UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA National AOTS Executive/Council Meeting Minutes of the Conference Call Meeting - Sunday, November 21, 2010

The meeting of the 2009 - 2010 National Executive/Council was called to order at 5:02 pm EDT by President Jim McKibbin. He opened with a prayer.

Present on the call were: Al Anthony, Marvin Bildfell, Mark Browning, John Cooke, Harvey Douglas, Ed Macdonald, Jim McKibbin, Dave Morris, Keeling Little, Ernie Orpin, Gary Ross, Garnet Thompson, Jim Upright, & Jim Waterfall

Regrets from: George Bishop, Charlie Klein, Bill Love, Harry Wolfraim, & Howard Wills Report from Harvey that Bill Love is doing well, and was out of the Hospital about a week after surgery.

E10-05-01 Agenda - The Agenda as distributed was approved by consensus

E10-05-02 Presidents Report: Since the last call Jim has spoken at the Bay of Quite Fall Rally Consecon has had a 50th Anniversary, and will attend Selby/EmpeyHill for their 50th Anniversary

E10-05-03 Approval of the Conference Call Meeting minutes of Sept 19, 2010 Motion: Orpin/Macdonald That the minutes of Sept. 19 be approved as distributed

Carried

Carried

E10-05-03 Financial/Treasurers report:

The Marvin Bildfell indicated there were no further significant changes to the previous the Excel Statement that was distributed last month. A preliminary start has been made on the 2011 Budget Limited funds may preclude and extra donations. Some smaller charities could be considered. Marvin will research and provide some suggestions for Executive/Council consideration.

Motion: Bildfell/Douglas That the Treasurers report be approved

E10-05-04 The Dondi Project

Jim McKibbin outlined the results of a Dondi Steering Committee meeting last Friday Nov 19 At this time this phase of the project will end March 31, 2011 AOTS can continue support the project. The final report of the Committee will be forthcoming soon and will be distributed by Chris Cullen and forwarded to AOTS Council members.

Motion: Douglas/Ross That the Dondi Project Report be accepted

Carried

E10-05-05 National Office Vacancies:

(a) Al Goudie has resigned as the Saskatchewan Rep. He was an AOTS Ind. Member

(b) Regarding the Alberta/NW Rep. vacancy, Mark Browning is willing do that work Motion: *Douglas/Morris* That Mark Browning be nominated for that position Carried

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E10-04-05 National Office Vacancies: continued

(c) President Elect: Jim Upright has been nominated to the President Elect position

A discussion about the **Previous National Secretary Position** took place. The proposed Constitution revision does not include this position. Gary Ross suggested a small committee needs to review the work previously done, and decide who will be doing that work. This will be reviewed further at the next Conference Call.

Motion: *Douglas/Anthony* That this report be accepted Carried

E10-04-06 National -Biennial 2011 Planning - combined with the Roundup April 15-17, 2011

Jim McKibbin reported further on the planning process to date. Music leadership will be by John Groenveld, from Pt. Hope. A **ladies program will be included.** A discussion about possible "themes" – "Dedication", "Friendship", "Making a Difference" & "Lets Get it Done" Meeting a day or two early will be needed for most National Council members. **Those arriving by air will need to advise their itinerary** so that arrangements can be made for transport form Toronto to Jackson Point

From previous minutes:

Toronto Conference has taken on the organization of the Biennial/Roundup. The Theme Speaker who has been selected is Michael Blair, from Church House.

E10-05-07 Handshake - Harold is working on it, and has most of the content needed

E10-05-08 Joys and Sorrows - Garnet was re-elected, Gary Ross reported **Ernie Paddock** is home resting after a major heart attack, Gary Ross has agreement from 70 men in Central NL that they would help support a **Biennial Convention in 2013 in Gander, NL.** Cost estimates from preliminary quotes Gary has obtained for two nights and meals would about \$200.00 Fraser Roads U.C. in Gander has indicated they could provide a number billets as well. Motor homes would be welcome in several locations in Gander. A further report will be provided at the April 2011 Biennial /Roundup. Jim mentioned we should keep Ernie and Bill in out thoughts and prayers.

Jim McKibbin closed the meeting in prayer

Next Conference Call meeting dates: Suggested - Sunday, January 9, 5 PM SDT