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**SPRING ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING****Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025****-DECISIONS-****Omnibus Motion****2025-06-14\_001 OMNIBUS MOTION** (E. Hebert-Daly/S. Hutton) 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 Fall General Meeting (held on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024) be received and approved as circulated – see **Appendix A**;
3. That the *2025 EOORC Report Book* be received and approved as circulate – see **Appendix B**;
4. That the *EOORC Governance Handbook June 2025* and the *Reference Document Updates to the EOORC Governance Handbook June 2025* be received as circulate – see **Appendices C<sup>1</sup> and C<sup>2</sup>**;
5. That the Equity Support Person for this meeting be Liz Church;
6. That the Scrutineers/Stewards for this meeting be: Wayne Harris, Head Stewards; and team (Kimberly Lavoie, Alan Herbert, Patricia Power, Larry Richardson, Takouhi Demirdjian-Petro, Ron Bulmer, Phyllis MacRae, Paul Bullock, Liz Church, Julie Pauling, Carla Van Delen, Ted Brett, Susan Hutton and Carolle Dallas-Arbuckle);
7. That the parliamentarian for this meeting be: Rev. Don Stiles;
8. That the following people serve as Chaplain for this meeting: Rev. Lorrie Lowes;
9. That this meeting includes the behavioral covenant and virtual 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,

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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

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.*

Virtual Manner

Use the Chat feature of Zoom appropriately:

-understanding that speaking in Public Chat is equivalent to speaking out loud in a meeting and is disruptive and rude and should be directed to the Chair of the meeting and used for Points of Order and/ or matters of personal privilege;

-responding in Chat when invited to do so by the Chair;

-using direct messaging when desiring or needed to engage with another

Use of transcription not for use outside of the meeting/event.

## **CARRIED**

### **Finance**

**2025-06-14\_002 MOTION** (Brian Cornelius/Teresa Burnett-Cole) that the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council receive the Financial Report for information. **CARRIED**

**2025-06-14\_003 MOTION** (Brian Cornelius/Charles Barrett) that the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council formally receive and accept the 2024 Financial Statement for Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council – see **Appendix D<sup>1</sup>**; **CARRIED**

**2025-06-14\_004 MOTION** (Brian Cornelius/Teresa Burnett-Cole) that the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council direct its Executive to appoint an Internal Independent Review Committee to review and produce the 2025 Financial Statements for circulation. **CARRIED**

**2025-06-14\_005 MOTION** (Brian Cornelius/Shelly Roberts) that the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council confirm the 2025 budget of the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council which was approved by the Executive – see **Appendix D<sup>2</sup>; CARRIED**

### **Nominations**

**2025-06-14\_006** (Sue Hutton/Norma Wrightly) that the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council receive and approve the recommendation from the Nominations Leadership Team to name the following people to serve on the Executive:

### **EOORC Executive**

(L) – Lay member; (MP) Ministry Personnel

1. President –Susan DeHaan (MP) (2026)
2. Past-President – Sue Hutton (MP) (2026)
3. President-Elect – Rev. Cindy Casey (MP)
4. Indigenous Community Representation – Rev. Nancy Best (MP)

Members at large:

5. Cathy Ryan (L) (2026) second term
6. Rev. Erin McIntyre (MP) (2026) first term
7. Liz Church (L) (2027) second term
8. Nancy Hazen (L) (2025) second term
9. Sue Smarkala (L) (2027) First term
10. David Debenham (L) (2028) First term
11. Frank Emanuel (Candidate) (2028) First term
12. Julee Pauling (Candidate) (2028) First term
13. Rousseau Whiteley (Youth) (2028) First term

**Full member:** Rev. Éric Hébert-Daly (Regional Council Executive Minister)

**Corresponding Members:** Joel Miller (Assistant to RCEM and Secretary of Region), Rev. Natalie Matkovsky (Communications Assistant), Dana Ducette (Youth), vacant (Visioning, Clusters & Networks), Rev. Whit Strong (Pastoral Relations), Rev. Caroline Penhale (Office of Vocation, Candidacy Pathways), Rev. Brian Cornelius (Treasurer), Nikki Nel (Camp Awesome Director), and Rev. Mary Royal-Duczek (Community of Faith & Network Support).

**CARRIED**

*\*For information*

### **Leadership Teams**

1. ***Nominations:*** Sue Hutton, DLM, (Chair), Jim Allen, Rev. Susan DeHaan – as President, Rev. Takouhi Demirdjian-Petro, Bronwen Harman, Karen McLean, Rev. Michelle Robichaud, Paul Whiteley (Resource: Rev. Éric Hébert-Daly, Joel Miller) **2 vacancies (diversity in the Regions is**

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missing)

