

**ALBERTA & NWT DISTRICT OF
THE PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF CANADA
MINUTES OF THE 2015 DISTRICT CONFERENCE – EDMONTON, ALBERTA**

MAY 5th – 7th, 2015

The Eighty-Sixth Annual District Conference of the Alberta & NWT District of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada convened on the Fifth day of May, 2015. District Superintendent, Rev. Ken Solbrekken, presided as Chairman for the business sessions which were held in the auditorium of Evangel Pentecostal Assembly in Edmonton, Alberta. The theme of District Conference was Destiny. District Conference guests included plenary speaker Rev. Rich Wilkerson of Miami, Florida, and worship leader Jeremy Gifford of Edmonton. The Tuesday and Wednesday morning business sessions were preceded by a devotional presented by Rev. Wilkerson.

The District Conference opened with the presentation of the Canadian flag and the singing of the national anthem. Rev. Wayne McNeilly, pastor of Evangel Pentecostal Assembly, welcomed the delegates and then opened in prayer.

May 5th, 2015 – Tuesday Morning

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION

The District Conference was declared open at 10:20 AM by the Chairman, District Superintendent Rev. Ken Solbrekken.

He invited Rev. Phil Doroshuk, District Director of Finance & Administration, to review the use of technology during the Conference.

Rev. Solbrekken then asked the Conference to begin the business session with a time of corporate prayer. He opened the time of prayer with a reading on prayer. There were a number of people that publicly participated in the time of prayer.

Following prayer, Rev. Solbrekken formally welcomed all ministers, delegates and friends from across the district, Canada and from around the world.

Rev. Solbrekken then led the conference in a time of remembrance and thanks for the ministry and leadership of former District Superintendents Rev. Charles Yates and Rev. Jack Keys who passed away last year. Rev. Lorne McAlister then took time to pray for those at the Conference that has lost a loved one in the past year.

CONFERENCE BAR

MOVED and SECONDED

That those registered delegates identified with voting privileges establishes the voting bar.

CARRIED

ROBERT’S RULES OF ORDER

MOVED and SECONDED

That the 11th Edition of Robert’s Rules of Order be accepted as the guide for parliamentary procedure.

CARRIED

RECOGNITION OF VOTING GUESTS

The Chairman recognized the following people as voting members of the Conference:

- International Office Representative – Assistant Superintendent for Fellowship Services David Hazzard
- Global Workers whose credentials are held with International Missions
 - Gary Heinrichs
 - Cheryl Ann Johnson
 - Nish & Kristen Kandangama
 - Greg Swinamer
- District layperson who is member of the General Executive
 - Dr. Efa Etoroma

AGENDA

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Agenda for this Conference be accepted as printed.

CARRIED

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Conference Committees be approved as printed in the Conference Book as follows:

ROSTER

Simon Sichangwa (CH)
Joanne Morgan
Dale Reddekopp
Loredana Reddekopp

TELLERS

Arnold Lotholz (CH)
David Haitel
Charity Mongrain
Matthew Redstone
Stephen Valcourt

MINUTES APPROVAL

Phil Doroshuk
Judy Marchuk

RESOLUTIONS

Murray Coughlan (CH)
Dallas Bidell
Phil Doroshuk
Dave Hall
Roy Holmquist
Bob Webster

PARLIAMENTARIANS

Mark Hendricks (CH)
Larry Lindoff
Merril Radford

CARRIED

2014 DISTRICT CONFERENCE MINUTES

MOVED and SECONDED

That the minutes of the 2014 District Conference be approved as printed and distributed.

CARRIED

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The Credential Committee report for the period between 2014 and 2015 District Conferences was presented by Rev. Dave Hall, Chairman of the District Credentials Committee.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the report of the Credential Committee be accepted as read and recorded in Clergy Records and further that these credential matters be ratified by this Conference.

