

Minutes - The Presbytery of Lindsay Peterborough Regular Meeting Held Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at Beacan Presbyterian Church, Beaverton Ontario

The Presbytery of Lindsay Peterborough met in regular session within Beacan Presbyterian Church, Beaverton on Tuesday April 17 in the year of our Lord, 2018.

Attendance:

Ministers on the constituent roll: Baird, Jonathan; Blane, Ann; Cunningham, Tom; Ellis, Neil; Firth, Kathy; Hubert, Henry; Ingram, Sabrina; Ingram, Terry; Kim, Caleb; Park, Linda; Quick, Bob; Stewart, Fred;

Elders voting: Burnett, Tom; Carpenter, Dennis; Hoyle, Bill; MacMaster, Jim; Marnoch, Garry; MacEachern, Tom; Payton, George; Robertson, Ross; Smith, Jim; Smith, Sheryl; Williams, Tom.

Ministers on the appendix to the roll: Grace, Barney

Others present for all or part on the day included: Cunningham, Barb; Grace, Bill; Mitchell, Roberta.

Women's Missionary: Hoyle, Lizz (Lindsay WMS)

Regrets: Abernathy, Harold; Beaton, Sandy Flindall, Robert; Gordon, Dorcas; Horne, Cheryl; Sipos, Anita; Halstead, Janet

9:30 am – Worship - Rev Henry Huberts and Bill Grace, Student Minister.

Introductions: Roberta Mitchell alternate from Beacan/Gamebridge; Lizz Hoyle (Lindsay WMS).

Executive Committee Report

All motions of executive report to be moved by Neil Ellis and seconded by Anne Blane.

- 1. Recommendation:** that the Docket, which includes all reports listed in the final Working Papers, for April 17, 2018 be received. Carried.
- 2. Recommendation:** The following >recommendations will be treated as a consent agenda: 6, 7 and 8 will be moved and approved by consent. Carried.
- 3. Recommendation:** that the minutes of the February 20, 2018 be adopted as printed. Carried.
- 4. Recommendation:** that the representatives to General Assembly in June, 2018 be: Sabrina Ingram, Terry Ingram, Caleb Kim (ministers), Bill Hoyle, Jim Smith, and Tom Williams (rep. elders). Carried.

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5. **Recommendation:** that the next regular meeting of the Presbytery be held Tuesday June 19, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. at Bolsover. Carried.

6. **Correspondence for Information:**
>**Recommendation:** that the following correspondence be received for Information:
A - Letter from Terrie-Lee Hamilton, confirming receipt of Moderator Ballots from Lindsay Peterborough.
B - Letter from Terrie-Lee Hamilton, confirming receipt of Young Adult Representative Appointee from Lindsay Peterborough to June General Assembly.
C – Presbyterian Report 2017, is attached to the Working papers for everyone to review.

7. **Correspondence for Action:** >**Recommendation:** that the following correspondence be received for Action as noted:
A - Email from Maggie Leung, PCC, asking for confirmation of end date for Virginia Head. Clerk responded.
B - Email request from Henry Huberts, to provide a certificate for taxation purposes, on letterhead. Clerk responded.
C- Letter from Rev Dr Allen Aiken, asking for an amended letter and form to Registrar General , as the bride changed the venue for the wedding. Form and letter completed and forwarded by Clerk.
D - Email request from Cherie Insetter - for copies of motions and translation of Rev Virginia Head. Clerk sent the requested documentation.
E – Email from Patsy Robinson , Clerk of Old St. Andrew’s Colbourne – requesting information about the disposition of monies from sale of property. Clerk has sent information from Book of Forms with reminder that sale of the property and terms of disposition of funds requires Presbytery permission.

8. **Correspondence Referred:** >**Recommendation:** that the following correspondence be referred:
A - Copy of signed agreement between St John’s Cresswell and Virginia Head, for January and February, 2018. Referred to Ministry & Personnel for their records.

Ministry and Personnel

Recommendations - All motions moved by Bob Quick seconded by Kathy Firth.

1. The following recommendations will be considered as a Consent Agenda: >2, 3, 4 and 5, 7 will be moved and approved by consent. Carried.
2. >That Rev Neil Ellis be granted study leave from April 23-27 to research and develop resources for Children’s Programs.
3. >That Rev. Jonathan Baird be granted study leave from May 14-28 to prepare and teach at the “Church Growth” seminar in Thiotte, Haiti.