2. **Pastoral Relations Commission:** Wayne Harris (Chair), Jim Allen, Rev. Elaine Beattie, Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole, Rev. Patsy Henry, Karen McLean (recording secretary), Micheline Montreuil, D.M., Rev. Blair Paterson, Rev. Michelle Robichaud, Rev. Don Stiles, and (Resource: Rev. Whit Strong)
3. **Future Through Property Team:** Phyllis MacRae (Chair), Jim Allen, Charles Barrett, Ted Brett, Rev. Takouhi Demirdjian-Petro, Joe Smarkala, Rev. Andrew Love, Sue Smarkala (Resource: Rev. Mary Royal-Duczek) **2-4 vacancies preferably from Seaway Valley and Upper Valley**
4. **General Meetings/Educational Event Planning Team:** **vacant** (Chair), Gary McKay (Interim Chair), Rev. Susan DeHaan (President), Sue Hutton, DLM, (Past-President), Pat Mayberry, Karen McLean, David Patterson, - **6-8 vacancies (diversity to include youth leadership)**
5. **Church Extension Council:** Directors: David Debenham, Alan Gale, Don Reynolds, Mike Velichka; Members: Ted Brett, Catherine Grant, Judy Harms-Potter, Kevin Moratz, Linda Suddaby; EOORC Appointments: Brian Cornelius (Resource: Rev. Éric Hébert-Daly)
6. **Communications:** Rev. Takouhi Demirdjian-Petro, Lois Leroux, John McDougall, and David Patterson (Resource: Rev. Natalie Matkovsky)
7. **Finance:** Brian Cornelius (Treasurer), Rev. Cindy Casey, Bruce Jackson, Christine Kilburn, Joe Smarkala, Evered (Ev) Zytveld (Resource: Rev. Éric Hébert-Daly) - **1 vacancy**
8. **Licensed Lay Worship Leaders (LLWL):** Rev. Dr. Teresa Burnett-Cole, Terrie Chedore, DM, Rev. Georgina Fitzgerald, Sharon MacDonald, Julee Pauling, Cathy Ryan, Sharon Sanderson, and Paul Whiteley (Resource: Rev. Whit Strong) – **3 vacancies, 1 more LLWL and 2 Lay non-LLWL**
9. **Scrivens-Baillie:** Malcolm Collins (Chair) Ryan Babcock, Ken Brownness, Rev. Brian Cornelius, Larry Richardson, and Ev Zytveld (Resource: Rev. Éric Hébert-Daly) - **2 vacancies**
10. **Vision & Transformation:** Rev. Michelle Robichaud (Chair), Charles Barrett, Rev. Cindy Casey, Rev. Melany Cassidy-Wise, Christine Cross-Barkley, Phyllis MacRae, Rev. Sheryl McLeod, Janice Peron, Deb Poirier, and Rev. Laura Springate (Staff Resource: Rev. Mary Royal-Duczek)
11. **YAYA:** Rev. Tiina Côté, Cathy Ryan, Hazel Ward-Moreau, Janet Currie-Kelk (Resource: Dana Ducette)
12. **Equity Leadership Team:** Rev. Michelle Robichaud – **4 vacancies**
13. **Social Justice Network of Ontario Regional Councils:** Charles Barrett (Chair) (Resource: vacant)
14. **Stewardship:** Carolyn Ruda, Charlotte Hoy, Ray Lebeau, Nancy Hazen, Paul Sales and Carolle

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Dallas-Arbuckle and David Charles (Resource: Rev. Roger Janes)

15. **Representative to The Ottawa School of Theology and Spirituality:** Paul Whynacht
16. **Affirming Leadership Team:** vacant (Chair), Linda Stronski, Cathy Ryan, Bronwen Harman, Kim Baird, Rev. Michelle Robichaud, Rev. Ed Gratton and Roxanne Akhtar (Resource: Rev. Mary Royal-Duczek)
17. **Representatives to Multi-Faith Housing:** Sue Smarkala
18. **Spiritual Care Hospital Ministry Leadership Team:** Sandra Copeland (Chair), Jane Burgess, Doug Collins, Rev. Brian Copeland, Jeremy Geelen, Richard Johnston, and Margaret Joyce.
19. **Ministry Personnel Support Leadership Team:** Terrie Chedore DM, Rev Paul Dillman, Rev Lynne Gardiner, Rev Jenni Leslie, Rev Zacharia Mandara (Resource: Rev. Whitman Strong)
20. **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service Planning Leadership Team:** Rev. Alwin Maben, David Patterson, Paul Whiteley, Liz Church, Rev. Takouhi Demirdjian-Petro, Rev. Cindy Casey, Cathy Ryan, Rev. Erin McIntyre, Rev. Mary Royal-Duczek
21. **Racial Justice:** Joëlle Morgan (Can.), Paul Whiteley (Resource: vacant)
22. **Keeping in Touch Team Leadership Team:** Alan Herbert, Paul Whiteley, Julee Pauling, Laurie McKnight, Grant Gilliland, Cathy Ryan, Shelley Roberts, Michelle Robichaud, Larry Richardson and Joëlle Morgan (Can)

### Appendices

\*All appendices are available on the EOORC website: <https://eoorc.ca/2025-eoorc-agm/>

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| Appendix A              | Minutes of Fall General Meeting held on October 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2024  |
| Appendix B              | 2025 EOORC Report Book  |
| Appendix C <sup>1</sup> | EOORC Governance Handbook June 2025                                     |
| Appendix C <sup>2</sup> | Reference Document Updates to the EOORC Governance Handbook June 2025   |
| Appendix D <sup>1</sup> | 2024 Financial Statement for Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council |
| Appendix D <sup>2</sup> | 2025 budget of the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council           |