

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND GOALS
FOR A CONFERENCE WITHIN THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**

Through scripture and experience, we know that the Church of Jesus Christ is a body. For any body to function, there must be linkages between the various parts; for the United Church these linkages are conciliar in nature. As a court of the Church, Conference performs three essential functions:

- (a) the episcopal function of exercising care and oversight of the smaller units of the Church, specifically Presbyteries, and through a variety of resources and services, pastoral charges and other local mission units;
- (b) the representational function of participating in the larger parts of the Church and relating to bodies outside the Church such as governments, health and welfare systems and organizations seeking justice;
- (c) the administrative function of providing specific working links for ministry and service between the larger and smaller parts of the body.

Each of the thirteen Conferences develops its own set of goals and priorities within the framework provided by the General Council, but there are at least four goals common to all Conferences:

- (1) to have oversight of the religious life of the Church within its bounds and adopt measures to promote shalom;
- (2) to deal with all matters submitted by Presbyteries which affect the status, faith, and character of ministers and candidates for the order of ministry;
- (3) to appoint, settle or permit members of the order of ministry to exercise appropriate ministries within the Church or outside the Church;
- (4) to deal with matters referred to it by the General Council.

STRUCTURE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

PASTORAL CHARGES (3527) statistics from www.united-church.ca
Members - 593,568 - admitted by Session

Meet annually
Chairperson

Committees, Boards, etc.

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| - Session - Worship | - Stewardship |
| - Membership | - Manse |
| - Christian Education | - C. E. Committee |
| - Discipline | - Church Sunday School, etc. |
| - Committee of Stewards - Finance | - U.C.M. |
| - Board of Trustees - Property | - U.C.W. |
| - Official Board | |

or

Church Council or Unified Board (approved by Presbytery)

PRESBYTERIES (91)

Membership

- (a) Ministry Personnel
 - (b) lay persons elected by pastoral charges
 - (c) 10 lay persons elected by Presbytery
- Meet as frequently as determined by each Presbytery

Duties and Powers

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| - Oversight of Pastoral Charges | - Conduct Covenanting Services with Ministry Personnel |
| - Church property | - Oversight of conduct of Ministry Personnel |
| - Students and candidates for Ministry | - Others |
| - Pastoral Relations | |
| - Recommend candidates for Ministry | |
| - Form new Pastoral Charges | |

Committees

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| - Archives | - Oversight of Pastoral Charges |
| - Education & Students* | - Pastoral Relations |
| - Inter-church and Inter-faith relations | - Pension Fund |
| - Extra Appeals (financial)* | - Property |
| - Finance* | - Communication* |
| - Manse | - World Outreach* |
| - Mission In Canada* | * In many cases are Divisions |
| - Stewardship | |

CONFERENCES (13)

Membership

- (a) Ministry Personnel
 - (b) lay members at least equal to (a) elected by Presbyteries.
- Meet at least every third year, or more frequently, but always prior to a meeting of the General Council.

PresidentDuties and Powers

- Oversight and promotion of religious life in Conference
- Examine and ordain/commission candidates
- Decide number and boundaries of Presbyteries
- Dispose of appeals
- Receive ordained or diaconal ministers from other denominations
- Recognize Designated Lay Ministers
- Others

Committees

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| - Settlement | - Finance |
| - Archives | - Pension |
| - Extra Appeals (Financial) | - Communication |
| - Ministry, Personnel and Education | - Stewardship |

GENERAL COUNCIL (1)

Membership (meets every three years)

- (a) Members of order of ministry - approximately 175
- (b) Lay Persons equal to (a) (there is a formula)

ModeratorDuties and Powers

- In general, to enact such legislation and adopt such measures as may tend to promote true Godliness, repress immorality, preserve the unity and well-being of the church and advance the reign of God throughout the world;
- To legislate on doctrine, worship, membership, government, property;
- Prescribe and regulate courses of study for ordered, diaconal and lay pastoral ministry;
- Others.

