

Regular Meeting of the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington
Knox Presbyterian Church, Elora
June 20th, 2017

The Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington met at Knox Presbyterian Church, Elora on Tuesday, June 20th, 2017 for the regular meeting of Presbytery. Dinner was served at 5:30 p.m., and the meeting was constituted at 7:00 p.m.

WORSHIP

Worship was conducted by the Rev. Susan V. Clarke. She shared with the presbytery pictures taken in early June in Taiwan when she and the Clerk attended the 40th anniversary of our partner presbytery, the Bunun Presbytery in Taiwan.

The Moderator and host minister, the Rev. Susan Clarke and the Clerk of Session, welcomed the presbytery.

CONSTITUTION OF THE COURT AND WELCOME

The Rev. Susan Clarke, Moderator, opened the meeting with prayer and constituted the court.

The Moderator welcomed all visitors in attendance asking for them to be introduced.

ATTENDANCE:

Ministers - Rev. Susan Clarke (Moderator), Rev. Brooke Ashfield, Rev. Linda Ashfield, Rev. Mike Burns, Rev. William Bynum, Rev. Darrell Clarke, Rev. Mark Gaskin, Rev. Alex MacLeod, Rev. Scott McAndless, Rev. Kathy Morden, Rev. Mark Richardson, Rev. Greg Smith, Rev. Jane Swatridge, Rev. Frank Szatmari, Rev. David Whitecross, Rev. Amanda Wickenheiser.

Representative Elders – Junghee Ahn, Lenore Arbuckle, Carolyn Boyne, Janet DeGroot, George Forsyth, Andrew Foster, Donna Henry, Isabel Howell, Marion Hunter, Walter MacNeil, Janet MacDowell, David Ogram, Ross Rowat, Grant Scott, Rick Thomas, Jim Zaryski.

Alternate Representative Elders - Helen Cleghorn, Frank Kivell

Appendix to the Roll – Rev. Dr. Linda Bell, Rev. Dr. Arnold Bethune, Rev. Mary Whiston

Graduate Students – Lisa Dolson

Women's Missionary Society – Jean Godin, Helen Cleghorn, Donna Henry

Treasurer - Allan Stewart

Clerk - Dr. Wilma Welsh

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REGRETS:

Ministers – Rev. John Borthwick, Rev. Dr. Aubrey Botha, Rev. Dr. Mark Lewis, Rev. Johan Olivier, Rev. Nick Pavel, Rev. Scott Sinclair, Rev. Glen Soderholm, Rev. Karla Wubbenhorst

Representative Elders – Joan Knox, Peggy Lennox, Lydia Maitland

Alternate Representative Elders – Aileen Isaac

Ministers on the Appendix to the Roll – Rev. Robert Duncanson, Rev. Janice Hamalainen, Rev. Dr. Walter McLean, Rev. Jeffrey E. Smith, Rev. angus Sutherland.

APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA

Moved by Mark Gaskin/Gib McIlwrath that the proposed agenda be adopted. CARRIED

MINUTES

March 21, 2017 – regular meeting of presbytery (rescheduled). Moved by Janet McDowell/Gib McIlwrath that that the minutes of March 21, 2017 be adopted as circulated. CARRIED

REPORTS

BUSINESS COMMITTEE – presented by Wilma Welsh, Clerk – see Appendix “A”

Moved by Mark Gaskin/Mark Richardson that the Report of the Business Committee be received and considered. CARRIED

Correspondence – see report within Appendix “A”

Moved by Mark Gaskin/Mark Richardson that the actions of the Business Committee in assigning the correspondence be homologated. CARRIED

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Mission Plan for Waterloo North Funds has been approved by the Commission on Assets of the Trustee Board of the PCC – received for information.

Clerk's position

The Committee has circulated the request for applications but to date none received.

Request for Funding, Sports Camp, Cambridge

Moved by Mark Gaskin/George Forsyth that the request for \$3,000 for the sports camp, from the funds allocated for “supporting outreach ministries in the area of East Galt” be approved.
CARRIED

~~**Request for assistance received from a congregation**~~

~~Recommendation~~

~~Moved by Jane Swatridge/John Borthwick that the Moderator name a Commission to meet with the concerned Session, with power to issue. CARRIED~~

~~The Moderator named the following Commission – Greg Smith, Linda Ashfield, Janet MacDowell, and Joan Knox.~~

~~Moved by Karla Wubbenhorst/Janet MacDowell that the commission struck to consider correspondence item 17-059 hold consultation with all parties at the bar and present its judgment to the June meeting of Presbytery. DEFEATED~~

Presbytery Moderator for 2017-2018 – no report.

