

After Divisions and Committees met at 6:15 PM, Kent Presbytery met in regular session at 7:30 PM, on March 2, 2010, at Charing Cross United Church, as per the Consent Docket approved on June 2, 2009. Chairperson Chuck Scott constituted the court, and a quorum was present throughout the meeting. Worship was led by the Division of Finance & Administration.

ATTENDANCE***MINISTRY PERSONNEL:***

Jim Brown, Lynn Brown, Wanda Burse, Bruce Cook, Mary Elford, Judith Fayter, Bruce Fraser, Annalee Kerr, Curtis Marwood, Ed Nicol, Lilian Patey, Mark Perry, Meg Runhart, Heather Scott, Eric Skillings, Margaret Trapnell, Johanna VanderSpek, Nancy Walker.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES:

Donna Alexander, Sharon Ball, Mae Bedford, Tom Brunt, Doug Cameron, Alice Dale, Bill Foster, Carolyn Fraser, Bonnie Harvey, Kathy Hawley, Doreen Hewitson, Les Hogg, Marjorie Jackson, Leslie Mancell, Dawn Marwood, Susan Matsuo, Evelyn Mayo, Carolyn McMahan, Barbara Robbins, Connie Rouse, Arlene Ruggles, Sandy Ryall, Diane Sansom, Susan Scaman, Chuck Scott, Anne Serednicki, Linda Slegers, Ken Stevenson, Lynda Van Leeuwen.

REGRETS: George Allan, Lloyd Brown, Cheryl Kirk, Cathy Larmond, Linda Maw, Pat Milliken, Lorne Thrower, Ross Williams, Elliot Arnold, Grace Harvey, Eileen Hooker-Dolata, Betty Krekewich, Elaine Leeson, Thor Milton, Richard Sanford, Joyce Sinasac, Tracy Wygiera

ABSENT: Wayne Balmer, Shirley Clark, John W. Leeson, Margaret Mason, Jennifer Richmond, Ton Wiltenburg,

VISITORS & GUESTS: Matthew Stevens, London Conference staff, Joyce Morris, of Bothwell,

INTRODUCTIONS: Ken Stevenson, the new delegate from Erie Street United Church, Carolyn Fraser, the new President of Kent Presbyterial UCW, Connie Rouse, the new delegate from Victoria Avenue United, Kathy Hawley, the new delegate from Cedar Springs United, Anne Serednicki, the new delegate from Darrel S. Moffat, Mark Perry, the associate minister at St. Andrew's United Church, and Joyce Morris, from Bothwell.

WELCOME TO CHARING CROSS UNITED CHURCH

Mae Bedford welcomed Presbyters to Charing Cross and gave a brief history of the church in Charing Cross.

MINUTES

Motion Ed Nicol/Doreen Hewitson

That the minutes of the meetings of Kent Presbytery held on February 2, 2010 be adopted as printed, with the following change; Elaine Leeson and Lorna Lawrence are to be shown as regrets rather than absent. **CARRIED**

Motion Ed Nicol/Eric Skillings

That the minutes of the meetings of the Executive of Kent Presbytery held on February 18, 2010 be received for information. **CARRIED**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Received

#	Received	Sent	Via	Sender	Topic	Deal With
221	10-02-18	10-02-18	Email	M. Stevens	Stewardship	Kent Churches
222	10-02-18	10-02-18	Email	Conf. Office	GO Project	Kent Churches
223	10-02-18	10-02-18	Email	M. Stevens	Uganda rights	Kent Yahoo group
224	10-02-18	10-02-02	Hand	Trinity-Wallaceburg	Request for approval as education site	E & S
225	10-02-19	10-02-19	Email	E. Skillings	Closing the Doors resource	File
226	10-02-19	10-02-19	Email	T. Broadhurst	File stats forms online	Kent churches
227	10-02-21	10-02-21	Email	E. Mayo	Need member of M&P Comm. Re: Nancy Walker	Executive
228	10-02-25	10-02-25	Email	Chatham-Sprucedale PC	Req. Sacraments P. Milliken	Executive
229	10-02-25	10-02-25	Email	M. Stevens	More Than Enough	Yahoo group
230	10-02-25	10-02-25	Email	G.C. Office	Info on Remit "Words of Faith"	Email list
231	10-02-26	10-02-23	Mail	P. Milliken	Lic. For Sacraments	E & S
232	10-02-26	10-02-23	Mail	N. Sanders	Extension for Remit #3 vote	Executive

233	10-02-26	10-02-24	Mail	Conf. Office	Surplus Property	File
234	10-02-26	10-02-26	Email	Lisa Di Veto	March planned giving inserts	Kent Churches
235	10-03-01	10-03-01	Email	Conf. Office	Seeds of Hope forms	Kent Churches
236	10-03-01	10-03-01	Email	Betsy Anderson	Emmanuel College Con Ed	Kent Email list
237	10-03-02	10-03-02	Email	Essex Pres.	Does God Have A Future Workshop	Kent churches
238	10-03-02	10-03-23	Mail	Chatham-Sprucedale PC	Req. Sacraments P. Milliken	E & S

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Nominations committee to find a person to replace Lynn Brown on the M&P Committee for Nancy Walker.

