



THE PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF CANADA
Palais des congrès, Montreal, Quebec

52nd GENERAL CONFERENCE
May 2-5, 2016

MINUTES

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION
TUESDAY MAY 3, 2016

The Chair, Rev. D. Wells, called the first business session to order at 1:28 PM. Appreciation was expressed to the Quebec District, including M. Bisailon.

The Chair invited M. Bisailon to bring greetings from the Quebec District. M. Bisailon opened the conference in prayer.

GUESTS

Rev. D. Hazzard recognized and honoured the former Executive Officers and invited those in attendance to stand: Rev. Wm. Griffin, Rev. L. Markham, Rev. K. Parks, Rev. R. Taitinger, Rev. G. Upton, Rev. Wm. Morrow and Rev. S. Hunter. Mrs. S. Birch and Mrs. L. Cornelius-Warkentin, spouses of former officers, were also recognized and honoured. Rev. D. Ball and Rev. R. Schmunk could not attend. The delegates welcomed the former Executive Officers.

Rev. M. Cornelius recognized our international guests: Rev. R. Castillo, General Superintendent of Costa Rica; Rev. Bowers Lihanda Mboli, Retired Bible College President, Kenya; Rev. E. Villar, Assemblies of God General Superintendent of Cuba, and delegation; D. and B. Grant, Assemblies of God workers in India; Dr. P. and Mrs. L. Watt of Assemblies of God, South Africa; Pastor C. Holland, King of Kings Assembly in Jerusalem; Rev. R. Kupstys, Bishop of Lithuania Assemblies of God; D. & R. Prasad of India. He welcomed Global Workers and Mission Canada workers in attendance.

The Chair welcomed Rev. T. Snow, Rev. C. Buckle and Rev. D. Brenton, guests from The Pentecostal Assemblies of Newfoundland and Labrador. Rev. T. Snow was invited to bring greetings.

The Chair invited Rev. A. Garrison of the World Assemblies of God Fellowship to bring greetings. He also introduced D & L DiStaulo of the Canadian Assemblies of God.

The Chair noted that this conference is ruled by the *General Constitution and By-Laws* of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada and the parliamentary procedures will be ruled by *Robert's Rules of Order*, and introduced the parliamentarians, P. Doroshuk, R. Davis and D. Demchuk.

GC 16-01 **VOTING BAR:** It was MOVED and SECONDED that the delegates wearing blue lanyards denote voting privileges, establishing the voting bar. CARRIED

A welcome was extended to the lay delegates from our local churches.

GC 16-02 **MINUTES OF THE 2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:** It was MOVED and SECONDED that the Minutes of the March 10, 2015 Annual General Meeting be approved as printed and distributed. CARRIED

GC 16-03 **CONFERENCE COMMITTEES:** It was MOVED and SECONDED that the conference committees be approved as printed and distributed in the conference manual. CARRIED

GC 16-04 **AGENDA OF THE 52nd CONFERENCE:** It was MOVED and SECONDED that the Agenda be approved as presented to the conference. CARRIED

GC 16-05 **ROSTER REPORT #1:**
The Chair called for a reading of the roster report.

The Chair of the Roster Committee, L. Chouinard, read Roster Report #1.

VOTING	
Credential – Voting	455
National/District Department Director	8
Lay Delegate	40
Sub-Total Voting	503
NON-VOTING	
Credential – Non Voting	123
Visitors & Staff	350
Sub-Total Non-Voting	473
GRAND TOTAL ATTENDANCE	976

It was MOVED and SECONDED that Roster Report #1 be accepted as read. CARRIED

D. Wells vacated the chair for the election of the General Superintendent. D. Hazzard assumed the chair.

GC 16-06 **RATIFICATION BALLOT FOR THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT:**
The following pre-nomination ballots resulted in a ratification ballot for the position of General Superintendent:

Ballots Cast	579
Ballots Required to Elect	385
Votes Received	497 (85.8%)

The ratification ballots were distributed and cast. The Chair declared the ballot closed.

GC 16-07 **REPORT OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT:** D. Wells expressed appreciation to the Mission Canada team, the Executive Officers, the Communications department, the International Office staff, and his wife S. Wells. He also honoured the District Superintendents and the Strategic Vision Committee, who have assisted in sharing the vision for church revitalization and multiplication. He expressed gratitude for this fellowship and its desire to continue in the truth and be strong theologically. Appreciation was expressed to the Theological Study Commission as well as the Presidents and Deans of our colleges and seminaries, who are leading the way in a review and refresh of the Statement of Fundamental and Essential Truths. He encouraged the conference to continue planting, partnering and/or providing for 1,500 disciple-making communities by 2020.

A determined partnership has been made with the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada (EFC) to engage current cultural concerns. B. Clemenger, EFC President, was invited to address the conference. D. Wells invited W. Yeo to lead the conference in prayer for the EFC and for the nation of Canada.

MISSION CANADA PRESENTATION: B. Egert shared highlights from ministries in Canada that are experiencing the work of the Spirit in their contexts and are involved in actively making disciples.

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the report of the General Superintendent and the report of the Assistant to the General Superintendent for Mission Canada be received. CARRIED

GC 16-08 **RESULTS OF THE RATIFICATION BALLOT FOR THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT:**

Ballots Cast	370
Ballots Required to Elect	185
Ballots Received	359 (97%)

D. Wells was re-elected as the General Superintendent and expressed appreciation to the conference for the vote of confidence.

The conference was invited to join together as Rev. R. Taitinger led in prayer for Rev. & Mrs. Wells.

D. Hazzard vacated the chair. D. Wells resumed the chair.

GC 16-09 **FIRST ELECTION BALLOT FOR THE CREDENTIALLED MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE:**

The Chair presented the names as nominated by the respective district conferences.

Nominees:

Rev. D. Smith	British Columbia & Yukon
Rev. G. Taitinger	Alberta & Northwest Territories
Rev. K. Sawatsky	Saskatchewan
Rev. B. Martin	Manitoba & Northwestern Ontario
Rev. M. Tapley	Western Ontario
Rev. G. Howse	Eastern Ontario & Nunavut
Rev. P. St-Onge	Quebec
Rev. R. Knowles	Maritime

The ballots were distributed and cast. The Chair declared the ballot closed.

