
WINTER GENERAL MEETING**March 24-25, 2023**

The *Conseil régional* Nakonha:ka Regional Council of The United Church of Canada held its Winter general meeting on Friday evening and Saturday morning of March 24-25, 2023, and online. The focus for this meeting was the introduction of The United Church of Canada's Strategic Plan.

Session One
Friday, March 24th 2023 (evening)

THE FOLLOWING REGISTERED THEIR ATTENDANCE AT THE BUSINESS MEETING

Ministry Personnel (34)

Mead Baldwin, Beryl Barraclough, Wayne Beamer, Janet Bisset, Arlen Bonnar, Dale Breikreutz, Barbara Bryce, Linda Buchanan, Kent Chown, Rev David W Clinker, Gonzalo Cruz, Rosa Donoso, Shaun Fryday, Christine-Marie Gladu, Pierre Goldberger, Attila Gyorgy, Cathy Hamilton, Helen Hliaras, Lee Ann Hogle, Reginald Jennings, Jan Jorgensen, Mher Katchikian, Rosemary Lambie, Andrew Lairenge, Darryl Macdonald, Kelley Molloy, Jennifer Mountain, Birgit Neuschild, Robert Patton, Angelika Piché, Darla Sloan, Rev. Dr. Phyllis Smyth, Tami Spires and Stephane Vermette.

Lay Delegates (27)

Judy Bachelder, Carol Bircher, Peter Bisset, Diane Cantin, Elva Crawford, David Drew, Lynn Drew, Undeg Edwards, Vivienne Galanis, Gerard Gouw, Marc Grenon, Charlotte Griffith, Norm Haslam, Janice Knowles, Jan Langelier, L. E. Moir, Johanna Morrow, Valerie Nickson, Helga-Ximena Ovando, Dyanne Saanum, Natacha Sanson, Ivylin Scott, Dorothy Shaw, Elsa Spencer-Beaumont, James Vanstone, Fiona Wardrop and Vera Young.

Corresponding Members - Candidates (5)

Norman Robert Boie, Lisa Byer-de Wever, Jessica Gauthier, Kelley Molloy and Virginia Wallace.

Lay Delegates Under 35 (2)

Denis Ashby and Diane Best.

Regional Council Staff and Office of Vocations Ministers (9)

Shanna Bernier, Judy Coffin, David-Roger Gagnon, Rev. Daniel Hayward (full-voting member), Rev. Éric Hébert-Daly (full-voting member), Joel Miller, Rev. Caroline Penhale (non-voting) Rev. Lillian Roberts (non-voting) and Brian Ruse.

Guests of the Regional Council (9)

Hugh Ballem, Rita Beauséjour, Jim Fyles, Jennifer Henry, Alicia Loria, Royal Orr, Susan Parker, Alma Ransom and Renate Sutherland.

Regrets (15)

Rev. James Christie, Bailey Eastwood (candidate), Rev. Elisabeth Jones, Rev. R. Douglas Throop, Rev. Denis Fortin, Cynthia Reynolds (candidate), Émilie Wood, Rachel Lambie, Lillian Blanchette, Paul Stanfield (Regional Council Treasurer), Beverly Clark, Shirley Stark, Jamie Stevens, Monique Moser-Verrey and Virgile J. Kamga Ngangoum.

Quorum

This meeting had quorum.

Sign-in

Attendees were invited to sign-in ahead of the start of the meeting.

Gathering Music

The following hymns were sung as the gathering music: Let Us Build a House (MV1)/La maison d'amour (Adaptation by Lambert <https://www.lambertcompositeur.com>)

Special Instructions

Rev. Kent Chown provides instructions for how to use Zoom functions during the meeting.

Ohenton Kariwatekwon (The Thanksgiving Address) or the Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Prayer

Ronwahaweta Robert Patton shared Ohenton Kariwatekwon (The Thanksgiving Address)

Welcoming to the Land

Ronwahaweta Robert Patton welcomed all in attendance to unceded Mohawk Territory.

