

Pastoral Leadership Commission
March 4, 2021, 10am
Via ZOOM

Present: Ryan Siemens, Patty Friesen, Garth Ewert Fisher, Ric Driediger, Lisa Martens Bartel, Curtis Wiens, Carrol Epp.

Regrets: None.

1. Welcome: Garth
2. Opening: Ric- When crisis happens, *Order* turns to *Disorder* and proceeds to *Reorder*. In looking back to the 'old' Order, what do we want to keep? Discard? Questions need to be intentional. Change is here- Can we be proactive? He concluded with prayer.
3. Acceptance of Agenda: by consensus.
4. Acceptance of January 7, 2021 minutes: by consensus.
5. Executive Minister's report: Ryan
 - a) Congregational updates. During discussion, we saw the need to have resources available to churches that are facing closing their doors. These resources could be presented at an Equipping Day. Needs to include legal issues, scriptural ecclesiology, cemetery issues, emotional grief/relief. Patty and Curtis will head up planning for this.
 - b) Credentialing updates
 - c) Regional Minister update
 - d) Church Engagement update
 - e) MC Canada- Community of Spiritual Leaders- Ryan and Lisa took part in first meeting. Lisa will report on this later in our meeting.
 - f) Upcoming Pastor Events:
 - Summer event- Ryan hosting a concert at his house in July.
 - Request for an event on the *leadership* aspect of pastoral leadership. After discussion, Ryan and Ric (with Josh?) agreed to organize this for September(?)
 - g) Tim Nickel presentation via Zoom on February 24, 2021- Participants felt it was powerful, helpful and 'take-aways' should be shared with congregations.
6. Community of Spiritual Leadership- Lisa gave update citing that each region/conference has a different 'flavor' and that a MC Canada Assembly is being planned for in 2022.

7. Reporting to ADS- Garth circulated his written report to the ADS.
 - In person reporting:
 - Garth- highlight the pastors of MCSK and pastor mentorships
 - Ric will speak about *Order-Disorder-Reorder*
 - Curtis- Pastor Peer groups
 - Lisa- Community of Spiritual Leadership
 - Patty & Carrol- upcoming pastor events
8. Other:
 - PLC organization
 - a. Chair- Curtis
 - b. Secretary- Carrol
 - c. Personnel- Patty and Ric
 - Ryan and Josh Wallace planning to continue with the pastor's Book Club.
9. **Next meeting: May 6, 2021, 10am.**
 - Opening: Carrol
10. Closing: Ryan played the recording of "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" made for the ADS.