

The United Church of Canada  
Shining Waters Regional Council

**EXECUTIVE**

**MINUTES of Meeting held January 26, 2021**, at 10:00 a.m.  
via video teleconference.

**PRESENT:** Jingle Ayupan, Pat Edmonds, Allan Holditch, Kirsty Hunter, Isaac Kamta, David Leyton-Brown, Steven Loweth, Allyce Mutungi, Moon Ja Park, Dong-Chun Seo, Lynn Mooney, Daniel Reed

Staff: Peter Hartmans (Executive Minister), Jody Maltby (Staff Lead), Rachael Howes (Administrative Support),

**REGRETS:** Jessica Stevenson

**GATHERING, OPENING PRAYER**

David Leyton-Brown opened the meeting at 10:07 p.m. He gave an acknowledgement of the land, and acknowledged our commitment to being a safe place for all people to gather and participate in our Region.

Peter Hartmans led a brief worship including reading of Psalm 121 and a reflection. The members recited the New Creed.

The members checked in.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb / Pat Edmonds that the agenda for this meeting be approved as circulated.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Moon Ja Park / Dong Chun Seo that the Minutes of the meeting of the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive held December 10, 2020 be approved as circulated.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Property discussion and Memorandums of Understanding**

Memorandums of Understanding were received from the United Property Resource Corporation (UPRC) for the properties of Wilmar Heights, Wexford Heights, and Church of the Master. There was discussion and questions regarding the documents. Tim Blair from UPRC joined the meeting to answer questions.

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**MOTION** by Moon Ja Park / Isaac Kamta 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

The Executive notes its preference that, where possible, the newly developed facilities would reflect the former name of the property and offer community space.

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb / Steven Loweth that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve the sale of the West Ellesmere property as recommended by Toronto United Church Council (TUCC).

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Allan Holditch / Pat Edmonds that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve the request of Huttonville United Church to sell the Church property.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Intercultural Diversity Commission**

The Executive received a revised draft of the Intercultural Diversity Commission Policy. The suggestion was made to have the Equity Committee merge with the Intercultural Diversity Commission and discussion was held on the matter. This discussion will continue at the next Executive meeting and consultation will take place.

Jody Maltby, Steven Loweth and Betty Lou McNabb left the meeting at 12 noon.

**Memorandum of Understanding between Regions Update** – deferred to next meeting

**Closing:** the meeting closed at 12:10 p.m. and Peter Hartmans offered a closing prayer.

**Next meeting** – t.b.d. by Doodle poll

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**EXECUTIVE**

**MINUTES of Meeting held February 24, 2021**, at 7:00 p.m.  
via video teleconference.

**PRESENT:** Jingle Ayupan, Pat Edmonds, Allan Holditch, Kirsty Hunter, Isaac Kamta, David Leyton-Brown, Steven Loweth, Allyce Mutungi, Moon Ja Park, Dong-Chun Seo, Jessica Stevenson, Daniel Reed

**Staff:** Peter Hartmans (Executive Minister), Jody Maltby (Staff Lead), Rachael Howes (Administrative Support), Susie Henderson, Kim Udeye-kai,

**Absent:** Lynn Mooney

**GATHERING, OPENING PRAYER**

David Leyton-Brown opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Peter Hartmans led a brief worship focussing on Genesis 1:14 – 18.

The Chair gave an acknowledgement of the land, and acknowledged our commitment to being a safe place for all people to gather and participate in our Region.

The members checked in.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb / Dong-Chun Seo that the agenda for this meeting be approved with addition of an item for Other Business of a report from David Leyton-Brown of the meeting the General Secretary had with the Presidents of Regional Councils.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Jingle Ayupan / Pat Edmonds that the Minutes of the meeting of the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive held January 26, 2021 be approved as circulated.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Commission Minutes**

**MOTION** by Daniel Reed / Steven Loweth 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

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**Email votes**

The following decisions were made by email:

- 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.
- 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.
- That the 2021 Shining Waters Regional Council New Ministry Service take place in the afternoon of Sunday, May 30, ~~3021~~ **2021**.

**Intercultural Diversity Commission Proposal and Draft Policy Document**

David Leyton-Brown reviewed the discussion held at the last meeting around merging the Equity Committee into the Intercultural Diversity Commission. He researched more information around this. Equity is a multi-dimensional priority of The United Church of Canada and Shining Waters Regional Council. There are at least four different areas of emphasis within equity. The sense is that we should keep the Intercultural Diversity Commission focus on intercultural diversity and think further where and how best to attend to the other important issues of equity elsewhere in our structure but not hold up getting the Intercultural Diversity Commission running and staffed. The proposal as presented at the previous meeting is now being presented without any changes or refinements

**MOTION** by Jingle Ayupan, / Isaac Kamta that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council adopt the draft policy of the Intercultural Diversity Commission  
**MOTION** **CARRIED**

**By-Law Updates and Memorandum of Understanding**

Memorandum of Understanding:

The Memorandum of Understanding between Shining Waters and Canadian Shield Regional Councils was revised to reflect the decision made at the December 10, 2020 Executive meeting approving the sharing of staff between the regions.

**MOTION** by Jessica Stevenson / Allyce Mutungi 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.  
**MOTION** **CARRIED**

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Regional Council Policy:

In the section of the Regional Council Policy dealing with membership, the sentence stating past lay presidents of Toronto Conference will be voting members of the Regional Council needs to be amended to include past lay Shining Waters Regional Council presidents.

**MOTION** Kirsty Hunter / Betty Lou McNabb 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.”

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Other Business**

David Leyton-Brown reported that twice a year there is a meeting of all the Presidents of all the Regional Councils. Their first meeting with the new General Secretary, Michael Blair, was February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Learnings from the Covid experience: Things that stood out for him were how many of his counterparts across the country talked about the benefits of technology and that we have all become more comfortable with online meetings and online worship than we would have if it was not for Covid; it has accelerated the learning and the comfort level. There is still a lot of concern across the country of smaller communities of faith in the small remote locations that lack the infrastructure or tech support to be active in online worship. There is also concern about ministerial vacancies in the small, remote locations. An observation by one President was that The United Church of Canada stands at one end of the spectrum in being comfortable with online worship. Another observation by one was that we can not put God in a box, do not need to be in a building to be present.

