

THE ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS OF
THE ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
of

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA

June 6 – June 9, 2021

FIRST SEDERUNT

The General Assembly convened via Zoom videoconferencing service and PC-Biz online platform, on Sunday the sixth day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one, at two o'clock in the afternoon, Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

At which time, ministers, diaconal ministers and ruling elders being commissioners from the several presbyteries of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, convened upon the call of the Moderator, pursuant to a recommendation by the Assembly Council.

The General Assembly that was to be held in Waterloo, Ontario, commencing on June 7, 2021, was cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

A video, acknowledging traditional territories from regions across Canada upon which The Presbyterian Church in Canada gratefully worships and serves, was viewed by the Assembly. The Moderator, the Rev. Amanda Currie, then reflected upon the devastating news of the discovery of the remains of approximately 215 children on the lands of a former residential school in Kamloops, British Columbia. She said, “The devastating sorrow this news triggers is not isolated to Kamloops, but is shared by all who lost family, friends or community members to Indian residential schools. So many Indigenous children never came home from the schools where they were forcibly taken and the weight of the trauma that loss has wreaked in Indigenous communities, in which the church shared a large role, is still causing intense harm today. Let us all remember them, honour their lives, lament their deaths, reflect on our participation in this atrocity and recommit ourselves, and our church, to the work of healing and reconciliation.” (see also p. XXX)

WORSHIP

Public worship was conducted by the Rev. Amanda Currie who was assisted by several commissioners speaking in a variety of languages; children from Erindale Presbyterian Church reciting the Lord's Prayer; scripture readers; the liturgist for this Assembly, the Rev. Janet Ryu Chan along with her father, the Rev. Paul Ryu; and Assembly musician, the Rev. Glen Soderholm. Following the reading of Isaiah 43:1–7 and Luke 3:15–17, 21–22, Ms. Currie preached the sermon.

CONSTITUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY

Thereafter, with prayer, the Moderator, the Rev. Amanda Currie, constituted the General Assembly in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the only King and Head of the Church.

ROLL OF ASSEMBLY

The Moderator called on the Principal Clerk to present, in a printed list and subject to corrections, the names of those commissioned by the several presbyteries of the church. The roll of Assembly as finally established is as follows, with those who sent their regrets marked with an asterisk:

ROLL OF ASSEMBLY**Ministers****Elders****I. SYNOD OF THE ATLANTIC PROVINCES****1. Presbytery of Cape Breton** (Nova Scotia)

Robert Lyle, Sydney
 Peter D. MacDonald, Big Bras d'Or

Charles Greaves, Albert Bridge
 David Sneddon, Sydney

2. Presbytery of Newfoundland (Newfoundland and Labrador)

Derek Krunys, St. John's

Jennifer M. Pallard, St. John's

3. Presbytery of Pictou (Nova Scotia)

Joon Ki Kim, New Glasgow
 Andrew S. MacDonald, Stellarton

Mary J. Chesnutt, Westville
 Susan H. Robinson, Little Harbour

4. Presbytery of Halifax-Lunenburg (Nova Scotia)

Andrew G. Campbell, Truro
 Beth Mattinson, Milford

G. Murray MacDonald, Stillwater Lake
 Gordon N. Wright, Lunenburg

5. Presbytery of New Brunswick (New Brunswick)

John J. Crawford, Saint John
 Wendy L. MacWilliams, Fredericton
 Alexander (Sandy) D. Sutherland, Tabusintac

Dallas W. Davis, Fredericton
 Iain R. Flint, Hanwell
 Peter Parnell, Miramichi

6. Presbytery of Prince Edward Island (Prince Edward Island)

Dawn B. Griffiths, Charlottetown
 Thomas Kay, Canoe Cove
 Steven Stead, Clyde River

John I.F. Barrett, York
 David A. Robinson, Charlottetown
 Dail D.P. Smith, Canoe Cove

II. SYNOD OF QUEBEC & EASTERN ONTARIO**7. Presbytery of Quebec** (Quebec)

Katherine A. Burgess, St-Gabriel-de-Valcartier

Gina Farnell, Quebec

8. Presbytery of Montreal (Quebec)

Stephen Azundem, Dollard-des-Ormeaux
 Glenn A. Chestnutt, Montréal
 Sarina O. Meyer, Beaconsfield
 Peter J. Rombeek, Montréal

