

Kent Presbytery met in regular session at 7:30 PM, on November 1, 2011, at Erie Street United Church, Ridgetown, as per the Consent Docket approved on June 7, 2011. Chairperson Cathy Larmond constituted the court, and a quorum was present throughout the meeting. Worship was led by members of the Division of Finance & Administration.

ATTENDANCE***MINISTRY PERSONNEL:***

Lynn Brown, Wanda Burse, Bruce Cook, Judith Fayter, Bruce Fraser, Doreen Hewitson, Annalee Kerr, Cheryl Kirk, Cathy Larmond, Curtis Marwood, Ed Nicol, Lilian Patey, Mark Perry, Tyler Powell, Eric Skillings, Margaret Trapnell,.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES:

Sharon Ball, Doug Cameron, Alice Dale, Carolyn Fraser, Bonnie Harvey, Les Hogg, Marjorie Jackson, Betty Krekewich, Leslie Mancell, Evelyn Mayo, Bev Richardson, Barbara Robbins, Sandy Ryall, Susan Scaman, Chuck Scott, Joyce Sinasac, Linda Slegers, Ken Stevenson, Lynda Van Leeuwen.

REGRETS: George Allan, Jim Brown, Lloyd Brown, Mary Elford, Heather Scott, Lorne Thrower, Johanna VanderSpek, Ross Williams, Joyce Charlton, Bill Foster, Bob Grieves, Susan Matsuo, Liz Morrison, Richard Sanford, Diane Sansom, Tracy Wygiera.

ABSENT: Nancy Walker, Elliot Arnold, Wayne Balmer, Mae Bedford, Tom Brunt, Shirley Clark, , Eileen Hooker-Dolata, John W. Leeson, Thor Milton, Jennifer Richmond,

VISITORS AND GUESTS: .Matthew Stevens, London Conference staff.

INTRODUCTIONS: None

MINUTES

Motion Ed Nicol/Judith Fayter

That the minutes of the meeting of Kent Presbytery held on October 4, 2011 be approved as printed. CARRIED

Motion Ed Nicol/Mark Perry

That the minutes of the meeting of Kent Presbytery held on October 16, 2011 be approved as printed. CARRIED

Motion Ed Nicol/Lynn Brown

That the minutes of the meeting of the Executive of Kent Presbytery held on October 20, 2011 be received for information. CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Received

#	RECEIVED	SENT	VIA	SENDER	TOPIC	DEAL WITH
143	11-10-21	11-10-20	Email	M. Stevens	Green Audit for United Churches	Kent Churches
144	11-10-21	11-10-20	Email	M. Perry	Habitat for Humanity information	Kent email list
145	11-10-21	11-10-21	Email	M. Stevens	CIDA Update for Kairos supporters	Google Group
146	11-10-26	11-10-26	Email	G.C. Office	Moderator's comments on Occupy Movement	File
147	11-10-27	11-10-27	Email	Centre for Clergy & Congregational Health	Reopening	File
148	11-10-31	11-10-31	Email	Conf. Office	Naming of new Executive Secretary	Kent email list
149	11-10-31	11-10-28	Mail	Conf. Office	Hope Book, copies of Bridge. Etc.	File

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

With regard to number 148 above, the Secretary was asked to convey our congratulations to Cheryl-Anne Stadelbauer-Sampa on her appointment, and our sincere thanks to Heather McLean for her work as Acting Executive Secretary.

REPORTS FOR ACTION

Remits Cathy Larmond

The court discussed Remits #4, 5a and 5b and then voted by show of hands on each item. The results are as follows:

#4 – Frequency and timing of Conference meetings – **YES**

#5a – Appointment of Designated Lay Ministers – **YES**

#5b – Presbytery membership of Designated Lay Ministers – **YES**

Finance and Administration – Doug Cameron

Rutherford United Church

Motion: Alice Dale/Leslie Mancell

That Kent Presbytery discharge the Trustees of Rutherford United Church, pending receipt of all applicable church archival records. **CARRIED**

Motion: Curtis Marwood/Bonnie Harvey
That the Rutherford United Church congregation be disbanded as of November 1, 2011.
CARRIED

It was noted that the Dawn Valley – Dresden – Rutherford Pastoral Charge still exists, as the Dawn Valley congregation is still worshipping together.

Presbytery wishes to thank the folks of Rutherford United Church for the generous donations of funds following the disposition of its assets.

2012 Budget

Motion: Doug Cameron/Linda Slegers
That the budget in the amount of \$146,824.00 for 2012 be approved. **CARRIED**
Note: The cost per resident member is estimated at \$32.21. Final membership census is not yet complete. Copy of budget on page 2011/2012-40

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Communications – Eric Skillings

- All but five congregations have completed the Accessibility Statements and all of those received have been well done.
- The check list of Standards for Customer Service for has been posted on the web site. (kentpres.org)

London Conference – Matthew Stevens

- Come Out, Come Out Wherever You Are Betsy Exley needs your help to create a network for all those involved in child, youth and young adult ministry. Contact her at Conference Office
- The Swell December 17, 2011 @ Wesley-Knox United Church
- Bible Study resource, “A Moment of Truth” contact Matthew if you wish a copy
- Reminder to follow the sexual abuse policy as set out by General Council

United Church in Action – Annalee Kerr

- UNESCO accepts Palestine into full membership
- Horn of Africa campaign, see the United Church web site
- Thailand flooding, emergency funding underway
- Support the Hope Book

Christian Development – Cheryl Kirk

- The workshop on Education in the churches, held in October was a success
- Information for young people to attend General Council in 2012, will be in the December Newsletter

Order of the day

Having reached the order of the day, we had a motion Eric Skillings/Doreen Hewitson to extend the time by ten (10) minutes. **CARRIED**

United Church Women – Carolyn Fraser

- The Fall Rally was successful and a full report will be in the December Newsletter
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STAFF REPORTING TIME

Resource Centre – Susan Scaman

- The Lambton Presbytery resource centre is about to close
- Middlesex is considering the closure of its resource centre
- Kent resource centre is alive and well, thanks to all who support it.

