## **DIOCESAN OVERSEAS MISSION COUNCIL ACT 2004**

AN ACT TO CONSTITUTE AND REGULATE THE DIOCESAN OVERSEAS MISSION COUNCIL

BE IT ENACTED by the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Nelson, in Synod assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:

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- 1. The Short Title of this act shall be "The Diocesan Overseas Mission Council Act 2004."
- 2. Every Parish is expected and encouraged to actively support world mission by:
  - a. Supporting overseas missions through the Anglican Missions Board of the Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.
  - b. Setting aside a percentage of their income for that purpose.
  - c. Supporting other mission in New Zealand and the world
- 3. Parishes are required to forward that part of their mission giving which is for the Anglican Missions Board of the Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia to the Diocesan Secretary on a regular monthly basis.
- 4. That each Parish should set aside at least one Sunday each year for the purposes of stimulating interest in the missional life of the church in the world.
- 5. There shall be a Diocesan Overseas Mission Council consisting of not less than seven members nor more than twelve members (hereinafter called "The Council") which shall be appointed in the following manner:
  - a ONE (1) member appointed to seat number one (1) by the Association of Anglican Women for a term of one year;
  - b ONE (1) member appointed to seat number two (2) by a representative group of Diocesan Youth for a term of one year;

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c ONE (1) member appointed to seat number three (3) by CMS (New Zealand Church Missionary Society) for a term of one year;

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d FIVE (5) members elected by Synod to seats numbered four (4) to eight (8) inclusive on a rotation basis for a term expiring at the ordinary session of Synod held in the year set alongside the seat number and thereafter for a term expiring at the ordinary session in the third year following the member's election.

Four	(4)	2006
Five	(5)	2006
Six	(6)	2007
Seven	(7)	2007
Eight	(8)	2005

PROVIDED ALWAYS that in the event of an election to fill a casual vacancy the member shall be elected only for the balance remaining of the term of the former member.

PROVIDED FURTHER that if any member shall fail to attend two consecutive meetings without leave of absence or shall resign their seat the member shall ipso facto cease to be a member of The Council and an election to fill such casual vacancy for the balance of the term of the former member shall be held at the next session of Synod. Until such election such casual vacancy shall be filled by an appointment by Standing Committee.

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e At the Council's first meeting after Synod the members appointed by the Association of Anglican Women, the representative group of Diocesan Youth, CMS and the elected members shall appoint not more than four (4) members to seats number nine (9) to twelve (12) inclusive for a term expiring on the date set alongside the seat number and thereafter for a term of three years.

Nine	(9)	31.12.2006
Ten	(10)	31.12.2006
Eleven	(11)	31.12.2007
Twelve	(12)	31.12.2005

At the first meeting after Synod in each year the Council shall decide whether to appoint and may appoint a new

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member or members to fill any vacancy both casual or by rotation.

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PROVIDED ALWAYS that if any member shall fail to attend two consecutive meetings without leave of absence or shall resign their seat the member shall ipso facto cease to be a member of The Council. The Council may at any time fill such casual vacancy for the balance of the term of the former member.

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- f (i) Nominations for shall close at a time fixed by the President and notified to Synod members prior to Synod.
  - (ii) Any member desirous of making a nomination shall do so in the form set out in the First Schedule hereto and hand the same to the Secretaries of Synod.
  - (iii) If the number nominated shall not exceed the number to be elected, the President shall forthwith declare the persons so nominated to be duly elected.
  - (iv) If the number nominated shall exceed the number to be elected, the President shall forthwith determine the day and hour of the election.
  - (v) In the event of an election which includes an election to fill a casual vacancy the elected member obtaining the lowest number of votes shall be deemed to have been elected to fill the casual vacancy and shall be a member only for the balance remaining of the term of the former member.
- 6. The Diocesan Secretary shall be the Treasurer of the Council.
- 7. The Council shall appoint a Chairperson and a Secretary at the first meeting after each annual session of the Synod.
- 8. The Council shall present an Annual Report to the Synod.
- 9. The duties of the Council shall be:
  - i. To actively encourage, develop, educate and stimulate the

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Parishes in world mission (e.g. through distributing literature and encouraging intercession), such that they might ever more fully and richly embody their missional identity.

- ii. To cooperate with the Anglican Missions Board of the Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia in the maintenance and extension of such parochial mission organizations and movements as already exist, and in the creation of such new organisations and movements as may be thought desirable; subject always to the sanction and approval of the Vicar or Priest-in-Charge of the Parish.
- iii. To help parishes to accept targets for financial support.
- iv. To furnish the said Board such statistics and reports from time to time as may be required for the purposes of the said Board;
- v. To assist the said Board in any way as the said Board may from time to time require.
- vi. In all things, to work to any Strategic Plan the Diocesan Synod 2011 may from time to time adopt.
  - 10. The Standing Committee is hereby authorised to confer upon the Council so constituted such powers as it may deem fit.
- 2011 11. The members of the Diocesan Missionary Committee shall on the passing of this statute be the Diocesan Overseas Mission Council translating to the identical seat they held on the Missionary Committee.
  - 12. The Diocesan Missionary Committee Act 1968 is hereby repealed.

## 2011 The First Schedule

I hereby nominatewho has given their consent to this nomination, for election as a member of the Diocesan Overseas Mission Council.
Name
Signature
Date

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