HIGH-LEVEL FINANCIAL PICUTRE - NARRATIVE BUDGET FOR 2012/2013

Report to the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto

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The budget forecast for the next two year cycle is framed in the context of our commitment to three organizational strategies. These strategies are aimed at continuing to build healthy communities equipped to offer welcome, worship, teaching and care at a parochial level, however those communities find themselves constituted, either around a building, a ministry or a mission.

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On the income side we have attempted to keep assessment as low as possible. If the resource locus is in the parish then parishes should be relieved of the burden of high assessment. In this regard the increase in assessment rate for 2012 is less than 1% with a smaller increase of less than 3/4 % for 2013 (2013 is based on information available at this time). We strive to keep our endowments intact and therefore draw down only on income rather than depleting capital. It is our hope that with the success of the Our Faith, Our Hope campaign we will be able to relieve the operating budget of some items such as the funding of curacies through the Diocesan portion. A predicted income slightly below 2009 levels is due to an expectation of reduced income on investments and capital.

For 2012/2013 our expenditures are tracking at or below 2009 levels. Every attempt is made to be good stewards of the funds we receive which come largely from parishes. Expenditures are streamlined to underpin the organizational strategies we are committed to. As with parish budgets, the largest expense item is stipend, salaries and benefits. As a charitable organization, the Diocese is committed to equitable employment practices while at the same time monitoring conditions in the secular marketplace. For the past three years all Diocesan staff only received cost of living increases. Charitable organizations traditionally offer less competitive salaries than secular employers and need to find ways of striving for equivalencies. To that end in 2012/2013 we have budgeted for a 1% merit increase where warranted, in addition to the regular CPI rise.

There are some line items that should be highlighted with explanatory notes. The amount of support for the National church has remained somewhat flat lined. It should be noted that with Council's decision to tithe our MAF receipts at 10%, this formula has added additionally over \$600,000 to projects within the Communion – Diocese of the Arctic, Diocese of New Zealand and the new Ghanaian diocese of Wiawso as examples.

Reflective of our commitment to reduce amounts required from parishes the Diocese has taken on a larger amount of Synod costs. This increase is reflected in the budget. Further, new Provincial legislation has relieved us of the requirement to hold a Financial Synod in those alternate years when a Diocesan Synod is not held. Budget information and course corrections will be communicated through smaller Area meetings, reducing the amount which must be spent for facilities and presentations.

Episcopal area budgets have increased to support our commitment to resourcing parishes and local leadership and local initiatives. Congregational Development continues to support programmes and additional staff that were added midway through our last budget cycle and therefore this line item shows a significant increase. These programmes and staff are part of our strategic intent to plant new Christian communities and initiate fresh expressions of church. The Diocese is assisting through coaching clergy and parishes to be missional in outlook and better equipped to serve the communities in which they are located.

The Diocese is committed to safe and healthy communities and workplaces. One of the ways we achieve this is through our sexual misconduct training. These workshops are mandated through our policy and our insurer and therefore we have made them a budget line item for the Human Resources department which is tasked with organizing and implementing this training.

Future oriented stewardship of our real property and insuring the future of the Diocese rests with current donors as well as subsequent members. Therefore Stewardship Development has made it a goal to seek a Planned Giving Consultant in 2013 who can assist us in educating and assisting those who wish to offer a legacy to the Diocese. The budget therefore contains a figure projected to cover that position, which may be shared with the National Church. Raising our profile and achieving "brand recognition" go hand in hand with stewardship initiatives. For the past two years we have advertised in local print media and through our website and received very positive responses. Prominent placement and size are crucial for success and are not without cost. The Communications budget has been increased to reflect these amounts.

The budget narrative taken as a whole is indicative of our commitment to resource where appropriate, streamline where necessary and exercise respectful stewardship of income and existing resources.

The Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto Income and Expenditure Actual **Budget** Budget Budget Actual 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 INCOME Income from Parishes - Allotment 5,693,538 5,445,173 5,480,000 5,786,993 5,955,640 Income from ACW 25,000 1.713.050 Interest on Capital 1.875.166 1,721,736 1.726.285 1.755.958 Income from New Endowment 349,416 189,605 213,438 238,535 240,921 FaithWorks Funding 300,000 315,000 574,000 315,000 315,000 Fees and Donations 40,001 1,640 **Total INCOME** 8,557,122 7,649,468 7,730,174 8,066,813 8,267,519 **EXPENDITURES** Leadership and Governance **Episcopal Expense** 1,399,590 1,412,997 1,436,137 1,559,843 1,600,092 Devel.& Support.Clerical Leadersh. 935,685 934,727 933,513 930,258 930,258 CAO Office 573,168 349,695 365,873 355,903 362,559 Synod 80,000 1,158 13,979 70,000 5,000 656,340 Administration 844,250 655,100 763,537 788.868 Archives 170,449 146,551 143,349 158,901 175,880 **Total - Core Costs** 3,900,401 3.509.847 3.620.763 3.790.421 3.932.226 Support for the Wider Curch 1,675,600 1,556,071 1,551,071 1,551,071 1,557,001 315,000 **Diocesan Ministries** 574,458 300,000 315,000 315,000 442,805 450,000 430,000 430,000 **Episcopal Area Budgets** 368,369 Cong. Development 410,638 489,611 453,995 532,331 571,672 **Human Resources** 84,839 93,286 95,139 123,309 119,047 169,000 Stewardship Development 161,775 178,084 209,875 236,839 Chaplancy 290,199 285,304 301,160 305,662 316,088 Communications 303,433 252,310 270,541 362,933 369,097 Advocacy 104,739 151,013 152,271 146,434 121,561 **Facilities Costs** 213,095 208,296 215,651 235,105 236,990 Planning & Development 143,869 85,088 89,208 64,672 67,927 Contingency 111,463 (6,439)**Total EXPENDITURES** 8,350,103 7,529,898 7,697,883 8,066,813 8,267,518 Surplus (Deficit) 207,018 119,570 32,291 **Capital Budget** 137,198 125,002 110,000 85,000 85,000