The assessment model in the new structure: There is a lot of uncertainty, because not only was there over \$1 million in unpaid assessments at the end of 2020, but many congregations chose the 3-year freeze on assessments, and that is due to end at the end of 2022, leaving many facing substantial increases. Two regions (Shining Waters and Horseshoe Falls) face significant increases. The 2021 collective assessment target for Shining Waters is \$2,008,351 but we are invoiced only \$1,378,297 (just 68.6%) leaving \$630,054 to be added in 2022 if we “rip the bandaid off” and move instantly to the new assessment model. It will be up to General Council to decide what to do (maintain the freeze, have a graduated transition, or rip the bandaid off), but across the church only 903 communities of faith are at target, while 1,508 chose the freeze option. Our Executive has no particular decisions to make on this, but should be aware of the issue, and consider whether and how we should raise the consciousness of our communities of faith.

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**Announcements**

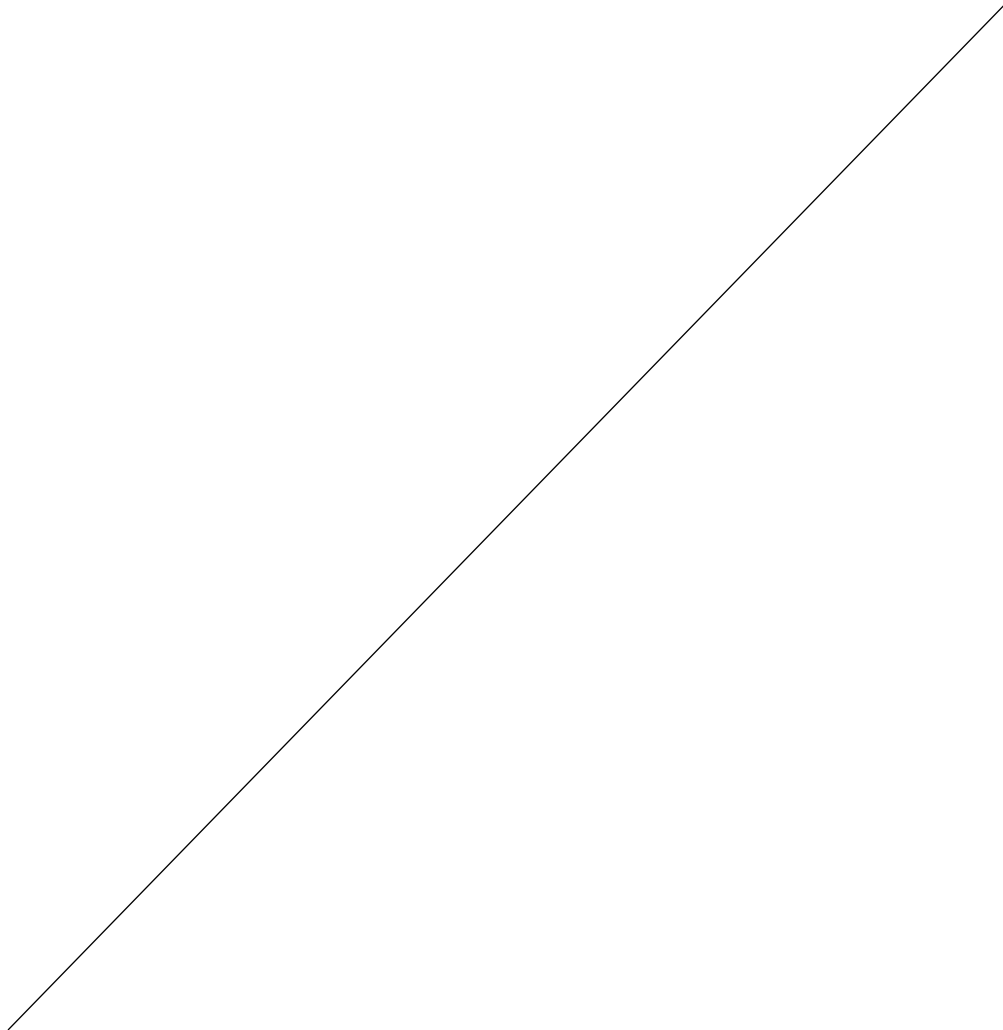
Peter Hartmans announced the Shining Waters affirming service will be held March 14 at 2 p.m. via live-stream, Michael Blair is preaching. Michael Blair also agreed to preach at our new ministry service on May 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Covid 19 Update** – *Peter Hartmans*

Peter mentioned that there is not much to update. Main areas of the region are still on lockdown; there might be some shifting in our region either way.

**Closing:** the meeting closed at 8:30 p.m. and Peter Hartmans offered a closing prayer.

**Next meeting** – March 23, 2021, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. via Zoom.



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**MINUTES of Meeting held March 23, 2021**, at 3:00 p.m.  
via video teleconference.

**PRESENT:** Jingle Ayupan, Pat Edmonds, Allan Holditch, Isaac Kamta, David Leyton-Brown, Steven Loweth, Betty Lou McNabb, Allyce Mutungi, Moon Ja Park, Dong-Chun Seo, Jessica Stevenson, Daniel Reed

**Staff:** Peter Hartmans (Executive Minister), Jody Maltby, Rachael Howes, Bri-anne Swan, Kim Udeye-Kai, Dale Hildebrand

**Absent:** Kirsty Hunter, Lynn Mooney

**Guests:** Lois Brown, Susan Eagle, Brian McIntosh, Elizabeth McLean joined the meeting at 4 p.m

**GATHERING, OPENING PRAYER**

David Leyton-Brown opened the meeting at 3:04 p.m. He gave an acknowledgement of the land, and acknowledged our commitment to being a safe place for all people to gather and participate in our Region.

Peter Hartmans led a brief worship focussing on an article written by Julie McGonegal based on Matthew 4:1–11, from the book, *Faith on the Move*.

The members checked in.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Jingle Ayupan/Pat Edmonds that the agenda for this meeting be approved as amended by adding the item of email votes.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES**

The Minutes of February 24, 2021 to be amended to change the date on page two, in the third point under *Email Votes*, to read May 30, 2021.

**MOTION** by Daniel Reed/Jingle Ayupan that the Minutes of the meeting of the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive held February 24, 2021 be approved as amended.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Email votes**

The following decisions were made by email:

- granted permission for the Massey Centre to proceed with a corporate amalgamation with Humewood House Association. The newly formed amalgamated corporation will

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operate as a Category 1 Incorporated Ministry as per the Incorporated Ministry Policy  
of The United Church of Canada.

**Commission Minutes**

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb/Jessica Stevenson 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

Dale Hildebrand left the meeting.

**Correspondence**

The Executive received, for information, letters from Davenport Perth and Jane Finch Community Ministries regarding the possible closure of the community ministries, a letter from the Social & Ecological Justice Commission, as well as background information on the matter. David Leyton-Brown gave background information on the role and responsibility of Commissions to assist with the context of this correspondence. He advised that there will be a further meeting with the board of the community ministries and the Communities of Faith Commission and Social & Ecological Justice Commission.

