

Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington,
Regular Meeting, November 12, 2013
Knox's Galt Presbyterian Church, Cambridge, Ontario,

DATE AND PLACE:

The Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington met in regular session at Knox's Galt Presbyterian Church, Cambridge on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at 6:30 for refreshments. The Presbytery convened its meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Rev. John Paeng and Knox's Praise Team leading in worship.

ATTENDANCE:

Ministers: Rev. Mark Lewis (Moderator), Rev. Brooke Ashfield, Rev. Dr. Aubrey Botha, Rev. Calvin Brown, Rev. Darrell Clarke, Rev. Dr. Herb Gale, Rev. Janice Hamalainen, Rev. Kathy Morden, Rev. John Paeng, Rev. Mark Richardson, Rev. Jeff L. Smith, Rev. Andrew Song, Rev. Karla Wübbenhorst.

Representative Elders: Junghee Ahn, Jim Akerstream, Colin Carmichael, Johan DeSchiffart, Peter Graham, Judith Harrison, Isabel Howell, Marion Hunter, Frank Kivell, Maria Liston, Gib McIlwrath, David Ogram, Bob Renton, Grant Scott, Robert Seim, Gaston St. Louis, Earl Suggitt, Jim Zaryski.

Ministers on the Appendix to the Roll: Rev. Dr. Arnold Bethune, Rev. Dr. Linda Bell, Rev. Dr. Wayne Dawes, Rev. Angus Sutherland.

Alternate Representative Elders: Helen Cleghorn, Janet deGroot, Rachel Fishback, Peter Goudy, Aileen Isaac

Treasurer: Allan Stewart

Clerk: Dr. Wilma Welsh

REGRETS:

Ministers: Rev. Linda Ashfield, Rev. John Borthwick, Rev. Michael Burns, Rev. Edward Charlton, Rev. Chris Ji Hoon Cho, Rev. Mark Gaskin, Rev. Johan Olivier

Representative Elders – Jean Godin, Alan Israel, Liz Samis, Don Vickers

Ministers on the Appendix to the Roll: Rev. Robert Duncanson, Rev. Dr. Walter McLean

WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND CONSITUTION OF THE COURT:

The Rev. Mark Lewis, Moderator, opened the meeting with prayer and constituted the court. He welcomed all in attendance and expressed appreciation to Knox's Galt, Cambridge for their kind hospitality.

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Appreciation was also expressed to the Praise Team for leading the music at the worship service.,
and to the members of Knox's who provide refreshments prior to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Moved by Andrew Song/Calvin Brown that the Proposed Agenda be adopted. CARRIED.

MINUTES

Commission – July 18, 2013 – Call to Rev. Penny Garrison
Induction – Sept. 8, 2013 – Rev. Dr. Frank Szatmari, Calvin, Kitchener
Regular Meeting – September 10, 2013
Induction – September 29, 2013 – Rev. Darrell Clarke, Doon Kitchener

Minutes approved on motion of Aubrey Botha/Jeff Smith. CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPORT: Clerk, Wilma Welsh reported.

Moved John Paeng/Ed Charlton that the Report of the Business Committee be received and the recommendations considered. CARRIED

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

CORRESPONDENCE – Sept. 10 – Nov. 5, 2013

13-109	PCC Ministry and Church Vocations – advising that Lisa Brimblecombe attended the Guidance Conference	Ministry Committee
13-110	Presbytery of Kingston – requesting names of students Studying with the bounds of their Presbytery	sent to all congregations
13-111	Mark Gaskin – introducing Tara Gaskin who attended YIM in Hungary and is willing to share her experience	sent to all Presbyters
13-112	Flyer – re visit to Knox Waterloo of Rodger Nishioka	sent to all Presbyters
13-113	John Paeng – inviting Presbytery to Knox's Galt in November	Clerk
13-114	Flyer – re visit to Knox Waterloo of John Bell	sent to all Presbyters
13-115	Linda Shaw – re TLC event	sent to all Presbyters
13-116	PCC – Ministry and Church Vocations –advising that Cheryl D'Angelo attended the Guidance Conference	Ministry Committee
13-117	From St. Andrew's Guelph advising that no response rec'd from a request from their Mission Committee to Presbytery's Mission & Outreach Committee – no name/not signed	Rev. J. Borthwick
13-118	Lawyer for All Saints with Offer to purchase	to Business Committee
13-119	Darrell Clarke – request for a used keyboard for Nigeria	sent to all Presbyters
13-120	M. Molengraaf – enclosing ECC newsletter	sent to all Presbyters

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13-121	London Presbytery - requesting names of students Studying with the bounds of their Presbytery	sent to all congregations Clerk
13-122	Pickering Presbytery – forwarded D. Clarke's certificate	Clerk
13-123	Don Muir – reminder of Clerk's Consultation – April 25-28	Clerk
13-124	Church Doctrine – requesting views and comments on the Adoption of the Korean translation of Living Faith as a Subordinate standard of faith.	sent to all Presbyters
13-125	Knox Guelph – visit of the Madawasks Ensemble	sent to all Presbyters
13-126	John Henderson – re Laidlaw Laidlaw lectures	sent to all Presbyters
13-127	John Henderson – re 6 week program for lay education	sent to all Presbyters
13-128	announcing Synod Meeting	sent to Commissioners
13-129	B. Nawratil – acknowledging offer sent to Trustee Board Advising that a cheque for Presbytery from sale of Winterbourne	Clerk/Business Committee Treasurer
13-130	McKenzie Lake Lawyers – acknowledging Clerk's memo re status of WN Offer Clerk's files	Clerk
13-131	S. Roche – re Statistical Reports going digital	to all Clerks of Session to all presbyters