Permanent Committees

Committee on Ministry & Employment Policies & Services
 Committee on Programs for Mission & Ministry
 Committee on Finance
 Committee on Governance, Planning & Budgeting Processes

Units

Programs for Mission & Ministry	Financial Services
Racial Justice	Support to Local Ministries
Regional Relations	Justice, Global & Ecumenical Relations
Resources for Mission & Ministry	Faith Formation & Education
General Council Support & Services	Financial Stewardship
Resource Production & Distribution	Ministry & Employment Policies & Services
Legal Counsel	Ministères en Français
Residential Schools	Information Technology Services
Inter Cultural & Diverse Communities in Ministry	

COMMUNICATION AMONG CHURCH COURTS The Manual [2004 edition]**PROPOSALS****99**

Proposals.

(a) Every member of the United Church has direct access to the Session or Official Board or Church Board or Church Council of the Pastoral Charge or Congregation to which such member belongs, except in the case of:

- i. matters pertaining to the pastoral relationship;
- ii. a request that the Presbytery initiate a review of a Pastoral Charge under section 333; or
- iii. a request that the Presbytery initiate a review of Ministry Personnel under section 363;

where ten (10) or more members may require a meeting of the Pastoral Charge or Congregation, or bring a Proposal to the Official Board or Church Board or Church Council.

(b) A Proposal may be initiated by:

- i. one (1) or more members of a Congregation (except in the case of paragraphs I., ii., and iii. of subsection (a), where a Proposal must be initiated by ten (10) or more members) to the Session or Official Board or Church Board or Church Council, or through that Court and any intervening Court to another Court;
- ii. one (1) Court, through any intervening Court, to another Court;
- iii. one (1) or more members of a Court to that Court, or through that Court and any intervening Court to another Court; or
- iv. a Committee of a Court to that Court, or through that Court and any intervening Court to another Court.

(c) Where a Court is disposing of a Proposal asking it to take action, it may take such action by way of resolution in respect of the Proposal as it decides to be appropriate, including:

- i. adopting the Proposal;
- ii. adopting the Proposal with amendments;
- iii. taking action different from that requested in the Proposal but dealing with the same subject matter;
- iv. referring the Proposal; and
- v. receiving the Proposal but taking no action

(d) Where a Court is disposing of a Proposal asking a higher Court to take action, it must transmit the Proposal with or without concurrence (except as provided below), together with any recommendations that the Court may make in respect of the Proposal.

(e) Where a Court is disposing of a Proposal asking the next higher Court to take action, it may decide not to transmit a Proposal with which it does not concur.

Proposals From another Court to the Conference:

When the Conference is considering a proposal from (i) a member of a Congregation (ii) a Session/Board/Council or (iii) a Presbytery, the Conference has the following options:

- 1. if the proposal is a request for the General Council to take action, the Conference:**
 - 1.1 may transmit it
 - 1.2 if transmitting, may include recommendations by the Conference on how the Conference would like the General Council to respond to the proposal
 - 1.3 may refuse to transmit it
- 2. if the proposal is a request for action to be taken by the Conference itself, the Conference may:**
 - 2.1 adopt the proposal
 - 2.2 take action in response to the proposal that is different from what has been requested in the proposal
 - 2.3 refer the proposal to an appropriate body, for example, a committee of the Conference
 - 2.4 receive the proposal but take no action

Process for Motions Arising from the Floor at the Annual Meeting:

Once the formal motion is made, parliamentary procedure will be followed for the decision making. All the rules of order as found in Appendix III of the Manual will apply once the proposal is made into a motion.

When a motion is put before the Court the following Rules of Order apply:**1. Motion:**

- The mover reads the motion.
- The seconder is named.
- The mover has the privilege of speaking at the beginning and end of discussion of his or her motion.

2. Discussion:

- Start by identifying yourself (name, presbytery).
- All discussion should be directed to the President.
- The correct manner in which to address the President is: "President..."
- Each person may address the President only once about a motion, except the mover, who may speak both first and last.
- All discussion should be clear and concise and deal only with the motion.

