

-DECISIONS-

2023-11-24-25_001 MOTION (E. Hébert-Daly/F. Braman) that the Nakhonha:ka Regional Council move the following:

1. That the agenda be adopted as distributed;
2. That the minutes of June 3, 2023 Spring General Meeting be accepted as circulated (see **Appendix A**);
3. That the following funding distributions be received for information:

a) Good Samaritan Fund

- New Hope Senior Citizens Centre: WIN Intergenerational Network: \$20,000
- Trenholm United Church U.C.W.: Community Care and Outreach Program: \$14,000
- Beaconsfield United Church: BUC Seniors' Programs: \$31,600
- Union United Church: United in Purpose: \$17,500
- Eva Marsden Centre for Social Justice and Aging: Tax Program: \$20,000

b) Sainte-Thérèse Fund

- Sustaining French Ministry in Sainte-Adèle (from the Sainte-Thérèse Fund for Laurentian Area Ministry): \$25,000

c) Mission Support Grants for 2024

2024 Mission Support totaling \$505,000:

- Beaconsfield United Church: \$17,000
- Camino de Emaus de l'Église Unie: \$50,000
- Campus Ministry: Bishop's University/Champlain College: \$2,000
- COCLA: \$20,000
- Concordia University Multi-Faith Centre: \$1,000
- Église Unie St. Pierre et Pinguet: \$29,000
- Église Unie Sainte-Claire: \$32,000
- Kanesatake United Church: \$15,000
- Montreal City Mission: \$140,000
- Mission protestante francophone de Longueuil: \$2,000
- Rennie's United Church: \$14,000
- Saint Columba House: \$142,000
- St. Martha's Chapel: \$2,000
- Union United Church: \$24,000
- West Island LGBTQ2+ Centre: \$15,000

Kelley Fund

- Beaconsfield United Church for the International Interfaith Network project: \$5,500

4. That the following people serve as Scrutineers: Rev. Kent Chown and Norm Haslam;
5. That the following person serve as Parliamentarian: Fred Braman;
6. That the following people serve as Chaplain: Rev. Pierre Goldberger;
7. That Shanna Bernier, Tami Spires and Lisa Byer-De Wever serve as the Equity Support Team;
8. That this meeting includes the behavioral covenant:

One Voice: Called together by Christ as a community of broken but hopeful believers, striving to be

faithful servants of God in our time and place as we offer our varying gifts,

Many Voices: We commit to keeping God at the center of everything we do;

One Voice: We confess, that we have not always lived up our vision of community, we need the Spirit to reorient us, to live an emerging faith, challenging us to live by grace rather than entitlement,

Many Voices: We commit to be truthful in our communications by: speaking for ourselves; and speaking purposefully;

One Voice: We are called as a diverse community of people celebrating our differences;

Many Voices: And so, we commit to honouring our intercultural vision through welcoming the conflict of ideas; making space for the full and equitable participation of all, enabling especially people who are quiet to speak; being mindful of our body language; listening carefully without interruption and separate people from problems;

One Voice: We are called to be bold disciples,

Many Voices: As we live into our call to discipleship we will hold one another to account when we do not keep to our commitments; We will take a future orientation in our discussions and imagination; demonstrate appreciation; And honouring the decisions of the body;

One Voice: We are called to lead in hope with purpose and vision as members of a community held and inspired by God, partnering with God in the mending of the world

Many Voices: So, we commit to keeping the discussion at the table and to be faithful stewards of our time.

All: We affirm that we are Called by God, as disciples of Jesus, to offer leadership to The United Church of Canada as it seeks to be a bold, connected, evolving church of diverse, courageous, hope-filled communities united in deep spirituality, inspiring worship, and daring justice. Amen

In the 2022 Manual (see page 204), the expression Holy Manners is translated as rules of conduct based on respect and benevolence.

2023-11-24-25_002 MOTION (H. Hliaras/C. Hamilton) that the Nakonha:ka Regional Council adopt the strategic plan as presented by the VisonAction working group. **CARRIED**

2023-11-24-25_003 MOTION (H. Hliaras/C. Hamilton) that the Nakonha:ka Regional Council dismiss the VisonAction working group, with expressed thanks from the court, following their completing the Terms of Reference for the Strategic Fund. **CARRIED**

2023-11-24-25_004 MOTION (M. Ketchikan/V. Nickson) that the Nakonha:ka Regional Council move that candidates and those present as invited guests of this Regional Council, be named as corresponding members of the Court. **CARRIED**

2023-11-24-25_005 MOTION (F. Braman/L. Byer-de Wever) **RESOLVED** that the Nakonha:ka Regional Council formally establish the “Rosemary Lambie Fund for Learning: Respecting our Indigenous Neighbours” in furtherance of the attached Terms of Reference as jointly developed by the Property and Finance Leadership Team and the Living into Right Relations Circle. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

2023-11-24-25_006 MOTION (P. Stanfield/F. Braman) that the Nakhonha:ka Regional Council adopt the Regional Council 2024 budget as presented. **CARRIED**

2023-11-24-25_007 MOTION (P. Stanfield/F. Braman) that the Nakhonha:ka Regional Council adopt the Finance & Extension Board 2024 budget as presented. **CARRIED**

2023-11-24-25_008 MOTION (E. Hébert-Daly/S. V. Dansokho) that the Nakhonha:ka Regional Council receive for information the following decision by the Executive regarding Designated Lay Ministry:

2023-11-16_014 MOTION (B. Bryce/A. Akintayo) that the Nakhonha:ka Regional Council Executive grant corresponding membership and sacramental privileges to all those who are retired from active ministry as Designated Lay Ministers, and make them eligible to apply for Voluntary Associate Minister status. Furthermore, that those who continue to be Designated Lay Ministers or who are currently completing studies to become a Designated Lay Minister, be permitted to carry their status and serve other Communities of Faith. **CARRIED**

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2023-11-24-25_009 MOTION (E. Hébert-Daly/T. Spires) that the Nakhonha:ka Regional Council receive for information the approved Sacraments Licensing Policy. **CARRIED**

Next General Meeting Dates

- AGM, March 15-16 2024 (online meeting)
- Spring General Meeting, May 25th 2024 (location to be determined)
- Fall General Meeting November 1-2, 2024

Appendices

Appendix available on the Regional Council website (under download documents):
<https://nakhonhakaucc.ca/event/regional-council-meeting-november-2023-online/>

Appendix A	Minutes of June 3, 2023 Spring General Meeting
Appendix B	Regional Council 2024 Strategic Plan
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Appendix D	Regional Council 2024 Budget Graphs/Charts
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