

**Prairie to Pine Regional Council
Pastoral Relations Commission
Motions (September 10, 2024)**

Meeting Date	Motion #	Motion
September 10/24	2024-2025/ #4 (A-E)	<p>Take the following actions:</p> <p>A. Minutes of the Prairie to Pine Pastoral Relations Commission- August 13, 2024 That the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Prairie to Pine Regional Pastoral Relations Commission on August 13, 2024 be approved as circulated.</p> <p>B. Request for approval of Ministry Sharing agreement between Warren Meadow Lea Pastoral Charge and Balmoral United Church related to Mary Best Having received from Warren-Meadow Lea Pastoral Charge and Balmoral United Church an agreement, the details of which were jointly prepared at a meeting held on August 22, 2024, noting initial discussions and approval in principle were part of a meeting of the Warren-Meadow Lea Pastoral Charge Board on June 6, 2024, and the Balmoral United Church Board on June 18, 2024;</p> <p>That the Pastoral Relations Commission of Prairie to Pine Regional Council approve the agreement between Balmoral United Church and Warren-Meadow Lea Pastoral Charge related to sharing ministry personnel (Mary Best) between now and December 31, 2024, including the following arrangements outlined below to facilitate this sharing:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A shift in worship times has been approved by both parties. Balmoral will worship at 9:15 am and Warren-Meadow Lea at 10:45 am. 2. Worship in Warren-Meadow Lea will continue in the current pattern of alternating between the two church buildings. 3. Worship in the Balmoral Church will take place twice per month. 4. The Zoom link for weekly worship services will be shared with all congregations through email along with a copy of the weekly worship service. 5. Worship dates and times for any Christmas Services to be determined with conversations between the worship planning teams in both congregations. 6. The Treasurer of Balmoral United Church would be responsible for payment of the pulpit supply rate and mileage at the current General Council rate of 55 cents per kilometre related to Balmoral services to the treasurer at Warren-Meadow Lea. The \$ 247.00 per Sunday income will be treated as “commissions” for reporting purposes.

7. The members of Balmoral United Church will be responsible for the pastoral care of its members.
8. Any requests for funerals from the Balmoral will be made directly to the minister.
9. Mary Best will continue to serve as the Pastoral Charge Supervisor for Teulon -Balmoral Pastoral Charge appointed by the Pastoral Relations Commission of Prairie to Pine Regional Council for Teulon -Balmoral Pastoral Charge during this time period and as such will provide governance support on a non-stipendary basis, as per the Regional Council policy.
10. Evaluation of this Shared Ministry Agreement will take place in early November with a decision about future arrangements before the December meeting of the Prairie to Pine Pastoral Relations Commission.

And with the understanding that this ministry-sharing arrangement would not be renewed unless or until movement toward a more permanent arrangement (part-time appointment as part of collaborative ministry agreement; amalgamation or re-alignment) between the parties is approved by the Communities of Faith as a whole.

C. Request for approval of Ministry Sharing agreement between John Black Memorial United Church and Immanuel United Church, Winnipeg related to Paul Duval

Having previously approved a Collaborative Ministry arrangement between John Black Memorial United Church and Immanuel United Church, Winnipeg effective January 1, 2025, including the mutually agreed upon ending of the current pastoral relationship at John Black Memorial United Church effective November 15, 2024;

Having been aware that the current Ministry Personnel from John Black Memorial United Church, Laurie Howard has been on medically approved absence since May 11, 2024, with an anticipated return to ministry before that ends on November 10, 2024;

Being aware that Immanuel United Church is currently in a full-time supply ministry appointment with the Reverend Paul Duval until December 31, 2024, and that both Communities of Faith are actively involved in a Search process for the Collaborative Ministry position they share; AND

Having received a request from John Black Memorial United Church to consider a ministry-sharing agreement between John Black Memorial United Church and Immanuel United Church involving Paul Duval that has been approved by the governing body of John Black Memorial United Church on September 02, 2024, and the governing body of Immanuel United Church on September 05, 2024;

That the Pastoral Relations Commission of Prairie to Pine Regional Council approves a **ministry-sharing agreement between John**

Black Memorial United Church and Immanuel United Church from September 15, 2024, to December 31, 2024, including the following details:

1. Rev. Paul Duval, currently in an FTE Ministry appointment at Immanuel United Church, Winnipeg will conduct services of worship alternately at John Black Memorial United Church or Immanuel United Church, beginning at John Black MUC from September 22, 2024, to December 31, 2024. All services will begin at 10:45 a.m.
2. John Black MUC will contribute \$253.70 weekly to the cost of the worship portion of the salary agreement presently in place with Rev. Duval. Worship is listed as requiring 35% of Rev. Duval's professional time. John Black MUC will reimburse Immanuel on a monthly basis.
3. The Pastoral Care team at John Black MUC will continue to meet and support the congregation independently. When clergy is required, the network of clergy who agreed to support John Black MUC over the summer months will be approached for assistance. This network includes Rev. Duval.
4. The Leadership Team at John Black MUC will continue to meet with the support of the Pastoral Charge Supervisor appointed by the Pastoral Relations Commission of Prairie to Pine Regional Council, currently Rev. Sherri McConnell.
5. Music accompaniment will be provided by both the pianist at John Black MUC and the organist at Immanuel. The joint worship team has been in discussion with both and a plan is in place.
6. Lay leaders will support worship as has been the practice at both churches.
7. Supporting worship materials will be created by the administrator of the church at which the service is being conducted.
8. Offering money will go to the particular Community of Faith as directed by the giver. Offering plates for each community of faith are in place at both churches for all services.

With the understanding that this agreement will not be renewed as is beyond the current time period, but other requests may be considered.

D. Request for a change in Pastoral Relations from Heather Sandilands

Having received a written request dated September 08, 2024, that the Pastoral Relations Commission of Prairie to Pine Regional Council approve the **request for a change in pastoral relations from Heather Sandilands at Cornerstone Pastoral Charge effective April 30, 2025.**

		<p>E. Ratification of the appointment of Reverend Jeff Gatdula by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) to Broadway Disciples United Church, Winnipeg</p> <p>That Pastoral Relations Commission of Prairie to Pine Regional Council having received correspondence from Reverend Jean-Daniel O' Donncada, Regional Minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Canada dated September 10, 2024, ratifies the Call of the Reverend Jeff Gatdula to the Ecumenical Shared Ministry at Broadway Disciples United Church, Winnipeg effective July 09, 2024, as per immigration documents noting that he has been authorized to work in the disciples of Christ in a status comparable to an admissions candidate in the United Church. The Disciples of Christ assume responsibility for clergy oversight and discipline while acknowledging that in a shared ministry, he must meet the standards of both traditions and acknowledge the presence of Rev. Bill Millar as United Church Mentor/Pastoral Charge Supervisor.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>
	<p>2024-2025/ #5</p>	<p>Pastoral Relations Commission's Budget request for 2025</p> <p>That the budget request for the Pastoral Relations Commission for 2025 be \$ 4,000.00</p> <p>Including the following:</p> <p>Pastoral Relations Commission Meetings (two face-to-face)</p> <p>Liaison Expenses (attending meetings and/or Covenanting Services and/or training sessions)</p> <p>And possible Newcomer's Event</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>