Rita Y. Cheung, Verdun
 Serges Mbiakoup, Laval
 Angelia Mercier, Pierrefonds
 Paolo Ruscito, Laval

9. Presbytery of Seaway-Glengarry (Ontario)

Geoffrey P. Howard, Iroquois
 James F. Douglas, Vankleek Hill

David G. McIlveen, Johnstown
 Heather J. McIntosh, Dunvegan

10. Presbytery of Ottawa (Ontario)

Elizabeth A. Chan, Ottawa
 James T. Hurd, Ottawa
 Shahrzad Kandalaft, Kemptville
 George L. Zimmerman, Manotick

Stanley G. Currie, Ottawa
 Bruce D. Finlay, Rockland
 Ernest L. McArthur, Ottawa
 Dan Seekings, Ottawa

11. Presbytery of Lanark & Renfrew (Ontario)

James Daehyon K.D.H. Kim, Petawawa
 Jill M. Turnbull, Portland

Norman A. McBride, Pembroke

III. SYNOD OF CENTRAL, NORTHEASTERN ONTARIO & BERMUDA**12. Presbytery of Kingston** (Ontario)

Lynne Donovan, Picton
 Andrew J.R. Johnston, Kingston

Elaine K. Coderre, Kingston
 Amanda Ross-White, Kingston

- 13. Presbytery of Lindsay-Peterborough (Ontario)**
 L. Ann Blane, Bobcaygeon
 Neil Ellis, Cobourg
 Linda Park, Lindsay
 Janet Halstead, Peterborough
 James D. Smith, Cobourg
 Thomas M. Williams, Peterborough
- 14. Presbytery of Pickering (Ontario)**
 C. Duncan Cameron, Scarborough
 David Chung, Toronto
 Robert A.J. Kennedy, Port Perry
 Bethany L. McCaffrey, Toronto
 Botond G. Fejes, Toronto
 Margaret Horrigan, Markham
 Bruce Morrison, Toronto
 Robert J. Shaw, Whitby
- 15. Presbytery of East Toronto (Ontario)**
 J. Wesley Denyer, Toronto
 Robert N. Faris, Toronto
 Charles J. Fensham, Toronto
 Deborah M.K. Stanbury, Toronto
 Kirk Summers, Toronto
 Pi-Yu Cheung, Toronto
 Linda Herron, Thornhill
 Craig Homewood, Toronto
 Anne V. Kennedy, Toronto
 Anneli Rahnasto, Toronto
- 16. Presbytery of West Toronto (Ontario)**
 Elias Morales, Toronto
 Lincoln Resende, Toronto
 Janet Ryu-Chan, Richmond Hill
 Barry F. Flude, North York
 J. Jane Gordon, York
 Joan Pollard, Toronto
- 17. Presbytery of Brampton (Ontario)**
 Phye-Huat (Pye) Chew, Mississauga
 Gale Macdonald, Mississauga
 Stuart Macdonald, Oakville
 Geoffrey M. Ross, Brampton
 Stewart Conway, Oakville
 Marilyn A. Cox, Milton
 Richard W. Darjes, Trafalgar
 Robert W. Kennedy, Mississauga
- 18. Presbytery of Oak Ridges (Ontario)**
 Peter T. Ma, Markham
 Marty J. Molengraaf, Markham
 Freddie Saleh, Newmarket
 Daniel D. Scott, Bradford West Gwillimbury
 Alan Kay, Maple
 Janet J. Maslak, Bradford
 Russell G. Morden, Thornhill
 Judy Soong, Pickering
- 19. Presbytery of Barrie (Ontario)**
 H. Douglas L. Crocker, Barrie
 Darren May, Stayner
 Timothy J. Raeburn-Gibson, Collingwood
 Heather L. Bostock, Wasaga Beach
 Aubrey R. Hawton, Oro-Medonte
 Karin I. Cowan, Parry Sound
- 20. Presbytery of Temiskaming (Ontario)**
 Irene H. Hutnick, New Liskeard
- 21. Presbytery of Algoma & North Bay (Ontario)**
 Steven K. Smith, Magnetawan
 Jan McWaters, Burks Falls
- 22. Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington (Ontario)**
 Edward M.W. Charlton, Arthur
 Kathleen D. Morden, Neustadt
 Nick Pavel, Palmerston
 Frank Szatmari, Kitchener
 Mi Hoa (Michelle) Yoon, Richmond Hill
 Janet D. deGroot, Kenilworth
 Barb J.W. Ferrier, Guelph
 Sue Senior, Waterloo
 Terri L. Whiffin, Kitchener
 Ann C. Wilson, Guelph
- 23. Presbytery of Eastern Han-Ca**
 Jonathan Hong, Richmond Hill
 Jinsook Khang, Concord
 Stephen Kwon, Mississauga
 Myung Soo Son, North York
 Chang Je (Charles) Kim, London
 Won Cheol Lee, Mississauga

