LUMINHOS 2025 -2026 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

– June 14, 2026 –

Call to Order: The Chair, R. Galeschuk, welcomed all present at 7:01 pm calling the Annual General Meeting (AGM) to order on June 14, 2026.

Present: A quorum was met with 35 individuals present, 33 voting members and 2 observers. Representation came from 8 of the 12 Saskatoon city supporting Lutheran congregations.

1. Opening Devotions – After reading John 13:12 - , Chaplain R. Engel reflected on the unsettling example of caring for others that Jesus gave. By washing the feet of his disciples, he challenged those who follow him to care in new ways for all in need. Prayer was offered for all who give care to others, especially those serving in medical and social settings, including the LuMinHoS ministry.

2. Approval of agenda:
   26-AGM-1 M/S — R. Cherland // B. Jensen, *that the Agenda be adopted as distributed, amended with the addition at #7, 'Actions of Board'*. Carried (**C).**

3. Approval of Minutes:
   .1 Minutes of meeting Sept 14, 2025
   26-AGM-2 M/S — A. Grundahl // M-A. Nostbakken, *that the AGM minutes of Sept. 14, 2025, be approved as distributed.* **C.**

   .2 Minutes of Special Meeting Oct. 30, 2025
   26-AGM-3 M/S— R. Cherland // B. Jensen, *that the Special General Meeting minutes of Oct. 29, 2025, be approved as distributed*. **C.**

4. Reports:
   The Chair noted that the AGM Bulletin of Reports was posted May 12, 2026 on LuMinHoS website with email notice given to all. Printed copies were also offered to those at the AGM.

   .1 Report from the Chair – R. Galeschuk highlighted her submitted written report. She thanked all who had faithfully stepped up to support LuMinHoS over the past year, especially those who helped in her first year both on the Board and as Chair, which is a challenging task. She noted that LuMinHoS is greatly blessed as shown by the activities in the past year. Thanks were given for the generous gifts of all who worked and supported the key activities and events of the past year. Many contributed to bring about musical activities, the inspiring new logo now in use, the annual Walk-a-Thon and the special 45th Anniversary Gala, all very special accomplishments. With much thanks to God, we all look forward to continued strong ministry support in the year now underway.

   .2 Report from the Chaplain – Directing members to the written report provided, Chaplain Engel voiced his gratitude for the support of many individuals given to LuMinHoS and his work over the past year. Besides those members who volunteered as visitors, he was very grateful to have 2 cover chaplains now approved as backup. The Saskatchewan Health Authority SHA committee he takes part in was now meeting monthly to deal with Volunteer

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Services and address technical and operational issues. The Parish Nursing Task Force was looking to renew its work which would be an important service to again jointly connect with to serve patients.
In response to inquiries from families in areas served by medical facilities in Regina, the need to advocate for the establishment of chaplaincy services was very evident. Hopefully LuMinHoS can explore ways of supporting their establishment of a Chaplain. Next year, 2027, marks 10 years since the SHA ended its support for Spiritual Care services, leaving a significant gap in health support of patients across the province. It is an important opportunity for LuMinHoS and others to highlight again the importance of all spiritual patient health care services and programs.

.3 Committees of the Board –

.1 Nominations Report Pastor A. Grundahl noted how honoured he was by the response of those called upon to stand for election to the Board. On behalf of the committee, he presented the names of 7 individuals for nomination to the Board. Although 12 members are allowed by the Constitution, he noted that these nominations brought us closer to the optimal numbers for strong operations. Six (6) individuals would serve in positions of 2 terms (2026-2028), and 1 individual would serve for a 1-year term (2026-2027) needing to be filled. He asked that the Board determine which individual be assigned to the 1-year term. These 7 members nominated included:
Sheila Gnam- (1st term); Elaine Hobden- (1st term); Sandra Sawatsky- (1st term); Gary Rusu- (1st term); Eugene Mau- (1st term), Harley Johnson - (2nd term) Gord Martens- (7th term).

.2 Executive – The Chair noted that, as indicated in the Annual Report, only one Executive meeting had taken place. It had taken place to formulate a response to a withdrawal request from one parish. Sadly, they had not been willing to meet and discuss any concerns they had about the ministry and working together. It was hoped that in future, an opportunity might arise to collaborate and resolve any concerns that may be noted.

After noting all the Committee Reports provided in the ***Bulletin of Reports***, the Chair invited any questions that might be raised about any of the varied Reports.

.3 Governance –
.4 Finance –
.5 VMT
.1 Visitations –
.6 Communications –
.7 Resource Development –
.8 Events –

Finding and hearing no questions, a motion to receive all reports was invited.

26-AGM-4 M/S — H. Johnson// K. Harilstad, *that all Reports provided be accepted as presented*. **C.**

5. Financial Review for 2025 -2026

.1 Review of Financial Statements as prepared by CPA, Cheryl Woloschuk –
LuMinHoS Treasurer, K. Harilstad, asked all present to go through the completed materials as both made available on the website some weeks ago and in the printed document that were provided for this meeting. Each page was reviewed, noting key aspects and figures that reflected operations and the present status. Clarification was offered on specific expenditures

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and investments with frequent opportunities for any questions from members.

