



**E-MAIL VOTE: December 15, 2025**

*Appointment of New Board for Camp Simpresca*

- Elected those listed as the new Pro Term Board for Camp Simpresca, effective December 15, 2025

**E-MAIL VOTE: January 20, 2026**

*Abiona Centre for Infant & Early Mental Health*

- approved BY-LAW NO. 2025-1 as approved by the members on September 16, 2025 of the incorporated ministry known as Abiona Centre for Infant & Early Mental Health;
- grant permission to Abiona Centre For Infant & Early Mental Health to renew mortgage of \$86,258.65 for a term of three years at the rate of 4% or Scotiabank's three-year interest rate (maximum 6%) whichever is higher on the date of renewal effective January 1, 2026 with Toronto United Church Council.

*Lake Scugog*

- approved the request of Lake Scugog United Church Camp, Inc. to enter into the Lease between The Toronto United Church Council (Landlord) and Lake Scugog United Church Camp, Inc. (Tenant) effective January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2029 for "the property" known as Camp Scugog located in the Township of Scugog signed December 20 & 21, 2023.

**OMNIBUS MOTION: INCORPORATED MINISTRIES**

**MOTION by Paul Shephard/Tina Conlon** **SW Exec 2026-02-03-04**  
**That the Shining Waters Regional Council (10) Executive take the following action(s):**

a) **Camp Ahshunyoong operating as Camp Big Canoe**

... pursuant to the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada approve the request of Camp Ahshunyoong o/a Camp Big Canoe to enter into the Lease including the amendment dated January 29, 2026, between The Toronto United Church Council (Landlord) and Camp Ahshunyoong o/a Camp Big Canoe (Tenant) effective April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2030 for "the property" known as Camp Big Canoe located within Bracebridge Town signed November 12, 2025.

*This is based on the request received via email dated November 21, 2025, the October 23, 2025 email vote and Board Meeting minutes, amendment dated January 29, 2026, and receipt of other required documentation per the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada.*

b) **Fred Victor Centre**

...based on the guidance received from General Council Staff, pursuant to the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada,

approve the formal request of Fred Victor Centre to enter into the process of moving from a Category 1 to a Category 2 Incorporated Ministry through the release agreement process, confirming the specific criteria as outlined in Appendix B of the Incorporated Ministries Policy has been met, as requested January 20, 2026 and approved by the board January 15, 2026 of the incorporated ministry known as Fred Victor Centre.

*This is based on the request of January 20, 2026, the draft minutes of January 15, 2026 Board Meeting, Appendix B criteria documentation and receipt of other required documentation per the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada.*

c) Grace Place Community Resource Centre

... pursuant to the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada approve the Grace Place Community Resource Centre 2025-2026 Board of Directors

Daniel Clark  
Linda Davis  
C. Jean Jamieson  
Christopher Moon  
Robert Reilly

*This is based on the draft Minutes of Annual General Meeting of Members of December 12, 2025, the 2025 board member approval submission, the board contact list provided and receipt of other required documentation per the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada.*

d) Sparrow Lake United Church Camp Inc.

... pursuant to the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada approve the request of Sparrow Lake United Church Camp Inc. to enter into the Lease including the amendment dated January 29, 2026 between The Toronto United Church Council (Landlord) and Sparrow Lake United Church Camp Inc. (Tenant) effective April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2030 for “the property” known as Sparrow Lake Camp located within Severn Township.

*This is based on the request received from Sparrow Lake United Church Camp Inc. via email dated November 13, 2025, amendment dated January 29, 2026 and receipt of other required documentation per the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada.*

e) **The Toronto United Church Council (TUCC)**

... pursuant to the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada, approve The Toronto United Church Council 2025-2026 Board of Directors

Ross Leckie Ted Meyers Doug Mills Harry W. Ort Emma Pipes David Shearman Paul Shepherd Doug Smith Don Willmer Kate Young

*This is based on the draft Annual Meeting Minutes of June 19, 2025, 2025 board member approval form, the board contact list provided and receipt of other required documentation per the Incorporated Ministries Policy of The United Church of Canada.*

***\*\*N.B. Information - ONCA deadline for by-laws has passed and updated by-laws have been received by all IMs for review. All but two have been approved. Sparrow Lake United Church Camp Inc. held its AGM on January 25, 2026 and will provide documentation as soon as available. Wilmar Heights United Church Non-Profit Homes is awaiting members meeting to approve by-laws. This is a requirement of ONCA.***  
**CARRIED**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

**SPECIAL RECALL SW RCM DEC. 9, 2025 – MOTIONS**

Executive members discussed the motions from the Special Recall Regional Council Meeting on December 9, 2025. Jody shared possible next steps with actioning these items.