3. Amendments:

- An amendment is a suggestion to change a motion slightly by:
 - a) removing words and replacing them with others, or
 - b) adding or deleting words.
- An amendment cannot change the intent of a motion.

4. Amendment To The Amendment:

A motion to slightly change the amendment.

5. Voting:

Amendments must be voted upon before the original motion.

Voting will take place by raising hands and by voice.

All those with voting privileges (delegates) are expected to indicate their vote in one of those ways.

If unsure of how to vote, one should abstain.

If there is a close vote, scrutineers will count.

If there is a tie, the President will cast the deciding vote.

6. Point Of Order:

Can be made by anyone at anytime, to question procedure or to suggest an alternate procedure.

(There will be no "Procedure Microphone," so move directly to any mike and indicate that you have a point of order.)

7. Point Of Privilege:

A person may rise at any time during the business proceedings and ask permission to state a personal concern or a concern relating to the whole community (e.g., "I would like to introduce a guest").

8. Notice Of Motion:

New or emergent items may be brought to the attention of the court by means of a Notice of Motion.

Originator rises and asks permission to read a Notice of Motion.

The Business Committee may be asked to make a recommendation to the court as to whether or not the item qualifies as new and emergent.

Such Notices of Motion will be dealt with, time permitting, in "Unfinished Business," or as otherwise arranged by the Business Committee.

9. Proposals Committee:

To sort and clarify issues when things get bogged down in procedure wrangles or wording problems.

10. Other:

Other Rules of Order are contained in The Manual. In general, the conduct of business is at the discretion of the President. The President may seek the advice of the Business Committee.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

Motion	Interrupt member on the floor?	Seconder required?	Debatable?	Can it be amended?	What motions apply to it?	Can it be reconsidered?	Subject to closure?	Can it be tabled?	Can it be referred?	Vote Required
1. Adjourn/ Recess	No	Yes	No	No	None	No	No	No	No	Simple Majority
2. Privilege	Yes	No	See note #1	No	None	No	No	No	No	Decision by chair; see #9
3. Appeal of the Chair's Ruling	Yes; See note #2	Yes	No; See note #3	No	5, 1, 2, 13	Yes	n/a	Yes	No	Simple Majority
4. Point of Order	Yes	No	No	No	3	No	No	No	No	Decision by the chair
5. Motion to Table	No	Yes	No	No	None	No	No	n/a	No	Simple Majority
6. To extend or limit debate	No	Yes	No; See note #4	See note #5	13	Yes	n/a	No	No	2/3
7. Postpone definitely	No	Yes	No; See note #6	Yes (time)	10	Yes	Yes	See note #7	No	Simple Majority
8. To call for an immediate vote	Yes	Yes	No	No	None	No	No	No	No	2/3's Majority
9. Motion to refer	No	Yes	See note #6	See note #8	6, 10, 13	Yes	Yes	Yes	n/a	Simple Majority
10. Amend	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	5, 6, 7, 9, 13	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Simple Majority
11. Postpone Indefinitely	No	Yes	See note #6	No	6, 13	Yes	Yes	No	No	Simple Majority
12. Main Motion	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	All	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Simple Majority
13. Motion to reconsider	No	Yes	Yes; See note #10	No	See note #10	No; See note #10	No	Yes	Yes	2/3's if in the same meeting; majority if at another meeting; see note #12
14. Motion to Lift from the Table	No	Yes	Yes	No						

CONFERENCE RESOURCE PERSONS

President	Rev. Valerie Kingsbury
President-Elect	Rev. Robert Johnson
Executive Secretary	Rev. Catherine Gaw
General Council Representative	Dr. Shirley Cleave (Lay), 1 st Term Rev. Mary-Beth Moriarity, 2 nd Term
Annual Meeting Planning Chair	Rev. Murray McFarlane
Annual Meeting Planning Secretary	Ms. Enid MacKay
Local Arrangements Chair	Rev. Meggin King
Worship Planning	Rev. Gloria Churchill
Table Group Facilitators Coordinator	Rev. Donna Tourneur
Head Teller	Rev. Melaney Matheson
Past-President/Banquet Coordinator	Ms. Barbara Rafuse
Treasurer	Mr. Stewart W. Hudson
Office Coordinator	Ms. Jennifer Whittemore
Other members of Annual Meeting Planning Committee	Rev. Dr. Russell Daye Ms. Elaine Gray Ms. Pauline Walker Ms. Joyce Wylie Mr. Ross Sherwood Mr. Wayne Yorke

