



## FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLIES

Connecting to Advance God's Kingdom

### 2016 FCA CANADA BUSINESS MEETING Christian Fellowship Assembly Grande Prairie, AB May 4, 2016

#### MINUTES

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The Annual Business Meeting commenced at 10:27 AM.

Chairman Paul Vallee greeted the group and Trevor Scott opened in prayer.

- BUS 16-01 Introduction of New Ministers and Church Delegates, and new Executive Assistant:** Paul Vallee introduced Kara Dzikowski, FCA Executive Assistant; An FCA Missionary to France, Mark Ost; Rich Doebler from FCA US, Minnesota; Richard & Ramona Dannhauer from Crawford Bay, BC; Scott Jansen from Westeros, AB; Graham & Lynda Bedard, Grand Forks, BC.
- BUS 16-02 Approval of Agenda:** It was Moved and Seconded to approve the May 4, 2016 Business Meeting agenda with amendments to move point 'd' under the Affirmation of Elders section to be point 'c'.  
*Moved: John Lucas III*  
*Seconded: Ron Short*  
**CARRIED**
- BUS 16-03 Approval of May 6, 2015 Minutes:** It was Moved and Seconded to approve the May 6, 2015 Business Meeting Minutes.  
*Moved: George Bradley*  
*Seconded: Lovelace St. John*  
**CARRIED**
- BUS 16-04 Convention Reports:** Paul Vallee thanked those who submitted reports to the Convention. It was Moved and Seconded to accept the Reports as printed.  
*Moved: Trevor Scott*  
*Seconded: Earl Toews*  
**CARRIED**
- BUS 16-05 Secretary-Treasurer's Report:** Brad Montsion presented his report to the group. It was Moved and Seconded to accept the 2016 Financial Report.  
*Moved: Brad Montsion*  
*Seconded: Greg Fraser*  
**CARRIED**
- BUS 16-06 2017 Budget:** It was Moved and Seconded to accept the 2017 Draft Budget.  
*Moved: Brad Montsion*  
*Seconded: Paul Dyck*  
**CARRIED**

- BUS 16-07 **Fellowship Pastor's Report:** Glen Forsberg presented his report to the group describing his first few months as Fellowship Pastor.
- BUS 16-08 **Group Retirement Plan:** Jim Reimer and Dan Poirier from Investors Group presented and promoted the Group Retirement Plan report.
- BUS 16-09 **Policy on Faithful Retirees & Policy to Honour Deceased Members:** The two policies were reviewed by the group. Brad Montsion noted that next year's ID cards will reflect status such as "Retired". It was Moved and Seconded to approve the Policy on Faithful Retirees and the Policy to Honour Deceased Members.  
*Moved: James Humphries*  
*Seconded: Rick Kirschner*  
 CARRIED
- BUS 16-10 **Changes to FCA Canada Handbook:** The proposed changes to the FCA Canada Handbook were reviewed by the group. The rationale for the change is that there are currently too few churches sponsoring to many ministers. In practice, it's really the endorsing church's pastor who is taking on the responsibility of endorsing new pastors, whether or not his/her church has been a part of the FCA for five-plus years. It was Moved and Seconded to approve the changes as presented to Section Two, II, B, 3, f which currently reads: *A church must have a five year history with the FCA before they can become a Endorsing church*, to now read: *The pastor or the church must be part of the Fellowship for five years.*  
*Moved: Jim Reimer*  
*Seconded: Ralph Girard*  
 CARRIED
- BUS 16-11 **FCA's Corporate Voice on Political/Ethical Issues:** The discussion summary from yesterday's Envisioning Meeting were briefly presented. It was Moved and Seconded that the Elders be entrusted with the authority to speak to political/ethical issues on behalf of the Fellowship, and request that members direct their concerns to the Elders.  
*Moved: Earl Toews*  
*Seconded: John Konu*  
 CARRIED
- BUS 16-12 **Missions Coordinator's Position Description:** It was Moved and Seconded to approve the position description for the new Missions Coordinator, James Humphries, as presented with the addition of the requirement to submit an annual report to the Convention.  
*Moved: Mark Ramshaw*  
*Seconded: Trevor Scott*  
 CARRIED
- BUS 16-13 **Appointment of Chairman:** Paul Vallee informed the Convention that Brad Montsion will act as the Interim Chairman until September 2016.

Ballots were distributed. Trevor Scott and Rick Kirschner were appointed as scrutineers.

Glen Forsberg was invited to come to recognize Paul Vallee as an Elder Emeritus.

- BUS 16-14 **Recognition of Elder Emeritus:** Glen Forsberg presented Paul Vallee to the group to be recognized as Elder Emeritus, joining Jim Reimer, Roger Armbruster, John Lucas II, Gordon Setterlund, and Wilfred Lawrenson. Lovelace St. John prayed a prayer of affirmation. It was Moved and Seconded to recognize Paul Vallee as an Elder Emeritus.  
*Moved: Glenn Breitreuz*  
*Seconded: Lovelace St. John*  
 CARRIED

BUS 16-15 **Destruction of the Ballots:** It was Moved and Seconded to destroy the ballots.

*Moved: Ralph Girard*

*Seconded: Lovelace St. John*

**CARRIED**

BUS 16-16 **Election of Elders:** All three names for election on one ballot were accepted as indicated below by 99%:

Gen Forsberg was re-elected for a 3 year term as Elder (73 YES, 0 NO)

James Humphries: 3 year term as Elder (72 YES, 1 spoiled, 0 NO)

Trevor Hoskins: 3 year term as Elder (72 YES, 1 spoiled, 0 NO)

BUS 16-17 **Next Conventions:** Brad Montsion made a PowerPoint presentation of the 2017 Convention location, the NAV Centre in Cornwall, Ontario. Duane Siemens extended the invitation to come to Winnipeg, Manitoba for the Convention in 2018.

Glen Forsberg made an official presentation of a plaque to Paul Vallee as a new Elder Emeritus.

BUS 16-18 **Acknowledgement of staff and volunteers:** Glenn Breitkreuz thanked all staff and volunteers for their excellent work.

BUS 16-19 **Adjournment:** Harold Stephan motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Glenn Breitkreuz closed in prayer.

Minutes submitted by Kara Dzikowski.