

**Canada West Mission Conference  
2025 Online Mission Conference Business Meeting  
Saturday, January 25, 2025**

**Meeting Chair: Shannon McAdam**

**Attendees: 32**

**BUSINESS MEETING**

1. **Call to order** (10:02 am MST)
2. **Opening prayer** (Gwyneth Beer)
3. **Voting system test**
4. **Approval of Conference Officers**

*Resolved,*

- A. That **Shannon McAdam**, Mission Centre co-president, preside over this conference and be authorized to complete the Conference organization.
- B. That **Lisa Neudorf** be Secretary of the Conference.

**Moved: Kathy McAdam (Chilliwack), Becky Middleton (Senlac). Carried**

5. **Approval of Agenda**

*Resolved,* That the Agenda for the Canada West Mission Business Meeting for January 25, 2025 be approved as presented (or, as amended).

**Moved: Rick James (Chilliwack), Brenda Senga (Saskatoon). Carried**

6. **Approval of Minutes from previous meeting, September 28, 2024**

*Resolved,* That the Minutes of the Canada West Mission Business Meeting of September 28, 2024, be approved as circulated (or, as amended/corrected).

**Moved: Gloria Stanton (Saskatoon), Shirley Smith (Calgary). Carried**

7. **Approval of Community of Christ World Conference 2025 Delegates and Alternates (as set out on Schedule "A")**

*Resolved,* That the list of delegates as attached be approved to represent Canada West Mission Centre at Community of Christ World Conference 2025,

*and Resolved* that the Canada West Mission Centre President Team be authorized to add delegates to the list should persons present themselves before the deadline for delegate submission.

**Moved: Patricia James (Chilliwack), Kat Goheen (Vancouver). Carried**

Chair turned over to Apostle Art Smith.

## **8. Consideration of Priesthood Calls**

Each call will be presented to the conference by Art Smith, followed by a response from each candidate, followed by an opportunity for statements of support from members of the conference. (Brief biographies of the candidates set out on attached Schedule “B”)

- A. That the call of Shannon McAdam (Vancouver Congregation) to the office of High Priest be supported by the Canada West Mission Conference.

**Moved: Kathy McAdam (Chilliwack), seconded by many**

Expressions of support for Shannon and her call to the Office of High Priest.

**Carried.**

- B. That the call of Gwyneth Beer (Chilliwack Congregation) to the office of Seventy be supported by the Canada West Mission Conference.

**Moved: Kat Goheen, seconded by many**

Expressions of support for Gwyn and her call to the Office of Seventy.

**Carried.**

Chair returned to Shannon McAdam.

Chair handed over to Sam Smalldon.

## **9. Financial Information**

Mission Centre Financial Officer and Bishop of Canada Sam Smalldon presented a draft of our 2024 year-end financial report.

## **10. Closing Words from Kat Goheen and meeting adjourned 11:22 am MST**

## **Schedule “A”**

### **Community of Christ World Conference 2025**

#### **Delegates:**

1. Rod Downing
2. Kathy McAdam
3. Shannon McAdam
4. Katherine Goheen
5. Gwyneth Beer
6. Richard C James
7. Patricia A James
8. Rebecca Middleton
9. Debra Donohue
10. Parker Johnson
11. Brenda Senga
12. Kade Brown
13. Janine McCully
14. Gloria Stanton
15. Wayne Stanton
16. Beverly Nutt
17. Stephen Thompson
18. Marian Thompson
19. Terry Ball
20. Dan Esch
21. Denise Esch
22. Shirley Smith
23. Sandra Hunter

## **Schedule “B” Priesthood Candidates**

### **Shannon Jean McAdam**

This call to High Priest connects to my deep sense of call to serve the church I love and help it continue becoming as welcoming as possible. I have been nurtured in my spiritual and leadership development by so many throughout our mission centre, I am grateful to have witnessed many examples of servant ministry that I can follow. Through my time as part of our volunteer Mission Centre President team I’ve learned so much about what it means to serve the church beyond my local congregation in Vancouver, BC. I look forward to continuing that service in this new priesthood role.

### **Gwyneth Joy Ann Beer**

I would like to thank the people who have helped me understand my true passion.

I accepted the call to become a Seventy. I am born and raised a member of Community of Christ. I took time away from church to find that something was missing in my life.

I am a member of the Chilliwack congregation, but I was part of the volunteer mission centre team, and this helped with my decision to accept the call to the office of Seventy. Traveling through CWM provinces and meeting so many members and hearing their stories was a gift to me. I am close to the age 70 but not there yet. I look forward to meeting or getting reacquainted with members.