

Report to Members re the Lutheran East District (LED) Annual Meeting

The 2022 Annual meeting of LED was held on Friday June 10 starting at noon CDT in Edmonton Alberta, just prior to the LCC Convention. In attendance were 51 voting delegates, 6 non-voting members, and 4 others. The Chairman declared a quorum present.

Elections were held for the Board of Directors and the following people were confirmed elected as Directors for the term 2022-2026: Lois Griffin, Ray Taylor, Reg Tiegs, Rev. Robert Morley, Rev. Richard Orłowski.

The members passed 3 resolutions dealing with the wind down of the Church Extension Fund (CEF) and eventual dissolution of the corporation

The first resolution authorizes the Board to transfer the funds in the East District Mission and Ministry Endowment Fund to the LCC Mission Endowment Fund. These funds, when transferred will to be used to support LCC domestic mission work.

The second resolution dealt with the distribution of surplus CEF funds, which are estimated to be \$4.3M. It was agreed that 50% of these funds will be transferred to the LCC Mission Endowment Fund and the remaining 50% will be distributed among all the congregations of the East District. While not part of the resolution, it was the stated intent to distribute funds based on a per member weighted average that will see small congregations getting a proportionally larger per capita amount than larger congregations.

The final resolution authorizes the Board of Directors to dissolve the corporation at some time during the next 4 years.

Attached is the complete wording of the resolutions.

The new board met on Tuesday June 21, and elected the following officers:

Chairman - Reg Tiegs

Secretary - Lois Griffin

Treasurer - Ray Taylor

Rev. Morley was elected Vice- Chairman. An Audit Committee was appointed with Ray Taylor as the Chairman of the Committee.

For any further information please contact the Chairman, Reg Tiegs, at rtiegs@lcceast.ca

Resolutions Adopted at the 2022 Annual Meeting of LED

Resolution 1: Disposition of Lutheran East District Mission and Ministry Endowment Fund

WHEREAS in 1996 the former Lutheran Church–Canada East District (now Lutheran East District) established a Mission and Ministry Endowment Fund, with the stated purpose of "providing an opportunity for donors to express their thanksgiving to God for His blessings and to express their hope that the Mission and Ministry Program of the District will be strengthened and extend for years to come through their gifts"; and

WHEREAS for many years the interest on this fund was used by the Department for Outreach to assist in financing the mission work of the District; and

WHEREAS the work of district missions is now a responsibility of Synod; and

WHEREAS as part of the wind down of the LED Church Extension Fund and eventual dissolution of the Lutheran East District Corporation, decisions need to be made regarding the disposal of various assets; and

WHEREAS Lutheran Church–Canada (LCC) has a Mission Endowment Fund to help fund domestic mission work; therefore be it

RESOLVED that the funds in the approximate amount of \$119,180 currently in the LED Mission and Ministry Endowment Fund be transferred at the appropriate time to the Mission Endowment Fund of LCC; and be it finally

RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of LED be authorized to take the necessary actions to implement this transfer.

Resolution 2: Distribution of Lutheran East District Surplus Funds

WHEREAS as part of the wind down of the LED Church Extension Fund (CEF) and eventual dissolution of the Lutheran East District Corporation, decisions need to be made regarding the distribution of surplus funds; and

WHEREAS it is estimated that the surplus funds after repayment of all loans, sale of property, and reimbursement of depositors will be approximately \$4.3M ; and

WHEREAS congregational funding helped to start and support the CEF (see attached history); and

WHEREAS the CEF Policy Manual indicated that when there was an operating surplus in the CEF that 50% of the funds should be distributed to all the congregations; therefore be it

RESOLVED that the LED surplus funds be distributed with 50% going to LCC's Mission Endowment Fund and 50 % being distributed to the congregations who are members of Lutheran East District; and be it finally

RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of LED be authorized to take the necessary actions to implement the above at the appropriate time.

Resolution 3: Dissolution of Lutheran East District Corporation

WHEREAS the Board of Directors of Lutheran East District Corporation have been taking steps leading to the eventual dissolution of the corporation; be it

RESOLVED that the membership approve the eventual dissolution of the corporation at some point during the next 4 years if possible; and be it finally

RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of LED be authorized to take the necessary actions to implement the dissolution at the appropriate time.