

Knox's Galt Presbyterian Church
Cambridge, Ontario
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DATE AND PLACE:

The Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington met in Regular Session on Tuesday, November 11th, 2008 within Knox's Galt Presbyterian Church, Cambridge Ontario. Wonderful refreshments were served prior to the meeting – fresh fruit, cheese, breads, cold drinks and coffee.

ATTENDANCE:

Ministers: B. Ashfield, L. Ashfield, L. Bell, J. Borthwick, A. Botha, W. Dawes, H. Gale, P. Garrison, M. Gedcke, C. Kay, T. Kay, B. Martin (Moderator), M. Molengraaf, M. Richardson, R. Sinisac, To. Smit, N. St. Louis, A. Sutherland, J. Veenstra, D. Wright, K. Wübbenhorst

Representative Elders: L. Arbuckle, M. Blake, J. Crane, J. deGroot, G. Forsyth, A. Foster, D. Henry, I. Howell, A. Israel, M. Koeslag, J. McDougall, L. Moir, J. Patterson, R. Renton, D. Rickers, R. Rowat, G. Scott, G. Schievan, Gary Stewart, Neil Stewart, E. Suggit, W. Welsh, R. Whetham, J. Zaryski

Ministers on the Appendix to the Roll: A. Bethune, L. Cowper, A. McGillivray, J. Smith, M. Whitson

Alternate Representative Elders: H. Cleghorn, E. Fairbairn, M. Hunter, S. King, J. MacDowell (Clerk)

Students For Ministry of Word and Sacraments: J. Foxall, R. Vallejo

Candidates for Ordination: K. Dimock, P. Kipfer

Observers: M. Pentelow

W.M.S.: J. Godin, K. McGillivray, Phyllis Stewart

Guests: M. Foxall, L. Lirette, D. Lirette, R. Smith, Pauline Brown, Annalie Steenkamp, Ann Wilson, Jessie Bush, Tom Stinson, Kevin Russell

REGRETS:

Ministers: C. Brown, J. Hamalainen, M. Lewis, L. Paquette,

Representative Elders: B. Bonner, J. DeSchiffart, G. MacRobbie, L. Samis

Ministers on the Appendix to the Roll: R. Duncanson, W. McLean

WORSHIP AND CONSTITUTION:

Jacqui Foxall, a student at Knox College Toronto, led in worship. The hymns included 'God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale' and 'We have this Ministry'. Scripture was taken from Isaiah 2:1-5 and Revelation 22: 1-7. The Message was titled 'A Call to Creativity'. The Moderator, The Rev. Dr. Brice Martin, constituted the Court with prayer.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

The Moderator warmly welcomed all and called for introductions. Aubrey Botha introduced Annalie Steenkamp from South Africa who will be meeting with The Committee on Education and Reception on Thursday. Wayne Dawes introduced Raphael Vallejo, a student for the Ministry. Penny Garrison introduced the student intern from Knox – Eun-Ju Chung. Thomas Kay introduced Ann Wilson, Tom Stinson and Jessie Bush (Clerk of Session), from Knox

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Guelph and also introduced Kevin Russell, elder at MacNab Street in Hamilton. Wilma Welsh then introduced Dr. Pauline Brown who was given an opportunity to address the Court about the Ministries in The Bhil Field in India and the need for a new hostel for the students.

DOCKET:

N. St. Louis/R. Rowat moved the adoption of the Docket as printed. *CARRIED.*

MINUTES:

J. Crane/B. Ashfield moved the adoption of the Minutes of August 12th, 2008, August 24th, 2008 and September 8th, 2008. *CARRIED.*

BUSINESS REPORT:

The Clerk, Janet MacDowell, reported for the Business Committee

**Business Committee Report
September, October, November 2008**

1. Correspondence:

08-099	From Mark Gedcke, with information on a Kairos Project – Saturday, October 18 th , 2008	Outreach
08-100	From Jeff Smith, Synod Clerk pro tem requesting the names of four persons who have expertise in financial matters to sit on The Synod Camp Ministries Fund Committee – October 21 st , 2008	Business Committee
08-101	From Thomas Kay, with a reminder that our visiting missionary will be here for the month of November and is available to visit and speak	Outreach
08-102	From Mark Godin, Minister on The Appendix, with an update of his time as a PhD student in Scotland	Ministry
08-103	From Sidney Chang, Minister on The Appendix, with an update on his time in Taiwan	Outreach
08-104	From Mavis Currie, Presbytery of London, with information on an Outreach Program to Presbyterian students at Western University or Fanshawe College	Outreach
08-105	From Margaret Dudgeon, with a 'wee' note with a 'big' thank you for the cards, telephone calls, visits, and floral arrangements and donation from the Presbytery	General

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From Reuben St. Louis and Jen Bell with
information ++ on Canada Youth 2009