**Living Into Right Relations Circle meeting**

The guests, members of the Living Into Right Relations Circle and the Chair of the Social & Ecological Justice Commission, joined the Executive to continue discussions between the Circle and the Executive. Brian McIntosh recapped the previous discussion held with the Executive in January 2020 to give context to the discussion today.

Brian McIntosh suggested that the Executive and the Circle name some people from each group to be in touch to identify priorities and to bring back recommendations to the Executive and the Circle about our roles in relation to the Calls to the Church.

It was suggested that the Executive and the Living Into Right Relations Circle have a yearly conversation to work toward clarity of roles. The Executive expressed interest in continuing to build relationship and welcome input from the Circle. It was agreed that a smaller working group would be helpful.

It was decided that the Calls to the Church will be a regular agenda item at Executive meetings.



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**Mission Statement and By-Law updates**

**MOTION** by Allan Holditch/Steven Loweth 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

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**GC 44 Update, Proposals and Regional Election of GC 43 Commissioners**

**MOTION** by Moon Ja Park/Jessica Stevenson 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Grants Committee Recommendation to the Executive Regarding PTCC Funds:**

After a meeting with both Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council and Presbyteries of Toronto Conference Corporation (PTCC):

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb/Pat Edmonds 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Anti Racism work by Staff: Update**

Peter Hartmans updated the Executive on anti racism work. Shining Waters and Canadian Shield staff have agreed to start a one-year conversation amongst ourselves as well as learning, and have signed up for a course run by Salem Debs who is an anti racist educator who gives a holistic understanding of anti racism in a Canadian context. Staff is also doing a regular lunch and learn around this course.

Regarding the current Asian racism in the news now, Peter Hartmans asked permission of the Executive to make a statement from Shining Waters Regional Council around this difficult situation. The Executive agreed. Peter and David Leyton-Brown will work on it together and will circulate it to the Executive for comments.

**Covid 19**

Currently the pandemic is into a third wave and vaccines are being rolled out. It is hoped we are on a path to a normal to come. There is not awareness of any communities of faith that are meeting in person

**Closing:** the meeting closed at 6:07 p.m. and Peter Hartmans offered a closing prayer.

**Next meeting** – April 27, 2021, 7 p.m.

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**EXECUTIVE**

**MINUTES of Meeting held April 27, 2021**, at 7:00 p.m.  
via video teleconference.

**PRESENT:** Jingle Ayupan, Pat Edmonds, Allan Holditch, Isaac Kamta, David Leyton-Brown, Steven Loweth, Betty Lou McNabb, Moon Ja Park, Dong-Chun Seo, Jessica Stevenson, Lynn Mooney, Daniel Reed

**Staff:** Peter Hartmans (Executive Minister), Jody Maltby (Staff Lead), Rachael Howes (Administrative Support), Kim Uyede-Kai (Anti-racism and Right Relations), Bri-anne Swan (Social & Ecological Justice and Communications), Janet MacDonald (Finance Administrator)

**Guests:** Susan Eagle, Cameron Watts

**Absent:** Kirsty Hunter, Allyce Mutungi,

**GATHERING, OPENING PRAYER**

David Leyton-Brown opened the meeting at 7:04 p.m. He gave an acknowledgement of the land, and acknowledged our commitment to being a safe place for all people to gather and participate in our Region.

Peter Hartmans led a brief worship focussing on Psalm 57, and including a prayer written by the Rt. Rev. Richard Bott, Moderator.

The members checked in.

**AGENDA**

Two items were added to the agenda: Correspondence and a profile conversation by Bri-Anne Swan.

**MOTION** by Pat Edmonds / Jingle Ayupan that the agenda for this meeting be approved as amended.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Correspondence**

On Thursday, April 22, 2021 a formal complaint (J8) was received around a ministry personnel which has been forwarded to the Office of Vocation.

**MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Jessica Stevenson / Betty Lou McNabb that the Minutes of the meeting of the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive held March 23, 2021 be approved as circulated.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

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**Living into Right Relations (LIRR) Check-in and Calls to the Church – *Kim Uyede-Kai***

This will now be a standing agenda item.

Kim gave an update. LIRR Circle has a new Chair, Lois Brown. She is also a member of the Shining Waters Social and Ecological Justice Commission so that will provide a natural link. The caretakers of the Calls to the Church are paramount in the work of LIRR as well as the UNDRIP. The Circle is looking forward to connecting with the Executive more regularly. They are hoping to expand the network, congregations are wanting to connect.

**Social & Ecological Justice Commission – Two-year mandate review**

David Leyton-Brown gave some background around the proposal passed at the 2019 Regional Council meeting and the subsequent forming of the Commission and policy.

The proposal and policy call for a two-year review and is the responsibility of the Regional Council. This will happen at the annual Regional Council meeting in the fall of this year.

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb / Daniel Reed that the Social and Ecological Justice Commission Policy be amended under Quorum to have the word *ordained* replaced by the word, *ordered*.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

Susan Eagle and Cameron Watts joined the meeting.

**Conversation around Community Ministry – *Susan Eagle***

Susan Eagle, Chair of the Social and Ecological Justice Commission, reviewed the situation around the closing of community ministries, Jane Finch and Davenport Perth. The Commission became involved because of the importance of those community ministries in the areas they serve. There has been a meeting with the community ministries board and with staff since the last Executive meeting.

Where do we make decisions around funding and priorities? Susan expressed the feelings of the Social and Ecological Justice Commission on the importance of these types of community ministries. A critical discussion is needed about maintaining those community ministries.

Cameron Watts added his thoughts that we can not abandon those communities when the ministry has been so effective. How are we going to make sure we are doing our best to represent Jesus in this community? He would like to see Shining Waters take more of a long-term commitment to this.

David Leyton-Brown explained that no decision by the Region, or any body of the region, has been taken to close these ministries and no funding has been stopped . They are funded through

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to 2022. These questions will be raised in the context of the priority-setting exercise by the region as a whole. We are aware of the importance of the ministry, we are aware of the views of the Social and Ecological Justice Commission and a process is underway.

Susan Eagle stated that in the meeting with the community ministries board it is clear that they are passionate about the importance of the two ministries and the staff are keen to do the work. Her question is how do we move forward with priority setting? How do we put people at ease that supporting one ministry is not cancelling other ministries? Is multi-year funding a model that the Executive feels is worth exploring?

David Leyton-Brown mentioned that the answer is the process that is being undertaken. We are working on a five-year budget and sustainable funding.

### **Commission Minutes**

The Executive had the opportunity to ask Susan Eagle any questions around the Social and Ecological Justice Commission's work and the Minutes of the Commission provided for this meeting.