GC 16-10 **REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR FELLOWSHIP SERVICES:**

D. Hazzard presented his report, expressing appreciation to the conference for their support and faithfulness to the fellowship.

Fellowship tithes totaled \$1,495,177 at December 31, 2015. Expenses were down in 2015, resulting in a surplus of \$17,167. Collectively in 2015 we had 1,191 missional communities – 1,076 of which were traditional churches, with the remainder being non-traditional churches. In 2014 the number of people being served by PAOC churches was 239,276, an increase of 0.76% since 2012.

A review of the three distinct legal entities of The PAOC, namely the Pentecostal Financial Services Group (PFSG), The Pension Fund (1969) of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, and The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada was given. PFSG is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of the Executive Director and the three Executive Officers as well as members of the business community, and is guided by the PFSG Audit Committee and the PFSG Advisory Committee. The Pension Fund is governed by a Board of Trustees comprised of the Executive Director as well as members of the business community, and is guided by the Investment Committee and the Pension Fund Audit Committee. The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada is governed by the General Executive and is guided by the PAOC Audit Committee and the Financial Committee.

At December 31, 2015 we had \$137M in combined mortgages primarily throughout Canada, and another \$9.2M in mortgages and loans throughout the world. PFSG cares for \$58.5M of those mortgages, the Pension Fund cares for \$77M, and approximately \$2.5 – \$3M is cared for out of the trust funds of the PAOC. From the ACLR that is provided to us, we collectively as a fellowship report total property value across Canada of \$1.4 billion. The loan to value rate in the PAOC as of December 31, 2015 is 13.6%, which is down from 14.9% reported in 2014.

J. Richards was invited to speak regarding PFSG. In 2015 PFSG donated over \$384,000 to missional entities of the PAOC. The amount of new mortgage funding has declined since 2014 due to new mortgages being primarily provided by the Pension Fund, as well as less activity in new church construction, and aggressive bank rates. He also commented on the donations from our affinity partners, and spoke of the Stewardship department, highlighting wills, seminars and investments.

R. Davis was invited to speak regarding the Pension Fund, which continues to serve its purpose in providing a stable pension for our members, missionaries and workers. Members now surpass 2,200 while assets have grown to over \$113M, and return on investment is over 5.7%. The portfolio is composed primarily of first mortgages, with 20% invested in equities and a small amount of cash on hand.

D. Hazzard reported on the newly established PAOC Foundation, providing opportunity for individuals in our congregations to make donations to the Foundation, which are then directed to missional work in alignment with EFC and our other partners.

It was MOVED and SECONDED to accept the December 31, 2015 Audited financial report. CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the report of the Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services be received. CARRIED

The Chair expressed appreciation to D. Hazzard for his years of faithful service.

GC 16-11

FIRST ELECTION BALLOT RESULTS FOR THE CREDENTIALLED MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE: The results of the first election ballot for the Credentialed Members to the General Executive were shared as follows:

Ballots Cast		354
Ballots necessary for election		177
Rev. D. Smith	103	(29%)
Rev. G. Taitinger	170	(48%)
Rev. K. Sawatsky	80	(23%)
Rev. B. Martin	97	(27%)
Rev. M. Tapley	175	(49%)
Rev. G. Howse	121	(34%)
Rev. P. St-Onge	117	(33%)
Rev. R. Knowles	53	(15%)

No election was declared.

In response to a question from the floor, D. Wells confirmed that the election process is guided by the General Constitution & By-Laws, with a 50% vote being required for election.

GC 16-12

FIRST ELECTION BALLOT FOR LAY MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE: The Chair presented the names as nominated by the respective district conferences.

Nominees:

C. Hornby Allen	British Columbia & Yukon
T. Darnell	Alberta & Northwest Territories
D. Kennedy	Saskatchewan
R. McKelvey	Manitoba & Northwestern Ontario
A. Root	Western Ontario
S. Shew	Eastern Ontario & Nunavut
A. Riendeau	Quebec
R. Moore	Maritime

The ballots were distributed and cast. The Chair declared the ballot closed.

The Chair of the Resolutions Committee, G. Connors, was asked to begin presenting the Resolutions.

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the Resolutions be presented as printed, without being read from the platform. CARRIED

GC 16-13

RESOLUTION #1 – Article 7.1.3 Mission Canada Workers

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS Mission Canada workers hold recognized ministry appointments;

AND WHEREAS Mission Canada workers are eligible to vote as members of the General Conference based on the same criteria available for senior pastors and global workers;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article 7.1.3 be amended as follows:

- 7.1.3** Ordained global and Mission Canada workers under appointment, and global and Mission Canada workers holding a valid Licensed Minister or Recognition of Ministry credential, who have been under Global or Mission Canada Worker appointment for two (2) full and consecutive years.

AND FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that any remaining references for Mission Canada workers be amended in the entire General Constitution and By-Laws as appropriate.

CARRIED

GC 16-14

RESOLUTION #2 – Article 7.1.4 Lay Delegates From Local Assemblies

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS affiliated assemblies are entitled to send at least one lay delegate to each General Conference;

AND WHEREAS clarification may be helpful in outlining the criteria for additional appointed lay delegates from affiliated assemblies who have a membership of more than 200;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article 7.1.4 be amended as follows:

- 7.1.4** Duly appointed lay delegates from any affiliated assembly.

- 7.1.4.1** Each local assembly affiliated with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada is authorized to appoint and send one **(1)** lay delegate to each General Conference. Those churches with a membership of ~~more than 200~~ **or more** shall be entitled to ~~one~~ **two (2)** delegates. ~~For each additional 100 active official members recorded on the membership roster of the local assembly,~~ the church may send one (1) additional delegate. These delegates shall be Spirit-filled members in good standing with the assembly.

Lay delegates shall not be credential holders or the spouses of voting credential holders.