Mohawk Bible

Ronwahaweta Robert Patton provided an updated on the Mohawk Bible Translation.

Acknowledgement of Land

Marc Grenon, President and Chair, led the land acknowledgement.

Opening Prayer

Sherry Dyanne Saanum led the opening Prayer.

President's Words

Marc Grenon, President and Chair, welcomed all in attendance; introduced the theme for this general meeting: "VisionAction"; and highlighted that this Regional Council winter general meeting's focus would be on accepting reports on the work of the preceding calendar year and highlight changes to the Regional Council's Governance Handbook.

Call to Order

Marc Grenon, President and Chair, called the meeting to order:

"In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the only Sovereign head of the Church, and by the authority of the Conseil Régional Nakonha:ka Regional Council of the United Church of Canada, I hereby declare this general meeting duly constituted and to be in session for conducting the business which will properly come before it."

Omnibus Motion

2023-03-24-25_001 MOTION (V. Nickson/R. Patton) that the Nakonha:ka Regional Council move the following:

1. That the agenda be adopted as distributed;
2. That the minutes of November 18-19, 2022 Fall General Meeting be accepted circulated (see **Appendix A**);
3. That the following person serve as Scrutineer: Rev. Kent Chown;
4. That the following person serve as Parliamentarian: Rev. Darryl MacDonald;
5. That the following people serve as Chaplains: Rev. Rosemary Lambie and Norman Robert Boie;
6. That Rev. Tami Spires and David-Roger Gagnon serve as the Equity Support Team;
7. That this meeting includes the behavioral covenant – Holy Manners *The 2023 Manual, Appendix, 2*.

"We will

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- keep God at the center of everything we do;
 - each speak for ourselves;
 - speak for a purpose;
 - separate people from problems;
 - allow for full and equitable participation;
 - attend to others carefully without interruption;
 - welcome the conflict of ideas;
 - take a future orientation;
 - demonstrate appreciation;
 - honor the decisions of the body;
 - commit to holding one another to account when we do not keep our holy manners;
 - keep the discussion at the table;
 - be mindful of our body language;
 - check in about good use of time;
 - allow the quiet people to speak, with an invitation to speak; and
 - sincerely say what we really feel.”

The Very Reverend Marion Pardy introduced Holy Manners as a resource for the 38th General Council 2003. Holy Manners has been used as resource for the conduct of meetings by subsequent General Councils and their executives. It has been adapted here for use as a resource by all councils and church bodies.

Receive for information from the Granting and Enabling Leadership Team the following distribution from the F. W. Kelley Fund:

1. Montreal Diocesan Theological College: United Church Orientation Learning Circle: \$2,500

The Erskine & American – Mountainside Fund:

1. Beaconsfield United Church: Refugee Support and Integration Program: \$15,000
2. Knowlton – Mountain Valley PC: Sunday Service Virtual Publication Project: \$1,800
3. Montreal City Mission: Power Within! Power Without!: \$15,000
4. Montreal Diocesan Theological College: United Church Orientation Learning Circle: \$2,500
5. Mount Royal United Church: Communauté francophone de l'Église Unie Mont-Royal: \$21,730
6. Roxboro United Church – Family Life Centre: Pastoral Care Team Training: \$2,000
7. Sainte Geneviève United Church – ORA Loss and Living: Grieving Together: workshops for faith communities in transition: \$5,000
8. St. James UC: Edge Project – Tracing the Journey: \$8,500
9. St. James UC: Résonance: A Musical Meditation Offering to the City: \$14,475
10. West Island LGBTQ2+ Centre: Youth Based Programming and Youth Outreach: \$35,000
11. Westmount Park United Church: Faith in Nature: Wild Church & House Plant Project: \$13,672

The amount granted to date for 2023 is \$134,677 and the remaining balance available for 2023 is \$66,692.

