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32nd Queensland Synod

Minutes

20-24 May 2016

Alexandra Park Conference Centre
Moderator Rev David Baker
General Secretary Robert Packer

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Thirty-Second Queensland Synod**

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Regulations 3.3.7 (a)(iii) & (iv) and By-Law Q1.1.2

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Rev Ann Hewson
Rev Kath Hobson
Rev Brian Hoole
Rev Brian Kickbusch
Rev Darren King
Rev Euan McDonald
Rev Gerda Olafsen
Rev Russell Reynoldson
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Rev Peter Taubner
Rev Jenny Tymms
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Rev Harlee Cooper
Rev Mark Cornford
Rev John Cox
Rev John Dansie
Rev David Fender
Rev Rod Fisher
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Mrs Beatriz Skippen
Mr Daniel Slater
Mr Matt Smith
Mr Adam Stanway
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Rev Linda Hamill
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Rev Adam Low
Rev Dr David Mackay-Rankin
Rev Hohaia Matthews
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Rev Bob Miles
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Mrs Jennifer Clapham
Mr Rodney Eivers
Mr Sione Finau
Mrs Caroline Foulkes
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Mr Matt Gees
Mr David Gibson
Mr Robert Gilliland
Mr Michael Hands
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Mrs Daphne Leggo
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Mr Sharyn Robinson
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Ministers

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Rev John Case
Rev Andrew Gillies
Rev David Graham
Rev Tim Griggs
Rev Sunil Kadaparambil
Rev Ansie Liebenberg
Rev Willie Liebenberg
Rev Bruce Raymond
Rev Derek Schiller
Rev Jenny Sims
Rev Graham Slaughter
Rev Faye Talatonu

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Mrs Joy Agnew
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Mr Neil Thorpe
Mrs Daphne Webster

Regulation 3.3.7 (a)(v) and By-Law Q1.1.4

Finance, Investment and Property Board (FIPB)

Mr Allan Hanson

Board for Christian Formation

Mr Nathan Barton
Dr Janice McRandal

UnitingCare Queensland Board

Mr Andrew McBryde
Rev Dr David Pitman

Regulation 3.3.7 (vi) and By-Law Q1.1.5

Candidates

Mr Peter Blake
Ms Virginia Lavaki

**THE UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA
QUEENSLAND SYNOD**

THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE THIRTY-SECOND SYNOD

Held at

Alexandra Park Conference Centre, Alexandra Headlands, Queensland

20 May – 24 May 2016

The Constitution of the Synod

- 16.01** At the Alexandra Park Conference Centre Auditorium, Mari Street, Alexandra Headlands, at 7.00 p.m. on Friday, 20 May 2016, the Uniting Church in Australia (Queensland Synod) met in session, during which the Synod celebrated in opening worship. The Synod was duly constituted by the Moderator, Rev David Baker, under the authority given by the Constitution and Regulations of The Uniting Church in Australia.

Recognition of Traditional Custodians of the Land

- 16.02** As part of the opening worship service, the Synod acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land on which the 32nd Synod met, the Gubbi Gubbi people, and gave thanks for their stewardship. Rev Dennis Corowa provided a greeting.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

- 16.03** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –
- (a) Notes the appointment by the Synod Standing Committee of the following members to the Business Committee and the authorisation of the Synod Standing Committee to those members to make further appointments to the Business Committee -

Rev David Baker (The Moderator)
Mr Robert Packer (The General Secretary)
 - (b) Notes the further appointments to the Business Committee made pursuant to resolution 16.03(a) –

Rev Brian Kickbusch
Rev Heather den Houting
Rev Andrew Gunton
Mr Scott Guyatt
Ms Kellie Broderick
 - (c) Appoints Rev Brian Kickbusch as Convenor of the Business Committee; and
 - (d) Authorises the Business Committee to co-opt other persons as necessary for specific business.
- 16.04** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –
- (a) Appoints Rev Andrew Gunton as Convenor of the Facilitation Committee and authorises the Convenor to co-opt members for that Committee.
 - (b) Appoints Rev Melissa Lipsett as Small Group Coordinator.

- 16.05** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod appoints Mrs Ana Mila as Minute Secretary.
- 16.06** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod appoints Rev Glenn Louttit as Convenor of the Ballot Committee and gives him authority to co-opt members for that Committee.
- 16.07** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod appoints Rev Schalk Pienaar and Pastor Terrie Seymour as Pastoral Coordinators.
- 16.08** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod adopts the Roll of the Synod subject to the registration of each individual member by 4.00pm on Saturday, 21 May 2016.
- 16.09** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod determines that unless otherwise agreed, the hours of session for the Synod shall be –
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| Friday, 20 May | 7.00 p.m. – 9.30 p.m. |
| Saturday, 21 May | 8.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.
2.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.
7.00 p.m. – 9.30 p.m. |
| Sunday, 22 May | 8.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.
2.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. |
| Monday, 23 May | 8.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.
2.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.
7.15 p.m. – 9.00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, 24 May | 8.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.
1.30 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. |
- 16.10** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod determines that the Bar of the House be defined as the numbered tables in the auditorium, unless numbered tables are not present, in which case the Bar of the House be defined as the auditorium.
- 16.11** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod adopts the use of the procedures of the *Manual for Meetings in the Uniting Church (2015)*.
- 16.12** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –
- (a)** Endorses the decision of the Business Committee that nominations to Boards, Commissions and Committees closed on 18 April 2016, except for nominations to the Synod Standing Committee which closed on 5 May 2016.
 - (b)** Determines that the ballots will be held as determined by the Business Committee.
 - (c)** Determines that, unless otherwise determined, ballot papers shall be destroyed following the declaration of a Ballot.
- 16.13** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –
- (a)** Determines that, unless otherwise resolved, appointments to membership of various Councils, Boards, Commissions and Committees will be based on a simple majority and nominees must receive at least 50% of the votes to be elected.
 - (b)** Determines that a ballot for a proposal for the appointment of the General Secretary, other than an interim appointment, will be conducted by a written ballot with the

proposal requiring not less than 65% support of ballots received for such a proposal to pass.