CARRIED

FIRST ROSTER REPORT

The Chairman of the Roster Committee, Rev. Simon Sichangwa, submitted the First Roster Report of the Roster Committee as follows:

Ordained	144	
Licensed Ministers	16	
Recognition of Ministry	9	
Deaconess	5	
Ministry Related	13	
Lay Delegates	12	
District Department Directors	<u>2</u>	
Total Voting Delegates:		201
Visitors	<u>70</u>	
Total Non Voting Delegates:		<u>70</u>
Total Registration:		271

MOVED and SECONDED

That the First Roster Report of the Roster Committee be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Chairman asked Lillian Douglass to lead the conference in prayer for the matter of elections. He then asked Rev. Phil Doroshuk to provide an explanation on the electronic voting process that will take place at this Conference.

The Chairman asked that the Assistant Superintendent, Rev. Dave Hall, take the chair.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

Rev. Phil Doroshuk highlighted the qualifications and procedure for Nomination and Election of the District Superintendent position being presented to the conference for voting.

NOMINATIONS FOR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

The First Nomination ballot for the position of District Superintendent was cast.

REPORTS TO CONFERENCE

Rev. Phil Doroshuk was invited to present the Director of Finance & Administration Report to the Conference.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Rev. Phil Doroshuk presented the report of the Director of Finance & Administration to the Conference. He then presented the 2014 Financial Report of the Alberta & NWT District.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Financial Report of the Alberta & NWT District for the year ending December 31, 2014 be accepted as printed and distributed.

CARRIED

Rev. Phil Doroshuk continued to present his report. He also included Rev. Lorne McAlister who was invited to the stage to speak to the Conference about his role as District Stewardship Coordinator.

The Conference expressed its appreciation to Rev. Doroshuk for his report.

RESULTS OF NOMINATION BALLOT FOR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

The results of the Nomination ballot for the position of District Superintendent were posted:

Total Votes cast	145	
Needed for Election	97	
Solbrekken, Ken	109	75%
19 Others (less than 5%)	36	

Rev. Ken Solbrekken was elected to the position of District Superintendent for the next two years.

Rev. Hall asked the members to stand as he prayed for Rev. Ken & Lena Solbrekken. The Conference expressed their appreciation to the District Superintendent for his re-election.

Rev. Solbrekken returned to the chair.

RECESS

The First Business Session was recessed at 12:02 PM for a luncheon featuring Missions and PAOC Global Workers.

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION

The Chairman declared the Second Business Session of the 86th District Conference open at 2:02 PM. He then invited Rev. Marvin Dynna to open the session in prayer.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS AT LARGE

The Director of Finance & Administration, Rev. Phil Doroshuk, highlighted the qualifications and procedure for Nomination and Election of four Members At Large.

NOMINATION OF MEMBERS AT LARGE

The Nomination slate for four Member At Large positions was presented as follows:

Atha, Doug
Bidell, Dallas
Bishop, Keith
Coughlan, Murray
Dannhauer, Dan
Faulkner, Bert
Fawcett, Debbie
Grant, Duane
Greiner, John
Keys, Cal
Keys, Jeremy
Phaneuf, Doug
Rideout, Edwin
Running, Mark
Steeves, Lance

FIRST ELECTION BALLOT OF MEMBERS AT LARGE

The First Election ballot for four Members At Large was cast.

REPORTS TO CONFERENCE (CONT'D)

The Chairman asked that the Assistant District Superintendent, Rev. Dave Hall, take the chair.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Rev. Ken Solbrekken, District Superintendent, presented the report of the District Superintendent.

In closing his report, a CP2020 video report from CP2020 Director Dave Knudsen was presented.

The Conference expressed its appreciation to the District Superintendent for his report.

Rev. Solbrekken returned to the chair.

RESULTS OF FIRST ELECTION BALLOT FOR MEMBERS AT LARGE

The results of the First Election ballot for three remaining Members At Large were as follows:

Total Votes cast	150	
Needed for Selection	76	
Murray Coughlan	92	61.3%
Running, Mark	61	
Fawcett, Debbie	55	
Steeves, Lance	48	
Keys, Jeremy	46	
Phaneuf, Doug	45	
Bishop, Keith	33	
Rideout, Edwin	23	
Bidell, Dallas	21	
Faulkner, Bert	21	
Dannhauer, Dan	19	
Grant, Duane	19	
Greiner, John	18	
Keys, Cal	18	
Atha, Doug	16	

Rev. Murray Coughlan was elected as a Member At Large. The candidate receiving the lowest number of votes was removed from the slate for the Second Election Ballot.

