

**Prairie to Pine Executive Minutes
June 3, 2021 via Zoom**

Present	Pat Bird (Co-chair), Diane Dwarka (Co-chair), Erica Wiebe (Co-chair Elect), Valerie Beckingham (Treasurer), Julia Antonyshyn (YAAY), Marissa Smirl (YAAY), Barbara Brown, M Chorney, Joey Dearborn, Craig Miller. A quorum was present.
Corresponding Members	Ken Thomas (Chair, Property Commission), Betty Kelly (Chair, Nominating Committee), Donald Schau (Committee on Lay Ministry Support), Ken DeLisle (Equity and Diversity Committee), Lynne Sanderson (Committee on Community of Faith Support).
Regrets	James DeBeer, Grant Queskekapow.
Staff Present	Shannon McCarthy (Executive Minister), Judy Hare (Pastoral Relations Minister), Heather Dootoff (Finance Administrator), Jamie Mckay (Executive Assistant & Recording Secretary).
Call to Order	Diane Dwarka opened the meeting at 4:00 PM.
Treaty Land Acknowledgement	Pat Bird read the following Treaty Land Acknowledgement for Prairie to Pine Regional Council, developed by the Equity & Diversity Committee: <i>“Creator. Eternal Spirit. God of all. We gather tonight on your land. We gather on land some called Turtle Island and others call Canada. We acknowledge that the lands of the Prairie to Pine people are covered by Treaties 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 9. These are the traditional lands of many indigenous peoples, including Anishinaabe, Ojibway, Cree, Oji- Cree, Saulteaux, Dakota, Swampy Cree, Muskegoik, Dene, and the Metis nation. We acknowledge that as settler people, we have not lived up to the promises of the Treaties with respect to the people or the land. We wish to do better, and particularly in the Prairie to Pine region, we aim to be part of the reconciliation efforts.”</i>
Opening Worship	Pat Bird lead us in worship.
Installation of the 2021/2022 PPRC Executive	Shannon McCarthy and Diane Dwarka installed the new 2021/2022 Prairie to Pine Regional Council Executive.
Guiding Principles	Diane Dwarka talked about the guiding principles we follow during our meetings. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We are striving to become an intercultural and anti-racist church.• We use a consensus decision-making model.• We listen, have patience, and respect each other.
Check-In	We checked in by introducing ourselves and shared our hopes for the upcoming year.

- Agenda** We reviewed the agenda.
- 01-2021/2022** **It was agreed by consensus:
That Prairie to Pine Regional Council Executive approve the agenda as distributed.**
- Approval of Minutes** We will review the minutes from May 6, 2021 at the next meeting.
- BUSINESS ARISING**
- Review of Annual Meeting** We shared thoughts and feedback on the 3rd annual regional meeting.
- There was high praise for the M&S fundraiser for its format and energy. The fundraiser raised over \$8000.
- The presentation by Gloria Cook was powerful. There has been interest in making the presentation available for use in other meetings but we want to figure out a way to track who is using the presentation and for what purpose.
- All the worship reflected the attributes we talked about in deepening our understanding for intercultural ministry.
- We were able to read the write-ups of the retirees but we missed hearing the them speak.
- Correspondence**
- Letter from John Longhurst
- We discussed correspondence from John Longhurst, a freelance faith page columnist/reporter at the Winnipeg Free Press.
- Prairie to Pine Regional Council can become a supporter of the Religion in the News project at the Winnipeg Free Press for a minimum of \$250 a year. Supporting groups get to place a representative on the Advisory Group, which meets twice a year, and will be recognized on the Winnipeg Free Press website.
- 02 – 2021/2022** **It was agreed by consensus:
That Prairie to Pine Regional Council Executive will contribute \$250 in 2021 to support the Religion in the News Project at the Winnipeg Free Press, and create a line in the budget, to be reviewed annually.**
- REPORTS**
- Finance** The 2022 Draft Budget documents were presented for information.
- Valerie Beckingham reported on the 'Prairie to Pine Regional Council 2022 Draft Budget – May 31, 2021' (Appendix A) and 'Governance Committee and Structure Details 2022 Budget' (Appendix B).

Figures that are highlighted in a gray represent pieces that need more information before the budget is approved.

Committees need to submit their 2022 budgets by the end of September.

Structure document The Prairie to Pine Structure document (Draft November 2019) was provided for information.

Executive Minister's Report General Council is working on making a statement and providing information regarding the discovery of the unmarked graves at the former residential school in Kamloops. We're working with Indigenous Ministries and Justice on making sure that that meets the needs of Indigenous members of the United Church and honours our work of reconciliation and justice.

Tri-regional staff are quite busy as they are in middle of regional meetings.