Susan invited the Executive to review the document provided at the last regional meeting outlining the work undertaken by the Commission under their mandate. The Commission has lost a couple of members over time and has never been at a full complement, it especially needs members in the environmental justice area.

Susan Eagle and Cameron Watts left the meeting.

The Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council received for information the Minutes of the Social and Ecological Commission of April 29, May 27, July 15, November 3, December 8, 2020.

### **Grants Committee – Jody Maltby**

#### *Recommendation to Executive*

The Committee has been working on understanding the funding sources available and how to make the best recommendations around those.

#### **Amendment the Terms of Reference of the Urban Forest Fund**

The Urban Forest Fund is owned and managed by the Presbyteries of Toronto Conference Corporation (PTCC) and currently provides grants to communities of faith within the bounds of the former South West Presbytery. The fund was created by motion of South West Presbytery on June 19, 2018 and funds congregational start-ups with newcomers, innovative and vitality projects and projects focused on reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. Item 11b of the Terms of Reference for the Urban Forest Fund states that amendment of these Terms of Reference or the Memorandum of Understanding will require the approval of Region 10 or its successor.

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**MOTION** by Dong-Chun Seo / Jessica Stevenson 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

Jody mentioned that there is ongoing conversation around priorities; a group meeting next week with representatives from Communities of Faith Commission, Social and Ecological Justice Commission, Grants Review Committee, and Mission Support Committee. Each of those groups is discussing the matter individually and then coming together for the group discussion. It is a challenging discussion. It is encouraging to see how we are progressing in the right direction; there is a long way still to go, but making very good progress.

**Financial Update – Janet MacDonald**

Janet reported that a 2022-2026 draft budget projection for the regional meeting is still being worked on and there is nothing to present at this meeting.

She presented a draft statement for the first quarter of this year and reviewed it with the Executive.

**New Ministries Service Update – Jody Maltby**

Jody reported that there was a meeting this afternoon with the candidates being ordained/commissioned to talk about options for the service regarding safety in the time of pandemic restrictions. It is recommended to continue to have the service on May 30 as planned and the candidates have their liturgical act in their home with members of their own household. Two candidates may choose, for differing reasons, to defer for a year.

**MOTION** by Isaac Kamta / Jingle Ayupan 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Covid 19 Update**

Peter Hartmans reported that the Communities of Faith Commission continues to support communities of faith when they reach out. Jody Maltby is providing key leadership around Covid-19. The Pastoral Relations ministers called all ministry personnel to check in. Communities of faith along with staff have been reaching out to folks. The creativity of churches around their services is incredible. Challenges are fatigue, burnout, feeling like they are coming to the end of their rope, stress among boards, ministry personnel getting tired, serious challenges of racism within the boundaries of Shining Waters which are upsetting. Medical folks are beyond tired, political leaders are having trouble in terms of fatigue, etc.

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**By-law update check-in**

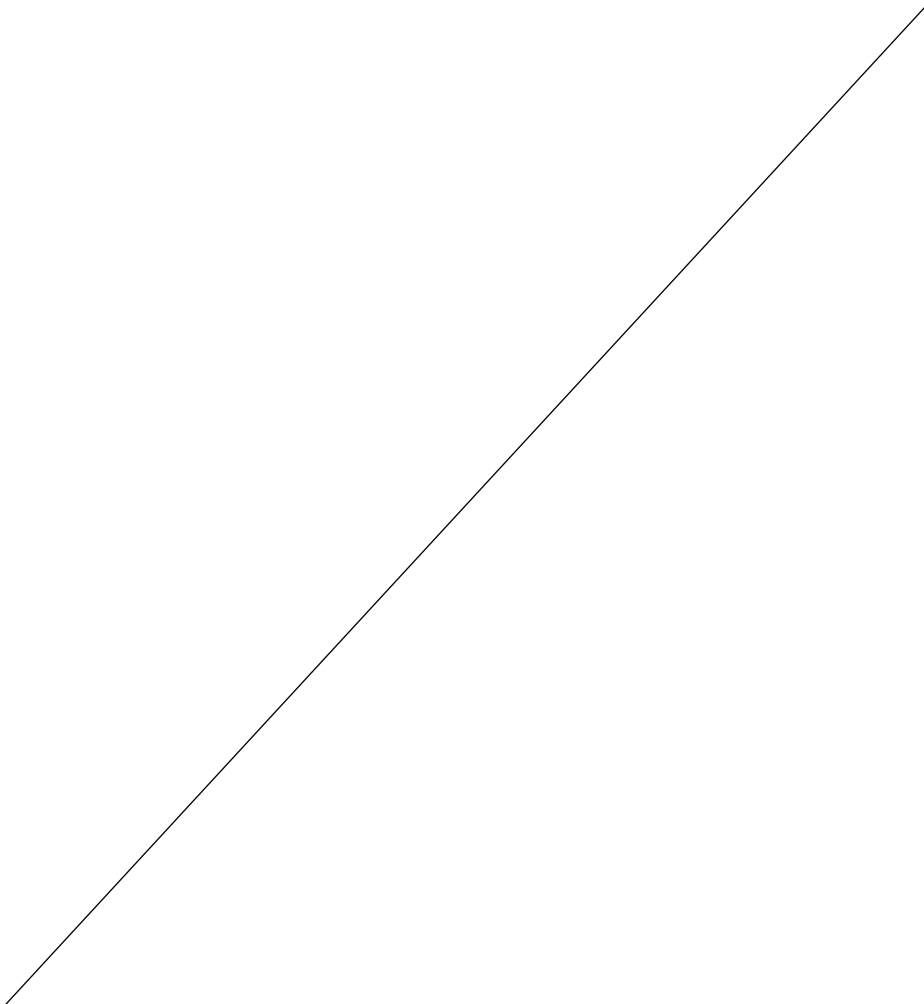
Equity committee – redefinition of it's mandate awaits the priority setting discussions.

**Profiles of Executive - Bri-anne Swan**

Bri-anne Swan will be contacting members of Executive to create a written profile of each member as well as a video conversation with each for the Region's YouTube channel. We want the region to know who the members of the Executive are and have them get to know everyone.

