

## 2017 SYNOD RESOLUTIONS/NOTICES OF MOTION

**Notice has been received from members that they will move, or cause to be moved, the following resolutions:**

### **1. Credentials Committee Report**

MOTION: *Canon Robert Welch/The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell*  
'that the report of the Credentials Committee be accepted.'

### **2. Election of Synod Secretaries**

MOTION: *Canon Robert Welch/ The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell*  
'that Ms. Carol Summers be elected as the Honorary Lay Secretary of Synod and The Venerable Dr. David Anderson be elected as the Honorary Clergy Secretary of Synod at this session of this Synod.'

### **3. Minutes of the 142<sup>nd</sup> Synod**

MOTION: *Ms. Carol Summers/The Venerable Dr. David Anderson*  
'that the minutes of 142<sup>nd</sup> Synod of the Diocese of Niagara, as found on pages **15 through 20** of the Convening Circular be now approved.'

### **4. Adoption of the Agenda**

MOTION: *The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell/ The Reverend Sue-Ann Ward*  
'that the agenda as presented by the Agenda Committee be adopted.'

### **5. Reception of All Reports**

MOTION: *The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell/ Mr. Terry Charters*  
'that all reports found in the Convening Circular and obtained at registration be received.'

### **6. Trinity College Corporation**

MOTION: *The Venerable Dr. David Anderson/Ms. Kathleen Randle*  
'that the representatives from the Diocese of Niagara to the Corporation of Trinity College be The Reverend Canon Dr. Darcey Lazerte (clergy), Ms. Mary Churchill (lay) and Mrs. Judy Connor (lay); for a term of two years.'  
(Please note: the Reverend Aaron Orear, the Reverend Nigel Bunce (clergy) and Sister Heather Broadwell are continuing members of the Corporation of Trinity College.)'

### **7. Synod Council Report**

MOTION: *The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell/Ms. Susan Little*  
'that the Synod Council Report, having been fully considered, be now finally approved, and that all the decisions, agreements and documents entered into and signed on Synod's behalf since the last session of Synod, be hereby ratified and confirmed.'

**8. 2016 Audited Financial Statements**

MOTION: *The Reverend Deacon George Henry /Ms. Joanna Beck*  
'that the audited financial statements for 2016 as found on pages 43-62, be received.'

**9. Auditor's Report**

MOTION: *The Reverend Deacon George Henry /Ms. Joanna Beck*  
'that the Auditor's Report, as found on pages 44-45 be received.'

**10. Appointment of Auditors**

MOTION: *The Reverend Deacon George Henry /Ms. Joanna Beck*  
'that KPMG be appointed as auditors for the fiscal year 2017.'

**11. Provincial Synod 2018 Lay Nominations**

MOTION: *Mr. Greg Tweney/Bill Mous*  
'that the nominations for the Order of Laity for Provincial Synod be closed.'

**12. Provincial Synod 2018 Clergy Nominations**

MOTION: *Mr. Greg Tweney/Bill Mous*  
'that the nominations for the Order of Clergy for Provincial Synod be closed.'

**13. DM&M Calculation**

MOTION: *The Reverend Canon Richard Moore/Ms. Joanna Beck*  
'whereas the Bishop asked the FAC to review the DM&M formula and determine if  
a new formula would resolve some of the current formula issues;  
Therefore be it resolved THAT the new formula as presented be adopted beginning  
with the 2018 DM&M assessment year using the 2016 financial statements.'

**14. Amendments to Canon 2.1 – The Election of Bishops**

MOTION: *The Very Reverend Peter Wall/The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell*  
'that the Regulations for Canon 2.1 – The Election of Bishops be amended to read

2.1

THE ELECTION OF BISHOPS

THE APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT BISHOP

Regulations

1. At a meeting of the Synod Council acting as the Nominations Committee, the following procedure shall be followed.

Each member of the Synod Council shall nominate by secret ballot three eligible persons, at least one of whom must be female and at least one of whom must be male, the first choice of each member to receive three points, the second two points, and the third choice one point. The ten with the largest number

of points shall be the nominees of the Nominations Committee. In the event that two or more persons receive the same number of points for the position of the nominee with the tenth largest number of votes, the Synod Council shall determine the exact number of nominees to be nominated.

The names of the nominees so chosen shall be disclosed to the Council in alphabetical order and disclosed to the members of Synod after they have individually consented to allow their nominations to stand. To ensure a wider distribution of points, ballots containing less than three nominations shall be disqualified.

2.
  - (a) A committee of seven persons chosen by the Synod Council and known as the Electoral Synod Nominations and Planning Committee shall choose its own Chair and recruit other members, if necessary, and shall secure from the aforesaid nominees their consent to the inclusion of their names as nominees. The Committee shall prepare biographical material on the nominees giving their age, education background, and general experience and other information which in their opinion would be helpful to the members of Synod.
  - (b) Biographical material prepared on the aforesaid nominees shall be provided to that nominee to ensure its accuracy, after which the material on all nominees shall be mailed to the members of Synod not later than eight days prior to the Electoral Synod.
  - (c) Other forms of communication techniques authorized by the Electoral Synod Nominations and Planning Committee may be provided to the members of Synod.
  - (d) The committee shall cooperate with the regular officials of the Synod to organize the Electoral Synod.
3. Further nominations in writing by ten members of Synod, and with the consent of the nominee, may be placed before members of Synod as follows:
  - (a) By delivering the nomination to the Chair of the Electoral Synod Nominations and Planning Committee at least twelve days prior to the date of the Electoral Synod, in which case biographical material will be sent out with that provided for in 2 (a) and (b) above, or
  - (b) By delivering the nomination to the Chair of The Electoral Synod Nominations and Planning Committee prior to or during the Electoral Synod. The Chair of the Committee will address the Synod, and may give biographical material of any further priest or bishop so nominated.
4. The Synod to elect a bishop shall commence with the Holy Eucharist. A common collect and the prayers of the people bidding God's presence and spirit, will be said in all diocesan parishes, and thereafter the Metropolitan or Acting Metropolitan, or their designate, shall be the Chair of the Synod and preside at

the election. Prior to the calling of each ballot, the Chair shall be satisfied as to further nominations.

When there are no further nominations, the Chair shall call for the first ballot and subsequent ballots shall be taken as necessary until a bishop has been elected.'  
(new, 1994)

**15. Synod Council Election**

*MOTION: The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell/Mr. Greg Tweney*  
'that this Synod elect the regional members of Synod Council and alternate regional members for the 2017-2018 term, as nominated at the regional caucuses held during this session of Synod.'

**16. 2018 Budget**

*MOTION: The Reverend Deacon George Henry /Mr. Andrew Clinkard*  
'that this Synod approve the 2018 proposed budget.'

