## UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA National AOTS Executive Meeting Minutes of the Conference Call Meeting - Sunday, July 14th, 2013

The meeting of the 2011 - 2013 National Executive was called to order at 7:01 pm EDT by President David Morris with prayer.

Attendance on the call was 7, with 4 regrets as detailed below.

Executive Attendance (P = Present, R = Regrets)							
David Morris	Р	Jim Upright	R	Jim McKibbin	R	Marvin Bildfell	Р
Mark Browning	R	Gary Ross	Р	Ed MacDonald	Р	Harvey Douglas	R
David Adams	Р	John Cooke	Р	Ernie Paddock	Р		

**Guests:** none

Agenda – The Agenda for this meeting was discussed and approved

Motion: Adams / MacDonald Carried

Approval of the Conference Call Meeting minutes of Sunday, May 5th 2013.

The following corrections were noted:

The date of the meeting was May 5<sup>th</sup>, not March 15

Ed MacDonald reference to St. Stephen's-on-the-Hill United Church should be Sudbury, not Mississauga

Motion to approve the minutes as corrected: Adams/Cooke Carried

Financial/Treasurers report: http://bit.ly/AOTS-Files

Members were advised to review the files. Marvin's Biennial report will be reviewed at the Executive meeting and at the Convention.

Two clubs (1 form NL and 1 from BC) have contributed dues/donations as affiliated clubs. The process for recognizing "affiliated clubs" will be discussed at the National Meeting.

Marvin is concerned that dues/donations are not coming in very quickly and he is hoping for improvement in Q3/4.

Presidents report: David Morris

Dave noted that Harvey Douglas' son (Douglas, Duncan "Scott") passed away on July 14. John Cooke will send a condolence card.

Revised Constitutional Implementation: John Cooke

Rev 8 of the Transition Plan was distributed prior to the meeting. Further discussion is needed at the National Meeting.

2013 Biennial: Gary Ross and Ernie Paddock reported that registration to date is in the range of 30-40 versus the budget of 80. Direction given was to continue with the convention; but scale back the program and hotel arrangements to manage the costs. The Committee was asked to submit a revised estimate of the revised financial plan to Marvin. The convention agenda is ready to print; but it will be deferred until program revisions are made.

The Executive was polled regarding their plans to attend.

Attending: Dave Morris, Jim Upright, Jim McKibbin, Marvin Bildfeld, Gary Ross, John Cooke and Ernie Paddock.

Not attending: Mark Browning, David Adams and Ed MacDonald

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Tentative: Harvey Douglas

Handshake: Dave Morris discussed the current situation with Harold Lorenz. Harold is disappointed with the current situation. However, he agrees with the need to downsize to a newsletter format. Dave plans to put this on the agenda for the National Meeting as part of a discussion about a communications strategy. It was noted that we still need to consider those who rely on hardcopy communications.

Camp Improvement Project: John Cooke reported that 4 grants were issued (total value of \$15,000). Still need to follow up on the publicity and promotions from the projects.

## Roundtable:

Ed MacDonald indicated that he is resting at home as he is dealing with 2 serious health issues. He expects to have major surgery in September. Unfortunately, he will not be able to attend the Biennial.

David Morris closed the meeting in prayer Next meeting date: August 15, 2013 in Gander, NL