November 4, 2023 Woodroffe United Church Ottawa, ON,

## **FALL GENERAL MEETING**

November 4<sup>th</sup> 2023

### **Opening Motion**

**2023-11-04\_001 OMNIBUS MOTION** (E. Hebert-Daly/S. DeHaan) that the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council move the following:

- 1. That the agenda be adopted as circulated;
- 2. That the minutes of the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council Spring General Meeting (May 26-27, 2023) be accepted as circulated, see **Appendix A**;
- 3. That the Equity Support Person for this general meeting be Rev. Michelle Robichaud;
- 4. That the Scrutineers/Stewards for this meeting be: Wayne Harris (Head Steward), Norma Wrightly, Rev. Grant Stuckless, Rev, Carolyn Insley, Helen Barkley (morning portion), Alan Hebert (afternoon portion);
- 5. That the Parliamentarians for this meeting be: Rev. Grant Dillenbeck and Rev. Kimberly Heath;
- 6. That the following person serve as Chaplain for this meeting: Rev. Jennifer (Jen) Power;
- 7. That this meeting includes the behavioral covenant Holy Manners

One Voice: Called together by Christ as a community of broken but hopeful believers, striving to be faithful servants of God in our time and place as we offer our varying gifts,

Many Voices: We commit to keeping God at the center of everything we do;

One Voice: We confess, that we have not always lived up our vision of community, we need the Spirit to reorient us, to live an emerging faith, challenging us to live by grace rather than entitlement,

Many Voices: We commit to be truthful in our communications by: speaking for ourselves; and speaking purposefully;

One Voice: We are called as a diverse community of people celebrating our differences;

Many Voices: And so, we commit to honouring our intercultural vision through welcoming the conflict of ideas; making space for the full and equitable participation of all, enabling especially people who are quiet to speak; being mindful of our body language; listening carefully without interruption and separate people from problems;

One Voice: We are called to be bold disciples,

Many Voices: As we live into our call to discipleship we will hold one another to account when we do not keep to our commitments; We will take a future orientation in our discussions and imagination; demonstrate appreciation; And honouring the decisions of the body;

One Voice: We are called to lead in hope with purpose and vision as members of a community held and inspired by God, partnering with God in the mending of the world

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Many Voices: So, we commit to keeping the discussion at the table and to be faithful stewards of our time.

All: We affirm that we are Called by God, as disciples of Jesus, to offer leadership to The United Church of Canada as it seeks to be a bold, connected, evolving church of diverse, courageous, hope-filled communities united in deep spirituality, inspiring worship, and daring justice. Amen

In the 2023 Manual (see page 192), the expression Holy Manners is translated as rules of conduct based on respect and benevolence.

## <u>Setting Our Sights (SOS) – Strategic Plan</u>

- See SOS Final Report as Appendix B

**2023-11-04\_002 MOTION** (P. Dillman/M. Royal-Duczek) that the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council adopt the "Setting Our Sights" report as the strategic plan for work of the regional council for the years 2024 and 2025.

**2023-11-04\_003 MOTION** (P. Dillman/M. Royal-Duczek) that the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council disband the Setting Our Sights Working Group.

### Financial Report & Proposed 2024 Budget

- See Financial Report as Appendix D<sup>1</sup>
- See *Financial Report (extended version)* and 2024 Budget to be circulated immediately prior to presentation as **Appendix D**<sup>2</sup>

**2023-11-04\_004 MOTION** (Brian Cornelius/) that the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council adopt the proposed Budget framework.

#### **Closing Motions**

**2023-11-04\_005 MOTION** (S. DeHaan/E. Hebert-Daly) that following the rise of this Fall General Meeting of the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council, all powers of the Regional Council be granted to the Executive until the Spring General Meeting (date and location to be determined).

**2023-11-04\_006 MOTION** (S. DeHaan/E. Hebert-Daly) that the meeting be adjourned at the conclusion of the closing worship and that the President declares this Fall General Meeting of the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council duly concluded.

# **Appendices**

\*All appendices are available on the EOORC website: https://eoorc.ca/2023-eoorc-fall-meeting/

Appendix A	Minutes of the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council Spring General
	Meeting (May 26-27, 2023)
Appendix B	Setting Our Sights (SOS) Final Report – Strategic Plan
Appendix C	General Council Executive Summary, September 22 – 23, 2023
Appendix D <sup>1</sup>	Financial Report
Appendix D <sup>2</sup>	Financial Report (extended version) and 2024 Budget