grew up in Chilliwack, BC, in the late 1950s, when we had practices at elementary school about what to do when the atomic bomb fell. (Leave your rubber boots and lunch kit behind, and run home as fast as you could!)

I came to early maturity when the people I placed hope in were all assassinated—John F. Kennedy; Martin Luther King, Jr.; and Robert Kennedy among them.

I was living in Argentina during the time when that country's “dirty war” was an early rumour. I was confident that nothing like that could happen at home, until students were shot dead at Kent State University.

These life experiences, and my undergrad formation in political sociology, shaped in me despair for our future. The church seemed irrelevant to the crisis of the time, and I left.

And then, years later at the baptism prep for our son, when all we really wanted was to have him “done,” I fell in love. To quote Seamus Heaney, hope and history rhymed.

As I listened to the scripture and the hymns and the orientation to what the United Church was about, I recognized a vague memory about hope and possibilities and justice. I was converted from cynicism and despair.

That is the call to our church now—to find the capacity to offer hope to those who despair at this point in the world's history.

I think we are at a global tipping point. Capitalism run amok and the destruction of our environment are dividing our world along sharp lines.

The national church and all congregations need to align with those seeking righteousness. To become much more maladjusted and maladapted to the way things are going. To be a stick in the wheel to what feels like an inexorable rolling away from God's yearning for creation. To be one of the places where the sacred and the secular align for righteousness.

Some of my sabbatical was spent in Italy during Lent and Easter. I wanted to see what it looked like when religious celebrations are lived out on the streets. Instead I saw what community living looked like on the steps of the churches. The piazzas of every city and village offered common ground for people to gather. People of all ages, stages, economic classes, and abilities came together and talked, argued, laughed.

What if churches served as piazzas? What if we offered ourselves as open spaces, gracious, hospitable, and engaged in the world, where anyone can enter and rest a little, be received and welcomed and restored? Where we form partnerships and alliances with those we encounter and together continue our efforts to change the world? Our buildings and our spaces would be physical manifestations of our mission.

If we take this posture seriously, we stand at the most intimate level of developing community.

This kind of hospitality involves a lot more than a cup of coffee in the narthex. Many of us already offer meals for the isolated and beds for those in crisis. Much more life can be happening in our spaces. We have the room to partner with non-profits with similar commitments to quality of life so that our mutual care for others is housed affordably in our buildings. We can be a home for the resistance.

The United Church of Canada has no time to go to ground in preoccupation with structures. We need to determine one thing each community of faith can take on and then find partners who will strengthen our efforts. Some examples from my congregation, Ryerson United in Vancouver (ryersonunited.ca):

- co-sponsoring with EcoJustice to show *On the Line*, a movie about the proposed Enbridge pipeline
- the Can You Dig It learning disabilities organization building a community garden on Ryerson's land for members and neighbours
- partnering with the choral community to create space for beauty and for all the arts to be rehearsed, housed, and showcased in affordable space

Because I was gone from the church for so long, and because our sons are very involved in athletics, much of my time is spent in tension between the secular and the sacred worlds. In that place, it is easy to see a yearning for meaning in the secular world, and the same vague memories of possibilities for hope that I had.

There is an awakening afoot—and we can be part of it.

I chose to come back to church, touched by the commitments of the congregation, and because in faith I could see hope for our history. With that conviction I accepted the call to ordination so that I could offer witness to the source of my hope. And it is that same impetus and imperative, and love for this church, that moves me to be a candidate for Moderator. I believe I have the gifts, the heart, and the conviction to deliver the leadership we need.

It seems, at this moment, we in the United Church are standing with our noses pressed up against a window looking onto the rest of the world. We have so much to receive and so much to offer through our engagement with the community immediately outside our doors. I trust that with simplified structures, less desperation about finances, and a renewed connection to God's purpose, the glass will shatter and we will spill out into the streets, and people will come to live and Love in our piazzas, in our sacred spaces.

But this I call to mind,
and therefore I have hope:
The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
[God's] mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.
"The Lord is my portion," says my soul,
"therefore I will hope in [God]."
(Lamentations 3:21-24)

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BQ 5	Correcting the Unintended Consequences – Maternity & Parental Leave Policies	PARTRIDGEBERRY 27–30
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GUESTS AT THE 42ND GENERAL COUNCIL

ASSEMBLY OF FIRST NATIONS

Perry Bellegarde, National Chief

The Assembly of First Nations is a national advocacy organization representing First Nation citizens in Canada, which includes more than 900,000 people living in 634 First Nation communities and in cities and towns across the country.



About Perry Bellegarde, National Chief

Perry Bellegarde was named Assembly of First Nations National Chief on December 10, 2014. He has spent his entire adult life putting into practice his strong beliefs in the laws and traditions instilled in him by the many Chiefs and Elders he has known over the years. Passionate about making measureable progress on the issues that matter most to First Nations people, National Chief Bellegarde is a strong advocate for the implementation of Inherent Aboriginal and Treaty Rights.