IV. SYNOD OF SOUTHWESTERN ONTARIO

- 24. Presbytery of Hamilton (Ontario)**
 Curtis G. Bablitz, Burlington
 Alexander M. Douglas, Stoney Creek
 Dong-Ha Kim, Ancaster
 David C. Moody, Stoney Creek
 Nancy Mostert, Jerseyville
 John T. Read, Ancaster
 E. Elizabeth (Beth) Carey, Mount Hope
 Viola Duff, Ancaster
 Raymond R. Paquette, Burlington*
 Brenda Podio, Hamilton
 Leslie Powers, Dundas
 Joanne Reiersen, Stoney Creek
- 25. Presbytery of Niagara (Ontario)**
 Jacob Lee, St. Catharines
 Anita Van Nest, Niagara Falls
 David. J. Whitecross, Dunnville
 William J. Baker, Lowbanks
 Bruce A. Hunter, Smithville
 Deborah Kallender, Welland
- 26. Presbytery of Paris (Ontario)**
 Carol L. Hamilton, Stratford
 Mikal C. Schomburg, Simcoe
 Shannon L. Mestdagh, Delhi
 Maureen Nicholson, Ingersoll
- 27. Presbytery of London (Ontario)**
 John R. Bannerman, London
 Amanda MacMillan, Alvinston
 Andrew Thompson, Dutton
 Lela Burt, London
 Janet Donkervoort, London
 Margaret McGugan, London
- 28. Presbytery of Essex-Kent (Ontario)**
 Andrew Cornell, Dresden
 Timothy J. Reddish, Windsor
 Alison C. Brown, Windsor
 Wendy E. Skreptak, Windsor
- 29. Presbytery of Lambton-West Middlesex (Ontario)**
 A. Ian Marnoch, Corunna
 H. Christine O'Reilly, Port Franks
 Don Burnard, Sarnia
 Wanda Robinson, Mooretown
- 30. Presbytery of Huron-Perth (Ontario)**
 Marc Fraser, Milverton
 Charmila Ireland, Listowel
 Dwight E. Nelson, Bayfield
 Brian J. Armstrong, Ethel
 Annie E. Coulter, Goderich
 Paul A. Stewart, Listowel
- 31. Presbytery of Grey-Bruce-Maitland (Ontario)**
 Anne-Marie Jones, Meaford
 Owen (Eunho) Kim, Belgrave
 Larry B. Skinner, Listowel
 Joanne Lennips, Lucknow
 Jan Middelkoop, Tara
 Barbara M. Stuart, Kincardine

V. SYNOD OF MANITOBA & NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO

- 32. Presbytery of Superior (Ontario)**
 Joyce A. Yanishewski, Thunder Bay
 Susan M. Dynes, Thunder Bay
- 33. Presbytery of Winnipeg (Manitoba and Ontario)**
 Ron Fischer, Winnipeg
 Robert J. Murray, Pinawa
 Linda Putnam, Winnipeg
- 34. Presbytery of Brandon (Manitoba)**
 R. Glenn Ball, Brandon
 David S. Wilson, Brandon
- 35. SYNOD OF SASKATCHEWAN**
- 35. Presbytery of Assiniboia (Saskatchewan)**
 Amanda R. Currie, Regina
 Jo Szostak, Regina