Business Committee Recommendations:

1. Correspondence
 Moved by Calvin Brown/Grant Scott that the actions of the Business Committee in assigning the correspondence be homologated. CARRIED
2. Waterloo North Update
 The Clerk verbally reported on the activities regarding the sale of the Waterloo North Building. An offer has been received from All Saints Anglican Church. The Business Committee agreed that it be referred to the Trustee Board advising that they believed it was a fair offer in light of the soft real estate market in Waterloo at the present time.
3. Presbytery Minutes were submitted to the meeting of the Synod of Central, Northeastern Ontario and Bermuda at their October 2013 meeting. They were attested by Synod as neatly and correctly kept – received for information
4. Moderator 2014 General Assembly – nominations
 No nominations received by the members of the presbytery. The Clerk will advise the Assembly Office.
5. Nominations for General Secretary of PCBC – no nominations received by the Clerk
 The Clerk will advise the Presbyterian Church Building Corporation that the Presbytery does not have a nomination.

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6. Overture from Knox Guelph - see Appendix "A" re members moving to a new community

Recommendation

Moved by Janice Hamalainen/Jeff Smith that the Overture from Knox Guelph re members moving to a new community be sent to the General Assembly office with the support of the Presbytery. CARRIED

7. General Assembly 2014 – Laurier University – committee members

Rev. Linda Ashfield (Convener), Rev. Angus Sutherland, Rev. Janice Hamalainen, Johan DeSchiffart, Peter Goudy, Peter Graham, Rev. Andrew Song, Rev. Kathy Morden, Clerk (exofficio). It was noted that no one from the Guelph quadrant has been named to date.

Moved by Grant Scott/John Paeng that the above be the local committee for General Assembly 2014 and that when named, representatives from the Guelph quadrant be added. CARRIED

8. Korean Translation of Living Faith – The Committee on Church Doctrine requested that any concern with it being approved as a subordinate standard of the PCC be submitted.

Recommendation –

that the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington agree that the Korean Translation of Living Faith be included in the subordinate standards of the PCC and also included in the preamble in the Book of Forms.

Moved Andrew Song/Johan DeSchiffart that the above recommendation re the Korean Translation of Living Faith be included in the subordinate standards of the PCC be approved. CARRIED.

9. **Recommendation** – that the following be the Commissioners to the 2014 General Assembly.

Minister Commissioners to 2014 General Assembly

Jeff L. Smith, Mark Richardson, Mark Lewis, Janice Hamalainen, Aubrey Botha
Alternates - Ed Charlton, Scott McAndless, Kathy Morden

Elder Commissioners to 2014 General Assembly

Harriston, Knox-Calvin; Guelph, Westminster-St. Paul's; Cambridge, Knox's Galt, Westside, Cambridge, Kitchener-Waterloo, Joonim
Alternates – Guelph, Knox, Conn, Knox; Crieff, Knox; Eden Mills,

Moved Jeff Smith/Marian Hunter that the above persons and congregations be approached to be the Commissioners to the 2014 General Assembly. CARRIED

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10. Presbytery Meeting Dates – 2013-14 (invitations invited)

January 14, 2014 - St. Andrew's, Fergus
 March 11, 2014 – Doon, Kitchener
 May 13, 2014 - (dinner meeting) Gale Church, Elmira
 June 17, 2014 - St. Andrew's, Arthur – to be confirmed
 September 9, 2014 – new Moderator's Church

Moved by Alex MacLeod/Marty Molengraaf that the dinner meeting be moved from June to May as per the invitation from Gale Church, Elmira. CARRIED

Business Committee Meetings 9:30 at St. Andrew's, Kitchener

December 4, 2013
 January 8, 2014
 February 5, 2014
 March 5, 2014
 April 2, 2014
 May 7, 2014
 June 11, 2014
 September 3, 2014

Report as a Whole

Moved by Grant Scott/Marion Hunter that the report as a whole of the Business Committee be approved. CARRIED

SYNOD OF CENTRAL, NORTHEASTERN ONTARIO AND BERMUDA – a verbal report was given by the Rev. Brooke Ashfield, one of the commissioners. Received for information.

TREASURERS REPORT – See Appendix “B”

Moved by Marty Molengraaf/Aubrey Botha that the Report of the Treasurer as at October 31, 2013 be received and adopted. CARRIED

2014 BUDGET

Moved by Alex MacLeod/Brooke Ashfield that the amount of \$10,000 be again placed in the budget for Post Secondary Student Grants for 2014. CARRIED

CONGREGATIONAL AFFAIRS – See Appendix “C” -

Report presented by Calvin Brown

Moved by Calvin Brown/Andrew Song that the Report of the Congregational Affairs Committee be received and considered. CARRIED

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Hungarian Preaching Point

Recommendation 1:

Whereas no suitable ordained Presbyterian Minister is available to lead worship services in the Hungarian language that Mr. Joseph Vasarhelyi be enlisted as regular pulpit supply for the Hungarian preaching point.

Moved Calvin Brown/Earl Suggitt that recommendation 1 be adopted. CARRIED

Recommendation 2:

That the Committee encourage the Preaching Point to pursue, with help from the Presbytery Treasurer, securing a Charitable Status number and to assist them in developing Stewardship Training.

