



A meeting of Diocesan Council was held on 31 May 2008 in Woodstock. Bishop Miller was the chair and Council expresses appreciation to the Parish of Woodstock for kind hospitality.

#### ITEMS FOR FOLLOW-UP

Past items of business completed were reported:

- [Minutes of 07 November 2007](#) posted
- Letter of thanks to and expenses Mr. Charles O'Neill, Diocese of NS and PEI
- [Episcopal Ministries Team Roles and Responsibilities](#) posted
- Mediation - DC 04 November 2006 - 11 rescinded / removed
- Anglican Foundation Application (Richmond) submitted

Unfinished items of business were reviewed.

#### REPORTS

Reports received and reviewed from:

- Each of seven Council Teams
- Standing Committee: Finance, Human Resources and Nominating

Interim reports from:

- Task Force on Rural and Struggling Parishes
- Task Force of Budget Support

#### DISCUSSION

Two items of discussion:

Status of the [Diocesan Camps Project with financial summary](#)

Partnership with General Synod RE development

#### BUSINESS

Diocesan Council carried motions as follows:

##### 1. Residential Schools Settlement refund

That the refund resulting from the renegotiated Residential Schools Settlement in the amount of \$299,687 be distributed proportionately between Diocese and the parishes that made specific contributions to the Fund.

##### 2. Application to Anglican Foundation

That diocesan Council approve the application of the Parish of Upham to the [Anglican Foundation](#) for rectory renovations in the amount of \$8825.00

##### 3. Regulations

The following regulations were adopted:

- Under Canon Three - [3-1 Election of Bishops](#)
- Under Canon Five - [5-1 Beneficiary Funds](#)
- Under Canon Six - [6-1 Forms of Memorials and Register](#)
- Under Canon Eight - [8-1 Rules of Ecclesiastical Court](#)

##### 4. Canon Three (Election of Bishops) Amendments to Synod

That the outlined [housekeeping] amendments to Canon Three be forwarded for consideration by Diocesan Synod 2009.

##### 5. Insurance Minimum Standards Addenda

That "[A-19 Minimum Insurance Standards - Addendum 1: Discretion in Respect of Replacement Cost Coverage for Building and Contents and Addendum 2: Requirement for Compliance with Established Minimum Standards](#)" be adopted.

##### 6. Diocesan Services

In light of the distinct possibility of diminished Diocesan budget support and the need to ensure that ministries and services provided [by the Synod] in support of parishes and Episcopal ministry are needed and effective, the Finance Committee recommends that Diocesan Council establish a process to evaluate [these] ministries and services.

##### 7. Partnership with General Synod

That the Stewardship Team be charged with maintaining the continuing partnership ([Letting Down the Nets](#) pilot diocese) with the General Synod consulting team in developing an "holistic" diocesan stewardship plan.

#### MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday 27 August 2008 1:30 - 4:00 p.m. (RNS, Rothesay)

Wednesday 17 September 2008 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Fredericton)

Wednesday 05 November 2008 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Bushville)