

Minutes – The Presbytery of Lindsay Peterborough Tuesday, September 18, 2018 - Regular Meeting – St Andrew’s Presbyterian Church– Fenelon Falls, Ontario

The Presbytery of Lindsay Peterborough met in regular session within St Andrew’s Presbyterian Church, Fenelon Falls, on Tuesday September 18 in the year of our Lord, 2018.

Attendance:

Ministers on the constituent roll: Baird, Jonathan; Brown, Doug; Ellis, Neil; Firth, Kathy; Horne, Cheryl; Huberts, Henry; Ingram, Sabrina; Ingram, Terry; Kim, Caleb; Quick, Bob; Sipos, Anita.

Elders voting: Burnett, Tom; Carpenter, Dennis; de Jong, Rick; Fry, John; Hodge, Lamoine; Hoyle, Bill; MacMaster, Jim; Marnoch, Garry; MacEachern, Ralph; MacEachern, Robert; McNenly, Pat; McQuillin, Barry; Payton, George; Robertson, Ross; Smith, Jim; Smith, Sheryl; Wallace, Susan; Williams, Tom; Wray, Stan.

Ministers on the appendix to the roll: Grace, Barney; Wallace, Ron

Others present for all or part on the day included: Grace, Bill; Halstead, Janet;

Women’s Missionary: Hoyle, Lizz (Linsday WMS); Randall, Joy

Regrets: Abernathy, Harold; Beaton, Sandy; Blane, Ann; Cunningham, Tom; Flindall, Robert; Gordon, Dorcas; Hartai, Helen; Knox, John; Park, Linda; Stewart, Fred;

9:30 am – Worship - Rev Caleb Kim lead us in worship and communion.

Constitute the Court - Moderator Sabrina Ingram

Introductions and courtesies:

- Sympathy of the court is expressed to Fred Stewart and his family, on the passing of his daughter, Kate.
- Henry Huberts introduced Bob Snelgrove of Cresswell
- Kathy Firth introduced Rev Kathy Gradante, minister of the United Church who Burnbrae is joining for Sunday services.
- Bill Boyle introduced Lizz Hoyle and Kathy from St Andrew’s, Fenelon Falls
- Joy introduced Cecilia Morris, prior WMS rep
- Caleb introduced his friend, Henry O.

Executive Committee Report

- 1. Recommendation:** that the Docket, which includes all reports listed in the final Working Papers, for September 18, 2018, be received. Moved by Terry Ingram. Seconded by Bill Hoyle. Carried

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Induction - The time having arrived for the induction of the new Moderator, the present moderator called the moderator elect, the Rev. Caleb Kim forward. A service of induction followed.

The new moderator thank Rev. Sabrina Ingram for her work the previous year on behalf of the Presbytery of Lindsay Peterborough.

Executive Committee Report – con’t.

2. **Recommendation:** The following >recommendations will be treated as a consent agenda: 4 - 9 will be moved and approved by consent. Moved by Terry Ingram. Seconded by Bill Hoyle.
It was requested that Rec 4, 5, and 6 be removed from the consent agenda.
The consent agenda as amended carried.
3. **Recommendation:** that the minutes of the June 19, 2018 Regular Presbytery Meeting be accepted. Moved by Terry Ingram. Seconded by Bill Hoyle. Carried.
4. **Recommendation:** that the following 2018-2019 Representative Elders and Alternates be confirmed: Moved by Terry Ingram. Seconded by Bill Hoyle. Carried.

Congregation	Representative Elder	Alternate
St Paul’s Peterborough	Sheryl Smith	Allan Sheets
Knox, Havelock	Lamoine Hodge	Mimi Kavanagh
St Andrew’s Bolsover	Robert MacEachern	Ralph MacEachern
St John’s Port Perry	Patricia McNenley	n/a
St Andrew’s, Lindsay	Susan Wallace	Deb Smith
St Paul’s, Port Hope	Jim Smith	Arlene Pettipas
St John’s, Port Perry	Patricia McNenley	n/a
St Andrew’s, Bowmanville	Jim MacMaster	Doreen Gilroy
St Stephen’s, Peterborough	Tom Williams	Rosemarie Delahaye
Burnbrae	John Fry	n/a
Cresswell	Bob Snelgrove	Doug Jeffs
Wick	Rick de Jong	

5. **Recommendation:** That the representatives from Lindsay Peterborough to attend Synod November 3 at Bradford will be: Anita Sipos (St Andrew’s Bowmanville) and Robert Quick (St. Andrew’s Lindsay) and Cheryl Horne (Old St Andrews, Colborne) and a member from each of their sessions. It was agreed to change Robert Quick (St Andrew’s, Lindsay) for Cheryl Horne (Old St. Andrew’s) Amended motion moved by Terry Ingram. Seconded by Bill Hoyle. Amended motion carried.

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6. **Recommendation:** that the next regular meeting of the Presbytery be held Tuesday October 16 2018 at 9:30 am at St Andrew’s Cobourg. Moved by Terry Ingram. Seconded by Bill Hoyle. Carried.
7. **Correspondence for Information:**
>**Recommendation:** that the following correspondence be received for Information:
A - Email from Rev Allan Aiken in BC, thanking me for all of the follow up required to obtain his temporary license for Ontario to perform a marriage in August. License arrived safely. Bride then changed her mind, and uninvited him to perform the ceremony. As information, the bride appeared at my door with a token thank you and card for all of the impositions.
B - 2.1 Expressions of Appreciation - GA Committee to Advise with the Moderator - that the thanks of the Assembly be extended to the congregations, individuals, presbyteries, synods, organizations and international and ecumenical partners who warmly welcomed and graciously offered hospitality to the Rev. Peter Bush.
C - 2.2 Expressions of Appreciation - Life and Mission Agency - that individuals, congregations and presbyteries be commended for their responses to PWS&D’s appeals for the Syria crisis and the Africa famine.
D - 3.3 Assembly Council Recommendation No 10 - That we as a church seek unity in Christ in our dealings with one another, in the spirit of the experience of the workshop engaged in by representatives of the Han-Ca Presbyteries, the Committee on Church Doctrine, the Life and Mission Agency, the Assembly Council and the Clerks of Assembly.
E - 3.4 - The 2019 Minimum Stipend Schedule can be found at A&P p 220-221 and Presbyterian.ca referrals
F - 3.5 - Clerks of Assembly Recommendation No. 13 - that the stipend portion of Book of Forms Appendices A-29 and A-30 be reconfigured as shows on page 265.
G- 3.1 Assembly Council Recommendation No. 1 - all church courts be encouraged to have their official records (especially sessions minutes and church registers) copied to microfilm for security and preservation purposes, and also digitized if desired, by contacting PCC Archives.
H - 3.2 Assembly Council Recommendation No 7 - that the stipend for students on summer appointment meet or exceed the minimum wage requirements for the province in which the appointment takes place; housing costs may be shared with the student, at a rate not to exceed \$100 per week, plus travel, as applicable.
I- 3.5 GA Referrals - Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee, Recommendation No. 4 - That Presbyterians and congregations seek to learn more about Canadian Indigenous spirituality. The Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee is preparing resources to assist with this endeavour.
J- 3.7 GA Referrals - Life and Mission Agency Recommendation No. 15 - that a creation care levy of \$20 per metric ton based on the carbon emissions of ground and air travel for the General Assembly participants be established to take effect at the

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8. Correspondence for Action:

>Recommendation: that the following correspondence be received for Action as noted:

A - PCC - Pension Department - email request for confirmation of contact information for Fred Stewart, for his retirement October 1, 2019. Clerk confirmed the information.

B - Request from Assante - Michael Corner - for Clerk to provide letters and confirmation of whether Lindsay Peterborough Presbytery is categorized as a “trust” or an “informal trust”. Clerk conferred with PCC, was provided written documentation which was then forwarded to Assante.

9. Correspondence Referred:

>Recommendation: that the following correspondence be referred:

A - Letters from Clerks of Assembly regarding Remits - referred to Ministry & Personnel for study and recommendations: ***by February 2019 Presbytery meeting***

Remit A - 176.1.10 - Provision for Equalizing Minister at presbytery

Remit B - 252. - It belongs to the Presbytery to depose ministers of Word and Sacraments from the ministry.....

Remit C - 365 - 375 - Censure

B - letter from PCC - Clerks of Assembly - reminder that General Assembly is Sunday June 2 - Thursday June 6 within the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington. Commissioners needed by November LPP meeting. Referred to Executive Committee.

C - Letter from Dorcas Gordon - asking that her current position be considered ministry and that she remain on the constituent list for LPP - referred to M&P.

D - GA Referrals - 1.1 - Committee on Church Doctrine - Recommendation No.1 - referred to CLC for recommendation back to LPP ***by November 2018 meeting.***

E -1.2 GA Referrals - Clerks of Assembly Recommendation No. 9 - referred to CLC for recommendation back to LPP ***by November 2018 meeting.***

F - 3.7 GA Referrals - Life and Mission Agency Recommendation No. 14 - that the report and recommendations be the response to Overture No 2 2018 (2018 A&P p 488) re resources to assist in responding to the opioid crisis. This report can be found at Presbyterian.ca/referrals. Referred to Executive Committee and congregations, as information.

