



The Anglican Church of Canada

MISSION STATEMENT

As a partner in the world wide Anglican Communion and in the universal Church, we proclaim and celebrate the gospel of Jesus Christ in worship and action.

We value our heritage of biblical faith, reason, liturgy, tradition, bishops and synods, and the rich variety of our life in community.

We acknowledge that God is calling us to greater diversity of membership, wider participation in ministry and leadership, better stewardship in God's creation and a strong resolve in challenging attitudes and structures that cause injustice.

Guided by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to respond to this call in love and service and so more fully live the life of Christ.



L'Église anglicane du Canada

ÉNONCÉ DE MISSION

En tant que partenaires à part entière de la communion anglicane internationale et de l'Église universelle, nous proclamons et célébrons l'Évangile de Jésus-Christ par notre liturgie et nos gestes.

Nous accordons une place de choix à notre héritage composé de notre foi biblique, de raison, de liturgie, de tradition, de notre épiscopat et de nos synodes, et de la grande richesse de notre vie en communauté.

Nous reconnaissons que Dieu nous appelle à une plus grande diversification dans notre communauté chrétienne, à une participation plus étendue dans le ministère et dans les prises de décision, à un engagement plus profond dans la création que Dieu nous a confiée, et à une remise en question des attitudes et des structures qui causent des injustices.

Guidés par l'Esprit Saint, nous nous engageons à répondre à ces appels avec amour et esprit de service, vivant ainsi plus profondément la vie du Christ.

*A people seeking
to know, love, and follow Jesus
in serving God's mission.*

— vision statement



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GENERAL SYNOD AGENDA OVERVIEW

Tuesday, July 2, 2013

- 3:00 -9:00 pm Registration Desk and Information Desks Open – 2nd Floor Foyer
- 3:00 Pre-Assembly Youth Gathering

Wednesday, July 3, 2013

- 8:00 am-5:00 pm Registration Desk Open – 2nd Floor Foyer
- 8:00 am-9:00 pm Information Desk Open – 2nd floor Foyer
- 9, 10 & 11:00 am General Synod Sessional Committee Meetings
- 10:00-11:00 General Orientation, Room 201
- 11:00 am-12:00 pm General Orientation, Room 201 (Repeated)
- 12:00 – 1:30 pm Lunch, Canada Hall 1
- 1:30–5:30 **Joint Session #1, Canada Hall 2 & 3**
- 5:30 -7:00 Dinner, Canada Hall 1
- 7:00–9:00 pm **Joint Session #2, Canada Hall 2 & 3**

Thursday, July 4, 2013

- 8:30 am-12:00 pm **Joint Session #3, Canada Hall 2 & 3**
- 12:00-1:30 pm Lunch, Canada Hall 1
- 12:00 – 12:30 Eucharist, Room 201

1:30 -5:30 pm **General Synod Session #1, Canada Hall 3**

Formalities
Election of Prolocutor and Deputy Prolocutor
Presidential Address
Vision 2019
Governance Working Group
Introduction to Structures
Closing Prayer

5:30-6:30 Dinner, *Canada Hall 1*

6:30-9:00 pm **General Synod Session #2**

6:30-7:30 Provincial Caucuses – *1st Floor*

Province of British Columbia and Yukon - *Room 105*
Province of Rupert's Land - *Room 106*
Province of Ontario - *Room 104*
Province of Canada - *Room 103*

Resolutions, *Canada Hall 3*

Structures

9:00 Night Prayer, *2nd Floor Foyer*

Friday, July 5, 2013

Breakfast on own

8:30–12:00 **Joint Session #4, Canada Hall 2 & 3**

12:00-1:30 pm Lunch, *Canada Hall 1*

12:00 – 12:30 Eucharist, *Room 201*

1:30 -5:30 pm **General Synod Session #3, Canada Hall 3**

Nominating Committee Report – COGS
Nominating Committee Report - Committees

Faith, Worship and Ministry

Governance Working Group
 Proposed Covenant for the Anglican Communion
 Partners in Mission and Eco Justice Committee - Palestine
 Financial Reports, Auditors' Statements
 Closing Prayer
 5:30-7:00 pm Dinner, *Canada Hall 1*

7:00-9:00 pm **General Synod Session #4, Canada Hall 3**

Structures
 Council of the North
 Resolutions
 Nominating Committee Report - Committees

9:00 Night Prayer (*2nd Floor Foyer*)

Saturday, July 6, 2013

Breakfast on own

8:30-10:00 am Joint Session – Public Witness Event on Parliament Hill

10:30 am-12:00 pm COGS Meeting for newly-elected Council members / Free time for others

12:00-1:30 pm Lunch, *Canada Hall 1*

12:00-12:30 pm Eucharist, *Room 201*

1:30-5:30 pm **General Synod Session #5, Canada Hall 3**

Together in Mission
 Pension Committee
 Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee
 Resolutions
 Final Report of the Nominating Committee (if needed)
 Rupert's Land Presentation – Division of the Diocese of Keewatin
 Anglican Council of Indigenous People
 Wrap Up

Joint Assembly Banquet, sponsored by FaithLife Financial

6:00-7:00 pm

Reception, 2nd Floor Foyer

7:30-10:00

Banquet Dinner, *Trillium Ballroom*

Sunday, July 7, 2013

Breakfast on own

9:00 am-12:00 pm

Joint Session #6, *Canada Hall 2 & 3*

10:30 am-12:00 pm

Closing Worship Service

THE BUSINESS OF SYNOD

People Overseeing the Actions of the General Synod

General Synod is people. The decisions made, and the spirit in which they are made, depends on the collective wisdom of all members. At General Synod you contribute your experience, skills, interest, ideas, and convictions to decisions and processes that affect the health of the Church as a whole.

