

**ALBERTA & NWT DISTRICT OF
THE PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF CANADA**

MINUTES OF THE 2022 DISTRICT CONFERENCE – BANFF, ALBERTA

March 30th, 2022

The Ninety Third Annual District Conference of the Alberta & NWT District of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada convened on the Thirtieth day of March 2022 in conjunction with the annual Ministers Gathering. District Superintendent, Rev. Gary Taitinger, presided as Chairman for the business session which was held in the Ballroom of the Banff Park Lodge in Banff, Alberta. The theme of Ministers Gathering was Together. Ministers Gathering guests included Patti Miller from Montreal, QC, Jim Caruso from Merritt, BC and Jason Ballard from Vancouver, BC along with Michael Larson and Tehillah Worship from First Assembly in Calgary, AB.

BUSINESS SESSION

The District Conference was declared open at 11:03 AM by the Chairman, District Superintendent Rev. Gary Taitinger.

Rev. Murray Cornelius, Executive Director for International Missions was invited to open the Conference Business Session in prayer.

Rev. Taitinger welcomed credential holders, lay delegates and visitors from across the ABNWT District, Canada and Global Workers from around the world.

The Chairman explained that if a registered voting delegate who was attending in person had questions about the reports or Conference business that they should come to the microphone and as a courtesy to the house, identify themselves and their ministry location. If a registered voting delegate was attending online, they would need to send an email to questions@abnwt.com and include their name as well as church or ministry location with the inquiry.

The Chairman explained that the Conference is governed by the District Constitution & Bylaws and the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order would be used as the guide for parliamentary procedure.

The Simply Voting online platform www.abnwt.simplyvoting.com was used for electronic voting with voting instructions being sent to registered delegates by email prior to the Conference.

ROSTER REPORT

Rev. Gary Taitinger read the Roster Report submitted by the Roster Committee Chair, Rev. Loredana Reddekopp:

Ordained	153	
Licensed Minister	30	
Recognition of Ministry	13	
Deaconess	1	
Ministry Related	16	
Lay Delegates	4	
District Appointee	1	
Total Voting Delegates:		218
Visitors	275	
Total Non Voting Delegates:		<u>275</u>
Total Registration:		493

The Chairman then explained that during the Conference Business Sessions, two omnibus motions with multiple resolutions in each would be presented for consideration. Any resolution in the motion could be withdrawn from the omnibus motion upon request of any member of the Conference. Resolutions remaining would be adopted when the motion is approved.

OMNIBUS MOTION #1

The Chairman asked the Resolution Chair, Reb. Debbie Kunst to present the first Omnibus motion.

OMNIBUS MOTION #1 – Annual Conference Actions and Bylaw Amendments

RESOLUTION #1 BE IT RESOLVED that this Conference approve the 2021 Annual District Conference Minutes.

RESOLUTION #2 BE IT RESOLVED that this Conference approve the 2021 Special District Conference Minutes.

RESOLUTION #3 BE IT RESOLVED that this Conference approve the Conference Committees as presented.

RESOLUTION #4 BE IT RESOLVED that this Conference ratify the report of the Credentials Committee of all ministerial credential applications and actions since the previous District Conference.

RESOLUTION #5 BE IT RESOLVED that this Conference accept the report of the Roster Committee as presented.

RESOLUTION #6 BE IT RESOLVED that this Conference ratify the election of Rev. Murray Coughlan as this District's Nominee to the 2022 General Conference for the General Executive Committee Credential Holder Member At Large election.

RESOLUTION #7 DLT01

BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw 3 Elections, Section 3.2.1 Nominations and Elections be amended by addition to authorize the District Leadership Team to conduct an election or re-election prior to a District Conference meeting being in session if it so chooses, in a timely manner through the use of electronic voting, as follows:

3.2.1 Nominations and Elections

The election process for Executive Lead Team members may be conducted prior to the District Conference meeting when authorized by the District Leadership Team as an action that is taken without meeting.

AND FURTHER that affected Bylaws be renumbered accordingly.

RESOLUTION #8 DLT02

BE IT RESOLVED that the reference in Bylaw 4.6 District Leadership Team of the ABNWT District Constitution & Bylaws regarding the appointment of DLT Members-At-Large to the Vanguard College Board of Directors be amended by revision to align with the Vanguard College Constitution & Bylaws as follows:

Bylaw 4.6 District Leadership Team

*The District Superintendent, the Director of Leader Development and Care, and ~~four~~ **at least two** members appointed by the District Leadership Team from among its membership shall be included on the Board of Directors of Vanguard College.*

AND FURTHER that affected Bylaws be renumbered accordingly.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Annual Conference Actions and Bylaw Amendments Motion be approved as presented.

The Chairman pointed out that because the motion includes two resolutions to amend the Constitution & Bylaws, a two-thirds vote in favor of the motion by members registered and voting is necessary to adopt the amendment. A five-minute voting window commenced via Simply Voting.

