



THE PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF CANADA
PORTICO, Mississauga, Ontario

2015 Annual Meeting
March 10, 2015

MINUTES

BUSINESS SESSION
TUESDAY MARCH 10, 2015

The Chair, Rev. D Wells called the first business session to order at 1:40 PM. Appreciation was expressed to the Western Ontario District including L. Gibbons and Portico Church, including Pastor D. Rhind. The Chair invited L. Gibbons to bring greetings from the District. L. Gibbons opened the conference in prayer.

GUESTS

The Chair recognized and honoured the former executive officers present.

The Chair invited Rev. T. Show to bring greetings from the Pentecostal Assemblies of Newfoundland and Labrador.

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, Wm. Griffin and J. Ippolito.

- AGM 15-01 **VOTING BAR:** It was MOVED and SECONDED that the delegates wearing blue lanyards denote voting privileges, establishing the voting bar. CARRIED
- AGM 15-02 **MINUTES OF THE 51st CONFERENCE:** It was MOVED and SECONDED that the Minutes of the 51st General Conference in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan be approved as printed and distributed. CARRIED
- AGM15-03 **CONFERENCE COMMITTEES:** It was MOVED and SECONDED that the conference committees be approved as stated. CARRIED
- AGM 15-04 **AGENDA OF THE 2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:** It was MOVED and SECONDED that the Agenda be approved as presented. CARRIED
- AGM 15-05 **ROSTER REPORT:**
The Chair called for a reading of the Roster Report.

The Chair of the Roster Committee, H. Armoogan, read the Roster Report.

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| VOTING | 121 |
| NON VOTING | 49 |
| Sub-Total Non-Voting | |
| TOTAL ATTENDANCE | 170 |

AGM 15-06 It was MOVED and SECONDED that Roster Report be accepted as read. CARRIED

AGM 15-07 **REPORT OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT:** D. Wells presented his report

D. Wells shared the highlights from the 2020 Initiative in June following General Conference: Theological Study Group ensures theological vitality, Strategic Vision group engaged a working group, Presidents and Deans discussed colleges and seminaries involvement in the initiative. District Superintendents involved as a team, involved in district participation as well as in Mission Canada. The Gift book had an important 2020 component, addressing relational vitality. Launching regional conferences, in the coming months relative to this initiative. The Districts Superintendents continue to engage revitalization and multiplication processes. Church multiplication Network working group was mentioned. The next gift book, Nexus, in initial development will focus on where theology and mission meet.

Summer/Fall and winter 2016, engagement focus is on regional conversations, missional vitality. Spring of 2016 focus is on General Conference Montreal, vitality themes in plenary and workshop sessions. Seeking to have engagements strategies for spirit empowered living. It was mentioned the need for humility, honesty and support. It was mentioned local churches that work as green houses and making leadership development a priority of our focus. D. Wells expressed appreciation to C. Stuckless.

B. Egert was invited to share on the Mission Canada Agency and Network that reaches into the five unreached gaps: (1) Cultural Language Groups (Charles Hermelink), (2) Quebec and Francophone Canada (Gary Connors), (3) Next Generation Children (Natalie Rogge), Youth (Paul Fraser) and Campuses (Robb Powell), (4) Aboriginal Canadians (Patti Victor) and (5) Urban Centers (Kevin Rogers). Appreciation was expressed to Christy Rich, MC Administrator and Corinne Storms at Wordcom. He acknowledged the Mission Canada workers present.

It was MOVED and SECONDED to receive the Report of the General Superintendent. D. Hazzard expressed appreciation for The General Superintendent.

AGM 15-08 **REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR FELLOWSHIP SERVICES:**

D. Hazzard presented the report of the Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services initially noting highlights from the December 31, 2014 Audited Financial Report. Annual revenues totaled \$21,767,438 representing a decrease of €- \$152,000 from 2013. Expenditures totaled \$21,117,968 resulting in a combined surplus in Operations, Shared Funding and Designated Funds of \$649,470. Of this amount, \$196,151 was an operational surplus. Because the International Office has been debt free since Dec 31, 2013, the operational surplus has been forwarded to 2015 ministry opportunities. It was noted, with appreciation to faithful PAOC churches across the nation, that Fellowship Tithe increased by 1.67% from

2013. However, due to an increase in retirees, credential revenue declined nominally. As well, investment revenue declined due to softening interest rates through 2014. Overall, sincere appreciation was expressed to the Lord for enabling a very positive financial report.