National Chief Bellegarde is from the Little Black Bear First Nation, Treaty 4 Territory. He served as Chief of the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations and Saskatchewan Regional Chief for the Assembly of First Nations. He has also served as the Tribal Chair of the Touchwood-File Hills-Qu'Appelle Tribal Council, Councillor for the Little Black Bear First Nation, and Chief of Little Black Bear First Nation.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, USA

Geoffrey A. Black, General Minister and President, the United Church of Christ



The Rev. Geoffrey A. Black was elected General Minister and President of the United Church of Christ in June 2009.

During his career he has served as assistant chaplain at Brown University, associate minister at St. Albans (NY) Congregational UCC, pastor of Congregational UCC of Hempstead, NY, lecturer in the Field Education Department of Union Theological Seminary in New York, and Protestant chaplain at Adelphi University.

Ecumenical commitment, concern for equal justice, African-American empowerment, and community improvement have shaped Black's ministry in the church and the communities in which he has lived. Black earned a B.A. degree from Lincoln University in 1969 and an M.A.R. degree from Yale Divinity School in 1972.

Black will end his tenure as UCC General Minister and President in June 2015 at the conclusion of General Synod 30.

MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA

Willard Metzger



The first Mennonites came to Canada in 1786 from Pennsylvania. This was followed by three waves of settlement from Europe (1822, 1870s, 1920s). Mennonite Church Canada was formed in 2000, integrating two North American church bodies—the Mennonite Church (MC) and General Conference Mennonite Church (GC). In 2008, Mennonite Church Canada's 221 congregations and 32,000 members represented a cross-section of Canadians—brothers and sisters from all parts of the globe and the Indigenous people of Canada. In addition to English and German, 45 Canadian congregations worship in 14 additional languages. The church states as Identity and Purpose: *God calls, equips and sends the church to engage the world with the reconciling Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are a community of disciples of Jesus, a part of the Body*

of Christ, covenanted together as congregations, area churches, and a national church body. Gratefully responding to God's initiatives and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves and our resources to calling, equipping and sending the church to engage the world with the reconciling Gospel of Jesus Christ.

About Willard Metzger

The Rev. Dr. Willard Metzger has been in his current role as Executive Director of Mennonite Church Canada since 2010. He previously served in pastoral/parish leadership for 18 years with Mennonite Church Eastern Canada (MCEC), and on the General Board of Mennonite Church Canada for nine years. Most recently he served as National Director of Church Relations for World Vision Canada (2005–2010). He has travelled to over 50 countries and had extensive experience speaking to Canadian churches across a wide diversity of Christian expression. He recently co-authored a book entitled *Going Missional* (with Karen Stiller). Willard welcomes opportunities to share his passion for the church through preaching, teaching, and workshops. In May 2015 Willard was elected as a Vice President of the Canadian Council of Churches.

THE MUSLIM ASSOCIATION OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

Mumtaz Cheema

The Muslim Association of Newfoundland and Labrador (MANAL) was formed in 1982. The association successfully opened Newfoundland's first and only mosque, [Masjid an-Noor](#) in 1990 at St. John's, Newfoundland. MANAL Mission Statement: The Muslim Association of Newfoundland and Labrador endeavours to establish a Muslim community adhering to Islamic values and is committed to the general welfare of its members so that they may contribute to the well-being of the community at large.

The first documented presence of Muslims in Newfoundland and Labrador goes back to 1964, when Dr. Muhammad Irfan joined Memorial University of Newfoundland as a faculty member in the Department of Physics. Today the Muslim community in Newfoundland is comprised of

over 600 families, in addition to many undergraduate and graduate students studying at the Memorial University of Newfoundland.

About Mumtaz Cheema

Dr. Mumtaz Cheema is currently working as Associate Professor of Agronomy at Grenfell Campus, Memorial University of Newfoundland. He graduated in agronomy from the University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Pakistan in 1989 and obtained his PhD from the same university in 1999. He started his career as an agronomist in a local seed company before he joined the faculty at the University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Pakistan. Later he went to Iowa State University of Science and Technology, Ames, Iowa, for a post-doctoral fellowship, and worked as visiting scientist at Nova Scotia Agriculture College, Truro. He has authored four book chapters/monographs and published more than 90 research articles.

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ANW 2	One Death Per Minute: Call for Canadian Implementation of the Arms Trade Treaty	BLUEBERRY 41–42	\$	
ANW 3	Social Justice Conversation	BAKEAPPLE 39–41	\$\$\$	INCREMENTAL COST
ANW 4	Caring for Pastoral Relationships – a Response to the Comprehensive Review	SESSIONAL 6–7		*
ANW 5	Justice in the New Compensation Model	PARTRIDGEBERRY 26	\$	
ANW 6	The Rural Ministry of the UCC	BAKEAPPLE 43	\$\$	
ANW 7	Membership of the UCW in GC	SESSIONAL 90	\$	*
ANW 8	Number of Regional Councils	SESSIONAL 14		*
ANW 9	Organization & Responsibilities of Proposed Denominational Council	SESSIONAL 15–16		*
ANW 10	Organization & Responsibilities of Proposed Regional Councils	SESSIONAL 17–18		*
ANW 11	Funding Model (1) CRTG #6	SESSIONAL 121		*
ANW 12	Funding Model (2) CRTG #6	SESSIONAL 122		*
ANW 13	Child Well-Being Index	PARTRIDGEBERRY 2–3	\$	
ANW 14	CRTG – Representation of UCW	SESSIONAL 88–89	\$	*
ANW 15	Grass Roots Stimulus	SESSIONAL 19–20	\$	
ANW 16	Denominational Funding	SESSIONAL 123–124		*
ANW 17	Reducing Carbon Emissions	BAKEAPPLE 1	\$	