SECOND ELECTION BALLOT FOR MEMBERS AT LARGE

The Second Election Ballot for three Members At Large was cast.

RESULTS OF SECOND ELECTION BALLOT FOR MEMBERS AT LARGE

The results of the Second Election ballot for three remaining Members At Large were as follows:

Total Votes cast	144
Needed for Selection	73
Running, Mark	72
Fawcett, Debbie	65
Steeves, Lance	45
Keys, Jeremy	42
Phaneuf, Doug	42
Bishop, Keith	27
Faulkner, Bert	20
Grant, Duane	18
Rideout, Edwin	17
Keys, Cal	14
Bidell, Dallas	13
Dannhauer, Dan	13
Greiner, John	13

There was no election. The candidates receiving the lowest number of votes were removed from the slate for the Third Election Ballot.

THIRD ELECTION BALLOT FOR MEMBERS AT LARGE

The Third Election Ballot for three Members At Large was cast.

MINISTRY FEATURE

A video report by Rev. Paul Fraser was presented highlighting Men's Ministries.

RESOLUTIONS

The District Superintendent called upon Rev. Murray Coughlan to present the first resolution.

RESOLUTION #1

Privileges and Responsibilities of Local Affiliated Assemblies (DLT 03)

WHEREAS the General Constitution & By-Laws provide the framework and basis for the District Constitution & By-Laws; and

WHEREAS the General Constitution & By-laws state the Privileges and Responsibilities of local affiliated assemblies of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada as well as other references regarding local assemblies; and

WHEREAS the District Constitution & By-Laws also state the same Privileges and Responsibilities and other references regarding local assemblies but requires amendments to match current wording in the General Constitution & By-Laws; further

WHEREAS the principle of voluntary cooperation, upon which The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada functions, involves the following:

By "voluntary" it is meant that, upon learning the principles, doctrines, and practice of PAOC and by seeing the benefits one could derive from being associated with such an organization, a person, of his/her own free choice, decides to become a member, thus subscribing to all that for which the organization stands.

By "cooperation" it is meant that to the best of his/her ability, one will comply with all decisions setting forth and defining duties and responsibilities incumbent upon members of the organization, and will respect the will of the majority, expressed through democratic processes, as long as he/she remains a member.

Hence "voluntary cooperation" means that one, of his/her own free will, will decide to become a cooperating member of PAOC, this cooperation being obligatory and not optional; further

WHEREAS it is recommended that the wording used in the District Constitution & By-Laws be amended to match the wording that is used in the General Constitution & By-Laws as well as the Local Church Constitution template; further

WHEREAS the Alberta & NWT District Conference has made historical amendments by addition to the District Constitution & By-Laws regarding the financial support of Vanguard College as well as the financial support by credential holders of the District under certain conditions; and

WHEREAS these historical amendments are recommended to be moved from By-Law XIII FINANCES and placed under By-Law VIII Local Assemblies;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law VIII LOCAL ASSEMBLIES be amended as follows:

Section 2 - ASSEMBLIES

Local assemblies are recognized to have matured sufficiently to accept their full share of responsibility for the maintenance of Scriptural order, have been properly set in order and are financially self-supporting.

a) Privileges and Responsibilities of **Local Affiliated** Assemblies

i) They shall be governed by the Local Church Constitution of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada or a local church constitution approved by the District Leadership Team.

ii) They shall be amenable to the District Conference in doctrine, in conduct, in practice and in all other matters which affect the peace and harmony of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

iii) They shall have the right to choose their own pastor(s), ~~select~~ their officers and hold property, either by local Trustees or by vested in The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada as Trustees.