PRESIDENT-ELECT**Rev. Robert Johnson**

Born in St. Thomas, Ontario, Bob took up full-time residency in Maritime Canada when he moved to Tiverton, Nova Scotia in May 1971 to be a full-time, lay minister with two small congregations of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Following study at Acadia Divinity College and Atlantic School of Theology, he was ordained to the Christian ministry in May 1976. Post-graduate studies have included completion of a Certificate in Gerontology from Mount Saint Vincent University, Halifax, recognition as a Supervisor for Ministry Interns (since 1991), and completion of the training to do intentional interim ministry within The United Church of Canada (2006).

In September 1985, after serving three pastorates with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Bob transferred his ministry to The United Church of Canada – first serving at Oxford Street United Church in Halifax. Subsequently, he has served in Windsor (Valley Presbytery), Centenary-Queen Square (Saint John Presbytery), and – currently – Wesley /St. Andrews (St. Croix Presbytery).

Previously married, Bob is a parent of two adult daughters. Elizabeth, the older, lives in Windsor, Nova Scotia and works as the Assistant to the Manager of Diagnostic Imaging at the IWK Children's Hospital in Halifax. Jennifer, who lives with her husband John Luke in Georgetown, Ontario, works in human resource management with Air Canada in Toronto.

Pastoral charge ministry has provided a richness of life experience like no other! That life experience has often been sustained by two significant passages of scripture – Psalm 139 (“God...I’m an open book to you...” [*The Message, Eugene Peterson*]) and John 13:34-35 (“...Love one another...This is how everyone will recognize that you are my disciples...” [*The Message, Eugene Peterson*]). Awareness of God’s unlimited, unquestioned love for all of us and our challenge to be similarly loving have served as background, inspiration, and comfort for this minister and his ministry.

Deeply honoured by the trust of Maritime Conference in electing him last May, Bob takes delight in knowing he concludes thirty-nine years of full-time, paid, accountable ministry with his upcoming term as Conference President. Along with Rob, his partner for the past twelve years, he looks forward to retirement days, knowing he can say No, and knowing also that life can be enjoyed in much warmer climates.

REPRESENTATIVE OF GENERAL COUNCIL**Rev. Dr. H. Harry Oussoren****Executive Minister
Congregational, Educational, and Community Ministries**

Rev. Dr. A. H. Harry Oussoren has been serving as the Executive Minister of the Congregational, Educational, and Community Ministries unit (CECM) of the General Council since 2005. Before this he served for 24 years in Vancouver, Mississauga, and Toronto congregations. From 1980 to 1987 he served in the General Council's Division of Ministry Personnel and Education.

The focus of his current work in CECM - in partnership with other national and regional colleagues - is to foster healthy and sustainable faith communities in mission as the church transitions into the post-Christendom, post-modern, post-colonial, intercultural reality.

Resources effectively shared, programs deepening awareness of the contexts of ministry, and caring communities engaged in learning and witness are key aspects of that activity.

Portfolios in the CECM unit include: congregational renewal including small membership communities, community ministries; mission through finance; duty of care; stewardship development; spiritual formation; worship and music; men's and women's ministries; camping; youth, young adults, teens, and children; vocations for leadership; education centres and theological schools; and continuing education, including sabbatic leave support. The unit also provides census data reports and the Environics report for ministry engagement in the local contexts.

Harry was born in a manse in Holland, studied in Hamburg, Geneva, Vancouver, and Toronto. He is married to Glenys Huws and they are parents of two adult sons, Joel and Jeremy.

