Minutes of Prairie to Pine Regional Council
Zoom
November 13, 2025

OPENING & WELCOME

Doug Neufeld called us to order at 6:01 pm for worship, study, companionship and such business that should properly come before us.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TREATY TERRITORY

Dawn Rolke led us in our land acknowledgement.

Shannon McCarthy introduced the rules of order, introduced the staff, committee members and special guests.

PROCEDURAL/ ENABLING MOTIONS 001-2025

That Prairie to Pine Executive approve the following Enabling Motions #1-9 for this Regional Council meeting:

1. **Roll of Regional Council:** that the Roll of the Regional Council for the purposes of the 7th Annual Regional Council meeting be:
   i. the members of the Order of Ministry within the bounds served by the regional council; and
   ii. Other ministry personnel in a covenantal relationship with a community of faith within the bounds of the regional council
   iii. lay members of the regional council are members of the United Church who are not ministry personnel and who are elected by communities of faith. (Manual 2025, C.1.1 and C.1.2)
   iv. members-at-large, lay members within the Regional Council who have been appointed members as necessary for the work of the Regional Council by the Regional Council Executive and who have not been elected by their community of faith.
2. **Corresponding Members:** that all invited guests, registered visitors, and staff be corresponding members of this regional council meeting, with voice but not vote.
3. **The Bounds of the Council:** that the Bounds of the Regional Council meeting be the virtual meeting room and the telephone connections to that meeting space.
4. **Minimum Number of Members at Meetings:** that the regional council may meet only if a minimum number of members is present. If there are 60 or more members, at least 20 members must be present; and there must be at least one ministry personnel and one lay member who is not ministry personnel present. Corresponding members are not counted for this purpose. (Manual 2025; C.4.3)
5. **Limits to Debate:** that without the permission of the Council, no member shall speak more than once on any proposal or amendment; and that speeches be limited to two minutes per person on each proposal, except at the discretion of the Chair.
6. **Minutes**: that the Minutes of the 6th Annual Meeting of the Prairie to Pine

Regional Council be approved as distributed in the online workbook.

7. **Reports:** that the verbal and written reports be accepted as presented.
8. **Proposals:** that proposals that are received and edited prior to the Docket deadline with be included in the Docket. Proposals that have not been received and edited prior to the Docket deadline will be referred to the Executive for decision-making.
9. **Budget Implications:** All motions having significant budget implications for the Region (defined as $2000 or over) shall be considered "in principle only" and, if adopted, be referred to the Executive for consideration within adopted budgetary constraints.

Moved: Shannon McCarthy **Seconded:** Tricia Gerhard

CARRIED

OPENING WORSHIP Noel Suministrado led us in opening worship.

NOMINATIONS Lynn Sanderson reported. The slate is provided in the workbook and has already been approved by the Executive. However, there are a few errors that need to be mentioned:

- Tricia Gerhard is our new Chair Elect – Executive
- Teresa Melnychuk (Nominations)
- Susan Weppler (Equity and Diversity)

TOWARD 2035 PRESENTATION Jordan Cantwell and Cam Fraser presented us with information regarding Toward 2035.

STEWARDSHIP/ FOUNDATION Vicki Nelson presented information about stewardship and the foundation.

GC45 OVERVIEW Emma Seamone led us in a brief overview of General Council and the business process. Tricia Gerhard talked about the apology that was presented to the 2SLGBTQIA+ Community. Shannon updated us on the Indigenous Church.

CLOSING WORSHIP Noel Suministrado led us in closing worship.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.