- 16.14** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod authorises the General Secretary to convey greetings on behalf of the Synod to other Synods within The Uniting Church in Australia.
- 16.15** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod endorses the decision of the Business Committee that General Proposals were to be submitted by 5.00 pm. on 22 April 2016.
- 16.16** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod authorises Rev David Baker (Moderator), Mr Robert Packer (General Secretary) and Rev Brian Kickbusch (Business Committee Convenor) to confirm the Minutes of the 32nd Synod.
- 16.17** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod adopts the use of the procedures of the *Manual for Meetings in the Uniting Church (2015)* for discernment of priorities for the life of the Synod until 2020:
- (a) Information – receiving information from the reports and presentations at Synod;
 - (b) Deliberation – using small group time, prayer and conversation, reports from the Facilitation Group to discuss and deliberate on themes arising;
 - (c) Decision – receiving proposals for further deliberation and decision from the work of the small groups as compiled by the Facilitation Group and presented in the Tuesday morning session of Synod.

GREETINGS TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE DAY

- 16.18** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –
- (a) Authorises the Moderator to convey a greeting to the State and Federal Governments.
 - (b) Approves that the following matters considered by the Synod be incorporated into the greeting to the appropriate government:
 - (i) Commend both the Queensland and Federal Governments for their actions on reducing and responding to domestic violence
 - (ii) Urge Queensland and Federal Governments to work together and with churches and institutions to implement a national approach to redress for victims of child sexual abuse in institutions
 - (iii) Express concern about the sustainability of, and equal access to, services in rural and remote Australia
 - (iv) Express our deep concern about cuts of \$1.2bn in the last federal budget from care for the oldest, most frail and invisible
 - (v) Urge Queensland and Federal Governments to make reduction of homelessness a state and national priority
 - (vi) Express grave concern about the number of children in care, especially the high proportion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and urge governments to invest more in early intervention and safe reunification of children with their families
 - (vii) Urging the Queensland and Federal Governments with the community leaders of Cape York to find ways forward for their communities.

- (viii) Express our deep concern about the treatment of asylum seekers and refugees and urge the government to adopt policies that are welcoming of asylum seekers and refugees
- (ix) Commend the work of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and welcomes any recommendations that will lead to the greater safety of children in the future.

RETIREMENT OF MINISTERS

16.19 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –

- (a) Notes the advice of Rev Peter Aay to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 8 March 2015 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).
- (b) Notes the advice of Rev Lloyd Beynon to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 31 December 2015 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).
- (c) Notes the advice of Rev John Case to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 4 October 2015 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).
- (d) Notes the advice of Rev Judith Dalton to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of health from 28 February 2014 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(2).
- (e) Notes the advice of Rev Kate Dix to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 30 November 2015 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).
- (f) Notes the advice of Rev Jackson Gill to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 31 December 2014 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).
- (g) Notes the advice of Rev Heather Griffin to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 30 June 2015 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).
- (h) Notes the advice of Rev Subramaniam Manopavan to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 31 August 2015 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).
- (i) Notes the advice of Rev Hohaia Matthews to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of health from 31 August 2016 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(2).
- (j) Notes the advice of Rev May Morris to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 12 December 2014 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).
- (k) Notes the advice of Rev Jan Rossow to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 31 December 2015 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).
- (l) Notes the advice of Rev Costa Stathakis to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 31 January 2015 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).
- (m) Notes the advice of Rev Dr Paul Walton to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 31 December 2015 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).
- (n) Notes the advice of Rev Ian Wilson to become a minister retired permanently on the grounds of age from 30 April 2016 under Reg. 2.6.1(d)(i)(1).

16.20 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives a minute of appreciation of the Ministry of the retiring Ministers outlined in resolution 16.19.

MEMORIAL MINUTES

- 16.21 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod adopts the Memorial Minutes as presented concerning ministers who have died since the Thirty-First Synod.

Rev Aubrey Baker
Rev Adrienne Dempster
Rev Ian Florence
Rev Joe Gunders
Rev David Lowry
Rev Dr Ian Mavor
Rev Donald McKay
Rev Ron Smith
Rev Nevin Stoddart
Rev Deane Tietzel
Rev Paul Trigge
Rev John Tully
Rev David Wiltshire

ASSOCIATION OF VISITORS

- 16.22 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod associates the following visitors with this Synod –
- Dr Neil Preston, Guest Speaker at Minister's Convocation 2016; Presenter of Norman & Mary Millar Lecture and Facilitator of the Discernment of Priorities Process
 - Dave Wilton, member of Mooloolaba UCA
 - Orasio Mendes and Daniel Tahun, Timor-Leste Guests

MODERATOR'S REPORT

- 16.23 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Moderator.

GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

- 16.24 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the report of the General Secretary, together with Appendices and the Reports of the Synod Standing Committee, Finance and Property Services, Uniting Communications, Project Officer – Mission Engagement and Synod Advisory Committee on Ministerial Placements.

Synod Standing Committee

- 16.25 It was **RESOLVED by Formal Ballot** that the Synod ratifies the decision of the Synod Standing Committee to allow the incumbent Moderator to be nominated for a second consecutive term of 3 years.
- 16.26 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod Standing Committee:
- (a) Continues to consider the range of regulatory options that would allow sitting Moderators in the Queensland Synod to be nominated for a second consecutive term of office, up to a maximum of six years.
 - (b) Notes that without limiting these options, requests the Assembly Standing Committee act under the authority granted by Regulation 3.10.1 and grant to the Synod of Queensland an exemption to the operation of Regulations 3.6.3.1(c) and 3.6.3.1(d)

sufficient to enable an incumbent Moderator of Queensland to be nominated for one continuous term of three years and that this exemption remain valid until otherwise requested by the Queensland Synod.

- (c) Bring the result of these considerations and the results of the request to the Assembly Standing Committee back to the 33rd Queensland Synod.

MINISTERIAL CHANGES

- 16.27 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod note the ministerial changes as contained in Appendix 2 to these minutes.