The Good Samaritan Fund:

1. Riverside UC: Out to Lunch program: \$8,000

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2. Richmond-Melbourne UC: Seniors' Spiritual Awareness Program – Phase 6: \$35,000
 3. Montreal City Mission: Let's Talk!/Parlons!: \$25,000
 4. Quebec Community Health & Social Services Foundation: Patient Navigator Project: \$35,000
 5. Riverside UC: Riverside Cares: \$35,600
 6. West Island LGBTQ2+ Centre: Seniors' Programming: \$30,000
 7. Saint Paul's UC, Magog: Healthy Seniors' Living – Exercise Program: \$13,262.32
 8. Montreal West UC: Extra Miles Senior Visiting Program: \$15,000
 9. Emmanuel UC: Outdoor Community Sanctuary – Phase II: \$15,975
- The amount granted to date for 2023 is \$212,837 and the 2023 grant amount available for the Good Samaritan Fund is \$369,781.18.

The Bhal-Jun Fund:

1. Beaconsfield United Church: Refugee Support and Integration Program: \$10,000
2. Saint James UC: Nurturing, Cultivating & Rooting Community of Friends: \$4,000
3. Beaconsfield UC: Assert Human Rights Under Marcos 2.0: Strengthen ICHRP: \$9,000

The Trois-Rivières French Ministry Fund:

1. Église Unie de Sainte-Adèle: Projet d'outreach, d'accueil et d'intégration: \$7,000

CARRIED

Note from the Equity Team

David-Roger Gagnon reminded all in attendance of Holy Manners and the importance for creating a safe and equitable environment during the meeting. Those in attendance were invited to contact members of the Equity Team as needed.

Equity Team – Criteria to consider when making a meeting more Equitable

The following criteria was shared:

1. Am I responding with my bias(es)?
2. Just because we've always done it this way, should we continue?
3. Who is missing around our table in this discussion? (Do we need to consult wider?)
4. Whose voices haven't been heard? Have I spoken too much?

Chaplains

Attendees are invited to contact the Chaplains for this meeting should a need arise (Rev. Rosemary Lambie and Norman Robert Boie)

Welcome to new representatives of Community of Faiths

New community of faith representatives were welcomed and invited to identify themselves. It was emphasized that communication between representatives and the Regional Council was a vital role for representative.

Report from President

Marc Grenon highlighted items in his report; for details see 2022 Report Book (**Appendix B**).

Report from Executive Minister

Rev. Éric Hébert-Daly highlighted items in his report; for details see 2022 Report Book (**Appendix B**).

Greeting General Council

Jennifer Henry, Executive Minister, Organizational Development and Strategy (Planning, Communications,

Growth) was introduced as the General Council Representative.

Introduce members of VisionAction

Rev. Helen Hliaras Introduce members of VisionAction: Royal Orr, Rick Sheffer, Jim Fyles, Marc Grenon, Renata Sutherland, Rev. Linda Buchanan, Patricia Lisson, Diaconal Minister, Rev. Barbara Bryce, Peter Bisset and Rev. Cathy Hamilton. The VisionAction team is the working group which was created to help the Regional Council work with The United Church of Canada's Strategic Plan.

Introduce the concept of a Strategic Plan, how it fits with the Call and Vision.

Rev. Cathy Hamilton and Jennifer Henry introduced The United Church of Canada's Strategic Plan: See [Our Call and Our Vision | The United Church of Canada \(united-church.ca\)](#) for more details.

reflection on Hope as confident expectation 2 Corinthians 3:12

Royal Orr offered a reflection on Hope, based on 2 Corinthians 3:12: "Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold." (NIV)