**Closing:** the meeting closed at 9:10 p.m. and Peter Hartmans offered a closing prayer.

**Next meeting** – May 25, 2021, 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.



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**EXECUTIVE**

**MINUTES of Meeting held June 10, 2021**, at 2:00 p.m.  
via video teleconference.

**PRESENT:** Jingle Ayupan, Pat Edmonds, Allan Holditch, Kirsty Hunter, Isaac Kamta, David Leyton-Brown, Steven Loweth, Allyce Mutungi, Dong-Chun Seo, Jessica Stevenson, Lynn Mooney, Daniel Reed

**Staff:** Peter Hartmans (Executive Minister), Jody Maltby (Staff Lead), Rachael Howes (Administrative Support), Bri-anne Swan (Social & Ecological Justice and Communications), Janet MacDonald (Finance Administrator)

**REGRETS:** Moon Ja Park

**GATHERING, OPENING PRAYER**

David Leyton-Brown opened the meeting at 2:02 p.m. He gave an acknowledgement of the land, and acknowledged our commitment to being a safe place for all people to gather and participate in our Region.

Peter Hartmans led a brief worship focussing on positivity and hope with people getting their first and second vaccinations. He lite a candle in memory of the Muslim family killed in London Ontario and in memory of the 215 Indigenous children whose grave was found in Kamloops and all other residential school children that did not return home.

Pat Edmonds agreed to provide worship for the next Executive meeting in August.

The members checked in.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Steven Loweth / Betty Lou McNabb that the agenda for this meeting be approved as amended by including a break at 3:40 p.m.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Jessica Stevenson / Jingle Ayupan that the Minutes of the meeting of the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive held April 27, 2021 be approved as circulated.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Commission Minutes**

**MOTION** by Jingle Ayupan / Allan Holditch 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**



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**Funding Priorities Recommendation**

Jody Maltby spoke to the draft document circulated to the Executive on the priorities conversations that have been ongoing about regional funding; who we fund, what areas of work, and the nature of our funding. Next steps have been identified. This document is to keep the Executive updated on this process.

**Financial Update / 2022-2026 draft budget projection**

Janet MacDonald provided a first draft 5-year budget projection and went through it for the Executive. They were invited to ask questions and have discussion. The Executive asked Janet to offer a budget projection showing three different scenarios.

Janet left the meeting.

The meeting took a five-minute break.

**Nominations update:** GC44 Commissioners

Betty Lou McNabb reported that the Nominations Committee is moving along. They have selected the slate of General Council 44 Commissioners but are not ready to share those names yet while they contact them. They also have a slate for the Intercultural Diversity Commission as well. All will be ready for the regional meeting on June 17th

**Regional Meetings – theme/proposals/agenda**

The Fall Regional meeting is scheduled for November 13<sup>th</sup>. David Leyton-Brown suggested the theme of *A Time for Every Purpose*, which follows on the theme of the Celebration of Ministries service held in May.

**MOTION** by Jingle Ayupan / Allan Holditch that the theme of the Regional Council meeting in the Fall of 2021 be *A Time for Every Purpose*.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

Proposals: The region has learned that online town hall discussions on proposals are very helpful for better and fuller consideration of the proposals and the possibility to improve them if appropriate. There are two town hall meetings scheduled for after each of the two deadlines that will be set.

Peter Hartmans gave some general information about proposals and what is new in the process this year. David Leyton-Brown explained the different kinds of proposals – those that go to General Council and those for the Regional Council.

Agenda: Beyond budget and proposals, we need to think about what else we want on the agenda.

The Social & Ecological Justice Commission passed a motion asking the Executive that an agenda planning committee be established for the regional council meeting and that the Social &

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Ecological Justice Commission have a seat on that committee. This is different than how the planning has happened for past meetings.

For the Spring 2022 regional meeting, the last weekend in May, the 27 – 29, is a suggested date for an in-person meeting. It had previously been decided to have it in Orillia.

**MOTION** by Pat Edmonds / Jingle Ayupan that the Spring 2022 regional council meeting be held May 27 – 29, 2022.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

The November meeting has a lot of business so there would be no need for a planning committee, but for the Spring 2022 regional council meeting there could be a planning committee with all the commissions being invited to have a seat on the committee. It was suggested that the Spring meeting have an educational component.

It was decided to create an ad hoc committee of the Executive for the 2022 regional council meeting. Its future will be evaluated after the 2022 meeting; if proven valuable it can continue.

**Social & Ecological Justice Commission Review**

This will be an item on the agenda for the Fall 2021 regional council meeting. This could be by way of a proposal to extend the Commission's mandate. We need documentation of what the commission has done – whether background to a proposal or background to a recommendation from the Executive – it has to be a basis for what is put before the regional council. It can be part of discussion at a town hall meeting. Peter Hartmans will be in touch with the Chair of the Social & Ecological Justice Commission around this.

**By-Law Update**

David Leyton-Brown presented some amendments to policies that were to be reviewed this year. He reviewed those changes for the meeting.

**MOTION** by Betty Lou /Jingle Ayupan that the Regional Council Executive Sub-Executive Policy be amended as presented.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Steven Loweth / Jingle Ayupan that the Regional Council Executive Distribution of Proceeds from Sale of Property Policy be amended as presented.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Jingle Ayupan / Isaac Kamta that the Regional Council Executive Nominations Committee Policy be amended as presented.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Kirsty Hunter / Jessica Stevenson that the Regional Council Executive Nominations Committee Policy be amended as discussed regarding quorum.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

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**MOTION** by Steven Loweth / Jingle Ayupan that the Executive Minister Budget Process Policy be amended as presented.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

Peter Hartmans abstained from this vote.

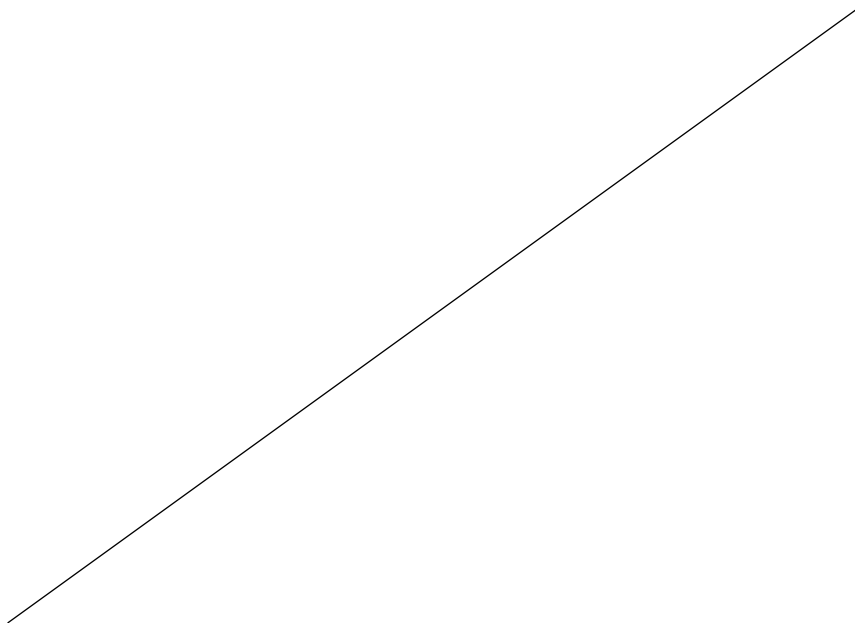
**MOTION** by Jingle Ayupan / Daniel Reed that the Shining Waters Regional Council Policy be amended as presented.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Closing:** the meeting closed at 4:52 p.m. and Peter Hartmans offered a closing prayer.