Fair Trade Products – Chuck Scott

- The sale of these products at Presbytery meetings and in some of our churches continues to grow. Besides coffee, in several blends, we have tea, hot chocolate, and many varieties of chocolate bars.

THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION

Chaplain to Clergy – Curtis Marwood

- Curtis began with thanks for the support and attendance at the time of Dawn, his wife's passing, especially the gifts to the Mission and Service Fund.
- The decisions made at this meeting were then reviewed, with scriptural ties

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM with prayer led by Chairperson Cathy Larmond.

Cathy Larmond, Chairperson

Ed Nicol, Secretary

NEXT MEETINGS

Kent Presbytery Executive Thursday November 17, 2011 at Victoria Avenue United Church – 9:30 AM

Kent Presbytery Christmas Meeting, Tuesday December 6, at Zion United Church, Tupperville

KENT PRESBYTERY, UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA, PROPOSED 2012 BUDGET							
3896 MEMBERS ?		2011 Budget		Estimated to 12/31/2011		Proposed 2012 Budget	
INCOME							
Presbytery Assessments		\$ 94,617.00		\$ 94,617.00		\$ 94,632.00	
DCYM Assessments		\$ 29,997.00		\$ 29,997.00		\$ 30,897.00	
Camp DCYM Portion		\$ 20,151.00		\$ 20,151.00		\$ 20,755.00	
Covenanting Services		\$ -		\$ 490.00		\$ -	
Student Fund Donation		\$ -		\$ -			
Youth Fund Donation		\$ -		\$ -			
Photocopying		\$ -		\$ 400.00			
Interest Income		\$ -		\$ -			
Miscellaneous Income		\$ -		\$ -			
Draw on Reserves		\$ 2,000.00		\$ -		\$ -	
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 146,765.00		\$ 145,655.00		\$ 146,284.00
EXPENDITURES							
Finance and Administration							
Honourariums		\$ 7,100.00		\$ 7,100.00		\$ 7,600.00	
Boundaries		\$ 50.00		\$ -		\$ -	
Bank Charges		\$ 75.00		\$ 182.00		\$ 185.00	
Photocopier Expense		\$ 450.00		\$ 370.00		\$ 400.00	
Postage		\$ 175.00		\$ 125.00		\$ 150.00	
OfficeSupplies and Expense		\$ 200.00		\$ 215.00		\$ 200.00	
Stewardship		\$ 50.00		\$ -		\$ 50.00	
Professional Fees		\$ 2,600.00		\$ 2,966.00		\$ 3,100.00	
Miscellaneous Expense		\$ -	\$ 10,700.00	\$ -	\$ 10,958.00		\$ 11,685.00
M.P.&E.							
Education & Students		\$ 400.00		\$ 250.00		\$ 400.00	
Pastoral Relations		\$ 1,500.00		\$ 1,200.00		\$ 1,500.00	
Pastoral Oversight		\$ 300.00		\$ 50.00		\$ 200.00	
Pensions		\$ 50.00		\$ -		\$ -	
Presbytery Chaplain		\$ 5,500.00	\$ 7,750.00	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 6,300.00
UNITED CHURCH IN ACTION							
General Expenses		\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
MISSION IN CANADA							
Christian Development		\$ 300.00		\$ 63.00		\$ 300.00	
Youth Council		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -	
Youth Forum		\$ 350.00		\$ 240.00		\$ 350.00	
Leadership Development		\$ 800.00		\$ 505.00		\$ 800.00	
Rural Life		\$ 1,000.00		\$ 250.00		\$ 1,000.00	
Youth Co-ordinator		\$ 50,148.00		\$ 50,148.00		\$ 51,652.00	
Kenesseris Camp		\$ 12,000.00		\$ 12,000.00		\$ 12,000.00	
Resource Centre		\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00	
Web Page		\$ 200.00		\$ -		\$ 200.00	
Newsletter		\$ 200.00		\$ 54.00		\$ 100.00	
Name Tags		\$ 100.00	\$ 70,098.00	\$ -	\$ 68,260.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 71,502.00
GENERAL EXPENSES							
London Conference		\$ 57,667.00		\$ 57,667.00		\$ 55,897.00	
Covenanting Service Donation		\$ -		\$ 490.00		\$ -	
Minister Retreats		\$ 200.00				\$ 200.00	
Pastoral Services						\$ 350.00	
Miscellaneous Expense		\$ 250.00	\$ 58,117.00	\$ 619.00	\$ 58,157.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 56,697.00
			\$ 146,765.00		\$ 141,575.00		\$ 146,284.00