



Meeting of the Diocesan Council, 17 January 2009 at Christ Church (Parish) Church, Fredericton. Bishop Miller, Chair
The [Minutes of 05 November 2008](#) were adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Updates on unfinished items were received: Code of Pastoral Conduct; Marriage and Sexuality; Clean Water as Sacred Gift; Embryonic Stem Cell Research; Support of the Diocesan Budget; Rural and/or Struggling Parishes; Camp Brookwood Task Force; Evaluation of Diocesan Services; Partnership with General Synod; Primate's Request for ACC ministry/mission review; Costing of Ministry Areas; Coordination of Initiatives; Regulation 4-1 Regional Governance; Fund for (vocational) diaconate training.

REPORTS

Standing Committee and team reports were received. Other reports included: DRAFT Regulation 4-1 Regional Governance; [Budget Support Task Force \(Final Report\)](#); [Planning Study](#) and the [Executive Summary](#); Rural and/or Struggling Task Force (verbal); [Sharing Ministry Task Group](#) (verbal).

DISCUSSION

Items discussed: Budget Support Task Force final report; Planning Study report; Regulation 4-1 Regional Governance

BUSINESS

Resolutions (carried motions) of the meeting were:

1 Diocesan Synod June 2009

That a meeting of [Diocesan Synod](#) (presumably the 130th) be called 04-06 June 2009 and held at the Saint John Trade and Convention Centre, Saint John NB.

2 Election of Vice-Chair of Diocesan Council - Hazel MacKenzie

3 Executive Committee appointment - Hazel MacKenzie

4 Reception of Planning Study Report

That this Diocesan Council receives the [Report of the planning](#)

[study conducted](#) by General Synod consultants Canon Geoff Jackson and the Rev'd Rob Waller with thanks, recognizes the significant no cost to us contribution of our General Synod to current diocesan planning initiatives, and communicates this to General Synod at the earliest opportunity.

5 Reception of Budget Support Task Force Report

That the [Report of the Task Force on Budget Support](#) to the Diocese of Fredericton, prepared November 2008 be approved for recommendation to the 2009 Synod.

6 Regulation 2-1 Synod Resolutions Committee

That the document previously adopted by Diocesan Council as the "Resolutions Committee Guidelines" [[current Policy A-7](#)] be re-titled "Resolutions Committee - Mandate" and that the re-titled document be further ratified and confirmed as a regulation of the Diocese [Regulation 2-1 ([Canon Two](#) 3(10))].

7 Invitation to Synod 2009

That consideration be given to inviting Bishop Ed Salmon to make a presentation, based on his talks to the clergy in August 2008, to Synod in June 2009, to renew the enthusiasm of the clergy and to inform lay members of stewardship initiatives taken in the Diocese of South Carolina.

Announcements

1. Bishop Miller is scheduled for knee surgery 16 February 2009.
2. Ordinations to the (vocational) Diaconate 01 February 2009 ([Christ Church Cathedral](#)) - Eleanor Dryden, Debbie Edmundson.
3. Ordination to Priesthood 28 March 2009 ([Christ Church Cathedral](#)) - (transitional) Deacons L. Dick Black, Kevin Cross, Jasmine Chandra, Michael Caines.

NEXT MEETINGS (10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

- Wednesday, 18 March 2009 (Grand Bay-Westfield)
- Saturday, 16 May 2009 (Shediac)
- Tuesday 23 June 2009, 2:00 p.m. (Fredericton)

The Diocesan Council sincerely appreciates the hospitality of the [Parish of Fredericton](#).

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