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BC 3	A Just Peace	BLUEBERRY 9–10	\$\$\$	ONGOING PRIORITY
BC 4	Greenhouse Gas	BAKEAPPLE 2–3	\$	ALREADY BEING DONE
BC 5	Climate Discussion Circles	BAKEAPPLE 31–32	\$\$	
BC 6	Green Renewable Energy Investment	BAKEAPPLE 9–10		RISK OF LOSSES
BC 7	Proportionally Representative Parliament	BLUEBERRY 32–33	\$\$	
BC 8	Travel Carbon Tax	BAKEAPPLE 4–5	\$\$	ALREADY BEING CUT
BC 9	UCC Pension Board Divestment from Goldcorp	BAKEAPPLE 26–28	\$	FIDUCIARY DUTY
BC 10	Considering Terminology in <i>United in God's Work</i>	SESSIONAL 8–9		*
BC 11	Clean Water for All Canadians	BAKEAPPLE 33	\$	
BC 12	Amendments to “United in God’s Work:	SESSIONAL 22–23		*
BC 13	Response to United in God’s Work	SESSIONAL 24		
Blue Comp 1	Composite: SK 1 & TOR 9 Public Inquiry for Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls	BLUEBERRY 1	\$	
Blue Comp 2	Composite: BC 2 & LON 22 Israel-Palestine Two State Solution	BLUEBERRY 6	\$\$\$	ONGOING PRIORITY
Blue Comp 3	Composite: HAM 2, LON 19 & LON 20 Quorum	BLUEBERRY 48	\$	
BQ 1	Renew the Current Structure	SESSIONAL 25–26		
BQ 2	New Mission for The United Church of Canada	BAKEAPPLE 42	\$\$- \$\$\$	INCREMENTAL

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BQ 4	A Response to the Final Report of the Comprehensive Review Task Group	SESSIONAL 27–28		*
BQ 5	Correcting the Unintended Consequences – Maternity & Parental Leave Policies	PARTRIDGEBERRY 27–30	\$\$\$	NEW COST TO CONGREGATIONS
BQ 6	Full Voting Status National UCW President	SESSIONAL 91–92	\$	*
BQ 7	A Proposal to Clarify Sections C and D of The Manual	CONSENT 28		
CRTG 1	Comprehensive Review – Chasing the Spirit	PLENARY 12	\$\$\$\$\$	\$1.9 MILLION ALLOCATION
CRTG 2	Comprehensive Review – Aboriginal Ministries	PLENARY 13	\$	*
CRTG 3	Comprehensive Review – A Three Court Council Model	PLENARY 14–21	\$\$\$\$	RESTRUCTURE COST
CRTG 4	Comprehensive Review – A College of Ministers	PLENARY 22–23	\$\$\$\$	*
CRTG 5	Comprehensive Review – An Association of Ministers	PLENARY 24	\$\$	FURTHER STUDY
CRTG 6	Comprehensive Review – Funding a New Model	PLENARY 25	\$\$\$\$	RESTRUCTURE COST
CRTG 7	Comprehensive Review – Remits/Meeting of the 43 rd General Council	PLENARY 26–27	\$\$	*
GCE 1	Full Communion – United Church of Christ USA	PLENARY 35–38	\$	
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GCE 5	Sabbaticals for Persons Involved in Interim Ministry – REF MEPS 19	CONSENT 13–15	\$\$\$	INCREMENTAL COST TO THE MINISTRY
GCE 6	Pastoral Relations Sabbatical Leave Policy – REF MEPS 21	CONSENT 16–17	\$	
GCE 7	Conference Interviews for Interim Ministers (GC 41 TOR 1)	CONSENT 18–19	\$	
GCE8	Effective Leadership & Healthy Pastoral Relationships – MEPS 23	CONSENT 20	\$	
GCE 9	Candidacy Pathway – MEPS 10	PARTRIDGEBERRY 6–10	\$\$\$	
GCE 10	Living Apology to LGBTTQ Response to BQ 2 Affirming Ministry Status for GC + GCE & PMM16 Apology to LGBTTQ	BLUEBERRY 26–29	\$\$	
GCE 11	Faithful, Effective and Learned Leaders	PARTRIDGEBERRY 11–12	\$\$\$	
GCESE 1	Amending the Disability Provisions of the Manual	CONSENT 21–23	\$	
GCESE 2	Proposal on Reconciliation	PLENARY 39–40	\$	
GS 1	Procedural Motions	PLENARY 1–8	0	
GS 2	Plenary Consent	PLENARY 9	0	
GS 3	Enacting Remits 1 through 9	PLENARY 10	\$	
GS 4	Prioritizing the Work of General Council	PLENARY 11	0	
GS 5	Appeal – Calculation of Deadline to Initiate Appeal	CONSENT 1	\$	
GS 6	Minutes of Court Meetings	CONSENT 2–3	0	
GS 7	Notice of Congregational Meetings re: Amalgamations and Disbanding	CONSENT 4	\$	

