

Discipleship: Discovery, Development, Deployment



Key Messages to the Church in Rupert's Land

Arising from the desire for more transparent communication by the leadership, as expressed in Feasibility Study, the Bishop and Executive Committee are sending **key messages and decisions** arising from meetings **of Diocesan Council (or Executive Committee)** to the members of Synod (lay and clergy) throughout the year, **and ask that this information be shared with Vestries and members of the parish** who may be interested. (February 2016 through May 2016)

Discovery

• Approved a grant of \$3500 for St. John's College Justice Camp from Shared Ministry Investment Funds for Youth.

Development

- Approved the following youth programs from the Youth Ministry Budget: \$5,000 for the Sudanese Summer Learning Program; \$2500 for St. Thomas' Kreative Kids Program (Arts & Crafts)
- Approved the Terms of Reference of Diocesan Refugee Fund and ratified the membership of Diocesan Refugee Committee.
- Decided that, for the time being, the refund from the Negotiated Settlement Agreement with the Federal Government concerning Indian Residential Schools be held for indigenous ministries of the Diocese.
- Receive the report of the Theological Education Working Group on Formation of Priests, Deacons and Local Collaborative Ministry Teams in the Diocese of Rupert's Land (March 2016).
- Approve the report of The Theological Education Commission (March 2015) and the Working Group Report (March 2016) as a framework in fulfilling the original mandate to develop a robust theological climate within the Diocese of Rupert's Land for the whole Church paying particular attention to the role of our Anglican College of St. John's.
- Requested the Bishop to form a Implementation Team for this work.

Deployment

- Approved year 3 submission to the Anglican Foundation for the multi-year grant of \$10,000 per year for the Urban Indigenous Ministry Developer.
- Approved a grant of \$1200 to the Interchurch Hydropower for 2016 from Diocesan Council Projects budget line.

The Diocesan Council and Executive Committee also received, reviewed and approved several request for funding from parishes from the Shared Ministry Investment Fund or the Anglican Foundation, including a recommendation for a line of credit from the Rupert's Land Capital Fund for a long-term parish restoration project.