Moved Calvin Brown/Earl Suggitt that recommendation 2 be adopted. CARRIED

INTERIM-MODERATORS' REPORTS

Interim-Moderator's Report for Rockwood & Eden Mills.

Recommendation 3:

That Presbytery give permission to Rockwood/Eden Mills Pastoral Charge to proceed to search for a minister.

Moved Calvin Brown/Mark Richardson that recommendation 3 be adopted. CARRIED

Moved Calvin Brown/Andrew Song that the Congregational Affairs report as a whole be adopted. CARRIED

EDUCATION, ISSUES AND FELLOWSHIP (EIF) – see Appendix “G”

Moved by Janice Hamalainen/Johan DeSchiffart that the report of Education, Issues and Fellowship (EIF) be received for information. CARRIED

Stated Hour

At the stated hour of 8:30 Charmila Ireland and Lemiski Brockenshire were introduced to the court and invited to share their experiences with Project Ploughshares. Lemiski served with Project Ploughshares last year and Charmila is with them this year part time.

The Moderator expressed the appreciation of the court to the Project Ploughshares for sharing their experiences.

2014 Funding

Canada Youth

It was agreed on motion of Janice Hamalainen/Johan DeSchiffart that a subsidy \$150. be made available on application to young people from within the Presbytery attending Canada Youth 2014. It will be on first come basis and the total budget will be \$5,000. Funding will be available Jan 1, 2014. CARRIED

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The Women's Gathering

It was agreed on motion of Janice Hamalainen/Johan DeSchiffart that a subsidy \$150.00 be made available on application to women from within the Presbytery attending The Women's Gathering in 2014. It will be on first come basis and the total budget will be \$4,000. Funding will be available Jan 1, 2014.

Presbyterian Museum

Congregations were reminded of the request from the General Assembly that they are encouraged to support the Presbyterian Museum in the amount of \$50.00 in 2014. Received for information.

MISSION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE – see Appendix “D”

Moved by Alex MacLeod/Jeff Smith that the Report of the Mission and Outreach Committee be received for information. CARRIED

Recommendation #1 –

Moved by Alex MacLeod/ Grant Scott that the report of the Rev. Glen Soderholm concerning the current status of Two Rivers Church be accepted and approved. CARRIED

The Rev. Alex MacLeod reported on the visit of the Bunun Presbytery representatives in October. See Appendix “E” for a copy of the partnership agreement signed.

Notice of Motion

Marty Molengraaf advised that at the next regular meeting of Presbytery, that he will move or caused to be moved that pending further research by the Clerk re the Ecumenical Campus Ministries Grant from Canadian Ministries, regarding the decision not to support Campus Ministries, that he be given permission to directly contact congregations within the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington to seek support and funding.

Moved by Alex MacLeod/Aubrey Botha that the report as a whole of the Mission and Outreach Committee be approved as amended. CARRIED

MINISTRY COMMITTEE – see Appendix “E”

Moved by John Paeng/Isabel Howell that the report of the Ministry Committee be received and considered. CARRIED

Notice of Motion:

John Paeng advised that at a future meeting of the Presbytery, the Ministry Committee will move or cause to be moved that Appendix J, "Process for Certification", item 3, be amended as follows (proposed change in italics): That each member of the interview team, consisting of at least two persons, *none of whom is from the candidate's home congregation*, be given a copy of the

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candidate's file (including resume, references, letter from the person's church). After the team does its work these copies are to be returned to the Ministry Candidate's Coordinator.

Student Certification

1. That Gregory Smith be recertified as a student for the Ministry of Word and Sacrament at Knox College.
Moved by John Paeng/Colin Carmichael that the above recommendation be approved.
CARRIED

In light of the Notice of Motion it was agreed on motion of John Paeng/Colin Carmichael that the Rev. Angus Sutherland will service to coordinate the student interview team for Cheryl D'Angelo as she is a member of Knox Preston Cambridge. CARRIED

Moved by John Paeng/John Borthwick that the report as a whole of the Ministry Committee be adopted. CARRIED

EDUCATION, ISSUES AND FELLOWSHIP (EIF) – see Appendix “G”

Moved by Janice Hamalainen/ Johan DeSchiffart that the report of Education, Issues and Fellowship (EIF) be received for information. CARRIED

STATISTICAL REPORTS GOING DIGITAL

The Clerk shared the news that she had just received the information that the Statistical Reports are going digital. Clerks of Session are to watch for further information.

NEXT MEETING

The Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington will meet in regular session on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Fergus at 7:00 p.m., refreshments at 6:30.

ADJOURNMENT

The business being completed, the Presbytery adjourned on motion of Calvin Brown. The Moderator, the Rev. Mark Lewis pronounced the Benediction and announced that the Presbytery will meet again on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Fergus.

Moderator

Clerk

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Appendix "A"

OVERTURE FROM KNOX, GUELPH SESSION

**For Consideration
 by The Presbytery of Wellington Waterloo**

This is a draft from Knox Guelph of what is intended to become an overture to the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington with the hope it will be approved and forwarded to the Clerk of the General Assembly. This overture arises out of a concern that members of a congregation who move from their community are most often without pastoral care or a connection to a congregation in their new community.

