

**DIGEST OF ACTIONS OF THE
THE EXECUTIVE
OF SHINING WATERS REGIONAL COUNCIL
FOR THE PERIOD November 24, 2020 to November 4, 2021**

Decisions made by the Executive November 24, 2020

1. that the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive take the following actions:

a) Camp Ahshunyoong operating as Camp Big Canoe

...based on the guidance received from General Council Staff, pursuant to the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada approve the General By-Law as approved by the members on October 26, 2020 of the incorporated ministry known as Camp Ahshunyoong operating as Camp Big Canoe.

b) Central King Seniors Residence

...approve the Central King Seniors Residence 2020-2021 Board of Directors

Mary Louise Ashbourne
Carla Cornier
Alex Gribben
David Hewett
Joyce Klammer
Michael Kooiman
Jon Lee
Taye Maddison
Lang Moffat
Stephen Mogford
Bob Putnam

c) Fred Victor Centre

...approve the Fred Victor Centre 2020-2021 Board of Directors

Chris Anastasopoulos
Anne Bell
Sandra Bennett
Neill Carson
Deane Collinson
Nancy Easton
Michele Erskine
David Estabrooks
Andrew Gray

John Hinds
Jawad Kassab
Muwanguzi Ssebaggala
Christina Topp

...based on the guidance received from General Council Staff, pursuant to the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada approve By-Law No. 2020-1 as approved by the members on June 17, 2020 of the incorporated ministry known as Fred Victor Centre.

... grant permission for Fred Victor Centre to enter into a lease agreement to occupy 1059 College Street to relocate the Women's Hostel from 86 Lombard Street.

d) The Massey Centre for Women

... approve The Massey Centre for Women 2020-2021 Board of Directors

Jessica Amey
Oliver Blunn
Angel Deen
Jennifer Dockery
Kris Hollenberg
Justine Humphries
Breann Kirincich
Anika Mehta
Mitze Mourinho
Eddy Popp
Catherine Wang
Stephanie Wang

e) Simcoe Presbytery Camp o/a Camp Simpresca

... approve the Simcoe Presbytery Camp 2019-2020 Board of Directors

Keri Craftchick
Brian Cooper
Lucas Cooper
Paul Cooper
Sarah Draper
Colin Elliott
Sarah Fairman
Anthony Filgate
Taylor Poulin
Shelby Stevenson

... approve the Simcoe Presbytery Camp 2020-2021 Board of Directors

Keri Craftchick
Brian Cooper
Lucas Cooper
Paul Cooper
Sarah Draper
Colin Elliott
Peter Fairman
Sarah Fairman
Anthony Filgate
Taylor Poulin

f) The Toronto United Church Council

... approve The Toronto United Church Council 2020-2021 Board of Directors

Carole Bennett
Greg Daly
Brian Heinmiller
Roberta Howey
Bill Jermyn
Michael Kooiman
Ross Leckie
Hannah Lee
Ted Meyers
Doug Smith
Christopher White
Grant Williams

g) Weston King Neighbourhood Centre

... approve the Weston King Neighbourhood Centre 2020-2021 Board of Directors

Jean-Marie Boutot
Michael Kooiman
Thomas Lo
Eleni Marino
Doreen Miller
Mayur Mistry
Lang Moffat
Iqbal Singh
Kenny Stier
Barbara Stone
Wendy Whiteley

2. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council update the terms of reference for the Equity Committee Policy to increase membership from six members to eight members.
3. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council appoint the following people to the Mission Support Committee:
 - Deborah Hart (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
 - Sarah Lough (lay member) (term ending 2022)
 - Ron Wigle (lay member) (term ending 2022)
 - Tom MacNeil (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
4. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council update the terms of reference for the Nominations Committee Policy to amend membership to allow at least two, but not more than four, members of the Executive, and up to six members not currently serving on the Executive.
5. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve the Intercultural Diversity Commission Policy as presented.
that the above motion be tabled for the purpose of seeking final input on the draft policy from the Intercultural and Diversity Circle.
6. that the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive approve the recommendations of the Grants Review Committee and the Mission Support Committee as presented and refer the Net Annual Revenue grant applications to the Presbyteries of Toronto Conference Corporation for consideration.
7. that on the recommendation of the Grants Review Committee, the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive formally dissolve the Toronto Southeast Presbytery Major Capital Fund Commission and the Urban Forest Fund Commission, with thanks to their members for their work, and confirm that those funds are now within the mandate of the Grants Review Committee.

