

Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Arthur
September 13th, 2016

The Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington met at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Arthur on Tuesday, September 13th, 2016 for the regular meeting of Presbytery. Refreshments were served at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting constituted at 7:00 p.m.

WORSHIP

Worship was conducted by the Rev. Ed Charlton, minister of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church and Gordonville, with the retiring Moderator, the Rev. Brooke Ashfield preaching the sermon, followed by Holy Communion.

The Rev. Ed Charlton, host minister welcomed the presbytery.

CONSTITUTION OF THE COURT AND WELCOME

The Rev. Brooke Ashfield, Moderator, opened the meeting with prayer and constituted the court.

The Moderator welcomed all visitors in attendance asking for them to be introduced and encouraged them to sign in so that we will have a record of their attendance.

ATTENDANCE:

Ministers - Rev. Brooke Ashfield (Moderator), Rev. Linda Ashfield, Rev. John Borthwick, Rev. Dr. Aubrey Botha, Rev. Michael Burns, Rev. William Bynum, Rev. Ed Charlton, Rev. Chris Ji Hoon. Rev. Darrell Clarke, Rev. Susan Clarke, Rev. Mark Gaskin, Rev. Dr. Mark Lewis, Rev. Alex MacLeod, Rev. Scott McAndless, Rev. Kathy Morden, Rev. Johan Olivier, Rev. Mark Richardson, Rev. Scott Sinclair, Rev. Glen Soderholm, Rev. Jane Swatridge, Rev. Frank Szatmari, Rev. Amanda Wickenheiser, Rev. Karla Wübbenhorst.

Representative Elders – Junghee Ahn, Lenore Arbuckle, Margaret Bingham, Carolyn Boyne, Allison Cann, William Cassels, Janet deGroot, George Forsyth, Andrew Foster, Judith Harrison, Donna Henry, Isabel Howell, Marion Hunter, Alan Israel, Peggy Lennox, Janet MacDowell, Gib McIlwrath, David Ogram, Grant Scott, Rick Thomas, Jim Zaryski

Alternate Representative Elders - Helen Cleghorn, Candace Delane, Peter Devries, Robert Renton, Aileen Isaac, Erik Kabbes, Frank Kivell

Appendix to the Roll – Rev. Dr. Linda Bell, Rev. Dr. Arnold Bethune, Rev. Calvin Brown, Rev. Dr. Herb Gale, Rev. Nicolae Pavel, Rev. Mary Whitson

W.M.S - Jean Godin

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Visitors: Liz Taylor-Samis, Bob Seim, Rev. Andrew Hyde (UofG Ecumenical Ministries), Cheryl Meyer, Gordon Coyne, Deb. Schlichter, Earl Suggitt, Diane Elliott, Bruce Elliott, The Honorable Madam Justice Paddy Hardman, Pat Forman, Shaun McHugh, Carole White

Treasurer - Allan Stewart

Clerk - Dr. Wilma Welsh

REGRETS:

Ministers – Rev. Greg Smith, Rev. John Paeng, Rev. David Whitecross

Representative Elders – Bob Cooper, Joan Knox, Ross Rowat, Lydia Maitland

Alternate Representative Elders – Gaston St. Louis

Ministers on the Appendix to the Roll - Rev. Dr. Robert Spencer, Rev. Angus Sutherland

APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA

Moved by Scott Sinclair/Scott McAndless that the proposed agenda be adopted. CARRIED.

MINUTES

Moved by Scott Sinclair/Scott McAndless that the minutes of the regular meeting of presbytery, June 21, 2016, be approved as circulated. CARRIED

INSTALLATION OF MODERATOR FOR 2016-2017

The Rev. Ed Charlton was installed as Moderator by the outgoing Moderator, the Rev. Brooke Ashfield.

MEMBERS OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

The members of the Business Committee are – Rev. Johan Olivier (Congregational Affairs), Rev. Ed Charlton (EIF), Rev. Mark Gaskin (Mission and Outreach), Rev. Scott Sinclair (Ministry Committee), Rev. Brooke Ashfield (Past Moderator), Allan Stewart (Treasurer), Wilma Welsh (Clerk).

REPORTS

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

Correspondence

Moved by Scott Sinclair/Peter Devries that the actions of the Business Committee in assigning the correspondence be homologated. CARRIED

Future Presbytery Meetings - for information updated from Sept. Presbytery meeting with up to date invitations. Please note that additional invitation are needed.

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September 13, 2016 – St. Andrew's, Arthur (Communion)
 November 8, 2016 – Knox Preston, Cambridge
 January 10, 2017 - Knox, Guelph
 March 14, 2017 – Central, Cambridge
 May 9, 2017
 June 20, 2017
 September 12, 2017 (new moderator's congregation with Communion)

Police checks – All police checks for ministers on the constituent roll are now due. They must be shown to the Clerk in their original form. The information will be recorded and the police check will be returned immediately. A list of police checks not shown to the Clerk to date, will be listed with the November agenda.