The Business of the Presbytery

- a) Standing Orders revision
- b) Revision of Quadrant system – volunteer Andrew Foster
additional volunteers needed. Names suggested – John Borthwick & Jane Swatridge
To be placed on agenda for June meeting.

Future Presbytery Meetings –

Business Committee – June 15th, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. (note change in date)
Regular Presbytery meeting - Tuesday, June 20th, 2017,
Knox Elora (5:30 p.m. dinner meeting – cost \$15.00)

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September 12, 2017 (new moderator’s congregation with Communion)

Agreed on motion of Mark Gaskin/George Forsyth that the report of the Business Committee be accepted as revised.

TREASURER’S REPORT – See Appendix “B” - report presented by Allan Stewart, Treasurer
Moved by Mark Gaskin/Scott McAndless that the Treasurer’s Report be received and considered. CARRIED

The financial report as of April 30, was received for information.

Moved by Mark Gaskin/Scott McAndless that the Treasurer’s Report be received as a whole.
CARRIED

MISSION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE – report presented by Convener, Mark Gaskin. See Appendix “C”

Recommendation

That the Presbytery approve, in principle, the Presbyterian College proposal to provide onsite Missional Training in the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington. CARRIED

Recommendation

Moved by Mark Gaskin/Scott McAndless that the Presbytery approve a \$1,000 grant (\$500 each) for Jennifer McDougall and Allison Piatkowskito to participate in the 2017 Summer English Program with Amity China. CARRIED

Report as a whole approved on motion of Mark Gaskin/Scott McAndless. CARRIED

EIF REPORT – no report

VISIONING TEAM REPORT – no report

CONGREGATIONAL AFFAIRS REPORT – see Appendix “D”

Moved by John Borthwick/Amanda Wickenheiser that the report of the Congregational Affairs Committee be received and considered. CARRIED

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Recommendation #1:

Moved by John Borthwick/Amanda Wickenheiser that the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington renew the appointment of Rev. Frank Szatmari to another one year term to provide leadership to the Hungarian Preaching Point. CARRIED

Report as a whole approved on motion of John Borthwick/Amanda Wickenheiser. CARRIED

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY – see Appendix “E” – report presented by Acting Convener, Linda Ashfield

Moved by Linda Ashfield/Janet MacDowell Smith that the report of the Committee on Ministry be received and considered. CARRIED

Recommendation

Moved by Linda Ashfield/Janet MacDowell that the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington certify Diane Boyd for ordination to Word and Sacraments in the Presbyterian Church in Canada. CARRIED

Report as a whole approved on motion of Linda Ashfield/Janet MacDowell. CARRIED

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of Presbytery will be held on Tuesday, June 20th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. (dinner at 5:30) at Knox Church, Elora.

ADJOURNMENT

The business being completed the court adjourned on motion of Alex MacLeod/duly seconded. CARRIED. The Moderator closed the meeting with prayer and the Benediction.

Rev. Susan V. Clarke, Moderator

Dr. Wilma Welsh, Clerk

Appendix “A”

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BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPORT –

Correspondence – March 21 – May 8, 2017

17-048	T. L. Hamilton – acknowledging YAR appointee	File
17-049	Crieff Hills – Retirement Retreat	To Presbyters
17-050	A. Foster – offering to service on reviewing standing orders	Business Committee
17-051	Eastern Han-Ca Presbyter – Letter of standing re Seok Jai Lee	Ministry Committee
17-052	Jen de Combe – invitation to Canadian Ministries gathering	Business Committee
17-053	PCT – Invitation to Moderator and Clerk to 40 th Bunun Presbytery Anniversary	Business Committee
17-054	J. Sherbino – Paris Presbytery event	To Presbyters
17-055	PConnect – April 2017 edition	To Presbyters
17-056	M. Scheidt – Presbyterian Sharing Report – Jan-March 2017	To Presbyters
17-057	M. Gaskin, Request for Funding for 2017 Cambridge Sports Camp	Business Committee
17-058	APCE Alert April 2017	Business Committee
17-059	Several items of correspondence re removal of an elder	Business Committee
17-060	Joni Smith – TRA action plan letter as requested	To Presbyters
17-061	Milly Siderius – Bus trip to Six Nations	To Presbyters
17-062	D. Veenstra – response re funds from sale of Waterloo North (approved)	Business Committee
17-063	M. Leung – Changes to the roll – April 2017	To Presbyters
17-064	Chris Fischer – recommendation re revitalization of local church music	Business Committee
17-065	L. Ashfield – re Amity China participants – from WW Presbytery	Mission & Outreach
17-066	TL Hamilton – 2017 GA Book of Reports – for information only	To Presbyters
17-067	D. Clarke – EGEF Posting for circulation to presbytery	To Presbyters
17-068	Diane Boyd – completed course – bursary available	To Treasurer
17-069	Greg Smith – copies of letters to C. D’Angelo and Knox Preston Session	For file
17-070	Darrell Clarke – position description for circulation (Emerging Generations Engagement Facilitator)	To Presbyters

1. Correspondence –

Recommendation

That the actions of the Business Committee in assigning the correspondence be homologated.