WHEREAS, often senior members of a congregation move and relocate into new communities which are usually some distance from their home congregation;

WHEREAS, most often this results in a breakdown of communication or a complete loss of a connection with their home congregation in the case of seniors, especially those who have moved into a nursing home, a growing sense of isolation and of having been 'forgotten' by the church, those who are mobile (including seniors and younger people) often not seeking out a new church congregation resulting in a loss of connection with the church community;

WHEREAS, members who move to new locations often do not take the initiative to seek out a new place to worship and have fellowship in their new communities, and congregations in the new community are therefore usually unaware of their presence (especially in large communities) and so are unable to provide pastoral care;

WHEREAS, at present there is not a program/process requirement in place in our presbyteries and congregations for the automatic notification by the Session of the home congregation to the Presbytery and through presbytery to the Presbyterian congregation(s) of these members having moved into their community and advising them to provide pastoral oversight;

WHEREAS, it has been the practice of many congregations to assist university students in connecting with a nearby congregation in their new location, thus providing them with a "church home" away from home;

THEREFORE, the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington requests that this practice be expanded and formalized to include all ages of members who relocate, especially seniors who most often move into either a seniors retirement facility or a nursing care facility in the new community, and overtures the General Assembly to add to the Book of Forms a ruling stating:

That each presbytery require sessions to advise the clerk of their presbytery whenever a member moves beyond the bounds of a congregation's community within one month of the member(s)

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moving and to provide the Clerk of Presbytery with the following information:

- a. the name(s) and age(s) of the member(s)
- b. the address of the member(s)
- c. any pertinent information regarding special needs, physical limitations/requirements
- d. contact information (address, phone, email)

That the presbytery clerk then advise the clerk of the presbytery into whose bounds the members have moved and that the member's contact information be forwarded to the Presbyterian congregation(s) nearest these member and to report back to the member's home congregation stating that a visit has taken place and what follow-up is intended.

Or to do otherwise as the General Assembly, in its wisdom, may deem best.

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Appendix "B"

2014 Waterloo-Wellington Assessments
Units = Households + Members divided by two

Church	Units	Presbytery \$16.50	Synod \$ 8.58	Annual Total	Quarterly Payment
Arthur	111	\$ 1,831.50	\$ 952.38	\$ 2,783.88	\$ 695.97
Gordonville	63	\$ 1,039.50	\$ 540.54	\$ 1,580.04	\$ 395.01
Baden	20	\$ 330.00	\$ 171.60	\$ 501.60	\$ 125.40
Central	317	\$ 5,230.50	\$ 2,719.86	\$ 7,950.36	\$ 1,987.59
Knox's Galt	123	\$ 2,021.25	\$ 1,051.05	\$ 3,072.30	\$ 768.08 *
Knox Preston	187	\$ 3,085.50	\$ 1,604.46	\$ 4,689.96	\$ 1,172.49
Westside	79	\$ 1,303.50	\$ 677.82	\$ 1,981.32	\$ 495.33
St. Andrew's Hespeler	321	\$ 5,288.25	\$ 2,749.89	\$ 8,038.14	\$ 2,009.54 *
Crieff	79	\$ 1,295.25	\$ 673.53	\$ 1,968.78	\$ 492.20 *
Gale, Elmira	291	\$ 4,793.25	\$ 2,492.49	\$ 7,285.74	\$ 1,821.44 *
Elora	164	\$ 2,706.00	\$ 1,407.12	\$ 4,113.12	\$ 1,028.28
Alma	36	\$ 594.00	\$ 308.88	\$ 902.88	\$ 225.72
Fergus	330	\$ 5,445.00	\$ 2,831.40	\$ 8,276.40	\$ 2,069.10
Knox, Guelph	358	\$ 5,907.00	\$ 3,071.64	\$ 8,978.64	\$ 2,244.66
Kortwright	176	\$ 2,895.75	\$ 1,505.79	\$ 4,401.54	\$ 1,100.39 *
St. Andrew's, Guelph	292	\$ 4,809.75	\$ 2,501.07	\$ 7,310.82	\$ 1,827.71 *
Westminster - St. Paul's	146	\$ 2,409.00	\$ 1,252.68	\$ 3,661.68	\$ 915.42
Harriston	120	\$ 1,971.75	\$ 1,025.31	\$ 2,997.06	\$ 749.27 *
Calvin	198	\$ 3,258.75	\$ 1,694.55	\$ 4,953.30	\$ 1,238.33 *
Doon	168	\$ 2,772.00	\$ 1,441.44	\$ 4,213.44	\$ 1,053.36
Kitchener East	151	\$ 2,483.25	\$ 1,291.29	\$ 3,774.54	\$ 943.64 *
St. Andrew's, Kitchener	1,304	\$21,507.75	\$11,184.03	\$ 32,691.78	\$ 8,172.95 *
Mount Forest	81	\$ 1,328.25	\$ 690.69	\$ 2,018.94	\$ 504.74 *
Conn	34	\$ 561.00	\$ 291.72	\$ 852.72	\$ 213.18
Palmerston	44	\$ 717.75	\$ 373.23	\$ 1,090.98	\$ 272.75 *
Drayton	13	\$ 206.25	\$ 107.25	\$ 313.50	\$78.38 *
Duff's	184	\$ 3,036.00	\$ 1,578.72	\$ 4,614.72	\$ 1,153.68
Rockwood	46	\$ 750.75	\$ 390.39	\$ 1,141.14	\$ 285.29 *
Eden Mills	43	\$ 701.25	\$ 364.65	\$ 1,065.90	\$ 266.48 *
Joonim-Church of the Lord	93	\$ 1,526.25	\$ 793.65	\$ 2,319.90	\$ 579.98 *
Knox, Waterloo	485	\$ 8,002.50	\$ 4,161.30	\$ 12,163.80	\$ 3,040.95
Totals	6,049	\$99,808.50	\$51,900.42	\$151,708.92	\$37,927.23