Presbytery Roll

Rev. Dr. Wayne Dawes

Request from the Presbytery of Paris that the Rev. Dr. Wayne Dawes be welcomed back and placed on the Appendix to the Roll of the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington. He has been serving as Stated Supply in Brantford.

Recommendation

Moved by Andrew Foster/Mark Gaskin that the Rev. Dr. Wayne Dawes be welcomed back to the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington and his name be placed on the appendix to the roll of the Presbytery. CARRIED

Rev. Leslie Walker

Request from the Presbytery of Calgary-Macleod that the Rev. Leslie Walker be transferred to the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington at her request.

Recommendation

Moved by Scott Sinclair/Karla Wübbenhorst that the Rev. Leslie Walker's name be placed on the appendix to the roll of the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington. CARRIED

Commissioners to 2016 Synod of Central, Northeastern Ontario and Bermuda – by rotation (updated since Sept. meeting) - Nov. 5, 2016 – St. Andrew's, Brampton

Ministers - Rev. Ed Charlton, Rev. Scott McAndless

Elders – Carolyn Boyne (Gale, Elmira), Patricia Hutchison (Knox Preston Cambridge)

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Moderator 2017 General Assembly

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Principal, Knox College

Moved by Alex MacLeod/Aubrey Botha that the name of the Rev. Dr. John Vissers be presented in nomination to Knox College as Principal of Knox College. CARRIED

Brief Biography: The Rev. Dr. John A. Vissers

John Vissers currently serves as Director of Academic Programs and Professor of Historical Theology at Knox College, Toronto. Previously he served as Principal of The Presbyterian College, Montreal (1999- 2012), Senior Minister at Knox Presbyterian Church, Toronto (1995-1999), and Professor of Systematic Theology at Tyndale Seminary (1987-1995). While at Tyndale he also served a term as Academic Dean.

John's books include *The Neo-Orthodox Theology of W.W. Bryden* (Princeton Theological Monograph Series, Pickwick Press, 2006 and Cambridge: James Clarke and Company, 2011) which was awarded the Rev. Melville T. Bailey Academic History Prize by the Committee on History of The Presbyterian Church in Canada in 2007; *Calvin @ 500: Theology, History, and Practice* (2011, which was co-edited with Principal Richard Topping of the Vancouver School of Theology), and *Studies in Canadian Evangelical Renewal: Essays in Honour of Ian S. Rennie* (1996, co-edited with Kevin Quast). He has written numerous articles in peer-reviewed academic journals and chapters in books in the areas of Reformed theology and history, spirituality, contemporary theology, Biblical interpretation, preaching, church renewal, and mission. John is also a regular contributor to the *Presbyterian Record* and other Christian publications.

John was raised in The Presbyterian Church in Canada and has been active in ministry since his days in university. He has served as a youth pastor, camp director, church planter, and pastor. Over the years he has served on the General Assembly Council, the Committee on Church Doctrine, the Committee on History, and the Committee on Education and Reception. In 2012 he was elected as Moderator of the 138th General Assembly and served as moderator from June 2012 – June 2013, representing the Presbyterian Church in Canada at two national events of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission during his term.

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John has been active in theological education in North America and around the world for three decades, having served on the Board of *In Trust* (The Association of Boards in Theological Education) and on the Committee for Faculty Development and the Canadian Affairs Committee of ATS (The Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada). He has lectured and given papers on theology and theological education in the United States, Germany, Sweden, India, Cuba, The Philippines, Taiwan, Ghana, and Malawi. Some of his articles have been reprinted and published in Spanish, Korean, and French.

John is a graduate of the University of Toronto (Bachelor of Arts), Knox College (Master of Divinity), Princeton Theological Seminary (Master of Theology), and the Toronto School of Theology (Doctor of Theology). In 2012 he was awarded the degree Doctor of Sacred Theology, *honoris causa*, by the Montreal Diocesan Theological College at McGill University in recognition of his contribution to ecumenical theological education.

Report as a Whole of the Business Committee be approved on motion of Mark Gaskin/Mark Richardson. CARRIED

TREASURER REPORT – see Appendix “B” – presented by Treasurer Allan Stewart
 Moved by Scott McAndless/Gib McIlwrath that the report of the Treasurer be received and considered. CARRIED

Recommendations

1. That a Development Fund grant of \$10,000 and a loan of \$15,000 be approved for Kitchener East Presbyterian Church, Kitchener for a total support of \$25,000. This is to cover the unexpected cost of the repairs and the steel cladding of the Cross Tower at the church. The loan portion will be added to an existing \$11,000 loan, with the \$26,000 to be paid over ten years, interest free and with mandatory annual repayments.

