

The day began at 2:30 PM, with two workshops on “What’s in the Future for Struggling Churches in Kent Presbytery.” The first session was led by Bonnie Harvey and Eric Skillings. Judith Gilliland of London Conference Office attended as a resource person. This session was attended by several members of congregations in Kent Presbytery. The second session was attended by Presbyters and led by Judith Gilliland. Supper was prepared by Kenesserie Camp staff.

After Divisions and Committees met at 6:15 PM, and a time of worship, led by Kenesserie Camp Staff. Kent Presbytery met in regular session at 7:15 PM, on June 7, 2011, at Kenesserie Camp, as per the Consent Docket approved on June 2, 2010. Chairperson Judith Fayter constituted the court, and a quorum was present throughout the meeting.

ATTENDANCE

MINISTRY PERSONNEL: Jim Brown, Lynn Brown, Wanda Burse, Mary Elford, Judith Fayter, Bruce Fraser, Doreen Hewitson, Annalee Kerr, Cheryl Kirk, Cathy Larmond, Curtis Marwood, Linda Maw, Pat Milliken, Ed Nicol, Mark Perry, Heather Scott, Eric Skillings, Margaret Trapnell, Nancy Walker.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES:

Elliot Arnold, Laurie Blackwell, Tom Brunt, Joyce Charlton, Alice Dale, Carolyn Fraser, Bonnie Harvey, Les Hogg, Betty Krekewich, Leslie Mancell, Evelyn Mayo, Liz Morrison, Barbara Robbins, Connie Rouse, Sandy Ryall, Richard Sanford, Diane Sansom, Susan Scaman, Chuck Scott, Joyce Sinasac, Ken Stevenson, and Tracy Wygiera.

REGRETS: George Allan, Steve Atkinson, Lloyd Brown, Bruce Cook, Lilian Patey, Lorne Thrower, Johanna VanderSpek, Ross Williams, Sharon Ball, Doug Cameron, Shirley Clark, Bob Grieves, Elaine Leeson, Susan Matsuo, Linda Slegers, Lynda Van Leeuwen.

ABSENT: Wayne Balmer, Mae Bedford, Bill Foster, Eileen Hooker-Dolata, Marjorie Jackson, John W. Leeson, Thor Milton, Bev Richardson, Jennifer Richmond.

GUESTS & VISITORS: Matthew Stevens, London Conference staff, Melanie Kirk, Gayle Martin and Gabriella Cutler of Victoria Ave. UC

INTRODUCTIONS: None

MINUTES

Motion Ed Nicol/Mark Perry

That the minutes of the meeting of Kent Presbytery held on May 3, 2011 be approved as printed. **CARRIED**

Motion Ed Nicol/Wanda Burse

That the minutes of the meeting of the Executive of Kent Presbytery, held on May 19, 2011, be received for information. **CARRIED**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Received

#	RECEIVED	SENT	VIA	SENDER	TOPIC	DEAL WITH
1	11-05-31	11-05-31	Email	Conf. Office	Communities in Faith in Ministry	Kent email list
2	11-06-01	11-06-01	Email	M. Stevens	Thank you re: Kairos Banner	Kent email list
3	11-06-02	11-06-02	Email	Conf. Office	Ministry in Motion	Kent Clergy
4	11-06-06	11-06-05	Email	Tilbury-Quinn PC	Request to reappoint L. Patey	Pastoral Relations
5	11-06-06	11-06-05	Email	Tilbury-Quinn PC	Request to use funds to repair roof	Finance & Administration
6	11-06-06	11-06-06	Email	Lisa Di Veto	Planned Giving inserts	Kent Churches
7	11-06-06	11-06-06	Email	Conf. Office	Ontario Research Initiative	J. Fayter & Kent Churches
8	11-06-07	11-06-06	Mail	Tilbury-Quinn PC	Hard Copy of #5 above	As per #5

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

None

REPORTS FOR ACTIONEducation & Students - Wanda Burse

Motion Ken Stevenson/Wanda Burse

That Kent Presbytery continue Arlene Ruggles' candidacy for Diaconal ministry.

CARRIED

Motion: Wanda Burse/Ken Stevenson

That Kent Presbytery grant the learning bursary of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars to Arlene Ruggles for her studies in the upcoming year. **CARRIED**

Pastoral Relations - Barbara Robbins

Motion: Jim Brown/Curtis Marwood

That Kent Presbytery appoint Mr. Ed Nicol as Recognized Designated Lay Minister to the Cedar Springs Pastoral Charge, full-time (40 hours per week) for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2013, as per the terms of the Record of Appointment form PR 433

AP CARRIED

Motion: Heather Scott/Mark Perry

That Kent Presbytery approve the transfer of membership for the Rev. Linda Maw from Kent Presbytery of London Conference to Southwest Presbytery of Toronto Conference.