APPOINTMENTS SINCE THE 31ST SYNOD

- 16.28 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod note the appointments made by the Synod Standing Committee since the 31st Synod as contained in Appendix 3 to these minutes.

33RD SYNOD DATES

- 16.29 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod determines –
- (a) that the 33rd Synod will be held from 20 October to 25 October 2017 at Alexandra Park, Alexandra Headlands.
- (b) that the Synod Standing Committee be given authority to vary the dates/times and the venue of the 33rd Synod if necessary.

SYNOD STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- 16.30 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod determines –
- (a) that the meeting dates/times of the Synod Standing Committees shall be –
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| 2016 | 3-4 June 2016 (Induction & Meeting) |
| | 7 July 2016 |
| | 4 August 2016 |
| | 1 September 2016 |
| | 6 October 2016 |
| | 3 November 2016 |
| | 1 December 2016 |
| 2017 | To be determined |
- (b) that authority be given to the Moderator and the General Secretary to vary the dates/times of Synod Standing Committee meetings if necessary.

BOARD FOR CHRISTIAN FORMATION

- 16.31 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –
- (a) Receives the Report of the Board for Christian Formation, together with the Report of Trinity College Queensland.
- (b) Records its thanks and appreciation for the faithful service through Trinity College Queensland of the following people:

- Alethea Hubley in the Trinity College Queensland Library
- John Coles in the area of Chaplaincy Education

(carried by acclamation)

- (c) Records its appreciation to Mr Neil Thorpe in his initial role as Director of Pilgrim Learning Community then transition to Lay Educator in Trinity College Queensland, through the Minute of Appreciation read by Rev Peter Lockhart (refer Appendix 1).
(carried by acclamation)
- (d) Records its appreciation to Mrs Alice Foo in her administrative support role at Trinity College Queensland, through the Minute of Appreciation read by Mr Neil Thorpe (refer Appendix 1).
(carried by acclamation)

FINANCE, INVESTMENT AND PROPERTY BOARD

16.32 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –

- (a) Receives the Report of the Finance, Investment and Property Board.
- (b) Records its appreciation to Mr Bob Cambridge for many years of faithful service and endorses the Minute of Appreciation presented by the FIP Board at their meeting on 20 May 2016.
(carried by acclamation)
- (c) Records its appreciation to Mr Bruce Peden for his service and endorses the Minute of Appreciation presented by the FIP Board at their meeting on 20 May 2016.
(carried by acclamation)

GOVERNANCE, NOMINATION AND REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

16.33 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Governance, Nomination and Remuneration Committee.

16.34 It was **RESOLVED by Agreement** that the Synod –

- (a) Request the Synod Standing Committee to review the current processes involved in recruitment, nomination and appointment to boards, committees and commissions to better reflect the cultural, gender, geographical and age diversity of our church.
- (b) request the Governance, Nomination, Remuneration Committee, to support the review outlined in resolution 16.33(a), work with a cross section of lay and ordained people reflecting this diversity with a view to developing processes, procedures, and policies that are clearer and culturally appropriate to be put into place by the 33rd Synod.

UNITINGCARE QUEENSLAND

16.35 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –

- (a) Associates the following people with the Synod for the purpose of the UnitingCare Queensland report and break-out group sessions:
Ms Robyn Batten, Executive Director, Blue Care
Mr Bob Gilkes, Executive Director, UnitingCare Community

Mr Terence Seymour, Chief Strategy Office, UnitingCare Health
Ms Michelle McKay, Blue Care Director Regional and Remote Services
Mr Geoff Rogers, Group HR Director, UnitingCare Queensland
Ms Sarah Lim, Child Safe Contact Officer, UnitingCare Queensland
Mr Peter Gunn, Group Chief Financial Officer, UnitingCare Queensland
Ms Heather Watson, Partner, McCullough Robertson

- (b) Receives the Report of UnitingCare Queensland.

Presentation of Moderator's Medals for Community Service

- 16.36** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod congratulates the following persons who have been awarded the Moderator's Medal for Community Service in recognition of their work within community services –

Barbara Bickhoff
Pam Dennis
Daphne Kennedy
Mel Lambert
Stella Murry
Eleanor Quaresmini
Barbara Marion Russell
Jean Sizer OAM
Norel Walsh
Neil Warburton

ASSEMBLY

- 16.37** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Assembly.

PRESBYTERIES

- 16.38** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Presbytery of Bremer Brisbane.
- 16.39** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Presbytery of Calvary.
- 16.40** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Presbytery of Central Queensland.
- 16.41** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Presbytery of Mary Burnett.
- 16.42** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Presbytery of Moreton Rivers.
- 16.43** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Presbytery of North Queensland.
- 16.44** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Presbytery of South Moreton

- 16.45** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –
- (a) Receives the Report of the Presbytery of The Downs
 - (b) Appoints a Rural and Remote Ministry Task Group, under the supervision of the Synod Standing Committee (SSC) to:
 - (i) Define “rural” and “remote” as it will apply to this ministry setting
 - (ii) Identify the needs and the opportunities in rural and remote locations
 - (iii) Review current resourcing for ministry in rural and remote locations
 - (iv) Identify future forms of ministry that are appropriate
 - (v) Provide progress reports to SSC meetings
 - (vi) Make recommendations to the SSC to secure long-term, sustainable resourcing of Rural and Remote Ministry in this Synod;
 - (c) Requests the Rural and Remote Ministry Task Group to finalise its work by the end of May 2017.

SYNOD CHAPLAINCY COMMISSION

- 16.46** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Synod Chaplaincy Commission.

SYNOD ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS COMMITTEE

- 16.47** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Synod Ecumenical Relationships Committee.

SYNOD INTERFAITH RELATIONSHIPS COMMITTEE

- 16.48** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the Synod Inter-faith Relationships Committee.

