

**Motions: 86th Ordinary Session of the Synod of the Diocese of Quebec
October 31-November 3, 2024
Monastère des Augustines**

- Election/Acclamation of Stephen Kohner as Secretary of Synod
- Election/Acclamation of Sylvain Laperriere as Treasurer
- Motion: Privileges of the House granted to The Rev. Dr. Jesse Zink, The Rt. Rev. Mary Irwin-Gibson, Mark Gibson, Eloah Roberge, and Me Jacob Stone
- Motion: Approval of the Agenda
- Motion: Dispense with the reading of the Minutes of 85th Ordinary Session of the Synod of the Diocese of Quebec.
- Motion: Approval of Minutes and Journal of the 85th Ordinary Session of the Synod of the Diocese of Quebec with correction.
- Motion: to receive Synod reports

Please note that CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS will take a second reading at the next Diocesan Synod to come into force.

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #1: Article 1

That Constitution Article 1 be amended so as to read: The Diocese of Quebec was founded to, and continues to, uphold, support, and promote the doctrine, discipline, and sacraments of Christ as the Anglican Church of Canada has received them and as they are set forth in the Holy Scriptures and in the Book of Common Prayer of the Anglican Church of Canada.

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #2: Article 2

That Constitution Article 2 be amended so as to read: "Synod derives its power, purpose, and authority from Statute Law, namely Act 6 Victoria, Chapter 32 as amended from time to time, for the regulation of the affairs of this Diocese in matters relating to discipline and for the convenient and orderly management of the property, affairs, and interests of the Church as necessary to order and faithful witness."

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #3: Article 3

That Constitution Article 3 be amended so as to read: "The people of the Diocese of

Quebec are grouped into Parishes for the administration of the sacraments and for fellowship and mission, but they remain one body.” (1st sentence)

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #4: Article 5

That Constitution Article 5 be amended so as to read: “The Bishop is the president and chairperson of Synod. However, the Bishop may from time to time appoint a deputy *pro tempore* to act as president of Synod.”

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #5: Article 6

That Constitution Article 6 be amended so as to read: “A quorum of Synod at its Ordinary meetings shall consist of not less than one-fourth of the Clerical Delegates and one-fourth of the Lay Delegates, respectively.”

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #6: Article 7

That Constitution Article 7 be amended so as to read: “Synod shall consist of the Bishop, Officers of Synod, Clerics licensed by the Bishop and not under ecclesiastical censure, Lay Incumbents licensed by the Bishop, and Lay Delegates, all of whom must be communicants, with the exception of the Treasurer and the Chancellor.” (1st paragraph)

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #7: Article 8

That Constitution Article 8 be amended so as to read: “No act or resolution of Synod shall be valid unless it receives the concurrence of the Bishop and a majority of the members present and voting at the meeting. The votes of each order shall only be taken on a particular proposition when requested in writing by ten (10) members present and voting, provided that in the election of Clerical and Lay Delegates to the General and Provincial Synods it shall suffice that the elections be made by each order respectively, no concurrence of the Lay Delegates in the clerical choice, nor concurrence of the Clerics in the lay choice being necessary to the validity of such elections.”

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #8: Article 9

That Constitution Article 9 be amended so as to read: “The Officers of Synod shall be: The Bishop, the Vicar General, the Chancellor, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Registrar. Officers who are communicant Anglicans have the right to vote at Synod.”

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #9: Article 11

That Constitution Article 11 be amended so as to read: “The Secretary shall be elected by Synod and shall keep regular minutes of the proceedings of Synod; shall preserve all papers, Memorials and other documents; shall certify the Journal of Synod; and shall deliver all current records and documents to a successor.

The Assistant Secretary shall be elected by Synod and shall assist the Secretary or shall perform the duties of this office in the case of the absence or incapacity of the Secretary.

The Secretary and Assistant Secretary shall hold office until their successors are elected.”

