

RESOLUTIONS OF THE 146TH SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF NIAGARA

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

1. **Credentials Committee Report**

MOTION: Mr. Greg Tweney / The Venerable Bill Mous

'that the report of the credentials committee be accepted.'

2. **Approval of the Consent Agenda**

MOTION: Ms. Amy Collard / The Venerable David Anderson

'that the items listed on the consent agenda be approved as circulated.'

A. Election of Synod Secretaries

'that Ms. Linda Lamarche be elected as the honorary lay secretary of synod and the Reverend Pam Guyatt be elected as the honorary clerical secretary of synod for the 146th synod of the diocese.'

B. Minutes of the 145th Synod

'that the minutes of the 145th synod of the diocese, as found on pages 8-18 of the convening circular, be approved.'

C. Adoption of the Agenda

'that the agenda as presented by the synod agenda committee be adopted.'

D. Reception of All Reports

'that all reports found in the convening circular be received.'

E. Trinity College Corporation

'that the representatives from the Diocese of Niagara to the Corporation of Trinity College be: the Reverend Fran Wallace and the Reverend Sue-Ann Ward (clergy) and Sister Heather Broadwell (lay); for a term of two years.'

(Please note: The Reverend Garfield Wu (clergy), Ms. Mary Churchill (lay) and Ms. Gillian Doucet Campbell are continuing members of the Corporation of Trinity College.)'

F. Synod Council Report

'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 its last report, be hereby ratified and confirmed.'

3. **2019 Auditor's Report & Audited Financial Statements**

MOTION: Mr. Andrew Clinkard / Mr. Jim Higginson

'that the Auditor's Report, as found on pages 40-45 of the convening circular be received and the 2019 audited consolidated financial statements, as found on pages 46-64 of the convening circular, be received.'

4. Appointment of Auditors

MOTION: Ms. Brenda Lane / Canon Jody Beck

'that KPMG be appointed as auditors for the fiscal year 2020.'

5. New Canon: The Cathedral of the Diocese of Niagara

MOTION: The Venerable Bill Mous / Mr. Rob Jones

'that this synod approve the addition of a new canon, to read as follows:

Canon 2.10 – The Cathedral of the Diocese of Niagara

1. The Bishop of Niagara's cathedra shall be located at 252 James Street North in Hamilton, hereafter referred to as Cathedral Place, in the worship space of Christ's Church Cathedral.
2. The Cathedral congregation shall have all rights, responsibilities, and duties assigned to a duly established parish by Canon 4.1, with the exception of those fiduciary responsibilities related to the care and trusteeship of the buildings and property on which the Cathedral is situated, including its fixtures, fittings, and fabric, which shall be the responsibility of the diocese, save and except the maintenance, repair or improvement of the organ which shall remain the responsibility of the Cathedral congregation.
3. a) The Cathedral congregation shall be expected to make annual contributions to the diocese for:
 - i. the upkeep of the Cathedral Place property, drawing on designated funds held for the maintenance, repair or improvement of fixtures, fittings, or fabric located at Cathedral Place and any additional funds as may be necessary, and
 - ii. the mission and ministry of the diocese.b) The base amounts for these contributions shall be determined by a prescribed formula established by regulations approved by the synod council, in consultation with the corporation of the Cathedral.
4. a) There shall be a Cathedral Place Property Management Committee to oversee the care, maintenance, and management of the Cathedral Place property and buildings and to advise the officers of the synod and the synod council about related policy matters.
 - b) The specific terms of reference for the Committee shall be established by the synod council.
 - c) The membership of the Committee shall consist of:
 - i. the Executive Officer;
 - ii. the Rector of Christ's Church Cathedral;
 - iii. two members elected by the Cathedral vestry for a two-year term;
 - iv. two members elected by the synod council of the diocese for a two-year term; and
 - v. a chair who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Bishop of Niagara.
 - d) An alternate member may be elected by both the vestry and synod council to attend and vote at committee meetings should the respective elected representatives be compelled to be absent.'

6. Amendment to Canon 1.9 (9) – Synod Council

MOTION: Mr. Greg Tweney / The Venerable Bill Mous

‘THAT section 9 of Canon 1.9 be amended to read as follows:

The Synod Council shall meet at least six (6) times between each annual session of the Diocesan Synod on such dates and at such places or by such means as the bishop shall determine, provided fourteen (14) days notice of any meeting being given. The Secretary of Synod may, upon the written requisition of at least ten (10) members of the Synod Council call a meeting of Synod Council, provided fourteen (14) days notice of any meeting being given. In extraordinary circumstances, the Bishop may call a meeting of Synod Council sooner than the aforementioned fourteen (14) day notice period.’

7. Amendment to Canon 4.1 – Vestries and Churchwardens

MOTION: Mr. Greg Tweney / The Venerable Bill Mous

‘THAT the following provision be added to Canon 4.1, as section 18:

Notwithstanding the provisions of this canon, the Bishop and Synod Council may enact regulations relating to the conduct of vestry meetings as may be necessary from time to time.’

8. 2020 Budget

MOTION: Canon Jody Beck / Mr. Gerry Anthony

‘that this synod approve the 2021 diocesan budget.’

9. Synod Council Election

MOTION: Ms. Wendy Newman / The Reverend Will Alakas

‘that this synod elect the regional members of synod council for the 2021/2022 term and alternate regional members for the 2021 term.’