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GS 10	Change in Governance – UCC Act to Not For Profit	PLENARY 32–34	\$\$	
GS 11	French Translation of The Manual	CONSENT 6	\$\$	
HAM 1	Setting the Date for a Congregation or Pastoral Charge Meeting	BLUEBERRY 43–45	\$	
HAM 2 – Blue Comp 3	Quorum for a meeting of the Governing Body of a Congregation or Pastoral Charge	BLUEBERRY 49–50	\$	
HAM 3	Changing Structure of a Governing Body	BLUEBERRY 46–47	\$	
HAM 4	Representation of United Church Women on Councils	SESSIONAL 93		*
HAM 5	Review of the Basis of Union Section 11	PARTRIDGEBERRY 25	\$	
HAM 6	Representation of United Church Women on Councils	SESSIONAL 94–95		*
HAM 7	Initiating Comprehensive Review of Property & Monies	PARTRIDGEBERRY 33		*
LON 1	Naming the Denominational Council	SESSIONAL 29		*
LON 2	Naming of the Denominational Court	SESSIONAL 30		*
LON 3	Proposed Name for the Denominational Council	SESSIONAL 31		*

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LON 20 – Blue Comp 3	Quorum Requirements for Congregational Meetings	BLUEBERRY 53	\$	
LON 21	Continuation of Unsettling Goods Campaign	BLUEBERRY 54	\$\$\$	ONGOING PRIORITY

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LON 24	Role of Christian Theology in Legitimizing Israeli Palestinian Territories	BLUEBERRY 55	\$\$	
LON 25	Ministers Attached to Courts	SESSIONAL 36		*
LON 26	Balanced Representation on Regional and Denominational Councils	SESSIONAL 37		*
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M&O 12	Resource Sharing	PARTRIDGEBERRY 32		
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M&O 17	Recognition in Principle of Francophones	SESSIONAL 72–73	\$	
M&O 18	Francophone decision-making Network of UCC	SESSIONAL 74–76	\$\$	
M&O 19	Support for Ministries in French	SESSIONAL 77	\$\$\$	INCREMENTAL COST VS PRESENT
M&O 20	The Beaconsfield Initiative	BAKEAPPLE 35–36	\$	
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MAR 1	Continuation of Unsettling Goods Campaign	BLUEBERRY 56–57	\$\$\$	ONGOING
MAR 2	United Church of Canada Pension Board Divestment from Goldcorp	BAKEAPPLE 17–19	\$	FIDUCIARY DUTY
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NL 1	A New Model	SESSIONAL 78		*
NL 2	Non-support for an Association of Ministers	SESSIONAL 120	0	*
NL 3	Task Group to Establish Regional Boundaries	SESSIONAL 79	\$\$	*
NOM 1	Appointment of the Executive of the General Council	CONSENT 24–25	0	
NOM 2	Appointment to the Committees of the General Council	CONSENT 26	0	
SK 1 – Blue Comp 1	Support & Continuing Support for a National Public Inquiry into Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls	BLUEBERRY 2–3	\$	
SK 2	Training & Accountability of Ministry Personnel	SESSIONAL 80–82	\$	
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SK 7	Strengthening Regional Councils - an Alternative	SESSIONAL 85–87		*TIMING OF IMPLEMENTATION
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TICIF 3	Towards a New Model of Membership	PARTRIDGEBERRY 13–22	\$\$	
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GS 1 PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

Motion: Roy West/Nora Saunders

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Bounds of Council

That the bounds of Commons for the 42nd General Council 2015 be the arena 1 floor at the numbered tables at Grenfell Campus of Memorial University, Corner Brook, Newfoundland/Labrador excluding the visitor seating and unnumbered tables.

The bounds of the court when the Commissions are in Session will be: Canada House, Meeting Location 2; Civic Centre Conference Room 2 and the arena 1 floor at the numbered tables at Grenfell Campus of Memorial University, Corner Brook, Newfoundland/Labrador excluding the visitor seating and unnumbered tables.

