

## Background:

Having held an information and conversation session via Zoom on January 29, 2022 attended by over 180 people from over 80 Communities of Faith/Pastoral Charges on the need for greater collaboration between communities of faith and pastoral charges in order to carry on the mission and ministry of the United Church of Canada in this Regional Council;

Having discussed some of the possible next steps to promote the exploration of collaborative arrangements of various kinds especially when communities of faith/pastoral charges are without paid accountable ministry and are seeking new ministry leadership,

The Pastoral Relations Commission of Prairie to Pine Regional Council at its meeting on February 08, 2022 (**MOTION 2021-2022 # 19**) approved the following addition to the profile and search policy and processes within Prairie to Pine Regional Council and seeks the support and approval of the Executive of Prairie to Pine Regional Council for this addition effective immediately:

### **Policy on the consideration of Collaborative Ministry within Prairie to Pine Regional Council**

That communities of faith in a Profile or Search process presently or in the future, considering less than a full-time ministry position, be required to engage in conversations regarding possible collaborative ministry arrangements. These conversations could be with neighbouring United Church of Canada communities of faith or with ecumenical partners, and they must take place prior to submitting Profiles or Records of Appointment or Call for any part-time ministry position to the Pastoral Relations Commission of the Prairie to Pine Regional Council of the United Church of Canada for approval.

*The motion was passed by the Executive of Prairie to Pine Regional Council on March 03, 2022*