



Meeting Minutes
Membership Meeting – Annual General Meeting, AGM
Metropolitan Bible Church Ministry Corporation
May 26, 2024, 4:00PM

Item	Discussion / Decisions	Actions
1 – Opening and Call to Order	<p>The members meeting commenced at 4:00pm with a song of worship.</p> <p>Julian Brainerd called the meeting to order, welcomed the members, shared from Ephesians 4:11-16, and opened in prayer.</p>	
2 – Recognition of New Members	<p>Andrew Harwood announced and welcomed the new members approved by the Board since the last members meeting.</p>	
3 – Quorum	<p>Andrew Harwood noted that the 35% quorum specified in the by-laws had been met for this meeting.</p>	
4 – Approval of Minutes	<p>Andrew Harwood moved the following motion to approve the minutes from May 28, 2023 (AGM) and February 11, 2024 (budget meeting) meetings of the members:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">“The membership approves the minutes from the May 28, 2023 and February 11, 2024 Ministry Corporation membership meetings”</p> <p>The motion was seconded by Anne McGregor, and was carried.</p>	
5 – Nominating Process	<p>Jon Brown reviewed the nominating process for Board nominees this year.</p> <p>The Nominating Committee consisted of Jon Brown (Chair), Pastor Jonathan Griffiths, Heather Berghuis, George Hannah, and Andrea Nicholls.</p> <p>Jon introduced the nominees and thanked them for letting their name stand.</p>	



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6 – By-law Changes	<p>Julian Brainerd presented proposed amendments to the by-laws relating to changing the fiscal year and complying with the Ontario Not for Profit Corporations Act.</p> <p>Members were invited to ask questions from the floor relating to the proposed by-law amendments, and responses were provided from the Board.</p> <p>Andrew Harwood made the following motions relating to the proposed by-law changes:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">“The membership approves changing the fiscal year end of the Metropolitan Bible Church Ministry Corporation from December 31 to July 31, as outlined in the Special Resolution sent to the members.”</p> <p>The motion was seconded by Anne McGregor, and was carried.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">“The membership approves amending the by-laws as proposed for the Metropolitan Bible Church Ministry Corporation, as outlined in the Special Resolution sent to the members.”</p> <p>The motion was seconded by Anne McGregor, and was carried.</p>	
7 – Scrutineers and Voting	<p>Andrew Harwood announced the scrutineers.</p> <p>Members were invited to complete and submit their ballots.</p>	
8 – Ministry Update	<p>Pastor Jonathan thanked the Directors whose terms have ended for their service, and thanked Chris Shadbolt for his years of service as Executive Director of Operations.</p> <p>Pastor Jonathan provided a ministry update, including a discussion on church growth at the Met and the Faithful to Fulfill initiative.</p>	
9 – 2023 Financial Statements and 2024 YTD Finances	<p>Bob Shaver presented the 2023 audited financial statements to the members, and updated the membership on the financial position.</p> <p>Chris Shadbolt presented an update on the year to date 2024 finances. Giving have increased, and future growth is anticipated. Chris discussed trends, presented a year end projection based on trends, and discussed change to the fiscal year end.</p>	
10 – Appointment of Auditors for 2024	<p>The following motion was moved by Bob Shaver, seconded by Jen Harwood, and carried:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">“I move that Ouseley Harvey Clipsham Deep LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, be appointed auditors of The Metropolitan Bible Church Ministry Corporation for the period ended July 31, 2024.”</p>	



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11 – Remarks from Chair	Julian Brainerd thanked the Board and the PET for their work this year, discussed ministry growth at the Met, and discussed budgeting for growth.	
12 – Questions	Members were invited to ask questions from the floor, and responses were provided from the Board.	
13 – Election of Board of Directors	Andrew Harwood announced that the following nominees were acclaimed: Kevin Ferguson, Samuel Senathipathy, and Marc Bezanson.	
14 – Adjournment	Pastor Jonathan prayed, and the meeting was adjourned.	