Incorporated Ministries

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**It was agreed by consensus:
That Prairie to Pine Regional Council take the following action:**

a) Rock Lake Camp

...approve Rock Lake Camp 2020-2021 Board of Directors

- **David Manning**
- **Valerie Mikolasek**
- **Michelle Funk**
- **Cathy Bellentine**
- **Elaine Trefiak**
- **Bonnie Robbins**
- **Jan Martens**

PASTORAL RELATIONS Judy Hare reported.

Committees are busy with renewal of appointments, renewals of licenses for Sacraments Elders, and reports from pastoral charge supervisors.

The admission service for Christopher St. George Davis has been shifted to September 12th in the hopes that restrictions will have changed by then to allow larger groups to gather. Celebration services still need to be held for Sam Ross and Elenor Thompson. There is an ordinand from this region and once their provisional call is in place, a date for their Ordination service will be set.

Nominations Committee

Betty Kelly shared a statistic on the gender balance percentage at the last regional meeting. Of the 189 participants signed on to the regional meeting, 39 were identified as male gender, or 20.6% of participants. This gender balance was closely reflected in

the slate of General Council 43 Commissioners, which was 21.4%. The Prairie to Pine Executive has a balance of 40% when considering the corresponding members.

These statistics are a symbol of the changing and shifting demographic but we can still keep thinking about what we can do to help shift the balance back to somewhere in the middle.

Justice & Communications

We will hear an update from Justice and Communications at a future meeting.

Co-Chairs Report

Diane Dwarka and Pat Bird will be attending the 1JustCity annual general meeting on June 6th and a meeting being held by The Moderator on June 16th. Pat will also be attending the Little Britain United Church Affirming service on June 6th.

Annual Meeting Planning Committee

We will hear a report from the Annual Meeting Planning Committee at a future meeting.

Next Meeting(s)

The Executive agreed to meet on the first Thursday of each month at 4:00 PM with the next meeting dates:

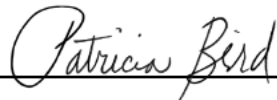
- September 2, 2021

Closing Prayer

Diane Dwarka said a prayer to close the meeting.

Adjournment

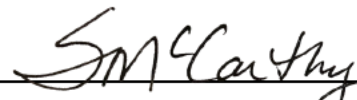
Diane Dwarka adjourned the meeting at 5:45 PM.