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4. >That Rev. Kathy Firth be granted study leave from June 10-16 to attend the Engle Preaching Institute at Princeton University.
5. >That Rev. Dr. Doug Brown be granted study leave from April 29, 2018 for a self directed analysis of "Transcendence, Non-Dualism and Apophatic Theology".
6. That Bill Grace be certified as a candidate for ordination. Carried.
7. >That Rev. Caleb Kim be granted study leave from May 27- June 1, 2018, to attend the "May 2018 Gathering" (the Mentoring program) at the Presbyterian College, Montreal and from Nov. 13–18, 2018, for self-directed study for planning and preparation for Advent and the Christian Year in worship."
8. That the money from the St. Paul's Ministry Fund be invested in a Balanced Fund with Assante Wealth Management. Carried.

Notice of Motion

1. That the Standing Order's of the Presbytery of Lindsay Peterborough be changed so that the word 'course' in section 11.9 be struck. The new wording would be 'Will ensure that full-time and part-time students certified to one of our colleges for preparation in ministry receive 30% of the cost of tuition fees from this Presbytery.

Mission and Outreach

Recommendation moved by Tom Cunningham and seconded by Jonathan Baird That \$10,000 per year for three years beginning in the year 2018, be requested from the Hope Fund to support Christian mission and outreach through Oikos at Trent University, and that these funds be offset by any donations from congregations or individuals within the Presbytery.

Amendment moved by Anne Blane, seconded by Dennis Carenter: "That \$10,000 per year for three years beginning in the year 2018" be replaced with "\$5000, for the year 2018 with a review" - Amendment failed.

Amendment moved by Bob Quick seconded by Neil Ellis, "That \$10,000 per year for three years beginning in the year 2018" be replaced with "\$10,000, for the year 2018 with a review" - Amendment failed.

Stated Hour

The stated hour having arrived, Robyyne Howard was invited to address the court. She gave an informative and lively presentation speaking to the many facets of the Cairn Family of Camps which seek to guide children and youth in the ways of faith and community (experiential and transformative). The moderator thanked Robyyne Howard for her words and prayed for this ministry.

The time having arrived for lunch, the court recessed.

12:20 pm. the Court reconvened.

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The court returned to the Mission and Outreach report.

A friendly addition was made to the end of the motion, that being: “and this request be based on receiving a satisfactory report each year.” Carried.

Interim Moderator Reports

Reports were received from:

Report on Cresswell Presbyterian Church – Rev Henry Huberts

Knox Havelock – Rev Tom Cunningham.

Burnbrae Presbyterian Church – Rev Kathy Firth.

Hope Fund

A cheque in the amount of \$25,000 has been issued to the Hope Fund from Woodvale which assists in retiring ½ of of the loan.

WMS and PETERBOROUGH PRESBYTERIAL PRESIDENT REPORT - 2017

Report were received from the Peterborough and Lindsay WMS groups.

It was agreed to put these reports in our minutes.

Peterborough Presbyterial Report.

Our 2017 Annual Meeting ('Spring Fling'), was held at Centreville Presbyterian Church, South Monaghan on May 3rd with the theme 'Women & Vision'. We were pleased to have as our guests, The Rev. Sarah Kim, WMS Executive Director, Alexis McKeown, WMS Program & Marketing Co-ordinator, and Colleen Wood, Glad Tidings Editor. Our presbyterial historian, had pictures of present and past presbyterial presidents on display as we entered the sanctuary.

In the morning, Sarah Kim led devotions and reflected on the theme using Luke 4: 16-21 as her scripture. In the afternoon, Alexis and Colleen led an interesting workshop 'Empowering Women'. This year the Peterborough Presbyterial had received the campership offering taken at the synodical annual meeting in April. The money was divided among campers from Campbellford, Centreville and Port Hope. Cecilia Morris & Joy Randall from the Cobourg Marcel L. Wood group presented a moving 'In Remembrance' service, honoring those who passed away in 2016. We were pleased to honour Joy Randall who was to receive the Lifetime of Achievement Award, one of the three 'Women of Faith' awards to be presented at the 2017 Presbyterian Women's National Gathering later in May.

Our October fall event 'Please Pass the Faith' was held at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Port Hope on Saturday, October 14th. During the morning session, Dr. Tori Smit, Regional Minister for Faith Formation, gave a presentation on 'Please Pass the Faith'. Informative workshops were held in the afternoon: 1) Faith-Filled Music for All Generations – Audrey Mead; 2)

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Children's Books for Families – Terri-Lee Hamilton; 3) Celebrating Advent & Christmas at Home – Rev. Bethany McCaffrey and 4) Worship Bags That Engage Children in Worship – Dr. Tori Smit. All sessions were informative and many worthwhile suggestions were given.

