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Circular to the Members of the 45th Synod

Re: 2nd Session of the 45th Synod

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The material in this circular supplements the material in the 1st circular of 3 August 2000.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this session of the Synod.

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Please bring this with you for use at Synod.

1. More on Arrangements and Procedures

Synod Mailings

1.1 This is the second mailing to Synod members for this session and comprises -

This circular (which includes the List of Contested Elections)

The Business Paper for 9 October

Your Name Tag

The Report of the Standing Committee (and other reports and papers)

Paper entitled "Synod Procedures"

Synod Service

1.2 A service of Holy Communion will be held in St Andrew's Cathedral at 1.15 pm on Monday 9 October 2000. Bishop Piper is preaching.

Meeting Place, Dates and Microphones

- 1.3 The Synod session will start at 3.00 pm in the Wesley Theatre, or 30 minutes after the opening service ends, whichever is the later. This session has 5 days (9, 10, 11, 16, and 17 October 2000).
- 1.4 Apart from 9 October when the starting time will depend on the Synod Service, the hours of meeting will be 3 pm to 9.30 pm or 10 pm with a dinner break of 1 hour 15 minutes starting about 5.45 pm. These times could vary a little.
- 1.5 A plan of the Wesley Theatre, 220 Pitt Street Sydney, is attached at item 5. The public gallery is at the rear of the Theatre. Synod members are not to sit in the public gallery if they want to participate in debate or vote.
- 1.6 Microphones are conveniently placed throughout the Theatre. If you are called to speak in debate move to the nearest microphone and speak into it. Don't get too close to or speak across the microphone.

Name Tags

1.7 Please wear your name tag when you are in the Theatre: it is your "entry pass".

Synod Procedures: What You Must Know

1.8 You should read the Standing Orders, which have been reprinted on pages 292 to 307 inclusive in *Acts & Ordinances*. Further information is contained in the paper entitled "Synod Procedures" which can also be found on the Synod's website at www.sydney.anglican.asn.au/synod/synod2000/synodprocedure.htm. The paper has hints on -

Meetings and Papers
Procedures, Order of Business etc
Rules for Tabling and Circulating Printed Material
Rules of Debate: Motions and Amendments
Questions on Notice

Ordinance Procedures

- 1.9 The Wesley Theatre is private property and printed material which has not been tabled in the Synod, or which has not been authorised by the Synod, must not be placed on tables or handed out in the Theatre or inside the entrance to the Theatre. Copies of the material which has been tabled may be circulated at a convenient time by arrangement with the Diocesan Secretary.
- 1.10 Forms for motions, amendments and questions are available from the Secretaries' Table, the Clerks' Table or the Diocesan Secretary's office on the Second Floor of St Andrew's House. Guidelines for the moving of motions were printed in items 2.13 to 2.17 of the first Circular to Synod members dated 3 August 2000.
- 1.11 Notices of further motions and notices of questions may be given at the start of proceedings on 9, 10 and 11 October (Standing Orders 9 and 11), but not on 16 and 17 October without leave of the majority of the members present. Questions are usually answered the day after notice has been given. If you want to give notice of a question please read the appropriate section in the paper on "Synod Procedures" and make sure the wording of the question complies with Standing Order 27.
- 1.12 There is a question time on a bill for an ordinance after the second reading has been moved and seconded. Questions may be asked without notice at this time, but speeches and statements are not allowed. It is in the interests of the whole Synod if the mover of a bill (or one of the Secretaries) is notified in advance of any questions so that, if necessary, answers can be researched.
- 1.13 To move an amendment during a debate, you must catch the attention of the President (the Chairman of Committees when the Synod is in committee), state that you wish to move an amendment, read the amendment and speak to it. If you have not already handed in the text at the Secretaries' Table, one of the clerks will collect it from you after you have spoken.
- 1.14 You don't need to give formal notice of an amendment. But it would be appreciated if members wishing to move amendments would give details to one of the Secretaries as early as possible. If there is time, the movers will be told, the amendments will be printed for the Synod and perhaps different points of view can be reconciled without taking up valuable time of the whole Synod.
- 1.15 Please respect the time of the Synod by avoiding amendments of little consequence or which replace words or phrases with others of the same meaning.

Pattern of Business: Major Debates etc

1.16 Under the Standing Orders, the likely pattern of business will be -

9 October -

Presidential Address

Preliminary matters

Passing formal motions and bills and setting times for second readings

Motions for second readings of bills

Other motions in the order they appear

Other Days -

Preliminary matters
Passing formal motions
Orders of the Day
Motions according to the set order

1.17 Orders of the Day are mainly about bills, and motions concerning bills cannot be considered before 4.30 pm each day.

