

GENERAL SYNOD 2010

RESOLUTIONS FORM

Resolution Number A033 – R-1

Subject Constitution - Operational Roles of the Primate and the General Secretary

Moved by Chancellor Ronald Stevenson, Diocese of Fredericton
Seconded by Archdeacon Harry Huskins, Diocese of Algoma

Be it resolved that this General Synod:

amend the Constitution of the General Synod as follows:

1) by amending section 13 b) to read:

b) The Primate shall be President **and Chief Executive Officer** of the General Synod, **and** chairperson of the Council of the General Synod., ~~and Chief Executive Officer of the national staff.~~ In the event of the inability of the Primate to act as the President or chairperson, the provincial metropolitan senior by election, or if none be present, the diocesan bishop senior by appointment or election, shall act.

2) by amending section 16 c) to read:

c) Under the direction of the Primate the General Secretary shall:

i) **be the Chief Operations Officer** ~~exercise a general oversight of the work~~ of the General Synod, ~~its committees, councils, boards and commissions;~~

ii) make the necessary arrangements for meetings of the General Synod and Council of the General Synod

and act as secretary of both bodies;

iii) perform such other duties as are defined by the Constitution, Rules of Order and Procedure, Canons and resolutions of the General Synod or the Council of the General Synod;

iv) report to the Primate in the Primate's capacity as Chief Executive Officer of the General Synod.

3) by amending section 16 e) to read:

e) The General Secretary shall be assistant to the Primate in the Primate's capacity as President of the General Synod ~~and Chief Executive Officer of the national staff.~~

4) by amending section 45 to read:

45. National Staff

a) ~~All staff employed by~~ **Directors of the departments of the General Synod shall be responsible to the General Secretary, as Chief Operations Officer, Primate, as Chief Executive Officer,** for the performance of their duties.

b) The organization of the ~~national staff~~ **of the General Synod shall be directed by the General Secretary** ~~shall be under the direction of the Primate,~~ in consultation with the **other** Officers of the General Synod.

NOTE: Additions are in **bold**, deletions are in ~~strikeout~~.

Source Council of the General Synod

Submitted by the Acting General Secretary

Does this motion contain within it any financial implications? Yes No X

If yes, has the General Synod Expenditures Committee considered the

implications?

Yes

No

EXPLANATORY NOTE/BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

These amendments are recommended by the Council of the General Synod to redefine the roles of the Primate and the General Secretary in relation to the staff of General Synod following a review of the operations of Church House in 2008-2009.

PROCEDURE REQUIRED FOR ADOPTION:

This resolution must be passed by a two-thirds majority in each Order at this session of the General Synod..