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2. **Mission Plan for Waterloo North Funds** – approved by the Commission on Assets of the Trustee Board of the PCC – received for information

3. **Clerk's position**
Nominating Committee report

4. **Request for Funding, Sports Camp, Cambridge**
Recommendation
That the request for \$3,000 for the sports camp, from the funds allocated for “supporting outreach ministries in the area of East Galt” be approved.

5. **Request for assistance from a congregation**
Recommendation
That the Moderator name a Commission to meet with the concerned Session, with power to issue.

6. **Moderator – September 2017 – September 2018**
- no report

7. **The Business of the Presbytery**
 - a) **Standing Orders revision**
 - b) **Revision of Quadrant system** – volunteer Andrew Foster
additional volunteers needed

8. **Future Presbytery Meetings –**
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Appendix B

FINANCIAL REPORT TO WATERLOO-WELLINGTON PRESBYTERY AS AT April 30, 2017

	<u>to Apr 2017</u>	<u>Budget 2017</u>	<u>Amount remaining</u>
INCOME			
Assessment Income	69,733	139,465	69,732
Income from services	505	1,000	495
Other income - interest	211	1,651	1,440
Total Income	70,449	142,116	71,667
EXPENSES			
Synod Assessment	12,414	49,654	37,241
Special project - Two Rivers Church	17,000	17,000	-
Special project - Post Sec. student grants	15,600	15,600	-
Special project - Bunun Exchange	2,271	4,000	1,729
Special project - Women Gathering - 2017	-	2,500	2,500
Special projects - total	34,871	39,100	4,229
Clerk's honorarium	4,311	12,934	8,623
Treasurer's honorarium	2,276	6,827	4,551
CPP/EI	150	451	301
Liability Insurance	-	3,000	3,000
General and office supplies	836	2,200	1,364
Telecommunications	461	1,500	1,039
Audit and legal fees	-	500	500
Bank interest and service charges	71	300	229
Office expenses - total	8,105	27,712	19,607
Travel and mileage	144	6,000	5,856
Meals and hospitality	-	500	500
Travel - total	144	6,500	6,356
Grants - U of G chaplaincy	-	6,000	6,000
Grants - Students for Ministry	-	3,000	3,000
Grants - New Life Counselling	1,500	1,500	-
Grants - total	1,500	10,500	9,000
Commissioner's Expenses	-	2,350	2,350
Conference Funds	300	2,500	2,200
Student Psych. assessments/counselling	-	1,000	1,000
Pulpit supply for visitation	-	1,000	1,000
Visitors and Gifts	200	1,000	800
Christian education	100	500	400
Student certification	-	300	300
General expense - Total	600	8,650	8,050

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Total All Expenses	57,634	142,116	84,482
Surplus/(Deficit)	12,815	-	(12,815)

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Appendix "C"

**Mission and Outreach Committee
Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington
May 9 Report to Presbytery**

Funding Request for two Waterloo-Wellington Amity Participants

Background:

Only two Presbyterians have been appointed to the 2017 Summer English 4-week Program with Amity, China; and, both are from our Presbytery: Jennifer McDougall is from Mount Forest and Allison Piatkowski is from Knox Waterloo.

They are each required to pay \$500 for the program. Amity covers the rest of the expenses.

The request could fit three of the Presbytery's budget lines:
Christian Education, Conference Funds and perhaps travel.

If Presbytery approves the request we will leave the logistic details in the hands of the Moderator and Treasurer.

Recommendation:

That the Presbytery approve a \$1,000 grant (\$500 each)
for Jennifer McDougall and Allison Piatkowski to participate in the 2017 Summer English Program with Amity China.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mark Gaskin, Convener

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Appendix “D”

Congregational Affairs Committee Report May 9, 2017

The Congregational Affairs Committee met May 3, 2017 at Knox Presbyterian Church, Guelph.

Interim Moderators Report
Knox’s, Galt (Appendix 1) attached for the information of Presbytery.

Presbyterian Sharing’s Report

Presbytery of Waterloo –Wellington accepted allocations for 2017 (Appendix 2) attached for the information of Presbytery.

Presbyterian Sharing’s Report (Appendix3) attached for the information of Presbytery.

