

Kent Presbytery met in regular session at 7:30 PM, on January 10, 2012, at St. Andrew's United Church, Chatham, 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 United Church in Action Committee.

ATTENDANCE***MINISTRY PERSONNEL:***

Jim Brown, Lynn Brown, Wanda Burse, Bruce Cook, Mary Elford, 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, Johanna VanderSpek, Nancy Walker.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES:

Sharon Ball, Mae Bedford, Tom Brunt, Joyce Charlton, Alice Dale, Bill Foster, Carolyn Fraser, Bonnie Harvey, Les Hogg, Betty Krekewich, John W. Leeson, Leslie Mancell, Susan Matsuo, Evelyn Mayo, Bev Richardson, Barbara Robbins, Richard Sanford, Diane Sansom, Susan Scaman, Chuck Scott, Joyce Sinasac, Linda Slegers, Ken Stevenson, Lynda Van Leeuwen, and Tracy Wygiera.

REGRETS: George Allan, Lloyd Brown, Heather Scott, Lorne Thrower, Ross Williams, Liz Morrison.

ABSENT: Elliot Arnold, Wayne Balmer, Doug Cameron, Shirley Clark, Bob Grieves, Eileen Hooker-Dolata, Marjorie Jackson, Thor Milton, Jennifer Richmond, Sandy Ryall.

GUESTS AND VISITORS: Ian Shular, Sunni Shular, Vicki Visnapuu.

INTRODUCTION: Sunni Shular, a Designated Lay Minister recognized by British Columbia Conference and her partner Ian Shular, and guest speaker Vicki Visnapuu.

WELCOME: Fred Williams, Chair of the St. Andrew's council welcomed Presbyters and guests to the church.

LEARNING EVENT: Guest speaker Vicki Visnapuu made a presentation on addictions and their effect on families. Contact information will be sent to the Kent email list.

MINUTES

Motion Ed Nicol/Alice Dale

That the minutes of the meetings of Kent Presbytery held on November 1, 2011 and December 6, 2011 be approved as printed with the following corrections; the names of Joyce Charlton and Bob Grieves be shown as present on December 6. **CARRIED**

Motion Ed Nicol/Lynn Brown

That the minutes of the meeting of the Executive of Kent Presbytery held on November 17, 2011 be received for information. **CARRIED**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Kent Presbytery Mission Statement. – Judith Fayter

Motion Eric Skillings/Tyler Powell

That Kent Presbytery adopt the Mission Statement document as presented. **CARRIED****CORRESPONDENCE**

Received

#	Received	Sent	Via	Sender	Topic	Deal With
155	11-11-17	11-11-16	Email	Emmanuel College	Webinars	Kent email list
156	11-11-17	11-11-17	Email	London Conference	General Council Executive highlights	Kent Email list
157	11-11-17	11-11-17	Email	London Conference	Education opportunities for churches and parents to reach youth	Kent Churches
158	11-11-20	11-11-18	Email	M. Stevens	Witmer visit	Kent Email list
159	11-11-20	11-11-19	Email	B. Van Norman	Essex Minutes	File
160	11-11-21	11-11-21	Email	Conf. Office	Conference Executive highlights	Kent email list
161	11-11-22	11-11-22	Email	G.C. Office	Climate change requires global solutions	File
162	11-11-22	11-11-22	Email	Conf. Office	Copy of #161 above	File
163	11-11-23	11-11-23	Email	M. Stevens	Filing date for Remit #6	File
164	11-11-23	11-11-22	Email	Conf. Office	Dec. 6 Order of Service	Kent Churches
165	11-11-23	11-11-22	Email	Lambton Presbytery	DLM Courses	Education & Students

166	11-11-23	11-11-22	Email	Conf. Office	Hope Book now online	Kent Churches
167	11-11-23	11-11-22	Email	D. Hewitson	Letter to acknowledge approval to Administer Sacraments	Secretary
168	11-11-24	11-11-24	Email	G.C. Office	United Church urges caution with Omnibus Crime Bill	File
169	11-11-25	11-11-25	Email	Conf. Office	Congregational Transitions Working Group	Kent email list
170	11-11-25	11-11-25	Email	G.C. Office	Moderator's Advent message	File
171	11-11-25	11-11-25	Email	Conf. Office	Accessibility Survey	Kent Churches
172	11-11-25	11-11-25	Email	Conf. Office	Jan McIntyre writes from Israel Palestine	Google Group
173	11-11-25	11-11-25	Email	Conf. Office	General Secretary's weekly letter	Google Group
174	11-11-29	11-11-28	Email	Five Oaks	Newsletter	Kent Churches
175	11-11-29	11-11-29	Email	Peter Kingsbury	Racial Justice online training session	Pastoral Relations
176	11-11-30	11-11-30	Email	M. Stevens	Kairos Appeal	Kent Churches
177	11-12-02	11-12-02	Email	Emmanuel College	December Newsletter Continuing Education	Kent churches
178	11-12-04	11-12-02	Email	Alan Hall G.C. Office	Survey pastoral relations	Kent email list
179	11-12-04	11-12-03	Email	V. Morato G.C. Office	Directors & Officers insurance	F & A
180	11-12-06	11-12-06	Email	Sprucedale PC	Request to rename Pastoral Charge	F & A

