
Decision Profile

Amendments to the Bylaws of the Canadian Pacific District

Decision Required:

To approve amendments to the Bylaws of the Canadian Pacific District (CPD).

Why it is Coming to District Conference:

Approving amendments to the bylaws of the CPD is the responsibility of District Conference.

Background:

Five amendments have been suggested to the Bylaws of the CPD since District Conference 2019. The amendments are primarily to either correct or update references in the bylaws. The current version of the Bylaws of the CPD is included as an attachment and the amendments are listed below in sequential order.

Title

Revision of:

The Christian and Missionary Alliance in Canada Canadian Pacific District

To:

Christian and Missionary Alliance – Canadian Pacific District

Reason for Amendment:

This amendment corrects the name of the CPD to use its legal name.

Part 4 – Directors

Revision of:

4.3 A director shall immediately cease to be a director:

- d) if they become ineligible as defined by the Canada Income Tax Act;

To:

4.3 A director shall immediately cease to be a director:

d) if they become ineligible as defined by the *Income Tax Act* of Canada;

Reason for Amendment:

This amendment corrects the name of the *Income Tax Act*.

Part 5 – Board Positions

Addition of a sentence at the end of clause 5.9, to read:

The Treasurer shall chair the Audit Review Committee of the District.

Reason for Addition:

This amendment conforms to the requirement in the *Policy on District Organization* that the Treasurer be the chair of the District Conference Audit Review Committee. The addition also provides additional clarity on the role of the Treasurer in the bylaws.

Part 9 – Audits

Revision of:

9.3 The accounts of churches, camps, and similar undertakings of the Society shall be prepared and maintained according to Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations, and shall be subject to an audit, review or other independent evaluation annually as prescribed by the bylaws.

To:

9.3 The accounts of churches, camps, and similar undertakings of the Society shall be prepared and maintained according to *Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations*, and shall be subject to a compilation, review, or audit annually as prescribed by the bylaws.

Reason for Amendment:

This amendment conforms to the changes enacted in the *Local Church Constitution*, Article 12.2 in June 2020 and in Canadian compilation engagement standards that now allow for a compilation engagement in accordance with the *Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations*.

Further information on these changes can be found in the [Use of Compilation Engagements in Church Bylaws](#).

Part 11 – Financial Accounts

Revision of:

11.1 Disbursement of the funds of The Society shall be made by cheque signed by any two of the following:

- a) the District Superintendent
- b) the Secretary
- c) the Treasurer
- d) persons designated as a signing authority by a resolution of the directors

To:

11.1 Disbursement of the funds of The Society shall be made by cheque or electronic means signed by any two of the following:

- a) the District Superintendent
- b) the Secretary
- c) the Treasurer
- d) persons designated as a signing authority by a resolution of the directors

Reason for Amendment:

This amendment updates the means by which funds are disbursed.

Recommendations:

THAT amendments to the Bylaws of the Canadian Pacific District (CPD) in the following sections be approved:

- Title
- Part 4, 4.3 d)
- Part 5, 5.9
- Part 9, 9.3
- Part 11, 11.1