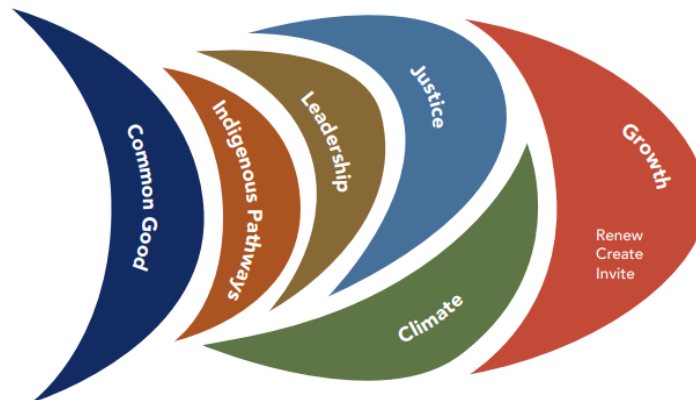
Breakout Rooms

Following Royal Orr's presentation, small-group discussions took place and responded to the following questions:

1. What is your "confident expectation", your hope, for the future of our church?
2. What kind of "bold truth-telling" must we do

Reminder of Fish Scriptures

Rev. Cathy Hamilton highlighted the various parts in scripture when the fish is symbolised: five loaves and two fish; fishing for people; broiled fish on the beach; fishing from the other side. This is where the design of the fish in the strategic plan drew some of its inspiration from:



Explanation of Fish and Regional Context

Rev. Éric Hébert-Daly further described the fish image for the strategic plan, explaining the various components and the reason for their location within the fish: Growth (renew, create, invite), Climate, Justice, Leadership Indigenous Pathways and Common Good.

Éric highlighted in more detail how the Regional Council hopes to respond to the proposed strategic plan. Details included: The proposed process, the final plan, and accountability.

Three Questions for reflection

Rev. Cathy Hamilton proposed the following three questions for participants to reflect on over-night; which would then be discussed the following day:

1. Which elements of the diagram and discussion make you hopeful?
2. Which elements make you nervous/concerned?
3. Where is some of this already taking place?

The Good Night Blessing

Lisa Byer-de Wever (candidate), as a good night blessing, shared a prayer written by Jennifer Henry

Closing Hymn

The closing hymn was “On Eagles Wings” - Psalm 91, page VU 808; French Refrain by Lambert (<https://www.lambertcompositeur.com>).

*For more details surround presentations, a recording of this session can be found on the Regional Council website under “Post-meeting resources” <https://nakonhakaucc.ca/event/march-2023-regional-council-gathering-online/>

Session Two
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Quorum

This meeting had quorum.

Sign-in

Attendees are invited to sign-in 15 minutes ahead of the start of the meeting.

Gathering Music

The following hymn was sung: “I was there – J’étais là” VU 644; French Refrain by Lambert (<https://www.lambertcompositeur.com>)

Special Instructions – brief recap

Rev. Kent Chown provided a brief recap of instructions on using Zoom features.

Roxham border crossing closed

Marc Grenon shared the news that the Roxham border crossing had officially, leaving many asylum seekers destitute. Marc called upon all to offer prayers of grace and hope for those affected by this decision in a negative way. It was assured that following the meeting, the Regional Council, through its President, Executive Minister and Communication-person, would formulate a response of concern to the government.

Morning Blessing

Shanna Bernier led participant through a meditative practice of creating fish origamis. See instructional video on Regional Council website: <https://nakonhakaucc.ca/event/march-2023-regional-council-gathering-online/>

Covenanting service

The Regional Council formally covenanted with its new Executive Minister, Rev. Éric Hébert-Daly.

Quick recap of Strategic Planning

Rev. Eric Hebert-Daly, led a quick review of the fish diagram (used in the strategic plan) for those who were not present on Friday.

Introduction and discussion of questions – Reporting on shared document:

Rev. Cathy Hamilton and Jennifer Henry briefly reintroduced The United Church of Canada’s Strategic Plan: See [Our Call and Our Vision | The United Church of Canada \(united-church.ca\)](#) for more details.

Participants formed into small-group for discussions and to respond to the following questions:

1. Which elements of the diagram and discussion make you hopeful?
2. Which elements make you nervous/concerned??
3. Where is some of this already taking place?

Following the small group discussions, Rev. Cathy Hamilton invited groups to share some of their responses.

