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Sexuality

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Mover: Bishop Williams

Seconder: Archbishop Jones

Prologue: During General Synod 1992, the House of Bishops and the National Executive Council were requested to commission a study of sexuality (specifically homosexuality and homosexual relations). The first two days of the House of Bishops were devoted to beginning their study on the topic. The session was held in camera.

The following motions were put forward.

Moved by: Bishop Brown

Seconded by: Archbishop Lackey

That the session be held in camera. CARRIED

Moved by: Bishop Lawrence

Seconded by: Bishop Baycroft

That the courtesies of the House be extended to allow the Anglican Journal to plea [sic] to stay in the House during the session on sexuality. CARRIED

Mr. Bill Glisky from the Anglican Journal spoke to the House to request that it reconsider its decision to keep the sessions on sexuality in camera. Mr. Glisky then left the room and a general discussion took place.

Moved by Bishop Genge

Seconded by Archbishop Stewart

That the study on sexuality be held in camera. CARRIED

Moved by Bishop Brown

Seconded by Bishop Asbil

That during this in camera session of the House of Bishops, the Principal Secretary to the Primate and the Executive Assistant to the Primate be present. CARRIED

seconded by Bishop Finlay

That the Director of Communications should be present for this in camera session. CARRIED

Text: That the Bishop of Bermuda and the Bishop of Tabora be included in this in camera session. CARRIED

Notes:

The Principal Secretary and Executive Assistant were asked back into the House of Bishops. Archbishop Peers invited the Director of Communications by telephone.

Discussion continued about "guests" during in camera agenda items. It was suggested that the Primate appoint an adhoc committee to review procedures for the in camera session of the House. The committee would also prepare guidelines for how the House of Bishops should make use of the services of the communications officer.

Subjects:

Homosexuality - Religious aspects - Anglican Church of Canada

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In camera meetings

Anglican Journal / Journal Anglican

Church and the press - Anglican Church of Canada

Anglican Church of Canada. Director of Communications