SYNOD MULTI-CROSS CULTURAL REFERENCE GROUP

- 16.49** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –
- (a) Receives the Report of the Synod Multi-Cross Cultural Reference Group.
 - (b) Urges Presbyteries and Congregations to support the Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) Next Generation Leaders Network, and encourage their CALD young adults to participate.
 - (c) Encourages congregations to engage with the Bible Study presentations from the 32nd Synod, using the resources to be developed by the Multi-Cross Cultural Reference Group.

SYNOD SCHOOLS AND RESIDENTIAL COLLEGES COMMISSION

- 16.50** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod –
- (a) Receives the report of the Synod Schools and Residential Colleges Commission and notes the seven future projects listed.

- (b) Notes that Rev David MacGregor will step down as Chair of the Schools and Residential Colleges Commission at the conclusion of the 32nd Synod after eight years of faithful service.
- (c) Records its appreciation to Rev David MacGregor, through the Minute of Appreciation read by Mr Robert Packer (refer Appendix 1).
(carried by acclamation)
- (d) Records its appreciation to Mr Des Robinson, through the Minute of Appreciation read by Rev David MacGregor (refer Appendix 1).
(carried by acclamation)

WESLEY MISSION BRISBANE

- 16.51** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report from Wesley Mission Brisbane.

UNITING ABORIGINAL AND ISLANDER CHRISTIAN CONGRESS (UAICC)

- 16.52** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report from the UAICC.

GENERAL PROPOSALS

REQUEST FOR COMPREHENSIVE TESTING IN CSG AREAS

- 16.53** It was **RESOLVED by Agreement** that the Synod requests the Moderator to write to the Queensland State requesting that the government establish continuous and comprehensive real-time monitoring in all areas where CSG operations are taking place within two (2) kilometres of people's homes with appropriate follow up and reporting back to the community by the Department of Health and Department of Environment and Heritage Protection.

INCLUSION OF COMPREHENSIVE BASELINE TESTING IN MINING APPROVAL PROCESSES

- 16.54** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod requests the Moderator to write to the Queensland State Premier requesting that comprehensive baseline studies be conducted prior to the commencement of any new mining development or expansion of existing mining operations.

ONE IN CHRIST COVENANT OF INTERCESSION

- 16.55** It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod commends the One in Christ Covenant of Intercession and encourages congregations to –
- (a) Share in Bible Study based on “Intercession” by Lukas Vischer and the accompanying online Study Guide.
 - (b) Commit to praying regularly and intentionally for other parts of Christ's Church in their area, including the use of a photographic prayer wall.
 - (c) Share in a regular exchange of information and points for prayer with congregations of other denominations.
 - (d) Consider a public commitment in the form of a Covenant of Intercession in which all participating denominations would share.
 - (e) Explore ways in which they can foster a sense of fellowship with fellow Christians beyond the Uniting Church.

- (f) Share their story with the Synod through the Ecumenical Relationships Committee.
- (g) Receives the “Weaving a New Cloth” document.

THE FUTURE UCA IN QUEENSLAND SHARING DATA ACROSS THE CHURCH

16.56 It was **RESOLVED by Agreement** that the Synod directs the Synod Standing Committee to do all things necessary and convenient to commission a low-cost, searchable, web-accessible database of broad, disaggregated data about the entire population of Queensland Congregations, Faith Communities and Presbyteries, accessible by their office bearers (and their delegates). The database should make widely available:

- (a) Key annual return data lodged by Congregations and Faith Communities (including where no return has been lodged), and
- (b) Any other key financial, ministry and property information available to the Synod (as determined by Synod Standing Committee).

The database may be merged, modified or extended in any way whatsoever by reference to other Australian Synods and the Assembly.

The database is not to contain any information that it would be unlawful for the Church to disclose to the world at large, for example, personal information for the purposes of the Commonwealth Privacy Act.

All Confidential Information contained in the database will be held in strict confidence and not be disclosed, or cause, or permit the disclosure of the Confidential Information other than for its intended purpose.

SYNOD STANDING COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

16.57 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod requests the Synod Standing Committee to develop and implement a mechanism for the publishing and reporting of changes to Synod By-Laws or policies that affect Congregations and/or Presbyteries to the broader Synod community.

BLUE CARE PROCESSES

16.58 It was **NOTED** that the Blue Care Processes general proposal was withdrawn. The seconder of the original proposal and the CEO, UnitingCare Queensland spoke to the issue that was the substance of the proposal and to ways forward.

GENERAL SECRETARY NOMINATION GROUP REPORT

16.59 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod receives the Report of the General Secretary Nomination Group.

16.60 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod under Regulation 3.6.3.3 (a) and (b):

- (a) Appoints Rev Heather den Houting as the General Secretary of the Queensland Synod from 1 June 2016 until the rise of the 35th Synod;
- (b) Appoints Mr Robert Packer as the General Secretary of the Queensland Synod until the close of business on 31 May 2016; and
- (c) Records a minute of appreciation for Robert Packer read by Rev David Baker (refer Appendix 1).

(carried by acclamation)

SYNOD COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COUNCILS

Finance, Investment & Property Board

16.61 It was **RESOLVED by Ballot** that the Synod elects the following persons to the Finance, Investment & Property Board –

Members: Mr Peter BISHOP (until 34th Synod)
Mr Howard MORRISON (until 34th Synod)

Continuing Members

Chair: Mr Ralph COLLINS (until 33rd Synod)

Member: Mr Ian BUSCH (until 33rd Synod)
Mr Ralph COLLINS (until 33rd Synod)
Mr Allan HANSON (until 33rd Synod)
Rev Linda HAMILL (until 33rd Synod)

Ex-officio: Moderator
General Secretary
Synod Property Officer

Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (Q.)

16.62 It was **RESOLVED by Ballot** that the Synod elects the following persons to the Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (Q.) until the 33rd Synod –

Chair: Mr Ralph COLLINS

Secretary: Mr Peter CRANNA

Members: Mr Peter BISHOP
Rev Linda HAMILL
Mr Allan HANSON
Mr Howard MORRISON

Board for Christian Formation

16.63 It was **RESOLVED by Ballot** that the Synod elects the following persons to the Board for Christian Formation –

Chair: Rev Peter LOCKHART (until 33rd Synod)

Members: Dr Gewa AU (until 34th Synod)
Rev Lynette BURDEN (until 34th Synod)
Rev Peter LOCKHART (until 34th Synod)
Rev Dr Neil PEMBROKE (until 34th Synod)

Continuing Members: Rev Dr Elizabeth NOLAN (until 33rd Synod)
Rev Linda HANSON (until 33rd Synod)
Rev Peter ARMSTRONG (until 33rd Synod)
Rev Gwendolyn FISHER (until 33rd Synod)

Ex-officio: Moderator

SYNOD STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

16.64 It was **RESOLVED by Ballot** that the Synod elects the following persons to the Synod Standing Committee until the 33rd Synod –

- Ministerial: Rev John COX
Rev Linda HAMILL
Rev Dr David MACKAY-RANKIN
Rev Lu SENITULI
- Lay: Mr Neil BALLMENT
Mr Geoff BATKIN
Mr David BUSCH
Mr John FIFITA
Dr Marilyn HEALY
Mr John LISTER
- Ex-officio: Moderator
Ex-Moderator
General Secretary
UAICC Nominee
Chair, UnitingCare Queensland Board
Chair, Finance Investment and Property Board
Chair, Governance Nomination Remuneration Committee
Chair, Board for Christian Formation

MODERATOR-ELECT APPOINTMENT

16.64A It was **RESOLVED by Ballot** that the Synod elects Rev David BAKER, Uniting Church member, as Moderator-Elect for the Synod of Queensland for the term of the 32nd Synod, to be Moderator for the terms of the 33rd and 34th Synod.

THE NORMAN AND MARY MILLAR MEMORIAL LECTURE

16.65 The Moderator welcomed Dr Neil Preston, the 2016 Norman and Mary Millar Lecturer, and invited him to address the Synod.

SYNOD UNCHAINED – DANGEROUS IDEAS

16.66 On Saturday, 21 May from 6.30-9.30pm, the Members of the 32nd Synod participated in the Synod Unchained: Dangerous Ideas Festival. This comprised of three different sessions of dangerous topics & discussions; live music; Soapbox; festival food; virtual reality immersive experiences; and concluded with a festival wrap-up at outdoor chapel, with a guest performance from Joel McKerrow.

SYNOD DISCERNMENT PROCESS

16.67 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod, as part of its journey of *Together on the way, enriching community*:

- (a) Adopts as its priority directions for 2016-2020:
- To be Christ centred, at prayer, and listening

- Discipleship
- Leadership
- Connecting with communities
- Youth, children and families

as the church grows, transitions and innovates.

- (b) Commends these priorities to the Church in Queensland including presbyteries, congregations, agencies, committees, councils and boards.
- (c) Invite presbyteries and other bodies to consult with the Synod so as to explore ways in which the Synod might support them in the pursuit of these priorities.
- (d) Request bodies that report to 33rd Synod include in their reports to Synod their progress in addressing each of these priorities.
- (e) Direct the Synod Standing Committee to resource and evaluate these priorities.

COURTESIES EXTENDED

16.68 It was **RESOLVED by Consensus** that the Synod places on record its sincere appreciation of:

- The Coordinators of the Synod Worship Celebration and the various ethnic UCA youth choirs, the worship leaders, musicians, and presenters of the Synod Bible Studies for providing and leading our daily worship at Synod;
- The Business Committee Convenor, members of the Business Committee and the 32nd Synod Project Manager;
- The Facilitation, Small Groups and Ballot Convenors, and members of their respective teams;
- The staff of the Synod Office;
- The volunteers across various roles, including the Prayer team;
- The Moderator's Chaplains and the Pastoral Coordinators;
- The Coordinators of the Celebration of Ministries;
- Staff of UnitingCare Queensland for facilitating the Moderator's Medals;
- The UnChained organising Committee, the presenters and performers;
- All staff of the Alexandra Park Conference Centre for support in preparation and hosting the Synod;
- Dr Neil Preston, the Norman and Mary Millar Memorial Lecturer for 2016, Guest Speaker at the Minister's Convocation 2016 and also facilitator of the Discerning Priorities conversations;
- Special thanks to Wesley Mission Brisbane for their sponsorship and support of Synod as well as the contribution made by NGS Super;
- The Moderator, the Rev David Baker and the General Secretary, Mr Robert Packer, for their leadership of the Synod meeting; and
- The members of Synod for their time, dedication and discernment.

CLOSE

The Thirty-Second Synod was closed with a Closing Worship led by the Moderator and Rev Dennis Corowa.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The 32nd Synod Minutes were confirmed by the Moderator, General Secretary and the Business Committee Convenor (as per Min 16.16) on 1 November 2016.

Moderator

General Secretary

Convenor Business Committee

APPENDIX 1 – MINUTES OF APPRECIATION

Minute of Appreciation (16.31(c)): Mr Neil Thorpe

Neil Thorpe was appointed as the Director of Pilgrim in 2012. Neil led Pilgrim Learning Community as our Synod lay education unit, as its Director, seeking to promote and provide opportunities for lay education across the Synod. Neil was instrumental in the process of bringing together Pilgrim with Trinity Theological College.

Neil continued to champion the place of lay education within the Synod and across other Synods in the life of the Uniting Church in Australia.

The Synod gives thanks to God for the work of Mr Neil Thorpe as the Director of Pilgrim College and in his role as an Adult Faith Educator with Trinity College Queensland.

Minute of Appreciation (16.31(d)): Mrs Alice Foo

Recently, Alice Foo accepted a redundancy from TCQ. Alice was a long term employee of the Synod and a dedicated servant of Christ.

A number of generations of current ministers experienced Alice's efficient and no-nonsense custodianship of the business of the former Trinity Theological College. She served under a number of College Principals, all of whom would point to their gratitude to her for her loyalty, support and conscientiousness in ensuring the College's business, its budget, and the recruitment of students supported the aims of the College to serve the Church.

Those who worked with Alice and shared her journey, found her a deeply faithful, prayful Christian who was motivated serve Christ.

