**Agenda 2.2.11**

**LCA committees and commissions to have at least one member under 30 by 2022**

**PROPOSED MOTION**

*Submitted by Committee for Child Youth and Family Ministry, and Standing Committee on Nominations*

**BE IT RESOLVED** that by 2022 all committees and commissions of the LCA will have at least one member aged 30 or under, and that by 2025 all boards, councils, committees, and commissions of the LCA will have at least one member aged 30 or under, who has a demonstrated ability, heart for God and capacity to make a contribution to the relevant board, council, committee or commission of the LCA.

**REASONS FOR THE MOTION**

1. There are many young people throughout various LCA congregations with several years of experience and qualifications in their chosen field, who could provide a valuable contribution to a board, council, commission or committee, however, may not be inclined to put their name forward without some active encouragement to do so.
2. Leadership training has been provided to young people at District and National level. This resolution aims to harness this energy and training for the sustainability of the LCA.
3. We recognise that many young people have not had the opportunity to serve in governance bodies and therefore it is proposed that the introduction of at least one member aged 30 or under to all boards and committees, be in two stages.
4. Young people are an important part of who we are and who God wants us to be as a church.
5. For the LCA to be a vibrant, growing community, young people need to have a place and a voice in all aspects of church life.
6. We need to be engaging with young people and we need young people engaging with the church in leadership roles to sustain the church into the future.

It is not intended that this resolution preclude the election or appointment of suitable young people to any board or committee in the interim.