



**ANNUAL 2019 SYNOD MEETING
ORDER OF BUSINESS
Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 September 2019
Scotch College - Dickinson Centre 76 Shenton Road Swanbourne**



FRIDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 2019 – OPENING WORSHIP

To be held at Mt Pleasant Uniting Church, 1 Coomoora Road Mount Pleasant at 7pm.
Address by Rev Andrew Broadbent

SATURDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER 2019 – SYNOD ORDER OF BUSINESS

8.00am	9.00am	Registration	
9.00am	10 min	Opening Prayer	Rev Andrew Broadbent (Busselton)
9.10am	10 min	Welcome to Country	Mitchell Garlett (Covenanting Commission) and Charlie Thomas (Scotch College Student)
9.20am	10 min	Welcome to Scotch College	Dr Alec O’Connell (Headmaster Scotch College)
9.30am	20 min	Welcome, Introductions and Housekeeping <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Member Orientation (Video Presentation) • Introduction to the Agenda • <u>Report 4</u> - Business Committee Report and Proposal 1 • <u>Report 14</u> - Nominating Committee Report and Proposal 2 (Committee Membership Extension beyond 10 years (if required)) 	Rev David de Kock (General Secretary) Rev Ken Devereux (Business Committee), Margaret Martin (Chair Nominating Committee)
9.50am	15 mins	<u>Report 12</u> - Moderator’s Report	Rev Steve Francis (Moderator)
10.05am	10 mins	<u>Report 13</u> - Moderatorial Nominating Committee Report	Robert Watson/Rev John Dunn (Moderatorial Nominating Committee)
10.15am	15 mins	Moderatorial Nominees Presentation	
10:30am	30 mins	Morning Tea – Dickinson Centre Foyer	
11.00am	15 mins	Question Time (Moderatorial Nominating Committee)	Robert Watson/Rev John Dunn (Moderatorial Nominating Committee)
11.15am	30 mins	<u>Report 1</u> - UCA Assembly Report	Dr Deidre Palmer (President)
11.45am	10 mins	Moderatorial Ballot	Robert Watson/Rev John Dunn (Moderatorial Nominating Committee)
11.55am	30 mins	<u>Report 20</u> - Synod Standing Committee Report Presentation Remote Area Ministry	Rev David de Kock (General Secretary) Rev John Dihm
12.25pm	5 mins	Announcement of Moderator Elect	
12:30pm	60 mins	Lunch	
1.30pm		Nominations Close	
1.30pm	15 mins	Devotions	Rev Sophia Lizares
1.45pm	30 mins	<u>Report 17</u> - Presbytery Report	Bob Hunt (Chair Presbytery)

2.15pm	15 mins	Synod Commission Reports & Motions of Appreciation 2. Beananging Kwuurt Institute (BKI) Report 3. Bridging Entities Report 5. Church Law Report 6. Committee for Counselling Report 7. Committee for Discipline Report 11. Ministerial Benefits Committee Report 12. Pastorial Network of Evangelicals Uniting Mission Action (PNEUMA) Report 14. Placements Commission Report 17. Property Trust Report 21. <u>Synod Standing Committee–Sub Reports</u> 21.1 Synod Standing Committee Advice to Moderatorial Nominating Committee (Attachment 1) 21.2 Synod Organisation Chart (Attachment 2) 21.3 Appendix A Resolutions Synod Standing Committee 21.4 Culture of Safety Report 21.5 Disaster Relief & Community Recovery Working Group Report 21.6 Uniting Church Archives Research Centre Report 22. Uniting Church Adult Fellowship Report 23. WA Regional Committee of the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress	* Consent Agenda These reports will be taken as read and presented en bloc. Opportunity will be given to separate any reports for discussion if required. Please notify the General Secretary
2.30pm	30 mins	Bible Study	Rev Alison Gilchrist - Presbytery Minister (Mission)
3.00pm		Final Lists for Nominations for Ballots	Nominating Committee
3.00pm	30mins	Afternoon Tea – Foyer	
		3.15pm Final Closing Time for Proposals	
3.30pm	30 mins	<u>Report 19</u> - Resources Commission–Report, Budget and Motions of Appreciation • Proposal 3 Approval of Synod Budget 2020 and Projection 2021-2022	Rev David de Kock (General Secretary), Chris Walker (Chair Resources), Michael Patchell (Chief Financial Officer)
4.00pm	5 mins	<u>Report 9</u> - Ecumenical Affairs Network Report and Awards Presentation	Rev Justine Wall
4.05pm	75 mins	<u>Report 8</u> - Covenanting Commission Report	Rev Robert Jetta
		Proposal 4 –Statement from the Heart–Covenanting Committee	Rev Robert Jetta
		Proposal 5 –Reform of the Community Dev Prog & Cashless Debit Card Program–Covenanting Committee	Rev Robert Jetta
		<u>Report 20</u> –Social Justice Commission Report	Geoff Bice
		Proposal 6 –Social Justice (Community Refugee Sponsorship Program)	Geoff Bice
		<u>Report 10</u> –International Partnerships and Development Commission (IPDC) Report Rev Yusuf Nakmofa (General Secretary - Gereja Masehi Injili di Timor)	Susy Thomas
		Proposal 7 –Social Justice & IPDC (A Generous Australian Aid Commitment)	Geoff Bice
5.20pm	10 mins	Ballots for Nominations	Nominating Committee
5.30pm	25 mins	Service of Thanksgiving and Tribute	Moderator/Mod Chaplain
5.55pm	5 mins	Grace	Moderator Chaplain
6:00pm	60 mins	Dinner	
7.00pm	15 mins	Devotions	Rev Sonny Rajamoney
7.15pm	1 hour 40 mins	Voluntary Assisted Dying Discussion Proposal 8 Voluntary Assisted Dying	Rev Steve Francis Rev Ken Devereux
8.55am	5 mins	Closing Evening Prayer	Moderator Chaplain

* **Note: Consent Agenda can approve all reports in one action rather than filing motions on each item separately**



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9:00am	60 mins	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion	Rev Steve Francis (Moderator) Rev Lesley De Grussa (Beldon)
10:00am	30 mins	Morning Tea - Foyer	
10.30am		Nominating Committee Results of Ballots	Margaret Martin (Chair Nominating Committee)
10.35am	55 mins	Synod Schools/Colleges Reports & Motions of Appreciation 1. National Schools Education Charter 2019 (Revised) 2. Penrhos College 3. PLC 4. MLC 5. St Stephen's School 6. Scotch College 7. Trinity College 8. Tranby College 9. Wesley College	Rev Andrew Syme (Executive Officer: Schools & Residential Colleges)
11.30am	45 mins	Care Agency Reports & Motions of Appreciation 1. UnitingCare WA Forum 2. Good Samaritan Industries (GSI) 3. Juniper 4. UnitingCare West	Robert Watson (Chair UCWAF) Melanie Kiely (CEO GSI) Chris Hall (CEO Juniper) Amanda Hunt (CEO UnitingCare West)
1.00 pm	60 mins	Lunch	
2.00 pm	30 mins	Bible Study	Rev Alison Gilchrist - Presbytery Minister (Mission)
2.30 pm	15 Mins	Nominating Committee: Proposal 9 –Final Report	Margaret Martin (Chair Nominating Committee)
3.15 pm	15 mins	Acknowledgements	Rev David de Kock (General Secretary)
3:30 pm	15 mins	Closing Devotions	Ps John Tomkins (Carnarvon)