

*Saskatchewan Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches**

being a Private Act

Chapter 122 of the *Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1953*
(effective April 1, 1953) as amended by the *Statutes
of Saskatchewan, 1954, c.96; 1978, c.68 *; 1990-91, c.01
and 1993, c.02.*

Note: *Formerly named An Act to incorporate The Mennonite Brethren Church of Saskatchewan.

NOTE:

This consolidation is not official. Amendments have been incorporated for convenience of reference and the original statutes and regulations should be consulted for all purposes of interpretation and application of the law. In order to preserve the integrity of the original statutes and regulations, errors that may have appeared are reproduced in this consolidation.

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CHAPTER 122

**An Act to incorporate The Mennonite Brethren Church of
Saskatchewan**

(Assented to April 1, 1953)

Preamble

WHEREAS by chapter 51 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1909, an Act was passed to incorporate The Mennonite Brethren of Saskatchewan; and

Whereas the said Act to incorporate The Mennonite Brethren of Saskatchewan was amended by chapter 119 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1947, and further amended by chapter 106 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1951; and

Whereas David R. Dyck, of Saskatoon, Frank J. Baerg, of Hepburn, and Alexander A. Schultz, of Waldheim, all in the Province of Saskatchewan, have by their petition represented that they are members of the Trustee Board of the Mennonite Brethren Church of Saskatchewan; and

Whereas the said Trustee Board believe that it would tend greatly to assist its work on behalf of the said Church in the Province of Saskatchewan if chapter 51 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1909, and chapter 119 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1947, and chapter 106 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1951, were repealed and a new Act to incorporate the Mennonite Brethren Church of Saskatchewan were passed; and

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition:

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

Incorporation

1 David R. Dyck, Frank J. Baerg and Alexander A. Schultz, members of the Trustee Board of the Mennonite Brethren Church of Saskatchewan and their successors in office are constituted a body corporate under the name of "Saskatchewan Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches".

1953, c.122, s.1; 1978, c.68, s.1.

Powers

2 In addition to the powers, rights and privileges conferred upon or vested in corporations by the laws of Saskatchewan, the corporation shall have full power and authority:

Acquisition of property

(a) to acquire by gift or purchase, have, hold, possess and enjoy lands, tenements, hereditaments, rents, annuities and other property, movable or immovable, real and personal of every kind whatsoever;

Disposal of property

(b) to sell, transfer, alienate, exchange, hypothecate, mortgage, let, lease or otherwise deal with or dispose of any part of its real or personal property or any estate or interest therein or part thereof and with the proceeds thereof to acquire other real and personal property to such extent as may be deemed advisable or desirable or to use such proceeds in the carrying on of its ordinary activities;

Investments

(c) to invest all or any sums of money belonging to the corporation in any property or security whatsoever for the use and purposes of the corporation;

Borrowing

(d) to borrow from any person, firm or corporation such sum or sums of money as may be found necessary for the purposes of the corporation and to secure any loan to the lender by bonds, debentures, bills of exchange, promissory notes, mortgages or any other instrument that may be deemed advisable;

Buildings, etc.

(e) to acquire by gift, purchase or otherwise or to build, erect or enlarge and to manage and conduct all such houses, halls, hospitals, residences, boarding schools, farms and other places or things as may be found or deemed necessary or convenient for the carrying on of the objects of the corporation and to do all such things as may be deemed necessary to attain all such objects;

Corporate seal

(f) to adopt a corporate seal and change it at will;

Promissory notes, bills of exchange, etc.

(g) to draw, make, accept, endorse, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments;

Fees

(h) to fix, charge and collect fees for any services rendered by the corporation and for the board and lodging of the residents of any buildings owned or used by the corporation;

Collections

(i) to exercise all rights and remedies for the collection of money owing to it in the same manner and to the same extent as any individual may do;

Bylaws

(j) to make or pass, from time to time, such bylaws or regulations, not contrary to law, as may be necessary for the welfare, constitution and government of the corporation, and for the guidance of its officers in the conduct of the business and the management of the property of the corporation and to alter, amend and repeal such bylaws and regulations from time to time;

Philanthropic work

(k) to carry on charitable and philanthropic work; to solicit, collect and accept funds or other subscriptions for the carrying on of the work of the corporation and for any other religious, charitable or benevolent purpose;

Lectures and courses of study

(l) to formulate courses of study and rules of discipline for students and to provide for the delivery of lectures and holding of classes and conferences calculated directly or indirectly to advance or promote the objects of the corporation;

