

CONSENT AND PROCEDURAL MOTIONS 2024 FOR ACTION

The following enabling motions be adopted:

- a) **Roll of the Regional Council:** that the roll of Roll of the Regional Council shall consist of:
- All ministry personnel within the geographic bounds served by Shining Waters Regional Council (Basis of Union 6.2.1);
 - Ministers of denominations within mutual recognition agreements while under appointment or call (Basis of Union 6.2.2);
 - Lay members elected by the Community of Faith, respecting the balance of lay and ministry personnel where possible (Basis of Union 6.2.3);
 - Additional lay members as determined by the Regional Council if necessary, to respect a balance of ministry personal and lay members who are not ministry personnel in the membership of the Regional Council (2024 Manual C.1.2.b).

(The President and Secretary of the SWRC United Church Women (UCW) or their designates, former Lay Moderators, past Lay Toronto Conference and SWRC Presidents, and current General Council Lay Commissioners [if they are not already representing their local congregation as a Regional Council Representative] shall all be voting members of the Regional Council)

- b) **Bounds of the Regional Council Meeting:** that the bounds of the Regional Council meeting for voting purposes shall be North Bramalea United Church, 363 Howden Blvd., Brampton, ON L6S 4L6 and the zoom meeting ID: 895 5117 1366 when in session; that the Shining Waters Regional Council hold a Celebration of Ministry Service including admission and ordination to the Order of Ministry of The United Church of Canada on Saturday, June 8, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. to take place at North Bramalea United Church, 363 Howden Blvd., Brampton, ON L6S 4L6 to fulfil its responsibility to ordain those whom the Office of Vocation has confirmed as having completed all the requirements for ordination and commissioning, and admit those whom the Office of Vocation has confirmed as having completed all the requirements for admission, and whom the Regional Council has confirmed have a covenantal relationship in place with a community of faith.
- c) **Agenda:** that the Agenda as posted to the regional website be the order of business, subject to those changes that are recommended by the President.
- d) **Minutes:** that the Minutes of the meetings of Shining Waters Regional Council held May 26-28, 2023 and September 19, 2023 be approved as circulated.
- e) **Accountability reports:** that the reports as presented in the Resource Book be accepted for information.
- f) **Adjournment of Sessions:** that the President have the authority to recess the Regional Council when business, as ordered, is completed, until the next order of the day.
- g) **Corresponding Members:** that corresponding members shall be official guests of the Regional Council. Their names shall be included in the Record of Proceedings (2024 Manual C.1.5).
- h) **Commitments:** that the regional council participants commit/covenant to honour the Holy Manners printed in the Resource Book and commit to our regional council's commitments

around equity, justice and anti-racism through both conversation and actions. If there is failure to honour these commitments, individuals may be removed from the meeting at the discretion of the President.

- i) **New Business & Nominations:** Nominations and items of New Business shall be given to the President by 6:00 p.m. on June 7, 2024.

Procedural

1. The procedural and prayer microphone shall be microphone #1 and the zoom chat box.
2. Any handouts must be authorized by the President.
3. The Parliamentarian shall be Beth Moore.
4. The President will present proposals. The President may, at their discretion, invite an individual to verbally introduce a proposal for up to five minutes. The President will invite prayerful discernment and discussion on the wisdom of the proposal. When the President discerns that the sense of the meeting is such that we are ready to hear a motion on the proposal, they will invite the presenter to move the motion. Once the motion has been moved and seconded, Rules of Debate and Order shall be followed.
5. At the discretion of the President, microphone time for each speaker will be limited to 1½ minutes per proposal and 1½ minutes per motion with the exception of the mover (who may speak at the beginning and end of a motion).
6. Microphone time may be reduced at the discretion of the President in 30-second increments when any item of business exceeds 20 minutes.
7. The normal voting procedure, in person, shall be a show of hands using voting cards, except where a secret ballot is required (ballot sheets will be provided by the Chairperson through the Regional Council Office). The normal voting procedure, online, shall be a show of hands using the RAISE HAND icon found at the bottom of the participants panel or *9 for those on the phone. If two people are joined from the same household one person will vote with the Raise Hand icon and the second will type Yes or No in the chat. Those who wish to abstain will type ABSTAIN in the chat. Where a secret ballot is required, ballots will take the form of a Poll in Zoom and shall remain secret.
8. In the case of limited time for business, items will be dealt with in the following order: Nominations, Reports requiring a decision of the Regional Council, Reports for Information, and Proposals to Shining Waters Regional Council.