

Executive Meeting

Lay Readers' Association of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island
Church of Saint Andrew, Cole Harbour, NS

Minutes of the January 14, 2017 Meeting

1. Call to Order:

The Lay Readers' Executive Meeting was called to order at 12:45 pm with David Harrison, President in the chair.

In Attendance:

The Rev'd Tom Henderson, Warden; David Harrison, President; Marilyn Massie-Clarke, Vice President; Shirley Williams, Immediate Past President; Wayne Hamlin, Treasurer; Victoria Henrikson, Secretary/Diakonia Editor; Dennis Eisan, Member at Large on the Board of Standards

2. Lay Readers' Association Prayer:

The Lay Readers' Prayer, led by David, was said in unison.

3. Regrets: None

4. Minutes of the October 8, 2016 Executive Meeting:

Under Item # 1, Call to Order – Guest – the name Vanessa Turner, Christ Church, needs to be added to the Minutes. It was therefore moved by Wayne and seconded by Shirley that the Minutes of the October 8, 2016, Executive Meeting be approved with the addition in Item #1, Guest – Vanessa Turner, being added. **Motion Carried.**

5. Business Arising from the Minutes:

- a) E-mail from Anne Williams** – President David read an e-mail from Anne Williams stating that the planned ACW Board program for April has been cancelled as the speaker is not available. The Lay Readers Association had been asked and had agreed to participate in this program.
- b) Fall Conference 2017** – The Conference will again be held at the Belcourt Centre, South Rustico, Prince Edward Island, from September 15-17. The Rev'd Tom has had preliminary discussions with a possible speaker but that person has not yet been confirmed.
- c) 2017 Annual General Meeting** – This meeting will take place at Christ Church, Dartmouth, June 10, beginning at 9 am with Worship. No speaker has yet been confirmed. Marilyn explained that she and Vanessa Turner are looking for billets through announcing it at their services. They are preparing a map showing where parking is available. Lunch will also be organized. The contact person is Vanessa Turner whose email is: vturner@hrsb.ca
- d) Area Representative for Northumbria, Valley and Chebucto** – Dave reported that the individual he had thought might agree to be an Area Representative for Northumbria did not work out. Victoria will be calling several people in the Chebucto Area and will see if anyone is interested in serving as a representative for that area.

- e) **Signing Authority** – President David asked if the signing authorities on the Bank Account had been changed and Marilyn reported she has done her part. Wayne said the information will be sent to President David following the meeting.
- f) **Spring 2017 Diakonia** – Victoria said the deadline for the Spring 2017 issue has been set for **March 1st**. It will contain reports from all the Area Representatives, the Warden and President. As well, Dr. Warren Ervine has indicated he will have an article which continues the discussion of the history of the Lay Readers Association and the Diakonia. The Rev'd Tom reminded everyone that the reports included in the upcoming Diakonia will be those which are presented at the Annual General Meeting in June.
- g) **Lay Readers – Diocesan Membership Records**– As all members at the Executive meeting were also at the Board of Standards meeting earlier in the morning when this item was discussed, there was no further discussion.
- h) **Mission of the Church** – This was also discussed during the Board of Standards meeting as part of the discussion on the role of Lay Readers; therefore, there was no further discussion.

6. New Business:

a) **Board of Standards Report** –

- a. Name and identity of Licensed Lay Readers in the Diocese – Was discussed at the Board of Standards Meeting held earlier in the day on January 14, 2017.
- b. Table at Synod – There will be a table shared with Education for Ministry
- c. Report to Synod – The Rev'd Tom will prepare a report to Synod on behalf of the Board of Standards and Executive of the Lay Readers' Association.
- d. Lay Readers' Brochure – Arrangements need to be made for distribution of the Brochure at AST. This item will be on the Agenda for the next meeting.

7. Financial Report:

Wayne presented a Financial Report for the period April 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 which showed a Closing Balance of \$7,761.02. It was moved by Wayne and seconded by Dennis that the Financial Report for the period April 1 - December 31, 2016, be accepted as presented.

Motion Carried.

8. Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be:

Full Executive Meeting

Saturday, April 22, 2017

Church of Saint Andrew, 2 Circassion Drive, Cole Harbour

9. Adjournment:

Moved by Wayne to adjourn at 1:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Henrikson
Secretary/Diakonia Editor