

Midlands Mission Center  
October 17, 2021 Conference Minutes  
Held Via Zoom and in person group gathered at the  
Highlands Congregation at 2:00 p.m.

**Call to Order**

After the singing of hymn CCS #77, *Gather Your Children*, and an opening prayer by Allen Keehler, the Midlands Mission Center Conference was called to order by mission center president team member, Kat Hnatyshyn, who announced that if any time the chair loses interconnectivity, Allen Keehler will chair the meeting. Sharon Robertson has been appointed to serve as secretary for this business meeting. The meeting will also be recorded. Minutes of the previous business meeting, October 18, 2020, are available on the website and were approved by the Leadership Advisory Council.

**Mission Center Leadership**

The floor was turned over to Apostle Janné Grover for consideration of mission center leadership for 2022. Apostle Grover expressed thanks to all those that made this hybrid meeting possible. She also brought greetings from the First Presidency and the Central Mission Field Leadership Team.

Apostle Grover called attention to a letter from President Scott Murphy on behalf of the First Presidency, authorizing the appointment and sustaining of Kat Hnatyshyn (Chair), Allen Keehler, Stan Troeh and Sharon Spaans to serve as the Mission Center President Team for the year 2022. Jim Diddle moved that this motion be approved and it was seconded and carried by raised hands via Zoom.

Apostle Grover called attention to a letter written by Scott Murphy on behalf of the First Presidency and Stassi Cramm on behalf of the Presiding Bishopric recommending the sustaining of Wim van Klinken (Chair), Emily Hidy, Steve Beckman and Kristine Shipley to serve as the Mission Center Financial Officer Team for the year 2022. Sally Roth moved this motion be approved and it was seconded and carried by raised hands via Zoom.

Apostle Grover called attention to a letter from herself in support of Craig Hidy to serve as Mission Center Invitation Support Minister for the year 2022. Emily Hartford moved that Craig be sustained. It was seconded and passed by raised hands via Zoom.

The floor was returned to Kat Hnatyshyn who called attention to a letter from herself recommending a Mission Center Leadership Advisory Council of Sharon Diddle, Josh Huyett, Sarah Marolf, Emily Hartford, Sally Roth, Virginia Adams and Ron Millard. June Johnson moved that the leadership advisory council as presented in the letter be sustained. It was seconded and passed by raised hands via Zoom.

## **Consideration of Priesthood Calls**

There are two world church priesthood calls to be considered. Due to time restraints, we will not have the opportunity for individuals to share their testimony, but everyone is encouraged to personally share their testimony with the candidates.

Allen Keehler moved that the call of Nancy Short to the office of High Priest – Evangelist be approved. The motion was seconded and Nancy shared her testimony. The call was approved unanimously by raised hands via Zoom.

Sharon Spaans moved that the call of Sara Lloyd the office of High Priest – Evangelist be approved. The motion was seconded and Sara shared her testimony. The call was approved unanimously by raised hands via Zoom.

On behalf of the Midlands Mission Center, Kat expressed gratitude to each of the candidates and their willingness to say “Yes” to God’s call to serve.

## **Suspension of Business**

Business was suspended followed by a worship service including the ordination of Nancy Short and Sara Lloyd.

## **Afternoon Session:**

Prior to the conference being reconvened, the leadership team shared mission center news.

Budget overviews were given for the Midlands Mission Center, Central Avenue Center of Hope and Chihowa Campgrounds.

## **Conference Reconvened**

The Conference was reconvened by president team member, Allen Keehler, to consider the 2022 budgets.

## **2022 Budgets**

### **Midlands Mission Center**

On behalf of the Midlands Mission Center financial officer’s team, Kristine Shipley moved that the proposed budget for the year 2022 in the amount of \$150,000 be approved. The chair stated that because the motion was made by a team there is no need for a second. Discussion was called for, there was none. The budget was approved by raised hands via Zoom.

### **Central Avenue Center of Hope**

On behalf of the Central Avenue Center of Hope Board, Missy Shields moved that the proposed budget for the year 2022 in the amount of \$92,700 be approved. The chair stated that because the motion was made by a team there is no need for a second. Discussion was called for, there was none. The budget was approved by raised hands via Zoom.

### **Chihowa Retreat Center**

On behalf of the Chihowa Retreat Center Board, Dave Hall moved that the proposed budget for the year 2022 in the amount of \$142,040 be approved. The chair stated that because the motion was made by a team there is no need for a second. Discussion was called for, there was none. The budget was approved by raised hands via Zoom.

### **Adjournment**

The conference was adjourned by president team member, Allen Keehler followed by the hymn CCS #359, *We Are One in the Spirit*, and a prayer by Wim van Klinken.

Respectively Submitted,

Sharon Robertson