Elections

Elections will be held for Prolocutor and Deputy Prolocutor of General Synod on Thursday afternoon, July 4th. The process is outlined in the *Nominating and Election Procedures for use at General Synod 2013* in the Information Section of the Convening Circular.

Council of General Synod

On Thursday evening members will assemble in groups according to their ecclesiastical province to select their nominees for the Council of General Synod. The process is outlined in the *Nominating and Election Procedures for use at General Synod 2013* in the Information Section of the Convening Circular.

While the selection process itself can get complicated, experience has proven that the procedure works. The outcome leads to a formal election by General Synod of those selected in provincial caucuses.

Standing Committees

There is a resolution coming to General Synod about Standing Committees/Coordinating Committees. Please see *Resolution A041*.

Structural and Procedural Matters/Enabling Ideas to Become Actions

Sessional Committees

Sessional Committees are put in place at the beginning of Synod to ensure that Synod accomplishes the goals of the session. For example, the Agenda Committee monitors the daily progress of the agenda and makes necessary adjustments; the Resolutions Committee determines the priority of resolutions and motions; the Nominating Committee receives nominations and oversees the elections process; the Expenditures Committee assesses the cost implication of actions proposed to the Synod. The Sessional committees are appointed by the Council of General Synod, in consultation with the Prolocutor, prior to General Synod.

Structure

There are a great number of decisions made on the floor of Synod that are of a structural nature. These range from procedural motions to adopt the minutes of the previous session of General Synod, or extend "courtesies of the house" to guests, to motions that determine the mechanisms by which the Church will operate over the long term, such as changes to the Declaration of Principles, Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order.

Many of the decisions determining structure are made towards the beginning of Synod. Certain structural decisions require more complex procedure than others. Amendments to the Declaration of Principles, for example, require two-thirds majority approval in each Order at two successive sessions of Synod, and in some cases, consent from each Provincial Synod.

The intention of what may often seem tedious and time-consuming is to make sure that the rules and structures reflect the Church's goals and enable the Church to carry out its mission

Rules of Order

Considering how many decisions need to be made by such a large and diverse group, it's not surprising that the Rules of Order and Procedure (in the Handbook of General Synod) govern virtually everything that takes place, or can take place, on the floor of the Synod. In cases where the answer to a procedural question isn't clear, the Chairperson decides what procedures will be followed, perhaps after seeking the advice of the assessors.

In any case, the rules are intended to enable, not stifle, Synod or its members. While you should be familiar with the rules, it is no embarrassment to breach a rule unintentionally. You may wish to consult an assessor in a particular situation.

For a discussion of some specific rules for making, debating, and voting on a motion, see The Decision Process below and the Guidelines for the Resolutions Committee. For information about elections refer to the Nominating and Election Procedures for use at General Synod 2013, or speak to a member of the Nominating Committee.

The Decision Process – Turning Ideas into Action

Resolutions and motions

"Ideas" reach Synod in the form of resolutions, which have been developed by the various standing committees of General Synod or by members of General Synod. Ideas are also in the form of memorials, which come from provinces, dioceses and individuals and express a concern or opinion. In order for a memorial to reach the floor of Synod, the authors need to shape it into a resolution. Resolutions are motions requesting Synod to take specific actions relating to the mission of the Church. They are found in the Resolutions section of your Convening Circular.

The Resolutions Committee has clear guidelines on the order in which resolutions come to the floor. Motions from standing committees are given the highest priority. Resolutions not already included in the Convening Circular must be written on the prescribed form (included in the Convening Circular) and submitted to the General Secretary consideration by the Resolutions Committee, **prior to the deadline established.**

Often amendments to resolutions, or amendments to amendments, are proposed while a resolution is under consideration. Amendments, like motions, must be seconded and put in writing. Only one amendment to a motion or an amended motion is in order at one time. The procedure can get complicated, so it's important to attend to the Chairperson's directives.

Procedural motions can influence the length and flow of debate, the style of voting, and the order of proceedings on the floor of Synod. Consult the "Motions and Debate" section of the Rules of Order and Procedure (*p. 34, Rules of Order and Procedure, The Handbook of the General Synod 2010*)

Debate

Effective participation in debate is an art. The finest debate artists are those who speak only when they know they have something useful to say. Don't be overly concerned if your contribution is not as

articulate as it might be. There will always be members who are more articulate, or less articulate, than the one speaking.

The mover of a motion is allowed to speak for a maximum of five minutes, and the seconder and other speakers for a maximum of three minutes. No one but the mover, who may speak for an additional three minutes at the close of debate, may speak more than once to a single motion. Only members of Synod may speak in debate.

Voting

When the Chairperson perceives that the debate is ended, or when Synod votes to end debate, the “question” will be “put” to a vote and no more debate is allowed. Bishops vote as one order, and clergy and laity usually vote together, with the issues decided by a simple majority in both groups. There are some types of motions, which require larger majorities, or “Votes by Orders” [i.e. bishops, clergy and laity voting separately]. A vote by diocese may also be requested. Where a special type of vote is required the chairperson will announce it.

In any case, **every member must vote**; abstentions are allowed only for reasons of conflict of interest, and the chairperson must be notified.

A word about financing

Decisions about what actions the Church takes have financial implications. Staff, administration, travel and communication are just a few of the factors involved. In addition, the national Church financially supports the work of church partners overseas, ecumenical coalitions, and the Council of the North, which provides financial assistance to certain dioceses within Canada.

If a motion involves expenditure of new or additional funds, it must be referred to the General Synod Expenditures Committee for review. The Committee will report on whether or not funds are available and from what source.

