UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

National AOTS Executive/Council Meeting

Minutes of the Conference Call Meeting – Sunday June 26, 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) | | | | | | | |
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| Garry Ross | Р | Jim Upright | R | Jim McKibbin | Р | David Adams | R |
| Bill Love | Р | Derek White | R | John Cooke | Р | Mark Browning (M) | Р |
| Terry Pond | R | David Morris | Р | Paul Cooper | Р | | |

Guests:

E15-17-01 Agenda: An Agenda for this meeting was discussed and approved by consensus

Adoption Agreed to By Consensus

Motion: Browning/Cooke Carried

E15-17-02 Approval of the Conference Call Meeting minutes of Sunday, April 24, 2016.

Motion: Browning/Cooke Carried

Business Arising from Minutes:

E15-17-04 Membership list: President Garry Ross is going to work with John to figure out the spreadsheet.

E15-17-05 Financial/Treasurers report: Terry was absent from this meeting but will get a double report for the next meeting.

There was money \$730ish coming back from National Convention. \$500 Harold gave a cheque for the Camping project.

New Business

E15-17-07 2017 Future Visioning: John Cooke – Summarized his work on the Visioning Document and explaining all of the research that was done and included the conference Call with Michael Blair of the National United Church office to discuss the future of the AOTS.

Jim McKibbin talked about the AOTS as it relates to the dwindling numbers of members and number of clubs. It was evident that the clubs were still active at a club level but many of them did not have a connection with National. All of their work was done at a club level and they really didn't need National to continue to support camping and some of their other projects.

Organize the decommissioning of the National Association of the AOTS men and focus more on the AOTS at the club level.

There were some comments about trying to continue some sort of presence to help link unite Church Men across the country possibly by way of the website.

All on the conference call were supportive of the direction and support the work that John and Jim have done and the conference call with Michael Blair.

Jim McKibbin specifically thanked John for the work he has put in to this comprehensive Visioning Document and the rest of the members on the conference call agreed..

Jim McKibbin closed the meeting in prayer

Next meeting date: Sunday Sept 25, 2016