



**ANNUAL 2020 SYNOD MEETING  
FINAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**  
Saturday 12 and Sunday 13 September 2020  
Wesley College Corner Coode and Angelo Streets South Perth  
Goatcher Auditorium



**FRIDAY, 11 SEPTEMBER 2020 – OPENING WORSHIP & INSTALLATION OF NEW MODERATOR**

To be held at Wesley College Chapel – Corner Angelo and Coode Streets South Perth at 7pm.  
Address by Moderator Susy Thomas

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8.00am	9.00am	Registration	Rev Mark Illingworth & Amanda Badenhorst
9.00am	5min	Welcome by the Moderator	Susy Thomas
9.05am	15 min	Devotions	Rev Mark Illingworth
9.20am	10 min	Welcome to Country	Mitchell Garlett representing UAICC
9.30am	10 min	Welcome to Wesley College	Ross Barron Headmaster Wesley College
9.40am	15 min	Welcome, Introductions and Housekeeping <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members Orientation (<b>including Video Presentation</b>)</li> <li>• Introduction to the Agenda</li> <li>• Business Committee <b>Report 2</b> and <b>Proposal 1</b></li> <li>• Nominating Committee <b>Report 9</b> and <b>Proposal 2</b> (Committee Membership Extension beyond 10 years)</li> </ul>	Rev David de Kock (General Secretary)  Margaret Martin (Convenor Nominating Committee)
9.55am	20 mins	Moderators Report ( <b>Other Reports 1</b> )	Rev Steve Francis (ex-Moderator)
<b>10:15am</b>	<b>30 mins</b>	<b>MORNING TEA</b>	
10.45am	35 mins	Social Justice <b>Report 14</b> <b>Proposal 3:</b> Building Back Better: Prioritising investment in renewable energy and social housing in WA.	Mark Brisbane/Geoff Bice Dr Robert French/Rev Sophia Lizares
11.20am	30 mins	International Partnership & Development Commission <b>Report 8</b>	Kerry Povey/Geoff Bice
11.50am	35 mins	WA Regional Committee of the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress (UAICC) <b>Report 18</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Motion of Appreciation Rev Sealin Garlett</b></li> </ul> Covenanting Commission <b>Report 6</b> <b>Proposal 4:</b> Protecting Aboriginal Heritage Sites (UAICC) <b>Proposal 5:</b> Reducing the number of Aboriginal children in care	Mitchell Garlett  Rev Robert Jetta/Rev Steve Francis Rev Robert Jetta/ Rev Steve Francis
12.25pm	5 mins	<b>Proposal 6:</b> Inclusion of Plain English Text in Reports & Proposals	Kalo Futo
<b>12:30pm</b>	<b>1.30pm</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>Grace – Rev Nalin Perera</b>
1.30pm		Nominations Close	
1.30pm	10 min	Prayer	Rev Andrew Broadbent
1.40pm	10 mins	Final list for Nominations for Ballots including Assembly	Nominating Committee
1.50pm	15 mins	UCA Assembly Report (Video Presentation) ( <b>Other Reports 3</b> )	President, Dr Deidre Palmer
2.05pm	15 mins	Presbytery Report ( <b>Other Reports 2</b> )	Bob Hunt (Chair of Presbytery)
2.20pm	10 mins	Synod Commission Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridging Entities <b>Report 1</b></li> <li>• Church Law <b>Report 3</b></li> <li>• Committee for Discipline <b>Report 5</b></li> <li>• Ecumenical Affairs Network <b>Report 7</b></li> <li>• Placements Commission <b>Report 10</b></li> <li>• PNEUMA <b>Report 11</b></li> <li>• Property Trust <b>Report 12</b></li> <li>• Uniting Church Adult Fellowship <b>Report 16</b></li> <li>• Uniting Church Mission Fellowship <b>Report 17</b></li> </ul>	<b>* Consent Agenda</b> 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  <b>* Note: Consent Agenda can approve all reports in one action rather than filing motions on each item separately</b>
		Committee for Counselling <b>Report 4</b> and Motions of Appreciation Rev John Dunn	Rev David de Kock (General Secretary)
2.30pm	30 mins	Bible Study	Rev Dr Christine Sorensen

<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>30mins</b>	<b>AFTERNOON TEA</b>	
		3.00pm Final Closing Time for Proposals	
3.30pm	45 mins	<b>Synod Standing Committee Report 15</b> <u>Synod Standing Committee Sub Reports</u> 1. Major Resolutions Synod Standing Committee 2. Culture of Safety Report 3. Disaster Relief & Community Recovery Working Group Report 4. Uniting Church Archives Research Centre Report <b>TABLE DISCUSSION - GUIDELINES AVAILABLE AT REGISTRATION</b>	Rev David de Kock (General Secretary)
4.15pm	15 min	Ballots for Nominations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Synod Bodies</li> <li>• Assembly Membership</li> </ul>	Nominating Committee
4.30pm	90 mins	Service of Thanksgiving and Tribute ( <b>WESLEY COLLEGE CHAPEL</b> ) <b>The Service will be Live Streamed from Chapel to Goatcher Auditorium</b>	Susy Thomas
<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>60 mins</b>	<b>DINNER</b>	<b>Grace – Rev Nalin Perera</b>
7.00pm	15 mins	Devotions	Rev Hannes Halgyn
7.15pm	85 mins	Resources Commission and Budget <b>Report 13</b> <b>Proposal 7: Approval of 2021 Budget</b>	Rev David de Kock (General Secretary), Chris Walker(Chair Resources), David Beards, Peter Hollins (Consultant Finance)
8.40pm	15 min	<b>Proposal 8: Extension of Placement General Secretary</b> <b>Note - The General Secretary and all the Uniting Church Centre Staff to leave</b>	Rev Steve Francis, Bob Hunt
8.55pm	5 mins	Closing Evening Prayer	Rev Nalin Perera



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**SUNDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 2020 – SYNOD ORDER OF BUSINESS**

9:00am	60 mins	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion <b>Wesley College Chapel</b>	Susy Thomas, Rev John Dunn and Robert Watson
10:00am	30 mins	<b>MORNING TEA</b>	
10.30am	5 mins	Nominating Committee Results of Ballots	Margaret Martin (Convenor Nominating Committee)
10.35am	45 mins	School Reports 1. Methodist Ladies College 2. Penrhos College 3. Presbyterian Ladies College 4. Scotch College 5. St Stephens School 6. Tranby College 7. Trinity Residential College 8. Wesley College	Rev Andrew Syme (Executive Officer: Schools & Residential Colleges)
11.20am	45 mins	Caring Agencies Reports 1. UnitingWA Forum 2. Beanang Kwart Institute (BKI) 3. Good Sammy Enterprises (GSE) 4. Juniper 5. Uniting WA (previously Uniting Care West)	John Berger (Exec Officer: Caring Agencies) Robert Watson (Chair UCWAF)  Melanie Kiely (CEO GSI) Chris Hall (CEO Juniper) Amanda Hunt (CEO Uniting)
12.05	25 mins	Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD) Report ( <b>Other Report 4</b> ) <b>Proposal 9</b>	Rev Steve Francis (Chair VAD)
<b>12.30 pm</b>	<b>60 mins</b>	<b>LUNCH (Group Photo Assembly Members)</b>	<b>Grace – Alison McCubbin</b>
1.30 pm	30 mins	Bible Study	Rev Dr Christine Sorensen
2.00 pm	90 mins	<b>Vision – What does the Church look like in 2030</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Futurist Thinking – Rev David Kriel</li> <li>• The view from beyond the metropolitan area – Steve Higgins</li> <li>• The view from a non-Anglo culture – Sione Leaaetoa</li> <li>• The view from the First Nation – Cheryl Lawson</li> </ul> <b>TABLE DISCUSSION</b> Resources Documents Available - <b>Resources Report 3</b>	Rev David de Kock (Introduction)
3.30 pm	5 mins	Nominating Committee Proposal Final Report <b>Proposal 10 - Available at close of Synod</b>	Margaret Martin (Chair Nominating Committee)
3.35 pm	10 mins	Acknowledgements	Rev David de Kock
3.45 pm	15 mins	Closing Devotions	Rev Andrew Syme