Moved by Scott McAndless/Johan Olivier that recommendation#1 be approved. CARRIED

2. That Duff's Presbyterian Church, Guelph be permitted to access their Manse Fund to a maximum of \$40,000 in order to pay for major unexpected repairs. Any additional donations received to help with the repairs should lessen the amount accessed from the Manse Fund

Moved by Scott McAndless/Johan Olivier that recommendation#1 be approved. CARRIED

3. That the Presbytery direct 50% of the net proceeds of the sale of the Waterloo North

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Presbyterian Church assets toward supporting ministry in Waterloo at the Knox Waterloo congregation. The understanding is that the first obligation of these funds will be to retire the outstanding loan of \$125,000 made to Knox Waterloo from the Presbytery's Development Fund, and that the remaining funds are to be applied against the existing Knox Waterloo mortgage which is currently \$4.1 million. This will continue the tradition of supporting viable ministry using a portion of the funds of a closed congregation in the same community.

Moved by Scott McAndless/Johan Olivier that recommendation #3 be approved.

Motion to Refer

Moved by Mark Lewis/Gib McIlwrath

With respect to Recommendation #3 of the report of the Business Committee to the September 13 meeting of the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington; That the matter of the distribution of 50% of the proceeds of the sale of Waterloo North Presbyterian Church, designated for ministry in Waterloo, be referred to the Business Committee to develop a formula to distribute the funds equitably among congregations who are able to demonstrate ministry to persons living in Waterloo. The Business Committee will report back to the Presbytery in November of 2016. CARRIED

4. That the Presbytery of Waterloo Wellington request the release of all funds from the sale of Waterloo North from the Trustee Board of the Presbyterian Church in Canada for the following Mission:
 - A. Support a Presbytery Vision of revitalization through a Presbytery Renewal Fund, encouraging and financially supporting strategic planning in congregations and supporting specific projects as approved at Presbytery meeting June 21, 2016 and support for Presbytery and Congregational renewal by retaining a Future Directions Facilitator "FDF" and retaining an Emerging Generations Engagement Facilitator "EGEF" (See minutes of May 10, 2016 and June 21, 2016)
 - B. Support ministry in Waterloo by repaying a Presbytery loan of 125k to the congregation of Knox Waterloo with the remainder of 50% of net funds from the sale of WNPC going towards a reduction in the outstanding mortgage of Knox Waterloo which currently is \$4.1 million.
 - C. The remaining funds not allocated will be directed to the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington Development Fund.

Due to recommendation #3 being referred, recommendation #4 was withdrawn.

Report as a whole approved on motion of Scott McAndless/Johan Olivier. CARRIED

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VISIONING TEAM REPORT – presented by Convener Mark Gaskin – see Appendix “C”
Moved by Mark Gaskin/John Borthwick that the report of the Visioning Team be received and considered. CARRIED

Recommendations:

1. that the standing orders of the Presbytery (Section 7.7 - Committee on Education, Issues and Fellowship) be amended to include oversight of the Terms of Reference for the Waterloo-Wellington Congregational Renewal Fund. *(The above recommendation was a notice of motion at the June 21, 2016 meeting)*

Permission to speak was granted to Liz Samis and Bob Seim. Agreed
Moved Mark Gaskin/John Borthwick that recommendation #1 be approved. CARRIED

2. that the Presbytery approve a request, from the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington, to the Commission on Assets of Dissolved or Amalgamated Congregations of the Trustee Board of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, that \$120,000 be released to the Presbytery, to fund the three year, half time (flex hours) contract position, inclusive of expenses, of the Emerging Generations Engagement Facilitator “EGEF”; and that such funds be placed in the Presbytery's Congregational Renewal Fund for such purpose. Should, any portion of the amount transferred, not be used for the funding for the work of the Emerging Generations Engagement Facilitator, such amount will remain in the Presbytery's Congregational Renewal Fund.” *(The above recommendation was a notice of motion at the June 21, 2016 meeting)*

Moved Mark Gaskin/John Borthwick that recommendation #2 be approved. CARRIED

Time Extension

Adjournment time of 9:30 p.m. having arrived, it was agreed on motion of Alex MacLeod/Margaret Bingham to continue for ½ hour to 10:00 p.m.

Recommendation

3. that the terms for an Emerging Generations Engagement Facilitator “EGEF” based on the Position Description (attached as Appendix 1 to Visioning Report) be approved in principle.

Moved Mark Gaskin/John Borthwick that recommendation #3 be approved. CARRIED

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4. That a EGEF Hiring Committee be formed, appointed by the Moderator, in consultation with the Visioning Team.

Moved Mark Gaskin/John Borthwick that recommendation #4 be approved. CARRIED

Moved by Mark Gaskin/John Borthwick that the report a whole be adopted. CARRIED

MINISTRY COMMITTEE –report presented by Scott Sinclair – see Appendix “D”

Moved by Scott Sinclair/David Ogram that the report of the Ministry Committee be received and considered. CARRIED

Moved by Bill Bynum/Isabel Howell that the visitors from Knox Preston and Paddy Hardman (advisor to Cheryl D'Angelo) be permitted to sit and correspond.