Lay delegates must present a letter of authorization from the secretary of the church board to the conference registrar.

CARRIED

GC 16-15

RESOLUTION #3 – Article 7.1.5 Voting Members of the General Conference

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS lay members of the General Executive and other individuals serving in district or the international office may be authorized by the district executive or the Executive Officers Committee to be voting members of the General Conference;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article 7.1.5 be amended as follows:

- 7.1.5** Lay members of the General Executive and duly appointed national departmental directors and departmental coordinators, and appointed or elected district departmental

and ministry leaders who present to the registrar a letter of authorization from the district executive or Executive Officers Committee.

CARRIED

GC 16-16

RESOLUTION #4 – By-Law 10.2.8.3 Licensed Minister Exemptions

It was MOVED AND SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS the granting of an exemption based on By-Law 10.2.8.3 applies to new credential applicants who are unable to fulfill the educational requirements as outlined;

AND WHEREAS the options in By-Law 10.2.8.3 apply to two different status options for credential candidates;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10.2.8.3 be amended as follows:

10.2.8.3 EXEMPTIONS

In recognizing that the evident call of God may rest upon candidates for the ministry who are unable to fulfill the educational requirements as previously outlined, the following policy and procedure may be applied by a district executive in granting exemption to the following categories:

candidates who are 30 years of age or more who have not secured a high school diploma or the acceptable equivalent for admission to an approved Bible college level education program, or

candidates who are 45 years of age or more,

Candidates must provide and ~~who have~~ the recommendation of their home church pastor, and ~~who provide~~ evidence of involvement in Christian service in their home church, and ~~who~~ show promise of capable ministerial service to an interviewing committee established by a district or conference executive,

~~s~~Such person(s) may be approved for enrollment in a special program approved by the Superintendents Committee and upon completion may qualify for a Licensed Minister Credential.

CARRIED

GC 16-17

RESOLUTION #5 – By-Law 10.3.4 and 12.13.2 Issuing of Credentials and District Conference Approval

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendments be approved:

WHEREAS the criteria for issuing credentials are subject to the requirements of the General Constitution & By-Laws;

AND WHEREAS credentials may be issued in advance of the next biennial district conference meeting;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10.3.4 be amended as follows:

10.3.4 The National Credentials Committee shall issue credentials to only those who meet the requirements of the General Constitution and By-Laws and who have been recommended and approved by the district executive that may act on behalf of the and district conference, ~~or by the National Credentials Review Committee and ratified by the appropriate district conference, and who have complied with General Conference requirements.~~

AND FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 12.13.2 be amended to reflect appropriate approval of the district conference:

12.13.2 The granting of credentials recommended by the district's Credential Committee shall be subject to the appropriate approval of the district conference.

CARRIED

GC 16-18

RESOLUTION #6 – By-Law 10.2.3 Divorced Credential Holders Remarrying
It was MOVED AND SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS amendments to the General Constitution and By-Laws in 2010, 2012 and 2014 were intended to cover varying circumstances for credential applicants or credential holders who may wish to marry a divorced person;

AND WHEREAS the By-Laws affecting current credential holders do not directly address a credential holder who is divorced but may be eligible to remarry based on the criteria outlined in the General Constitution and By-Laws;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10.2.3 be amended as follows:

10.2.3 Should a credential holder who has never been married or a credential holder who is widowed or a credential holder who is divorced and eligible to remarry wish to marry a divorced person whose former spouse is still living, the conditions in By-Law 10.2.2 shall apply to the divorced person(s).

CARRIED

GC 16-19

RESOLUTION #7 – By-Law 8.1.2.2 National Credentials Review Committee
It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS the General Executive passed a motion in 2011 to enable the Chair of the National Credentials Review Committee to select PAOC credential holders to the National Credentials Review Committee rather than only being appointed by the General Executive;

AND WHEREAS the Chair uses discretion to include both male and female credential holders and diverse cultures, when appropriate, to sit on this committee;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 8.1.2.2 be amended as follows:

8.1.2.2 ORGANIZATION

8.1.2.2.1 The National Credentials Review Committee shall consist of the Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services, and other situationally appropriate credential holders as determined by the Chair ~~members appointed by the General Executive.~~

CARRIED

GC 16-20

RESOLUTION #8 – By-Law 10.4.1.1 and 10.4.2.2 Credential Transfers Between Districts
It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendments be approved:

WHEREAS there is a distinction between the transfer of a credential from one district to another, and whether or not the receiving district recognizes the credential holder's appointment in ministry;

AND WHEREAS credential holders must hold their credential with the district in which they reside, except if the pastor's residence is across a district boundary from the congregation they serve, in which case the location of the church is the determining factor as outlined in By-Law 10.3.5;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10.4.1.1 be amended as follows:

10.4.1.1 When credential holders move from one district to another in Canada, their credential shall ~~automatically be transferred to the office of the district~~ as outlined in By-Law 10.3.5 of their new appointment. The transfer shall be sent ~~mailed~~ to the International Office, and the records shall be adjusted accordingly.

AND FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10.4.2.2 be amended to differentiate between the credential transfer and the approval of an eligible appointment in ministry;

- 10.4.2.2** Credential holders transferring in from one of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada districts shall be accepted by another of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada districts ~~when they fulfill constitutional requirements for active credentials.~~ **The new district shall provide appropriate consideration of constitutional requirements relative to a ministry appointment.**

CARRIED

GC 16-21

RESOLUTION #9 – By-Law 10.6.3.1-2 Charges and Allegations

It was MOVED AND SECONDED that the following amendments be approved:

WHEREAS there are both allegations and subsequent potential charges in matters relating to credential discipline;

AND WHEREAS the alleged offense may have occurred in a district other than the credential holder's current district;

AND WHEREAS the allegations are addressed prior to charges being laid;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10.6.3.1 and 10.6.3.2 be amended as follows:

10.6.3.1 The official allegations **and any subsequent charges** must be reported and charges registered with **to** the credential holder's current district.