iv) They shall be entitled to representation in the General and District Conferences through accredited delegates, according to the provisions of the General Constitution and By-Laws.

v) They shall have the advice and help of the District Leadership Team in all vital matters which affect them.

vi) They shall have the consideration of the District Leadership Team when it plans for Prayer Conventions, Fellowship Meetings, and Conferences, and shall be entitled to the services of evangelists and global workers on furlough.

vii) They shall be expected to cooperate in the promotion of departmental activities of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, such as International Missions, children's ministries, youth ministries, ministers' pension fund, Publications, Bible Colleges, Seminaries and Camp Meetings.

viii) They shall be expected to assume voluntarily their cooperative share in the expenses of the District ministry and administration. ~~work by tithing into the District Office.~~

Recognizing the important services rendered by the International Office and the District Office of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, each local church shall support the ministry and fellowship services costs of the offices. Each local assembly shall forward an amount equal to 10 percent of its general fund offerings (does not include global worker offerings, building fund, or any other special fund) to the District at regular intervals to assist with ministry and fellowship services costs.

Where this is not practiced, the pastor is requested to forward one-half of his or her tithe to the District Office.

ix) All affiliated and home mission churches should financially support Vanguard College with a minimum of 2 percent of their annual general income.

~~x)~~ They shall forward to the District Office annually a copy of their respective financial statements.

ixi) Assemblies shall recognize their responsibility to defray the moving expenses in the case of the incoming pastor and to cooperate in making possible his or her attendance at the Annual District Conference, District Ministers Seminars and at the General Conference when feasible.

xii) A nomination for pastor shall be submitted to the church congregation by the church board after consultation with the District Superintendent and one name only shall be presented to the congregation by the church board for consideration at one time.

xiii) The property title of an assembly seeking affiliation shall be held in the name of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada according to the terms of the Declaration of Trust. Exceptions may be considered by the District Leadership Team.

b) Building Projects

All Building Project plans or the purchasing of existing buildings by local assemblies in the District shall be submitted to the District Leadership Team for approval prior to any construction or purchase.

c) Members Transferring

Members and adherents transferring from one assembly to another shall be encouraged to present a letter of recommendation from their former pastor showing that they are in good standing both in doctrine and character, a copy of the aforementioned letter to be sent to the pastor or pastors concerned.

MOVED and SECONDED

That Resolution #3 (DLT 03) be accepted as presented.

There was discussion regarding the Resolution.

AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION #3

MOVED and SECONDED that the Resolution be amended as follows:

a) Privileges and Responsibilities of Local Affiliated Assemblies

viii) Recognizing the important services rendered by the International Office and the District Office of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, each local church shall **be encouraged to** support the ministry and fellowship services costs of the offices. Each local assembly shall **be encouraged to** forward an amount equal to 10 percent of its general fund offerings (does not include global worker offerings, building fund, or any other special fund) to the District at regular intervals to assist with ministry and fellowship services costs.

ix) All affiliated and home mission churches should **be encouraged to** financially support Vanguard College with a minimum of 2 percent of their annual general income.

There was discussion regarding the Amendment to the Resolution.

MOTION TO WITHDRAW AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION #3

MOVED to withdraw the Amendment to the Resolution.

CARRIED

AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION #3

MOVED and SECONDED that the Resolution be amended as follows:

xiii) The property title of an assembly seeking affiliation shall be held in **trust by the name of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada according to the terms of the Declaration of Trust, or, by the trustees of the local church as a local church of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada or in the case of an incorporated local church, held by the local church in its corporate name as a local church of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. Exceptions may be considered by the District Leadership Team.**

CARRIED

The Amended Resolution #3 was presented for consideration as follows:

By-Law VIII LOCAL ASSEMBLIES

Section 2 - ASSEMBLIES

Local assemblies are recognized to have matured sufficiently to accept their full share of responsibility for the maintenance of Scriptural order, have been properly set in order and are financially self-supporting.