MUSIC LEADERSHIP**Linnea Good**

Linnea Good is a singer-songwriter whose primary work is to help individuals and churches express their souls through music. She is a leader in the fields of music in worship, and all-ages worshipping together. Her background includes a BA in French Literature, a Master of Religious Education with a specialty in music as an educational tool, professional travels that have taken her to Europe, Australia, New Zealand and the Middle East. The latest of her family CDs, *Swimmin' Like a Bird*, was thrice nominated for major Canadian awards as Outstanding Children's Album of the Year. She offers an internet subscription for worship and music leaders, called the Psalm-body's Prayin' Group. She and drummer-spouse, David, share the joy and laundry of 3 children: Patrick, Nicole and Isaac. She is found at www.LinneaGood.com

For further information about Linnea please visit her web site at:

<http://www.linneagood.com/>

CONSTITUTIONAL MOTIONS**RE CONFERENCE ROLL**

“That the Roll of the Ministry Personnel, as contained in the Record of Proceedings of the last Annual Meeting of the Conference, with the addition of the names of those who have been transferred into the Conference, and the deletion of the names of those who have been transferred out of the Conference, or have died, during the year, be the Ministry Personnel Roll of Conference; and that the lists of Lay Members appointed by the Conference and submitted by the various Presbyteries, subject to such changes as shall be presented in writing to the Executive Secretary’s desk by May 15, signed by the Chairperson or Secretary of the Presbyteries concerned, be the Roll of lay members; and that the Roll as thus constituted be now taken as read and further that the Roll be adjusted between now and the convening of the 2009 Annual Meeting of Conference to delete all members of the Order of Ministry who will be transferred out of the Conference, other Ministry Personnel whose appointments end, and all Lay Members who may move out of the Conference or remove their membership from The United Church of Canada, and to add all members of the Order of Ministry who may be transferred into the Conference.”

RE QUORUM AND BOUNDS

“That the quorum for the sessions of Conference be not less than one-fifth (1/5) of those entitled to vote, of whom at least one-third (1/3) shall be members of the Order of Ministry, Designated Lay Ministers (Recognized), Designated Lay Ministers, and at least one-third (1/3) shall be lay persons except those appointed as Designated Lay Ministers (Recognized), Designated Lay Ministers; and that the bounds of Conference be the floor of the place of meeting.”

RE CORRESPONDING MEMBERS

“That members of other Conferences of The United Church of Canada who are now present, or who will be present at any subsequent sessions of this meeting of Conference; the Candidates for Ordination and Commissioning at this meeting of Conference not serving pastoral charges; the active and retired Lay Overseas Personnel; ecumenical delegates and observers; and any other visitors to the Conference sessions; be invited to sit as Corresponding Members of this Court.”

RE AGENDA

“That the programme as printed and distributed be adopted as the Agenda for this meeting of Conference, subject to such changes as may be adopted and such Orders of the Day as may be determined, by the Conference.”

RE MINUTES

“That the Minutes of the eighty-second Annual Meeting of Maritime Conference (Pages 147-186, Record of Proceedings) be adopted as printed and circulated.”

RE REPORTS

“That all reports in this Section 1 of the Reports to the Annual Meeting Conference Book which do not require other action be received for information.”

RE RULES OF DEBATE

“That the time of a mover of the motion be limited to three minutes and that all subsequent speakers limit their time to two minutes, including any reply by the mover of the motion.”

In order to ensure an equal number between the two groups, it is necessary to consider the process whereby the Commissioners are both nominated and elected.

1. Each time an individual is elected their 'status' be it lay or ministry personnel, affects the remaining number of persons to be elected in that category. In 2009 Maritime Conference will need to elect a **President-designate** at the annual meeting. The results of this election will have to be taken into consideration in the overall number of those being elected in that particular 'status'. If the President-designate is ministry personnel, this reduces the number of ministry personnel to be nominated from the floor. Therefore, the President-designate will have to be elected at the beginning of the annual meeting, before any further nominations from the floor.
2. The Maritime Conference will need to elect a **representative to the General Council Executive** in 2009 as well. This will be a member of the Order of Ministry (Manual 423(b)). It is recommended that this election, which is for six (6) years, take place prior to the nominations from the floor for Commissioners. This would allow unsuccessful candidates the opportunity to be nominated for Commissioner should they be so nominated.
3. **Youth Representation:** The 34th General Council in 1992 passed the following motion:

That each Conference elect at least 10% of the General Council commissioners from persons up to age 30, and that at least one of these be age 20 or under.