GENERAL EXECUTIVE MEMBERS AT LARGE

The Chairman noted that in pre-Conference voting, Rev. Murray Coughlan was selected as the District Nominee for General Executive Member At Large (Credential Holder). As well, the District Leadership Team is presenting Mr. Tim deWaal of Calgary and Claresholm as the District Nominee for General Executive Member at Large (Lay Member) to the upcoming General Conference.

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM UPDATE

The Chairman provided a District Leadership Team update to the Members. He explained that in 2021, four members were elected by the Conference and an additional two were appointed. One of the appointees, Mark Williams has recently stepped down. Bert Faulkner of Lethbridge has been appointed by the DLT to join the other members of the DLT – Joachim Chisanga, Naomi Kienzler, Phil Kniessel, Debbie Kunst and Michael Voll. The DLT has also invited Mark Klassen, a Next Gen leader to the table as a non-voting member.

50 YEAR CERTIFICATE HONOREES

The District Superintendent presented the names of the following individuals to the Conference in honor of 50 years of credentialed ministry in The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada:

Rev. Marj Abram
Rev. Tony Abram
Rev. Dr. Gordon Franklin
Rev. Gerry Johnson
Rev. Stephan Sos

OMNIBUS MOTION #1 – Annual Conference Actions and Bylaw Amendments Voting Results

The results of the voting on Omnibus Motion #1 - Annual Conference Actions and Bylaw Amendments were presented as follows:

Total Votes Cast	174
Total Votes Required (2/3 Majority)	116
In Favor	171
Opposed	3

The motion is CARRIED

ELECTIONS

The Chairman explained that this year, the Conference will ratify or elect 2 members of the Executive Lead Team. The Director of Finance & Administration, Rev. Phil Doroshuk, was called upon to briefly explain the qualifications and nomination procedures from the District Constitution & Bylaws for the Executive Lead Team.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF ASSISTANT DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT/DIRECTOR OF LEADER DEVELOPMENT & CARE

The District Leadership Team’s nomination for the position of Assistant District Superintendent/Director of Leader Development & Care was presented to the Members:

Corey Randell

MOVED and SECONDED

That nominations for election to the position of Assistant District Superintendent/Director of Leader Development & Care cease.

CARRIED

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

The District Leadership Team’s nomination for the position of Director of Finance & Administration was presented to the Members:

Phil Doroshuk

MOVED and SECONDED

That nominations for election to the position of Director of Finance & Administration cease.

CARRIED

The voting instructions were explained by Rev. Gary Taitinger and then the Ratification Ballot for both the Assistant District Superintendent and the Director of Finance & Administration commenced with a five-minute voting window via Simply Voting.

PAOC INTERNATIONAL OFFICE PRESENTATION

A video from PAOC International Office was presented and Murray Cornelius provided comments.

RESULTS OF THE RATIFICATION BALLOT FOR THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT,
DIRECTOR OF LEADER DEVELOPMENT & CARE

The results of the voting on the Ratification ballot of Rev. Corey Randell to serve in the position of the Assistant Superintendent/Director of Leader Development & Care were posted:

Total Votes Cast	172	
Needed for Ratification	115	
Yes	166	96.51%
No	0	
Spoiled	6	

Rev. Corey Randell was ratified to serve in the position of the Assistant District Superintendent/Director of Leader Development & Care for a two-year term.

RESULTS OF THE RATIFICATION BALLOT FOR THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

The results of the voting on the Ratification ballot of Rev. Phil Doroshuk to serve in the position of the Director of Finance & Administration were posted:

Total Votes Cast	156	
Needed for Ratification	104	
Yes	154	98.72%
No	2	
Spoiled	0	

Rev. Phil Doroshuk was ratified to serve in the position of the Director of Finance & Administration for a two-year term.

The Chairman invited the newly elected Assistant District Superintendent and the Director of Finance & Administration to share briefly.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Rev. Phil Doroshuk presented the 2021 District Financial Report to the Conference as printed.

VANGUARD COLLEGE FINANCIAL REPORT

Vanguard College CFO Chris Steward presented the 2020/2021 Financial report by video.

VANGUARD COLLEGE REPORT

Rev. Mark MacKnight, Interim President of Vanguard College, presented the annual report of the President of the College by video.

OMNIBUS MOTION #2

The Chairman asked the Resolution Chair, Reb. Debbie Kunst to present the second Omnibus motion.

OMNIBUS MOTION #2 – Financial Reports

RESOLUTION #1 BE IT RESOLVED that this Conference accept the 2021 Financial Statements of the Alberta & NWT District as prepared by Faber LLP

RESOLUTION #2 BE IT RESOLVED that this Conference accept the 2020/2021 Financial Statements of Vanguard College as prepared by Faber LLP

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Financial Reports Motion be approved as presented.

CARRIED

The Chairman, Rev. Gary Taitinger asked the Assistant District Superintendent, Corey Randell to assume the chair during his report to the Conference.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Rev. Gary Taitinger presented the report of the District Superintendent.

Rev. Corey Randell thanked the District Superintendent for his report and then returned the Chair to Rev. Gary Taitinger.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and SECONDED

That the 93rd Annual District Conference be adjourned.

CARRIED

The 93rd Annual District Conference was adjourned at 12:36 PM.