

**98<sup>th</sup> Network Conference Business Session Minutes**  
**Wednesday, April 27, 2016**

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**Call to Order**

Chairman Don Ross called the meeting to order on Wednesday April 27, 2016 at 10:26am at Stone Church. The Business Session was preceded by the Celebration of Life service.

**Voting Constituency (Bylaws p. 21)**

Chairman Don Ross invited credentialed ministers who had not checked but wanted to participate in the business session, to do so, and then welcomed NWMN Ministers and church delegates to the meeting.

**Report of the Roster**

Chairman Don Ross called Roster Chairman Greg Stern to give a final report of the roster.

Credentialed Ministers	487
Church Delegates	18
<b>Total Voting Constituents</b>	<b>505</b>

Ministry Leaders	63
Spouses	226
Guests	4
<b>Total Present</b>	<b>798</b>

***MOTION: Accept the opening roster report and to keep the roster open. MSC***

**Introductions**

Chairman Don Ross introduced the following people:

Associate Network Leader: Vice-President	Dave Cole
Associate Network Leader: Secretary-Treasurer	Don Detrick
Recording Assistant	Annie Bailey
Parliamentarians	Dick Malvaney David Jewett
Tellers Team Chair	Curt Rosen
Roster Team Chair	Greg Stern
Former Executive Officers	Warren and Judy Bullock Rollin and Helen Carlson Les and Darice Welk
Guests	NU Faculty Lee McFarland, Covina Assembly Tommy Barnett, Dream City Church

**Rules of the House**

Chairman Don Ross explained the rules of the house.

**Prayer**

Chairman Don Ross asked Rodney Wright to open the business session in prayer.

**Order of Business (Bylaws p. 22)**

Chairman Don Ross explained the order of business for the meeting.

***MOTION: Recommend to suspend the order of business as outlined in the NWMN Bylaws Article VI. Meetings, Section 6. (B) Order of Business by giving the opportunity to dispense with reading of the printed reports and to intersperse elections with reports and other business, and receive all printed reports with the exception of the finance report. MSC***

**Recognize Outgoing and Newly Elected Presbyters**

Chairman Don Ross recognized Media Director Greg Backes for his work on Network Conference. He also asked the constituency if the Northwest Ministry Network could give the red chair that has inspired the Restore[d] theme of Network Conference to Les and Darice Welk as a memorial. The constituency agreed.

Chairman Don Ross recognized the following outgoing and newly elected presbyters:

<b>Area/Region</b>	<b>Outgoing Presbyter</b>	<b>Term</b>	<b>Newly Election</b>
Skagit Area	Jim Terry	Two Terms	Mike Acker
Columbia Basin Area	Bill Best	One Term	Steve Schofstall
North Idaho Area	Dan Christ	Three Terms	Eric Rust
Snake River Area	Bill Reynolds	Two Terms	Jay Norman
Metro North Area	Paul LaRose	One Term	Verlon Fosner
Southwest Region	Myron Ness	Three Terms	TBD
General Presbyter	Troy Jones	Three Terms	TBD

**Elections**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Nominee</b>
Regional Leader Metro Region	Andy Rosas
Regional Leader Southwest Region	Kyle Rasmussen
Regional Leader North Central Region	Vern Weaver
Regional Leader Eastern Region	Dennis Noble
General Council General Presbyter Active Ordained Minister Position (formerly Pastoral Position)	Darrel Johnsen

Chairman Don Ross invited Tellers Chairman Curt Rosen to report on the election results for the various Regional Leader and General Presbyter positions.

Teller Chairman Curt Rosen reported on the ratification ballot for the position of Regional Leader – Metro Region. The results were Andy Rosas received 386 votes out of a total votes of 261 needed for an election.

Chairman Don Ross declared an election.

Teller Chairman Curt Rosen reported on the ratification ballot for the position of Regional Leader – Southwest Region. The results were Kyle Rasmussen received 398 votes out of a total votes of 268 needed for an election.

Chairman Don Ross declared an election.

Teller Chairman Curt Rosen reported on the ratification ballot for the position of Regional Leader – North Central Region. The results were Vern Weaver received 404 votes out of a total votes 271 needed for an election.

Chairman Don Ross declared an election.

Teller Chairman Curt Rosen reported on the ratification ballot for the position of Regional Leader – Eastern Region. The results were Dennis Noble received 386 votes out of a total votes of 265 needed for an election.

Chairman Don Ross declared an election.

Teller Chairman Curt Rosen reported on the ratification ballot for the position of General Council General Presbyter Active Ordained Minister. The results were Darrel Johnsen received 384 votes out of a total votes of 265 needed for an election.

Chairman Don Ross declared an election.

Chairman Don Ross asked Associate Network Leader Don Detrick to explain the change that was made at General Council last year.

### **Unfinished Business**

Chairman Don Ross invited Executive Presbyter Jerry Beebe to report on Resolution 7.

Jerry Beebe discussed the Executive Presbyter's process to review matters related to the qualification of candidates that may result in changes to the Operational Manual, changes to the Organizational Manual, and/or proposals to amend bylaws, and gave this summer as an estimated completion date.

***MOTION: To receive the report of the Executive Presbytery. MSC***

### **Reports**

Associate Network Leader Don Detrick and Pastoral Care Director Beth Backes presented

the Secretary’s Report. Don expressed thanks to Annie Bailey, Beth Backes, Teresa Bates and Greg Stern for their work with him.

***MOTION: To receive the Secretary’s Report. MSC***

Assistant Superintendent Dave Cole presented the World Missions Report. He thanked Chairman Don Ross, Carrie Jorgensen, Krystal Wornell, and Toni Hinkle for the work they’ve done with World Missions.

***MOTION: To receive the Assistant Superintendent’s Report. MSC***

Director of Finance Greg Stern thanked Greg Backes his video work. He continued by presenting the Finance Report. Greg Stern also thanked Senior Accountant Barbara Williams, Accounts Receivable Specialist Tanya Hebert, and Mindy Pongpanik for their help with the Financial Report, and those who serve on the Finance and Investment Teams.

***MOTION: To receive the Finance Report. MSC***

The Northwest University President’s Report was given via video.

***MOTION: To receive the Northwest University President’s Report. MSC***

Women’s Ministry Director Angela Craig, Children’s Ministry Director Brent Colby, and Youth Ministry Micah Cruger gave the Church Ministries Report.

***MOTION: To receive the Church Ministries Report. MSC***

**2017 Conference Location Announcement**

Chairman Don Ross announced the 2017 Network Conference Location to be Lake City Community Church and Coeur d’Alene Resort in Coeur d’Alene, ID.

**Recognize Network Team | Don Ross**

Chairman Don Ross recognized the NWMN Support Team and a video was shown.

**Final Roster Report and Closing of the Roster**

Roster Chairman Greg Stern gave the Final Roster Report and Closing of the Roster.

Credentialed Ministers	490
Church Delegates	18
<b><i>Total Voting Constituents</i></b>	<b><i>508</i></b>
Ministry Leaders	63
Spouses	228
Guests	4
<b><i>Total Present</i></b>	<b><i>803</i></b>

***MOTION: to close the roster. MSC***

**Adjournment**

***MOTION: to adjourn the 2017 Network Conference Business Session. MSC***

**Announcements**

Associate Network Leader Dave Cole gave the closing announcements.

These minutes have been submitted by Recording Secretary, Annie Bailey.

Edited and approved by Don Detrick 5.4.16.