

**Eastern Regional Association
64th Annual Convention
October 22, 2016 Minutes
Rochester, NH**

The 64th Annual Meeting of the Eastern Regional Association of the Advent Christian General Conference of America was called into session at the Emmanuel Advent Christian Church Rochester, NH on October 22, 2016 by President Glenn Rice at 9:40am.

The business session began with Dale Schaeffner, chair of the Credentials Committee bringing the initial report.

Credentials Committee Final Report

Regional Officers	7
Affiliated & Associate Members	4
Ordained Ministers	18
Licensed & Credentialed	10
Conference Delegates	11
Church Delegates	<u>52</u>
Total	110

President Rice declared the delegates seated.

C16-1 VOTED to extend the privilege of the floor to non-delegates who are members of an Advent Christian Church in good standing.

Committee Appointments

The President presented the listing of the Convention Appointments:

Business

Derek Irvine, chair
Erik Reynolds

Recognitions & Appreciations

John Tate (Board Representative)

Tellers

Sandra Nichols, Chair
Larry Knowles

Credentials

Dale Schaeffner

Distributors

Christopher Barton

Registration

Tanya Poole
Carolyn Schaeffner

Distributors

Tom Logery
Mike Alix

Erica Alix
Sam Cobb
Hannah Cobb

C16-2 VOTED to ratify the committee appointments

Distributors were called upon to pass financial reports.

The clerk presented the summary of actions of the Board of Directors for 2016.

C16-3 VOTED to ratify the Summary of Actions of the Board of Directors

President Glenn Rice presented his report to the delegate body.

C16-4 VOTED to accept the report of our President

Superintendent Greg Twitchell presented his report to the delegate body.

C16-5 VOTED to accept the report of the Superintendent with much thanks

President Rice offered prayer for Greg and Missie and family and their ministry.

John Tate came and shared a recognition.

The Vincent E Taber scholarship is given to Devon Martin in the amount of \$500.

Greg came and walked the delegates through the financial report answering any questions that were asked. The financial report consisted of Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual, Unappropriated Funds, and review of 2015 Balance Sheet and Income Statement.

C16-6 VOTED to accept the 2015 financial report.

Clayton Blackstone shared the report of the Nominating Committee.

C16-7 VOTED to receive the report of the Nominating Committee with thanks.

Distributors were called to pass out the ballots to delegate body.

C16-8 VOTED that nominations cease and the report of the Nominating Committee become the official ballot.

After an explanation on voting delegates were encouraged to vote and pass ballots to one person at each table. Tellers then collected ballots.

John Tate came and shared some recognitions.

Erik Reynolds – Commissioned Minister (Oak Hill Bible Church)
John Jones – Commissioned Minister
Nathaniel Bickford – Ordained Minister (Attleboro, MA)

Rev. George McLaughlin came and offered prayer for these men and their ministries.

C16-9 VOTED to continue with convention business while ballots are counted.

Derek Irvine, chairman of the business committee came and shared business items.

Greg came and presented the 2017 budget.

C16-10 VOTED the approval of the proposed 2017 working budget

C16-11 VOTED to rescind the action of the delegate body on Oct. 24, 2013.
(B13-21 VOTED to omit ERA Convention when this falls on the same year as the ACGC Triennial Convention)

C16-12 VOTED to recommend the dates of October 20th – 21st 2017 to the delegate body for the 2017 Annual Convention.

C16-13 VOTED that the Board of Directors be empowered to read and approve the minutes from the 2016 Annual Convention

Larry Knowles came and presented a report from Advent Christian Retirement Communities.

C16-14 VOTED to accept the report from Advent Christian Retirement Communities with thanks.

John Tate came and shared some recognitions of those who have fallen asleep.

Rev. Ed Carter
Rev. Dr. J. Max Creswell
Rev. Bill Flewelling
Margaret “Pixie” Ehle
Margaret Monroe
Priscilla Taber

Rev. Alan Chamberlain came and offered prayer for these dear saints.

Rev. Steve Brown came and shared a report from the Berkshire Institute of Christian Studies.

C16-15 VOTED to accept the report of the Berkshire Institute of Christian Studies with great gratitude

Sandra Nichols, chairman of the Tellers, came and gave a report of the ballots counted. 94 ballots were cast, 90 votes for George Karl with 1 abstention for president and 91 votes and 1 abstention for John Tate for Vice President.

President Rice declares these people elected.

President Rice then passed the gavel to incoming president George Karl with George taking the chair for the closing motion.

C16-16VOTED to adjourn *sine die*

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Allen Latimore, Clerk