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #10: Article 12

That Constitution Article 12 be amended so as to read: “The Treasurer shall be elected by Synod and shall receive and disburse all monies collected and paid under its authority.

An Assistant Treasurer may also be elected by Synod and shall perform the duties of this office in the case of the absence or incapacity of the Treasurer.

“Two auditors certified as accountants, or a firm of properly certified accountants, shall be appointed by Synod and shall inspect and report on the condition of the accounts at each meeting of Synod.”

The Treasurer, the Assistant Treasurer, and the auditors shall hold office until their successors are elected or appointed.”

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #11: Article 13

That Constitution Article 13 be amended so as to read: “The Registrar shall be elected by Synod and shall have custody of all the Diocesan Archives, documents, records and completed Parish registers; shall keep the Land Register and see that the various Parishes and missions keep their respective Parish registers written and up to date; shall report to each Session of Synod on the state of our records and make recommendations thereon.

The Registrar shall hold office until a successor is elected.”

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #12: Article 14

That Constitution Article 14 be amended so as to read: “Synod shall elect a council to be known as the Diocesan Council; which shall meet at least twice in each calendar year. When Synod is not in Session the Diocesan Council shall have and exercise all the powers vested in Synod by statute law, save the election of the Bishop or the amendment of the Constitution and Canons. The Diocesan Council may pass regulations, which are ancillary to and not inconsistent with the Canons of Synod for the purpose of furthering the witness of the Church and the management of the affairs of the Diocese. The Diocesan Council shall function in accordance with the provisions of the Canon on the Diocesan Council.”

- Motion: Constitutional amendment #13: Article 16

That Constitution Article 16 be amended so as to read: "For the purposes of the Constitution and the Canons of the Diocese of Quebec, the words "full legal age" shall mean a person of at least eighteen (18) years of age."

- Motion: That the following rescinded 2019 Canons and 2019 Appendices A and B be approved as policies until such time as the DEC amends them:

Canons 7: Duties of the Secretary of Synod

Canon 9: The Joint Audit Committee

Canon 19: Authentication of Records and Canons

Canon 22: The Quebec Diocesan Gazette)

Canon 32: (Order of the Diocese of Quebec

Appendix A: Order of Proceedings at Meetings of Synod

Appendix B: Rules of Order at Meetings of Synod

· Motion: Canonical amendment #1: That Canon 1 (2019), Definitions and Interpretation, be rescinded and replaced by

Canon 1 (2024), Definitions and Interpretation

· Motion: Canonical Amendment #2: That Canon 2 (2019), The Bishop, be rescinded and replaced by Canon 2 (2024), The Bishop

· Motion: Canonical Amendment #3: That Canon 3 (2019), The Election, Appointment, Consecration and Resignation of Bishops, be rescinded and replaced by Canon 3 (2024), The Election, Appointment, Consecration and Resignation of Bishops

· Motion: Canonical Amendment #4: That Canon 4 (2019), Summoning Synod, be rescinded and replaced by Canon 4 (2024), Summoning Synod

· Motion: Canonical Amendment #5: That Canon 5 (2019), Procedures for the Election of Lay Delegates to Synod, be rescinded and replaced by Canon 5 (2024), Procedures for the Election of Clerical and Lay Delegates to Synod

· Motion: Canonical Amendment #6: That Canon 6 (2019), Motions to be brought before Synod, be rescinded and replaced by

Canon 6 (2024), Motions to be Brought Before Synod

· Motion: Canonical Amendment #7: That Canon 7 (2019) Duties of the Secretary of Synod be rescinded, and that the text and procedures be updated and integrated by the DEC into the Diocesan Handbook.