Leading Priority: Growth, which has 3 parts: Renewal/Create/Invite

Jennifer Henry focused on the head of the fish image within the strategic plan, which emphasizes growth and its three parts: renewal, create, invite. To further explain these concepts, Jennifer discussed what church growth looks like, what it can look like when the church puts growth at the core of its work, what things to consider when looking at new kinds of ministries, and how research and learning play a pivotal role in growth in general.

Small groups discussion

Following the Jennifer's presentation, participants entered into group discussion to focus on the following question:

1. How can you imagine growth in our regional council? What does it look like?
2. Where, in Nakonha:ka regional council, is some of this growth already taking place?

Break

Ten-minute break had by all

Gathering Music

The following hymn was sung Tu m'as donné la foi « Amazing Grace» VU 266; Adaptation by Lambert (<https://www.lambertcompositeur.com>)

What are the next steps

Rev. Helen Hliaras shared in fuller detail the steps the Regional Council will be taking, as it responding to The United Church of Canada strategic plan. This includes planned information gathering sessions (townhall) in the coming months.

The United Church of Canada's Faithful Footprint: An Example of the Climate Part of the Strategic Plan

Marc Grenon will introduce Alexya Gates Julien, who gave a presentation on behalf of Faithful Footprints. The United Church of Canada's Faithful Footprints program offers inspiration, tools, and grants to help its communities of faith reduce their energy and carbon footprint.

More information about Faithful Footprints can be obtained at: <https://www.faithfulfootprints.org/>

Affirm: Next Steps Which is an Example of the Justice part of the Strategic Plan

David-Roger Gagnon, Denis Ashby, Lisa Byer-de Wever and Rita Beauséjour shared information about the affirming process, and provided examples of where a positive outcome to the process would render a positive impact for many local communities, networks and missions within the Regional Council.

Following the presentation, some participants voiced concerns about the process, in particular that it may not allow for all voices to be heard. Other participants wondered why they should need to go through the process, as it was seen as formulating what was already practice within their communities of faith.

Report Book (2022)

- see *Report Book (2022)* as **Appendix B**

2023-03-24-25_002 MOTION (N. Haslam/K. Chown) that the Nakonha:ka Regional Council receive and approve the Report Book (2022) and annexes as distributed: The annexes are retirees Rev. Lee Ann Hogle and Rev. Rosemary Lambie (Past-Executive Minister). **CARRIED**

Updates to Governance Handbook

- a) **Licensed Lay Worship Leaders policy**
Rev. Daniel Hayward, Pastoral Relations Minister

2023-03-24-25_003 MOTION (C. Griffith/L. Hogle) that the Nakhonha:ka Regional Council receive for information the recommendation of the Licensed Lay Worship Leaders Team regarding the Police Records Check for Licensed Lay Worship Leaders and support for students taking the online LLWL course such that;

Whereas the church is called to play an active role in promoting God's redemptive power in all walks of life,

Whereas we wish to encourage all God's children to answer God's call and not put undue impediments to becoming a Licensed Lay Worship Leader

Whereas we, the church, have the obligation to be transparent, offer an example of the highest integrity and provide a safe environment for all members of our church family

Whereas the current Licensed Lay Worship Leaders policy for Conseil régional Nakhonha:ka Regional Council does not explicitly outline what is to be done if a Police Records Check turns up a conviction,

Whereas there is currently no obvious national consultative body for the LLWL Leadership Team to refer to for LLWL's such as the Office of Vocation for ordained ministers,

Whereas the LLWL Leadership Team has no way of knowing which students are currently enrolled in the online course

Therefore; the following addition be made to the current Regional Council Governance handbook p. 42

1. *Police Records Check* The LLWL Leadership Team are required to exercise due diligence by requesting to see a Police Records Check (Vulnerable Sector) issued within the past 6 months before recommending granting initial license, and every 6 years subsequently. Licensed Lay Worship Leaders are expected to meet the same standard as Ministry Personnel. <http://www.united-church.ca/files/handbooks/police-records-checks.pdf>. Failure to provide a current Police Check at the appropriate intervals will result in non-renewal of one's license.