CONFERENCE REPORT – Matthew Stevens

- The 2009 shortfall in givings to M&S will mean cutbacks
- Suggest that we promote PAR to help make up for members who are often away and also to provide a steady income to treasuries
- Please sign the petition regarding the situation in Uganda

REPORTS FOR ACTION

Finance & Administration – No report

Pastoral Relations – Barbara Robbins

Motion Bonnie Harvey/Curtis Marwood

That Kent Presbytery appoint Mr. Chuck Scott as pastoral charge supervisor for the Chatham-Sprucedale Pastoral Charge. **CARRIED**

Education & Students – Judith Fayter

Motion Judith Fayter/Johanna VanderSpek

That Kent Presbytery request that London Conference license Ms. Pat Milliken to administer the Sacraments, while she is fulfilling the ministry appointment, as per Section 343 (e) of The Manual 2007, with the Chatham-Sprucedale Pastoral Charge. **CARRIED**

Motion Judith Fayter/Johanna VanderSpek

That Kent Presbytery recommend that the Rev. Wanda Burse be recognized as an Educational Supervisor. **CARRIED** Note: This is to fulfill a requirement for the Wallaceburg – Trinity Pastoral Charge to be approved as a learning site.

STAFF REPORTING TIME

Resource Centre – Susan Scaman

- 85th Anniversary items will soon be available. Order your supplies now!

Director of Camping & Youth Ministry - Nancy Walker

- Freakout 2010 is this weekend.
- Youth Forum – April 15-18 please ensure that your youth are aware of the event!
- Good Friday Swell on April 2.
- Brochures for all of the above were in the January mailing from London Conference
- All interviews for camp staff have been completed

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Finance & Administration – Bruce Fraser

The Merlin United Church has paid off the mortgage on the new building in just six (6) years!

Ministry, Personnel & Education – Bonnie Harvey

Sympathy cards have been sent to Eileen Hooker-Dolata and the family of Pat Arnew. A get-well card has been sent to Shirley Brown.

Pastoral Charge Oversight – Margaret Trapnell

The committee has begun to meet with clergy during the first year of their call or appointment.

United Church in Action – Annalee Kerr

- March 27 @ 8:30 PM is Earth Hour. Time to turn off lights for one hour.
- Suggest a “Carbon Fast for Lent”
- Keep Uganda in our prayers
- Justice Event on April 24 at Victoria Avenue United Church, see page 3 of the Newsletter.

Communications – Eric Skillings

- While the committee is pleased to publish your events in the Newsletter, they would also like to hear and print the success stories.
- South Buxton has a large bed scanner available to scan pastoral charge books and registers.

UCW – Carolyn Fraser

- Please check the “black hole” in your church office for brochures on upcoming events. They were mailed out in the January mailing from London Conference. They are green, pink and yellow in colour.

Chaplain to Clergy - Arlene Ruggles

- Just 10 hours ago, Arlene gained a new grand daughter.

NEW BUSINESS

Conference Annual Meeting – Eric Skillings

- Registration forms and other information is available on the Conference website
- Only full meal packages, no individual meals, will be sold this year

Racial Justice Workshops – Evelyn Mayo

- The first event in London Conference will be held at Victoria Avenue United Church on March 24. All clergy persons are required to attend one such event. Anyone, lay or clergy, may attend. The costs are covered by General Council. Please contact Chuck Scott if you plan to attend.

Chairperson’s Remarks – Chuck Scott

- Please read Bill Steadman’s item in the March issue of The Observer
- Please watch the Moderator’s Lenten video, available at the General Council website.

Theological Reflection - Arlene Ruggles

- Arlene recapped the meeting with a reading and a prayer from the book, “There’s No ATM in the Wilderness.”

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM

Chuck Scott, Chairperson

Ed Nicol, Secretary

NEXT MEETINGS: Executive March 11 – 9:30 AM @ St. Paul’s UC
 Presbytery April 6 – 6:30 PM @ Erie Street UC, Ridgetown