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FaithWay Baptist College of Canada Act, 1991

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The purpose of the Bill is set out in the Preamble.



An Act respecting  
FaithWay Baptist College of Canada

Preamble

FaithWay Baptist Church has applied for special legislation providing for the incorporation and administration of a college with the power to grant degrees in the field of religious study. The applicant represents that it has maintained, since 1983, an institution of higher learning in theology, religious education, sacred music and related fields.

It is appropriate 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,

"board" means the board of governors of the College;

"College" means FaithWay Baptist College of Canada.

Incorporation

2. The board of governors of the College is constituted as a corporation without share capital under the name of "FaithWay Baptist College of Canada".

Objects

3. The objects of the College are,

- (a) to provide post-secondary training programs for pastors, teachers in religious education, evangelists, missionaries, church workers and music instructors;
- (b) to develop the devotional and spiritual life of its students;
- (c) to encourage its students to develop a mastery of the content of the Bible; and
- (d) to help its students develop Christian character.

Power to grant degrees

4. The College may grant diplomas and certificates and the degrees of Bachelor of Theology, Bachelor of Religious Education, Bachelor of Sacred Music, Master of Ministry, Master of Religious Education, Master of Biblical Studies and honorary Doctor of Divinity.



## Board

5.-(1) The board is composed of,

- (a) the president of the College;
- (b) the vice-president of the College;
- (c) five people elected from among the members of the FaithWay Baptist Church; and
- (d) three people elected by the remaining members of the board.

## Term of office

(2) The term of office for members elected under clauses (1)(c) and (d) is two years.

## Election

(3) The board shall by by-law determine the manner and procedure for the election of the members to be elected under clauses (1)(c) and (d).

## Idem

(4) The board may by by-law provide for the election and retirement in rotation of the members elected under clause (1)(c).

## Citizenship status

(5) Members of the board must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents within the meaning of the Immigration Act, 1976 (Canada).

## Quorum

(6) A majority of the board constitutes a quorum unless the by-laws provide otherwise, but the by-laws shall not provide for a quorum of less than two-fifths of the members of the board.

## First members

(7) The first members and officers of the board are: Dr. Gregory O. Baker - president, Rev. L. Allen Homan - vice-president, Mr. Ken Kirkland, Mr. Kenneth Lindhorst, Mr. Ron Myers, Mr. Don Towns, Mr. Reginald Wiltshire, Rev. Walter Isaak, Dr. Robert Kirkland, Mr. Michael Nichols.

## Powers of the board

6.-(1) The board shall govern the College and manage its affairs and may exercise such powers as are necessary to carry out its duties.

## Idem

(2) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the board may,



- (a) adopt a doctrinal statement for the College;
- (b) establish and terminate programs and courses of study;
- (c) appoint, promote, grant leave to, suspend and remove members of the faculty;
- (d) appoint, promote, suspend and remove the officers of the College;
- (e) establish and collect fees and charges for tuition and for services of any kind offered by the College;
- (f) invest all money of the College that is not immediately required to be expended;
- (g) federate or affiliate the College with any other institution of higher learning;
- (h) appoint committees and delegate to them the power and authority to act for the board on any matter, as long as a majority of the members of the committee are members of the board; and
- (i) enact by-laws for the conduct of its affairs.

**Auditor**

(3) The board shall appoint one or more public accountants licensed under the Public Accountancy Act to audit the accounts and transactions of the College at least once a year.

**President**

7. The Pastor of the FaithWay Baptist Church is the president of the College and presiding officer at board meetings.

**Academic council**

8. The academic council of the College is established and is composed of,

- (a) the president of the College;
- (b) the vice-president of the College;
- (c) such number of members of the faculty, not to exceed three, as is determined by the academic council; and
- (d) three members of the board, other than the president and the vice-president, appointed by the board.

**Powers of the academic council**

9.-(1) The academic council shall manage the academic affairs of the College and may,



- (a) recommend to the board the establishment and termination of programs and courses of study;
- (b) determine the curricula of programs and courses of study;
- (c) determine the standards of admission to and continued registration in the College;
- (d) determine qualifications for graduation and for conferring diplomas, certificates and degrees;
- (e) determine all matters related to examinations and the appointment of examiners;
- (f) award fellowships, scholarships, bursaries, medals, prizes and other marks of academic achievement;
- (g) appoint committees and delegate to them the power and authority to act for it on any matter set out in clauses (a) to (f), as long as a majority of the members of the committee are members of the academic council or the faculty;
- (h) determine the number of faculty members to be elected to the academic council under clause 8(c), and determine the terms of office for each such member, such term not to exceed three years;
- (i) determine all other matters related to the election of members of the academic council; and

NEW { (j) enact by-laws for the conduct of its affairs.

#### Presiding officer

(2) The president is the presiding officer at academic council meetings.

#### Meetings open

10.-(1) Meetings of the board and of the academic council are open to the public.

#### Exception

(2) The board or academic council shall exclude members of the public from the part of a meeting during which a matter of a personal nature concerning an individual is considered unless the individual and the board or academic council agree to admit the public.

#### Removal for conduct

(3) The board or academic council may remove from a meeting a person who, in the opinion of the board or academic council,



engages in conduct at the meeting that could interfere with the proceedings.

Inspection by public

11. The board shall keep available for inspection by the public during the normal office hours of the College,

- (a) a copy of its by-laws;
- (b) a copy of the academic council's by-laws; and
- (c) a copy of the most recent auditor's report on the accounts of the College.

Commencement

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

Short title

13. The short title of this Act is the FaithWay Baptist College of Canada Act, 1991.