Addition: In the case of a Police Records Check (Vulnerable Sector) that turns up a conviction, the process outlined in the Police Records Check (2019) document will be followed.

If the LLWL Leadership Team nevertheless recommends licensing, certain convictions would require publication of the past offender's name and conviction and greater ongoing supervision may be required (e.g. violent crimes such as murder, assault, abduction). This would take place at the time of licensing. In the case of someone training to become an LLWL, the student may wish to request an initial discussion regarding their past criminal record prior to the 6-month requirement, in order to ascertain if their offense would be an impediment to licensing.

2. While deliberating on the suitability and guidelines required of a student with a criminal record the LLWL Leadership Team will avail themselves of the legal counsel of the United Church - General Council, and consult with the authorities in matters of Restorative Justice.
3. A network be set up across all Regional Councils, comprised of all Licensed Lay Worship Leaders Leadership Teams, the purpose of which would be to share policy and best practices in licensing and supporting our Lay Worship Leaders.
4. Each Regional Council LLWL Leadership Team be informed of all students from their region who are currently enrolled in the online training course sponsored by Canadian Shield Regional Council,

the better to offer local support and periodic local evaluations in preparation for eventual licensing (adopted by the Executive on October 20).

CARRIED

b) **Policy on Leases, Major Renovations and Other Major Assets with delegation**

2023-03-24-25_004 MOTION (B. Bisset/R. Sheffer) that the Nakonha:ka Regional Council receive for information from the Property & Finance Leadership team that the Policy on Leases, Major Renovations and Other Major Assets with delegation be amended to add the following paragraph:

“This policy shall also extend to Leases, Major Renovations and Other Major Assets of Incorporated Ministries under the oversight of this Regional Council with references to sanctuaries or church buildings replaced by ‘the property used by the Incorporated Ministry’ to carry on its ministry” (adopted by the Executive on February 15, 2023) **CARRIED**

c) **Policy on donations by communities of faith to charities outside the purview of the United Church**

- see *Policy on donations by Communities of Faith to Charities outside the purview of the United Church of Canada* as **Appendix C**

2023-03-24-25_005 MOTION (P. Bisset /R. Sheffer) that the Nakonha:ka Regional Council receive for information from the Property & Finance Leadership team the “Policy on donations by communities of faith to charities outside the purview of the United Church – February 2023”(adopted by the Executive on February 15, 2023). **CARRIED**

Feedback from Equity Team

While there wasn’t time to hear feedback during the meeting, it was guaranteed that all feedback would go to the planning team and be considered while planning future meetings.

Closing Motions

2023-03-24-25_006 MOTION (R. Patton/V. Nickson) that following the rise of the *Ne wahtkwanonweraton* (closing words) for this general meeting of the Nakonha:ka Regional Council, all powers of the Regional Council be granted to the Executive until the next general meeting on June 3, 2023 at Plymouth-Trinity United Church (Sherbrooke). **CARRIED**

2023-03-24-25_007 MOTION (R. Patton/V. Nickson) that the meeting be adjourned at 12:17 PM, and that the President declares this general meeting of the Nakonha:ka Regional Council duly concluded. **CARRIED**

Closing Benediction

Marc Grenon shared a closing benediction, based on Romans 15:13 “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit”

Closing Hymn

(English, Spanish, French)

“May the God of Hope – Dios de la Esperanza – Que le Dieu de l’espérance” VU 424

Ne wahtkwanonweraton - Thanksgiving Prayer (Closing Words)

Robert Patton to lead the *Ne wahtkwanonweraton* (closing words). This prayer is the continuation of *Nia wen Takwaieatison* (Thanksgiving Prayer).

Appendix

- Appendix A Minutes of November 18-19, 2022 Fall General Meeting
Appendix B (2022) Report Book
Appendix C Policy on donations by Communities of Faith to Charities outside the purview of the United Church of Canada

All appendices are available on the Regional Council website (under download documents):
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