

Canadian Association for Baptist Freedoms (CABF)
Council meeting minutes – December 16, 2014

Attendees:

Cynthia Ogilvie	John Boyd	John Tonks
David Ogilvie	Kim Sweet	Roger Prentice
Marilyn Peers	David Allen	John Churchill

Guest: Rick Manuel Lee Nicholas-Pattillo

Regrets: Marianne Thomas-Tupper

Agenda

Opened in prayer by John Boyd at 10:16 am

1. Minutes of November 4, 2014
2. Credentials Committee Update
3. Bulletin update
4. Rushton Lecture 2015
5. Special Meeting
6. Canadian Council of Churches (CCC)
7. Financial Update
8. Fall Assembly

John Boyd opened with prayer at 10:11 am.

1. Minutes of November 4, 2014

Minutes reviewed, **moved by David Allen, seconded by Marilyn Peers**, that minutes be accepted as circulated.

2. Credentials Committee Update

Roger reported that the committee had a good meeting. John Boyd removed himself from the Committee for discussion of a cabinet issue. John will rejoin the Committee once the issue has been resolved. **Moved by Roger Prentice and seconded by Cynthia Ogilvie** that John Churchill be added to the Committee for the discussion and resolution of this current issue; and then John Churchill continue on the as a member of the Credentials Committee. **Motion carried unanimously.**

It was **moved by David Allen and second by John Boyd**, that we have a Special Meeting to present the document ‘*Ordination In The Canadian Association for Baptist Freedoms’ – Boyd Draft: 6 November 2014*’ to the assembly.

The meeting will be February 28, 2015, 1:30 – 3:30 pm. **Motion carried unanimously.**

After discussion and recommended revisions, **John Boyd moved**, the document titled ‘*Ordination in the Canadian Association for Baptist Freedoms’ – Boyd Draft: 6 November 2014*’, be recommended, as amended, to the assembly on February 28, 2015. **David Allen seconded; motion carried unanimously.** (Note revisions were made to articles 1.3.A and 1.4.A of this document.)

3. Bulletin update

Roger advised he is having an article written by Rev. Radford – from Ottawa. This is a two-part article. Also, there is a notice in The Bulletin, for the Special Meeting. The note is currently marked as ‘tentative’ –

a meeting at FBCH on February 28, 2015, 1:30 – 3:30 pm. Roger advised he will change this, based on the previous motion.

The Bulletin is at the printers. The printers do the layout of The Bulletin, at no charge. Roger indicated that he would like The Bulletin ready for mailing for January 15th. (See Agenda Item #2 above, for confirmation of this Special Meeting.)

Note: Rick Manual advised if we wanted him to, he could contact his sister at FBC Vancouver, to see if she could provide the name of someone (from that area) who might be interested in writing an article for The Bulletin. Roger indicated that at this time, he will hold off on this – thanks for the info – Roger may get back to Rick about this at a later date. **No Action.**

4. Rushton Lecture 2015

David Ogilvie moved and **Lee Nicholas-Pattillo seconded** that Rev. John Boyd (retired) be the guest speaker at the Rushton Lecture Luncheon, on June 6, 2015. This luncheon will be hosted by Port Williams church. Rev. Boyd could speak on his reflection of his time and history as a Baptist minister. **Motion carried unanimously.**

5. Special Meeting

Refer to Agenda Item #2 above.

6. Canadian Council of Churches (CCC)

Deferred to January 2015 meeting.

7. Financial Update

Cynthia presented a Banking Summary – Year to Date report. (Attachment #1)

Cynthia moved that her report be accepted as presented; **second by Kim Sweet;**
Motion carried unanimously.

This report reflects the \$10,000 gift received from Sydney United Baptist Church. After discussion, it was **moved by David Allen**, that this money be moved to investments; the initial \$10,000 should be set up as an endowment fund, with the interest from this money used to offset expenses for Fall Assemblies. **Second by Roger Prentice; motion carried unanimously.**

Other Business

There was discussion about whether we should address the ‘*Authorization to Conduct Marriage*’ document, at the February 28th, Special Meeting.

There was discussion on the document. **David Allen moved** that the ‘*Authorization to Conduct Marriage*’ document, as amended, be accepted as a recommendation to the assembly.

Seconded by Lee Nicholas-Pattillo; **carried unanimously.**

After discussion it was agreed that we would give notice-of-motion, to the document ‘*Authorization to Conduct Marriage*’ at the February 28th Special Meeting; and the document would be presented at our June Rushton Lecture Luncheon. This decision was made, because we do not want to confuse the membership.

Next meeting date: January 20, 2015

Port Williams church at 10:00 am