For Maritime Conference this means that four (4) or five (5) Commissioners are to be in this category. It is possible that there will be nominations for both lay and ministry personnel within this age range. Should the Conference determine that five (5) Youth representatives are to be elected, it is necessary that we know whether they are lay or ministry personnel. This, again, will impact the total numbers of those to be elected from nominations from the floor of the annual meeting. (It may be safe to assume that the nominee in the under 20 age will be lay.)

It has been clarified that the election of a Commissioner under the age of 18 would necessitate the appointment of a named temporary guardian.
4. U.C.W. and U.C.M.: The 'status' of these folk would be known prior to the annual meeting. It is still necessary to add them into the mix for the purposes of tracking how many nominations in each group need to be elected.

**MARITIME CONFERENCE
NOMINATION BIOGRAPHICAL SHEET**

NAME OF NOMINEE: THE REV. IVAN GREGAN

FOR OFFICE OF: GENERAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE REPRESENTATIVE, ORDERED

ADDRESS: 29 MIC MAC DRIVE DARTMOUTH, NOVA SCOTIA B2X 2H4

PRESBYTERY: HALIFAX

PROFESSION: CLERGY, ORDAINED BY MARITIME CONFERENCE 1984

EDUCATION: BA (UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK) 1981
MDIV. (ATLANTIC SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY) 1984

SERVICE IN THE CHURCH:

- (1) LOCAL CHURCH(S)
1984 – 1988 MINISTER AT ST. ANN'S PASTORAL CHARGE, SYDNEY PRESBYTERY
1988 – PRESENT – MINISTER AT PORT WALLIS UNITED CHURCH, HALIFAX PRESBYTERY
- (2) PRESBYTERY(S)
CHAired HALIFAX PRESBYTERY,
SERVED ON GOSPEL, ECUMENISM AND THEOLOGY,
PASTORAL OVERSIGHT,
EDUCATION AND STUDENTS,
NOMINATING COMMITTEE,
PRESBYTERY EXECUTIVE,
INTERIM SUPERVISOR OF VARIOUS CHARGES,
SERVING AS ONE OF THREE PARLIAMENTARIANS IN HALIFAX PRESBYTERY,
AND VARIOUS OTHER FUNCTIONS AS NEEDED.
- (3) CONFERENCE(S)
PRESIDENT OF MARITIME CONFERENCE,
SERVED ON CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE,
CHAired GOSPEL, ECUMENISM AND THEOLOGY COMMITTEE
MEMBER OF THE CONFERENCE REVIEW COMMITTEE,
REPRESENTED MARITIME CONFERENCE TO THE PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD OF THE ATLANTIC PROVINCES,
REPRESENTED MARITIME CONFERENCE TO THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

SPECIAL COMMUNITY SERVICES:

CHAired THE DARTMOUTH MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION,
CHAired CARAS (CHURCH MEMBERS ASSEMBLED TO RESPOND TO AIDS),
MEMBER OF THE ROYAL ORDER OF SCOTLAND,

TAUGHT THE CHILDREN'S PLAY GROUP FOR THE GAELIC SOCIETY,
ORGANIZED AND TAUGHT IN THE AFTER SCHOOL FRENCH PLAY GROUP.