**Next meeting** – August 31, 2021 at 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.



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**EXECUTIVE**

**MINUTES of Meeting held September 15, 2021**, at 1:00 p.m.  
via video teleconference.

**PRESENT:** Jingle Ayupan, Pat Edmonds, Allan Holditch, Kirsty Hunter, Isaac Kamta, David Leyton-Brown, Steven Loweth, Betty Lou McNabb, Allyce Mutungi, Moon Ja Park, Dong-Chun Seo, Jessica Stevenson, Daniel Reed

**Staff:** Peter Hartmans (Executive Minister), Jody Maltby (Staff Lead), Rachael Howes (Administrative Support), Janet MacDonald (Finance Administrator) Susie Henderson (Equity and Innovation), Jeffrey Dale, (Justice and Youth)

**REGRETS:** Lynn Mooney

**GATHERING, OPENING PRAYER**

David Leyton-Brown opened the meeting at 1:02 p.m. He gave an acknowledgement of the land, and acknowledged our commitment to being a safe place for all people to gather and participate in our Region.

Pat Edmonds led a brief worship focussing on 2 Samuel: 6

The members checked in.

**AGENDA**

Amend the agenda to add a break half way through.

**MOTION** by Jingle Ayupan / Jessica Stevenson that the agenda for this meeting be approved as amended.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Jingle Ayupan / Pat Edmonds that the Minutes of the meeting of the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive held June 10, 2021 be approved as circulated.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Commission Minutes**

The Executive received the Minutes of the Pastoral Relations Commission from January to June 2021 for information.

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**Email votes:**

The Executive made the following decisions by email:

- West Ellesmere – Trustees  
removed Christine Smaller as Trustee of West Ellesmere United Church, 37 Marchington Circle, Scarborough, Ontario, with thanks for her service.

**Grants Committee Recommendations to the Executive**

**MOTION** by Steven Loweth / Allan Holditch 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Kirsty Hunter / Betty Lou McNabb 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Daniel Reed / Moon Ja Park 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Allan Holditch / Pat Edmonds 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb / Isaac Kamta 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

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Update on the current granting process.

The Grants Review and Mission Support Committees have had good conversations out of the priorities conversation that was held in the Spring. They have updated the application form and granting process and invitations for applications have gone out.

**Nominations Committee recommendation to Executive:**

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb / Pat Edmonds that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council elect Jeannette Schieck and Lawrence Nyarko as General Council Commissioners on recommendation of the Nominations Committee.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

Update on the current Nominations process

The Committee is contacting members whose terms are ending in 2021 to see if any would like to serve a second term. There are several vacancies in committees and commissions. There will be a town hall meeting on October 13<sup>th</sup> to give information for anyone interested in serving.

**Communities of Faith Commission recommendation to Executive**

Jody Maltby outlined the recommendation of the Commission regarding the use of funds given to the region under the policy regarding Sale of Property by an Existing Community of Faith and funds declared surplus property in an amalgamation. As the material had not been circulated to the Executive prior to this meeting, the matter was deferred to the October meeting.

**2022-2026 draft budget projection – Update**

Janet MacDonald reviewed the latest budget projection with the Executive. There was an opportunity for questions and discussion. Another draft will come to the October Executive meeting.

Janet MacDonald left the meeting.

**Proposal Received for Action** by Shining Waters Regional Council Executive, *Elimination of the General Council & Regional Council Salary Differential*, submitted by Bri-anne Swan

The General Secretary is aware of this proposal and has requested that the Shining Waters Executive consider this proposal and have it then go directly to the General Council Executive in order that they can deal with it as soon as possible.

**MOTION** by Peter Hartmans / Betty Lou McNabb that the meeting move in camera.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

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**MOTION** by Peter Hartmans / Moon Ja Park that Jody Maltby remain in the in-camera meeting.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

Allyce Mutungi left the meeting.

The meeting moved out of camera.

**MOTION** by Allan Holditch / Kirsty Hunter that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council refer the proposal *Elimination of the General Council & Regional Council Salary Differential*, to the Shining Waters Regional Council meeting in November.

**MOTION**

**DEFEATED**

Peter Hartmans abstained from the vote due to a conflict of interest.

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb / Moon Ja Park 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

Peter Hartmans abstained from the vote due to a conflict of interest.

**Proposals Received for Information to date** (for action at Fall Regional Council Meeting)

Proposals received to date were circulated for information to the Executive prior to the meeting. The region is holding Town Hall meetings on October 6 and November 3 for discussions of the proposals coming to the November Regional Council meeting.

**MOTION** by Kirsty Hunter / Allan Holditch 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

There was one vote against the motion and one abstention.

**Fall Regional meeting Update: *Time for Every Purpose***

Jody Maltby provided a brief update. The meeting will mostly focus on proposals, budget and nominations; the Social and Ecological Justice Commission will lead the worship; there will be a

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time of In Memoriam, and the installation of the new President. Material is being uploaded to website as it is prepared.

**Equity Proposal – *Susie Henderson***

Susie reported that she has been thinking about where equity fits in the regional structure and her suggestion is to re-imagine how we do that equity work. Does the work rightfully sit within the commissions? We don't need another committee to add another layer, but need accountability and connection with the equity pieces. She is suggesting that we disband the Equity Committee in favour of creating a role in each commission of an equity lead with a staff person to oversee and bring the equity leads together on a regular basis.

This matter will come back to the Executive for a decision.

Susie Henderson left the meeting.

**Student Works Update – *Jeffrey Dale***

Shining Waters and Canadian Shield regions had 15 summer students this year between the ages of 16 and 28. Jeffrey shared how the students working with Shining Waters engaged with the region. Their work will be shared on the Shining Waters website.

**Covid-19 update – *Peter Hartmans***

Peter reported that the website information on Covid has not changed lately on the advice of our lawyer. It has been busy since the last week of August with questions around Covid and vaccinations. It is a complicated matter.

**MOTION** Kirsty Hunter / Moon Ja Park 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Closing:** the meeting closed at 4:20 p.m. and Peter Hartmans offered a closing prayer.

Next Meeting: to be determined by Doodle poll



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**MINUTES of Meeting held October 5, 2021**, at 2:45 p.m.  
via video teleconference.