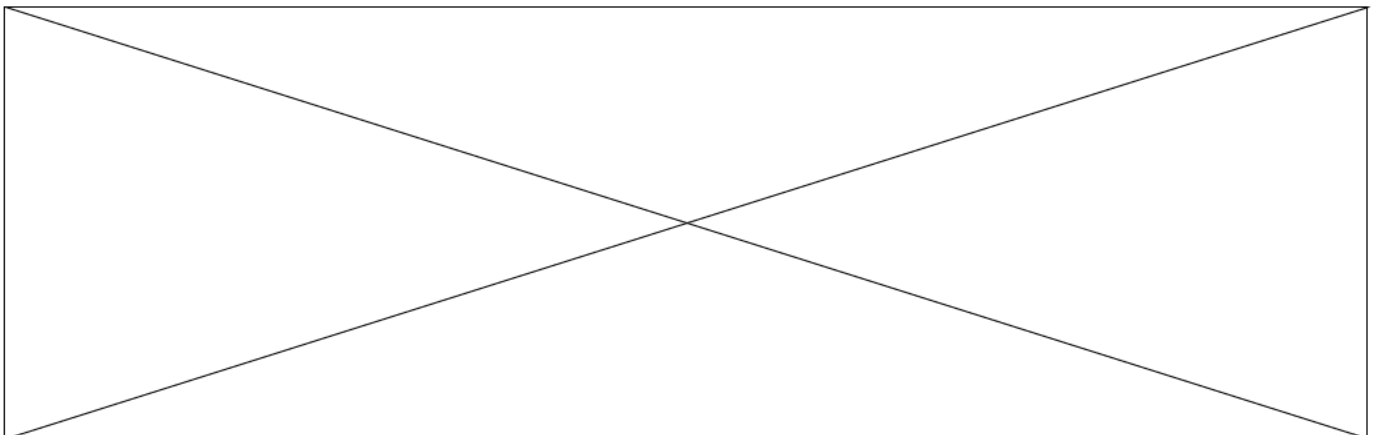
Patricia Bird, Co-Chair



Diane Dwarka, Co-Chair



Shannon McCarthy, Executive Minister



PRAIRIE TO PINE REGIONAL COUNCIL
 2022 Draft Budget May 31, 2021

	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	2021 Projected	2022 Budget	
GOVERNANCE							
	31-May-21						
Grants:							
Governance and shared services (from assessments)	325,000	325,000	325,000	75,667	325,000	325,000	
Shared staff grant, governance	67,000	67,000	67,000	16,750	67,000	67,000	
Total grants	392,000	392,000	392,000	92,417	392,000	392,000	
Other income Governance	15,392	44,794	20,000	13,276	20,000	20,000	
TOTAL GOVERNANCE INCOME	407,392	436,794	412,000	105,693	412,000	412,000	
Expenses: Governance							
Office Expenses							
Office rent/maintenance	32,591	47,419	42,000	18,376	44,102.40	44,000	2022 tbd
Caretaker	10,664	10,248	11,500	4,996	11,991	11,000	2022 tbd
Office costs (supplies, phone, wifi etc,)	13,408	13,027	12,000	2,893	11,572	12,000	
Shared services General Council	11,996	9,383	11,505	2,443	11,000	11,000	
Website	4,281	1,128	1,000	1,006	1,050	1,050	
Archive Costs	3,911	5,568	4,500	2,743	5,486	6,000	
Audit	5,037	10,475	10,330	6,094	11,000	12,000	(includes CDI audit)
Discretionary fund	821						
	82,709	97,248	92,835	38,551	96,201	97,050	
Shared staff costs							
Shared EM, Asst and Finance Staff	82,334	88,089	90,027	22,874	91,496	92,000	need 2022 COL
Shared staff office (office space, other office costs)	9,663	10,074	12,500	3,258	11,000	11,000	
Shared staff travel	6,329	1,119	7,000	-	7,000	7,000	
	98,326	99,281	109,527	26,132	109,496	110,000	
Staffing							
Regional staff - Governance	153,773	162,744	166,324	41,291	165,164	166,000	need 2022 COL
Staffing related costs	7,325	1,565	8,000	25	5,000	8,000	
	161,098	164,309	174,324	41,316	170,164	174,000	
Governance: committee and structure							
Regional gathering	33,893	8,862	35,000	6,173	7,500	35,000	
All other Governance costs	15,191	4,239	30,630	512	20,000	30,630	need budgets
	49,084	13,102	65,630	6,685	27,500	65,630	
TOTAL GOVERNANCE COSTS	391,217	373,940	442,316	112,684	403,361	446,680	
Amortization (not reported monthly)	20,779	19,947	20,780		20,780	20,780	
NET INCOME (LOSS) GOVERNANCE	(4,604)	42,907	(51,096)	(6,991)	(12,141)	(55,460)	
MISSION AND MINISTRY							
Grants							
Other income Mission and Ministry (mostly donations)	37,982	99,745	10,000	34	10,000	10,000	
TOTAL MISSION AND MINISTRY INCOME	326,982	388,745	250,000	108,094	250,000	250,000	
Expenses Mission and Ministry							
Salaries and benefits	90,208	128,667	135,000	33,810	135,240	135,240	
Mission support grants	127,100	128,000	126,000	74,250	126,000	126,000	
Affirm membership	-	2,100	1,000		1,000	1,000	
Clusters and events	17,474	4,167	16,600	587	10,000	16,600	
Other		1,305					
Mission and Ministry committee costs	295	144	5,000	569	5,000	5,000	need budgets
TOTAL MISSION AND MINISTRY COSTS	235,077	264,382	283,600	109,216	277,240	283,840	
NET INCOME (LOSS) MISSION AND MINISTRY	91,905	124,363	(33,600)	(1,122)	(27,240)	(33,840)	
RESTRICTED FUNDS							
Restricted Fund Income	54,325	46,933		525	525		
Restricted Fund Expenses	-	39,384	(3,168)	-	-		
NET INCOME RESTRICTED FUNDS	14,941	43,766	-	525	525		
NET INCOME (LOSS) ALL FUNDS	102,242	211,036	(84,696)	(7,588)	(38,856)	(89,300)	

Governance Committee and Structure Details				
2022 BUDGET	2020	2021	2021	2022
	Actual	Budget	at April 8	Budget
From Governance budget				
Committee on Lay Leadership Support- see Schedule 1	\$ 459	\$ 6,840		
Committee on Ministry Personnel Support - see Schedule 2	231	4,900		
Pastoral Relations Commission - see Schedule 3	1,448	9,650		
Committee of Faith Support - see Schedule 4*	311	2,370	48	
Property Commission	6			
Nomnating Committee - no budget request 2020 or 2021	16			
Regional Commission	-	5,000		
Annual meeting planning committee	130	1,600		
Archives***	-	3,000		
	\$ 2,599	\$ 33,360	\$ 48	\$ -
From Ministry and Mission budget				
Committee on Communy of Faith Support events	\$ -	\$ 4,000		
Equity and Diversity Committee		\$ 600		
YAAY events	1,148	4,000		
YAAY planning		650		
Zeebu (net)**	29	-	437	
Other (annual meeting)	749	7,350		
	\$ 1,925	\$ 16,600	\$ 437	\$ -
*Committee of Faith Support budget: 2,370 from Governance, 4,000 from M&M in 2021 budget, \$8,000 in 2020 budget				
** Zeebu 2020 Revenue \$2,821.06, Expense \$2,849.92				
***Archive Fund had net revenue of \$43,510.87 in 2020				
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