Corresponding Members

That the following persons who are in attendance be corresponding members of the 42nd General Council 2015 and as such, be entitled to speak but not to move motions or to vote:

- Moderators: The Very Reverend David Giuliano, Dr. Marion Best, The Very Reverend Lois Wilson, The Very Reverend Stanley McKay, The Very Reverend Marion Pardy, The Very Reverend William Phipps, The Very Reverend Peter Short;
- Global partner representatives, ecumenical, interfaith and official guests of the Council;
- The Youth Forum participants and leaders who are not Commissioners;
- Participants and leaders of the Children and Young Teens;
- Those who have been requested by the General Secretary, General Council to serve as resource persons to the Council;
- Members of the Business Committee who are not Commissioners;
- General Council Officers, Executive Ministers, Executive Officers, and Conference Executive Secretaries and Speaker;
- Guests appointed by the Executive of the General Council;
- **Connie Budd.**

Resource People: Kevin Barnes, Perry Bellegarde, Russel Burns, Adele Halliday, Adrian Jacobs, Jamie Scott, and Marie Wilson.

Business Committee Membership

- Fred Monteith, Chair
- Gary Paterson, Moderator
- Nora Sanders, General Secretary, General Council
- Shirley Cleave, Chair of the Permanent Committee on Governance and Agenda
- Karen Smart, Staff Resource to the Business Committee
- Cynthia Gunn, resource to the Business Committee and Parliamentarian
- David Allen, Parliamentarian
- Peter Hartmans – Conference Executive Secretary

Parliamentarians

That the parliamentarians for the 42nd General Council be Cynthia Gunn and David Allen.

Friends in Council

That the Friends in Council of the 42nd General Council 2015 be Roy West, Kathy Brett, and Rosemary Lambie.

Scrutineers

That the Scrutineers for the 42nd General Council 2015 be:

- Norma Thompson (Chief Scrutineer)
- Robin Green
- Phyllis Buchner
- Charles McMillan
- Ted Harrison
- Annette Taylor
- Mead Baldwin

Reference and Counsel

That the Commons Reference and Counsel of the 42nd General Council 2015 be Katharine Moore, Don Stiles, and Nancy Knox.

Business before the 42nd General Council 2015

That the reports and proposals printed in the Workbooks, including online additions, along with any change pages, and any new business received by the deadline for new business, be received for consideration by the 42nd General Council 2015.

New Business

All notices of new business will be presented, in writing, to the Business Committee. The Business Committee will from time to time report items of new business and recommendations for incorporation into the agenda, unless the court otherwise determines in the case of a specific item.

New business received, in writing by the Business Committee, prior to 9 a.m., Friday, August 14, 2015, will be incorporated into the approved agenda, unless the court determines otherwise.

Items of New Business will be ordered:

1. Not on a first come-first presented basis, but with preference to items that:
 - a. Arise unexpectedly in response to the meeting of the Council; and
 - b. Arise in response to global or national matters that occur during the meeting of the Council.

New Business not able to be dealt with due to time limitations will be dealt with by a motion to refer. Referral may be made to the General Secretary, General Council, or to the Executive of the General Council. The presenter of the proposal will be allowed to speak to the proposal.

Business Procedures

The Moderator will assume responsibility for chairing the meeting, making any rulings necessary and ensuring that there is full opportunity for discussion and decision-making. The Moderator will apply the rules Rules of Debate and Order (*The Manual Appendix*) and as approved herein in the Opening Resolutions for this 42nd General Council 2015. “*Bourinot’s Rules of Order*” will be used as the authority should a question arise that is not answered by the Appendix.

- Speakers will:
 - Speak from designated microphones in the court;
 - Be recognized by the Moderator prior to speaking;
 - Begin comments by identifying themselves by name, role, and Conference (or position as appropriate);
 - Only speak once to a given proposal except at the discretion of the Moderator;
 - Each new speaker should offer a new perspective or information
 - Speak for no longer than 90 seconds except at the discretion of the Moderator;
 - Use the designated procedural floor microphone to raise a point of order, that is to raise a specific question of procedure with the Moderator;
 - Use the floor microphones to raise points of personal privilege that will be understood to be limited to comments noting that the individual raising the point has been insulted or maligned in the current debate.

Note: Points of general privilege (inability to hear, temperature of the room, missing documentation) will be made to the Friends in Council, Roy West, Kathy Brett or Rosemary Lambie, who will determine how the concern will be addressed. Concerns for the well-being of individuals, celebrations of birthdays, etc. will be made to the Friends in Council, who will co-ordinate these for “community moments.”

Prioritizing Work:

The 42nd General Council (2015): will prioritize its work in the following manner:

1st Priority

Proposals are those that deal directly with the Comprehensive Review Task Group report and recommendations and all related Proposals and Response forms. These will receive priority attention at the 42nd General Council (2015). They will be referred to a Sessional Committee that will bring its recommendations to full court for decision.

2nd Priority

Proposals are those, other than those outlined in Category 1, which contemplate substantive changes to the Basis of Union that affect denominational identity and would require the 42nd General Council (2015) to authorize a Category 3 Remit. They will be brought before the full court for decision.

3rd Priority

Proposals are those calling the church to take a time-bound stand on national or global issues and/or on an issue for which the church does not have an existing policy or statement. They will be referred to a Commission for decision.

4th Priority

Proposals are those which contemplate changes to existing General Council policies and procedures, or those which more properly fall within the purview of another court of the church. They will be referred to the Business Committee for prioritization and may be referred to the full court, a Commission, the General Council Executive, or to the court that has responsibility for decision.