Recommendations

Re: Diane Boyd

1. That Diane Boyd be recertified as a candidate to Knox College for theological studies.

Moved by Scott Sinclair/David Ogram that recommendation #1 be approved. CARRIED

Re Cheryl D'Angelo

As reported at the regular meeting of the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington, June 21st, 2016, we have received correspondence from The Director of Academic Programs at Knox College regarding Ms. Cheryl D'Angelo. The letter states, “Having identified ongoing major concerns the Faculty of Knox College recommends that Cheryl D'Angelo be urged to withdraw as a candidate from the M.Div. and Diploma of the College.” The CoM met in special session on July 5th, 2016 to consider this matter and we make the following recommendation:

2. That the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington immediately revoke the certification of Cheryl D'Angelo as a student for theological studies at Knox College and as a candidate for ministry from the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington.

Moved by Scott Sinclair/David Ogram that recommendation #2 be approved.

Amendment –

Moved by Bill Bynum/Isabel Howell that the motion be amended to read

That following the word “that” in the original motion all words be immediately revoked and replaced by

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“the Committee on Ministry be asked to revisit their motion and this entire issue until such a time as the Committee on Ministry has had proper, open, transparent, corrective, pastoral meetings and conversations with, at the very least, Cheryl D’Angelo, the Certifying Session of Knox Preston Church, the minister of Knox Preston Church, the entire Presbytery Appointed Support Team, knowledgeable representative or representatives from Knox College, either separately or all together, for the purposes of addressing and fully investigating all issues identified by Knox College, and the other afore mentioned parties.”

Bill Bynum spoke on reasons for his amendment.

Time Extension

9:30 having arrived, it was moved by Mark Gaskin/Margaret Bingham that the presbytery continue until 10:00 p.m. CARRIED

There were two dissenting votes. If there is one dissenting votes on the second extension the court is called for an immediate adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT

The court adjourned on motion of John Borthwick/Marg Bingman. CARRIED. Business not completed will be on the agenda of the November 8th, 2016 meeting (Mission and Outreach Committee and Congregational Affairs, both with no recommendations).

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of Presbytery will be held on Tuesday, November 8th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. (refreshments at 6:30). Knox Preston Cambridge extended an invitation for the Presbytery to meet at Knox.

Rev. Ed Charlton, Moderator

Dr. Wilma Welsh, Clerk

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Appendix "A"

BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPORT - September 13th, 2016

CORRESPONDENCE –June 14, 2016 – September 13, 2016

16-120	Presbytery of Paris – transfer or Rev. Dr. Wayne Dawes to WW Appendix	Business Committee
16-121	Can Ministries – re conf. call re Child Care & Early Years Act	All Presbyters
16-122	Clerk of Session, Doon – advising of her resignation due to move to US	Clerk
16-123	B. McCaffrey – re Strategic Planning in Presbytery	Visioning Team
16-124	B. Nawratil – Job Posting for Accts. Receivable, PCC Office	All Presbyters
16-125	J. Harrison – advising of her concern re manner in which decision was made re C. D'Angelo	Ministry Committee
16-126	M. Bombini, enquiry re documentation re Winterbourne Church	PCC Archives
16-127	M. Richardson – re financial grant to Kitchener East	Treasurer
16-128	L. Brewer – re Diane Boyd re Guidance Conference report	Ministry Committee
16-129	Knox College – progress letter re Diane Boyd	Ministry Committee
16-130	Pres. of London – certificate of transfer re J. Swatridge	Business Committee
16-131	cc. of Ministry letter to C. D'Angelo – re meeting	Clerk's files
16-132	S. Kendall referrals	Business Committee
16-133	S. Kendall remits 2016 re Petitions, Memorials and Overtures revision	Business Committee
16-134	S. Kendall – Nomination for Moderator of 143 rd General Assembly	All Presbyters
16-135	S. Kendall – Overtures, Memorials, and Petitions 2017	All Presbyters
16-136	S. Kendall - Commissioners to the 143 rd General Assembly	Clerk/Business Com
16-137	S. Kendall – copy of actions of 2016 GA for congregations	rec'd for information
16-138	S. Kendall – re YAR for 2017 from WW Presbytery	EIF
16-139	S. Kendall – re 2016 A&P distribution	Clerk
16-140	Assembly Office – Changes to Roll No 8	All Presbyters
16-141	Session of Knox Preston – re Cheryl D'Angelo – letter #1	Ministry Committee
16-142	Canadian Ministries – Grant Requests for 2017 (copy of letter)	Two Rivers, Guelph
16-143	Knox College – Lay Educ. Knox College	All Presbyters
16-144	Session of Knox Preston – re Cheryl D'Angelo – letter #2	Ministry Committee
16-145	Duff's Church – re financial grant for repair of church	Treasurer
16-146	M. Richardson, Kitchener East – follow up of letter 16-127	Treasurer
16-147	PWS&D – August 2016 E. Newsletter	All Presbyters
16-148	S. Kendall – re overture #5 – to be reported to 2017 Gen. Assembly	File
16-149	S. Kendall – re overture #5 – to be reported to 2017 Gen. Assembly	File
16-150	S. Kendall – copy of letter to Knox's Galt re overture re reforming the diaconate -be not granted - Overture 5, 2015	File