OFFICERS OF THE GENERAL SYNOD

President of Synod	The Most Reverend Fred Hiltz, Primate
Prolocutor	Canon Robert F. Falby
Deputy Prolocutor	The Ven. Harry Huskins
Chancellor	Canon David P. Jones, Q.C.
Vice-Chancellor	Ms. Ann Bourke
Officer-at-Large	The Ven. Dr. Sidney Black
Officer-at-Large	Dr. Lela Zimmer
General Secretary	The Ven. Dr. Michael Thompson
Treasurer	Ms. Hanna Goschy

SESSIONAL OFFICERS OF THE 40TH GENERAL SYNOD

Appointed by the Prolocutor, *See Handbook of General Synod 2010, Rules of Order, Section 5*

Honorary Secretaries (2 lay, 2 clerical)

	Name	Dioceses
Honorary Clerical	The Ven. Geoffrey Peddle	Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador
Honorary Assistant Clerical	The Rev. Bruce Bryant-Scott	British Columbia
Honorary Lay	Ms. Margaret Jenniex	Central Newfoundland & Labrador
Honorary Assistant Lay	Mr. Stephen Koning	Calgary

Assessors (2 or more)

Chancellor Ann Bourke		Vice-Chancellor General Synod
Chancellor Heather Dixon		Keewatin
Chancellor Robin MacKay		Ottawa
The Ven. Alan T. Perry		Edmonton

SESSIONAL COMMITTEES OF THE 40TH GENERAL SYNOD

Appointed by COGS in Consultation with the Prolocutor, *See Handbook of General Synod 2010, Rules of Order, Section 6*

	Name	Diocese
Agenda Committee	Mr. Charles Staples	Canadian Forces
	The Ven. Wm. A. Clarke	Ontario
	Ms. Melissa Green	Cariboo (APCI)
	The Rt. Rev. Michael W. Hawkins	Saskatchewan
	Mr. Leonard Leader	Toronto
	The Rev. Dr. Linda Privitera	Ottawa
	The Ven. Ansley Tucker	Calgary
	Mrs. Susan Winn (Chair)	Montreal
Advisor to the Committee	The Very Rev. Peter Wall	Chair, General Synod Planning Com.

Resolutions Committee	Name	Diocese
Up to 8 including an assessor, bishop, cleric and lay person.	Ms. Ann Bourke The Rt. Rev. Michael Bird The Rev. Malcolm French The Rev. Canon Gene Packwood Ms. Ann Patterson The Very Rev. Louise Peters (Chair) Mr. John Rye The Ven. Kim Van Allen	Vice Chancellor, General Synod Niagara Qu'Appelle Calgary Ontario Cariboo (APCI) Saskatchewan Huron
Advisor to the Committee	The Ven. Harry Huskins	Algoma
Nominating Committee		
12: one member of each order from each province		
	Name	Diocese
British Columbia	The Rt. Rev. James Cowan (Chair) The Ven. Lynne McNaughton Canon Dr. Randall Fairey	British Columbia New Westminster Kootenay
Rupert's Land	The Rt. Rev. Donald D. Phillips The Rev. Winna Martin Mr. Chris Wood	Rupert's Land Qu'Appelle Saskatoon
Ontario	The Rt. Rev. Robert F. Bennett Sr. Constance Joanna Gefvert Canon Dr. David Gould	Huron Toronto Algoma
Canada	The Most Rev. Claude Miller The Ven. Mark Edward Simonton Ms. Cynthia Haines-Turner	Fredericton Quebec Western Newfoundland
Expenditures (no number specified)	Mr. Robert Dickson (Chair) The Rt. Rev. Michael Oulton The Rev. Sarah Usher	New Westminster Ontario Yukon
Credentials*	Canon Robert F. Falby The Ven. Alan T. Perry (Assessor) The Ven. Dr. Michael Thompson	Prolocutor Edmonton General Secretary

Credentials Committee: shall consist of the General Secretary, the Prolocutor or Deputy Prolocutor, and one Assessor.

Certification of Minutes: shall consist of the General Secretary, the Prolocutor or Deputy Prolocutor, the Honorary Clerical and Lay Secretaries, and a member of the Resolutions Committee. It shall be the responsibility of the committee to certify the accuracy of the minutes of the session of the General Synod.

Respectfully submitted
Canon Robert Falby
Prolocutor, General Synod

PLANNING COMMITTEES

2013 JOINT ASSEMBLY and THE 40th SESSION OF GENERAL SYNOD 2013

JOINT ASSEMBLY PLANNING COMMITTEE

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The Very Rev. Peter Wall,
Co-Chair Anglican Lutheran Joint Commission
The Ven. Dr. Michael Thompson, General Secretary
Ms. Dianne Izzard, Assistant to the General Secretary

Lutheran

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Bishop Michael Pryse,
Co-Chair Anglican Lutheran Joint Commission
Ms. Gloria McNabb, Director, Finance & Administration

THE GENERAL SYNOD PLANNING COMMITTEE

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Joint Worship Committee, ACC Co-Chair
Prolocutor
ACIP Representative
General Synod Coordinator
Joint Local Arrangements Committee, ACC Co Chair
2016 Representative, Diocese of Toronto

JOINT WORSHIP PLANNING COMMITTEE

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The Rev. Kevin Flynn
Ms. Dianne Izzard
Ms. Martha Tatarnic
The Very Rev. Peter Wall (JWPC Liaison)

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Banquet
Head Usher
Volunteer Coordinator
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The Episcopal Church

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The Ven. Larry Beardy

The Ven. Dr. Sidney Black

The Rev. Norman Casey

Ms. Caroline Chum

Ms. Ruth Carroll

The Rev. Chris Harper

The Rev. Canon Laverne Jacobs

Ms. Sylvia James

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THE COUNCIL OF GENERAL SYNOD 2010-2013

Primate (<i>Chair</i>)	The Most. Rev. Fred Hiltz
Prolocutor	Canon Robert Falby
Deputy Prolocutor	The Ven. Dr. Harry Huskins
Chancellor	Canon David Jones
Vice-Chancellor	Ms. Ann Bourke
General Secretary (<i>ex-officio</i>)	The Ven. Dr. Michael Pollesel (Nov. 10-Mar. 11)
	The Ven. Dr. Michael Thompson (Nov. 11 to present)
Chaplain	The Rt. Rev. Tom Morgan (Nov. 10-Nov. 11)
	Sr. Elizabeth Rolfe-Thomas (May 12 to present)

