

The executive of Kent Presbytery met as per the Consent Docket approved June 7, 2011, at Victoria Avenue United Church, Chatham-Kent. Chairperson Cathy Larmond constituted the meeting at 9:30 AM. A quorum was present throughout. Worship took the form of reflection and prayer based on the daily reading from "The Friendship Book."

#### ATTENDANCE

**MINISTRY PERSONNEL:** Judith Fayter, Annalee Kerr, Cathy Larmond, Ed Nicol, Eric Skillings, and Margaret Trapnell.

**LAY REPRESENTATIVES:** Doug Cameron, Carolyn Fraser, Bonnie Harvey, and Barbara Robbins

**REGRETS:** Heather McLean

**ABSENT:**

**GUESTS & VISITORS:**

**INTRODUCTIONS:** None

#### MINUTES

Motion Ed Nicol/Eric Skillings

That the minutes of the meeting of the executive of Kent Presbytery held on May 19, 2011 be approved as printed. **CARRIED**

Motion Ed Nicol/Bonnie Harvey

That the minutes of the meeting of Kent Presbytery, held on June 7, 2011, be received for information. **CARRIED**

#### BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- New laptop has been purchased
- Rutherford church sale complete and cheques to distribute funds have been written

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Received

#	RECEIVED	SENT	VIA	SENDER	TOPIC	DEAL WITH
009	11-06-08	11-06-08	Email	Conf. Office	Req. for meeting schedule	Secretary
010	11-06-09	11-06-09	Email	Conf. Office	Annual meeting stats	File

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011	11-06-09	11-06-09	Email	M. Stevens	Kairos Banner	File
012	11-06-09	11-06-09	Email	G.C. Office	Location of G.C. Office after 2015	Kent Churches
013	11-06-09	11-06-09	Email	T. Broadhurst	Delinquent stats forms	Executive
014	11-06-10	11-06-10	Email	E. Skillings	Info from June 7 meeting	Executive
015	11-06-10	11-06-10	Email	Conf. Office	Highlights of Annual Meeting	Kent email list
016	11-06-10	11-06-10	Email	Conf. Office	Restructuring proposals	Executive
017	11-06-11	11-06-11	Email	Linda Maw	Inquiry re license to marry	Secretary
018	11-06-14	11-06-14	Email	Wilma Johnson	Summer Event at Siloam UC	Kent Churches
019	11-06-15	11-06-15	Email	Tupperville PC	Req. to relicence Bonnie Harvey as LLWL	E & S

## BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

None

**REPORTS**Finance & Administration – Doug Cameron

Motion: Doug Cameron/Margaret Trapnell

That Judith Fayter be paid \$100.00 for leading the Licensed Lay Worship Leader workshop for those renewing their licenses. **CARRIED**

Motion: Bonnie Harvey/Judith Fayter

That with regard to the request in correspondence item #2011/2012-005, a qualified building inspector be engaged by the D. S. Moffat congregation in Tilbury to ascertain the cost of bringing the subject house up to code.

Pastoral Relations – Barbara Robbins

Motion: Barbara Robbins/Ed Nicol

That Kent Presbytery appoint the Rev. Judith Fayter as Pastoral Charge supervisor to the Talbot Street Pastoral Charge effective immediately. **CARRIED**

Judith Fayter and Eric Skillings abstained from voting.

NOTE: This motion was made as the South Buxton and Talbot Street pastoral charges are in discussions to possibly share ministry in some way in the future.

- A Joint Needs Assessment Committee workshop has been arranged for Sat. October 1. This will be held in Charing Cross. It is felt that due to coming changes especially in southwest Chatham-Kent, most congregations in this area should attend.
- Also, there will be a visioning workshop on October 22, at Charing Cross.

Pastoral Charge Oversight - Margaret Trapnell

- The one year interview with Rev. Mark Perry has been held.

Communications, Rural Life, Mission in Canada – Eric Skillings

- Notes from the June 7 workshop have been sent to Executive members
- Most of this will be forwarded to all Pastoral Charges

United Church in Action – Annalee Kerr

- More information from El Salvador will be posted with the Google Group
- Voices United #311 is a good prayer to use
- Urge all to all of Earth in our prayers of the people
- Outreach for Hunger press release soon
- The Kairos train will be in Chatham at 2:00 PM on at. June 18 in support of the United Nations declaration for upholding the rights of Indigenous Peoples
- More information on “Covenanting for Life” be in the fall issue of the Newsletter

United Church Women – Carolyn Fraser

Time was allowed at the beginning of the UCW Kenesserie Retreat Day, for coffee, conversation with the ladies from other groups. Building community, enjoying nature and relaxing at our United Church Camp, were to be an important part of the event. There was time to shop from our Resource Centre. Fair Trade Coffee was also available. Linda Slegers led us in the Hymn Sing aided by the accompaniment of the Voices United CD's from the R Centre.