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Fellowship

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08-107	From John Vissers, The Board of Governors of The Presbyterian College with an invitation of nominations for awarding honorary Doctor of Divinity Degrees (deadline is January 9, 2009)	Business Committee
08-108	From Elizabeth Bartlett, Assembly Office, with Changes to the Roll	Clerk
08-109	From Karen Plater and Heather Chappell, with information on Presbyterians Sharing	Congregational Affairs
08-110	From Office of the Registrar General with a Marriage License for a new Ordinand	Clerk
08-111	From Terrie-Lee Hamilton, Assembly Office, requesting the name as a Young Adult Representative to the 2009 General Assembly	Education, Issues and Fellowship
08-112	From Sam Lee, requesting that his Student Certification be transferred to The Presbytery of Western Han-Ca	Ministry
08-113	From Calvin Brown and Dennis Wright with information on a Renewal Fellowship Event with speakers that include Dr. Pauline Brown and Pastor Emmanuel of India – date is Saturday, November 15 th , 2008	Outreach
08-114	From Karen Masterson, Justice Ministries with information on the appointment of Janna Payne to an 8 month internship with Project Ploughshares and inviting applications for the 3 rd year of The Peace and Human Security Internship with Project Ploughshares. No date specified but start date of September 2009	Outreach
08-115	From Marty Molengraaf, with a request from the Sandy Lake Aboriginal community for 2 or 3 people to assist. The trip is planned for November 3-7, 2008	Outreach
08-116	From Reuben St. Louis, with information on auditions for the CY09 Worship Band – date November 15 th , 2008	Education, Issues and Fellowship
08-117	From Reuben St. Louis, with additional information on CY – Pre-events, on line resources, etc	Education, Issues and Fellowship
08-118	From Heather Chappell, Stewardship and Education for Mission, with information on 2009 suggested Presbyterians Sharing Allocations	Congregational Affairs
08-119	From Johanne St. Louis with information on an outreach program in Rwanda	Outreach

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08-120	From Stephen Allen, Justice Ministries, with information on a KAIROS, Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives workshop on November 18 th , 2008 in Toronto	Education, Issues and Fellowship
08-121	From John Borthwick, with information on Margaret Evans visit in Israel (Laura Ashfield was also with her) – would be great speakers	Outreach
08-122	From Kees Vandermeij, informing the Court of his planned retirement (September 20, 2009) and the plans for transition	Congregational Affairs

2. **Matters to Note:**

- (a) The Business Committee will meet on **Thursday, November 6th, 2008** at 1000 hours within **Westminster-St. Paul's Church**, Guelph. Outreach to provide refreshments.
- (b) **Commissioners** to the 135th General Assembly to be held within The Presbytery of Hamilton. Opening worship is June 2nd, 2009.
Ministers: Penny Garrison X, Brooke Ashfield X, Don McCallum X
Convenor, Mark Gedcke X, Karla Wübbenhorst X, Sungho Ma
Alternates: J. Mark Lewis, John-Peter Smit, John Borthwick, Linda Ashfield, Thomas Kay, Nan St. Louis
Sessions: St. Andrew's Arthur (declined), Livingston Baden, Chalmers Winterbourne, Knox Crieff *Gwen MacRobbie* X, Waterloo North *Mary Ann Koeslag* X, Eden Mills *Eloise Gardiner* X St. Andrew's Gordonville (declined) St. Andrew's Hespeler
Alternates: Calvin Kitchener, Knox Palmerston, Westminster-St. Paul's Guelph, Knox Guelph.
X = acceptance
- (c) Business Committee would appreciate invitations for the meetings on March 10th, May 12th and June 16th, 2009.
- (d) Changes: *Scott McAllister:* 151 Ross Street, Caledonia N3W 1A3 289-284-0709 *Alan Israel:* Box 550 *Janet MacDowell* – Alternate Representative Elder for Knox Waterloo *Linda Bell at home* drbell@hsfx.ca
- (e) Nominations for Moderator of the 135th General Assembly to the Business Committee **before** November 6th, 2008
- (f) Nominations for Honorary DD from Presbyterian College to the Business Committee **before** December 4th, 2008

3. **Recommendations:**

- (A) That the actions of the Business Committee in assigning the correspondence as designated, be homologated.
- (B) That the 2007 audit be approved.
- (C) That the 2009 Budget for The Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington, be

approved as printed.

- (D) That Wil J. Vermeulen, be the auditor for 2008.
- (E) That the trustees for the year 2009 be Calvin Brown (2010), Andrew Foster (2011) and Grant Scott (2012)
- (F) That Remit A be approved.