Elected Members

Province of Canada

Bishop	The Rt. Rev. Dennis Drainville
Clergy	The Very Rev. Josiah Noel
Lay	Ms. Cynthia Haines-Turner
	Mrs. Susan Winn
Youth	Mr. Felix Cote-Gaudreau (Nov. 10-May 12)
	Ms. Fiona Morrison (Nov. 12 to present)

Province of Ontario

Bishop	The Most Rev. Colin Johnson
Clergy	The Ven. Lynn Marchant (Nov. 11 to present)
	The Ven. Dr. Lynne McNaughton
Lay	Mr. Ron Chaplin
	Ms. Katie Scarlett MacGillivray
Youth	Ms. Brianna Locke

Province of Rupert's Land

Bishop	The Rt. Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson
Clergy	The Rev. Chris Harper (Nov. 10 – May 12)
	The Rev. Canon Terry Leer (Nov. 12 to present)
	The Rev. Canon Gene Packwood
Lay	Mrs. Verna Firth
	Mr. Peter Kitchekesik
	Mr. Jonathan Sinnatamby (to Feb. 13)
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NOMINATING AND ELECTION PROCEDURES FOR USE AT GENERAL SYNOD 2013

Procedures for electing the Prolocutor and the Deputy Prolocutor

1. Nominations for Prolocutor and Deputy Prolocutor must be submitted to the General Secretary on the forms provided by no later than **June 17, 2013**.
2. A delegate to General Synod may be nominated for either or both offices.
3. After receiving the nominations, the General Secretary shall
 - a) provide copies of the information about the nominees, as contained in the nomination forms, to the members of the General Synod.
 - b) inform the General Synod Nominating Committee of the names of the nominees.
4. The elections will take place at a time or times designated in the agenda of the General Synod.
5. The chair shall assign three scrutineers from among those who have not been nominated for Prolocutor or Deputy Prolocutor.

Election of the Prolocutor

6. The election of the Prolocutor will take place first.
7. The Nominating Committee will post a chart listing the nominees for Prolocutor. (Note: if a delegate who was nominated did not become a member of General Synod, that person is not eligible to be a member of the Council, and that person's name shall not be shown on the chart.)
8. The members who have been nominated may be identified for the information of those assembled.
9. Paper or electronic ballots shall be made available to the electors, who shall vote for his or her first choice among the nominees for Prolocutor.
10. The candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast will be elected as Prolocutor. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, subsequent ballots will take place until a candidate does receive a majority of the votes. Candidates receiving fewer than 10% of the votes cast on any ballot will be dropped from subsequent ballots.
11. Prior to any ballot, a candidate may withdraw his or her name from the election by so notifying the chair of General Synod in writing.

Election of the Deputy Prolocutor

12. The election of the Deputy Prolocutor will take place after the election of the Prolocutor.
13. The Nominating Committee will post a chart listing the nominees for Deputy Prolocutor. The chart will exclude the name of (a) any delegate who was nominated but did not become a member of General Synod, and (b) all persons who were nominated but who belong to the Order of the person who was elected as Prolocutor.
14. The members whose names remain on the chart may be identified for the information of those assembled.
15. Paper or electronic ballots shall be made available to the electors, who shall vote for his or her first choice among the nominees to serve as Deputy Prolocutor.
16. The candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast will be elected as Deputy Prolocutor. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, subsequent ballots will take place until a candidate does receive a majority of the votes cast. Candidates receiving fewer than 10% of the votes cast on any ballot will be dropped from subsequent ballots.
17. Prior to any ballot, a candidate may withdraw his or her name from the election by so notifying the chair of General Synod in writing.

Procedures for electing the Council of the General Synod

1. 1. The delegates of the General Synod from each diocese will collectively submit to the General Secretary on the forms provided, no later than **June 17, 2013**, nominations of three of their members, one from each Order. They may also nominate their youth member for election to the Council. (Note: The youth member is also eligible for nomination as a layperson.)
2. After receiving the diocesan nominations the General Secretary shall
 - a. a) provide copies of the information about the nominees, as contained in the nomination forms, to the members of the General Synod from the dioceses in the respective ecclesiastical provinces, and
 - a. b) inform the General Synod Nominating Committee of the names of the nominees from each diocese.
3. After the election of the Prolocutor and Deputy Prolocutor, at a time or times designated in the agenda of the General Synod, the members of the synod shall assemble in groups according to their ecclesiastical provinces.
4. The Nominating Committee of the General Synod shall assign one of its members to chair each of the provincial assemblies, such member being a resident in that ecclesiastical province. Such person shall have the right to vote.