- a) Privileges and Responsibilities of **Local Affiliated** Assemblies
- i) They shall be governed by the Local Church Constitution of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada or a local church constitution approved by the District Leadership Team.
 - ii) They shall be amenable to the District Conference in doctrine, in conduct, in practice and in all other matters which affect the peace and harmony of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.
 - iii) They shall have the right to choose their own pastor(s), select their officers and hold property, either by local Trustees or by vested in The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada as Trustees.
 - iv) They shall be entitled to representation in the General and District Conferences through accredited delegates, according to the provisions of the **General** Constitution and By-Laws.
 - v) They shall have the advice and help of the District Leadership Team in all vital matters which affect them.
 - vi) They shall have the consideration of the District Leadership Team when it plans for Prayer Conventions, Fellowship Meetings, and Conferences, and shall be entitled to the services of evangelists and global workers on furlough.
 - vii) They shall be expected to cooperate in the promotion of departmental activities of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, such as International Missions, children's ministries, youth ministries, ministers' pension fund, Publications, Bible Colleges, Seminaries and Camp Meetings.
 - viii) They shall be expected to assume voluntarily their cooperative share in the expenses of the District **ministry and administration.** ~~work by tithing into the District Office.~~
- Recognizing the important services rendered by the International Office and the District Office of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, each local church shall support the ministry and fellowship services costs of the offices. Each local assembly shall forward an amount equal to 10 percent of its general fund offerings (does not include global worker offerings, building fund, or any other special fund) to the District at regular intervals to assist with ministry and fellowship services costs.**
- Where this is not practiced, the pastor is requested to forward one-half of his or her tithe to the District Office.**
- ix) All affiliated and home mission churches should financially support Vanguard College with a minimum of 2 percent of their annual general income.**
- x)** They shall forward to the District Office annually a copy of their respective financial statements.
- ixi) Assemblies shall recognize their responsibility to defray the moving expenses in the case of the incoming pastor and to cooperate in making possible his or her attendance at the Annual District Conference, District Ministers Seminars and at the General Conference when feasible.
- xii) A nomination for pastor shall be submitted to the church congregation by the church board after consultation with the District Superintendent and one name only shall be presented to the congregation by the church board for consideration at one time.

xiii) The property title of an assembly seeking affiliation shall be held in trust by The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada according to the terms of the *Declaration of Trust*, or, by the trustees of the local church as a local church of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada or in the case of an incorporated local church, held by the local church in its corporate name as a local church of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

b) Building Projects

All Building Project plans or the purchasing of existing buildings by local assemblies in the District shall be submitted to the District Leadership Team for approval prior to any construction or purchase.

c) Members Transferring

Members and adherents transferring from one assembly to another shall be encouraged to present a letter of recommendation from their former pastor showing that they are in good standing both in doctrine and character, a copy of the aforementioned letter to be sent to the pastor or pastors concerned.

MOVED and SECONDED

That Amended Resolution #3 (DLT 03) be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

RECESS

The Second Business Session was recessed at 4:40 PM for the day.

May 6th, 2015 – Wednesday Morning

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION

The Chairman declared the Third Business Session of the 86th District Conference open at 10:32 AM. He then invited Rev. Duane Grant to open the session in prayer. There was also a time of prayer for Global Workers Elmer & Sherry Komant in Burundi as well as prayer for the Next Generation where members of the Conference publicly participated.

SECOND ROSTER REPORT

The Chairman of the Roster Committee, Rev. Simon Sichangwa, submitted the Second Roster Report of the Roster Committee as follows:

Ordained	144	
Licensed Ministers	16	
Recognition of Ministry	9	
Deaconess	5	
Ministry Related	13	
Lay Delegates	12	
District Department Directors	<u>2</u>	
Total Voting Delegates:		201
Visitors	<u>72</u>	
Total Non Voting Delegates:		<u>72</u>
Total Registration:		273

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Second Roster Report of the Roster Committee be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

RESULTS OF THIRD ELECTION BALLOT FOR MEMBERS AT LARGE

The results of the Third Election ballot for three remaining Members At Large were as follows:

Total Votes cast	133	
Needed for Selection	67	
Running, Mark	86	64.7%
Fawcett, Debbie	71	53.4%
Steeves, Lance	60	
Keys, Jeremy	43	
Phaneuf, Doug	33	
Bishop, Keith	23	
Grant, Duane	16	
Rideout, Edwin	13	
Keys, Cal	12	
Faulkner, Bert	9	

Rev. Mark Running & Rev. Debbie Fawcett were elected as Members At Large. The candidate receiving the lowest number of votes was removed from the slate for the Fourth Election Ballot.

