

Proposal #1 – Opening & Procedural Motion

Title: Opening and Procedural Motion

Origin: Executive Minister

What is the issue?

The regional council must establish the procedures by which it will conduct business.

Why is this issue important?

This clarifies and confirms the way in which decision-making will happen.

How might the regional council respond to the issue?

The regional council might adopt the following as a consent docket:

1. Adopt the agenda as circulated and authorize the Agenda and Business Committee to make any changes as necessary;
2. Approve the minutes of the meeting of 2025-11-21/22;
3. Receive the minutes of the following meetings of the
 - i. Executive
25-09-24
25-11-26
26-01-28
 - ii. Congregational Support Commission
25-11-04
25-12-09
26-01-13
26-02-10
26-03-10
 - iii. Human Resources Commission
25-10-22
25-11-10
25-11-26
26-01-28
26-02-25
 - iv. Discipleship and Justice Commission
25-09-25
25-10-23
25-11-20
26-01-15

Note: Minutes are posted on the website www.hfrcucc.ca "About" page.

4. Confirm the appointment of Jessica McMillan to the HFRC Discipleship & Justice Commission;
5. Appoint Doug Caldwell as Parliamentarian;
6. Appoint Wanda Bakus-Kelly as Chair, Agenda and Business Committee;
7. Name Tessica Hackshaw to serve as Equity Support Team Member;

8. Name Laurie Stevenson as Chaplain;
9. Name Sula Kosaky, Chair Agenda and Business Committee Wanda Bakus-Kelly, Executive Minister Mark Laird and Executive Assistant Max Watkinson as the Agenda and Business Committee;
10. Set the bounds of the meeting as the Best Western Plus Lamplighter Inn, 591 Wellington Road, London, ON, N6C 4R3, and the Zoom call
11. Make the designated representative from any United Church ministry, other than a congregation, which has been invited to become a community of faith by entering into a covenant with the regional council, a member of the regional council for this meeting (Section C.1.2 c);
12. Make all guests corresponding members;
13. Set the deadline for new business to be submitted to the Agenda and Business Committee as 9:00 a.m., Saturday, June 27th, 2026
14. Adopt the following method for dealing with proposals for action by the regional council

Step One:

The Presenter will outline:

- A. What is the issue? and
- B. The suggested way in which the regional council might respond to the issue.

Step Two:

The President will inquire if there are questions for clarification. Please note this is for clarification only.

Step Three:

The President will then ask if there are changes or additions being suggested for the proposal. Using warm and cool signals, the regional council will seek to come closer to agreement on how to respond to the issue.

Step Four:

Once there is significant agreement, the President will invite the Presenter to move the motion at which point the regional council enters the formal debate process.