



Manitoba/Northwestern Ontario Synod

MNO SYNOD
EXECUTIVE MINUTES
MNO Synod Office – May 4, 2007

PARTICIPANTS:

Bishop:	Elaine Sauer
Vice Chairperson:	Brian Lorch
Secretary:	Carol Janke
Treasurer:	Don Martin

1. Bishop Elaine opened with devotions and prayer.
2. Approval of minutes.
3. A Synod Council Motions data base is in process.
4. Reports:
 - a) Bishop Elaine:
 - Richard Zimmerman will transfer to Saskatchewan Synod roster as of June 15th
 - The Church of the Good Shepherd, Selkirk, will begin call process on May 15th.
 - b) Treasurer - The finances of the Synod are tracking well against the budget at this time of year.
 - c) Secretary – Received a “Certificate of Transfer of Minister” from Saskatchewan Synod for the Reverend Jaycen Snider.
5. a) Lutheran Urban Ministry:
 - incorporation is complete
 - advertised for staff person
 - will move to First Lutheran on Victor Street for the summer.
- b) Office space – are continuing to explore options
- c) Capital Campaign Update – We have been unsuccessful in all attempts to hire a fundraising consultant. Prior to discussing further action on hiring a fundraising consultant, Brian Lorch declared a conflict of interest and excused himself from the meeting. After considering options, it was decided that the Bishop would contact Lorch & Associates to determine whether they would be interested in contracting for this work.

Brian Lorch returned to the meeting.

Tabled for next meeting:

- Letter, re insurance / CRA
- CM/YM budget lines
- ELCIC Protection Policy
- Appointments: Committee for Theological Education and Leadership and Committee for Mission
- Allocation of remaining MNO Synod Foundation grant monies.

Actions Taken

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| MSC | <i>Ex-May-07-01</i> | <i>that we approve the March 30, 2007 Executive Minutes.</i> |
| MSC | <i>Ex-May-07-02</i> | <i>that we continue to designate 2 Sundays per year for "Campus & Youth Toonie Sundays".</i> |
| MSC | <i>Ex-May-07-03</i> | <i>that we approve the December 31st, 2006 year end audited financial statements for the MNO Synod.</i> |
| MSC | <i>Ex-May-07-04</i> | <i>that we approve the December 31st, 2006 year end audited financial statements for the MNO Synod Foundation for Mission & Ministry Inc.</i> |
| MSC | <i>Ex-May-07-05</i> | <i>in accordance with MNO-10-10 that we forward \$776.26 (representing 50% of our 2006 budgetary surplus of \$1,552.52) to the national church.</i> |

Respectfully submitted
Carol Janke, Secretary