**MOTION by Sarah Lough/Jan Breuls-Dorang SW EXEC 2026-02-03-05**  
That the Shining Waters Regional Council Executive refer the motions from the Special Recall Shining Waters Regional Council Meeting on December 9, 2025 as follows:

- Motion SW RCM 2025-12-09-01 to the Grants and Mission Support Committee, for action;
- Motion SW RCM 2025-12-09-02 to the Communities of Faith Commission, for action;
- Motion SW RCM 2025-12-09-04 part 1 a)b)c) to the Finance Committee; 1d) to the Communities of Faith Commission regarding review of the Property Policy; 1e) to staff regarding Communication Strategy; 2 to the Communities of Faith Commission regarding engaging with Children, Youth, and Young Adults; 3 to the Social and Ecological Justice Commission regarding working towards Right Relations; and have the Nominations Committee create a small group of 3-5 people to develop the Strategic Plan for the SWRC, as per the Ad Hoc Committee Report, and to report back to Executive;

**And, regarding Motion SW RCM 2025-12-09-03, that the Shining Waters Executive add \$50,000 to the 2026 Budget for external facilitation and ask Staff, in partnership with Bri-anne Swan, to prepare and circulate a request for proposals (RFP) and bring a recommendation to the Executive for the facilitation of a Strategic Conversation for the Greater Toronto Area.  
CARRIED**

## **2026 BUDGET APPROVAL**

**MOTION by Tina Conlon/Sarah Lough SW EXEC 2026-02-03-06  
That the Shining Waters Executive approve the 2026 Budget with the addition of \$50,000 for the external facilitation of a Strategic Conversation for the Greater Toronto Area.  
CARRIED**

## **MOTION REGARDING AURORA UNITED CHURCH DEVELOPMENT**

Jody shared a brief history of the Aurora United Church Development project.

**MOTION by Paul Sheppard/Tina Conlon SW EXEC 2026-02-03-07  
That the Executive of Shining Waters Regional Council approve a syndicated loan of up to \$2,000,000 from TUCC and up to \$2,000,000 from the General Council with the following terms:**

- Term: 10 months, until December 1st, 2026**
- Interest: 4%, or Scotiabank's three-year fixed rate (maximum 6%), whichever is higher on the date of the first draw**
- Repayment: Interest accruing until the conclusion of the term, with interest and principal payments made during the term as funds become available from the liquidation of assets (other than Aurora UC) named as security. Repayment from the proceeds of the Bayview United Church VTB shall be limited to the amount required to reduce the total outstanding balance owed to the TUCC/General Council syndicate to \$1,000,000. Unless new terms are negotiated and approved before the end of the 10-month term, the full outstanding balance will become due and payable at maturity.**
- Provisions: Origination fee – Waived**
- Security: A Syndicated First Mortgage with the General Council Office of the United Church Canada, registered against the Aurora, Dunkerron and Trillium UC properties, plus transfer to the syndicate of IIMF funds #58 and #119 and assignment to the syndicate of the New Hope UC non-performing mortgage and the proceeds from the Bayview UC sale (subject to the repayment cap noted above)**

**CARRIED**

### **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING UPDATE**

Jody Maltby shared that the Memorandum of Understanding between the Shining Waters and Canadian Shield Regional Councils has been returned signed by the General Council Office (GCO) and will be reviewed in a year or two.

### **INCORPORATED MINISTRIES EMAIL COMMUNICATION**

Jody shared that the Incorporated Ministries of the UCCan will receive a letter of correspondence from the Region asking for compliance with submitting information to the Incorporated Ministries Office.

### **GCE SUMMARY – NOVEMBER 14-15, 2025**

Executive received and reviewed the General Council Executive Summary from the November 14-15, 2025 meeting and were given the opportunity to ask questions.

### **FESTIVAL OF FAITH 2027 CONVERSATION**

Jody shared decisions made by the Canadian Shield Regional Council Executive. She shared that the CSRC Executive members praised the 2025 FoF and particularly enjoyed the fact that it was a joint event with SWRC but that issues like the best use of resources, and the fact that so many people from the far reaches of both regions could not attend due to distance have influenced their decision to not have another joint Festival of Faith in its traditional form in 2027.

After a discussion, the decision was made to revisit this topic at the next Executive meeting after members have had time to think about it.

### **EXECUTIVE MINISTER REPORT**

Jody shared an Acting Executive Minister Report with Executive verbally.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

### **CLOSING PRAYER**

William Houghton led in a closing prayer from Voices United #915, "Prayer to Close a Meeting". Eric the meeting closed at 2:52 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** March 3, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom  
April 7, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom  
May 5, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom  
June 2, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom