

Meeting Summary 05/2024

May 29, 2024 / 6:15pm / Teams & In person Meeting

AGENDA

1. Senior Leadership Update
2. Financial Review
3. Departmental Presentation
4. Miscellaneous

NOTES

As usual, the meeting opened (and closed) with a prayer – seeking guidance as we work to strengthen MCC Toronto and its community.

1. **Senior Leadership Update:** Several events were and will be held to build community and partnerships - including with the Queer Muslim Network, the Trans community and the Toronto Police Services Board (scheduled for June 20). Programs continue to grow – for example, the Children’s Church is now running every Sunday (except Easter), with some increase in volunteer support. Grants are being sought/secured to assist, including a Canada Summer Jobs Grant as well as another to support human rights programming. After an approximately 4-year hiatus, MCC Toronto held a Healing and Anointing evening service which was very well received – including from online viewers who “felt” it. Finally, the staff is in full Pride preparation mode and shared what they need from the Board for the event.
2. **Financial Review:** So far, the 2024 operating deficit planned is slightly less – which is good news. Note that deficits are typical at this time of year, given the timing of expenses (early in the year – for example insurance) and revenues (which tend to be later in the year). This is a reminder of the importance of sustained giving, which provides MCC Toronto with a more even flow of revenues and therefore greater stability.
3. **Departmental Presentation:** The Finance Manager provided a financial review of 2023 and shared Hillborn LLP’s (the Auditors) communications for approval ahead of being presented at the Annual Congregational Business Meeting (ACBM) on June 9 (we hope to see you there!)
4. **Miscellaneous:**
 - The Board Recruitment committee provided an update on the process to fill vacancies and are pleased with the outcome of the search – which will be presented at the ACBM for congregational approval.

- MCC Toronto staff continue to work hard to ensure the sanctuary is a place where congregants can enjoy a service free of disturbances. Please remember to silence your phone during service and to use the social hall should you need to use it.

NEXT MEETINGS

June 9 (ACBM) and July 10, 2024