Affinity programs with Robertson Hall Insurance, DL Deeks Insurance and TD Merchant Services contribute significantly to PAOC's missional operations. Total church and international missions mortgages and loans remains relatively static at \$141.5 M.

The growth comparison chart of PAOC since inception (1919) indicated significant growth up to 1995 followed by a plateau. D. Hazzard affirmed the value of the 2020 Initiative as a call to re-engage collective fellowship growth. Data was shared indicating average attendance and population growth in Canada.

Further, the continued growth of PFSG directed by J. Richards, was noted. Also, The Pension Fund Plan asset growth, pension portfolio, employer special contributions and Solvency Deficiency Update was reviewed. As the solvency deficiency has exceeded 85%, we are now back to triennial reviews.

The overall number of Credential Holders has increased.

D. Hazzard expressed appreciation to Calvin Howson, Judy Hearn, Ron Davis, Jim Richards, Tanya Couch and Annie Herbert.

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

It was MOVED and SECONDED to accept the December 31, 2014 audited as printed and presented. CARRIED

AGM 15-09

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS: M. Cornelius expressed appreciation to the IM and ERDO staff.

M. Cornelius introduced recently appointed International Missions directors - Stephen Hertzog - Eurasia Regional Director; Jeff - RAN Regional Director; Kirk Kauffeldt - Director of Global Ed; and Aubrey - Director of Marketplace Initiatives. Reference was made to the book, *A Wind in the House of Islam* that reports on the significant revivals that are taking place resulting in many coming from Islamic backgrounds to a living faith in Jesus Christ. He expressed appreciation to G. Wilson and K. Halliwell.

M. Cornelius reported that the total revenue for all International Mission Charities was \$28.8 Million. (IM 16M, ERDO 7.9M, RAN 1.8M, Villages of Hope 1.7M, Mission Link 800K and Asian Outreach 403K). RPEC International, our US charity had an Income of \$171K. The goal for 2015 is to reach \$30.5 million which includes 750 churches participating in giving. The Global Workers accounts are quite stable with most accounts holding a positive balance.

Appreciation was expressed to D. McAlister and his team for the care of our global workers. There are currently just over 300 workers living in 58 countries and serving in 73 countries around the world.

A report on the growth of the church in Cuba since the revival began in 1988 resulting in more than 8,000 churches today. In addition, recent changes in travel regulations have resulted in Cuba becoming a missionary sending nation. This is just one story of many where the church is growing significantly.

Appreciation was expressed to those who lead the STM network, Global ED and Zoe Projects all of which are expressions of International Missions.

It was also noted that ERDO was recognized as one of the top 25 charities in Canada. Appreciation was expressed to David Adcock and the team that work in the ERDO office. Reference was made to the Triple Crisis appeal (Iraq, Ukraine and Ebola) which resulted in over \$200,000 raised through our churches.

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

AGM 15-10 **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR – 2015:** D. Hazzard presented the General Executive's recommendation for the Auditor for the 2015 fiscal period.

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 2015 fiscal year. CARRIED

David Hazzard expressed appreciation for Bill Griffin's 35 years of service.

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the 2014 Annual General Meeting of The Pentecostal Assemblies of express gratitude and appreciation to the following: Rick Tozer, Colleen Stuckless and the Communications Department Natalie Rogge and Stacey McKenzie. CARRIED

AGM 15-11 **MOTION OF ADJOURNMENT:** It was MOVED and SECONDED to adjourn the 2015 Annual General Meeting of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. CARRIED

The Chair declared the meeting closed.

The 2015 Annual General Meeting was adjourned at 3:35 P.M.



David R. Wells
General Superintendent



David E. Hazzard
Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services