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16-151	S. Kendall – copy of letter to St. And., Kitchener – re overture 24, 2016	File
	All overtures re inclusion of all persons referred to Church	
	Doctrine and Life and Mission for response to 2017 GA	File
	Copy of letter to Duffs, Puslinch – re overture 35, 2016	File
	Copy of letter to St. Andrew's, Arthur – re overture 7, 2016	File
	Copy of letter to Kortright, Guelph – re overture 8, 2016	File
16-152	S. Kendall – Copy of letter to Kortright, Guelph- re overture 22, 2016	
	Not received by General Assembly	File
16-153	APCE – Renewal of membership for 2017	EIF
16-154	Blaine Mitton – re Choir Tour	All Presbyters
16-155	D. Clarke – Session request for financial assistance	Treasurer
16-156	PCCconnect – re A&P – September newsletter	All Presbyters
16-157	Pres. of Calgary-Macleod – receipt of presbytery certificate for the Rev. Leslie Walker	Business Committee
16-158	Mark Lewis – seeking permission for Intermission 2017	Ministry Committee
16-159	Knox Waterloo Session – requesting 50% of net proceeds from Waterloo North sale (see page 9)	Business Committee

1. **Correspondence**

Recommendation

that the actions of The Business Committee in assigning the correspondence be homologated.

2. **Upcoming Meetings** – invitations needed from November 8, 2016 to June 20, 2017 (see page 5376 for updated invitations)

- a) Business Committee, Tuesday, October 4th, 2016 , 10:30 a.m.– Knox, Waterloo
- b) November 8, 2016 –
- c) January 10, 2017 –
- d) March 14, 2017
- e) May 9, 2017
- f) June 20, 2017
- g) September 12, 2017 (new moderator's congregation with Communion)

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3. Presbytery Roll

- a) Request from the Presbytery of Paris that the Rev. Dr. Wayne Dawes be welcomed back and placed on the Appendix to the Roll of the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington. He has been serving as Stated Supply in Brantford.

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Recommendation

that the Rev. Leslie Walker's name be placed on the appendix to the roll of the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington.

4. Police Checks overdue

5. Commissioners to 2016 Synod of Central, Northeastern Ontario and Bermuda – by rotation

Nov. 5, 2016 – St. Andrew's, Brampton

Ministers - Rev. Ed Charlton (yes), Rev. Scott McAndless (yes)

Elders – Gale, Elmira, Knox Preston Cambridge

Alternates - Rockwood, St. Andrew's, Mount Forest

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TREASURER'S REPORT - September 13th, 2016

FINANCIAL REPORT TO WATERLOO-WELLINGTON PRESBYTERY AS AT AUGUST 31, 2016

	<u>to Aug 2016</u>	<u>Budget 2016</u>	<u>Amount remaining</u>
INCOME			
Assessment Income	107,443	143,257	35,814
Income from services	1,396	1,000	(396)
Other income - interest	676	2,961	2,285
Total Income	109,515	147,218	37,703
EXPENSES			
Synod Assessment	36,757	49,010	12,253
Special project - Two Rivers Church	22,000	22,000	-
Special project - Post Sec. student grants	15,600	15,050	(550)
Special project - Bunun Exchange	1,500	6,000	4,500
Special project - Canada Youth 2016	-	3,500	3,500
Special projects - total	39,100	46,550	7,450
Clerk's honorarium	8,503	12,755	4,252
Treasurer's honorarium	4,489	6,733	2,244
CPP/EI	342	520	178
Liability Insurance	2,695	3,500	805
General and office supplies	1,071	2,500	1,429
Telecommunications	794	1,900	1,106
Audit and legal fees	400	500	100
Bank interest and service charges	71	300	229
Office expenses - total	18,365	28,708	10,343
Travel and mileage	3,060	7,000	3,940
Meals and hospitality	-	500	500
Travel - total	3,060	7,500	4,440
Grants - U of G chaplaincy	6,000	6,000	-
Grants - Students for Ministry	600	4,000	3,400
Grants - New Life Counselling	1,500	1,500	-
Grants - total	8,100	11,500	3,400
Commissioner's Expenses	-	2,350	2,350
Conference Funds	4,330	4,000	(330)
Student Psych. assessments/counselling	-	2,000	2,000
Pulpit supply for visitation	-	1,000	1,000

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Visitors and Gifts	200	1,000	800
Christian education	500	1,000	500
Clerk's consultation April 2016	550	600	50
Student certification	-	500	500
General expense - Total	5,580	12,450	6,870
Total All Expenses	110,962	155,718	44,755
Surplus/(Deficit)	(1,448)	(8,500)	(7,052)

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KITCHENER EAST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - The following correspondence was received from the Rev. Dr. Mark Richardson in respect of unexpected emergency repairs.

