

Governing Board Meeting Notes

7 September 2017 – 4:30 pm (EST)

Attended: Kimberly Brown, Rev. Elder Rachelle Brown, Rev. Stephanie Burns, Rev. Joe Cobb, Angel Collie, Mark Dagleish, Rev. Jakob Hero-Shaw, Rev. William Knight, Sarah Jane Ramage
Staff: Barb Crabtree, Jack Hutter

Absent: None

Quorum was established

There was a brief check-in

Opening Prayer:

William opened the meeting with prayer

Review of FAQ's:

Rachelle noted that a draft of FAQ's regarding the staff restructure announcement were sent on 6 Sep 2017 for review by the Governors.

Before moving into the tabled agenda items from the August 24 meeting, Stephanie Burns made the following motion:

It is with a deep love and devotion for MCC and commitment to be faithful in my calling of service on the Governing Board, that I make the following motion.

Because of ongoing concerns regarding finances and potential risk management liability, because of concerns of the intentional misleading of general conference in the information releases regarding the global restructuring and a glaring lack of transparency regarding the development of said plan and because requests to delay aspects of the implementation to allow for fuller conversation and clarification have been ignored; Whereas, per the Governing Board charter, the Moderator is accountable to the Governing Board for effective management of all operations of the UFMCC and the Governing Board has the obligation and the imperative to exercise oversight over all operations of the UFMCC, I move that all aspects of the MCC Global Restructuring plan as presented to the General Conference on 23 August 2017 be put on hold by the MCC Governing Board for a minimum of 90 days (7 Dec 2017) in order to allow for thorough review and collaboration across MCC leadership constituencies, for the well-being of the UFMCC. This is to include but is not limited to the immediate suspension of the current job posting for the "Associate Director of International Diversity and Inclusion" with no offers of

employment to be initiated during the hold period. This also includes the immediate freezing and reversing of all internal job transitions, office consolidations, and planned and in process terminations until such time when a comprehensive review is completed.

Following initial discussion of the motion being out of order, as not originally included in the discussion agenda, William asked for clarification. Kimberly noted that Stephanie should have requested time on the agenda and submitted the motion for placement on the agenda in a timely manner. seconded the motion to place it on the table for discussion. Further discussion concerned the role of governance and the role of personnel and staff decisions. Rachelle noted that objection to the process was not unreasonable.

To bring the motion officially onto the table for discussion, William seconded the motion.

By consensus, the Governors agreed to move into Executive Session at 4:55 pm. The Governors came out of Executive Session at 6:56 pm.

The Moderator ruled the original motion out of order. The decision was appealed by Stephanie, and the motion to appeal was seconded by William. Kimberly called the question to vote on the appeal. Those Governors voting in support of the motion to appeal were: William, S-J and Stephanie. Those Governors voting against the motion to appeal were: Joe, Angel, Jakob and Kimberly. Mark was absent and did not vote. Rachelle abstained. The motion to appeal failed.

A motion to table the other Discussion Agenda items to the regularly scheduled September meeting was made by Kimberly. The motion was seconded by Jakob. Those in favor: S-J, Stephanie, Joe, Angel, Jakob, Kimberly and Rachelle. Those opposed: William.

A request was made that a Doodle poll be distributed to consider review of the FAQs.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm (EST).

Respectfully submitted,

Reverend Joe Cobb, Clerk