10.6.3.2 Based on the nature of the **allegations** charges the superintendent of the credential holder's current district shall have the right to determine restriction of ministerial activities until the allegations have been resolved.

CARRIED

GC 16-22

RESOLUTION #10 – By-Law 10.6.9 Confession and the Filing of Charges

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS a confession from an accused credential holder may be received after the filing of charges but prior to the convening of a disciplinary hearing in matters relating to credential discipline;

AND WHEREAS a disciplinary hearing may not be required if the District Superintendent is confident that the credential holder's confession sufficiently addresses the full scope of the allegation(s);

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10.6.9 be amended by the addition of a new paragraph as follows:

10.6.9 PREPARATION AND FILING OF CHARGES

If, after due investigation of allegations, it is determined that charges should be laid, formal charges shall be prepared and filed in the district office. The investigators shall have the right and responsibility to make written charges if there is sufficient evidence to present a reasonable case for a hearing. The laying of formal charges is not to be considered as an indication of belief in the guilt of the accused by the investigators. It is a procedural matter to deal with evidence at hand.

The person against whom charges have been filed shall be informed in writing of the charges made according to By-Law 10.6.2, including a signed copy of the charges; either by registered mail or personally by the investigating committee at least 15 days before being called to appear before the hearing committee. The disciplinary hearing should take place, if possible, in the locality of the alleged offense or offenses to facilitate access to as many witnesses as possible.

Should a credential holder, following the issuance of charges, admit to or confess to the charges, the District Superintendent shall exercise discretion as to whether or not a disciplinary hearing needs to proceed.

CARRIED

In response to a question from the floor, D. Hazzard clarified the purpose of Resolution #10.

GC 16-23

RESOLUTION #11 – By-Law 10.6.11 Laying of Charges

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS charges are laid by the investigators and not by the complainant in matters relating to credential discipline;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10.6.11 be amended as follows:

10.6.11 DISCIPLINARY HEARING

Upon the laying of charges by ~~either the complainant or~~ the investigators, the District Superintendent shall arrange for a disciplinary hearing.

CARRIED

GC 16-24

RESOLUTION #12 – By-Law 10.6.11.4 Credential Holder Support

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS in matters relating to credential discipline an accused credential holder has the right to have another credential holder or spouse present for support in a disciplinary hearing;

AND WHEREAS the individual filing the allegation may also desire support during the hearing process;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10.6.11.4 be amended as follows:

10.6.11.4 CREDENTIAL HOLDER'S SUPPORT

The **accused** credential holder shall have the right to have another credential holder or spouse present for support, but not as an active participant in the hearing process.

The complainant shall have the right to have another person present for support, but not as an active participant in the hearing process.

CARRIED

GC 16-25

RESOLUTION #13 – By-Law 10.3.5 Credential Holders at the International Office or Bible College Faculty

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS credential holders employed at the International Office may choose to hold their credentials in any district;

AND WHEREAS members of Bible college administration or faculties may hold credentials in any of the sponsoring districts of the college;

AND WHEREAS these credential holders have a recognized appointment in ministry at the International Office or Bible college or seminary and therefore retain district conference privileges in their home district and may remain eligible for district ministry appointments or elections;

AND WHEREAS By-Law 12.5.1 addresses membership at a District Conference with residential exceptions made at the discretion of the district executive rather than the Superintendents Committee;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10.3.5 be amended as follows:

10.3.5 All ministers must hold their credentials with the district in which they reside, except if the pastor's residence is across a district boundary from the congregation they serve, in which case the location of the church is the determining factor. ~~Exceptions may be made only with the approval of the Superintendents Committee.~~ Credential holders working at the International Office may choose to hold credentials in any district, their own district affiliation; and ~~m~~**Members** of Bible college administration or faculties may hold credentials in any of the sponsoring districts of the school. Such

credential holders may remain eligible for district ministry appointments or elections in the district in which they hold credentials. Credential holders who are 60 years of age or older and have retired from active full-time ministry may hold their credentials in any district within the fellowship, regardless of residence. Ordained ministers on full-time study leave as provided in By-Law 10.5.7.3 may retain their credentials in their home district.

CARRIED

GC 16-26 **RESOLUTION #14** – By-Law 12.9.2.3 General Executive Nominee Process
It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS a district conference nomination ballot and first election ballot for the General Executive credential holder nominee requires a two-thirds majority to be selected as the district nominee to General Conference;

AND WHEREAS a simple majority of votes is acceptable for the first election ballot;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 12.9.2.3 be amended for clarification as follows:

12.9.2.3 GENERAL EXECUTIVE NOMINEE

Prior to the convening of the biennial General Conference, the district conference shall choose a credential holder to serve as a nominee to the General Conference for election to the General Executive. The process for choosing the nominee shall be as follows: on a nomination ballot the district executive shall present three names. Additional credential holders receiving over 5% on the nominating ballot shall be eligible to appear on the election ballot. A two-thirds majority on the district conference nomination ballot ~~or first election ballot~~ shall be required to select the district nominee to be presented to the General Conference. If the district nominee is not confirmed on the nomination ballot, a first election ballot shall be held. If the district nominee is not confirmed on the first election ballot by simple majority, the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall appear on the second election ballot. A simple majority of votes are required for election ~~vote shall confirm the election~~ of the district nominee for the General Conference nomination slate for General Executive members-at-large.

CARRIED

GC 16-27 **RESOLUTION #15** – Article 10.1 Executive Officers Committee
It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS the General Executive has reviewed the positions for the Executive Officers Committee and determined that a change in title would enable greater clarity;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the position of Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services be renamed General Secretary Treasurer and the position of Assistant Superintendent for International Missions be renamed Executive Director for International Missions in Article 10.1 as follows:

ARTICLE 10 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

10.1 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS COMMITTEE

The Executive Officers of the corporation shall be elected by the membership of the biennial General Conference and shall consist of the General Superintendent, the General Secretary Treasurer ~~Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services~~ and the Executive Director ~~Assistant Superintendent for International Missions~~ and such officer or officers as may be added from time to time by action of General Conference.

