



HALIFAX REGION United Baptist Association

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Fall 2023

HRUBA Family of Churches,

We are excited about this Fall/Winter session of the Association. Exciting things happened at Oasis in Aug with the 93% affirmative vote for Rev Renee MacVicar as the NEW Executive Minister of CBAC. We know there is a new Omicron variant on the move but with God's protection and added precautions, we want to move forward with events/gatherings. We look forward to new partnerships and projects. The Council has continued to work hard on your behalf, in the missions that we do "better together".

Dues for 2023 would be greatly appreciated anytime soon. The 2023 Budget (ratified at AGM in Mar) has left the dues at \$16.00 per member. (If your number of members has changed, please let us know as these figures help us determine our Budget for the next year.) Cheques should be made out to HRUBA and mailed to: HRUBA, PO Box 20034, Spryfield PO, Halifax, NS, B3R 1V0 or you can e-transfer your dues and other contributions to giving@hruba.ca. The dues collected support the on-going ministries we do better together as a family of churches: Bayside Camp and Retreat Centre, Hospital Chaplaincy, Refugee support, Home Missions, and special events and administration.

*Notification was made in the March letter that the Finance team was recommending an increase in dues in 2024. **The recommendation of Council is the dues remain at \$16.00 per member.**

Announcements:

❖ **Executive and Council Changes.** With new members volunteering for the open positions, we are making changes to the Executive and Council this Fall. The HRUBA Council would like to have these people in place before January 2024 so they can learn by being involved. We have an Assistant Treasurer, Vice Moderator, and Member-at-Large.

❖ **The HRUBA Council is calling a short business meeting for Saturday, Dec 2, 10:00-11:30am @ West End Baptist Church.** The HRUBA Constitution requires a members vote to fill the positions. Pre-registration is required at registrar@hruba.ca. We will have a time of conversation and coffee to begin, then the short meeting. This will give everyone time to meet the new Council Members-to-be. Please see the attached Nominating Report.

❖ **We are hosting a "Listening Tour" with Rev. Renée MacVicar on Saturday, December 9, 9:00-1:00 pm @ Bedford Baptist Church.** Lunch provided. Come meet our New CBAC Executive Minister and give your feedback on questions asked and let her know your needs and concerns.

❖ **The Annual General Meeting will be held in March 2024.** The report book will be available 2 weeks prior to the meeting, on the website, [Home \(hruba.ca\)](http://Home(hruba.ca)). More details to follow.

❖ **Communications.** If there is anything that HRUBA Council can do to assist your ministry and/or church family, including putting a notice on our HRUBA Website, please contact us. We are just an email away at halifaxregionuba@gmail.com. For up-to-date information on all HRUBA Missions and Ministries and HRUBA and Local Church events, please visit the HRUBA website [Home \(hruba.ca\)](http://Home(hruba.ca)).

May God bless our ministry together,

Ann Taylor, Past Moderator/Clerk

**Halifax Region United Baptist Association
HRUBA Council
Nominating Committee Report
with Changes for Vote at Meeting of Association Body of Delegates December 2, 2023
and Nominations for 2024/2025 Annual General Meeting**

Officers

Position	2023-24 Incumbents and Changes	2024-25 Nominations
Moderator	Rev. Dr. Frank Guinta Following Members Meeting: Co-Moderator Dr. Frank Guinta Co-Moderator Rev. John Purdy	Co-Moderator Dr. Frank Guinta Co-Moderator Rev. John Purdy
Vice-Moderator	Rev. John Purdy Following Members Meeting: Rev. Scott Kohler	Rev. Scott Kohler
Past Moderator	Ann Taylor	
Clerk * (see note below)	Ann Taylor	Vacant
Treasurer	until December 31, 2023 Ann Taylor Linda Crilley (Financial Advisor Following Members Meeting Russell Sketchley (Assistant Treasurer) effective January 1, 2024 Russell Sketchley (Treasurer)	Russell Sketchley

***Note:**

Reduced role:

- Co-Moderators develop Agendas for Executive, Council and Member Meetings
- Co-Moderators arrange for Meeting Notes for Executive Meeting
- Clerk takes Meeting Notes for Council and Member Meetings
- Communications Chair distributes Agendas and Meeting Notes for Executive, Council and Member Meetings, and
- Clerk is the Recognized Agent of the HRUBA to government agencies and makes reports to these agencies as required by legislation.

