

2021-2022 Budget Assumptions and Notes South Central Mennonite Conference

Overview:

- Given the uncertainties related to potential decisions at the July SCMC annual conference, the proposed budget is based on a more general set of assumptions than is usually the case. In some cases, though a line item may not come to fruition in the uncertain year ahead, amounts have been entered so that funds are available if a program is needed and continued.

Income:

- The projected income in the proposed budget has been decreased slightly due to potential changes in congregational affiliation that may occur prior to the end of the coming fiscal year. Member congregations are encouraged to continue to financially support their conference throughout potential transitions. This support should be sent to SCMC until such time that formal conference affiliation changes are implemented and financial support is transferred to the newly affiliated organization.

Expenses:

- It is assumed that – regardless of specific decisions regarding affiliations – demands for time from SCMC personnel will continue at current or higher levels throughout the year as congregations determine “best paths”. Salary and salary-related expenses for the coming year are therefore maintained in the coming year budget proposal.
- Funding for special projects will continue to be limited.
- Travel expenses will likely continue during the year, especially as churches utilize the services of the Network Director(s) and Regional Ministry Coaches.

Income / Loss:

- The accumulated reserve anticipated at the end of the current fiscal year will be (more than) adequate to cover the annual loss / shortfall shown in the proposed 2021-2022 budget.

