

Anglican Church of Australia Diocese of Sydney

Special Session of the 52nd Synod Business Paper: Thursday 6 May 2021

*The Synod will assemble in the Darling Harbour Theatre, International Convention Centre, Sydney, commencing at 6.30 pm. **All members must wear face masks, in accordance with NSW Health restrictions.***

The comments printed in italics do not have a formal status. They are intended as helpful prompts. Occasional clause references are to the Archbishop of Sydney Election Ordinance 1982.

1. Preliminary

- 1.1 Prayers are read by or at the request of the President.
- 1.2 Bible Study
 - 1.2.1 Canon Simon Manchester will lead the Synod in a Bible Study.
- 1.3 Minutes of Wednesday 5 May 2021.
- 1.4 Notices of Questions
- 1.5 Notices of Motions

2. Final List

2.1 The Very Rev Kanishka Raffel – Result of Ballot

The motion put to the vote on 5 May 2021 ‘that the name of the Very Rev Kanishka Raffel be placed on the Final List’ was carried, having received a majority in both the house of laity and the house of clergy, the results of the ballot being –

	Votes in favour of the motion	Votes against the motion	Informal Votes	Abstentions (blank ballots)	Total
House of Laity	366	123	0	5	494
House of Clergy	231	49	0	2	282

2.2 The Rt Rev Dr Michael Stead - Result of Ballot

The motion put to the vote on 5 May 2021 ‘that the name of the Rt Rev Michael Stead be placed on the Final List’ was not carried, having failed to receive a majority in the house of laity and the house of clergy, the results of the ballot being –

	Votes in favour of the motion	Votes against the motion	Informal Votes	Abstentions (blank ballots)	Total
House of Laity	186	306	0	2	494
House of Clergy	77	202	0	3	282

3. Final Choice of a Nominee

Description: There being only one name on the Final List, the President is to put without debate the motion “That (A.B.) be invited to be Archbishop of Sydney” (subclause 24(1)).

Voting: By show of hands in each order with the laity voting first (subclause 24(2)). The show of hands must be formally tallied (subclause 14(a)).

Majorities: A majority is required in both houses of the members present and voting (subclause 24(3)).

Speeches: None.

3.1 That the Very Rev Kanishka Raffel be invited to become Archbishop of Sydney.

(The President)

Notes:

(a) *See clauses 34 to 41 for post-Synod procedures: confirmation of election, refusal or delay in confirmation, failure to accept election, failure for other causes, declaration of election and proceedings after election.*

4. Closure

4.1 Leadership of Devotions

‘Synod records its appreciation of the leadership of Canon Simon Manchester through the Bible readings and prayers of this session of Synod.’

(The Rt Rev Dr Gary Koo / Mr Tony Willis)

4.2 Resolution of Thanks

‘Synod expresses its thanks to –

- (a) the President for his chairmanship, and
- (b) the officers and members who helped during the session by giving advice and serving the Synod, and
- (c) the Secretary, the Returning Officer and Deputy Returning Officer, the staff of SDS, the Archbishop’s Office and Anglican Media, and all those who have helped with the arrangements for sittings.’

(Archdeacon Kara Hartley / Bishop Gary Koo)

4.3 Signing of Minutes

‘Synod authorises the President to sign the minutes of proceedings for the last day of this session upon the production to the Standing Committee of the certificate of any 2 members of the Minute Reading Committee.’

(Mr Daniel Glynn / Mr Tony Willis)



The inauguration of the Archbishop-elect is scheduled to be held Friday 28 May 2021, from 7:00 pm at St Andrew’s Cathedral, Sydney.