- Motion: Canonical Amendment #8: That Canon 8 (2019), Diocesan Executive Council, be rescinded and replaced by Canon 7 (2024), The Diocesan Council
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #9: that Canon 9 (2019) Joint Audit Committee be rescinded, and that the text and procedures be updated and integrated by the DEC into the Diocesan Handbook.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #10: that Canon 10 Parish Obligations be rescinded and replaced by Canon 8 (2024), Parish Obligations
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #11: that Canon 12 (2019) Discipline be rescinded and replaced by Canon 9 (2024), Board of Triers
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #12: That Canon 13 (2019), Procedures for the Appointment, Termination of Incumbents, be rescinded and replaced by Canon 10 (2024), Procedures for the Appointment of Clerics
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #13: that Canon 14 (2019) Deaneries and Regions be rescinded and replaced by Canon 11 (2024), Deaneries and Regions
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #14: that Canon 15 (2019) Vestry Meetings, Church-wardens and Corporations be rescinded and replaced by Canon 12 (2024), Vestry Meetings, Churchwardens and Corporations
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #15: that Canon 16 (2019) Church Property be rescinded and replaced by Canon 13 (2024) Church Property
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #16: that Canon 17 (2019) Of the Temporalities of the Church in this Diocese be rescinded.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #17: that Canon 18 (2019) Amalgamation of Parishes be rescinded and replaced by Canon 14 (2024), Amalgamation of Parishes
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #18: that Canon 19 (2019) Authentication of Records and Canons be rescinded and that the text and procedures be updated and integrated by the DEC into the Diocesan Handbook.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #19: that Canon 20 (2019) Delegates to General and Provincial Synods be rescinded and replaced by Canon 15 (2024), Delegates to General and Provincial Synods

- Motion: Canonical Amendment #20: that Canon 21 (2019) Pension Plan and Continuing Education be rescinded.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #21: that Canon 22 (2019) Quebec Diocesan Gazette be rescinded and that the text and procedures be updated and integrated by the DEC into the Diocesan Handbook.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #22: that Canon 23 (2019) Parish Records and Statistics be rescinded and replaced by Canon 16 (2024), Parish Records and Statistics
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #23: that Canon 24 (2019) Diocesan Archives be rescinded and replaced by Canon 17 (2024), Diocesan Archives
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #24: that Canon 26 (2019) The Care and Administration of Cemeteries be rescinded and integrated by the DEC into the Diocesan Handbook as per motion DEC-24-07
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #25: that Canon 27 (2019) Respecting Trinity Church, Ste-Foy be rescinded.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #26: that Canon 28 (2019) Appointment of a Bishop's Commissary be rescinded.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #27: that Canon 30 (2019) Canonical Amendments be rescinded and replaced by Canon 18 (2024), Canonical Amendments
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #28: that Canon 32 (2019) The Order of the Diocese of Quebec be rescinded and that the text and procedures be updated and integrated by the DEC into the Diocesan Handbook.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #29: that Canon 33 (2019) The Election, Appointment, Consecration and Resignation of Bishops be rescinded.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #30: that Appendix A (2019) Order of Proceedings at Meetings of Synod be rescinded and that the text and procedures be updated and integrated by the DEC into the Diocesan Handbook.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #31: that Appendix B (2019) Rules and Orders at Meetings of Synod be rescinded and that the text and procedures be updated and integrated by the DEC into the Diocesan Handbook.

· Motion: Amendment #32: that new Appendix A (2024) Legislation Applicable to the Anglican Church in the Province of Québec be received and included at the end of the Canons.

-Motion: That, on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, the firm of Ernst and Young be reappointed for one year as the auditors for the Synod of the Diocese of Quebec for the 2024 financial year.

- Motion: to approve the provisional 2025 Synod budget.

· Motion: to approve the election results of the Secretary of Synod, the Diocesan Treasurer, General Synod Lay and Clerical delegates, Provincial Synod Lay and Clerical delegates, the Diocesan Executive Council and substitutes, and the Board of Triers

· Motion: to destroy all Synod election ballots

· Motion: to appoint Dale Keats and Jane Bishop as proofreaders of the Synod 2024 Journal

· Motion: Vote of thanks

· Motion: Adjournment