Supplementary Report of the Standing Committee

1.18 The supplementary report of the Standing Committee will be tabled on 9 October.

2. Arrangements for the Body and Soul

Prayer and Bible Readings

2.1 Bishop Robert Forsyth will lead the prayers at the start of proceedings every day. He will also lead Bible readings on 10, 11, 16 and 17 October.

Meals etc

- 2.2 The Wesley Centre restaurant will be open for dinner each night. The meals are reasonably priced. The Theatre Management does not permit the consumption of food and beverages in the Theatre.
- 2.3 Drinking water dispensers are located in the Theatre Foyer.
- 2.4 There are a number of small restaurants and cafes in the vicinity of the Wesley Centre and the Sydney Town Hall where meals can be obtained for a reasonable range of prices.
- 2.5 The Theatre management will not let us provide tea and coffee on a self-serve basis during evening sittings. Their concerns are first to maintain their high catering standards and secondly to avoid insurance claims in the event of spillage or injury etc. A fully catered-for coffee break neither suits the programme nor the budget for the Synod.
- 2.6 There are a few shops nearby where a quick cup of coffee can be bought.

Car Parking (Watch the Fine Print!)

2.7 Car pooling is a good way for Synod members to spread the cost of car travel and parking. 2.8 We have negotiated car parking rates at 2 parking stations. The procedure is the same in both car parks: take a ticket from a machine as you enter, get a voucher from the Clerks' Table in the Wesley Theatre, and hand the voucher in when you present your ticket for payment. You need a voucher for each day.

St Andrew's House
Kent Street
Full Day Rate (in before 1 pm out before midnight) \$17
Half Day Rate (in between 1 pm and 5 pm out before midnight) \$11
Evening Rate (in after 5 pm out before midnight) \$7

Capital Centre Car Park
225 Pitt Street, underneath Sydney Hilton
Day Rate (in after 3 pm out before midnight) \$20
Evening Rate (in after 6 pm out before midnight) \$14

2.9 We cannot guarantee parking in either of these car parks but if they are full there are other car parks you might use (in Kent Street especially). Overnight parking costs extra.

Public Telephones

2.10 There are public telephones in the Wesley Centre Foyer near the Theatre entrance, at Town Hall Station and in other locations near the Wesley Theatre.

3. Elections for this Synod Session

- 3.1 Under clause 15 of the Elections Ordinance 1970, a list of the Contested Elections to be conducted at this Synod session is attached at item 4, showing the persons nominated, their designations and addresses, the names of the proposers and seconders and the positions for which they are nominated.
- 3.2 The Returning Officer (Ken Bowden) and the Deputy Returning Officer (Andrew Sillar) will be situated in the Theatre Foyer.
- 3.3 The ballot will commence at 2.00 pm on Monday 9 October and close at 9 pm on Tuesday 10 October 2000. Ballot papers will be issued between 2 pm and 8 pm on those days and summaries of the 35-word precis submitted by nominees will be available from the Returning Officer. The ballot box will be open from 2 pm to 9 pm on both days.
- 3.4 It would help the Returning Officers if members would avoid a last-minute rush by casting their votes early in the session.
- 3.5 The list of Uncontested Elections will be tabled in the Synod on 9 October 2000.

4. List of Contested Elections (To be balloted on 9 and 10 October 2000)

	Organisation	Designation	Address	Proposer	Seconder
4.1	The Council of Abbotsleigh (Ordinance 1925) 2 laymen elected for 4 years				
	Mr P L Bell	Software Engineer	Normanhurst	P R Sinden	R A Anderson
	Mr P Bradhurst	Retired Business Manager	St Ives	D H Courtney	R G Robinson
	Mr M M Middlebrook	Consultant Project Manager	Middle Dural	R Tong	L A Scandrett
4.2	Sydney Anglican Home Mission Society Council (Anglicare) (Ordinance 1971) 3 persons to be elected for 3 years				
	The Hon R W Gee	Retired Judge	Belrose	A J Gray	D J Reay
	Ms R Hobbs	Manager	Surry Hills	R G Robinson A J Watson	C A Mackellar V W Roberts
	Assoc Prof M D Horsburgh	Retired University Professor	Glebe	D H Courtney	S Gibson
	The Rev D L Willis	Clergyman	Chatswood	S Gibson	G D Whitson
4.3	Moore Theological College (Ordinance 1984) 2 laypersons to be elected for 3	vears			
	Mr K M Chapman Mr G S Maple Miss E A Paddison	Merchant Banker Director Publisher	Mosman Newport Beach Russell Lea	G D Whitson R I West R G Robinson	R G Robinson L M Stoddart N R Macken

Plan of the Wasley Theatre	