36. Presbytery of Northern Saskatchewan (Saskatchewan)

Roberto A.F. DeSandoli, Saskatoon

Martha J. Fergusson, Vanscoy

VII. SYNOD OF ALBERTA & THE NORTHWEST**37. Presbytery of Peace River (Alberta and British Columbia)**

Lorna D. Price, Dawson Creek

38. Presbytery of Edmonton-Lakeland (Alberta)

Charles McNeil, Lloydminster

Jean E. Olsen, Edmonton

Janet L. Taylor, St. Albert

Randall Osgood, Edmonton

39. Presbytery of Central Alberta (Alberta)

Steven W. Webb, Sylvan Lake

Connie Madsen, Rocky Mtn. House

40. Presbytery of Calgary-Macleod (Alberta)

Jeffrey R. Lackie, Medicine Hat

Sandra J. Cameron Evans, Calgary

M. Jean Morris, Foothills

John Chik, Calgary

Mark A. Tremblay, Calgary

Marjolein Havens, Bassano

VIII. SYNOD OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**41. Presbytery of Kootenay (British Columbia)**

Gavin Robertson, Trail

42. Presbytery of Kamloops (British Columbia)

Shannon K. Bell, Nazko

Ross Basingthwaite, Kelowna

Colin J. Cross, Penticton

Margaret R. Peacock, Armstrong

43. Presbytery of Westminster (British Columbia)

Heinrich J.H. Botha, North Vancouver

Andrea Dobos, Burnaby

Bradley Childs, Richmond

Isabel Evans, Richmond

Sumarme G. Goble, Vancouver

David Jennings, North Vancouver

Victor Kim, Richmond

Beverly Y. Shepansky, Vancouver

Rebecca C Simpson, Mission

Susan C. Stacey, Richmond

44. Presbytery of Vancouver Island (British Columbia)

Irwin B. Cunningham, Saanichton

Maxine Balsdon, Victoria

Ka Yu Tan, Victoria

45. Presbytery of Western Han-Ca

Harry Heung Ryeol Han, Edmonton

Suk Ro Lee, Edmonton

Jong Woog Kim, Burnaby

Yong Ki Min, Calgary

Munhyun Ryu, Vancouver

Charles Nam, Vancouver

YOUNG ADULT AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

The Principal Clerk also presented the names of the Young Adult Representatives and the Student Representatives as follows:

Presbytery

3 Pictou

5 New Brunswick

6 Prince Edward Island

8 Montreal

10 Ottawa

16 West Toronto

19 Barrie

24 Hamilton

35 Assiniboia

39 Central Alberta

Young Adult Representative

Sophia K.S. Kim, New Glasgow

Philip M. Stam, Moncton

Cloe D. MacLean, Charlottetown

Lydia Su, Montreal

Karen Abboud, Ottawa

Katarina V. Elms, Toronto

Jermey McGrady, London

Anthony Shivcharan, Hamilton

Gabriell (Gabe) Omolida, Regina

Addison M. Penman, Sylvan Lake

43	Westminster	Petri du Toit, Maple Ridge
45	Western Han-Ca	Dan Park, Calgary

Student Representatives

1. Knox College Gerald Gallant, London
2. Presbyterian College Enoch Lee, Pierrefonds
3. Vancouver School of Theology Shirley Carleton, Coquitlam

ELECTION OF THE MODERATOR

The Rev. Amanda Currie called upon the Assembly to choose a Moderator to preside over its deliberations. She called on the Rev. Dr. M. Jean Morris, convener of the Committee to Advise with the Moderator.

In accordance with the method determined by the 95th General Assembly, the committee placed in nomination the name of the Rev. Dr. Daniel D. Scott as Moderator of the 146th General Assembly.

The Rev. Amanda Currie called for nominations from the floor. There were no further nominations. The Moderator then asked if the Assembly was in agreement that nominations be closed. The Assembly voted in favour that nominations be closed.

The Moderator called for a motion to elect a Moderator.

M.J. Morris moved, seconded by D.E. Nelson, that the Rev. Dr. Daniel D. Scott be declared elected as Moderator. Adopted.

The Rev. Amanda Currie declared the Rev. Dr. Daniel Scott elected Moderator of the 146th General Assembly.

INSTALLATION OF THE MODERATOR

The Rev. Amanda Currie asked the Rev. Daniel D. Scott the appointed questions and installed him as Moderator of the 146th General Assembly.

MODERATOR ADDRESSED ASSEMBLY

The Moderator addressed the Assembly saying, “Thank you for the trust you have placed in me. I am humbled, honoured and surprised. This will be the sixth time my presbytery commissioned me to an Assembly, but it is the first time I have ever spoken at an Assembly microphone. Admittedly, this is different from an in-person meeting. You are joining in from your dining room table, your kitchen, living room or study, and I am in a room here at 50 Wynford Drive with lots of computer screens, microphones, and some very helpful people. Although we are physically distanced from one another, we are still called to assemble together.” Dr. Scott expressed thanks to his wife Kelly, their three adult children (Jonathan, Danielle and Taylor) and their grandchildren. He also thanked the congregation at St. John’s in Bradford, West Gwillimbury, Ontario, for the grace extended to him and his family for more than a quarter of a century.

A SERVICE FOR COMMISSIONERS

As his first act in office, the Moderator conducted a service for commissioners during which he urged commissioners to depend on God’s strength and guidance, claim our vocation as servants of Christ, the living Word, rely upon the wisdom and inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

YOUNG ADULT AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

The Moderator welcomed the Young Adult and Student Representatives to the Assembly and their participation in the proceedings of the Assembly.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The Moderator acknowledged and welcomed the following guests of the Assembly: the Rev. Dr. Takuze Chitsulo, Ms. Julia Drydyk, the Rev. Marikje Strong and Imam Muneeb Nasir.

INTRODUCTION OF FORMER MODERATORS

The Moderator noted that former Assembly Moderators have been invited to attend this gathering via livestream and reported on a delightful online gathering he shared with them in late May. Commissioners acknowledged those who have held this office in the past by viewing a collage that included the Rev. Amanda Currie (2019), the Rev. Daniel Cho (2018), the Rev. Peter G. Bush (2017), the Rev. Douglas H. Rollwage (2016), the Rev. Karen R. Horst (2015), the Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Farris (2014), the Rev. David W.K. Sutherland (2013), the Rev. Dr. John A. Vissers (2012), the Rev. Dr. H.D. Horst (2011), the Rev. Dr. Herbert F. Gale (2010), the Rev. A. Harvey Self (2009), the Rev. Dr. Cheol Soon Park (2008), Dr. M. Wilma Welsh (2006), the Rev. Dr. M. Jean Morris (2005), the Rev. Dr. Richard W. Fee (2004), the Rev. Dr. P.A. (Sandy) McDonald (2003), the Rev. Dr. Mark Lewis (2002), the Rev. Dr. Joseph Reed (2001), the Rev. Dr. H. Glen Davis (2000), the Rev. Dr. John D. Congram (1997), the Rev. Dr. Alan M. McPherson (1995), the Rev. Dr. George Vais (1994), the Rev. Dr. Linda J. Bell (1992), the Rev. Dr. John R. Cameron (1991), the Rev. Dr. John F. Allan (1990) and the Rev. Dr. Bruce Miles (1988).

ASSEMBLY CHAPLAINS

The Moderator announced that the following would be available to commissioners throughout Assembly as chaplains: the Rev. Laurie McKay Deacon, the Rev. Bill Elliot, the Rev. Dr. Jeff Loach, the Rev. John Paeng and the Rev. Linda Patton Cowie. They. The Moderator also announced that the Rev. James Yang, minister at Celebration Presbyterian Church in Markham, Ontario, would serve as his chaplain.

COMMITTEE TO ADVISE WITH THE MODERATOR

The Assembly called for the report of the Committee to Advise with the Moderator which, as printed on p. XXX–XXX, was presented by the Rev. Dr. M. Jean Morris, convener.

Receive and Consider

M.J. Morris moved, duly seconded, that the report be received and considered. Adopted.

Recommendation ADV-001 (p. XXX) was moved by M.J. Morris, duly seconded. Adopted.

Recommendation ADV-002 (p. XXX) was moved by M.J. Morris, duly seconded. Adopted.

Recommendation ADV-003 (p. XXX) was moved by M.J. Morris, duly seconded. Adopted.

Recommendation ADV-004 (p. XXX) was moved by M.J. Morris, duly seconded. Adopted.

Report as a Whole

M.J. Morris moved, duly seconded, that the report as a whole be adopted. Adopted.

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS

The Assembly called for the report of the Committee on Business which, as printed on p. XXX–XXX, was presented by J.I.F. Barrett, convener.

Receive and Consider

J.I.F. Barrett moved, duly seconded, that the report be received and considered. Adopted.