5th Priority

Proposals are those calling the church to broader support for existing statements, policies, or procedures of the General Council. They will be referred to the General Council Executive for decision or the General Secretary, General Council for action.

Procedure for Withdrawing Proposals from an Omnibus or Consent Motion

The 42nd General Council adopt the following procedure in the event that a Commissioner desires that a Proposal be withdrawn from an omnibus or consent motion and/or that a Proposal be assigned to a body other than that recommended by the Business Committee:

- 1) The Commissioner making such a request will have one minute to make their request and provide their rationale for their request.
- 2) The Moderator or his designate will ask, having heard the request and rationale, “Are there twenty Commissioners who support the request? Please indicate your support of this position by using your electronic voting device.”
- 3) If there are not twenty Commissioners who support the request, then the request is denied.
- 4) If there are twenty Commissioners who support the request then the Moderator will direct the Business Committee to find a place for the work consistent with the request.

Although not required, advance notice to the Business Table would be helpful.

Procedure for Addressing the Work of the Comprehensive Review

1. The report and recommendations of the Comprehensive Review Task Group and related Response Sheets and Proposals have been referred to a Sessional Committee of the 42nd General Council (2015).
2. The role of the Sessional Committee is to consider said material with a view to bringing recommendations to the full court for consideration and decision.
3. Said Sessional Committee is comprised of one Commissioner from each Conference, two co-chairs named by The Business Committee, and two Commissioners named by the Business Committee to ensure participant balance. In addition there is one Youth Forum Delegate who is a corresponding member. They are as follows:

Co-Chairs: Larry Doyle and Jean Brown

Members: ANCC – TBD, Sharon Aylsworth, Ross Bartlett, Nicole Beaudry, Katelyn Cody, Dwaine Dornan, Janet Gear, Hannah Lee, Regina Madimbu, Ryan McNally, Barb Miller, Greg Smith-Young, Erin Todd, Carey Wagner, and Paul Douglas Walfall

Corresponding Member: Ethan Evans

Election of Moderator

That the following be approved as the process for nominations and election of the 42nd Moderator of The United Church of Canada:

1. Nominations may be made from the floor up to 5 p.m. on Sunday, August 9. There must be a mover and a seconder, and the nominee must indicate willingness to stand. The Moderator will call for any further nominations just before 5 p.m. Advance notice to the Business Table of any intended nominations is not essential but will be appreciated.
2. Nominations from the floor of the Council will be declared closed at 5 p.m., Sunday August 9, 2015.
3. The nominees will be introduced to the Council and presented with their nominee stoles after the supper break on Sunday, August 9, 2015.
4. Candidates will address the Council, individually, on Monday, August 10, 2015.
5. Voting will be by ballot and take place on Thursday, August 13, 2015.
6. A candidate will be declared elected as the 42nd Moderator upon attaining 50% plus one of the votes cast.
7. If there are ten or more names on the ballot, four with the least number of votes cast in their favour will be released from the subsequent ballots; if there are seven or more and fewer than ten names on the ballot, three with the least number of votes cast in their favour will be released from the subsequent ballots; if there are more than four and fewer than eight names on the ballot, two with the lowest number of votes cast in their favour will be released from the subsequent ballots; with four or fewer names, the one with the lowest number of votes will be released from subsequent ballots.
8. When there are seven or more names on the ballot and there is a tie in the number of votes cast for the candidates with the least number of votes in their favour as set out in the preceding paragraph, the candidates who are tied will be released from subsequent ballots. This could mean that more than the specified number of candidates could be released from a ballot as set out in the preceding paragraph.
9. Announcements of the results of the ballots will take place at times determined by the Moderator with advice from the Business Committee.
10. Tallies of votes will not be announced.

Minutes of the 41st General Council 2012

That the minutes of the 41st General Council 2012 be approved.

Minute Secretary

That the Minute Secretary for the 42nd General Council 2015 be Susan Fortner.

Accountability Reports

That the 42nd General Council 2015 accept the accountability report of the Executive of the General Council.

That the 42nd General Council 2015 receive for information the following reports:

- Moderator's Accountability Report
- Moderator's Advisory Committee Report
- Accountability Report of the General Secretary, General Council
- A Journey to Full Communion
- Mission and Ministry with Migrant Churches
- Mutual Recognition of Ministries with the Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea
- Mutual Recognition with the United Church of Christ in the Philippines
- Aboriginal Ministries Council Report
- Newfoundland and Labrador Conference Report
- Maritime Conference Report
- Synode Montreal & Ottawa Conference
- Bay of Quinte Conference Report
- Toronto Conference Report
- Hamilton Conference Report
- London Conference Report
- Manitou Conference Report
- All Native Circle Conference Report
- Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario Report
- Saskatchewan Conference Report
- Alberta and Northwest Conference Report
- British Columbia Conference Report
- Committee on Indigenous Justice and Residential Schools Report
- Effective Leadership Report
- Candidacy Pathways Report
- Judicial Committee Report
- The Conference Records Report
- The Manual Committee Report
- The Archives Committee Report
- The United Church Foundation Report
- The Nominations Committee Report
- The Comprehensive Review Task Group Report

- Rulings and Opinions of The General Secretary, General Council – July 2012 to June 2015
- Minutes of the Executive of the General Council – June 2012 to June 2015
- Actions of the Executive – Summary Report

Establish Commissions

That the 42nd General Council 2015 establish three Commissions to meet Tuesday, August 11, 2015, to complete the work assigned to them by the 42nd General Council.