At the beginning of 2017, the Centreville group felt it necessary to disband. In June, the Outreach & Mission Group in Norwood notified the presbyterial executive that they are unable to keep up their commitments on the roster and just remain as 'Friends of Peterborough Presbyterial, We now have seven groups in the presbyterial and four groups as 'Friends of the Presbyterial'. The president keeps in touch with these four groups informing and inviting them to our presbyterial events.

As president, I continue to work on my goal of visiting all groups in our presbyterial during my term of office. I always find it a joy to visit groups, to see how they are doing and if there is any way I can assist them

Blessings,
Joan Smith,

Lindsay Presbyterial 2017

In 2017 Lindsay Presbyterial consisted of 10 groups with a combined membership of 77 women, the smallest group having 4 members, and the largest, 18. We met 4 times during the year, as well as hosting Synodical.

The annual meeting was held in January at St. Andrews, Lindsay, attended by 24 members. The theme "Our Heritage" was chosen for the upcoming year. The financial report showed we had exceeded our objective of \$15,000. to Synodical.

The spring meeting was held in March at Woodville Community Church with 25 members and 2 guests, Joy Randall and Cecilia Morris from Synodical who aided with the plans for Synodical which we hosted in April.

On March 31 and April 1 we hosted the 2017 Annual Meeting of CNOB Synod at St. Andrew's, Lindsay where over 80 people attended. Keynote speaker was Rob Shropshire from PWS&D; Bible Study was prepared by Rev. Dr. Lynda Reid and presented by Rev. Priscilla Anderson and Katherine Allen from East Toronto Presbyterial. Our closing worship included Communion which was led by the Rev. Linda Park of St. Andrew's. President Joy Randall completed her three-year term and President Mary Veale-Parker began her term.

In May 15 of our members attended an outreach ministry of the WMS, the National Presbyterian Women's Gathering in Richmond Hill, whose theme was "Rooted in Love".

The summer rally was held in June at Knox, Glenarm. Special guests were Mary Veale-Parker, President of Synodical; Rev. Sarah Kim, Executive Director; and Joan Smith, National WMS Treasurer. Rev. Kim spoke on the history and the future of WMS. Joan Smith spoke to the mission projects we have funded, and the decrease of the budget.

The fall meeting was held at St. John's, Cresswell. The nominating committee reported the new president elect would be Lizz Hoyle from Knox, Glenarm, and expressed appreciation to current president Eileen Smith for her leadership during the past five years.

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The women's Missionary Society is a community of Christians whose purpose, in response to the love of God in Jesus Christ, is to encourage one another and all the people of the church to be involved in local and world mission through **prayer, study, service** and **fellowship**. Our group activities certainly reflect that mission statement.

Meetings are opened and closed with **prayer**, offerings dedicated, and prayer requests for members and associates are brought forth. Groups regularly use Glad Tidings as a **study** resource, as well as other books of faith, and of course, the internet. Guest speakers included ministers, representatives from Food banks, community care, Women's resources, to name a few. The groups abundantly provide **service** in so many ways – within their own churches many of the groups put on the Mission Awareness service, cater funeral teas and special events, hold dinners, bazaars, after church coffee hours. Many groups sponsor Vacation Bible Schools, Evangel Hall, Community Food banks, Foster Child Plan Canada, Salvation Army Christmas Fund,, amongst others. **Fellowship** is enjoyed as the women perform the services listed above; also through telephone visits with shut-ins and of course during the social time at the meetings. Churches within Lindsay Presbyterial have blessed our children and youth throughout the year; pastors have given guidance and support to leadership. WMS groups have donated financially as well as time and energy to childrens programs. We sponsored 2 children from Woodville Community Church to attend Camp Cairn.

We acknowledge the dedication and effort put forth by our local groups which comprise this Presbyterial – Beaverton, Bobcaygeon, Bolsover, Cannington, Cresswell, Glenarm, Lindsay, Uxbridge, Wick, and Woodville. These groups not only support their local church, but the national church as well through their givings to the Women's Missionary Society.

For the body is not one member, but many. 1 Corinthians 12:14

Respectfully submitted,
Lizz Hoyle, President

12:40 - Motion to adjourn. Moved by Dennis Carpenter
Sabrina Ingram closed with prayer.

Moderator, Sabrina Ingram

Clerk pro Tem, Terry Ingram