5. The chairperson shall appoint three scrutineers from among those who have not been nominated.
6. A chart shall be posted listing by diocese the nominees from each of the three Orders. (Note: if a delegate who was nominated did not become a member of General Synod, that person is not eligible to be a member of the Council, and his or her name shall not be shown on the chart.)
7. The members who have been nominated may be identified for the information of those assembled.
8. Paper or electronic ballots shall be made available to the electors, who shall vote for his or her first choice among the nominees to serve on the Council of General Synod.
9. The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes shall be deemed selected. In the event of a tie where both candidates may be selected, it shall be deemed that both have been selected. Where only one may be selected, further votes between those so tied shall be taken. After three ballots, if the tie remains the chairperson shall cast a second vote to decide the issue.
10. If the first selection is made from the Orders of Bishops and Clergy, the second selection shall be made from the Order of Laity and vice-versa. If the first selection results in the nomination of persons from both the Orders of Bishops and Clergy and the Order of Laity, the chairperson shall determine from which group the second selection shall be made. Thereafter, the selections shall alternate between the two groups.
11. If the first selection from the Orders of Bishops and Clergy is a bishop, the next selection from those Orders shall be made from the Order of Clergy; if the first selection from those Orders is a priest or a deacon, the next selection from those Orders shall be made from the Order of Bishops.
12. After each selection, the other nominations for the diocese where the nominee is resident shall be struck from the list of nominations.
13. When the prescribed number of nominees from the Orders of Bishops and Clergy or from the Order of Laity has been achieved, other nominations from those Orders or that Order shall be struck from the nominations.
14. When the prescribed number of nominations of ordained and lay persons from the ecclesiastical province has been achieved, the meeting shall vote by ballot on the youth member nominees. The youth member receiving the greatest number of votes shall be selected.
15. The chairperson shall declare the business concluded and report to the chairperson of the General Synod Nominating Committee.
16. The chairperson of the General Synod Nominating Committee shall report to the General Synod the names of those who have been nominated for the Council of the General Synod by this process, and move the adoption of the report.

DUTIES OF THE PROLOCUTOR AND THE DEPUTY PROLOCUTOR

The Prolocutor and the Deputy Prolocutor are Officers of General Synod, and each must be a member of General Synod.

Duties of the Prolocutor

The duties of the Prolocutor are set out in Section 14 of the Constitution of the General Synod:

Section 14 of the Constitution

- a) The Prolocutor shall be elected by ballot after open nomination and this election shall take place prior to the election of members of the Council of the General Synod.
- b) The Prolocutor shall be a member of either the clerical or lay Order.
- c) The Prolocutor shall be an associate of, and assistant to, the Primate in the affairs of the General Synod and the Council of the General Synod.
- d) In the absence of the President, or at the President's request, the Prolocutor shall be chairperson of the General Synod.
- e) The Prolocutor shall be ex officio a member of all committees, councils, boards and commissions, standing and special, appointed under any provision of the Constitution, or of any Canon enacted by the General Synod or under any resolution of the General Synod or of the Council of the General Synod.
- f) The Prolocutor shall continue in office until immediately prior to the prorogation of the General Synod at which his or her successor is elected.
- g) The Prolocutor who removes from the diocese he or she represented on election shall continue in office as an ex officio member of the General Synod until such term expires as provided in subsection f), but shall not be entitled to vote during the succeeding session of the synod or to be elected to office by virtue merely of continuing in office under this subsection. In that case, the diocese may elect a representative to succeed him or her as a member of the General Synod until the convening of the next session of the synod, as provided in subsection 8 m).

The Deputy Prolocutor

The duties of the Deputy Prolocutor are set out in section 15 of the Constitution of the General Synod:

Section 15 of the Constitution

- a) The Deputy Prolocutor shall be elected in the same manner as the Prolocutor with the exception that if the Prolocutor is of the Order of Clergy, the Deputy Prolocutor shall be elected from the Order of Laity, and if the Prolocutor is of the Order of Laity, the Deputy Prolocutor shall be elected from the Order of Clergy.
- b) At the request or in the absence of the Prolocutor, the Deputy Prolocutor shall perform any function assigned to the Prolocutor by the Constitution or Canons or Rules of Order and Procedure.
- c) In the event of a vacancy in the office of Prolocutor, the Deputy Prolocutor shall become the Prolocutor.
- d) In the event of a vacancy in the office of Deputy Prolocutor, the members of the Council of the General Synod present at the next meeting of the council shall elect a Deputy Prolocutor who shall perform all the duties of the office until the next session of the General Synod.
- e) The Deputy Prolocutor shall continue in office until immediately prior to the prorogation of the General Synod at which his or her successor is elected.
- f) The Deputy Prolocutor who removes from the diocese he or she represented on election shall continue in office as an Ex officio member of the General Synod until such term expires, as provided in subsection e), but shall not be entitled to vote during the succeeding session of the synod or to be elected to office by virtue merely of continuing in office under this subsection. In that case, the diocese may elect a representative to succeed him or her as a member of the General Synod until the convening of the next session of the synod, as provided in subsection 8 m).

Duties of the Officers collectively

In addition to the particular duties of the Prolocutor and the Deputy Prolocutor, the duties of the Officers collectively are set out in Section 20 of the Constitution of the General Synod as follows:

Section 20 of the Constitution

The Officers shall meet from time to time at the call of the Primate for these purposes:

- a) To advise the Primate, the Council of the General Synod and committees, councils and boards as required;
- b) To take action on matters referred to them by the General Synod and the Council of the General Synod;
- c) To advise the Primate and General Secretary on agenda planning for the Council of the General Synod;
- d) To propose actions to the Council of the General Synod in respect of subjects for which there is no provision in the mandates of other standing committees, councils and boards;
- e) To ensure that the Council of the General Synod's responsibility for overall strategic planning and visioning is fulfilled;
- f) To monitor and direct the ongoing business of the Council of the General Synod between its meetings, as assigned by the Council of the General Synod and, in turn, to make recommendations to the Council of the General Synod.

Source: *The Handbook of the General Synod of The Anglican Church of Canada, 16th edition, 2010* or online at <http://www.anglican.ca/about/handbook/index.htm>

GUIDELINES FOR THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE GENERAL SYNOD 2013

Task

It is the responsibility of the Resolutions Committee (the “committee”):

1. to receive, and prepare for debate, resolutions proposed for the consideration of the Synod;
2. to ensure that proposed resolutions contain clear and concise statements of what is intended by the sponsors;
3. to consolidate, and, if necessary, reword resolutions which deal with the same subject, after consultation with the sponsors;
4. generally to ensure that the resolutions do not contradict the resolutions procedures which form part of these guidelines;
5. to prepare and present a list of proposed ‘no-debate’ motions (*see No Debate Procedure for GS 2013*);
6. to reject, or return for amendment, any resolution it considers to be outside the jurisdiction of the General Synod.