I conclude with an excerpt from her last message:

"I am leaving you with a heavy heart. After serving the Synod for 27 years and getting to know all of you on a personal basis, the friendship(s) built over this period has meant a lot to me."

Farewell Alice, God be with you.

Minute of Appreciation (16.50(c)): Rev David MacGregor

Rev David McGregor has been a long-time supporter of the Schools and Residential Colleges Commission and was one of its foundation members in 2006. In 2008, David took on the position of Commission Chair when Mrs Elaine Rae was appointed as the first Schools Commission Executive Officer. David has faithfully served in the role of Chair for 8 years.

David has a long association with both Christian ministry and education. He is a Minister of the Word at Tarragindi Uniting Church and a member of the National Assembly Worship Working Group. He is also a sessional lecturer at both the Australian Catholic University and Trinity Theological College. David is a published songwriter and has worked with Youth and Children's Ministries from 1987 to 1988. Prior to this time, David was employed as a Primary School Teacher at Oxley and Lowood from 1975 to 1986.

David's combined passion for youth, children's and Christian Education has seen him involved in a range of ministry roles at Indooroopilly, Lowood, Sunnybank, North Rockhampton, Cairns, Centenary and Oxley Darra churches. In a school context, David has worked with Forest Lake College and The Springfield College in chaplaincy related roles.

During his time on the Commission, David has been a valuable support to both Executive Officers of the Schools and Residential College's Commission. He has met regularly with each Executive Officer to provide both pastoral and professional support. Additionally, he has sought to advance the commitment and relationship of the church with each of its schools and residential colleges. He has attended numerous school and college-based events as well as functions hosted by the church and the Synod office.

David was part of the working parties which developed key documents of the Schools and Residential Colleges Commission and ensured that there was an increasing level of consistency of operations across the group and the depth of interaction of the church with its educational institutions. David has also served on recruitment panels and board governance review committees.

David is characterised by his thoughtful measured approach to issues. He has been an inclusive Chair who has sought to elicit input from all Commission members. He has been committed to the maintenance of relationship even in the most difficult circumstances. To this end, David was part of the Commission when the Synod committed to support two troubled schools. The Commission released the Executive Officer and key commission members to come along side of these struggling schools. It is testament to good leadership and a passion for supporting those in most need, that these schools are not only operational today, but successfully fulfilling the objects upon which they were first established.

David and his wife Dale have been avid supporters of the Schools and Residential Colleges Commission. Their contribution has been immense. Though they will both be missed, their legacy of wisdom, pastoral care and inclusivity will remain hallmarks of the Commission.

Minute of Appreciation (16.50(d)): Mr Des Robinson

The Presbyterian and Methodist Schools Association is a joint mission of the Uniting and Presbyterian Churches based on the Christian values of relationship, care, ethics, personal development, excellence and celebration. The PMSA Council comprises 15 Councillors, six appointed from each of the Uniting and Presbyterian Churches in Queensland and the remaining three appointed by the PMSA Council. The PMSA mission is to provide an outstanding teaching and learning environment for students and staff, in schools built on the teachings and example of Jesus Christ. The four PMSA schools are Brisbane Boys' College, Clayfield College, Somerville House and the Sunshine Coast Grammar School.

The PMSA Council is led by the Chairman and advised by its standing committees. Mr Des Robinson has been Chairman of the PMSA since 2007. During his 26 years on the PMSA council he has also served as Chairman of the Appointment and Remuneration Committee, member of the Audit and Finance Committee, as well as a Director of Grammar Early Learning Limited. Des has also been the PMSA Nominee on the Independent Schools Queensland, Block Grant Authority.

Des Robinson has brought immense skill, professional expertise and industry experience to the PMSA. Des received, with honours, a Commerce Degree from the University of Queensland. Des has wide commercial and public practice experience as a former senior partner with the accounting practice of MSI Taylor. Des has also brought to the PMSA wide experience from a number of industries and enterprises, including: steel making, industrial chemicals, stock feed manufacturing, sawmilling, construction, data communication, education and welfare. He has created, owned and managed a number of businesses including: accounting practices, sawmilling, construction, data communication and industrial coating application. Des is a fellow of the Australian CPAs, a fellow of the Institute of Company Directors, a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountant and, until 2008, was a registered Company Auditor. Des recently received recognition from the Chartered Practising Accountants association of Australia for his 50 years of service.

More broadly, Des has also served for ten years on the board of Brisbane City Mission becoming its President. Subsequent to this time, he served for 10 years as a director on the board of Mission Australia, retiring from that position in 2008. Des is a regular member of the Chapel Hill Uniting Church where he has fellowshiped for some 25 years. Since 2011, he has served as Treasurer for the church,

as well as been on advisory groups for property, administration and finance. He is seen as a positive advocate for ministry for young people.

Des has given countless hours and unfathomable commitment to the PMSA. He has taken the PMSA far during his time as Chair and set it up well for the future. Testament to Des' faith is the fact that the PMSA schools retain their Christian distinctive and commitment to quality Christian education after some 97 years of operation. Des has been a central figure in this extraordinary story, journeying with the Presbyterian and Methodist Schools Association for over a quarter of its total history.

Minute of Appreciation (16.60(c)): Mr Robert Packer

Robert Packer came willingly back into the service of the Queensland Synod to fill the vacancy in the General Secretary's Office.

He brought with him high levels of executive and governance capacity and experience, with tremendous insight, a deep knowledge of the church's law, and a spirit of service and commitment to the life of the church.

There were significant matters across the life of the church which the Synod office was dealing with at this time – governing documents for UnitingCare, transition in the Board for Christian Formation and Trinity College Queensland, responses to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, the organisational relationship with presbyteries, Synod support for youth ministry, management of the Synod Office.

Robert stepped into all these spaces with competence and empathy. He took up the reigns gently, but with a clarity that gave confidence to the Synod team.

He has been a source of insight and wisdom to the Moderator, and many others who sought his counsel – including other General Secretaries around the country.

The church expresses its deep appreciation to him and to Julie for the deferral of their well-earned retirement to fill this office for this time.