AND FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that the above-named positions be amended in the entire General Constitution and By-Laws.

CARRIED

GC 16-28

SECOND ELECTION BALLOT FOR THE CREDENTIALLED MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE: The Chair read the names eligible for election on the second ballot:

Nominees:

Rev. D. Smith	British Columbia & Yukon
Rev. G. Taitinger	Alberta & Northwest Territories
Rev. K. Sawatsky	Saskatchewan
Rev. B. Martin	Manitoba & Northwestern Ontario
Rev. M. Tapley	Western Ontario
Rev. G. Howse	Eastern Ontario & Nunavut
Rev. P. St-Onge	Quebec

The ballots were distributed and cast. The Chair declared the ballot closed.

D. Wells invited P. Doroshuk to lead the conference in prayer regarding the fires that are taking place in northern Alberta, and for our friends the Garratts.

The meeting was recessed at 4:50 PM.

**SECOND BUSINESS SESSION
WEDNESDAY May 4, 2016**

Business Session 2 was called to order on Wednesday, May 4 at 2:15 PM.

GC 16-29

ROSTER REPORT #2:

The Chair called for a reading of the roster report.

The Chair of the Roster Committee, L. Chouinard, read Roster Report #2.

VOTING	
Credential – Voting	463
National/District Department Director	8
Lay Delegate	40
Sub-Total Voting	511
NON-VOTING	
Credential – Non Voting	127
Visitors & Staff	361
Sub-Total Non-Voting	488
GRAND TOTAL ATTENDANCE	999

It was MOVED and SECONDED that Roster Report #2 be accepted as read. CARRIED

The Chair expressed appreciation to L. Chouinard and the District of Quebec for their assistance with the conference.

GC 16-30

SECOND ELECTION BALLOT RESULTS FOR THE CREDENTIALLED MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE: The results of the second election ballot for the Credentialed Members to the General Executive were shared as follows:

Ballots Cast	331
Ballots necessary for election	165

Rev. D. Smith	87	(26%)	
Rev. G. Taitinger	231	(70%)	ELECTED
Rev. K. Sawatsky	67	(20%)	
Rev. B. Martin	63	(19%)	
Rev. M. Tapley	220	(65%)	ELECTED
Rev. G. Howse	149	(45%)	
Rev. P. St-Onge	117	(35%)	

Rev. G. Taitinger and Rev. M. Tapley were declared elected.

The ballots were distributed and cast. The Chair declared the ballot closed.

GC 16-31

THIRD ELECTION BALLOT FOR THE CREDENTIALLED MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE:

The Chair presented the names eligible for election on the third ballot:

Nominees:

Rev. D. Smith	British Columbia & Yukon
Rev. K. Sawatsky	Saskatchewan
Rev. G. Howse	Eastern Ontario & Nunavut
Rev. P. St-Onge	Quebec

The ballots were distributed and cast. The Chair declared the ballot closed.

GC 16-32

THIRD ELECTION BALLOT RESULTS FOR THE CREDENTIALLED MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE: The results of the third election ballot for the Credentialed Members to the General Executive were shared as follows:

Ballots Cast	285
Ballots necessary for election	142
Rev. D. Smith	47 (16%)
Rev. K. Sawatsky	28 (10%)
Rev. G. Howse	117 (41%)
Rev. P. St-Onge	83 (29%)

No election was declared.

GC 16-33

FOURTH ELECTION BALLOT FOR THE CREDENTIALLED MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE: The Chair presented the names eligible for election on the third ballot:

Nominees:

Rev. D. Smith	British Columbia & Yukon
Rev. G. Howse	Eastern Ontario & Nunavut
Rev. P. St-Onge	Quebec

The ballots were distributed and cast. The Chair declared the ballot closed.

GC 16-34

FOURTH ELECTION BALLOT RESULTS FOR THE CREDENTIALLED MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE: The results of the fourth election ballot for the Credentialed Members to the General Executive were shared as follows:

Ballots Cast	329	
Ballots necessary for election	164	
Rev. D. Smith	49 (15%)	
Rev. G. Howse	167 (51%)	ELECTED
Rev. P. St-Onge	111 (34%)	

Rev. G. Howse was declared elected.

The Chair expressed appreciation to D. Smith, outgoing credentialed General Executive member, for his good work and led the conference in prayer on his behalf.

GC 16-35

FIRST ELECTION BALLOT RESULTS FOR THE LAY MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE:

The results of the first election ballot for the Lay Members to the General Executive were shared as follows:

Ballots Cast	350		
Ballots necessary for election	175		
C. Hornby Allen	246	(70%)	ELECTED
T. Darnell	80	(23%)	
D. Kennedy	65	(19%)	
R. McKelvey	53	(15%)	
A. Root	149	(43%)	
S. Shew	170	(49%)	
A. Riendeau	105	(30%)	
R. Moore	133	(38%)	

C. Hornby-Allen was declared elected.

GC 16-36

SECOND ELECTION BALLOT FOR LAY MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE: The Chair presented the names eligible for election on the second ballot.

Nominees:

T. Darnell	Alberta & Northwest Territories
D. Kennedy	Saskatchewan
A. Root	Western Ontario
S. Shew	Eastern Ontario & Nunavut
A. Riendeau	Quebec
R. Moore	Maritime

The ballots were distributed and cast. The Chair declared the ballot closed.

GC 16-37

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS: M. Cornelius presented his report, expressing appreciation to D. Wells and D. Hazzard for the opportunity of serving alongside them, as well as the International Missions Team and our global workers.

We have 328 global workers, with an average age of 48, living in 75 countries around the world. Total revenue in support of our global workers is just under \$11M. A total of 172 projects are being supported globally, with total mission revenue through the PAOC at just over \$31M in 2015. Total International Mission revenue is \$16.8M, comprised of \$4.3M from individuals; \$9.4M from churches, and \$1.9M from other organizations. The goal is to have 420 global workers by 2020.

C. Holland, senior pastor of Kings of Kings Assembly in Jerusalem was invited to the platform to share a summary of what God is doing through their congregation in Israel. The conference expressed their appreciation for his ministry.