Voting Privileges in Commissions

That the Commissioners of the General Council have voting privileges in the Commission to which their membership has been assigned; that Corresponding members of General Council have privilege of voice but no vote, in Commissions; and that the Moderator and the General Secretary are ex-officio members of all Commissions.

Business Assigned to Red - Partridgeberry Commission

That the 42nd General Council 2015 assign to Red - Partridgeberry Commission the items of business as reported in the Workbook and such other work as may be referred by the 42nd General Council.

Membership of the Red - Partridge Berry Commission

That the 42nd General Council 2015 appoint the membership of Red - Partridgeberry Commission as assigned in the Workbook.

Leadership of the Red - Partridgeberry Commission

That Adam Hanley and Sue Broderick be the Co-Chairs and that Shirley Welch be the Minute Secretary of the Red - Partridgeberry Commission.

That the Reference and Counsel of the Red - Partridgeberry Commission be Don Stiles, Jean Bethune, Sean Handcock, and Will Sparks.

Business Assigned to Yellow - Bakeapple Commission

That the 42nd General Council 2015 assign to the Yellow - Bakeapple Commission the items of business as reported in the Workbook.

Membership of Yellow - Bakeapple Commission

That the 42nd General Council 2015 appoint the membership of the Yellow - Bakeapple Commission as assigned in the Workbook and such other work as may be referred by the 42nd General Council.

Leadership of Yellow - Bakeapple Commission

That Shirley Cleave and Paula Gale be the Co-Chairs and that Susan Whitehead be the Minute Secretary of the Yellow - Bakeapple Commission.

That the Reference and Counsel of the Yellow - Bakeapple Commission be Katharine Moore, Kate Crawford, Dale Skinner, and Paul Stott.

Business Assigned to the Blue - Blueberry Commission

That the 42nd General Council 2015 assign to the Blue - Blueberry Commission the items of business as reported in the Workbook and such other work as may be referred by the 42nd General Council.

Membership of the Blue - Blueberry Commission

That the 42nd General Council 2015 appoint the membership of the Blue - Blueberry Commission as assigned in the Workbook.

Leadership of the Blue - Blueberry Commission

That Graham Brownmiller and Bev Kostichuk be the Co-Chairs and that Stefanie Uyesugi be the Minute Secretary of the Blue - Blueberry Commission.

That the Reference and Counsel of the Blue - Blueberry Commission be Nancy Knox, Matthew Fillier, Ralph Hayman, and Betty Kelly.

Agenda

That the 42nd General Council 2015 accept, as its agenda, the agenda as circulated and approved on the understanding that the agenda may be changed, as necessary, by the action of the General Council, on the recommendation of the Business Committee.

Unfinished Business

Unfinished business will be referred to the Executive of the General Council.

GS 3 ENACTING REMITS AUTHORIZED BY THE 41ST GENERAL COUNCIL 2012 AND 2013

Originating Body: General Secretary, General Council

The General Secretary, General Council proposes that:

The 42nd General Council 2015 enact the following remits authorized by the 41st General Council 2012, all of which have been approved by a majority of the presbyteries:

Remit#1: Vacancies in Session, Church Board and Church Council

Remit#2: Staff as Lay Members of Presbytery

Remit#3: Presbytery Representation from Presbytery Accountable Ministries

Remit#4: Transfer and Settlement – Presbytery Recognized Ministries or Presbytery Accountable Ministries

Remit#5: Election of Commissioners by Overseas Personnel

Remit#6: Associate Relationship with Migrant Church Communities

Remit#7: Election of General Council Commissioners – President-Elect/Leading Elders

Remit#8: Election of General Council Commissioners – Designated Lay Ministers

Background:

The following are the voting results for the remits authorized by the 41st General Council 2012:

Remits to Presbyteries (85)	For	Against
Remit #1	74	NIL
Remit #2	74	NIL
Remit #3	73	1
Remit #4	74	NIL
Remit #5	72	1
Remit #6	64	8
Remit #7	70	NIL
Remit #8	64	6
Remit #9	39	30

Remits #1 to #8 were approved by a majority of the presbyteries. The General Council must now decide whether to enact these approved remits.