Recommendation BUS-001 (p. XXX) was moved by J.I.F. Barrett, duly seconded.

Divided Motion

Two commissioners asked that the motion be divided.

BUS-001, Part 1

Moved by J.I.F. Barrett, that the action of the Assembly Council in cancelling the 2020 General Assembly be approved.

Amendment

J.T. Hurd moved, duly seconded, Recommendation BUS-001, Part 1 be amended by replacing the recommendation with the words, “that notwithstanding the irregular and unusual cancellation of the General Assembly originally appointed to assemble on June 7, 2020, the action of the Moderator of the 145th General Assembly in convening the 146th General Assembly on June 6, 2021 online be approved.” Adopted.

BUS-001, Part 1, as amended, was adopted as follows:

That notwithstanding the irregular and unusual cancellation of the General Assembly originally appointed to assemble on June 7, 2020, the action of the Moderator of the 145th General Assembly in convening the 146th General Assembly on June 6, 2021 online be approved.

Dissent with Reasons

D. Krunys (p. XXX)

BUS-001, Part 2 answered

The adoption of BUS-001, Part 1, as amended, effectively answered BUS-001, Part 2, that read, “That the invitation to the Moderator to convene the 2021 General Assembly be approved.” Therefore, BUS-001, Part 2 was not placed before the Assembly.

Recommendation BUS-006 (p. XXX) was moved by J.I.F. Barrett, duly seconded.

Amendment

B.J.W. Ferrier moved, duly seconded, that Recommendation BUS-006 be amended by replacing “approved” with “noted” and replacing “be considered committee by committee, subject only to amendment by majority vote of the Assembly” with “will be treated as a consent agenda, rather than as a recommendation. As such, any commissioner may ask that a recommendation be lifted from the list of consent items, as per the practice outlined in Appendix A-9 in the General Assembly Committee Convenor Orientation Handbook”.

Immediate Vote

D.M.K. Stanbury moved, duly seconded, that the Assembly take an immediate vote on the amendment. Adopted.

Amendment

The amendment was adopted.

Recommendation BUS-006, as amended, read as follows:

That the process for gathering commissioner input regarding which items of business shall come before this Assembly be noted and that the resulting omnibus recommendations will be treated as a consent agenda, rather than as a recommendation. As such, any commissioner may ask that a recommendation be lifted from the list of consent items, as per the practice outlined in Appendix A-9 in the General Assembly Committee Convenor Orientation Handbook.

Immediate Vote

M. Fraser moved, duly seconded, that the Assembly take an immediate vote on the recommendation as amended. Adopted.

Recommendation BUS-006, as amended, was defeated

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Notices of Motion

The following notices of motion were taken as read:

I give notice that, at a future sederunt, I will move or cause to be moved that the terms of reference concerning membership for the Life and Mission Agency Committee be reconsidered. (Recommendation LMA-001).

I give notice that, at a future sederunt, I will move or cause to be moved that the constitution of the Pension and Benefits Plan be reconsidered. (Recommendation PAB-004 and Recommendation PAB-005).

I give notice that, at a future sederunt, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution of the Women’s Missionary Society be reconsidered. (Recommendation WMS-001)

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COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE STANDING COMMITTEES – INTRODUCTION

The Moderator reminded commissioners that any proposed changes to the names in the report of the Committee to Nominate Standing Committees, must be submitted for the committee's consideration through the General Assembly Office Senior Administrator, T. Hamilton, by Monday, June 7 at 3:00 p.m. (EDT)

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LIFE AND MISSION AGENCY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND RECEPTION – INTRODUCTION

The Moderator drew attention to the report of the Committee on Education and Reception and invited commissioners to address enquiries or discussion to Ministry and Church Vocations Associate Secretary, T. Purvis.

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ADJOURNMENT

Announcements having been made, the Moderator adjourned the Assembly with prayer, to reconvene on Monday, June 7, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. (EDT), of which public intimation was given.

DISSENT – FIRST SEDERUNT

A commissioner asked that their dissent be recorded as follows:

Recommendation BUS-001

D. Krunys: An important part of General Assembly is being together. Together ideas get worked out, not only during meetings, but over meals, over late-night discussions. It is a fellowship glue that helps bind us. We are a fractured denomination. Meeting apart amplifies that rift.