

# CCMBC National Assembly Minutes

June 11, 2022

10:00am – 3:00pm CDT

Zoom Meeting

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		<b>Note taker:</b>	Konrad Loewen
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## 1. Meeting Called to Order

Ron Penner opened National Assembly leading us in prayer, followed by general instructions of procedures and the voting process.

Quorum had not been established. The National Assembly proceeded with the presentation of ministry and agency reports and delayed voting until quorum can be established.

## 2. Moderator/Executive Board Report

Ron Penner provided a brief synopsis of the written report that was included in the Assembly handbook.

### Questions and Comments:

Question: Is the Canadian Council of Anabaptist Leaders active?

Response: Yes, they are active, CCMBC is part of it, and they are doing some good work.

## 3. National Director Report

Elton DaSilva highlighted that this Assembly does not include a significant issue or problem that needs to be addressed, which is something to celebrate and praise God for. There is great optimism going forward with the progress of the CUSP.

### Questions and Comments:

Numerous delegates acknowledged the leadership Elton has provided in leading us through a challenging season and expressed their gratitude.

## 4. MB Seminary Report

Mark Wessner provided a quick history of seminary education and ministry training. The Teaching Church initiative is entering the second year and gaining good momentum.

### Questions and Comments:

We are blessed as a denomination with the resources we have across Canada in our post-secondary Christian education.

Question: How are you leveraging what you are already doing and how does that connect with the credentialing process of leaders?

Response: Mark Wessner responded by saying one part of credentialing is PCO which NFLT owns and the MOU that is written lays out how the seminary provides some of the teaching that takes place. One component that is being discussed is how PCO can be used as an elective course that would provide seminary credit. We are also considering if credentialed pastors should be required to complete ongoing training and how the seminary could provide that training.

## 5. Historical Commission Report

Jon Isaak highlighted the work the Historical Commission does regarding researching and resourcing churches for mission and ministry.

## 6. Multiply Report

Vic Wiens highlighted how Multiply is working in partnership with ICOMB to provide training and discipleship of leaders, many of these being small groups in countries where we have no presence.

Wendi Thiessen thanked Vic Wiens for the work he provided as the Interim Director and formally introduced Bruce Enns as the new Director of Multiply. Elton DaSilva led the delegates in a commissioning prayer for Bruce Enns.

## 7. Legacy Report

Jason Krueger highlighted the work Legacy has been doing and the great improvement that continues to take place. Jason thanked Bertha Dyck who will be retiring later this year after 32 years of service.

### Questions and Comments:

Great appreciation was expressed for the clarity in Jason's report.

## 8. NFLT Report

Ken Esau highlighted the work of the NFLT and provided an update on the Equip Conference. While previous communication had announced that Equip 2022 would take place in November, the decision was recently made to delay this event until November 2023 to make it as successful as possible.

Delegates were sent into breakout groups for discussion and feedback to the NFLT on the four documents that had been presented during the NFLT workshops on June 9.

## 9. Appointment of Parliamentarians, Ballot Team, Minute Review

**Consent Motion:** It is moved that the parliamentarians (Michelle Knowles, Brad Sumner), ballot team (Tamille Richardson, Ryan van Kuik), and minute review committee (Keith Reed, Donna Vollet) be approved as presented. **M/S/C**

## 10. Approval of Agenda

The presented agenda was amended because a full quorum was not reached.

The approval of the SPAs and MOUs was delayed (likely until June 2023).

The elections were deferred to the CCMBC Executive Board for approval and will come back to the Assembly in June 2023 for ratification.

**Consent Motion:** It is moved that the AMENDED agenda for the 2022 annual general meeting be accepted. **M/S/C**

## 11. Financial Report

Jason Krueger (Legacy CEO) and Bertha Dyck (Legacy CFO) reported on behalf of Legacy. While the past two years have not been easy globally, we are incredibly grateful for the financial support that

our member churches have and continue to show toward CCMBC and the positive financial picture we currently have.

- A. **Motion:** It is moved that the CCMBC non-consolidated financial statements be approved. **M/S/C**
- B. **Motion:** It is moved that the CCMBC Member Representative approve the CCMBC Legacy Fund Inc. consolidated financial statements as presented. **M/S/C**
- C. **Motion:** It is moved that the 2021 audited financial statements of the CCMBC pension plan be approved as presented. **M/S/C**
- D. **Motion:** It is moved that the CCMBC Member Representative vote in favour of KPMG being appointed as auditor for CCMBC Legacy Fund for the fiscal year 2022. **M/S/C**
- E. **Motion:** It is moved that KPMG be appointed as auditor for CCMBC for the fiscal year 2022. **M/S/C**
- F. **Motion:** It is moved that KPMG be appointed as auditor for CCMBC Pension Plan for the fiscal year 2022. **M/S/C**
- G. **Motion:** It is moved that the CCMBC Member Representative vote in favour of KPMG being appointed as auditor for CCMBC Investments for fiscal year 2022. **M/S/C**

## 12. Budget Presentation

Michael Dick (Finance and Audit Committee Chair) and Bertha Dyck (CCMBC/Legacy CFO) presented the 2022 Budget and the 2023 Pro Forma.

### Questions and Comments:

Question: Can our financial support for ICOMB be increased?

Response: Ron Penner responded and encouraged any delegates to submit funding proposals to the Executive Board for consideration.

Question: Why has BCMB's financial support toward CCMBC been reduced and what message does this send?

Response: On behalf of BCMB's leadership, Sharon Simpson and Denis Federau expressed their full support of CCMBC and indicated that their reduced financial support of CCMBC is only due to a reduction in the funding coming to them from BCMB churches.

- A. **Motion:** It is moved that the 2022 CCMBC budget be approved as presented. **M/S/C**
- B. **Motion:** It is moved that the 2023 CCMBC Pro Forma budget be approved as presented. **M/S/C**

## 13. Promotion of New CCMBC Website

Carson Samson presented the new CCMBC website that is being developed (anticipated release by the end of summer 2022).

## 14. Closing Remarks

**Consent Motion:** It is moved that the Annual General Meeting be adjourned. **M/S/C**