We pray God's blessing on them both and we pray that they will enjoy a long and happy time of retirement.

**APPENDIX 2 – MINISTERIAL CHANGES
(since 31st Synod)**

- 1. RECEIVED BY ORDINATION**
- Ministry of the Word**
- Presbytery of Bremer Brisbane**
Anna Ashby
Catherine Solomon
- Presbytery of Moreton Rivers**
Matthew Hogg
Matthew O'Donoghue
Tevita Takai
- Presbytery of The Downs**
Jennifer Potter
- Ministry of Deacon**
- Presbytery of Moreton Rivers**
Wendy McHugh
- 2. DEATHS**
- Ministers of the Word**
- Aubrey Baker
Adrienne Dempster
Ian Florence
Oliver (Joe) Gunders
David Lowry
Donald McKay
Phillip Ramsay
Ian Mavor
Ron Smith
Nevin (Nev) Stoddart
Deane Tietzel
Paul Trigge
Selwyn (John) Tully
David Wiltshire
- 3. RETIREMENTS**
- Presbytery of Bremer Brisbane**
Judith Dalton
Costa Stathakis
Jackson Gill
Heather Griffin
Paul Walton
- Presbytery of Central Queensland**
Peter Aay
- Presbytery of Mary Burnett**
Lloyd Beynon
Kate Dix
Jan Rossow

3. **RETIREMENTS (cont.)** **Presbytery of Moreton Rivers**
Subramaniam Manopavan
- Presbytery of South Moreton**
Ian Wilson
Hohaia Matthews
- Presbytery of The Downs**
John Case
May Morris
4. **MINISTERS /
DEACONS / YOUTH
WORKERS RECEIVED
FROM OTHER SYNODS** **Synod of New South Wales / ACT**
James Haire
Robert McFarlane
- Synod of South Australia**
Adam Low
Julia Pitman
- Synod of Victoria / Tasmania**
Deva Sugirtharaj
5. **MINISTERS /
DEACONS / YOUTH
WORKERS
TRANSFERRED TO
OTHER SYNODS** **Synod of New South Wales / ACT**
Tim Robinson
Tony Shumack
- Synod of South Australia**
Kerry Pierce
- Synod of Victoria/Tasmania**
Neville Clarke
6. **MINISTERS RECEIVED
FROM OTHER
DENOMINATIONS** Pierre van Blommestein
Marius Kruger
Sunil Kadaparambil

APPENDIX 3 – APPOINTMENTS (since 31st Synod)

Calvary Christian College

Reappointed for 1 year from 5 Mar 2015 to 4 Mar 2016 inclusive

Mr Ted Burnett

Appointed for a 3 year term from 3 Mar 2016 to 3 Mar 2019

Mr Ted Burnett
Mrs Noela Lister

Cromwell College Board

Reappointed for a 3 year term from 6 Feb 2015 to 31 Dec 2017 inclusive

Mr Ben de Jong
Mr Joe Goodall

Appointed for a 3 year term from 21 Apr 2015 to 30 May 2018

Rev Peter Lockhart

Grace College Council

Appointed for a 3 year term from 5 May 2016 to 5 May 2019 inclusive

Mrs Jocelyn Manique
Mrs Jennifer Strong

John Flynn College Council

Reappointed for a 1 year term from 1 Jan 2015 to 31 Dec 2015 inclusive

Ms Annette Ireland

Reappointed for a 3 year term from 1 Jan 2015 to 31 Dec 2017 inclusive

Mr Geoff Whebell

Appointed for a 3 year term from 1 May 2015 to 30 Apr 2018 inclusive

Mrs Diane Walker

Appointed for a 3 year term from 1 Jun 2015 to 30 May 2018 inclusive

Mr Joseph Walker

Kings College Council

Reappointed for a 3 year term from 5 Mar 2015 to 31 Dec 2017 inclusive

Mr Craig Chapman

Appointed for a 3 year term from 1 Oct 2015 to 1 Oct 2018

Rev Peter Hobson

Reappointed for a 3 year term from 7 Apr 2016 to 7 Apr 2019

Mr Gary Lynch

The Lakes College Board

Appointed for a 3 year term from 3 Dec 2015 to 3 Dec 2018

Mrs Lynne Doneley

Legal Reference Committee

Appointed for a 3 year term from 5 May 2016 to 5 May 2019

Mr Peter Burden (Chair)
Mr Jim Demack
Ms Jodi Palmer

Moreton Bay College Board

Reappointed for a 3 year term from 1 Jun 2015 to 30 May 2018

Mr Peter Davey

Appointed for a 3 year term from 3 Dec 2015 to 3 Dec 2018

Mr Neil Ballment

Multi-Cross Cultural Reference Group

Appointed for a 3 year term from 7 May 2015 to 6 May 2018 inclusive

Mr Noah Kim

Reappointed for a 1 year term from 7 Apr 2016 to 7 Apr 2017

Deaconess Terani Lima (Convenor)

Reappointed for a 2 year term from 7 Apr 2016 to 7 Apr 2018

Pastor Moses Leth

Reappointed for a 3 year term from 7 Apr 2016 to 7 Apr 2019

Ms Malo Semaia
Akesa Racava

Appointed for a 1 year term from 7 Apr 2016 to 7 Apr 2017

Mr Jack Shao

Appointed for a 2 year term from 7 Apr 2016 to 7 Apr 2018

Pastor Karen Ross

Appointed for a 3 year term from 7 Apr 2016 to 7 Apr 2019

Mrs Sharyn Robinson
Mr Peter Lien Zual T.boi

Presbyterian and Methodist Schools Association (PMSA) Board

Appointed for a 3 year term from 5 Mar 2015 to 31 Dec 2107 inclusive
Rev Murray Fysh

Appointed for a 3 year term from 3 Dec 2015 to 3 Dec 2018
Mr David Munro

Appointed for a 3 year term from 31 Dec 2015 to 31 Dec 2018
Mr Jim Demack

Appointed for a 3 year term from 1 Oct 2015 to 1 Oct 2018
Rev Christine Digby

Schools and Residential Colleges Commission

Appointed for a 3 year term from 1 May 2015 to 30 Apr 2018 inclusive
Mr Neil Bailment