FOURTH ELECTION BALLOT FOR MEMBERS AT LARGE

The Fourth Election Ballot for one Members At Large was cast.

LEADER DEVELOPMENT & CARE REPORT

Rev. Dave Hall, Assistant Superintendent (Director of Leader Development & Care), presented the Leader Development & Care report.

A video report of the Pastoral Care Coordinator, Rev. Al Downey was also presented.

The Conference expressed its appreciation to Rev. Dave Hall for his report.

RESULTS OF FOURTH ELECTION BALLOT FOR MEMBERS AT LARGE

The results of the Fourth Election ballot for the remaining Member At Large were as follows:

Total Votes cast	142
Needed for Selection	72
Steeves, Lance	65
Keys, Jeremy	30
Phaneuf, Doug	19
Bishop, Keith	16
Grant, Duane	4
Rideout, Edwin	4
Keys, Cal	4

There was no election declared. The candidates receiving the lowest number of votes were removed from the slate for the Fifth Election Ballot.

FIFTH ELECTION BALLOT FOR MEMBERS AT LARGE

The Fifth Election Ballot for one Members At Large was cast.

The District Superintendent invited Rev. Stephen Hertzog to give a report to the Conference.

VANGUARD COLLEGE REPORT

Rev. Stephen Hertzog, President of Vanguard College, presented the annual report of the President of the College.

The members expressed their appreciation to President Steve Hertzog for his final report as President of the College.

VANGUARD COLLEGE FINANCIAL REPORT

Rev. Stephen Hertzog presented the 2013/2014 Financial report.

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Financial report of Vanguard Bible College for the year ending June 30, 2014 be accepted as printed and commented upon.

CARRIED

A special presentation was made to Rev. Hertzog for his 13 years of service as President of the College ending June 30th, 2015.

The Chairman then introduced Rev. Eric Derksen, newly appointed President of Vanguard College, effective July 1, 2015. At that time, Rev. Hertzog "passed the baton" to Rev. Derksen.

Rev. Derksen then took time to share with the Conference. There was a time of prayer for Rev. Derksen and his wife Candace.

RECESS

The Third Business Session was recessed at 12:09 PM for a luncheon that would highlight Church Planting.

FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION

The Chairman declared the Fourth Business Session of the 86th District Conference open at 2:04 PM.

RESULTS OF FIFTH ELECTION BALLOT FOR MEMBERS AT LARGE

The results of the Fifth Election ballot for one remaining Member At Large position was as follows:

Total Votes cast	144	
Needed for Selection	73	
Steeves, Lance	82	56.9%
Keys, Jeremy	31	
Phaneuf, Doug	18	
Bishop, Keith	13	

Rev. Lance Steeves was elected as a Member At Large.

The District Superintendent asked the four elected Members At Large to share remarks with the Conference.

APPRECIATION

MOVED and SECONDED

That appreciation be expressed from the District Conference to the former members of the District Leadership Team – Simon Clarence, Terefe Sereke, Jeremy Keys - for their past service.

CARRIED

The District Superintendent notified the Conference that two additional members will be appointed by the District Leadership Team following Conference.

RESOLUTIONS

The District Superintendent called upon Rev. Murray Coughlan to continue to present resolutions.