Resolutions Procedures

- a. The text of all resolutions not already in the Convening Circular (except those of a procedural or courtesy nature, or that arise in the course of debate) shall be written on the prescribed form and submitted to the General Secretary **by June 15, 2013**.
- b. As soon as practicable after June 15, 2013, the General Secretary will transmit the text of the resolutions to the committee for consideration before being put to the Synod.
- c. The Chair of the Resolutions Committee will assign a number to each resolution, and will place them in priority according to their source in this order:
 - A** resolutions from within the General Synod itself – Standing Committees, Councils and Commissions;
 - B** resolutions from ecclesiastical provinces and dioceses;
 - C** resolutions from members of General Synod.and will assign a sequential post-script to identify each successive amendment to the resolution (example: Resolution A123, Resolution A123-R1, Resolution A123-R2, and so on).
- d. The committee shall not debate the merits of any proposed resolution, but will ensure that it contains a clear and concise statement of what is proposed.

- e. Any resolution presented to the committee may be accompanied by an explanatory note setting forth the consideration leading to the proposal. This note *will not form part* of the resolution preambles (i.e. “Whereas”, etc. etc.).
- f. The committee is authorized to consolidate and, if necessary, re-word resolutions which deal with the same subject, with the understanding that, in doing so, the committee will consult with the sponsors of the resolutions.
- g. The sponsors of any resolution which is recommended for change by the committee must be consulted and asked for their agreement to change(s) proposed. The consultation may take place prior to the commencement of General Synod 2013, and may take place in person, by email, or any other means of communication. If agreement cannot be reached, the committee has authority to present its version, and the sponsors will have the opportunity to propose any amendments they believe desirable.
- h. The committee may substitute either or both of the sponsors of a resolution who does not become a member of General Synod 2013.
- i. No motion or notice of motion (except one of a procedural or a courtesy nature) will be received after the June 15, 2013 deadline, except with the consent of a two-thirds majority of the Synod
- j. Any resolution which requires the expenditure of funds, the source of which has not been identified prior to the Synod session [*Handbook, Rules of Order and Procedure 15b*] shall be referred to the Expenditures Committee by the General Secretary or the Chair of the Resolutions Committee.
- k. Resolutions, which are received after the printing of the Convening Circular will be dealt with in the order in which they are received or at the discretion of the Agenda Committee.

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NO DEBATE LIST PROCEDURE GENERAL SYNOD 2013

1. The Resolutions Committee, in consultation with the mover and seconder, shall identify resolutions likely to be approved without debate. Those resolutions shall be listed by number and title on a No Debate List which shall be posted conspicuously in the assembly room and shall be kept current. The time that a Resolution is added to the No Debate List shall be noted on the list. [For General Synod 2013, it is contemplated that the No Debate List containing all of the No Debate Resolutions will be posted at the beginning of General Synod]
2. Resolutions on the No Debate List shall be decided in the order established by the Agenda Committee or the Chair. Resolutions on the No Debate List shall maintain the level of priority they held prior to being placed on the No Debate List.
3. The Resolutions from the No Debate List to be dealt with on any particular day shall be listed in the Orders of the Day.
4. Resolutions on the No Debate List shall be decided without debate except that the mover of the resolution may speak for not more than three minutes.
5. No Resolution on the No Debate List shall be put to the Synod before it has been on the No Debate List for at least 24 hours except by the unanimous consent of the Synod.*
6. The Chair of the Resolutions Committee or the Prolocutor shall remove a resolution from the No Debate List where:
 - a) any member requests that the Resolution be removed from the No Debate List within 24 hours of the Resolution having been posted on the No Debate List, or
 - b) the Synod decides by majority vote on motion that the Resolution should be removed from the No Debate List.
7. Members of Synod shall be advised that a Resolution has been removed from the No Debate List pursuant to paragraph 6(a) as soon as practicable after the Resolution has been so removed.

* Unanimous consent is determined by the Chair asking, "Is there unanimous consent that . . .", the members of the Synod responding, "yea" or "nay", and the Chair announcing the result.

NOTE: Since this unanimous consent procedure represents a suspension of the Rules of Order it must be adopted by a 2/3 majority of the Synod before it can be used: See Rule of Order #23. This should be done at the commencement of General Synod 2013

WRITING RESOLUTIONS FOR GENERAL SYNOD 2013

Structure:

Resolutions have 4 parts:

- 1) an opening phrase: That this General Synod,
- 2) a statement of the action you wish the General Synod to take
- 3) a description of the action to be taken (refer to a committee, write a letter, set up a task force, etc.)
- 4) a timeline for action, if applicable

You are advised to include with your resolution(s) a brief explanation of its intent. You may not however, include “whereas” clauses in the resolution itself. This is so that the actual action being requested may be readily addressed by the Synod.

Process

All resolutions will be reviewed by the Resolutions Committee to ensure that they are in order. They must:

1. Deal with a matter that falls within the jurisdiction of the General Synod.
2. Be clear, unambiguous, accurate, and capable of performance.
3. Be of a national rather than local nature.
4. Not be calculated to be a source of embarrassment to the Church.

If adoption of your resolution entails **the spending of money**, please alert the Resolutions Committee to this fact, and identify the source of funds, if possible. Resolutions that entail expenditures will be considered by the Expenditures Committee before being presented to Synod.

The Resolutions Committee will group together similar resolutions and may ask you to make changes to clarify your resolution, or to consult with people addressing the same issue, in order to frame **one** resolution.

As there are often many resolutions, the Resolutions Committee (a Sessional Committee of the Synod) will place them in priority according to their source in this order:

- A. from within the General Synod itself – Standing Committees, Councils and Commissions;
- B. from ecclesiastical provinces and dioceses;
- C. from members of General Synod.