A short video was presented featuring the ministry of Christian Life Ministries in Burundi.

Rev. E. Villar, General Superintendent from Cuba was invited to the platform to share what God is doing there. Rev. M. Bisailon was invited to lead the conference in prayer for our brothers and sisters in Cuba.

A video featuring D. Adcock on behalf of Emergency Relief and Development Overseas (ERDO) was shown. A video featuring the ministry of I. Bantseev was shown, after which he was invited to the platform to share with the conference.

Appreciation was expressed to G. Abraham, D. Boyd, P. McIntosh, and K. Waara for their past work with International Missions. S. Hertzog, J. _____, A. _____, K. Kauffeldt, and L. McAlister were welcomed to the International Missions team.

The conference expressed appreciation to the International Missions team.

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the report of the Assistant Superintendent for International Missions be received. CARRIED

GC 16-38

SECOND ELECTION BALLOT RESULTS FOR THE LAY MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE:
The results of the second election ballot for the Lay Members to the General Executive were shared as follows:

Ballots Cast	312	
Ballots necessary for election	156	
T. Darnell	46	(15%)
D. Kennedy	43	(14%)
A. Root	106	(34%)
S. Shew	193	(62%) ELECTED
A. Riendeau	87	(28%)
R. Moore	112	(36%)

S. Shew was declared elected. He expressed appreciation to the conference for their vote of confidence.

GC 16-39

THIRD ELECTION BALLOT FOR LAY MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE: The Chair presented the names eligible for election on the third ballot.

Nominees:

T. Darnell	Alberta & Northwest Territories
A. Root	Western Ontario
A. Riendeau	Quebec
R. Moore	Maritime

The ballots were distributed and cast. The Chair declared the ballot closed.

GC 16-40

THIRD ELECTION BALLOT RESULTS FOR THE LAY MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE:
The results of the third election ballot for the Lay Members to the General Executive were shared as follows:

Ballots Cast	309	
Ballots Spoiled	3	
Ballots necessary for election	153	
T. Darnell	33	(11%)
A. Root	88	(28%)
A. Riendeau	57	(19%)
R. Moore	128	(41%)

No election declared.

The ballots were distributed and cast. The Chair declared the ballot closed.

GC 16-41

FOURTH ELECTION BALLOT FOR LAY MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE: The Chair presented the names eligible for election on the fourth ballot.

Nominees:

A. Root	Western Ontario
A. Riendeau	Quebec
R. Moore	Maritime

The ballots were distributed and cast. The Chair declared the ballot closed.

GC 16-42

FOURTH ELECTION BALLOT RESULTS FOR THE LAY MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE:

The results of the fourth election ballot for the Lay Members to the General Executive were shared as follows:

Ballots Cast	325	
Spoiled Ballots	1	
Ballots necessary for election	162	
A. Root	69	(21%)
A. Riendeau	43	(13%)
R. Moore	212	(65%) ELECTED

R. Moore was declared elected.

GC 16-43

RESOLUTION #16 – By-Law 3.3.1 Nominations for Executive Officers Committee

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS qualifications for individuals nominated for the positions of Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services and Assistant Superintendent for International Missions may be enhanced by specific skills and experience;

AND WHEREAS there may be value in expanding the nominating committee to include an individual with a professional financial designation;

AND WHEREAS the nominating committee could be empowered to add additional names to the nomination process of candidates who meet the criteria outlined in By-Law 3.2.1;

AND WHEREAS the nominating committee will present up to three (3) names to the General Conference for election of the Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services and the Assistant Superintendent for International Missions;

AND WHEREAS the existing nomination process would apply to only General Superintendent nominees;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 3.3.1 be amended as follows:

3.3 NOMINATIONS

3.3.1 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS COMMITTEE

3.3.1.1 A pre-conference nomination ballot for each executive officer position shall be mailed 90 days prior to General Conference to all members eligible to vote at General Conference, as described in Article 7, and to lay delegates who have been duly appointed and recorded with the office of the Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services at least 90 days prior to General Conference, to be returned postmarked no later than 60 days prior to Conference. The pre-conference nomination ballot shall be mailed together with a description of the qualifications, responsibilities and duties of the elected Executive Officers Committee.

3.3.1.2 The General Executive shall appoint a Nominations Committee of **at least** three members at a meeting of the General Executive no later than four months prior to the General Conference. The members of the Nominations Committee shall declare

themselves to be non-candidates. At least one member shall have a financial designation.

3.3.1.3 Nominees for General Superintendent receiving five per cent or more of ballots cast shall be contacted prior to General Conference for the purpose of accepting or declining the nomination. Only those standing candidates receiving more than five per cent of nomination ballots cast shall become nominees for election. Nominees may stand for more than one position.

3.3.1.4 Should a nominee for General Superintendent withdraw after receiving more than 50 per cent of the votes cast on the pre-conference nomination ballot, a second nomination ballot shall be conducted at General Conference at which time the General Conference shall be advised of all standing nominees who received more than five per cent of the votes cast in the pre-conference ballot. Further nominations from those present and voting shall be permitted on such a second nomination ballot only. Those who may have withdrawn after the pre-conference ballot shall be considered eligible for nomination. Those receiving three per cent or more of ballots cast shall be reported on the nomination ballot and shall become eligible nominees for election.

3.3.1.5 Nominees for the positions of Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services and Assistant Superintendent for International Missions receiving five per cent or more of ballots cast shall be considered by the Nominations Committee.

3.3.1.5.1 The Nominations Committee will review the qualifications of candidates nominated to the positions of Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services and Assistant Superintendent for International Missions, as outlined in By-Law 3.2.1. Qualified candidates shall be contacted prior to General Conference for the purpose of accepting or declining the nomination. Candidates who are not qualified or willing to serve will be removed from the process by the Nominations Committee.

3.3.1.5.2 The Nominations Committee may add additional names to the nomination process of candidates who meet the criteria outlined in By-Law 3.2.1.