Appointed for a 3 year term from 1 Oct 2015 to 1 Oct 2018 inclusive
Dr Marilyn Healy

Appointment extended until the 34th Synod
Mr Peter Campbell (Chair)

Scots PGC College Council

Appointed for 3 years from 5 Mar 2015 to 31 Dec 2017 inclusive
Rev Kaye Ronalds

Reappointed for a 3 year term from 6 Feb 2015 to 31 Dec 2017 inclusive
Mr Doug Cosh

Appointed for 3 years from 3 Mar 2016 to 3 Mar 2019
Mrs Sarah Littleproud
Mr David Cassels

Appointed for 3 years from 7 Apr 2016 to 7 Apr 2019
Mr Robert Lang

Appointed for 3 years from 5 May 2016 to 5 May 2019
Rev Ansie Liebenberg

Shalom Christian College Board

Appointed from 28 Nov 2014 to 31 Dec 2015 inclusive
Mr Robert Packer

Reappointed for a 1 year term from 1 Jan 2015 to 31 Dec 2015 inclusive
Mr Mike Millard (Chair)
Mrs Elaine Rae

Appointed for a 1 year term from 3 Dec 2015 to 3 Dec 2016
Mr Mike Millard
Mrs Elaine Rae

Appointed for a 3 year term from 1 Oct 2015 to 1 Oct 2018
Rev Dennis Corowa
Mr Chad Walker

Appointed for a 1 year term from 4 Feb 2016 to 4 Feb 2017
Mrs Elaine Rae (Chair)

Appointed for a 3 year term from 4 Feb 2016 to 4 Feb 2019
Mr Scott Anderson

Synod Chaplaincy Commission

Appointed for a 3 year term from 1 May 2015 to 30 April 2018
Rev Jenny Tymms
Rev John Saunders

Synod Committee for Discipline

Appointed for the period from 4 Feb 2016 to 4 Jun 2017
Rev Keren Seto
Rev Lyn Burden

Resignation accepted effective 4 Feb 2016
Mr Gary Wallis

Synod Ecumenical Relations Committee

Appointed for a 3 year term from 7 May 2015 to 6 May 2018 inclusive
Rev Russell Morris

Appointed from 6 Aug 2015 to 20 May 2016 inclusive
Mr Richard Lance

Synod Interfaith Relations Committee

Appointed for the period from 1 Mar 2016 to 28 Feb 2019
Ms Lesley Bryant
Rev Bryan Gilmore

Synod Sexual Misconduct Complaint Committee – Advisors

Appointed for a 3 year term from 5 Mar 2015 to 4 Mar 2017 inclusive:

Rev Arthur Tutin
Rev Brian Kickbusch
Rev Kath Hobson
Rev Jeanette Gillam
Dr Marilyn Healy
Mrs Jenny Brecknell (Bremer Brisbane nominee)
Rev Dave Thomas (Mary Burnett nominee)
Rev Pam Batson (Mary Burnett nominee)
Rev Peter Taubner (Mary Burnett nominee)
Mr Graham Huth (Mary Burnett nominee)
Rev Leonie Gaffel (Mary Burnett nominee)
Ms Barara Betts (The Downs nominee)
Rev Kaye Ronalds (The Downs nominee)
Rev Doug Foster (North Queensland nominee)
Ms Jan Bryde (North Queensland nominee)

Appointed for a 3 year term from 4 Feb 2016 to 3 Feb 2019

Rev Suzy Sitton

Resignation accepted effective 4 Feb 2016

Rev Pam Batson

Synod Sexual Misconduct Complaint Committee – Members

Appointed for a 3 year term from 4 Feb 2016 to 3 Feb 2019 inclusive:

Rev Kaye Ronalds
Mrs Marge Stathakis
Mrs Elaine Rae
Rev Stanley Tuilovoni

Resignation accepted effective 3 Mar 2016

Rev Brian Kickbusch

Synod Standing Committee

Resignation accepted effective 3 Mar 2016

Mr Chris Barnard

UnitingCare Qld Board (UCQ)

Appointed for a 3 year term from 1 Apr 2015 to 31 Mar 2018 inclusive

Ms Susan Forrester

Reappointed for a 2 year term from 1 Mar 2016 to 31 Mar 2018

Mr Dawson Petie

UnitingCare Qld Board (UCQ) (cont.)

Reappointed for a 3 year term from 1 Feb 2016 to 31 Mar 2019

Ms Jude Munro

Reappointed for a 3 year term from 1 Mar 2016 to 31 Mar 2019

Professor Myles McGregor-Lowndes
Mr Andrew McBryde

Appointed for a 3 year term from 1 Apr 2016 to 31 Mar 2019

Ms Andrea Staines

Wesley Mission Queensland Board

Appointed for the remainder of their current terms on the Wesley Mission Brisbane Board (as noted)

Dr Ian Airey	
Mr Paul Newman	Dec 2016
Ms Lisa Bundesen	Dec 2017
Mr David Edwards	Dec 2017
Mr Cornelius Graves	Dec 2016
Ms Florence Kearney	Dec 2018
Mr Robert Packer	Dec 2017
Ms Elaine Rae	Dec 2017
Ms Nancy Spencer	Dec 2017
Ms Elaine Unkles	Dec 2017

Wontulp Bi-Buya College Management Committee

Appointed for a 3 year term from 5 Mar 2015 to 4 Mar 2017 inclusive

Ms Louise Thomas

Wontulp Bi-Buya College Limited

Appointed effective from the date the new company is formed

Rev Dennis Corowa
Ms Louise Thomas

32nd Synod Business Committee

Appointed the following members from 6 Aug 2015

The Moderator (Rev David Baker)
The General Secretary (Mr Gary Doyle / Mr Robert Packer)
Associate General Secretary (Rev John Cox / Rev Heather den Houting)
The Executive Officer Corporate (Ms Kellie Broderick)

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