The change is 10 days – **not the next following sederunt.**

Book of Forms 91 to read: Any member of a court who has voted on a question and is not satisfied with the decision is entitled to have his/her dissent recorded. By so doing, he/she relieves himself/herself from responsibility for the decision and saves himself/herself from censure on account of it. The dissent must be given in when the decision is announced. Reasons for dissent may be given in at that time or within 10 days. If in proper language, they are entered in the minutes. When deemed necessary, the court prepares answers that are disposed of by being entered in the appropriate minutes.

A.Foster/B. Ashfield moved that the report be received and considered.
CARRIED.

A. A. Foster/B. Ashfield moved Recommendation A. *CARRIED.*

B. A. Foster/B. Ashfield moved Recommendation B. *CARRIED.*

C. A. Foster/B. Ashfield moved Recommendation C. *CARRIED.*

D. A. Foster/B. Ashfield moved Recommendation D. *CARRIED.*

E. B. Ashfield/M. Gedcke moved Recommendation E. *CARRIED.*

F. A. Foster/B. Ashfield moved Recommendation F. *CARRIED*

G. A. Foster/B. Ashfield moved that The Rev. Glynis Williams be nominated for an honorary DD from Presbyterian College. *CARRIED.*

Report as a Whole:

A. Foster/B. Ashfield moved the adoption of the report as a whole. *CARRIED.*

CALL TO THE REV. THOMAS KAY

N. St. Louis/J. Smit moved that the representative from MacNab Street Church in Hamilton, Ontario, Kevin Russell, be invited to sit and correspond. *CARRIED.*

The Clerk presented the Terms of the Call.

We, office-bearers and members of the congregation of MacNab St. Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, being professing members desirous of promoting the glory of God and the good of the church, being destitute of a fixed pastor, and being satisfied by our experience and, by good information of the piety, literature, ministerial abilities and prudence, and also of the suitability to our edification of the gifts to you, The Rev. Thomas J. Kay, have agreed to invite, as we by these presents do invite and call you to undertake the office of pastor among us, promising you, on your acceptance of this our call, all due respect, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord, and further engage to

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contribute to your suitable maintenance, as God may prosper us. In witness thereof we have subscribed this call on this the fifth day of October in the year two thousand and eight.

We the congregation of MacNab Street Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, Ontario, hereby present to the Presbytery of Hamilton, of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, that the estimated annual revenue of the said congregation for the maintenance of religious ordinance among ourselves is three hundred and thirty thousand dollars (\$330,000.00).

We hereby agree to pay out of the said revenue, as it shall be collected, and as first charge thereon, to The Rev. Thomas J. Kay the annual stipend of dollars fifty-six thousand (\$56,000.00), which amount is inclusive of annual car or travel allowance, and to provide eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000.00) annually for housing allowance, plus cost of utilities, as well as two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) annually for Study Leave.

We agree to make payments of the above amounts monthly, and we undertake to review the stipend and allowances annually in consideration of any changes in the cost of living or in the needs of our minister. We further engage to use our utmost diligence to the end that The Rev. Thomas J. Kay may regularly receive the stipend and allowance herein named.

We agree further:

1. To give three weeks study leave annually, and to provide at least the minimum allowance as set by the Presbytery of Hamilton.
2. That the benefits of number 1 above shall be cumulative up to five years.
3. To give five weeks holiday annually.
4. To pay supply during the periods of study leave and holidays.
5. In case of disability or extended illness, to continue to provide stipend, accommodation and allowances for a period not less than that set by the General Assembly, and to pay the cost of pulpit supply.
6. To provide insurance coverage against unfounded allegations of sexual abuse and/or harassment.

In addition, we will pay the necessary moving expenses to settle The Rev. Thomas J. Kay as minister in this congregation.

The call was signed by two hundred and sixty-eight (268) professing member out of two hundred and ninety-three (293) with thirteen (13) adherents signing in concurrence.

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M. Richardson/A. Botha moved that the Call to The Rev. Thomas Kay be received and considered. *CARRIED*.

L. Bell/J. Patterson moved that the representatives from MacNab Street and Knox Guelph be heard. *CARRIED*

Kevin Russell, from MacNab Street spoke. From Knox Church Guelph, Ann Wilson, Tom Stinson and Jessie Bush all spoke about how Thomas will be missed and what Special Ministries he brought to Knox Guelph.

N. St. Louis/L. Bell moved that the Call be sustained as a Gospel Call and placed in the hands of The Rev. Thomas Kay. *CARRIED*.

The Moderator called Thomas to the front where he presented the Call. Thomas accepted the Call.

J. Veenstra/A. Botha moved that The Rev. Angus Sutherland be The Interim Moderator of Knox Presbyterian Church Guelph. The pulpit will be preached vacant on January 4th, 2009.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Synod Report:

Mark Gedcke reported back from Synod with some of the highlights. A full report was circulated with the previous mailing.

Ministry Committee:

Nan St. Louis, the Convenor, reported for the Committee.