CARRIED

STAFF REPORTING TIMEDirector of Camping and Youth Ministry - Nancy Walker

- The camp staff is now in place with some members now filling their positions.
- The walkathon and chicken barbecue was highly successful
- There are still vacancies for campers

Resource Centre - Susan Scaman

- The centre will be open in July with reduced hours, but Susan will be close at hand.
- The centre will be closed in August

Conference Office - Matthew Stevens

- Matthew continues to encourage us to work hard at stewardship and making our churches more viable to our communities.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATIONUnited Church in Action - Annalee Kerr

- See the insert in this month's Newsletter for a report on mission outreach work in Chatham-Kent
- It is hoped to have a SEED Fund application ready by fall for assistance to the Outreach for Hunger Food Bank

- Thanks to Gabriella Cutler for her submission to the report in the Newsletter on the “That we may know each other” event.
- The Kairos banner will be presented to the VIA Rail train on June 18, 2011 at @ 2:02 PM and be sent to Ottawa

Rural Life & Communications - Eric Skillings

- Please read the article on Hydrofracking in the Newsletter

United Church Women - Carolyn Fraser

- Kent UCW Retreat at Kenesserie Camp is June 14. See the Newsletter
- Conference Summer Event at Siloam United Church in London on July 16. See the Newsletter

Christian Development - Diane Sansom

- Rendez-vous event. Aug. 11 - 14. See the Newsletter
- Mark Oct. 18 on your calendars for a Christian Development event for all ages. More to come.
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NEW BUSINESS

Nominations – Ed Nicol

Motion Ed Nicol/Eric Skillings

That the following persons be named as Members at Large of Kent Presbytery for the 2011/2012 pastoral year:

Thor Milton, Jennifer Richmond, Barbara Robbins, Chuck Scott, and Linda Slegers.

CARRIED

Motion: Mark Perry/Doreen Hewitson

That the following persons be elected to the Executive of Kent Presbytery for the 2011-2012 year.

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| Past Chairperson | Judith Fayter |
| • Chairperson | Cathy Larmond |
| • Chair-elect | TBA |
| • Treasurer | Doug Cameron |
| • Secretary | Ed Nicol |
| • Ministry, Personnel, & Education | Bonnie Harvey |
| • Pastoral Charge Oversight | Margaret Trapnell |
| • Pastoral Relations | Barbara Robbins |
| • United Church in Action | Annalee Kerr |
| • Mission in Canada | Eric Skillings |
| • Finance & Administration | Doug Cameron |
| • Delegate to Conference Exec. | Judith Fayter |

CARRIED

CONSENT DOCKET

Motion Ed Nicol/Eric Skillings

That the following be the Kent Presbytery consent docket for the **2011/2012** year.

1. The agenda for the meeting be adopted as printed and circulated.

2. The roll call be those who signify their attendance by legibly signing their name on the attendance sheet. The Chairperson or the Secretary will list any names that have been given to them for regrets on the attendance sheet.

3. All visitors to the court be made corresponding members. (*This means that visitors may speak but they do not have a vote.*)

4. (If possible) motions be clearly written or typed for the secretary.

5. That during months when non-business meetings are held, the Executive of Kent Presbytery shall have full authority to handle all business, as per Section 322 of The Manual, 2010.

6. The 2011/2012 meetings of Kent Presbytery be held at 6:30 PM in the announced locations on the following dates: September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6, January 03, February 7, March 6, April 03, May 1, and June 5.

7. The 2011/2012 meetings of Kent Presbytery Executive be held at 9:30 AM, at Victoria Avenue United Church, Chatham, on the following dates: June 16, September 15, October 20, Nov. 17, Dec. 15, (if, in the opinion of the Chair and Secretary this is needed), January 19, February 16, March 15, April 19, May 17, and June 16.

Motion to amend: Cheryl Kirk/Tracey Wygiera

That the meetings scheduled for January 3, 2012 and April 3, 2012 be held on January 10 and April 10, respectively. **CARRIED**

The original motion, as amended, was then **CARRIED** as amended.

As a result, the following table indicates the dates and tentative locations for the meetings of Kent Presbytery to be held during the 2011 - 2012 church year.

DATE	LOCATION
September 6, 2011	Thamesville United Church
October 4, 2011	Cedar Springs United Church
November 1, 2011	Erie Street United Church, Ridgetown

DATE	LOCATION
December 6, 2011	Zion United Church, Tupperville
January 10, 2012	St. Andrew's United Church. Chatham
February 7, 2012	Victoria Avenue United Church - Chatham
March 6, 2012	St. Paul's United Church
April 10, 2012	Trinity United Church, Wallaceburg
May 1, 2012	TBA

COMMITTEE TO CREATE A VISION FOR KENT PRESBYTERY

During the afternoon workshop it was felt that a committee should be struck to create a Mission Statement as well as a vision for the future of Kent Presbytery.

Motion: Doreen Hewitson/Tom Brunt

That Kent Presbytery appoint Judith Fayter to create a committee to accomplish the request from the afternoon workshop. **CARRIED**

INSTALLATION OF CHAIRPERSON AND EXECUTIVE

Chairperson Judith Fayter installed Cathy Larmond as the new chairperson. Cathy then installed the Executive for the coming year.

Chairperson Cathy and Past-Chair Judith then presided over Communion.

PRESENTATIONS – Bonnie Harvey

On behalf of Presbytery, Bonnie presented gifts to the Rev. Melanie Kirk newly ordained minister from Kent, and to Rev. Linda Maw and Pat Milliken who are retiring from ministry this month.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM with prayer and benediction by Cathy Larmond

Cathy Larmond, Chairperson

Ed Nicol, Secretary