

**Pastoral Leadership Commission**  
**September 10, 2020, 6:30pm**  
**Africa Room, MCC Center, Saskatoon, SK**

**Present:** Lisa Martens Bartel, Curtis Wiens, Ryan Siemens, Garth Ewert Fisher, Carrol Epp.

Via ZOOM: Patty Friesen, Ric Driediger.

**Opening:** Curtis asked the question “How does leadership address the opposing starting points around re-opening church services?” The phrase “be not afraid” comes up in scripture. It is not an exemption to scary things but rather the accompanying message is “I am with you”. To lead us in prayer, Curtis played and sang the song “Be not afraid”.

**Acceptance of Agenda:**

Addition- Pastor’s Gathering-September 18, 2020

Acceptance- by consensus.

**Acceptance of June 18, 2020 minutes:** by consensus.

**Executive Minister’s Report:** Ryan

Ryan reported on the areas of Congregational Life [speaking engagements, transitions, ongoing congregational searches], Office, Regional Minister- Youth Programing, Interim Church Engagement Minister, MC Canada Virtual Study Conference (October 24, 2020), #SafeChurchToo [this ad hoc committee is looking for representation from PLC- Patty will sit on this committee for PLC], and Visioning Day with Betty Pries [ZOOM meeting November 28, 2020- with Council, PLC and Ministries].

**Exit Interview:** Rose Graber (Grace Mennonite, Regina)

Discussion around Pastor Core Competencies arose from one of Rose’s comments. We need to pick up this issue for discussion on a larger scale- possibly at a Pastor’s Gathering.

**Employment Agreement:** (deferred from last meeting)

-Further deferred to next meeting to allow proper time for study and discussion.

**Other:**

1. Pastor’s Gathering- September 18, 2020, 1-4:30pm @Shekinah Retreat Center

-time for visiting, games, hiking

-discussion about reorganizing pastor peer groups

-about 12 people registered at this time. Invitation will be extended to include camp directors, RJC principal and Rosthern Nursing Home Administrator.

2. Ryan will arrange an Entrance Interview for Rodney Hennessey (Grace Mennonite Regina).

**Next Meeting: November 5, 2020, 10 am @ MCC Center**

**Opening: Patty**