

## Canadian Association for Baptist Freedoms (CABF)

Council Meeting Minutes – June 23, 2015  
Library at Manning Chapel, Acadia University

### Attendees:

David Ogilvie Cynthia Ogilvie Roger Prentice John Boyd John Churchill David Allen  
Marianne Thomas Marilyn Peers Kim Sweet Lee Nicholas-Pattillo

**Regrets:** Dan Gibson, Richard Manuel and John Tonks

### Agenda

1. **Meeting called to order** by acting President, David Ogilvie at 10:04 am.
2. Addendum to & Approval of Agenda – Nothing changed.
3. Approval of the Minutes of May 19, 2015

**Moved by** David Allen and **seconded by** John Churchill that minutes be accepted as presented. **Carried.**

#### 4. Business Arising

a. None.

b. Discussion about files and documents related to CABF business, including minutes. David Allen advised he would organize all our electronic files on a separate hard drive. David requested that each person organize what they have and then send the organized file (on a memory stick) to him. David will work with the memory sticks he receives and return the memory sticks. Dropbox will also be considered for the transfer of all this information to David (Allen).

**ACTION:** All who have electronic files related to CABF should organize the files and send to David Allen.

#### 5. Correspondence

- a) Letter of resignation received from Dan Gibson. Lee read the letter. Placed letter on file. **Moved by** David Allen that the resignation be received. **Seconded by** John Boyd. **Carried.**

**ACTION:** Lee will send response to Dan acknowledging receipt.

- b) David Ogilvie stated that he will work with Dan on preparing a nominating report for our October AGM.

**ACTION:** David Ogilvie.

#### 6. Standing Reports:

##### a) **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer's report is up to the end of June 2015. See **Attachment #1.**

Cynthia notes that if the expenses for the Rushton Lecture are not covered by the fee charged members, the shortage to cover expenses would come from our Operating Budget.

**NO ACTION.**

**b) Financial/Budget Report**

See **Attachment #2**, as presented.

The process for the 2016 budget is going to be started. Discussion around the use of 'Canada Helps' access for donations should be considered.

Register Joint Stock Companies yearly fee paid by LNP and reimbursed.

**CRA** – update from Lee. Lee advised that she called CRA and asked for an update. Lee was advised that she will get a call back from CRA within a couple of days.

**ACTION:** (1) Finance Committee start 2016 budget process.

(2) Lee follow-up with CRA.

**c) Membership**

David Allen presented everyone a list of the churches. We did not get to discuss this list. David will place this on the top of our agenda items for the next meeting.

**ACTION:** David Allen to address at next meeting.

**d) The Bulletin**

Roger stated only 6 copies of '*The Bulletin*' were returned on this mailing. Roger has received very positive comments about this edition. Roger needs to confirm Headley Hopkins mailing address.

Falmouth Church requests 65 copies for the future. Falmouth Church should be added to our list of CABF Churches.

**NO ACTION.**

**e) Credentials Committee Report**

Much needs to be decided about the planned Ordination Council for FBCH (for Jenny Csinos).

The Credentials Committee is meeting following this meeting and will advise accordingly.

Roger Prentice **moved** that CABF confirm the request from FBCH to establish an Ordination Council for Jenny Csinos, on September 19, 2015.

**Seconded** by Marilyn Peers. **Carried.**

**f) Website**

John Churchill advised we are getting good hits from the recent updates done on the website.

David Allen complemented John on his work on this.

Roger has pictures he is sending to John to place on the website. Plus John and David Allen will work together to get old audio files on the website. (David Allen has old reel tapes of Harold Mitton speaking that he and John will work on getting digitized. Be nice to hear!)

**ACTION:** John Churchill and David Allen as noted.

**g) Rushton Lecture**

Roger stated he felt the Rushton Lecture was a great success. It was wonderful.

Kim stated:

- There were people who didn't register. They stated they were a member of CABF and therefore didn't have to register.
- More people showed up than registered.
- People registered and didn't show up; and those who showed up who didn't register balanced out.
- Excellent food.
- Good Sound equipment.
- Tribute to Charlie Taylor was good and will be placed on CABF website.

**h) Fall Assembly & AGM**

John Boyd had sent a draft of the brochure for the AGM.

Reviewed brochure: Devotional - suggested that Gail (the Minister at Falmouth Church) do the devotional. Kim will contact Gail and ask her about doing the devotional and Gail preparing for communion for Friday evening. **Kim (Sweet)** will also check on the food times and the entire schedule for the food.

Cost for the week-end for members was discussed; not settled.

The planning committee suggested the honorarium should be \$250/session; 3 sessions will be done; total honorarium will be \$750 + accommodations. **John Boyd** is meeting this week with the presenters and will confirm details soon after the meeting.

**ACTION:** Kim Sweet John Boyd as noted.

**i) Constitution/By-laws**

No report.

**j) Partners Reports:**

- 1) Canadian Council of Churches – no report.
- 2) Peace Development – no report.
- 3) Alliance of Baptist – no report.

**7. New Business**

- a) **Church contact list** – David Allen will bring to the next meeting – early in the meeting.

**8. Information Items**

- a) **Next meeting date** – August 11, 2015, at FBCH – 10:00 am.

9. **Adjournment:** At 12:01 pm **moved** by John Churchill and **seconded** by David Allen meeting be adjourned.