Forgiven
 to *Glorify, Witness and Serve*

KITCHENER EAST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

10 Zeller Dr., Kitchener, Ontario, N2A 4A8
 Phone (519) 748-9788
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MINISTER
 The Reverend Dr. Mark S. Richardson

CLERK OF SESSION
 Larry Mason

Dr. Wilma Welsh
 Clerk of the Presbytery of Waterloo Wellington
 #1401-11 Margaret Avenue
 Kitchener, Ontario N2H 6M4

Tuesday 23rd August 2016

Dear Wilma:

On Wednesday 17th August I was on the phone with Allan Stewart and we were speaking about the bit of a financial challenge which KEPC has found itself in. He suggested that I write to you (as our Clerk of Session is away on holidays) a note about the situation for the Business Committee of Presbytery to consider.

In 1991 construction began on our current building. Our first worship service was held in the new sanctuary in February of 1992. In the fall of 1997 we discovered that the brick work on the cross tower was crumbling and falling off, after only 5 years. We had the bricks replaced at that time. This past winter we found the bricks once again crumbling and falling off the tower. By April we had engaged in getting quotes from several companies for removing and replacing the bricks. However, we decided that we did not want to have a future generation of KEPC have to deal with crumbling bricks again, and re-bricking was much more expensive, so we had the bricks removed and the cross tower clad in steel. The work was completed in July 2016. The interior structure of the tower is completely stable and now will stand well for years to come.

The cost of doing this unbudgeted repair to the cross tower is \$25,000, monies which we do not have. We have been able to handle the extra financial burden of 2 other projects that we had committed to do this year, totaling \$32,000, but we just do not have the funds to handle the cross tower repairs. We have one family within our congregation which has offered to help cover the immediate need to pay the two companies which did the work, by means of a personal line of credit as a short term help.

An extract from the minutes of our Session meeting on Sunday 21st August 2016 reads: "Moved by Jim Patterson, seconded by Mal Cook, that we apply to Presbytery for funding assistance of \$25,000 to cover the cost of the cross tower repairs."

Thus we are humbly asking the Presbytery to consider helping our congregation to be able to pay for this repair work expense.

Sincerely,

Rev. Dr. Mark S. Richardson

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The request from Kitchener East was fully discussed by the Business Committee and all present were agreed, given the circumstances, that this request was appropriate and should be recommended to presbytery for approval.

Recommendation

1. That a Development Fund grant of \$10,000 and a loan of \$15,000 be approved for Kitchener East Presbyterian Church, Kitchener for a total support of \$25,000. This is to cover the unexpected cost of the repairs and the steel cladding of the Cross Tower at the church. The loan portion will be added to an existing \$11,000 loan, with the \$26,000 to be paid over ten years, interest free and with mandatory annual repayments.

DUFF'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PUSLINCH

Permission to access Manse Fund request from Duff's Presbyterian Church, Guelph

The following correspondence was received from Duff's Presbyterian Church, Guelph and presented to the Business Committee meeting on Tuesday September 6, 2016.

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Duff's Presbyterian Church

319 Brock Rd. S.,
 Guelph, Ontario,
 N1H 6H9
 (519-763-1163)



August 15, 2016

Attention Clerk of Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington,
 Dear Wilma Welsh,

On behalf of Duff's Presbyterian Church the Board of Directors submits this request for funding to the Presbytery. We contracted Culp Restoration to chisel and replace the degrading mortar on the front of Duff's Presbyterian Church. The damage is extensive and requires more repair than initially quoted. The mortar is crumbling and poses a safety concern at the front of the church. To complete this project properly and ensure safety we require additional funding. Forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) is required and we are asking if Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington could assist us with this amount in order to complete this project. The total cost of this job is \$66229.30. We have raised \$26229.30. We are also wondering if we could access the \$88,000 currently in our Manse fund. We appreciate your consideration with regards to this request.

Respectfully yours,

Neil McCaig
 Chairman of the Board of Directors
 Duff's Presbyterian Church.

This request was fully discussed by the Business Committee and all present were agreed, given the circumstances, that this request was appropriate and should be approved

Recommendation

2. That Duff's Presbyterian Church, Guelph be permitted to access their Manse Fund to a maximum of \$40,000 in order to pay for major unexpected repairs. Any additional donations received to help with the repairs should lessen the amount accessed from the Manse Fund

SALE OF WATERLOO NORTH ASSETS

A special meeting of the Business Committee was held in June of 2016 to discuss the issue of the sale of Waterloo North assets. The matter was further discussed at the regular September 6, 2016 meeting. After careful consideration and much discussion the Business Committee recommends:

Wilma Welsh, Clerk (clerkwatwell@gmail.com)

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Recommendation

3. That the Presbytery direct 50% of the net proceeds of the sale of the Waterloo North Presbyterian Church assets toward supporting ministry in Waterloo at the Knox Waterloo congregation. The understanding is that the first obligation of these funds will be to retire the outstanding loan of \$125,000 made to Knox Waterloo from the Presbytery's Development Fund, and that the remaining funds are to be applied against the existing Knox Waterloo mortgage which is currently \$4.1 million. This will continue the tradition of supporting viable ministry using a portion of the funds of a closed congregation in the same community.

