UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

National AOTS Executive/Council Meeting

Minutes of the Conference Call Meeting – Sunday January 31, 2016

The meeting of the 2015 - 2017 National Executive/Council was called to order at 7:01 pm EDT by President Garry Ross with a story and a prayer.

Executive Attendance (P = Present, R = Regrets)							
Garry Ross	Р	Jim Upright	Р	Jim McKibbin	R	David Adams	R
Bill Love	Р	Derek White	Р	John Cooke	Р	Mark Browning (M)	Р
Terry Pond	Р	Ernie Paddock	R	Paul Cooper	Р	David Morris	Р

Guests: none

E15-17-01 Agenda: An Agenda for this meeting was discussed and approved by consensus *Adoption Agreed to By Consensus*

E15-17-02 Appointments: Approve appointment of Paul Cooper as VP, Central Region

Motion: Cooke/Morris Carried

E15-17-03 Approval of the Conference Call Meeting minutes of Sunday, June 16th, 2015.

Motion: Love/Browning Carried

Business Arising from Minutes:

E15-17-04 Angola delegation: John Cooke sent out a complete report on the proposed visit from the Angola representatives. Basically the visit has been postponed. Please see report.

E15-17-05 Membership list: President Garry Ross to contact all VPs to get a more accurate membership list count.

E15-17-06 Financial/Treasurers report: There was a Treasurers Report submitted by Terry for January 31, 2016 with a comparative year-end income statement and balance sheets. The statements are not 100% because he has not been able to reconcile the Tangerine investment accounts and get accurate interest income for the last 6 months of the year. Technical issues with the validation codes for online access so they need to update the authorization.

We have received \$2,500 from Club dues so far this year which is down from last year at this time.

Motion: Love/Browning Carried

E15-17-07 Camp Improvement project: No update from the Newmarket club until the Project cut-off-date gets here. They do have a number of applicants and \$6,000 in the budget.

New Business

E15-17-08 Support to 2016 Round-up: There was a motion for National to donate \$1,000 toward the 2016 Round-up to help out with financing.

Motion: Morris/Love Carried

E15-17-09 2017 Biennial – There was a motion to hold the 2017 Biennial Convention in conjunction with the 2017 Central Region Round-up, likely in April 2017

Motion: Love/Morris Carried

Other Business: Roundtable

E15-17-10 Banff Men's Conference: Bill Love and Jim Upright attended the Banff Men's Conference in September 18-20 at the Banff Centre. The keynote speaker Miles G. Richardson of Haida Nation and the theme was Finding Kanata (community) with indigenous peoples. Engaging men to: increase awareness, create dialog, foster reconciliation in acknowledgment of the work of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada.

E15-17-11 Harrow: Harrow United Church AOTS Men's Club has regretfully informed National that it folding. The have a number of members that plan on continuing as Individual Members but they will not operate as an organized AOTS Club.

Gary Ross closed the meeting in prayer

Next meeting date: Sunday April 24th, 2016