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	Oct. 2013	Budget 2013		Budget 2014
Office-general	773.20	2,500.00	Office-general	2,500
Office-telecommunications	1,311.73	1,500.00	Office-telecommunications	1,600
Office- interest & s/c	158.26	150.00	Office- interest & s/c	200
Office-total	2,243.19	4,150.00	Office-total	4,300
Travel-mileage	10,651.03	7,500.00	Travel-mileage	7,000
Travel-meals,etc.	2,356.99	200.00	Travel-meals,etc.	500
Travel-total	13,008.02	7,700.00	Travel-total	7,500
Grants - U of G chaplaincy	6,000.00	6,000.00	Grants - U of G chaplaincy	6,000
Grants - donations	-	400.00	Grants - donations	500
Grants - New Life Counselling	1,550.00	1,500.00	Grants - New Life Counselling	1,500
Grants-total	7,550.00	7,900.00	Grants-total	8,000
Clerk's honorarium	9,892.50	11,871.00	Clerk's honorarium	11,990
Treasurer's honorarium	5,395.80	6,475.00	Treasurer's honorarium	6,540
CPP/EI	488.25	600.00	CPP/EI	680
Commissioner's Expenses	175.00	3,000.00	Commissioner's Expenses	2,500
EIF Moderator's Visit	-	600.00	Clerk's Consultation April 2014	600
Student Certification	-	500.00	Student Certification	500
Liability Insurance	2,965.61	3,500.00	Liability Insurance	3,500
Conference Funds	2,524.48	2,500.00	Conference Funds	2,500
Visitors	-	300.00	Visitors	300
Gifts	1,651.53	1,000.00	Gifts	1,000
Pulpit Supply for Visitation	-	1,500.00	Pulpit Supply for Visitation	1,500
Christian Education	-	1,000.00	Christian Education	1,000
Student Grants	1,000.00	5,000.00	Student Grants	5,000
Legal Fees	-	1,000.00	Legal Fees	1,000
Student Psych/Assess.	1,550.00	2,000.00	Student Psych/Assess.	2,400
Expenses - St Giles	11,873.60	-	Women Gathering 2014	4,000
Subtotal - General	60,317.98	60,596.00	Subtotal - General	64,810
Special projects-Two Rivers	25,000.00	25,000.00	Special projects-Two Rivers	25,000
Special projects-Crieff Hills	20,000.00	20,000.00	Special projects-G. Assem. 2014	25,000

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Special projects-Duffs/Knox etc.	10,000.00	-	Special projects-CY 2014	5,000
Special projects-lay education	-	5,000.00	Special projects-Bunun Exchange	6,000
Special projects-total	55,000.00	50,000.00	Special projects-total	61,000
Total Budget	115,317.98	110,596.00	Total Budget	125,810
Synod Assessment	55,922.00	55,922.00	Synod Assessment	51,900
Total All Expenses	171,239.98	166,518.00	Total All Expenses	177,710
Total Assessment Income	158,346.02	159,843.24	Total Assessment Income	151,710
Other income - services	2,206.05	-	Other income - services	1,000
Other income - interest	1,729.96	-	Other income - interest	2,000
Total Income	162,282.03	159,843.24	Total Income	154,710
Surplus/(Deficit)	(12,893.96)	(6,674.76)	Surplus/(Deficit)	(23,000)

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Appendix "C"

CONGREGATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT - NOVEMBER 2013

Hungarian Preaching Point

The sub-committee consisting of Rev. Calvin Brown (Convener) and Rev. Mark Lewis (elder Liz Samis sent regrets) met with nine members of their leadership team at St. Andrew's Presbyterian on September 26. We discussed their future and how we could better organize the effort of outreach to the Hungarian community. We suggested a basic budget was necessary and they agreed. They also asked that we assist with stewardship training since the Hungarian church was not used to having to raise funds to support the ministry. We also talked about Presbyterian Polity and the roles and responsibilities of the Committee, the leadership team and pulpit supply. The basic budget they are bringing to the congregation for 2014 at present is as follows:

Expenses

Pulpit supply	\$4500
Meeting place honorarium to St. Andrew's	500
Bulletins and office supplies	20
Miscellaneous	<u>800</u>
TOTAL	\$ 5820

The current source of income is the offering taken during their bi-monthly gatherings. We were also introduced to Joseph Vasarhelyi who is currently undertaking M.Div. studies in Toronto at an independent Christian College. His father is a Presbyterian Minister in the USA and his aunt is a Presbyterian Minister in the Presbytery of Niagara. Joseph is currently the regular supply at the PCC Hungarian in Delhi, Presbytery of Paris. He seems like a competent preacher and is willing to do regular supply at the preaching point. We would make the following recommendations:

Recommendation 1:

Whereas no suitable ordained Presbyterian Minister is available to lead worship services in the Hungarian language that Joseph Vasarhelyi be enlisted as regular pulpit supply for the Hungarian preaching point.

Recommendation 2:

That the Committee encourage the Preaching Point to pursue, with help from the Presbytery Treasurer, securing a Charitable Status number and to assist them in developing Stewardship Training.

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Interim-Moderator's Report for Rockwood & Eden Mills.