**PRESENT:** Jingle Ayupan, Pat Edmonds, Allan Holditch, Kirsty Hunter, Isaac Kamta, David Leyton-Brown, Steven Loweth, Betty Lou McNabb, Allyce Mutungi, Moon Ja Park, Dong-Chun Seo, Daniel Reed

**Staff:** Peter Hartmans (Executive Minister), Jody Maltby (Staff Lead), Rachael Howes (Administrative Support), Susie Henderson (Equity and Innovation), Janet MacDonald (Finance Administrator)

**REGRETS:** Jessica Stevenson  
Absent: Lynn Mooney

**GATHERING, OPENING PRAYER**

David Leyton-Brown opened the meeting at 2:49 p.m. He gave an acknowledgement of the land, and acknowledged our commitment to being a safe place for all people to gather and participate in our Region.

Peter Hartmans led a brief worship with reflection on the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Matthew 22:34–40

The members checked in.

**BUDGET - Update**

Janet MacDonald joined the meeting to present an updated 2022-2026 draft budget projection.

**MOTION** by Dong-Chun Seo / Steven Loweth that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council recommend the 2022 draft budget, as presented, to the Regional Council meeting on November 13, 2021.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

Janet MacDonald left the meeting.

**AGENDA**

The budget item was moved up to beginning of the agenda.

**MOTION** by Moon Ja Park / Pat Edmonds that the agenda for this meeting be approved as amended.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

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**MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb / Kirsty Hunter that the Minutes of the meeting of the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive held September 15, 2021 be approved as circulated.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Commission Minutes**

The Executive received the Minutes of the Social and Ecological Justice Commission from January to June 2021 for information.

**Communities of Faith Commission recommendation to Executive:**

**MOTION** by Allan Holditch / Moon Ja Park 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Proposals**

The Executive has received, from the Social and Ecological Justice Commission, a proposal titled, *Decriminalization of Illicit Substances for Personal Use and Harm Reduction*. This will be a part of the November 3<sup>rd</sup> Town Hall meeting on proposals.

The Executive received correspondence from PalNet in reaction to the motion passed by the Executive at its meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup> with regard to the proposal titled, *Justice and Peace for Palestine and Israel*.

It was decided that there be a special Executive meeting with representatives from PalNet before the Town Hall meeting in November, to discuss PalNet's letter and the Executive's decision. A Doodle poll will be circulated to find a mutual date for the Executive and PalNet.

**Fall Regional meeting - Update and Town Hall Meetings**

There are currently 49 people registered for the first Town Hall meeting on October 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss proposals.

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David Leyton-Brown reviewed the main agenda items for the Fall Regional Council meeting – budget, proposals, nominations.

**Review of Equity Policy – *Susie Henderson***

**MOTION** by Allan Holditch / Isaac Kamta 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Thank you to outgoing President**

Peter Hartmans offered, on behalf of the Executive, deep appreciation and heartfelt thanks to David Leyton-Brown as the region's outgoing President. He talked about David's start and work on the transition team for Region 10 during the structural change of The United Church of Canada and his continued work, time, commitment, and energy as President of the region.

**Other**

Appreciation and thanks were expressed to those members of the Executive whose terms are ending. Pat Edmonds expressed her appreciation for her experience during her term on the Executive.

**Closing:** the meeting closed at 4:50 p.m. and Peter Hartmans offered a closing prayer.

Next Meeting: special meeting with members of PalNet to be arranged by Doodle poll.

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**EXECUTIVE**

**MINUTES of Meeting held November 4, 2021**, at 7:00 p.m.  
via video teleconference.

**PRESENT:** Jingle Ayupan, Pat Edmonds, Allan Holditch, Isaac Kamta, David Leyton-Brown, Steven Loweth, Betty Lou McNabb, Allyce Mutungi, Moon Ja Park, Dong-Chun Seo, Jessica Stevenson

**Staff:** Peter Hartmans (Executive Minister), Jody Maltby (Staff Lead), Rachael Howes (Administrative Support), Jeffrey Dale, (Justice and Youth)

**Guests:** Tim Blair and Kris Tavella – United Property Resource Corp.

**REGRETS:** Kirsty Hunter, Daniel Reed  
**Absent:** Lynn Mooney

**GATHERING, OPENING PRAYER**

David Leyton-Brown opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. He gave an acknowledgement of the land, and acknowledged our commitment to being a safe place for all people to gather and participate in our Region.

Peter Hartmans gave an opening prayer.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb / Jessica Stevenson that the agenda for this meeting be approved as circulated.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**United Property Resource Corp.**

Tim Blair and Kris Tavella of UPRC updated the Executive on development of three properties: Church of the Master, Wilmar Heights, and Wexford Heights. With each property they reviewed the development, showing site plans, floor plans, aerials and renderings; they gave a breakdown of cost and funding, and a long-term financial forecast. They also provided a timeline for the three sites. The first expected to be complete is Wilmar Heights.

**MOTION** by Alan Holditch / Pat Edmonds 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

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Regent Park, Orillia - This would be a townhouse development of approximately 40 units, with a community space and space for the community garden that is on the site. They outlined the cost and funding breakdown, and long-term financial forecast, and showed site plans and renderings.

**MOTION** by Jessica Stevenson / Betty Lou McNabb 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Regional Council Executive and Communities of Faith Commission: Property Policy**

This policy was drafted and approved by the Communities of Faith Commission. It contains all the property policies of both the Executive and the Communities of Faith Commission in one document. It was pointed out that the policy is clear on those that are the responsibility of the Executive. The document is to ensure that the policies are accessible and that they are consistent and work well together.

**MOTION** by Moon Ja Park / Isaac Kamta that the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council supports the new *Regional Council Executive and Communities of Faith Commission: Property Policy*.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Regional Meeting May 2022**

The regional meeting was set to be an in-person meeting for May 27-29, 2022. It is still questionable whether we will be able to meet in person at that time due to the pandemic. It was proposed to have the business meeting via Zoom and have an in-person Celebration of Ministries service.

**MOTION** by Betty Lou McNabb / Allyce Mutungi 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.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Proposal: *Justice and Peace for Palestine and Israel***

The Executive had agreed to discuss further the motion made on this proposal at the September 15, 2021 Executive meeting. It was decided to leave the motion stand.