The Funds from the sale of the Waterloo North assets are now held by the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. After a 30% contribution to the denomination, the remaining 70% of funds are available to the Presbytery following submission of "a plan regarding the utilization of all remaining assets" (Book of Forms 2016 section 200.11) In fulfilling the terms of the Trustee Board, the following plan is proposed:

Recommendation

4. That the Presbytery of Waterloo Wellington request the release of all funds from the sale of Waterloo North from the Trustee Board of the Presbyterian Church in Canada for the following Mission:
 - a. Support a Presbytery Vision of revitalization through a Presbytery Renewal Fund, encouraging and financially supporting strategic planning in congregations and supporting specific projects as approved at Presbytery meeting June 21, 2016 and support for Presbytery and Congregational renewal by retaining a Future Directions Facilitator "FDF" and retaining an Emerging Generations Engagement Facilitator "EGEF" (See minutes of May 10, 2016 and June 21, 2016)
 - b. Support ministry in Waterloo by repaying a Presbytery loan of 125k to the congregation of Knox Waterloo with the remainder of 50% of net funds from the sale of WNPC going towards a reduction in the outstanding mortgage of Knox Waterloo which currently is \$4.1 million.
 - c. The remaining funds not allocated will be directed to the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington Development Fund.

Financial Report to August 31, 2016

The financial report to August 31, 2016 follows on the next page. The report is very much in line with what was anticipated to this point in 2016 and there are no issues of concern. The

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expectation is that the presbytery will end 2016 with a small deficit in line with the budget presented at the start of the year

Respectfully submitted,
Allan Stewart, Treasurer.

**Re: Waterloo North Funds
Correspondence received – September 11, 2016 – re recommendation #3, Treasurer's Report**

I write at the direction of Knox Waterloo Session Clerk Deb Schlichter (whose home email is currently down) to pass on the motion passed at today's Session Meeting. We met at 11:30 am in the Knox Room following worship. A quorum was present.

After duly constituting as a court of the church a motion, duly seconded was placed before the Session.

"That the Session of Knox Waterloo request the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington to grant 50% of the net proceeds of the sale of the Waterloo North Presbyterian Church assets toward supporting ministry in Waterloo at the Knox Waterloo. The understanding is that the first obligation of these funds will be to retire the outstanding loan of \$125,000 made to Knox Waterloo from the Presbytery's Development Fund in 2010, and that the remaining funds are to be applied against the existing Knox Waterloo mortgage which is currently 4.1 million dollars. This will continue the tradition of supporting viable ministry using a portion of the funds of a closed congregation in the same community."

The motion was discussed and passed.

I pass this on in support of the motion upcoming from the Business Committee to the Presbytery meeting of September 13, 2016 at St. Andrew's Arthur.

Yours sincerely,
Brooke Ashfield
At the direction of Session Clerk Deb Schlichter

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**Visioning Team Report
to Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington
Tuesday, September 13, 2016**

1. Funding for the Future Directions Facilitator position
- approved at the June Presbytery meeting

2. Hiring the Future Directions Facilitator, for a one year contract with the option of renewal, to implement Paths 1 and 2.
- a Future Directions Facilitator (FDF) Hiring Committee (consisting of the Moderator, 2 members of the Visioning Team and one representative from each Quadrant of the Presbytery) is being formed. Quadrant Conveners have forwarded (or are in the process of forwarding) the names.

Notes:

- It was agreed at the June 21 meeting that the terms of hiring and employment for the Future Directions Facilitator (FDF) be the responsibility of the FDF Hiring Committee; and, that the name of the person be brought before the presbytery for approval.

- At the last Visioning Team meeting it was noted that the FDF Hiring Committee will need to edit / revise the original FDF Position Description (as presented at the November 10, 2015 Presbytery meeting). When the name of the candidate is brought before the presbytery for approval it was agreed that the revised Position Description be presented.

- Possible Timeline for Hiring of FDF:

- September / October - Formation of committee
- November - Finalizing the Position Description
- November / December - Advertising Position
- January / February - Interviewing and selection
- March 14, 2017 - Presbytery approval

3. The Congregational Renewal Fund (provides funding for congregational strategic-planning and implementation-ready projects) was approved with an initial investment of \$225,000:
\$ 75,000 for congregations toward their own strategic planning;
\$150,000 for congregations with "implementation-ready" projects.
The Terms of Reference for the Waterloo-Wellington Congregational Renewal Fund were approved in principle at the June Presbytery meeting.