G- 3.7 GA Referrals - Life and Mission Agency Recommendation No. 16 - that the levy be averaged (per General Assembly participant) and that presbyteries cover the cost of their commissioners and Presbyterian Sharing covers the cost of staff and resource people through the budget of the committee or agency that sends them to the General Assembly. Referred to Executive Committee -

H- 3.8 - GA Referrals - Life and Mission Agency Recommendation No 25 - that

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individuals and courts of the church be invited to express their support on to “Dignity for All: The Campaign for a Poverty-Free Canada” and to receive periodic updates concerning efforts to reduce poverty in Canada. (A&P 2018 p 369-370). Referred to M&O Committee, as information.

I- 3.9 - Special Committee Re Listening (LGBTQI) People, Recommendation No 3 -

That those who are subject to the discipline of the Presbyterian Church in Canada who accepted the invitation to serve on the Special Committee re Listening or who accept the invitation to tell their stories of harm done or grace experienced even in the midst challenges they have faced because of homophobia, hypocrisy, heterosexism or transphobia in the church, would have potential censure with respect to The Presbyterian Church in Canada’s stance on same-sex relationships suspended indefinitely in order to allow them to participate freely and honestly in the work of the special committee. Referred to Executive and M&P.

J- 3.10 - Special Committee Re Listening (LGBTQI) People, Recommendation No 4 -

that individuals and groups be encouraged to tell their stores pf harm done by homophobia, hypocrisy, heterosexism and transphobia, and to share stories of grace received in the midst of challenges in The Presbyterian Church in Canada through the Listening Process developed by the Rainbow Communion until June 15, 2019. Referred to Executive and M&P.

K - Letter from PCC - Clerks of Assembly - General Assembly in June will require a new moderator. Deadline for submitting nominations is Nov 30, 2018. Referred to Executive Committee.

Congregational Life Committee

Report received on the status of St. Paul’s Peterborough.

Court was reminded that the building is sold and we are tenants for 6 months. The congregation seeks a new venue for worship.

Ministry and Personnel

Recommendations:

- 1 That the Rev. Caleb Kim be named as the Interim-Moderator for the Bolsover/Woodville pastoral charge. Moved by Neil Ellis. Seconded by Anita Sipos. Carried.
2. That the Rev. Neil Ellis be granted to study leave from November 12-18 to attend the Lester Randall Preaching Fellowship. Moved by Sheryl Smith. Seconded by Anita Sipos. Carried.
3. That the Rev. Dr. Dorcas Gordon's role as Interim Director of the Toronto School of

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Theology be considered active ministry and that she remain on the constituent roll of presbytery. Moved by Neil Ellis. Seconded by Anita Sipos. Carried.

Interim Moderator Reports -

St John’s Cresswell – Rev. H. Huberts.

Recommendation: St John’s Presbyterian Church, Cresswell would like to ask for permission at this time to proceed to seek a minister to serve its congregation, for (49%) part time as Stated Supply. Moved by Henry Huberts. Seconded by Bob Quick. Carried.

St. Andrew’s, Burnbrae – Rev. Kathy Firth

On Sunday, September 9, 2018, Burnbrae had its first official service with Seymour United Church following Presbytery’s approval in June for a trial shared ecumenical ministry.

Discussion – is providing lunch necessary – brief discussion to give feed back to executive. Clerk, Janet to send an email asking for feed back from all presbyters.

Announcements:

- Dennis Carpenter - change of contact information: #210 - 60 West Street, Bobcaygeon -On KOM1A0 - phone 705-738-6741-ex 210
- Garry Marnoch - email change September 18 – garryandjane.marnoch@xplornet.com
- posters from Ann Blane – “Cottagers and Indians” – play Oct 23, 24 and 25 at Lakeview
- Emergent meeting – October 30 for a call. Hold the date, please. More details to come.
- Bob Quick – Lindsay hosting a tour to the Holy Land next May 2019 (2 weeks) and looking for people to join them.
- Henry Huberts also will host an event for small ministries Tuesday Oct 30, in the evening.

Moderator, Caleb asked for a Sharing of prayer requests -

11:30 - motion to adjourn. Moved by Cheryl Horne. Seconded by Bill Hoyle.

Moderator, Caleb Kim, closed the meeting with silent prayer.

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Clerk, Janet Halstead