

INCORPORATED MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

The Committee has been meeting monthly since the fall of 2025. Some of our members are new, so this year has been a learning experience for all of us, as we had one new member and one who had to resign because of work commitments. We have asked the Nominations Committee to find a member from the Saint John, New Brunswick, area as our current members are spread out over the Region with no member near Saint John. With the committee member who covers the Moncton/Sackville area nearing the end of their second term, we would appreciate it if the replacement person were from that area.

We have liaisons assigned to work with the incorporated bodies and camps in our Region, and they have been attending as many of the annual meetings as possible given work schedules. We have received minutes, financial statements, and updated directors' lists from those who have met, with more annual gatherings coming up. Carleton Kirk Lodge in Saint John is now a legacy Ministry and no longer reports to the Regional Council through our Committee.

It was informative to the Committee having Grace MacMillan-Carter of Outdoor Recreational Ministries Committee join us in November to share her role as Chair of the ORMC in combination with our committee's role. Grace MacMillan-Carter has recently retired from that position. After Rev. Catherine Stuart's return this year, she joined us to explain her role in conjunction with our role. We are looking forward to working together in the future.

With the change in the United Church of Canada's structure, incorporated bodies had to update their bylaws and Letters Patent. Many have completed that work, and we are working with the remaining ones on that project. Camp accreditation is done on a three-year rotation, and we are looking at which ones are due this year.

We are grateful for the leadership that Rev. Faith March-MacCuish gives us as we complete this important work and to all the staff who give us assistance to help move our mandate from start to finish. Thank you!

Sheila Gallant
Chair, Incorporated Ministries Committee