



**MNO SYNOD
EXECUTIVE MINUTES
Thursday, February 23rd, 2017
Synod Office**

PARTICIPANTS:

Bishop:	Elaine Sauer
Chair:	Heather Howdle
Treasurer:	Neil Miller
Secretary:	Carol Janke

1. Bishop Elaine led us in opening devotions.
2. The agenda was approved as amended.
3. We welcomed our new Treasurer Neil Miller.

MSC EX Feb 17 – 1 that Neil Miller be appointed as Treasurer of the MNO Synod effective immediately, for a term to expire June 30, 2018.

4. Reports

3.1 Bishop: An extensive written report was provided. Bishop Elaine requested that a Synod Council e-meeting be called. This is to consider a *Call to Special Service* for Rev. Richard Engel as regional pastor to Brokenhead Shared Ministry.

3.2 Secretary: the following roster changes were noted:

MSC EX Feb 17 – 2 that Mark Tiefenbach be moved from On Leave From Call to retired effective immediately.

MSC EX Feb 17 – 3 that Cam Harder, be moved from LTS, Saskatoon to retired effective August 1, 2017

MSC EX Feb 17 – 4 that Paul Sartison be moved from the Saskatchewan Synod to Epiphany Lutheran

**Church, Winnipeg, MB, effective February
1st, 2017**

- 3.3 Treasurer: We reviewed the year end un-audited statements and noted there was less of a deficit than expected. An audit is scheduled for April, 2017 following Debbie Beyer's return.

5. Items for Discussion / Decision

- 5.1 Synod Council Reps: There is a need for council representatives from Brokenhead and Westman. Diana Fosty from Brokenhead has agreed to serve. There is still no candidate from Westman.

**MSC EX Feb 17 – 5 that Diana Fosty be appointed to MNO
Synod Council effective immediately with a
term to expire June 30, 2018**

5.2

a) Bylaws and Constitution: The NCC 'suggested amendments to by-laws and constitutional [grammatical in nature] will be looked over by the Governance Committee.

b) National Convention:

**MSC EX Feb 17 – 6 that we appoint Rev. Chris Bishopp as the
delegate for the National Convention,
Electoral Region 4. Should he decline the
alternate will be taken from the election
results of the Rostered Delegates at Large.**

**MSC EX Feb 17 – 7 That Rev. Erik Parker be appointed as the
delegate for the National Convention
Electoral Region 2.**

c) Synod Convention Procedure Manual: Draft #1 has been submitted for Synod Executive review and for feedback to the Governance Committee.

5.3 April Council meeting

- a) Date: April 20 – 21, 2017 at the Synod Office Board Room
- b) Agenda: Items were reviewed for inclusion
- c) Jeff Pym from the Eastern Synod Foundation Investment Fund will attend our meeting and provide information on how the foundation is doing.

5.4 Confidentiality Covenant; We will follow up with the administration assistant to ensure all council members have submitted these forms.

6. In Camera Session

7. Date for Next Meeting: **April 20th at 4:30 at Boston Pizza, 2729 Pembina Hwy.**

6. We adjourned the meeting at 5 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Janke, Secretary