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Here is a brief report from Rockwood & Eden Mills:

Since September, the search committee has met twice and has invited the congregations of Rockwood and Eden Mills to contribute to the search process through a survey, which went out on Sept. 15th. Seventeen surveys were filled out and returned at Rockwood and seventeen were also returned at Eden Mills. On Oct. 22nd a joint congregational meeting was held to invite input into the self-analysis of the congregations and to aid the Search Committee as they prepare to draw up a profile. Thirty-three people attended the meeting. A search committee meeting is scheduled for Oct. 28th and, at that time, we will begin to write the profile. Our intention is to advertise for the position of minister as soon as possible. We are therefore requesting the presbytery's permission to do so.

We also ask that the presbytery remember us in their prayers, particularly as we look ahead to receiving applications for the position of minister.

Respectfully submitted
Alex MacLeod, Interim-Moderator

Recommendation 3:

That Presbytery give permission to Rockwood/Eden Mills Pastoral Charge to proceed to search for a minister.

Gale Presbyterian Church, Interim Moderator's Report, November 2013

The vacancy at Gale is now entering its seventh month. Forty applications have been reviewed to date. Throughout the month of September the search committee continued to review profiles and listen to applicants conduct worship. In early October we invited three candidates to interviews scheduled for Sun. Nov. 3rd and Mon. Nov. 4th (still in the future at the time of writing), and spent the remainder of October refining the interview questions and checking references. There are a further three candidates who the search committee may or may not be interested in interviewing once it engages with the first three. While we are notifying new applicants that the review of their profile by the committee will be contingent upon the outcome of the interviews, the application period remains officially open, and both print and online advertisements remain in place.

A joint retreat for the sessions of Gale and Westminster-St. Paul's was held September 14th, which included, along with worship, food and fun, some further work with the ideas presented by Kennon Callaghan at the Presbytery workshop last May. The work of the Gale session this Fall has focused on concluding the review of the congregational roll, and administering the biennial election of elders. The roll review will result in a 24% reduction in the statistical size of the congregation, but will ensure that those ascribing the call are actually connected with Gale in the present. The session is also stream-lining, from 18 elders down to 15. As interim moderator I am offering 3, 2 hour sessions of elder training to the new elders (and any of the seasoned elders who want to join in). This offer has been greeted enthusiastically by the Gale session, and we are also

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having a good response to the Fall study group I am offering, assisted by several of Gale's lay leaders. Throughout October, session had the opportunity to exercise some leadership in a situation which arose between the various participants in the music ministry. The issue had long roots and by clarifying expectations and channels of communication and accountability, I feel that Gale is in a stronger position now to incorporate both a new minister and a new director of music into the worship mix with a minimum of grief, than if this conversation had not occurred. In November the session will invite 13 young people to take part in a communicants class which will run from February through June, so hopefully there will be some addition of members to record next year to temper the dramatic deletion which has resulted from the purging of the roll. The work of the Board, and the various session committees keep life ticking along in the congregation. The finances are in good shape. The board has recently completed the paving of the parking lot, and fourteen hundred apple pies, representing a major "slice" of congregational life, as well as revenue, for the month of October, have been turned out. Worship in September and October has included two mission speakers -- members of the congregation who are going on short term missions to Mongolia and Romania respectively.

The congregation responded generously when Callaghan's "'spontaneous giving' giving door" was opened alongside the traditional giving-to-the-annual-budget approach to stewardship. The Christian Education committee is currently preparing a proposal for a half-day conference, scheduled for Jan. 18th, 2014, called "Drawn into the Net" which will look at computer technology from standpoints of safety, impact upon relationships (particularly parent/child relationships) and impact upon how we do ministry in the church. The proposal will seek funding from both the Presbytery and the National Church, and is offered to the Presbytery as a major event which hopes to take in participants from across the community and our church-region.

Gale celebrated its 145th anniversary on Sunday October 20th, and the Rev. Dr. Linda Bell (guest minister that day) and former Gale music director Martin Bauer, were back "among friends" for the first time officially since their April 30th retirement. It was an opportunity to express again the great love and thankfulness which Gale feels for Rev. Linda and her ministry among them, but also to explore new roles where Rev. Linda is added to that company of "former ministers" of the congregation and Gale positions itself to embrace someone new. I personally feel that an induction early in the new year would be both beneficial and possible for this congregation -- though much depends on the feeling of the search committee following this weekend's interviews, and the extricability of our applicants from what they are currently doing. (That would mean a special meeting of Presbytery in early December (hem, hem)). Plans for Advent and Christmas are well in hand (my supply preaching schedule is done until the end of 2013), but I have a question mark hanging over the new year. The question mark which hangs over the new year in the mind of the congregation is causing anxiety to the "Js" while the "Ps" are just happy with the plethora of possibilities. My message these days is to "trust the search committee, and the hand of God in the process." God is good and the search committee has been one of God's great

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blessings to me in this process. Whoever is called to Gale will be met by a truly stellar set of people to work with.

Yours faithfully
Karla Wübbenhorst
Interim Moderator

Report of the Interim Moderator –Andrew Song - Knox-Conn & St. Andrew's, Mount Forest

After we closed the deadline but failed to reach the final decision in June, we have received eight other applications since we re-opened. At the meeting of the Committee on October 15, 2013, a short list of four potential candidates was made up. The committee has been travelling in order to attend full worship services conducted by the four candidates either at the applicant's church or at "the 3rd church." We hope that we may soon conclude this search process after the committee finish their last task of scouting on November 24.