The Hungarian Preaching Point

Three leaders of the Hungarian Preaching Point met with Rev Johan Olivier on behalf of the people served in this ministry. A deep sense of gratitude and joy was expressed for the Reverend Frank Szatmari’s worship leadership two Sunday’s a month at St Andrews Kitchener. It is the wish and hope of those involved, that this relationship between the Hungarian Preaching Point and the Reverend Frank Szatmari would continue with the blessing of Presbytery.

Recommendation #1:

The Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington renew the appointment of Rev. Frank Szatmari to another one year term to provide leadership to the Hungarian Preaching Point.

Appendix 1

Interim moderator’s report May 2017: Knox’s, Galt.

Knox’s Galt had their AGM on March 26th, 2017. I was present as Interim Moderator, and moderated a portion of that meeting which entertained a white paper from the Session regarding the future of Knox’s as a congregation.

During the AGM, the paper was read and comments were invited. There was a general agreement that an honest look at the viability of this congregation was appropriate, and that a decision on direction was needed. I also informed the congregation that several more opportunities for discussion would be provided before voting on how to proceed.

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I was present to moderate two more congregational meetings on April 9th and 23rd following morning worship. During these discussions, respectful and honest conversations were held where people were able to express their feelings, hopes, and concerns about going forward. It was agreed to hold a congregational meeting on Sunday, May 28th to vote on the four options presented.

Respectfully submitted,
 Rev. Glen Soderholm
 Interim Moderator, Knox's Galt

Presbyterians Sharing 2017

PRESBYTERY OF WATERLOO-WELLINGTON ACCEPTED ALLOCATIONS FOR 2017

Arthur, St. Andrew's	10,000
Gordonville	1,200
Baden	1,000
Crieff, Knox	5,995
Elmira, Gale	15,356
Elora, Knox	4,565
Alma, St. Andrew's	2,500
Fergus, St. Andrew's	30,000
Harriston, Knox- Calvin	10,500
Mount Forest, St. Andrew's	5,000
Conn, Knox	2,432
Palmerston	1,500
Puslinch, Duff's	10,000
Rockwood	2,100
Eden Mills	1,500
Cambridge, Central	10,000
Cambridge, Knox Preston	5,000
Cambridge, Knox's Galt	15,000
Cambridge, Westside	11,500
Cambridge, St. Andrew's Hespeler	18,200
Guelph, Knox	35,147

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Guelph, Kortright	3,000
Guelph, St. Andrew's	30,000
Guelph, Westminster-St.Paul's	15,000
Kitchener, Calvin	16,000
Kitchener, Doon	5,000
Kitchener, Kitchener East	6,000
Kitchener, St. Andrew's	90,000
Waterloo- Knox	45,000
Waterloo, Joonim	5,000
Two Rivers, Guelph	3,500
Total	413,063

Respectfully submitted
Rev Johan Olivier (Convener CA)

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Appendix "E"

Committee on Ministry – May 9th, 2017

The Committee on Ministry met on Tuesday, April 18th, 2017 and the Sub-Committee on Students met to interview candidates on Monday, May 1st, 2017.

Thanks to the Rev. Darrell Clarke for co-ordinating the Presbytery Pulpit Exchange which took place on Sunday, April 30th, 2017. From all reports, both clergy and congregations enjoyed it very much. Hopefully more will be able to participate next year.

Congregation	Minister	Exchange
Cambridge, St. Andrew's	Scott McAndless	Knox, Harriston
Cambridge, Westside	Mark Gaskin	Hespeler, St Andrews
Guelph, Knox	Johan Olivier,	Doon
Guelph, St. Andrew's	John Borthwick	Calvin, Kitchener
Guelph, St. Paul's-Westminster	Karla Wübbenhorst	Guelph, Knox
Harriston, Knox	Kathy Morden	Westside
Kitchener, Calvin	Frank Szatmari	St Andrews Guelph
Kitchener, Doon	Darrell Clarke,	Westminster- St Pauls

The Rev. Greg Smith serves as convenor of the Subcommittee on students.

Cheryl D'Angelo: With information received from Knox College in a letter forwarded to the Presbytery and dated December 14, 2016, it is now clear that Cheryl D'Angelo will not complete the requirements necessary for candidates to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church in Canada. As a result, Ms. D'Angelo has been released from the care of the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington, effective May 1, 2017, and will no longer be considered a student under the Presbytery's care or a student candidate for ministry in this Presbytery.

Diane Boyd: Diane was interviewed to be certified for ordination by an interviewing committee on May 1, 2017. The interviewing committee found Ms. Boyd to be a suitable candidate for the Ministry of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Motion: That the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington recommend Diane Boyd to be certified for ordination to Word and Sacraments in the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Respectfully yours, Rev. Linda Ashfield, Interim.

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