



Brigade Council 4th September 2010 Armagh City Hotel

The following notes have been prepared as a guide to the proceedings and decisions of Council.

The Revd Terry Hurst, Brigade Chaplain conducted the opening service.

The Brigade President, Professor Sir Kenneth Calman KCB, read messages of greeting that had been sent to our Patron, Her Majesty The Queen on behalf of Council. Council then stood to receive the replies.

The Brigade Council procedure Rules were accepted.

Members of Council were welcomed to Armagh by Miss Sharon Mackey, Chair of the Northern Ireland Regional Committee. The Brigade President replied and welcomed members and guests.

Members of the Brigade who had died in the past year were remembered.

Minutes of Council held in 2009 in Dublin, which had been circulated were proposed and seconded.

Mr Perry Donaldson, Brigade Vice President presented the Annual Report for the session 2009/10 highlighting the work of Companies throughout the UK and Republic of Ireland.

Mr Clifford Bygrave, Brigade Treasurer presented the Annual Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2010. Mr Williams highlighted several key matters including an operating surplus of £38,670 on the year. After paying pension fund contributions of £95,760 and recognising fund transfers the final deficit for the year was £9,543. Mr Bygrave then went on to highlight his policy for the present financial year where the Executive has budgeted to cater for the ongoing requirements of the pension scheme deficit. Council received the accounts.

Council agreed to fix the Capitation fees over 2009/10 as follows: Company fees £125; Officers £25; Associate Members £27; Young Person Members £11.

Whiting & Partners were reappointed as auditors of The Boys' Brigade and the Brigade Executive was authorised to fix their remuneration.

The following motions were proposed on behalf of the Brigade Executive and agreed by Council:

- In Brigade Regulations, section 3 – The Organisation – Regulations and Procedures, Schedule C, the following amendments shall be made:
 - (a) in clauses C1 and C12, delete “31st May” and replace with “31st March”, and
 - (b) in clauses C4 and C15, delete “15th June” and “30th June” and replace with “15th May” and “31st May” respectively.
- In Brigade Regulations, section 3 – The Organisation – Regulations and Procedures, Schedule A, the following amendment shall be made:

In the Regional Electoral Areas delete the table referring to the Wales Regional Committee and replace with the table below.

Area	Wales Companies within.....	Number of Reps.
1	City & County of Cardiff	2
2	City and County of Newport, together with the Counties of Monmouthshire and the County Boroughs of Torfaen and Caerphilly	2
3	The County Borough of The Vale of Glamorgan	1
4	The City & County of Swansea, together with the County Boroughs of Bridgend, Rhondda Cynon Taf, Neath, Port Talbot and Carmarthenshire	1
5	Mid & North Wales	1

- In Brigade Regulations, Section 3 – The Organisation – Regulations and Procedures, clause 60.1, the following amendment shall be made:

In clause 60.1 delete the words “clause 5” and replace with “clauses 5 and 6”

- In Brigade Regulations, Section 3 – The Organisation – Regulations and Procedures, Schedule B, the following amendment shall be made by ordinary resolution:

In clauses B 2, B 4, B 7 and B 8 add the sentence “The period of service shall start on 1st September following election.”

Miss Sharon Mackey proposed and Mr Leslie Buttimer seconded the following Brigade Office Bearers for the 2010/11 Session which was approved by Council. President Sir Kenneth Calman KCB, Vice Presidents Mr C L Row, Mr N W Batty, Mr T W P Donaldson, Treasurer Mr C Bygrave.

Under any other lawful business, Mr Robert Edwardson raised concerns regarding the involvement of members of the Girls' Association within Battalion Competitions

Presentations were made to Council on the next international project in the Caribbean by Mr Chris Ware and by the Northern Ireland Project India team on its recent visit to India partnering Habitat for Humanity.

Miss Christine Jones and Miss Abi Pitman-Bryant made an invitation to Brigade Council 2011 which will take place in Cardiff.

Council closed with worship led by The Revd Terry Hurst.

Following lunch workshops were held for Council members on DofE, Under 11's programme, membership services, safeguarding and international work.

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