At times some members of the congregation expressed the desire of the presence of their former pastor in their midst to continue to provide leadership and support in the ministry during the vacancy, but after much communication and explanation between them and myself such a desire seems gradually faded away. I seek your prayer, however, on this matter that they may fully understand and appreciate the merit of grieving over the loss of their pastor due to retiring from the ministry. Only going through such a grieving process will the congregation begin to look forward to the arrival of the new minister and desire to build a relationship with him/her in the coming days ahead. With that being said, I am pleased to report, on the other hand, that both Knox-Conn and St. Andrew's-Mount Forest have continued to function well as a congregation in their weekly worship and activities.

They enjoyed the worship and message of various guest speakers who are mainly pulpit suppliers from within our Presbytery.

Recommendation 4: That the report as a whole be adopted.

Calvin Brown
Co-Convenor

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**Report of the Mission and Outreach Committee
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The Committee met on Wednesday Oct. 16th at Kortright Presbyterian Church and moved the following recommendations:

Two Rivers Church Accountability Group Report

Recommendation #1 –

that the report of the Rev. Glen Soderholm concerning the current status of Two Rivers Church be accepted and approved.

Alex MacLeod
Glen Soderholm
Conveners

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Two Rivers Church – 3rd Quarter Report 2013

I will update the first quarter report using the categories we established there.

Numerical Growth. We now have over 20 people who would call Two Rivers Church their faith community. Like most churches these days, consistent attendance is always a tentative thing. This is especially true for those who have never been part of a church before. With that being said, the people that have attached themselves to us, seem to value coming together, but face the same challenge of juggling all the demands on their lives.

This Fall, in addition to our Living Room gathering on Tuesday evenings, we have added two Sunday night events per month. One of these is what we are calling an Evening Liturgy, meeting in Guelph's Knox Presbyterian sanctuary for worship. The first one was responded to very positively as 16 of us gathered around the altar space for worship.

I went to the Hillside Music festival this summer, which is a gathering place for many of Guelph's citizens, and to my great joy, I encountered many people from the downtown community with whom I have had contact and now have a relationship. It felt like I was a part of the scene, and it was a confirmation to me that my downtown networking is bearing fruit.

While we have solidified our base, we have yet to attract many of the kind of people who have an understanding of first fruits giving or tithing. While we are openly talking about these things more, we are hesitant to come on too strongly and reinforce the notion that churches are only interested in people as giving units. As we begin to explore the idea of covenanted membership we will see how committed giving becomes a part of that.

Maturation Growth. This is one of the more challenging things in the missional movement. We are reaching out to neighbours, and they are coming to our events, but, we are trying to find the balance between inviting them into the distinctives of Christian discipleship – prayer, scripture, worship, service, etc, without scaring them away. Our more mature Christians are hungering for some deeper spiritual experience; so we're trying to find a way to accommodate the unique needs of these groups of people. We are looking to create experiences in our Living Room gathering where people can become vulnerable in a safe environment, and then also feel supported in prayer and practical friendship.

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One evening we focused on the spiritual discipline of fasting, and one of our participants felt very moved to begin experimenting with this discipline. This has started her into a deeper prayer experience, and has helped her become more connected to the group.

In our move to a public evening liturgy every month, we are satisfying some of the desires for an ancient/future worship experience, and look forward to that becoming a more significant part of what we do together.

Systemic growth. This Fall we are beginning to make people conscious of the need to identify who our real leaders are, and who is gifted to lead. It means we need to start talking about what spiritual leaders of a church look like and what they are called to do.

Also, we see that in this early stage of growth, that the people who have connected have done so primarily through me and my wife. We recognize several goals going forward: 1) that a stronger network of friendships need to be grown amongst our adherents outside of my wife and me. 2) That these people then need to exhibit more ownership by inviting their own friends to participate with us and in our mission and vision.

This Fall we have launched a web-site and facebook page. These two means of communication are an intentional stepping out from under the radar, to say "here we are, come and take a look at what's happening!"

Incarnational Growth. We have continued to build more and more friendships in our neighbourhood. There have been opportunities for ministry and sharing of God's grace through friendship and common concerns.

Two neighbours that live several doors down from us, who are not believers, have been spending time with us and the participants of Two Rivers. Our friendship has grown to the point where we are sharing life in our community, and where we are having conversations about God, faith, and how we see Jesus involved in our lives.

Another neighbour is an avowed atheist, but we have terrific conversations, and we spend time helping each other out in our neighbourhood. He and his wife like to attend our social events, and have made friends with others in the group.

Also, we have connected to one the of student ministries on the University of Guelph campus, and they are actively supporting our public events, which has led to some of the students checking us out. It seems that this may be a potentially fruitful connection for us to pursue.

We have been involved in the planting of Guelph's first downtown community garden, through organizing it, and having a plot within it to grow vegetables. It will gain momentum next year as the concept grows.

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My Personal Status

It has been a challenging 6 months.

First of all, in May, my wife was diagnosed with cancer. This was rather shocking, but, we are encouraged that the outcome is looking quite positive going forward.

Also, my Father passed away two weeks ago, we've had a daughter move back home with us, and I had some physical challenges with my back and arm through the summer. All these stressors have certainly taken their toll, but I'm convinced that these things have thrown us into a deeper reliance upon Christ, as we continue in his call upon our lives. I can only say that I'm grateful for community and good friends who have mediated care and Christ's love to us, not the least of which has been our Two Rivers Church community.