Priority on the agenda will be given to those resolutions that are included in the Convening Circular.

Although resolutions have the priority noted previously, they may come up for debate in relation to similar items on the agenda.

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RESOLUTION

Resolution Number

Subject:

Moved by

Seconded by:

Source:

Submitted by:

Does this motion contain within it any financial implications? Yes No

If yes, has the General Synod Expenditures Committee considered the implications? Yes No

EXPLANATORY NOTE/BACKGROUND

For office use only – Procedure for Adoption:

BACKGROUND TO GENERAL SYNOD

The first General Synod met in Toronto over a century ago (1893). Three fundamental decisions were made at that time; that Synod consist of three orders (bishops and equal members from the clergy and laity); that the Provincial system be maintained; and that the Solemn Declaration be adopted as the basis of the constitution. The balance of clergy and laity was modified in the early seventies when one youth member (usually lay) from each diocese was added; today there are four ecclesiastical provinces instead of two. General Synod continues to adhere to the Solemn Declaration, which cannot be amended, as the basis for doctrinal decisions.

The first General Synod also laid out specific areas of responsibility delegated by the dioceses to the national body. These responsibilities include such matters as doctrine and worship, and relations with the Anglican Communion, other denominations, and other faiths - areas where it was seemed important to have a common national vision.

But much has changed since the first Synod. In the early days, Synod concerned itself mostly with the internal government of the Church. Gradually, that changed as the Church began more and more, to see itself as an active player in the life of the nation. During World War II, Synod discussed the internment of the Japanese. The Hendry Report of 1969 was a landmark document calling for changes in the way church and society related to aboriginal peoples. In 1983, General Synod called on the government and the Church to fight the nuclear arms race, reaffirming its stand of 1955, 1962 and 1965. In 1989, Synod discussed the ethics of surrogate motherhood. In 1995 the minimum age of youth members was changed from twenty-five to sixteen years old.

Another significant change took place in 1969 when Synod moved to a unicameral system (a single legislative chamber). Formerly, the upper house (the House of Bishops) and the lower house (clergy and laity) met separately and communicated with each other by relaying messages. The change means that there is common debate and bishops now vote publicly, whereas before, the actual breakdown of the bishops' vote was confidential.

Due to downsizing in the early 1990s and a need for a new vision for the church the 34th General Synod passed, in 1995, a new strategic plan called *Preparing the Way*. This plan for the national church was revised at General Synod in 2001 and authorized the Council of General Synod to begin work on a new plan. In 2004, in response to a comprehensive review of *Preparing the Way* (a strategic plan from 1995), General Synod adopted a new framework for the work of the Church, called *Strengthening the Church, Serving God's World*, setting the priorities for the triennium 2004-2007. The 39th General Synod in 2010 received the report the Vision 2019 Task Force – *Dream the Church 2019* – and directed that the work of General Synod be guided by the priorities and practices outlined in the report.

Generally speaking, Synods today are less formal, less confrontational, and more open and conciliatory than they once were. The formal gowns and lengthy speeches have given way to a more relaxed atmosphere and a sense of being "in this together" - not to mention shorter speeches!

THE STRUCTURE OF THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

The Anglican Church of Canada comprises 30 dioceses across Canada, each under the jurisdiction and pastoral care of a diocesan bishop. (Parishes in the Diocese of Cariboo function as the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior under the direction of the Metropolitan of British Columbia and Yukon.) The dioceses together comprise approximately 2,800 congregations, organized into 1,700 parishes. Along with the bishops, each diocese sends lay and clerical representatives to the General Synod.

Dioceses are organized into districts called ecclesiastical provinces, to allow them to gather and function regionally. Canada has four provinces, each headed by a Metropolitan (Archbishop): British Columbia and Yukon (B.C. and Yukon), Rupert's Land (Prairie Provinces and the Arctic), Ontario, and Canada (Quebec and Atlantic Canada).

General Synod consists of elected lay and clerical members and the bishops from across Canada who gather to discuss national and international concerns of the Church. General Synod meets every three years and is the governing body of the national Church. The Primate is the President and chairs the proceedings of General Synod. From time to time the responsibility for chairing sessions of the General Synod may be delegated to the Prolocutor of General Synod.

The Council of General Synod is the body that oversees the implementation of General Synod decisions, and exercises executive powers of Synod between sessions. It comprises the Primate, the Prolocutor, the Deputy Prolocutor, the Chancellor, elected representatives (from the Orders of Bishops, Clergy and Laity) from each of the four ecclesiastical provinces; one youth member from each ecclesiastical province; one member representing the Military Ordinariate; two members nominated by the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples; one member nominated by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada; and the General Secretary (ex-officio). *(For detail see Constitution, part VII The Council of General Synod, Handbook of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, p.23 .)*

The Anglican Communion is a world-wide family of autonomous, interrelated, and interdependent provinces and national churches, all of which are in communion with the Archbishop of Canterbury. Anglicans speak many languages, come from many races and cultures, and are spread around the world. The Anglican Church is episcopally led (that is, by bishops) and synodically governed (that is, elected lay and clergy members together with the bishops).

Lambeth Conference, chaired by the Archbishop of Canterbury, meets every ten years and is attended by bishops from around the world. It is a forum for sharing and consultation rather than for legislation and is chaired by the Archbishop of Canterbury. The next Lambeth Conference is scheduled for 2018.

The Anglican Consultative Council (ACC) assembles every three years, with up to three representatives from each national church within the global Anglican Communion. ACC is a synodical body. The Archbishop of Canterbury is the President of the Consultative Council and its proceedings are chaired by one of its members.