3.3.1.5.3 The Nominations Committee will present up to three (3) names to the General Conference for election. The General Conference shall be presented with a biography for each qualified candidate at the General Conference prior to the election.

3.3.1.5.4 Nominees may stand for more than one position.

AND FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the remaining items be renumbered appropriately.

CARRIED

GC 16-44

RESOLUTION #17 – By-Law 3.2.1 Qualifications for Executive Officers Committee

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS qualifications for individuals nominated for the positions of Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services and Assistant Superintendent for International Missions may be enhanced by specific skills and experience;

AND WHEREAS qualified credential holders are elected to these positions;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 3.2.1 be amended as follows:

3.2 QUALIFICATIONS

3.2.1 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS COMMITTEE

The Executive Officers Committee shall be members of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada and shall be persons of mature experience and ability, who have been ordained for a period of not fewer than ten (10) consecutive years with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, including at least two years immediately prior to the nomination, whose life and ministry are above question, and such qualities shall determine their eligibility for office.

The Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services shall have a minimum of five (5) years of proven senior financial or managerial experience or at least two (2) years of proven senior financial or managerial experience with a professional financial or managerial designation.

The Assistant Superintendent for International Missions shall have proven international missions involvement.

D. Wells invited M. Wojda and C. Burton to present the conference with the background related to Resolutions 16 & 17. The work of the sub-committees of the General Executive appointed for the purpose of reviewing the positions of the Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services and the Assistant Superintendent for International Missions was summarized.

It was MOVED and SECONDED to amend Resolution 17 by addition, as follows:

3.2 QUALIFICATIONS

3.2.1 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS COMMITTEE

The Executive Officers Committee ~~General Superintendent and the Assistant Superintendent for International Missions~~ shall be members of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada and shall be persons of mature experience and ability, who have been ordained for a period of not fewer than ten (10) consecutive years with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, including at least two years immediately prior to the nomination, whose life and ministry are above question, and such qualities shall determine their eligibility for office.

The Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services shall have a minimum of five (5) years of proven senior financial or managerial experience ~~or at least two (2) years of proven senior financial or managerial experience with a professional financial or managerial designation.~~ **with a professional financial or managerial designation. This position can be filled by a PAOC Credential Holder or a Lay Person holding membership in good standing with a PAOC church for a minimum of ten (10) years.**

The Assistant Superintendent for International Missions shall have proven international missions involvement.

A Point or Order was raised, noting that an amendment that changes the intent of the original Resolution is out of order and illegal. The Chair, in consultation with the Parliamentarians Committee, upheld that Point of Order.

The Motion to amend the Resolution by addition was deemed out of order. Discussion reverted to the original Resolution 17.

It was MOVED and SECONDED to amend Resolution 17 by deletion, as follows:

3.2 QUALIFICATIONS

3.2.1 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS COMMITTEE

The Executive Officers Committee shall be members of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada and shall be persons of mature experience and ability, who have been ordained for a period of not fewer than ten (10) consecutive years with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, including at least two years immediately prior to the nomination,

whose life and ministry are above question, and such qualities shall determine their eligibility for office.

The Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services shall have a minimum of five (5) years ~~of proven senior financial or managerial experience or at least two (2) years~~ of proven senior financial or managerial experience with a professional financial or managerial designation.

The Assistant Superintendent for International Missions shall have proven international missions involvement.

The Motion to amend the Resolution by deletion was defeated.

Discussion reverted to the original Resolution 17.

CARRIED

GC 16-45 **RESOLUTION #18** – By-Law 8.2.2 International Missions Operations Committee
It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS the Missions Operations Committee is a subcommittee of International Missions;

AND WHEREAS the International Missions Operations Committee also includes Regional Directors, representation from PAONL and the Director of ERDO,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 8.2.2 and 8.2.2.2.1 be updated as follows:

8.2.2 INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

8.2.2.2.1 The International Missions Operations Committee shall include the Executive Officers Committee and the international missions departmental directors, Regional Directors, representation from The Pentecostal Assemblies of Newfoundland and Labrador, and the Chief Executive Officer of ERDO ~~coordinators~~.

AND FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that the above-named committee be amended in the entire General Constitution and By-Laws.

CARRIED

GC 16-46 **RESOLUTION #19** – By-Law 8.2.3 International Missions Regional Directors Committee
It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS the Regional Directors Committee also includes representation from PAONL and the Director of ERDO,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 8.2.3.2.1 be updated as follows:

8.2.3.2.1 The Regional Directors Committee shall include the Executive Officers Committee, the regional directors, and by invitation, the international missions department directors, representation from The Pentecostal Assemblies of Newfoundland and Labrador, the Chief Executive Officer of ERDO, ~~coordinators~~ and national leaders.

CARRIED

GC 16-47 **RESOLUTION #20** – By-Law 10.6.3 Global Worker Discipline Matters
It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS persons under appointment by the International Missions Operations Committee hold credentials with the department of the International Office responsible for international missions;

AND WHEREAS those persons who hold credentials with international missions department may be subject to disciplinary action;

AND WHEREAS there is a need to state the role of the Assistant Superintendent for International Missions which parallels the role of the District Superintendent in matters of credential holder discipline;

AND WHEREAS the International Missions Operations Committee performs the function of a district executive for international missions;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 10.6.3 be amended as follows:

10.6.3 DISTRICT INITIATIVE

Credential holders are responsible to the executive of the district in which their credentials are held or the Missions Operations Committee in the case of global workers.

Occasions sometimes arise which make it necessary to deal with credential holders who have reached a point at which, in the opinion of the district executive or Missions Operations Committee, endorsement can no longer be given. ~~District executive eCommittees~~, which have the authority to ordain ministers and to recommend them for credentials, also have the right to carry out disciplinary procedures arising from causes cited in By-Law 10.6.2.

Credential holders who have global worker status are subject to similar review and decision by the Missions Operations Committee. The Assistant Superintendent for International Missions shall fulfill the role of the District Superintendent in the case of global workers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the appropriate references between By-Law 8.1.2 and By-Law 10.7.4 in the General Constitution and By-Laws be amended to include the additions of individuals and committees referred to in the main resolution.