N. St. Louis/D. Wright moved that the report be received and considered. *CARRIED*.

The full report had been previously circulated.

N. St. Louis/D. Wright moved that the certificate for Sam Lee, Student for Minister of Word and Sacraments, be transferred to The Presbytery of Western Han-Ca. *CARRIED*.

Report as a Whole:

N. St. Louis/D. Wright moved the adoption of the report as a whole. *CARRIED*.

IAND Committee:

Marty Molengraaf, Convenor, reported for the Committee.

Marty reported on Mission Outreach, Spirituality and the wonderful reception of Natural Church Development.,

Education, Issues and Fellowship:

Karla Wübbenhorst, Convenor, reported for the Committee.

K. Wübbenhorst/R. Renton moved that the report be received and considered.

CARRIED.

The full report had been previously circulated.

K. Wübbenhorst/R. Renton moved that the Presbytery meet as a full Court every month as of January 2009 – except for July and August. *DEFEATED*.

Report as a Whole:

K. Wübbenhorst/R. Renton moved the adoption of the report as a whole. *CARRIED.*

Outreach Committee:

Brooke Ashfield, Convenor, reported for the Committee.

B. Ashfield/R. Sinasac moved that the report be received and considered. *CARRIED.*
The full report had been previously circulated.

B. Ashfield/R. Sinasac moved the request for the University of Guelph Chaplaincy in the amount of \$4,000 (four thousand) be approved and forwarded to Canada Ministries. *CARRIED.*

B. Ashfield/R. Sinasac moved that a request for \$1,000 (one thousand) to support congregations who wish to provide student outreach – to welcome students to the community and that the Clerk contact Presbyteries to ask their congregations to provide student names and contact information. *REFERRED TO BUSINESS COMMITTEE,*
Recommendation 3: Withdrawn

B. Ashfield/R. Sinasac moved that we share, within the Presbytery, which congregation have post-secondary students attending college/universities within the Presbytery. *CARRIED.*

Report as a Whole:

B. Ashfield/R. Sinasac moved the adoption of the report as a whole. *CARRIED.*

TIME:

The time being 2130 hours, a vote was taken to continue. *CARRIED.*

CONGREGATIONAL AFFAIRS:

Andrew Foster, Convenor, reported for the committee.

A. Foster/J. Veenstra moved that the report be received and considered. *CARRIED.*
The full report had been previously circulated.

A. Foster/J. Veenstra moved that the audit of Waterloo North Presbyterian Church's finances be received by the Presbytery, that the summary provided by the auditor be presented to the congregation without further delay and that the full report be made available to members of the congregation and Presbytery on request as recommended by the auditor.

Amendment: M. Gedcke/G. Scott moved that the motion read that the audit of Waterloo North Presbyterian Church's finances be received by the Presbytery. That the summary provided by the auditor be presented to the congregation without further delay. *CARRIED.*

Amended Motion: *CARRIED.*

TIME:

The time being 2200 hours, a unanimous agreement was made to continue the meeting.

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A. Foster/A. Botha moved that the Presbytery pay the outstanding loan payments to All Saints Anglican Church up to the end of 2008 at the rate of \$1,000 (one thousand) per month \$5,000 (five thousand). *CARRIED.*

A. Foster/A. Sutherland moved that the Moderator appoint a Special Committee charged with discerning the viability of all aspects of the life, Ministry, leadership and stewardship of Waterloo North congregation: to review the findings with the Congregational Affairs Committee at its February 2009 meeting; and to present its final report no later than the March 2009 meeting of the Presbytery. *CARRIED.*

Westminster-St. Paul's Guelph – the sub-committee will continue its work with the congregation upon request.

Interim Moderator's Report for St. Andrew's Galt amended to this report.

Report as a Whole:

A. Foster/A. Botha moved the adoption of the report as a whole. *CARRIED.*

ADJOURNMENT AND BENEDICTION:

Nan St. Louis moved adjournment. *CARRIED.*

The Moderator adjourned the Court to meet:

1. In Special Session on Tuesday, December 9th, 2008 within St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Guelph. Presbytery will meet at 7:00 p.m. to Process two Calls and then proceed to Committee Meetings.
2. In Special Session on Sunday, December 14th, 2008 within St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Guelph for the anticipated Ordination of Karen Dimock. Presbytery will meet at 2:30 p.m. with Worship and Ordination Service beginning at 3:00 p.m.
3. In Special Session on Sunday, January 11th, 2009 within Central Presbyterian Church, Cambridge for the anticipated Ordination of Peggy Kipfer. Presbytery will meet at 3:00 p.m. with Worship and Ordination Service beginning 3:30 p.m.
4. In Regular Session on Tuesday, January 13th, 2009 within St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Kitchener. Supper will be served at 6:00 p.m. with worship and meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Moderator

Clerk