GCE 4 – REF MEPS 13 LICENSED LAY WORSHIP LEADER POLICY

Origin: Executive of the General Council

Financial Implications if known:

Staffing Implications if known:

Source of Funding if known:

The Executive of the General Council proposes that:

The 42nd General Council (2015):

Adopt the following policy, addressing the role and purpose of licensed lay worship leaders, for inclusion in *The Manual*, recognizing the role of the Manual Committee in editing and re-writing content to suit the style and clean language of *The Manual*:

Policy

The United Church of Canada recognizes that licensed lay worship leaders make a valuable contribution to the church offering occasional worship leadership and preaching in local ministry units that have need of worship leadership on a temporary basis.

A licensed lay worship leader is a lay member of The United Church of Canada, in good standing, who has been recommended by the governing body of their pastoral charge, duly educated, and licensed by their presbytery to offer occasional worship leadership and preaching within the bounds of their presbytery.

The role of a licensed lay worship leader is to

- **prepare and lead worship services;**
- **prepare and deliver sermons;**
- **work with local ministry members and staff, i.e. musicians, lay readers, church administrators; and**
- **be aware of and address congregational responses to lay leadership and service content.**

History

A proposal went to the 41st General Council in 2012 requesting a draft policy be developed as to the role and purpose of licensed lay worship leaders. The draft policy is to be submitted to the 42nd General Council for consideration. The process for becoming a licensed lay worship leader was to be deleted from the by-laws and moved to a resource document available from the General Council Office.

Prior to the 41st General Council, much of the procedural policy pertaining to licensed lay worship leaders was removed from *The Manual* to the Licensed Lay Worship Leader resource as a part of the larger project to re-write and simplify *The Manual*.

Background

The current by-laws contain policy about licensed lay worship leaders that addresses membership, jurisdiction (which court is responsible for decision-making), and term of licence,

but do not contain any explanation as to the role and purpose of a licensed lay worship leader in the United Church.

Rationale

There should be a policy statement in the by-laws setting out the role and purpose of licensed lay worship leaders on which all other policies and procedures would be based.

Additional Resources

[The Manual](#), Local Ministry Unit B.7.4.5 (a); Pastoral Relations I.1.8.4
[Licensed Lay Worship Leader](#) resource

BQ 8 NATURAL JUSTICE FOR COLLEGE OF MINISTRY

Originating Body: Bay of Quinte Conference

Financial Implications if known:

Staffing Implications if known:

Source of Funding if known:

The Bay of Quinte Conference proposes that:

The 42nd General Council (2015) direct that any College of Ministers ensures natural justice in living out the covenantal relationship between pastoral charges/communities of faith and ministry personnel, by ensuring:

- a) The scope of the College's role be expanded to include inquiry, hearing processes, and discipline of communities of faith;**
- b) The size of the College's Board reflect the expanded workload this broadened scope will create;**
- c) The name of the College be altered from "College of Ministers" to "College of Ministry" to reflect its broader scope.**

Intermediate Court Action:

Bay of Quinte Conference carried this proposal.

GCE 11 FAITHFUL, EFFECTIVE AND LEARNED LEADERS FOR THE CHURCH WE ARE BECOMING: A COMPETENCY-BASED APPROACH TO MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

Origin: The Executive of the General Council

Financial Implications if known:

Staffing Implications if known:

Source of Funding if known:

The Executive of the General Council:

- 1. Recommends to the 42nd General Council that it:**
 - a. Approve the adoption of a competency-based approach to equipping and evaluating people for leadership in ministry and mission.**
 - b. Affirm that assessing the academic readiness and competence for leadership in ministry and mission is a core responsibility of the church.**
 - c. Affirm The United Church of Canada's relationship with its theological schools, and education and retreat centres, and recognize their on-going contribution to the formation and education of church leadership by continuing to provide funding for representative institutions as outlined in this document.**
 - d. Direct the General Secretary to establish a process to implement the competency-based approach. This process will include working with the Theological Schools Circle, and other educational partners, to realize the recommendations of the Task Group and the items identified in the Consensus Statement of the Theological Schools Circle, including the tradition of Testamur-granting schools. This process will also include integrating the competency-based approach with other leadership formation and education initiatives that have been, or may be, approved: the One Order of Ministry proposal of the Joint Ministry Group, the Report of the Candidacy Pathways Pilot Project Steering Group, and the Effective Leadership and Healthy Pastoral Relations initiative.**

Background

(The Report of the Working Group on Leadership Formation for Ministry with Appendices can be found online at <http://www.united-church.ca/general-council/gce/2014> under the Additional Information section of the November 2014 meeting of the GCE.)

After two years of extensive discussion, research and consultation, the Working Group on Leadership Formation for Ministry has presented its report to the General Secretary recommending a new competency-based approach to leadership education and formation. The Working Group understands that the adoption of this approach would have especially significant implications for the theological schools that currently retain the right to grant *testamur*. The church's partnership with its schools is a valued relationship. There has been extensive

consultation and conversation, therefore, with the Theological Schools Circle (Principals, Keeper and Deans) at every step of developing this proposal. The members of the Theological Schools Circle have acknowledged the merits of a competency-based approach, named their concerns, and committed themselves to continuing to partner with the church in a renewed spirit of cooperation and collaboration. It is in that spirit that future discussions with the schools regarding implementation of this proposal would be conducted.