

**General Synod 2025**  
**Sessional Officers & Committees of General Synod**

**Sessional Officers:**

**Secretaries**

[\*Rules of Order & Procedure\*](#), Part II, Section 5 a)

On nomination of the General Secretary, the Prolocutor shall appoint from the membership of the General Synod an Honorary Clerical Secretary, an Honorary Assistant Clerical Secretary, an Honorary Lay Secretary and an Honorary Assistant Lay Secretary, who shall assist the General Secretary in keeping minutes of the General Synod.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position &amp; Diocese</b>
The Rev. Canon Jenny Replogle	Honorary Clerical Secretary, British Columbia
The Rev. Dr. Blessing Shambaré	Honorary Assistant Clerical Secretary, Athabasca
Canon Stephen Kohner	Honorary Lay Secretary, Quebec
Anne Dyas	Honorary Assistant Lay Secretary, Moosonee

**Assessors**

[\*Rules of Order & Procedure\*](#), Part II, Section 5 b)

The Prolocutor shall appoint two or more Assessors to advise the chairperson in respect to points of order and the Constitution and Canons.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Diocese</b>
Ann Chaplin	Ottawa
The Ven. Bill Mous	Niagara
Canon Greg Tweney	Niagara
Isabel Weeks	British Columbia

**Sessional Committees:**

[\*Rules of Order & Procedure\*](#), Part II, Section 6

The following sessional committees shall, except where otherwise specified, be appointed from the members of the General Synod by the Council of the General Synod in consultation with the Prolocutor:

**Agenda Committee**

[\*Rules of Order & Procedure\*](#), Part II, Section 6 a)

Agenda Committee – consisting of the chair of the General Synod Planning Committee and not more than seven members to be drawn from the members of the General Synod. It shall be the responsibility of the committee to prepare and publish the agenda for each day of the session.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Diocese</b>
Canon Laura Walton, ODT (Chair)	Toronto
The Rev. Wilson Akinwale	Rupert's Land
The Ven. Katherine Bourbonniere	Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island
The Rev. Canon Dr. Stephen Fields	Toronto
Commander the Ven. Jennifer Gosse	Anglican Military Ordinariate

The Rt. Rev. Lynne McNaughton  
Dorothy Patterson  
Colleen Walker

Kootenay  
Huron  
Saskatoon

### **Certification of Minutes Committee**

[\*Rules of Order & Procedure\*](#), Part II, Section 6 b)

Certification of Minutes Committee – consisting of the General Secretary, the Prolocutor or Deputy Prolocutor, the Honorary Clerical and Lay Secretaries, and a member of the Resolutions Committee. It shall be the responsibility of the committee to certify the accuracy of the minutes of the session of the General Synod.

#### **Name**

Canon Ian Alexander  
The Ven. Tanya Phibbs  
The Rev. Canon Jenny Replogle  
The Rev. Dr. Blessing Shambaré  
Canon Stephen Kohner  
Anne Dyas  
Professor David Bell (crossover member)

#### **Position & Diocese**

Interim General Secretary  
Deputy Prolocutor, Huron  
Honorary Clerical Secretary, British Columbia  
Honorary Assistant Clerical Secretary, Athabasca  
Honorary Lay Secretary, Quebec  
Honorary Assistant Lay Secretary, Moosonee  
Resolutions Committee, Fredericton

### **Credentials Committee**

[\*Rules of Order & Procedure\*](#), Part II, Section 6 c)

Credentials Committee – consisting of the General Secretary, the Prolocutor or Deputy Prolocutor, and one Assessor. It shall be the responsibility of the committee to report to the General Synod on the standing of all persons who claim membership therein, and to advise the chairperson as to a quorum of each Order.

#### **Name**

Canon Ian Alexander  
The Ven. Tanya Phibbs  
Isabel Weeks

#### **Position & Diocese**

Interim General Secretary  
Deputy Prolocutor, Huron  
Assessor, British Columbia

### **Nominating Committee**

[\*Rules of Order & Procedure\*](#), Part II, Section 6 d)

Nominating Committee – consisting of one bishop, one clerical member and one lay member from each ecclesiastical province. The committee shall be constituted not later than one month prior to the opening of the General Synod, to receive nominations for standing committees and the Council of the General Synod and to supervise the election process.

#### **Name**

*British Columbia and Yukon*  
The Rt. Rev. Clara Plamondon (Chair)  
The Very Rev. David Tiessen  
Meg Stevens

#### **Position & Diocese**

Bishop, Territory of the People  
Clergy, Kootenay  
Lay, New Westminster

#### *Canada*

The Most Rev. David Edwards  
The Ven. Terry Caines

Bishop, Fredericton  
Clergy, Central Newfoundland

Edith Marshall	Lay, Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island
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*Northern Lights*

The Rt. Rev. Rachael Parker	Bishop, Brandon
The Rev. Canon Iain Luke	Clergy, Saskatoon
Cathy Armstrong	Lay, Edmonton

*Ontario*

The Rt. Rev. Kevin Robertson	Bishop, Toronto
The Ven. Kathryn Otley	Clergy, Ottawa
Adam MacNeil, O.N.	Lay, Niagara

**Resolutions Committee**

[Rules of Order & Procedure](#), Part II, Section 6 e)

Resolutions Committee – consisting of up to eight members, one of whom shall be an Assessor, and with at least one bishop, one clerical and one lay member. It shall be the responsibility of the committee to receive resolutions from members of the General Synod and prepare them for submission in accordance with guidelines approved from time to time by the Council of the General Synod.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position &amp; Diocese</b>
The Rt. Rev. Nigel Shaw (Chair)	Bishop, Anglican Military Ordinariate
Professor David Bell	Lay, Fredericton
The Rev. Matthew Brown	Clergy, Ottawa
Dion Lewis	Lay, Montreal
Helen Love	Lay, British Columbia
The Ven. Bill Mous	Clergy, Niagara (Assessor)
The Rev. Canon Nicola Skinner	Clergy, Toronto
Hannah Wygiera	Lay, Calgary

**Expenditures Committee**

[Rules of Order & Procedure](#), Part II, Section 6 f)

Expenditures Committee – consisting of members appointed by the Primate and the Prolocutor in consultation with the chairperson of the Financial Management Committee. It shall be the responsibility of the committee to implement Rule of Order 15 with respect to spending motions for which sources of funds have not been identified prior to the General Synod session.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position &amp; Diocese</b>
The Rev. Canon Patricia Dorland (Chair)	Chair, Financial Management Committee, Moosonee
Cathy Armstrong	Edmonton
The Very Rev. Dr. Tim Dobbin	Niagara
The Ven. Tanya Phibbs	Deputy Prolocutor, Huron
Michael Wolff	British Columbia

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