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(English Translation only)

**COVENANT BETWEEN
THE BUNUN PRESBYTERY
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN TAIWAN
and
THE PRESBYTERY OF WATERLOO-WELLINGTON
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA**

As brothers and sisters in Christ, it is our desire to build an ongoing friendship between our two Presbyteries. We rejoice in the unity we share as courts of partner churches. It is our prayer that this friendship may deepen and flourish as we walk a new road together.

We believe that the will of God includes the visible unity of all Christ's people in and through the life and mission of the Church, while recognizing that we are also called to rejoice in the Church's rich diversity. We mark our faith in God as Creator and Sustainer of life in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior and in the Holy Spirit who equips and enables people to extend God's reign of love today.

We celebrate our traditions of faith and worship recognizing the long tradition that our churches share since the arrival of the first Canadian missionary to Taiwan, the Rev. Dr. George Leslie Mackay in 1872. We give thanks to God for the missionaries who have gone since that time from The Presbyterian Church in Canada to The Presbyterian Church in Taiwan to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We also give thanks for the members of the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan who have become part of the life of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, some as Ministers of Word and Sacrament and many as members of PCC congregations.

We affirm our commitment to God and to each other to deepen our visible unity, the form of which will only become clear as we travel together in faith

We seek to express our shared faith through this Covenant and through our ministry and mission. We pray that our hearts will be opened as we begin our journey together.

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Our Commitment

- We will pray for each other.
- We commit ourselves to honour this partnership through building friendly relations between our Presbyteries and so deepening our understanding of each other.
- We commit ourselves when possible to maintain regular visits between our Presbyteries and to offer invitations to attend significant events as well as more informal events.
- We will support each other through our common interest and faith in Jesus Christ

*Signed at the meeting of the Bunun Presbytery of The Presbyterian Church in Taiwan
October 17, 2013 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada.*

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Moderator,
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The Presbyterian Church in Taiwan

Rev. Mark Lewis,
Moderator,
The Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington
The Presbyterian Church in Canada

Rev. Ibu Kanbudan

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Rev. Alex MacLeod
Convener, Mission & Outreach Committee
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Rev. Chen Hui Lin
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Dr. M. Wilma Welsh,
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Ministry Committee Report
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The Ministry Committee met on Thursday, November 7th at 7pm. In attendance were Frank Kivell, John Paeng, Aubrey Botha, Isabel Howell, Angus Sutherland, and Bill Bynum. Regrets were sent by Jean Godin, Mark Gaskin, Scott McAndless, Peter Goudy, Bert Perriman, and Colin Carmichael.

John Paeng opened with prayer.

Notice of Motion: At a future meeting of the Presbytery, the Ministry Committee will move or cause to be moved that Appendix J, "Process for Certification", item 3, be amended as follows (proposed change in italics): That each member of the interview team, consisting of at least two persons, *none of whom is from the candidate's home congregation*, be given a copy of the candidate's file (including resume, references, letter from the person's church). After the team does its work these copies are to be returned to the Ministry Candidate's Coordinator.

For Information:

-Re: Greg Smith (student candidate) The Ministry Committee recommends to Calvin Presbyterian Church, Kitchener that Mr. Smith be considered to receive the L. S. Van Mossel Bursary Fund in light of his financial needs.

-Student recertification is due for March of 2014.

Rev. Bill Bynum will continue to serve as liaison for Ministry Candidate Students.

The Ministry Committee wants to express a sincere note of thanks and gratitude to Rev. Bill Bynum for his time, energy and dedication in coordinating the efforts of the interview team in helping the student candidates within our Presbytery.

-Rev. Angus Sutherland will serve to coordinate the student interview team for Cheryl D'Angelo to consider recommendation to be a candidate for ordination in The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

-Current certified students include

Margaret Evans, Vancouver School of Theology (last year of studies)

Greg Smith, Knox College

Lisa Brimblecombe, Knox College

David Sturtevant, Presbyterian College

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We ask that all Presbytery members keep the students in prayer as they prepare themselves for the work of Word & Sacrament within the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Motion: That the Ministry Committee report be accepted as a whole.

Respectfully submitted by John Paeng

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APPENDIX "G"

EDUCATION, ISSUES AND FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE**COMMITTEE REPORT TO PRESBYTERY****Report re: Biennial assemblies**

The EIF Committee met as a whole on October 11 and discussed the question of biennial assemblies. It was agreed that we should continue to hold General Assemblies yearly rather than go to biennial assemblies. However, we are still working on a formal report to Presbytery. Our goal is to have this presented at the meeting of Presbytery on January 8.

Workshop on the churches position re: the relations between Israel/Palestine.

This is still being organized. More information will be forthcoming at the next Presbytery meeting on January 8.

FUNDS AVAILABLE**Canada Youth 2014**

The Presbytery budget for 2014 has \$5,000.00 available to subsidize our youth who would like to attend CY14. A subsidy of \$150.00 will be given to youth who apply. It is important to advise the youth that a request needs to be made before the funds can be released. If you have a youth who is attending CY14 and would like to apply for a subsidy, please have them email Janice Hamalainen at j.hamalainen@standrewskw.com.

THE WOMEN'S GATHERING – BURST FORTH

The Presbytery budget for 2014 has \$4000.00 available to subsidize women from our Presbytery who wish to attend Burst Forth, the Women's Gathering arranged by the WMS on May 16-19, 2014. A subsidy of \$150.00 is available upon request. Please email Janice Hamalainen at j.hamalainen@standrewskw.com to arrange for this.

Rev. Janice Hamailanen,
Convener