**Closing:** the meeting closed at 8:40 p.m.

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**EXECUTIVE**

**MINUTES of Meeting held December 2, 2021**, at 2:00 p.m.  
via video teleconference.

**PRESENT:** Jingle Ayupan, Allan Holditch, Isaac Kamta, David Leyton-Brown, Steven Loweth, Betty Lou McNabb, Moon Ja Park, Lynn Mooney, Daniel Reed

**Staff:** Peter Hartmans (Executive Minister), Jody Maltby (Staff Lead), Rachael Howes (Administrative Support), Janet MacDonald (Finance Administrator), Jeffrey Dale (Youth and Justice)

**Absent:** Kirsty Hunter, Allyce Mutungi,

**GATHERING, OPENING PRAYER**

President, Betty Lou McNabb opened the meeting at 2:02 p.m. and constituted the meeting in the name of Jesus Christ. She gave an acknowledgement of the land, and acknowledged our commitment to being a safe place for all people to gather and participate in our Region.

Peter Hartmans told the Executive about the fire at Ebenezer United Church, Midland, on November 29<sup>th</sup> and asked for that community of faith to be remembered in prayers.

The Moderator's Advent message was shown and Peter Hartmans offered an opening prayer.

As a form of check-in, the President asked everyone to acknowledge the traditional territory where they are.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Steven Loweth / Jingle Ayupan that the agenda for this meeting be approved as circulated.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Allan Holditch / Jingle Ayupan that the Minutes of the meeting of the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive held October 5, 2021 be approved as circulated.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION** by David Leyton-Brown / Jingle Ayupan that the Minutes of the meeting of the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive held November 4, 2021 be approved as circulated.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

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**Commission Minutes**

**MOTION** by Steven Loweth / Moon Ja Park that Executive receive the Minutes of the Communities of Faith Commission for May to October 2021 for information.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**2022 Budget Approval**

**MOTION** by Isaac Kamta / Allan Holditch that the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive approve the 2022 Budget as presented.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**Grant Requests**

Jody Maltby presented the recommendations of the Grants and Mission Support Committee on the grant applications received (Appendix A).

**MOTION** by Moon Ja Park / Steven Loweth that the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive approve the recommendations of the Grants and Mission Support Committee as presented, recommend the Net Annual Revenue grant applications to the Presbyteries of Toronto Conference Corporation for consideration, recommend the 5% Capital grant applications to the Presbyteries of Toronto Conference Corporation and recommend the St. Enoch's Fund grant applications to Toronto United Church Council.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Steven Loweth / Allan Holditch that the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive commit to funding at the same level for three years for the community ministries of Davenport-Perth, Jane-Finch and Regent Park.

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Moon Ja Park / Daniel Reed that the Shining Waters Regional Council approve up to \$70,000 from the Indigenous Ministries Fund as a top-up to Mission and Service support for 2021 to Georgina Island United Church, Christian Island United Church and Toronto Urban Native Ministries

**MOTION**

**CARRIED**

Betty Lou McNabb declared a conflict of interest and abstained from voting.

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**Shining Waters Regional Council Proposals: Next Steps**

Discussion was held around the next steps as a result of the two proposals that were passed at the November 13, 2021 Regional Council meeting, *Raising Our Voice for Human Rights* and *Continuation of the Social and Ecological Justice Commission*.

David Leyton-Brown has agreed to draft an updated policy for the continuation of the Social & Ecological Justice Commission.

Next steps on the *Raising our Voice for Human Rights* proposal will be with the Social and Ecological Justice Commission.

**Regional Meeting Check-In**

Members of the Executive had a time of de-briefing about the Regional Council meeting in November.

**Peter Hartmans' Sabbatical**

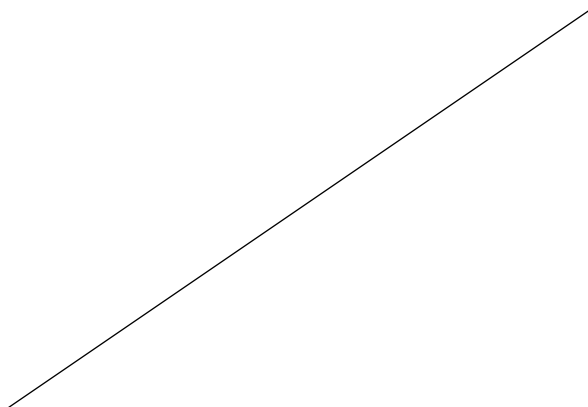
Peter will be on sabbatical December 13, 2021 to March 21, 2022. Jody Maltby will be Acting Executive Minister during that time. His focus for the sabbatical will be the potential of this new regional council structure.

**New Business**

Betty Lou McNabb has spoken with elders on Georgian Island regarding an Ojibway translation of the name, Shining Waters. It would be Waasagmigma. Betty Lou asked everyone to think about it and it will come back to the next Executive meeting for decision.

**Next Meeting:** to be determined by Doodle poll for end of January / first of February

**Closing:** Betty Lou McNabb offered a reading from *Embers: One Ojibway's Meditations* by Richard Wagamese as a closing and the meeting ended at 3:32 p.m.





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**Appendix A**

<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Mission &amp; Service Grant</b>	<b>PTCC Net Annual Income Grant</b>	<b>PTCC 5% Capital Grant</b>	<b>Other Grant as shown</b>	<b>Grant from Region</b>
Alpha Korean					9,000
Anglican United Refugee Alliance	53,000				
Bloor Street Refugee		20,000			
Camp Big Canoe		30,000			
Camp Simpresca		20,000			
Cummer Ave Drop In		10,000			
Davenport Perth Community Ministry	45,600			54,850 CM Fund at PTCC	30,004
Ecumenical Chaplaincy, UofT	30,000				
Filipino Christian Fellowship			50,000		
Fred Victor Centre	40,000			9,500 St. Enoch's Fund	
GO Project					20,000
Good Tree Korean Mission		25,000			
Grace Place			20,000		
Jane Finch Community Ministry	43,400			60,617 CM Fund	33,174
Lake Scugog Camp		20,000			
Massey Centre	13,000				
Ministere Protestant					100,000
Moorelands Community Centre		8,000			

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<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Mission &amp; Service Grant</b>	<b>PTCC Net Annual Income Grant</b>	<b>PTCC 5% Capital Grant</b>	<b>Other Grant as shown</b>	<b>Grant from Region</b>
Mt. Sinai Hospital Chaplaincy	10,000				
Muskoka Chaplaincy	5,000				
Regent Park Community Ministry					112,887
Roncesvailles Outreach					23,000
Sparrow Lake Camp		25,000			
Stone Soup			25,000		
Stonegate Community Ministry					8,000
Tamil Mission				50,000 TSP-MCF	
The Journey			70,000		
Wesley Mimico Food Program		3,000			
Weston King Centre			57,000		
<b>Total</b>	240,000	161,000	222,000	CM Fund 115,467 TSP-MCF 50,000 St. Enoch's Fund 9,500	336,065
<b>TOTAL GRANTS</b>	1,134,032				