SOME WORDS AND TERMS

This is a short glossary of some of the more common terms you may find used at Joint Assembly,

apostolicity that characteristic of the church that shows that it shares the faith of the apostles and continues the life of the same community that bore witness to Christ's resurrection and received the gift of the Spirit at Pentecost.

bishop: coadjutor an Anglican bishop elected as an assistant who will become the next diocesan Bishop when the present bishop retires

bishop: diocesan an Anglican Bishop who has jurisdiction for a whole diocese. There may be additional bishops with various titles: assistant, coadjutor, suffragan.

bishop: suffragan an Anglican bishop elected by a diocesan synod who serves as an assistant in a diocese, possibly with responsibility for a particular geographical area within the diocese

bishop: synod a Lutheran bishop elected by the synod convention to preside over that synod for a renewable term of four years

conference a Lutheran term for a geographical area within a synod, comprised of a group of congregations

convention a Lutheran term for a meeting of representatives of clergy and laity at the synodical or national level; each synod meets every two years; in the alternate year there is a National Convention with representation from every parish

deacon see diaconate

deanery an Anglican term for a geographical area within a diocese, comprised of a group of parishes

diaconal minister a Lutheran term for a person who exercises a ministry of service such as social outreach, education, music or administration; they are not, at present, ordained

diaconate for Anglicans, one of three orders of ministry. For much of the Anglican history a person served as a deacon only for a brief time before being ordained a priest, but the order is being re-examined and renewed. In some places people are being ordained as "intentional" or "vocational" deacons, chosen from parishes to serve in particular ministries of service in the world. Deacons are ordained and have a particular role in the liturgy.

diocese an Anglican term for a geographical area under the jurisdiction of a bishop. In Anglican polity, a diocese, and not the congregation, is considered the basic unit of the local church. Each diocese has a synod that meets periodically (some once a year, some every two years, some every three). The synod is composed of laity elected from every parish, (normally) all the clergy, and the bishop(s).

episcopate the task of oversight, or supervision, which is exercised primarily by a bishop but which is also exercised by governing bodies and other appointed or elected persons

episcopate for Anglicans, one of three orders of ministry; for both, the state of being a bishop. Bishops of a church together are called “the episcopate”.

historic episcopate the collectivity of bishops throughout the ages; in Anglican understanding it has referred to the continuity in succession in the office of the bishop

incumbent an Anglican term for someone licensed to be in charge of a parish; this is usually a priest

license an Anglican term for the permission that a lay or ordained person has from a bishop to exercise a particular ministry; “licensed clergy” are those recognized to be in good standing and filling a particular role within the church

metropolitan an Anglican term for an archbishop who presides over an ecclesiastical province (a group of dioceses). There are 4 metropolitans in Canada. He or she presides at a provincial synod and ordains the bishops in the province.

ordinal the liturgical texts and the “rubrics” (instructions) that accompany them, used for those being ordained as bishop, priest, or deacon. The ordinal has a particular place in the canon (church) law of the Anglican Church

ordinary the bishop who has jurisdiction in a diocese

pastor the usual Lutheran term for an ordained minister of Word and Sacrament; he or she is “rostered” and normally serves in a congregation or a particular ministry such as campus or institutional chaplaincy

presbyterate for Anglican, one of three orders of ministry, to which priests are ordained; Lutherans consider pastors to be part of the presbyterate, although this would not be a usual way of speaking

priest the usual Anglican term for an ordained minister of Word or Sacrament. He or she is ordained for life but must be licensed to a particular ministry.

Primate the Anglican archbishop with a ministry of oversight for a province or national church; the Canadian primate presides at the General Synod and at the House of Bishops but does not exercise jurisdiction in a diocese

province a geographical area comprised of several dioceses; Canada is a province of the Anglican Communion but is in turn composed of four provinces, each of which is presided over by a metropolitan

rector technically an Anglican term for a priest in charge of a parish, or an incumbent, with particular rights

roster the Lutheran list of clergy in good standing

synod for Lutherans, a geographical area that includes a number of congregations, under the jurisdiction of a bishop.

DO YOU KNOW YOUR ABC'S
A few of the acronyms you're most likely to run across at Synod:

ACC	Anglican Church of Canada, and Anglican Consultative Council
ACIP	Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples
ACW	Anglican Church Women
BAS	Book of Alternative Services
BCP	Book of Common Prayer
CCC	Canadian Council of Churches
CCCB	Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops
CCJP	Canadian Churches for Justice and Peace
CIDA	Canadian International Development Agency
CIRC	Communications and Information Resources Committee
COGS	Council of General Synod
CON	Council of the North
DIFT	Dignity, Inclusion and Fair Treatment (<i>statement adopted by GS 2001</i>)
ELCIC	Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada
FWMC	Faith, Worship and Ministry Committee
GWG	Governance Working Group
IMF	International Monetary Fund
JPIC	Justice, Peace, and the Integrity of Creation (<i>WCC</i>)
NGO	Non-government Organization
PLC	Primate's Leadership Circle
PIMEJ	Partners in Mission and Eco Justice Committee
PWRDF	Primate's World Relief and Development Fund
RFMC	Resources for Mission Committee
TEC	The Episcopal Church (<i>USA</i>)
TIM	Together in Mission
UCC	United Church of Canada
VIM	Volunteers in Mission
WCC	World Council of Churches

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GUIDING DOCUMENTS

In preparing for General Synod, delegates are encouraged to review the documents that help guide The Anglican Church of Canada in its work. These documents are available on the Anglican Church of Canada website www.anglican.ca.

Anglican Church of Canada Mission Statement

<http://www.anglican.ca/about/mission-statement/>

**Handbook of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada
16th Edition, Published 2010**

<http://www.anglican.ca/resources/handbook/>

The Marks of Mission

<http://www.anglican.ca/marks/about>

Dream the Church Vision 2019 Full Report

<http://archive.anglican.ca/gs2010/wp-content/uploads/019-GS2010-Vision-2019-Report-and-Appendices.pdf>

Vision 2019, Summary of Priorities and Practices

<http://jointassembly.ca/delegates/acc/guiding-documents/v2019summary>