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CHAPTER Pr10

An Act respecting Great Lakes Bible College

Assented to June 29th, 1987

Preamble

Whereas Great Lakes Christian College hereby represents that it was incorporated by letters patent in 1950 for the purpose of establishing, maintaining and operating Christian schools; and whereas Great Lakes Christian College has since that time provided courses of study leading to a high school certificate and has since 1969 provided courses of study leading to post-secondary certificates and diplomas in Bible and religious training; and whereas the applicant hereby applies for special legislation providing for the creation of a new post-secondary college having the power to grant degrees in the field of religious study; and whereas it is expedient to grant the application;

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

Definitions

1. In this Act,

"academic unit" means a faculty, college, institute, department or other academic division of the College so designated by the Board;

"Board" means the Board of Trustees of the College;

"College" means Great Lakes Bible College, as incorporated by this Act;

"faculty" means all persons employed by the College who hold the academic rank of professor, associate professor, lecturer or instructor;

"student" means a person who is registered as such in a program or course of study at the College that leads to a degree or diploma of the College.

College incorporated

2. The members of the Board from time to time are hereby constituted a body corporate under the name of "Great Lakes Bible College".

Objects

3. The objects of the College are,

(a) to promote religious welfare and Christian unity by teaching the principles of Jesus Christ as contained in the Bible; and

(b) to establish, maintain and operate a religious college, meetings, lectures, libraries and camps and to print, publish, sell and distribute literature pertaining thereto.

Composition of Board

4.—(1) The Board shall be composed of,

(a) fifteen persons elected by the members of the Church of Christ who are entitled to vote at the annual meeting for a term of three years; and

(b) not more than six additional persons appointed by the Board for a term of one year.

First Board

(2) Until the Board is reconstituted in accordance with subsection (1), the members of the Board shall be the persons named in the Schedule.

Staggered terms

(3) The Board shall by by-law provide for the election and retirement of the members to be elected under clause (1) (a) in rotation.

Qualifications

(4) No person shall be elected as a member of the Board under clause (1) (a) unless the person is a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada.

Re-election or re-appointment

(5) Members of the Board are eligible for re-election or re-appointment, as the case may be, except that no member of the Board shall serve more than three consecutive terms, but on the expiration of one year after having served the three consecutive terms, the person is again eligible for membership on the Board.

Idem

(6) The limit of three consecutive terms referred to in subsection (5) does not include service on the Board for the balance of an unexpired term for a person who becomes a member of the Board under subsection (7).

Vacancies

(7) If a vacancy on the Board occurs before the expiry of a term of office, the Board, in its sole discretion, shall determine if the vacancy is to be filled and, if so, the manner and procedure for so doing, and the person filling the vacancy shall serve for the balance of the unexpired term of the vacating member.

(8) Members of the Board shall serve without remuneration but may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties as members of the Board. No remuneration

5. The government, conduct, management and control of the College and of its property, revenues, expenditures, business and affairs are vested in the Board and the Board has all powers necessary or convenient to perform its duties and achieve the objects and purposes of the College including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the power, Powers

(a) to appoint the president of the College who shall be the chief academic officer and to define the duties and responsibilities of the president;

(b) to appoint, promote, grant tenure or leave to, suspend and remove members of the faculty and academic officers;

(c) to appoint committees and delegate thereto power and authority to act for the Board with respect to any matter or class of matters, but where power and authority to act for the Board are delegated to a committee, a majority of the members of the committee shall be members of the Board;

(d) to establish and collect fees and charges for tuition and for services of any kind offered by the College and collect fees and charges on behalf of any entity, organization or element of the College;

(e) to establish from time to time the membership year of the Board; and

(f) to enact by-laws respecting the doctrinal statement of the College.

6. The chairman of the Board shall preside at all meetings of the Board. Chairman

7. The Board shall appoint one or more public accountants licensed under the *Public Accountancy Act* to audit the accounts and transactions of the Board at least annually. Audit R.S.O. 1980, c. 405

8. The annual audited statement of the College shall be made available to all supporters of the College in such manner as the Board may determine. Annual report

Board to manage academic affairs

9. The Board shall manage the academic affairs of the College and shall have the power,

(a) to establish, change and terminate programs, courses of study and academic units;

(b) to determine standards of admission to the College and continued registration therein, and the qualifications for graduation;

(c) to determine all matters related to examinations and the appointment of examiners;

(d) to award fellowships, scholarships, bursaries, prizes and other marks of academic achievement; and

(e) to award diplomas, certificates and licentiates and to grant the degrees of Bachelor of Theology and Bachelor of Religious Education.

Open meeting

10.—(1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), meetings of the Board shall be open to the public and prior notice of such meetings shall be given to the members of the Board and to the public in such manner as the Board shall determine and no person shall be excluded from a meeting except for improper conduct as determined by the Board.

Exception

(2) If matters confidential to the College are to be considered at a meeting of the Board, the part of the meeting concerning such matters may be held *in camera*.

Idem

(3) If a matter of a personal nature concerning an individual is to be considered at a meeting of the Board, the part of the meeting concerning the individual shall be held *in camera* unless there is a mutual agreement to the contrary by the Board and the individual.

By-laws, examination

11.—(1) The by-laws of the College shall be open to examination by the public during normal office hours of the College.

Idem, publication

(2) The College shall publish its by-laws from time to time in such manner as the Board considers proper.

Non-profit corporation

12. The College shall be carried on without the purpose of gain for the members of the Board and all profits or other accretions to the College shall be used in promoting its objects.

13. Upon the dissolution or winding up of the College and after the payment of all debts and liabilities, the remaining property of the College shall be distributed to or disposed of to a trust fund established by the Board to provide scholarships for students attending Christian schools or for the funding of Christian schools. Dissolution

14. This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent. Commencement

15. The short title of this Act is the *Great Lakes Bible College Act, 1987*. Short title

SCHEDULE

First Board of Trustees of Great Lakes Bible College:

Douglas Tallman

Roy Williams

Ron Knight

Bethel Bailey

John Colyn

Max Craddock

Arthur Fleming

Valerie Lane

Wayne Page

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