OTHER INFORMATION WHICH YOU FEEL IS RELEVANT TO THE CONFERENCE:

BORN, GREW UP AND EDUCATED IN NORTHERN NEW BRUNSWICK,
SPEAK FRENCH, GAELIC AND ENGLISH,
HAVE TRAVELLED THROUGHOUT THE MARITIMES AND
I AM WELL ACQUAINTED WITH OUR DIVERSE REGIONAL CONCERNS.
ENJOY PARTICIPATING IN THE WORK AT VARIOUS LEVELS OF OUR CHURCH.
WRITTEN ARTICLES FOR THE OBSERVER AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS OF THE CHURCH.
WHILE SERVING AS PRESIDENT OF MARITIME CONFERENCE CO-AUTHORED DAILY
PRAYER RESOURCE, GATHER US IN
FIELD SUPERVISOR FOR THEOLOGY STUDENTS,
MUSIC AND HYMNOLOGY ARE OF SPECIAL INTEREST.
SERVED ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE UNITED CHURCH OBSERVER.
SERVED AS A MEMBER OF UMiF (UNITED MINISTRIES IN FRENCH).
CHAIR-ELECT OF THE PINE HILL DIVINITY HALL BOARD OF GOVERNORS.
SPECIAL INTERESTS INCLUDE CELTIC THEOLOGY AND SPIRITUALITY.
I HAVE DELIVERED SEMINARS AND LECTURES ON THESE TOPICS THROUGHOUT
CANADA
AND CONDUCTED CELTIC WORSHIP SERVICES IN MANY PLACES.

DATE: 2009/03/11

**MARITIME CONFERENCE
NOMINATION BIOGRAPHICAL SHEET**

NAME OF NOMINEE: David Hewitt

FOR OFFICE OF: General Council Executive Rep., Ordered

ADDRESS: 130 Cornwallis Avenue, New Minas, NS, B4N 3M7

PRESBYTERY: Valley

PROFESSION: minister

EDUCATION: High School Honours Diploma (Gr. 13, Stouffville, ON), Bachelor of Mathematics (Waterloo), Master of Religious Education (Emmanuel), Interim Ministry Training, Continuing Education in Congregational Dynamics, Youth Ministry, Young Adult Ministry, Asian Youth Ministry, Relationships with First Nations, Diaconal Ministry, Family Systems Theory, Theological Worlds

SERVICE IN THE CHURCH:

(1) LOCAL CHURCH(S)

Served in ministry at West Hill United Church, Scarborough, ON; Andover-Kincardine Pastoral Charge, NB; Cornwallis Pastoral Charge, NS; New Minas United Church, NS. Local ministry has included education for all ages, administrative positions, worship leadership, and outreach. Local ministry has also included Council of Churches, Ministerial, Community Development Association, Cemetery Board, coaching basketball, volleyball.

(2) PRESBYTERY(S)

Toronto Scarborough (Mission in Canada Chair), Vancouver Burrard and Vancouver South (serving as Staff for Youth and Young Adult Ministry), Woolastook (Christian Development Chair, Congregational Life Chair, Camp Board Chair), South Shore (Communications and Archives Chair, Presbytery Secretary), Valley (Pastoral Relations Chair, Long Range Planning Chair, Parliamentarian, Settlement)

(3) CONFERENCE(S)

Toronto (Youth Committee Chair), British Columbia (BC Youth Conference Chair), Maritime (Christian Development Chair, Ministry Personnel and Education Committee, Finance and Property Unit, Annual Meeting Planning Committee, Conference Executive, leader in Ministry in Changing Times, leader of Berwick Camp youth program, Conference Committee Review (current).

(4) GENERAL COUNCIL

Chair of Local Arrangements for the 38th General Council, member of Judicial Committee (current), member of Agenda and Planning GC38, member of Young Adult sub-committee, consultant for Men's Ministry Study Project, consultant for Youth Ministry Leadership Training, member of the Moderator's Arnprior Assembly, facilitator at Kairos 1985, facilitator at Youth Forum 1986 and 1988, delegate to Youth Forum 1980.

(5) OTHER

United Church Formation Director at Atlantic School of Theology (1996 to 2008)

SPECIAL COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Canning and Area Community Development Association, Burnaby Youth Detention Centre Citizen Advisory Committee, Lunenburg Academy Playground Development Committee, Northeast Kings Band Trip Chaperone

Date: March 30, 2009