When the Financial Statements had been reviewed and no added questions arose, the Chair called for a Motion to approve the Financial Review to March 31, 2026.

26-AGM-5 M/S — K. Harilstad // A. Johnson, *that the Financial Review for the Lutheran Care Society of Saskatoon Inc. O/A LuMinHoS, Lutheran Ministry in Hospitals of Saskatoon, Year-End Financial Statement for March 31, 2026, be approved as presented.* **C.**

.2 Appointment of Financial Reviewer for 2026-2027 Fiscal year –

On behalf of the Finance Committee, the Treasurer noted that bids had been invited from interested Accounting providers to conduct the Review of Financial Records for the year ending March 2027. Of the bids received, one was found to offer the best flexibility and is brought forward to the LuMinHoS membership for consideration.

26-AGM-6 M/S — K. Harilstad //M-A. Nostbakken, *that* Scott Ehrmantraut, CPA, CA from Heagy LLP, be appointed *as the Reviewer of Financial Records and issue an unaudited review report for the period of the April1, 2026 to March 31, 2027 fiscal year.* **C.**

6. Budget for 2026 -27

.1 Review of the Proposed Budget for 2027 –

The Proposed Budget for 2026– 2027, formed in discussions of the Finance Committee, and approved by the Board was presented by the Treasurer. Asking Members to examine it in the Bulletin of Reports, key components of both the Income and Expense projects were reviewed. Questions were invited and clarification was offered after which a motion was put forwarded:

26-AGM-7 M/S — K. Harilstad //E. Nostbakken, to approve the annual budget for April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027 *as presented.* **C.**

7. Actions of Board for 2025-2026

It was noted that the Board had dealt with various important items over the past year, including approval of the new LuMinHoS Logo. As is typically done in Not-For-Profit year end membership meetings, a motion was requested to Approve and Confirm the actions of the Board for the 2025-2026 year.

26-AGM-8 M/S — R. Cherland // A. Grundahl, *that the membership approve and confirm the actions of the Board for the 2025-2026 year.* **C.**

8. Nominations Committee

The Chair noted the names of the 7 individuals presented for nomination to the 2- and 1-year terms (2026-2028) available:

Sheila Gnam- (1st term); Elaine Hobden- (1st term); Sandra Sawatsky- (1st term); Gary Rusu - (1st term); Eugene Mau- (1st term), Harley Johnson; - (2nd term) Gord Martens- (7th term).

.1 Call for Nominations from the floor – With added requests for further nominations, none were forthcoming. A motion to close nominations was raised;

26-AGM-9 M/S — A. Olson // G. Rusu, *that nominations cease.* **C.**

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The seven individuals nominated were declared elected with much gratitude for their willingness to offer their service in this essential ministry.

Considerable thanks was also extended to all those completing their terms of service
- **Mary Ann Nostbakken** (1.5 terms); **Greg Palmer**- (1 term); **Larry Mikulcik** - (2 terms);
- **Janice Solem** - (1 term).

Current Board members serving for the remaining year of their term were noted:
- **Rhea Galeschuk** (1st term); - **Karen Harilstad** (1st term); - **Sonje Finnestad** (1st term);
-**Rik Cherland** (2nd term).

2. Appointment of 2026-2027 Nominations Committee – It was noted that the appointments for this key working committee were required to take place at or shortly after the AGM. It was noted that the Chair of the VMT, a member at large and two Board representatives designated by the Board form this Committee. A. Grundahl, R. Bishopp and M-A Nostbakken were currently on this key working committee. Thanks were voiced by all present for the dedicated work that the Nominations members had completed having a shortened notice this year.

26-AGM-10 M/S — R. Bestvater // R. Cherland, *that M-A. Nostbakken be appointed as a Member-at-large to the Nominations Committee.* **C.**

9. Other Business

.1 Upcoming Events – Representatives of the Events **Committee noted that, while other events were being explored, this year's** Walk-a-Thon was scheduled for Saturday, September 19, 2026. They hoped to expand on the numbers participating in this long-standing fund raiser, involving more congregations, hopefully even some outside the city. All present were asked to watch for updates and encourage others to join in taking part, with the goal to raise $10,000 this year.

.2 Sabbatical provisions – A. Grundahl asked to speak to the importance of this provision for a serving Chaplain who had served in full-time ministry for the appropriate years. He stressed the benefits of this intentional break and study time to rejuvenate one's skills and focus in ministry, especially for those in a specialized setting such as Chaplaincy, noting that previous staff had greatly appreciated the time provided for this provision.

.3 Giving Thanks for care – One member asked to offer a heartfelt 'Thank You" to the Chaplain and volunteer for the visiting and pastoral care received during her recent time in hospital.

10. Adjournment

With no further business at hand, the Chair invited a motion to adjourn.

26-AGM-11 M/S — A. Olson // A. Johnson, *that the meeting be adjourned with thanks to all who attended.* **C.**

11. Closing Prayer *(time – 8:10 p.m.)*

In concluding the AGM members were invited to join in the singing of the Hymn "Great is Thy Faithfulness" followed by sharing in the Lord's Prayer.

Minutes taken by R. Cherland.

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