Certificates and diplomas

(m) to award certificates, degrees and diplomas of merit and efficiency and to appoint such professors, lecturers and instructors and other officers and servants as may be necessary for the carrying into effect of the objects and purposes of the corporation and to cancel or rescind such appointments at pleasure;

Affiliation

(n) to make and enter into treaties, contracts and arrangements for affiliating with the corporation and its educational work any other schools or colleges;

Printing and publishing establishments

(o) to publish and print or cause to be published and printed books, pamphlets and literature of a religious and secular nature pertaining to the work of the corporation and for such purpose to erect plants, purchase machinery and generally to enter into all and any contracts required for the accomplishment of such purposes;

Religious and missionary work

(p) to conduct a place or places of worship; to carry on home and foreign missionary work for the spread of the Gospel;

General

(q) to do any and all other things that are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects for which the corporation is established, namely to propagate the Gospel, to establish, manage and operate schools, colleges, homes for the aged, hospitals, institutions, homes, farms, residences, boarding schools, places or things as may be deemed advisable in order to further the benevolent and charitable work of the corporation.

1953, c.122, s.2; 1990-91, c.01, s.2.

Property held by trustees to be transferred to corporation

3 Every person in whom any property, real or personal, or any interest therein has heretofore become vested, or hereafter becomes vested, by statute or by gift, devise, deed, conveyance, transfer, lease, bequest or assignment or in any other manner, upon trust for the Mennonite Brethren Church of Saskatchewan or upon trust for any of the member churches of the corporation or any trust in connection with the said church shall upon request of the corporation and at the corporation's expense forthwith assign, convey or otherwise transfer such property or interest therein to the corporation and shall sign and execute all such deeds and instruments and do all such acts as may be necessary for that purpose and upon so doing such person shall be relieved of his duties and responsibilities in connection with such trusteeship.

1953, c.122, s.3.

Execution of documents under seal

4 All grants, conveyances, deeds, transfers, leases, assignments, releases, discharges and all other instruments shall be made and executed by the corporation under its corporate seal attested by the signatures of any three members of the trustee board and when so made and executed shall be sufficient and conclusive.

1953, c.122, s.4.

Vacancies on trustee board

5 If any member of the trustee board dies or resigns his office, or refuses or neglects to act, or ceases to reside in Canada, or becomes mentally incompetent, he shall be deemed to have vacated his office as a member of the trustee board of the corporation.

1953, c.122, s.5.

Meetings

6 The corporation shall meet annually or biannually for the election of officers and the transaction of other business at such times and in such places as may from time to time be decided and the present officers of the corporation shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.

1953, c.122, s.6.

Attorneys

7 The corporation may appoint one or more attorneys for the transaction of its business.

1953, c.122, s.7.

Use of revenue

8 The revenues, issues and profits of all property held by the corporation shall be applied to the maintenance and conduct of the institutions carried on by it, to the construction and repair of buildings and the acquisition of property requisite for its purposes, to the furtherance of its objects and to the promotion of charity and benevolence.

1953, c.122, s.8.

Liability of members for debts

9 No member or officer of the corporation shall be personally liable for the debts thereof.

1953, c.122, s.9.

Returns

10 The corporation shall at all times when called upon to do so by the Lieutenant Governor in Council render an account of its property and affairs.

1953, c.122, s.10.

11 Repealed. 1993, c.02, s.13.

Exemption from taxation

12 The real property of the Mennonite Brethren Church of Saskatchewan, commonly known as Herbert Bible School, namely, all that Portion of Lot One (1), in Block One (1), in an addition to the Townsite of Herbert in the Province of Saskatchewan in the Dominion of Canada according to a plan of record in the Land Titles Office for the Swift Current Land Registration District as B.3773, bounded as follows: Commencing at the North-East corner of the said lot; thence Westerly along the North boundary thereof to the Western boundary; thence Southerly along the Western boundary four hundred and fifty (450) feet; thence Easterly and parallel with the said North boundary to the Eastern boundary; thence Northerly along the Eastern boundary to the place of beginning, minerals included, and all personal property now owned or hereafter acquired by the said corporation, shall while used for the purposes of the Mennonite Brethren Church of Saskatchewan be exempt from all taxes, rates, levies and assessments of every nature and kind which the Town of Herbert has at present the power to impose, save and except local improvement taxes.

1954, c.96, s.3.