RESOLUTION #2

Qualifications of Candidates for District Leadership Team

(DLT 01)

WHEREAS clarification in the wording is required in Section 1 of By-Law III Elections in reference to candidates for the District Leadership Team;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law III ELECTIONS be amended as follows:

Section 1 – QUALIFICATIONS OF CANDIDATES

The members of **Candidates for** the District Leadership Team shall be ordained ~~men or women~~ **credential holders with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada** of mature experience, sound judgment, recognized ability and Christian character. **The candidates must have a current credential and an active credential standing.**

(a) Executive Lead Team Members

The **Candidates for** District Superintendent shall have ministered for at least ten consecutive years as an ordained minister with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, including at least two years as a member of the District immediately prior to nomination.

The **Candidates for the** remaining Executive Lead Team ~~members~~ **positions** shall have ministered for at least five consecutive years as ordained ministers with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, including at least one year as a member of the District immediately prior to nomination.

(b) District Leadership Team Members At Large

The **Candidates for** elected and appointed members at large shall have ministered for at least three consecutive years as ordained ministers with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, including at least one year as a member of the District immediately prior to nomination,

MOVED and SECONDED

That Resolution #2 (DLT 01) be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #3

Qualifications of Candidates for General Executive Nominee

(DLT 02)

WHEREAS the District Conference chooses a credential holder from eligible candidates to serve as a nominee to the General Conference for election to the General Executive; and

WHEREAS the qualifications for these candidates referenced in the General Constitution & By-Laws is not stated in the District Constitution; and

WHEREAS eligible credential holders could include those that are not ordained;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law III ELECTIONS be amended as follows:

Section 1 – QUALIFICATIONS OF CANDIDATES

The members of **Candidates for** the District Leadership Team **or the General Executive Nominee** shall be ~~ordained men or women~~ **credential holders with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada** of mature experience, sound judgment, recognized ability and Christian character. **The candidates must have a current credential and an active credential standing.**

(c) **General Executive Nominee**

Candidates for the General Executive Nominee shall be credential holders and shall be persons of mature experience and ability who have been credentialed for a period of not fewer than five (5) consecutive years with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada including at least two years immediately prior to the nomination, and are eligible to be a member of

the General Conference, whose life and ministry are above question, and such qualities shall determine their eligibility for office.

MOVED and SECONDED

That Resolution #3 (DLT 02) be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

MINISTRY FEATURE

A video report by Rev. Simon Clarence was presented highlighting Aboriginal Ministries.

MINISTRY FEATURE

A video report by Lori Patrick was presented highlighting Women's Ministries.

CHURCH MINISTRIES REPORT

Rev. Paul Fraser, Director of Church Ministries, presented the Church Ministries Report.

A video report by Leeann Woelk was presented highlighting Children's Ministries.

The Conference expressed appreciation to Rev. Paul Fraser for his report.

RESOLUTIONS

The District Superintendent called upon Rev. Murray Coughlan to continue to present resolutions.

RESOLUTION #4

District Finances Reference

(DLT 04)

WHEREAS the General Constitution & By-Laws provide the framework and basis for the District Constitution & By-Laws, including general direction regarding finances in the District; and

WHEREAS the District Constitution provides the same general direction but requires amendments to match the current wording in the General Constitution & By-Laws; further

WHEREAS the Alberta & NWT District Conference has made amendments at previous District Conferences by addition to the District Constitution & By-Laws regarding the financial support of Vanguard College as well as the financial support by credential holders of the District under certain conditions; and

WHEREAS these past amendments are recommended to be moved from By-Law XIII Finances and placed under By-Law VIII Local Assemblies; further

WHEREAS a past District Conference amendment stating the expectation "...that Evangelists from outside the District..." are to contribute in the support of the District, is no longer a regular practice nor an expectation presented to visiting evangelists who are from outside the District;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law XIII FINANCES be amended as follows:

Section 1

All funds received by the District Conference for District Missions and administration purposes shall be disbursed by the District Leadership Team in accordance with the policies of the District Conference.

Section 2

The District Superintendent shall write to the church board of each assembly annually recommending that it take care of the expenses of its pastor attending Conference. In cases where any assembly is

unable to cooperate along this line, each worker is invited to notify the District Superintendent who shall be authorized to assist according to his or her knowledge of each case.