181	11-12-07	11-12-07	Email	J. Gilliland	Request regarding Communications	Kent email List
182	11-12-10	11-12-08	Email	Conf. Office	Book launch The United Church of Canada – A History	Google group
182	11-12-10	11-12-09	Email	M. Stevens	Emergency Needs Pool of the Justice & Reconciliation Fund	Google group
183	11-12-10	11-12-09	Email	G.C. Office	Press release: Longing for Leadership at COP17	File
184	11-12-12	11-12-10	Email	Lisa Di Veto	December planned giving insert	Kent Churches
185	11-12-12	11-12-12	Email	M. Stevens	Groups being offered in 2012	Kent Churches
186	11-12-16	11-12-15	Email	Five Oaks	December Newsletter	Kent Churches
187	11-12-16	11-12-15	Email	St. Paul's Cathedral London	Living Crèche	Google Group
188	11-12-19	11-12-19	Email	Larry Schneider	Request to be available for pulpit supply	E & S
189	11—12-24	11-12-23	Email	T. Broadhurst	2010 Final Stats	File
190	11-12-30	11-12-29	Email	Bonnie Harvey	Vern Bell passing	Kent email list
191	12-01-03	12-01-03	Email	G.C. Office	Proposals to GC #41	Email list
192	12-01-03	12-01-03	Email	G.C. Office	Call for Stewards at GC # 41	Email list
193	12-01-03	12-01-03	Email	G.C. Office	Web workshops	Email list
194	12-01-03	12-01-03	Email	Emmanuel College	January Newsletter	Kent Churches

195	12-01-05	12-01-05	Email	G.C. Office & Peter Kingsbury	Reminder to Treasurers on dealing with Aon Hewitt and ADP	Kent Churches
196	12-01-06	12-01-05	Email	M. Stevens	Five Oaks Program, "Returning to Spirit"	Kent Churches
197	12-01-06	12-01-06	Email	G.C. Office	Moderator's Epiphany message	File
198	12-01-09	12-01-08	Email	L. Schneider	Update to #188	E & S
199	12-01-10	12-01-10	Email	G.C. Office	Correction to #195	Kent Churches
200	12-01-10	12-01-10	Email	Conf. Office	Brokenness to Wholeness Brochure	Kent Churches

REPORTS FOR ACTION

Pastoral Relations – Barbara Robbins

Motion Margaret Trapnell/Ed Nicol

That Kent Presbytery appoint the Rev. Bruce Fraser and Ms. Barbara Robbins as Presbytery representatives to the Joint Needs Assessment Committee for the Tilbury-Quinn Pastoral Charge. **CARRIED**

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

United Church in Action – Annalee Kerr

- The Horn of Africa appeal is succeeding. The number of people in refugee camps is shrinking
- Two years after the earthquake in Haiti, new schools are being built
- Please consider reading the book, "A Child's View from Gaza"
- A moment of truth from Kairos Palestine
- The situation in Attawapiskat is causing concern
- Observer articles by Margaret Atwood and Alannis Mitchell are recommended reading

United Church in Action – Curtis Marwood

- The London Conference Division of World Outreach and the Social Justice Committee have been merged into the Social Justice Committee

United Church Women – Carolyn Fraser

- See the posters for information on the 50th Anniversary of the United Church Women
- There is also a blank bulletin cover available
- The song, "A Tapestry of Love" is now available to use during this celebration

- Conference UCW has donated to the Hope Book item in Nicaragua for a basketball hoop and partial wall

Christian Development – Diane Sansom

- Applications for Youth Forum and Youth Delegate to General Council are available and must be submitted by February 1, 2012

Accessibility - Eric Skillings

- All Kent paperwork is done and we are now waiting for the Provincial web site to be updated

STAFF REPORTING TIME

Resource Centre – Susan Scaman

- Peter and Heather Scott have donated several boxes of books. There is no charge for these. If you wish to donate to the Mission and Service Fund in appreciation for the items you take, it would be wonderful

Director of Camping and Youth Ministry – Nancy Walker

- We now have a Facebook account. Add to your list of friends
- Any youth who wish apply to attend General Council are reminded that all expense are paid
- Check out all the youth events on the Kent Presbytery Youth blog.
www.kentpresbyteryouth.blogspot.com

ORDER OF THE DAY

Motion Judith Fayter/Annalee Kerr

That the order of the day having been reached, we extend said order by ten (10) minutes.

CARRIED

Chaplain to the Clergy – Curtis Marwood

- Curtis reflected on the happenings of this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned with prayer led by Curtis Marwood at 9:40 PM.

Cathy Larmond, Chairperson

Ed Nicol, Secretary

Next meetings:

Executive meets on January 19, at 9:30 AM at Victoria Avenue United Church

Presbytery meets on February 7, at 6:15 PM at Victoria Avenue United Church