Decisions made by the Executive December 10, 2020

8. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council support in principle the site review proposal from United Property Resource Corporation and charge Peter Hartmans and Jody Maltby to move forward with negotiation for a Memorandum of Understanding with the United Property Resource Corporation.
9. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve the sharing of staff between Shining Waters and Canadian Shield Regional Councils.

Decisions made by the Executive January 26, 2021

10. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve of, and proceed with, the Memorandums of Understanding for Wilmar Heights, Wexford Heights and Church of the Master.

11. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve the sale of the West Ellesmere property as recommended by Toronto United Church Council (TUCC).
12. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve the request of Huttonville United Church to sell the Church property.

Decisions made by the Executive February 24, 2021

13. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council accept for information the Minutes of the Communities of Faith Commission of April 15, May 20, June 2, July 29, September 16, October 21, November 18, 2020.
14. appointed Janet MacDonald as Trustee for Church of the Master United Church, West Ellesmere United Church, Wexford Heights United Church, and Wilmar Heights United Church, all located in Scarborough, Guthrie United Church in Oro-Medonte, Regent Park United Church Orillia, Newton Robinson United Church and Dunkerron United Church located in Bradford West Gwillimbury.
15. appointed Jody Maltby as Trustee for Wilmar Heights United Church in Scarborough, Newton Robinson United Church in Bradford West Gwillimbury, and Guthrie United Church in Oro-Medonte.
16. that the 2021 Shining Waters Regional Council New Ministry Service take place in the afternoon of Sunday, May 30, 2021.
17. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council adopt the draft policy of the Intercultural Diversity Commission.
18. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve the adoption of the revised Memorandum of Understanding between Shining Waters and Canadian Shield to include a provision for sharing of staff.
19. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve the revision of the Regional Council Policy by amending wording under Membership to; “Past lay Toronto Conference *and Shining Waters Regional Council* Presidents will be voting members of the Regional Council.”

Decisions made by the Executive March 23, 2021

20. granted permission for the Massey Centre to proceed with a corporate amalgamation with Humewood House Association. The newly formed amalgamated corporation will operate as a Category 1 Incorporated Ministry as per the Incorporated Ministry Policy of The United Church of Canada.

21. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council accept for information the Minutes of the Pastoral Relations Commission of May 12, June 2, August 25, September 29, October 27, November 24, and December 15, 2020.
22. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council replace the MISSION section of the Regional Council Policy with the following:
The mission of Shining Waters Regional Council is “Encouraging and Connecting Communities of Faith.”
To fulfil this mission, the Regional Council and the Regional Council Executive will encourage and engage in:
1) living in right relations with Indigenous peoples, and responding positively and meaningfully to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action and the Caretakers of Our Indigenous Circle Calls to the Church;
2) becoming an anti-racist church (declaration of the Commissioners of the 43rd General Council, October 24, 2020);
3) welcoming people of all ages, abilities, races, sexual orientations and gender identities, and any other forms of marginalization into, and removing barriers to, the life, work and leadership of the Region and our communities of faith.
These objectives are in addition to those declared in The Manual (6.3.4) as the mission and ministry for every Regional Council:
Encouraging and engaging in:
4) joining our collective hearts, voices, and resources to witness to the gospel and vision of Jesus for a compassionate and just society, both in Canada and around the world;
5) local, regional, national and global initiatives and partnerships (community, ecumenical and interfaith) for ministry, mission and justice work;
6) ministry with children, youth and young adults;
7) honouring and living into intercultural mission and ministry; and
8) living in covenant with Mother Earth and All My Relations in the Earth community.
23. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council schedule a Regional Council meeting for the evening of Thursday June 17, 2021 for the election of Commissioners for General Council 44.
24. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council requests that Presbyteries of Toronto Conference Corporation (PTCC) divide the balance in the New Ministries Development and Leadership Fund, as of December 31, 2020, between Shining Waters Regional Council and Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council in the proportion of 75:25, to establish separate funds for each Regional Council.

Decisions made by the Executive April 27, 2021

25. that the Social and Ecological Justice Commission Policy be amended under Quorum to have the word *ordained* replaced by the word, *ordered*.

26. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council, on the recommendation of the Grants Review Committee, approves the revision of the Terms of Reference of the Urban Forest Fund to include grants to any community of faith within the bounds of Shining Waters Region.
27. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council affirm the plans for the Celebration of Ministries service regarding staying within the current restrictions of the pandemic.

Decisions made by the Executive June 10, 2021

28. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council receive the Minutes of the Communities of Faith Commission from December 2020 to April 2021 for information.
29. that the theme of the Regional Council meeting in the Fall of 2021 be *A Time for Every Purpose*.
30. that the Spring 2022 regional council meeting be held May 27 – 29, 2022.
31. that the Regional Council Executive Sub-Executive Policy be amended as presented.
32. that the Regional Council Executive Distribution of Proceeds from Sale of Property Policy be amended as presented.
33. that the Regional Council Executive Nominations Committee Policy be amended as presented.
34. that the Regional Council Executive Nominations Committee Policy be amended as discussed regarding quorum.
35. that the Executive Minister Budget Process Policy be amended as presented.
36. that the Shining Waters Regional Council Policy be amended as presented.

Decisions made by the Executive September 15, 2021

37. removed Christine Smaller as Trustee of West Ellesmere United Church, 37 Marchington Circle, Scarborough, Ontario, with thanks for her service.
38. that on the recommendation of the Grants Review Committee the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council extend the grant of \$50,000 to the Tamil Mission from the Toronto Southeast Presbytery Major Capital Fund by one year to include 2022.
39. that on the recommendation of the Grants Review Committee the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve a grant of \$18,000 from the Presbyteries of Toronto Conference Corporation to Birchcliff Bluffs United Church for the work of Toby's Place and Dorothy's Place.

40. that on recommendation of the Grants Review and Mission Support Committees the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council move forward in conversation with Toronto United Church Council (TUCC) to expand the terms of the St. Enoch's fund to include the greater Toronto area within Shining Waters Regional Council.
41. that on recommendation of the Grants Review and Mission Support Committees the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council move forward in the conversation with Presbyteries of Toronto Conference Corporation (PTCC) on amalgamating the regional fund, the New Ministries Development and Leadership Fund and the Urban Forest Fund with terms that support the intended use of these funds and that the amalgamated fund be available to ministries in the entire region.
42. that on recommendation of the Grants Review and Mission Support Committees the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council the Grants Review Committee and the Mission Support Committee be merged as the Grants and Mission Support Committee.
43. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council elect Jeannette Schieck and Lawrence Nyarko as General Council Commissioners on recommendation of the Nominations Committee.
44. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council support the proposal Elimination of the General Council & Regional Council Salary Differential, and forward it to General Council with concurrence.
45. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council not support the *Justice and Peace for Palestine and Israel* proposal because of its inflammatory language and that it not be forwarded to General Council.
46. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council write a pastoral letter to the communities of faith encouraging ministry personnel, church personnel, congregation members, and the wider community to continue to get vaccinated in order to fulfill our mission to love thy neighbour as ourselves.

Decisions made by the Executive October 5, 2021

47. that, on the recommendation of the Communities of Faith Commission, the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve that the funds received under the policy regarding sale of property by an existing community of faith, and funds declared surplus property in an amalgamation, be available for grants either directly or as a top-up to funds in the Presbyteries of Toronto Conference Corp. (PTCC) regional fund, and that the Grants and Mission Support Committee consider applications for funding.
48. that Shining Waters Regional Council Executive disband the Equity Committee with gratitude for initiating our action plan and in particular our transition to fulfilling our commitments to become an Affirming region and with assurance of our ongoing commitment

to embed our equity strategy across our regional governance structure and report annually on implementation of a regional plan.

Decisions made by the Executive November 4, 2021

49. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council authorize the finalization of definitive agreements to proceed with the developments of the properties Church of the Master, Wilmar Heights, and Wexford Heights, and authorize the Executive Minister to sign agreements on behalf of the regional council.
50. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council authorize the finalization of definitive agreements to proceed with the development of the property of Regent Park Orillia, and authorize the Executive Minister to sign agreements on behalf of the regional council.
51. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council supports the new *Regional Council Executive and Communities of Faith Commission: Property Policy*.
52. that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council plan the regional council meeting in May of 2022 as a virtual business meeting and an in-person Celebration of Ministries service.