Section 3

~~Each local church is encouraged to tithe its general fund to the District Office, and where this is not practiced, the pastor is requested to forward one-half of his or her tithe to the District Office.~~

Section 4

~~It is expected that Evangelists from outside the District, while ministering in the District, shall contribute at least one-half of their tithes to the support of the District.~~

Section 5

~~All affiliated and home mission churches should financially support Vanguard College with a minimum of 2% (two percent) of their annual general income.~~

The district shall support the ministries and fellowship services of the International Office of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada by forwarding ten percent of the monies received by the District from the financial support of local assemblies, including general and departmental funds.

MOVED and SECONDED

That Resolution #4 (DLT 04) be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #5

Vanguard College Constitution – Core Values & Institutional Outcomes (VGD 01)

WHEREAS the Vanguard College Constitution contains the fundamental principles of the College and provides a good understanding of what the College is all about and how it functions; and

WHEREAS core values are the fundamental beliefs of an institution and the guiding principles that dictate behavior and action; and

WHEREAS institutional outcomes reflect the broader mission and purpose of the institution; and

WHEREAS the Board of Directors of Vanguard College is recommending the inclusion of Core Values and Institutional Outcomes in the Constitution of the College;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Constitution of Vanguard College be amended by addition as follows:

ARTICLE III CORE VALUES

Spirit-Filled Context

The College commits to a Spirit-Filled atmosphere wherein the Holy Spirit can shape and prepare each student. The College places a practical emphasis on prayer, worship, the study of the Bible, spiritual gifts, and the anointing.

Leadership Development

The College commits to excellence in training tomorrow's spiritual leaders who can effectively minister in their society. The raising of a new generation of leaders is accomplished through cooperation of the College and churches in apprenticeship experience, service opportunities, and specific skill training.

Educational Excellence

The College strives to provide students with personalized educational programs and program diversity.

Character Development

The College provides an environment for the development of personal spiritual disciplines and Christian character.

Ministry Development

The College seeks to raise-up servant leaders who are prepared for participation in the ministry of the Church; equipped with skills for service; empowered with spiritual gifts; and enabled to minister to the unsaved and to needy and hurting people.

ARTICLE IV INSTITUTIONAL OUTCOMES

1. DEVELOPING

- We model God-honoring excellence, creating a culture where life-long learning thrives.

2. INNOVATIVE

- We are distinct, dynamic and discerning, impacting church and culture.

3. SPIRIT-FILLED

- We are Spirit-filled, demonstrating the gifts and fruit of the Spirit.

4. LEADERS

- We all contribute, inspired by vision, serving with Christ-like character.

And further that the remaining Articles be renumbered accordingly.

MOVED and SECONDED

That Resolution #5 (VGD 01) be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

PENTECOSTAL CAMPUS MINISTRIES REPORT

Rev. Matthew Glombick, Director of PCM University of Alberta Campus, presented a report on Pentecostal Campus Ministries.

CULTURAL LANGUAGE GROUP MINISTRIES REPORT

The Chairman highlighted some of the growing ministry in Cultural Language Groups as well as the Directors, Rev. Roy Holmquist (South) and Rev. Innocent Sezibera (North).

MINISTRY FEATURE

A video report was presented highlighting Pentecostal Sub Arctic Ministries.

PENTECOSTAL SUB ARCTIC MINISTRIES REPORT

The Chairman highlighted updated the Conference on the ministry of PSAM. He also reported that Garry Foote will be retiring at the end of May as the PSAM Coordinator and expressed his thanks to Garry for his work.

RECESS

The Fourth Business Session was recessed at 3:12 PM for the day.

RESOLUTION #7

BE IT RESOLVED that we leave all unfinished business to the District Leadership Team.

MOVED and SECONDED

That Resolution #7 be accepted as read.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED

That the 86th Annual District Conference be adjourned.

CARRIED

The District Superintendent declared the 86th Annual District Conference adjourned at 11:06 AM following prayer led by Rev. Paul Fraser.