Council

Officers, Chairs of Committees or leaders of HRUBA Ministries, up to two Members at Large

Executive Team

Moderator (or Co-Moderators), Vice Moderator, Past Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Communications Chair, Power to Add from Members of Council

Financial Team

Treasurer, (Assistant Treasurer) Clerk, Hospital Chaplaincy Treasurer,

Committees of Council

Name of Committee	2023-24 Chair and Members	2024-25 Chair and Members
Communications	Chair: Dave Gibson Members:	Chair: Dave Gibson Members:
Home Missions and New Membership	Chair: Rev. John Purdy retiring March 2024 Members:	Chair: Members:
Licensing	Chair: Rev. Darren Millett Members:	Chair: Members:
Hospital Chaplaincy	Chair: Alan Barkhouse Secretary: Rev. Dr. Marlene Knowles Treasurer: Dave Gibson Members: Rev. Wayne Desmond Steve Baker – AUBA Lic. Sharon White (on furlough) Chaplains: Rev. Joe Green Rev. Dr. Ida Armstrong-Whitehouse	Chair: Alan Barkhouse Secretary: Rev. Dr. Marlene Knowles Treasurer: Dave Gibson Members: Rev. Wayne Desmond Steve Baker – AUBA Lic. Sharon White (on furlough) Chaplains: Rev. Joe Green Rev. Dr. Ida Armstrong-Whitehouse
Dalhousie Chaplaincy	Chaplain: Rev. Arla Johnson	Chaplain: Rev. Arla Johnson
Bayside Camp and Retreat Centre	Executive Director: Joshua Throop Separate Board of Directors	Executive Director: Joshua Throop Separate Board of Directors
Constitution	Chair: Dave Gibson Members:	Chair: Dave Gibson Members:
Nominating	Chair: Past Moderator Members:	Chair: Past Moderator Members:
Program	Chair: Vice-Moderator Members:	Chair: Vice-Moderator Members:
Council Members at Large	at present Member: Vacant Member: Dr. Raphael Iluyomade term expires at 2024 AGM Member: Rev. Elias Mutale	Member: Dr. Raphael Iluyomade, with intention of becoming Vice- Moderator in FY 2025-26 Member:
Members Appointed to Other Organizations	Rep. to CBAC Examining Council: Rev. John Purdy/Rev. Dr. Frank Guinta	Rep. to CBAC Examining Council: Rev. John Purdy/Rev. Dr. Frank Guinta

Note: Chairs of Committees are responsible for finding members for their committees (do not need to be members of Council) and presenting those members to Council for ratification.

Halifax Region United Baptist Association
Meeting of the Association Body of Delegates: Saturday, December 2, 2023
Motions from the Nominating Committee

Whereas, Section 10.3 of the HRUBA By-Law #2 requires:

“The Officers of the Association shall be elected by the Delegates at a Meeting of the Association Body of Delegates”; and

Whereas, Section 11.3 of the HRUBA By-Law #21 requires:

The Members of the Association Council shall be elected by the Delegates at a Meeting of the Association Body of Delegates”; and

Whereas, there are presently vacancies among the Officers and Council Members; and

Whereas, the Nominating Committee has found nominees for some of these vacancies; T

Therefore, be it resolved that:

Motion #1:

Moderator—Effective at the adjournment of this Meeting of the Association Body of Delegates, and until the next Meeting of the Association Body of Delegates, the Moderator position shall be occupied by two Co-Moderators, Rev. Dr. Frank Guinta Jr. and Rev. John Purdy.

Motion #2:

Vice-Moderator--Effective at the adjournment of this Meeting of the Association Body of Delegates, and until the next Meeting of the Association Body of Delegates, Rev. Scott Kohler is elected to the position of Vice-Moderator.

Motion #3:

Treasurer--Effective at the adjournment of this Meeting of the Association Body of Delegates, and until December 31, 2023, Russell Sketchley is appointed as Assistant Treasurer, and effective January 1, 2024, Russell Sketchley is elected as Treasurer until the next Meeting of the Association Body of Delegates.

Motion #4:

Member at Large—Effective at the adjournment of this Meeting of the Association Body of Delegates, and until the next Meeting of the Association Body of Delegates, Dr. Raphael Iluyomade is elected to the position of Member at Large of the Association Council.