

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR JUNE 8, 2010 MEETING

MOTION: Gordon Dunbar/Sarah Fanning

Whereas “Presbytery is often looked at as a ‘necessary evil’ and ‘something to be put up with’” (Communications Policy and Strategies report, page 8) and

Whereas “When people can see a direct correlation between what they are doing and the mission of the organization, and when they understand and believe that the mission of the organization is relevant and worthwhile, then there is a far greater interest in being involved in those activities” (Communications Policy and Strategies report, page 20) and

Whereas “Presbytery has the image of being a ‘*retired old boys club*’ run by a core group of influential people” (Communications Policy and Strategies report, page 23) and

Whereas “People are resistant to attempts to ‘market’ ideas on to them” (Communications Policy and Strategies report, page 16) and

Whereas “If Communications is to be effective, the source must be trusted and recognized as an authority in the particular role it undertakes” (Communications Policy and Strategies report, page 19) and

Whereas “Many congregations do not send their full complement of Presbyters due mostly to the lack of understanding and poor perception of the role” (Communications Policy and Strategies report, page 14) and

Whereas “In order to communicate a consistent and positive supportive image, there must be unity amongst all members of Presbytery” (Communications Policy and Strategies report, page 23) and

Whereas “If information is to be communicated to source of that information must have a face” (Communications Policy and Strategies report, page 23) and

Whereas The face of Halton Presbytery is Halton Presbytery and

Whereas Presbyters cannot faithfully fulfill the mission of Presbytery without having ownership of the decisions made by the court by actively engaging the issues in light of the mission of Presbytery by such means as discussion, debate and small groups before a vote.

Therefore be it resolved

That Halton Presbytery Executive bring all actions for approval to the full court of Halton Presbytery unless it is a matter requiring confidentiality or unless a matter requires action prior to the next scheduled meeting of Halton Presbytery.