CARRIED

GC 16-48

RESOLUTION #21 – By-Law 12.1 District Boundaries

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS the territories in Canada are Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut;

AND WHEREAS various districts include a portion of Nunavut;

AND WHEREAS several district boundaries make reference to the northern limit of Canada;

AND WHEREAS the word "Highway" and the number sign (#) are both included in the boundaries listed for Western Ontario (remove the #);

BE IT RESOLVED THAT applicable sections of By-Law 12.1 be amended as follows:

- 12.1.2** The Alberta and Northwest Territories District shall comprise the region bounded on the west by the eastern borders of the Province of British Columbia and the Yukon Territory, and on the east by the western border of the Province of Saskatchewan and continuing north on a direct line north through the Northwest Territories and Nunavut to the extreme northern limit of Canada.
- 12.1.3** The Saskatchewan District shall comprise the region bounded on the west by the eastern border of the District of Alberta, and on the east by the Manitoba provincial boundary line carried north in a direct line to the extreme northern limits of Canada.
- 12.1.4** The District of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario shall comprise the region bounded on the west by the eastern border of the Saskatchewan District, and on the east by a line running from Nipigon, Ontario, in a northwesterly direction to the present provincial Manitoba boundary at a point where the 95th parallel of longitude intersects the said boundary at a point south of Island Lake, and then northeasterly on the Manitoba provincial

boundary to Hudson Bay and, from thence, due north to the extreme **northern** limits of Canada.

12.1.5 The Western Ontario District shall be the region bounded on the west by the eastern boundary of the Manitoba District, and on the east by a line beginning at the start of Highway #11A at the waterfront in the city of Toronto, north by **Highway #11A** to **Highway #401**, east to **Highway #11** and north on **Highway #11** to North Bay, and eastward from North Bay along Highway #17 to Mattawa (Mattawa being in the Western Ontario District), and northward from Mattawa along the Quebec border to the extreme northern limits of Canada, all towns on Highways 11 and 17 being in the Western Ontario District.

12.1.6 The Eastern Ontario District shall comprise that part of Ontario from the eastern border of the Western Ontario District, as described above, to the western border of the Province of Québec, and including that portion of **Nunavut** the ~~Northwest Territories~~ situated east of the line proceeding due north from the point where the Ontario/Québec provincial boundaries enter James Bay.

CARRIED

GC 16-49

RESOLUTION #22 – LCC By-Law 2.1.5 Extended Absence

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following amendment be approved:

WHEREAS there are situations which require an extended leave of absence by the senior pastor;

AND WHEREAS the District Superintendent or their representative may be invited to assist during the extended absence;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Local Church Constitution By-Law 2.1.5 be amended by addition as follows:

LCC BY-LAW 2.1.5 EXTENDED ABSENCE: In the event that the pastor is or may be absent for an extended period due to inability or ineligibility to serve, the District Superintendent or their authorized representative may, in conjunction with the board, assist in arranging for pulpit supply and chair the board.

AND FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the remaining items be renumbered appropriately.

CARRIED

GC 16-50

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR – 2016 FISCAL YEAR: D. Hazzard presented the General Executive's recommendation for the Auditor for the 2016 fiscal year.

It was MOVED and SECONDED to appoint *Robertson, Lott and Brohman (RLB) Chartered Accountants and Business Advisors* as The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada's Auditors for the 2016 fiscal year.

CARRIED

GC 16-51

DESTRUCTION OF VOTING BALLOTS: It was Moved and Seconded to destroy the voting ballots.

CARRIED

GC 14-52

RESOLUTION #23 – Courtesy Resolution

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the 2016 General Conference of The Pentecostal Assemblies of express gratitude and appreciation to the following:

1. The Quebec District Superintendent M. Bisailon, the District lead team, the District Executive, the pastors and congregations of the Quebec District and area churches for their warm hospitality, kindness and assistance with the many, varied details of the conference, and the City of Montreal.
2. Our General Superintendent, Rev. D. Wells, for his ministry and his excellent leadership.
3. Our Executive Officers for their faithful service and ministry to the Fellowship.
4. The General Executive for their work in preparation for the conference.

5. Our Sponsors, D. L. Deeks Insurance, Elim Lodge, Israel Ministry of Tourism, Athletes in Action, Bridges for Peace, The Deacon Group, Ellement Consulting Group, Global University, Leket Israel, Raptim Humanitarian Travel, Shepherd Village, and other sponsors who assisted us.
6. Our guest speakers.
7. Our worship leaders, Dominique Jomphe & Friends, Nathanael Belec, Melody Loria, André Favreau and their worship team members.
8. All the conference committees for their contribution in assisting the work of the conference.
9. Rev. J. Hillier, Mrs. R. Stagg (Recording Secretary), Ms. S. McKenzie, Mrs. N. Rogge (Communications), Mrs. C. Stuckless (Conference Office, Sponsorship Coordinator), Rev. T. Couch, Mr. R. Narain and other staff personnel of the International Office who have served in official functions to efficiently facilitate this General Conference. The staff of the Quebec District, and the host of volunteers who have served our conference so well.
10. Those who provided translation for our services and business sessions.
11. All who assisted in administration, clerical registration and other support ministries.
12. The Palais des congrès, and all of their staff who have served us so capably in every way.
13. Montreal area hotels and restaurants offering special service to us.
14. And most of all, to our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, for His blessing and presence in every session and service.

CARRIED

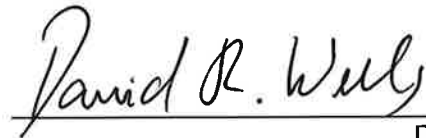
GC 14-53

MOTION OF ADJOURNMENT: It was MOVED and SECONDED to adjourn the 52nd General Conference of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

CARRIED

The Chair declared the meeting closed. D. Demchuk closed the session in prayer.

The final session of the 52nd General Conference was adjourned at 5.06 PM



David R. Wells
General Superintendent



David E. Hazzard
Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services