Our Resource Centre person Susan Scaman, who organized the program part of the day introduced a wonderful speaker, Michelle O'Rourke. She is an emergency nurse at C-K Alliance, author and a workshop leader who provide opportunities to enrich our mind and soul. She was very influenced by the work of Henri Nouwen, Archbishop Desmond Tutu and the LARSH Communities. She stressed how important it is to find the time to be SILENT to become in tune with your God. It is important to love and be loved and to celebrate life with joy. The staff provided a delicious lunch but they appealed for a much needed cook for the camp this summer.

President Carolyn Fraser encouraged attendance at Siloam Summer Event July 16/11, Fall Rally -South Buxton, Oct 15/11, and the giving of a 'Gift' from our groups for the Morogoro Women's Centre in Tanzania in the hope of raising \$50,000 nationally for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of UCW in July 23-27/12. Our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration will be held at Sprucedale UC February 18/12.

Treasurer Wendy Kempster reported a Bank Balance of \$3,630.14.

Rev. Annalee Kerr actively instructed the women in a fun time with 'Laughter Yoga' in the Afternoon. Susan, Nancy Walker and staff led in worship. Two trees were donated to the Camp from the R Centre and the UCW. Inspiring Gathering!

#### London Conference Executive – Judith Fayter

- With regard to the Moderator's visit on October 21, the arrival and departure times will be negotiated with the adjacent presbyteries. (Middlesex and Essex)
- The chairperson of the Division of World Outreach would like Presbytery chairpersons to send an alternate if the chairperson is unavailable
- The acting Executive Secretary has met with the Conference United Church Women (UCW) president to explain the conflict of meeting dates in 2012 between the UCW meeting and the Conference Annual Meeting.
- A reminder to pastoral charges that Conference does not assess charges, only Presbyteries
- Presbyteries are encouraged to set aside funds to cover expenses of possible appeals
- The job description for Executive Secretary has been written and it is hoped to be advertised soon

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The meeting schedule for 2011/2012 has been updated to show committees responsible for worship. The new table is below.

DATE	LOCATION	WORSHIP	TOPIC
September 6, 2011	Thamesville United Church	Communications	Business meeting
October 4, 2011	Cedar Springs United Church	Education & Students	Conf. President visit and Lic. Lay Worship Leader Covenant Service
November 1, 2011	Erie Street United Church, Ridgetown	Finance & Administration	Business & Budget
December 6, 2011	Zion United Church, Tupperville	Executive	Christmas Gathering
January 10, 2012	St. Andrew's United Church, Chatham	United Church in Action	Guest Speaker on Addictions

DATE	LOCATION	WORSHIP	TOPIC
February 7, 2012	Victoria Avenue United Church - Chatham	United Church Women	Kenesserie Annual Meeting
March 6, 2012	St. Paul's United Church	Christian Development	
April 10, 2012	Trinity United Church, Wallaceburg	Pastoral Charge Oversight	Business
May 1, 2012	TBA	Pastoral Relations	Business

The President of London Conference will visit the October meeting

#### Summer Meetings

Motion Ed Nicol/Barbara Robbins

That during the summer months, a quorum for a meeting of the Executive of Kent Presbytery will be four (4) persons, one of whom must be ministry personnel and one must be a lay person. **CARRIED**

#### Presbytery Computer

Motion Eric Skillings/Annalee Kerr

Whereas a motion was passed on April 21 on page 2010/2011-75 to purchase a new computer, it is moved to pay the invoice as presented by the Secretary. **CARRIED**

#### Nominations – Ed Nicol

- We need a chairperson-elect as soon as possible. Some names were presented
- Doug would like to retire as treasurer. He will contact a couple of people whose names were brought to the table
- Kent Presbytery needs to name a delegate to the Conference Nominations committee.
- Contact Cathy Larmond, Ed Nicol or Doug Cameron if you wish to apply or suggest a name for any of these positions

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 PM with prayer from Judith Fayter.

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Cathy Larmond, Chairperson

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Ed Nicol, Secretary

Kent Presbytery United Church of Canada  
Is called to meet on September 6, 2011 at  
Thamesville United Church  
107 Elizabeth St.  
THAMESVILLE, ON

AGENDA

- 6:00 PM** Registration, name tags and coffee  
**6:15 PM** Divisions and Committees meet  
**7:30 PM** Constitution of the court  
WORSHIP led by Communications Committee  
Introductions  
Welcome to Thamesville United Church  
Minutes of Presbytery meeting of June 7, 2011 for approval  
Minutes of Executive meeting of June 16, 2011 for information  
Business arising from minutes  
Correspondence  
Business arising from Correspondence  
Reports for ACTION  
STAFF REPORTING TIME  
Reports for INFORMATION  
New Business  
Theological Reflection – Curtis Marwood  
**9:30 PM** Adjournment