

The executive of Kent Presbytery met as per the Consent Docket approved on June 5, 2007, at Darrel S. Moffat Memorial Church, Tilbury. Chairperson Cathy Collins-Barker called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. A quorum was present throughout. Cathy began with a worship centered on the theme, "A Song of Faith."

ATTENDANCE

Ministry Personnel: James Brown, Cathy Collins-Barker, Ed Nicol, Eric Skillings, Margaret Trapnell, and Carolyn Wilson Wynne.

Lay Delegates: Doug Cameron, Alice Dale, Bonnie Harvey, and Barbara Robbins

Guests & Visitors – Pat Milliken, Derek Parry

Regrets: Meg Runhart, Betty Lou Baker, David Woodall

AGENDA – The agenda was approved, as printed, with added items on motion by Barbara Robbins/Eric Skillings.

Chatham – Sprucedale Pastoral Charge

Pat Milliken reported on how the Pastoral Charge has complied with requests arising from the report of the author of the 333 review. Pat's report is very positive. As a result, the following motion was brought forth.

Motion - Bonnie Harvey/Margaret Trapnell

Recognizing that the Chatham – Sprucedale Pastoral Charge has advanced to this point, Kent Presbytery Executive declares them ready to establish a Joint Needs Assessment Committee. **CARRIED**

Sharon Campbell Rayment

Derek Parry attended the meeting on behalf of the Education & Students Committee. It appears that there are some missing signatures from the past, in paper work involving Sharon's candidacy. Executive asked that the full court hear the information and make any further decisions at the March 4 meeting.

Motion Margaret Trapnell/Eric Skillings

That the secretary of Kent Presbytery sign, on behalf of the Presbytery Representative on the discernment committee, the discernment document of November 16 2003, applying to Sharon Campbell Rayment, all other needed signatures having been recorded on that date. **CARRIED**

MINUTES

Motion Ed Nicol/Alice Dale

That the minutes of the meeting of the Executive of Kent Presbytery held on January 17, 2008 be approved as printed with the following corrections: 1) the item on page 2007/2008-61 regarding the Canadian Council of Churches should

read that Margaret Trapnell is a representative from The United Church of Canada instead of Kent Presbytery, 2) the item on page 2007/2008-60 regarding the Chaplain to clergy will be resubmitted at a future meeting. **CARRIED**

Motion Ed Nicol/Jim Brown

That the minutes of the meeting of Kent Presbytery held on February 5, 2008 be received for information. **CARRIED**

Business Arising from Minutes

- Constitution of Kent Presbytery – 2 persons have indicated interest in working with the Chairperson. Other volunteers are welcome. Contact Cathy Collins-Barker
- Remits Item #152 – On a motion by Carolyn Wilson Wynne/Barbara Robbins, which **Carried**, a copy will be made available to all Presbyters and the item will be brought to the April 1 meeting of Presbytery
- Staff Futures Committee – next meeting is in April

CORRESPONDENCE

Received

#	Received	Sent	Via	Sender	Topic	Deal With
188	08-02-05	08-02-05	Email	H. McLean	February Planned Giving material	Email to churches
189	08-02-11	08-02-11	Email	D. Maxwell	Req. to transfer membership to Kent	Exec. & Pastoral Relations
190	08-02-15	08-02-12	Mail	G.C. Office	Updated list of names for admission	Secretary
191	08-02-15	08-02-15	Email	G.C. Office	Press release Aboriginal and Church leaders tour	File
192	08-02-15	08-02-15	Email	G.C. Office	Grant Application info	Exec.

Note: the Chairperson has received a thank you letter from David Woodall, Executive Secretary of London Conference. Cathy will read the letter at the March meeting of Presbytery.

Business Arising from Correspondence

Motion Ed Nicol/Barbara Robbins

That Kent Presbytery request the transfer of the Rev. David Maxwell from Great Lakes Waterways Presbytery, All Native Circle Conference. Members of the Executive questioned the fact that since David is a member of Trinity United Church Wallaceburg, he could not be a member of two separate courts at the same

time. Therefore the motion was **DEFEATED**. The Secretary was instructed to obtain further information as soon as possible. This may mean a ruling from London Conference Office or General Council Office.

REPORTS

Treasurer – Doug Cameron

The 2007 Financial Report of Kent Presbytery will be brought to the March meeting for approval. Copies will be available at sign-in time.

In order to receive the best interest rates for the SEED fund monies, and to make the funds readily available, the following was presented:

Motion Doug Cameron/Eric Skillings

That monies may be transferred between bank accounts, solely on the signature of the Treasurer, Doug Cameron. **CARRIED**

Pastoral Relations – Barbara Robbins

A reminder of the Ministry & Personnel Committee workshop Feb. 26.

Pastoral Oversight – Margaret Trapnell

This committee needs more members in order to fulfill its mandate properly.

Mission in Canada/Christian Development – Carolyn Wilson Wynne

A reminder of the upcoming Youth Forum

Stewardship – Alice Dale

The M&S Covenanting forms are to go to General Council Office, not to Alice.

Conference Executive – Doug Cameron

- The archives will be housed in the same building as General Council offices until the lease expires in 2015. Plans are being made for archive storage after that time.
- The Fairfield Museum Board has held its annual meeting. It is expected there will be a request for a grant from the Kent Presbytery SEED fund.
- The budget was overspent in 2007. There will have to be an increase in assessments to make up the loss.
- If congregations wish, they may apply for Trillium grants from the province.
- The Conference web site is being set up so that payments may be made via PayPal for meals at the Annual Meeting.
- Registration forms for the Annual Meeting are available on the Conference web site or from Presbytery secretaries.

New Business

- The Christian Development committee is asked to investigate adding a church presence to the Chatham-Kent Children's Safety Village.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 12:07 PM

Catherine Collins-Barker, Chairperson

Ed Nicol, Secretary

KENT PRESBYTERY IS CALLED TO MEET ON
TUESDAY MARCH 4, 2008
AT TRINITY UNITED CHURCH
750 WELLINGTON ST.
WALLACEBURG

AGENDA

5:00 to 5:30 PM – Brown bag lunch.

**5:30 to 6:15 PM – Presentation by Rev. Annalee Kerr, on her trip to Israel as part of
“The United for Peace” campaign**

6:15 PM Registration, name tags & refreshments

6:30 PM Divisions and committees meet in assigned locations

7:30 PM Constitution of court

Worship, led by members of Pastoral Relations Committee

Introductions

Welcome to Trinity United Church

Presentation of 2007 financial report by auditor

Minutes of Presbytery meeting of February 5, 2008 for approval

Minutes of Executive meeting of February 21, 2008 for information

Business arising from minutes

Reports for ACTION

RESOURCE CENTRE MINUTE

STAFF REPORTING TIME

Reports for INFORMATION

New Business

9:30 PM Adjournment

Cleanup

NOTE: Copies of the Financial Report will be available at the registration table.