

MBCM Assembly Minutes
Saturday, March 5, 2022
North Kildonan MB Church

68 delegates in person
17 delegates on Zoom

1. Welcome
2. MBCM Reporting
 - a. MBCM Director Report
Disappointment expressed that the Refresh Pastors Retreat is once again cancelled, feeling that this is a key component for our leadership development - while the budget does not reflect a Refresh Retreat, if it works financially the board will allocate funds toward that in the fall
 - b. CCMBC Report
 - c. Moderator Report
3. Process Recommendations:

Motion 1: that Assembly accept the following recommendations as a package: m/s/c

- A. Status of printed reports: We recommend that the printed reports be accepted as presented.
- B. Status of recommendations: We recommend that all printed recommendations be considered moved and seconded.
- C. Recording secretaries: We recommend that Konrad Loewen (Crossway Elm Creek) be appointed as recording secretary.
- D. Ballot committee: We recommend that the nominees for the ballot committee be appointed as presented: online ballots Bryan Vellacott (Lakeview), in person ballots Peter & Teresa Vogt (NKMB).
- E. Ballots: We recommend that all ballots be destroyed at the close of Assembly 2022.
- F. Parliamentarian: We recommend that Johnny Dodsworth (Eastview) be appointed as parliamentarian.
- G. We recommend that the financial reports for 2021 be accepted as presented.
- H. Budget: We recommend the acceptance of the 2022 MBCM budget as presented, including the 13% of receipt-able revenue towards the Conference Support Fund
- I. Financial Review: We recommend the appointment of BDO Dunwoody Accounting firm for the year 2022.
- J. Elections: We recommend the acclamation of the nominees on the election slate provided..

4. Minutes of Assembly 2021

Motion 2: That we accept the minutes of Assembly 2021 be accepted as presented. m/s/c

Action steps from 2021:

- 1) Could funds going to CCMBC be listed as transfers instead? Have discussed this with BDO and it is possible, we will continue to work on this.
- 2) Could CERB funding be returned? Rather than return the funds the Board chose to use some of the funds to assist 3 churches within MBCM

5. Financial Report

Harold Froese presented this on behalf of Melanie Penner who was unable to attend due to a family health emergency. There are 3 churches whose finances flow through MBCM and their information is part of our financial reporting. Two of these churches are unregistered with CRA, we are working with 1 to have this finalised and hope this is completed soon.

Questions:

- 1) Is there a way for us to honour MBCM for purchasing the building and taking on the responsibility of the building?
- 2) What was the actual sale price of the Henderson building?
- 3) BDO's report is a review engagement not an audit?

Motion 3: That we accept the financial report as presented. m/s/c

Motion 4: That we appoint BDO Dunwoody Accounting firm for the year 2022. m/s/c

6. Budget Presentation

7. Nominating Slate

Motion 5: We recommend the acclamation of the nominees on the election slate provided. m/s/c

8. Constitution Revision

Comments & Questions:

- 1) Thinking along the lines of the USMB Conference removing language surrounding peace & non-resistance from the Confession of Faith, does the Confession of Faith have a place of authority if we view it as a living document? This question names the dilemma we are facing. We view our Confession as the authority of our shared convictions.
- 2) We are part of an era of a crisis of authorities and need to pay attention to this. Why do we struggle so hard with authority?
- 3) Article 2 gives the National & Provincial FLT guardian status of the Confession of Faith.
- 4) Worried that we are at risk of becoming very legalistic with the language surrounding the Confession of Faith.
- 5) To what degree does a new constitution forge a new pattern of behaviour? Is there something in history that shows us we need to pay attention to this?
- 6) We need to remember that our Leadership Board & PFLT are members of us, of our churches, while they are looked to for guidance, they are not separate from the churches.

Motion 6: We recommend the approval of the amended Constitution as presented. m/s/c

9. Partner Agency Reporting
 - a. CMU
 - b. SBC
 - c. MB Seminary
 - d. CCMBC
 - e. MCC
 - f. MDS
 - g. CCMBC Afghanistan Refugee Video
 - h. Square One World Media

Break for lunch

Blanket Exercise

- i. Eden
- j. Multiply

10. Budget

Comments/Questions:

- 1) **Action Item:** Would like to see the budget include the Refresh Pastor Retreat take place this year as this year is a critical time for this to take place.

Motion 7: We recommend the acceptance of the 2022 MBCM budget, including the single stream contribution to CCMBC, as presented. This budget is supported by a 13% contribution of receipt-able revenue from our churches. m/s/c

Adjourn at 3:1pm