

## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE “D” Administration Division

**CONVENER:** Ruth Silverstone

**QUESTION 28(a):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Administration and Trusts?

*Report pp D1 – D7*

### INFORMATION

#### DECISIONS:

1. The report is received
2. The membership of the Disciplinary Tribunal Panel for 2007 is: Ian Gordon (Deputy Chairperson), Ruth Silverstone, David Bush, Mervyn Dine, Rob Ferguson, Keith Hopner, Howard Lawry, Valerie Nicholls, Ken Olsen, Hugh Rennie (Chairperson), Jeff Sanders, Indira Sirisena and Sheila Thorne and such additional persons as may be appointed by the President after consultation with Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma, Sinoti Samoa and Vahefonua Tonga.
3. The membership of the Review Panel for 2007 is: John Bennett, Wendy Conwell, Suiva'aia Teo, Uesifili Unasa, Alan Upson and Peter Williamson (Chairperson) and such additional persons as may be appointed by the President after consultation with Wasewase ko Viti Rotuma, Sinoti Samoa and Vahefonua Tonga.
4. That the Board be requested to complete its review of the KiwiSaver Scheme and advise all Church bodies employing staff of their obligations under the KiwiSaver Act 2006.
5. That the Trustee of the Methodist Supernumerary Fund be requested to review the KiwiSaver scheme and assess the potential impact on the Supernumerary Fund, with any recommendations for action or change to be submitted to March Synods.
6. That Section 10:1.3.1 and 10:1.3.2 of the Law Book be altered from:  
*10:1.3.1 The financial statements of all Connexional Funds shall be duly audited and shall be presented annually to the Conference.*  
*10:1.3.2 All other Boards, Trusts, Parishes, Committees and Courts of the Church shall annually submit duly audited accounts, and these accounts shall be placed in the Conference Journal”, and combined to read:*  
New 10:1.3.1 “All Connexional Funds, Boards, Trusts, Parishes, Committees and Courts of the Church shall annually prepare and submit accounts which are to be duly audited or reviewed in a manner and to a standard determined by Conference from time to time and published in the Treasurer’s Handbook. These accounts shall be placed in the Conference Journal.” Authority to determine and publish the standards to be delegated to the Board of Administration.
7. That a committee consisting of John Murray, Ron Gibson, David Bush, Frank Claridge, Nicola Grundy, Jill van de Geer and Rex Nathan be instructed to complete the planned remuneration survey urgently and prepare a set of recommendations for consideration at March Synods and Hui Poari. The group shall have the power to co-opt from time to time people with expertise.
8. Membership of the Board of Administration for 2007 is: Alan Bettany, Ruth Silverstone (Chairperson), Richard Bakeborough, Donald Biggs, Frank Claridge, (one to be appointed), Michael Greer, Geoff Peak, Nan Russell, Diana Tana, Paula Taumoepeau, Pari Waaka and the General Secretary.

**QUESTION 28(b):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Investment Advisory Board?

*Report pp D12*

#### DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The Board for 2007 be: John Chittenden, Hugh Garlick, Michael Greer, Chris Gregory, David Hunt, Jack Jenner, Norman Johnston, Kay Kendall, Meleane Nacagilevu, Lorraine Parker, Geoff Peak, Ranjit Sinnaduray, Jill van de Geer, Stan West, Greg Wright (Executive Officer), one further name to be advised.

**QUESTION 28(c):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Trust Association?

*Report pp D8-11*

#### DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. The financial accounts be received.

3. The Board for 2007 be: John Chittenden, Hugh Garlick, Michael Greer, Chris Gregory, David Hunt, Jack Jenner, Norman Johnston, Kay Kendall, Meleane Nacagilevu, Lorraine Parker, Geoff Peak, Ranjit Sinnaduray, Jill van de Geer (Secretary), Stan West, Greg Wright (Executive Officer) with one further member to be appointed by the President.

**QUESTION 28(d):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Connexional Trusts?

*Report p D2*

**DECISION:**

1. That the report be received.

**QUESTION 28(e):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PACT 2086 Trust?

*Report p D11*

**DECISION:**

1. That the report be received.

**QUESTION 28(f):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Provident Society?

*Report p D16*

**INFORMATION**

**DECISIONS:**

1. The report is received.
2. Conference notes that the winding up of the Society has been completed and thanks the Board and Division Staff for the efficient way in which this was done.
3. Conference acknowledges all those named in the report on page D14 for their vision and commitment to the Society over the years of its existence.

**QUESTION 28(g):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PAC Distribution Group?

*Report pp D11-16*

**INFORMATION**

**DECISIONS:**

1. The report is received
2. Membership of the PAC Distribution Group for 2007 is: Bruce Anderson, Jocelyn Boys, Rangi Wood Motekiai Fakatou, Gillian Laird, Arthur Davis, Margaret Giles, the Ex President and General Secretary

**QUESTION 28(h):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Robert Gibson Trust?

*Report pp D22-23*

**INFORMATION**

**DECISIONS:**

1. The Robert Gibson Methodist Trust Report is received.
2. Conference notes and approves the proposed bursaries and grants as detailed in the report, totaling \$158,000.
3. The Trust Board Members for 2006/2007 be: Rex Ashley, Preston Bulfin, John Chittenden, Alan Hughson, Reba Hunt, Geoff Marx, Vic Morgan, Christian Padrutt, Andrew Richardson, Rev Margaret Springett, Rev Len Willing, Bill Yateman, Chairperson of the Taranaki-Wanganui Synod District (Rev Tony Bell), the Manaia Union Parish Presbyter (vacancy) and the General Secretary (Rev Jill van de Geer).

**QUESTION 28(i):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Statistics?

*Report pp N1-5*

**INFORMATION**

**DECISIONS:**

1. The report is received.

**QUESTION 28(j):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Travel and Study?

*Report pp D17-20*

**INFORMATION**

**DECISIONS:**

1. The report is received.
2. Conference acknowledges the work of Lesley Utting over the past four years as secretary of Travel and Study Committee and thanks her for her the commitment and knowledge she brought to the task.
3. The Committee for 2007 is: Don Biggs (Convener), Tovia Aumua, Mary West, Elizabeth Hopner, Prince Devanadan, representation from Te Taha Maori, and ex-officio (corresponding or attending) the Principal of Trinity Theological College, the Directors of Mission Resourcing, the Tumuaki Te Taha Maori, the Coordinator Mission and Ecumenical and the General Secretary. Plus up to two others to be appointed by the President.

**QUESTION 28(k):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wesley Historical Society?

*Report pp D23-25*

**INFORMATION**

**DECISION:**

1. That the report be received.