Wilma Welsh, Clerk (clerkwatwell@gmail.com)

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Recommendation #1:

that the standing orders of the Presbytery (Section 7.7 - Committee on Education, Issues and Fellowship) be amended to include oversight of the Terms of Reference for the Waterloo-Wellington Congregational Renewal Fund. *(The above recommendation was a notice of motion at the June 21 Meeting)*

4. Emerging Generations Engagement Facilitator (EGEF)

Hire an Emerging Generations Resource Person, for a three year, half-time, flex hours, contract position to develop a tactical plan for engaging emerging generations, in concert with congregational renewal and to develop new ways of being church within the Presbytery.

Recommendation #2: that the Presbytery approve a request, from the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington, to the Commission on Assets of Dissolved or Amalgamated Congregations of the Trustee Board of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, that \$120,000 be released to the Presbytery, to fund the three year, half time (flex hours) contract position, inclusive of expenses, of the Emerging Generations Engagement Facilitator "EGEF"; and that such funds be placed in the Presbytery's Congregational Renewal Fund for such purpose. Should, any portion of the amount transferred, not be used for the funding for the work of the Emerging Generations Engagement Facilitator, such amount will remain in the Presbytery's Congregational Renewal Fund."

(The above recommendation was a notice of motion at the June 21 Meeting)

Recommendation #3:

that the terms for an Emerging Generations Engagement Facilitator "EGEF" based on the Position Description (attached as Appendix 1) be approved in principle.

Recommendation #4:

that a EGEF Hiring Committee be formed, appointed by the Moderator, in consultation with the Visioning Team.

5. "Improve Communications" as a Fourth Priority arose at the Visioning Day in May of 2015. There were three Notices of Motion presented at the June of 2015 Presbytery meeting - concerning the Waterloo-Wellington Presbytery Communications Strategy. The Visioning Team intends to review these notices and offer direction to the next Presbytery meeting.

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Notice of Motion: I will move, or caused to be moved, a motion removing the following term of reference from the Committee on Education, Issues and Fellowship: "Communication Services and Resources".

Notice of Motion: I will move, or caused to be moved, a motion asking the Presbytery to create a Communications Committee comprised of individuals knowledgeable in current and developing forms of social media communication services, resources and tools.

Note: The Communications Team will devise and implement a strategy that provides information and news in all directions: between congregations within the Presbytery; between congregations and presbytery committees; and, communicate the work of the Presbytery to the community.

Notice of Motion: I will move, or caused to be moved, a motion granting the Communications Committee an interim budget of \$1,000 for 2015; and, a budget of \$3,000 for 2016.

6. The Visioning Team intends to bring its final report to the November 8 Presbytery Meeting

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark B. Gaskin, Convener,

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Committee on Ministry

The Committee on Ministry (CoM) has met once since the last meeting of Presbytery.

Subcommittee on Students – There are 2 students to be mentioned at this time.

Ms. Diane Boyd has been interviewed by the Subcommittee on Students and we make the following recommendation:

Recommendation 1:

that Diane Boyd be recertified as a candidate for theological studies.

As reported at the regular meeting of the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington, June 21st, 2016, we have received correspondence from The Director of Academic Programs at Knox College regarding Ms. Cheryl D'Angelo. The letter states, "Having identified ongoing major concerns the Faculty of Knox College recommends that Cheryl D'Angelo be urged to withdraw as a candidate from the M.Div. and Diploma of the College." The CoM met in special session on July 5th, 2016 to consider this matter and we make the following recommendation:

Recommendation 2:

that the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington immediately revoke the certification of Cheryl D'Angelo as a student for theological studies at Knox College and as a candidate for ministry from the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington.

Representatives of the CoM met with Ms. D'Angelo and her home congregation minister on July 8th, 2016 to inform her of this decision.

Continuing Education Courses and Training – We remind the clergy of Presbytery the CoM is tasked to compile a catalogue of experiences clergy have used as part of their continuing education. This list would be for information only. Clergy are asked to contact Rev. Scott Sinclair and indicate what courses they have taken. These will be shared with Presbytery so others can use them as a resource.

Future Directions Facilitator – As requested by the Visioning Team at the June 21st, 2016 regular meeting of Presbytery, the CoM has appointed Mr. Graham Parsons, Elmira, as representative to the FDF Hiring Committee.

Respectfully Submitted
Scott Sinclair – Convener

Wilma Welsh, Clerk (clerkwatwell@gmail.com)

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Mission and Outreach Committee Report

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1. Quadrant 3 Syrian Refugee Sponsorship Updates:

Knox-Calvin (Harriston)
St Andrew's (Fergus)
Knox (Elora)
St. Andrew's (Mt. Forest)

2. Sunday, October 16 Jeff-a-thon at Crieff Hills Community.

From Scott McAndless' Blog: "I am not a runner. I never have been. Remember that kid, the one back in middle school who, every time the class was told to run a few laps of the track or to head out across country - that one kid who fell right to the back of the pack, who pulled up with a stitch in the side, who was panting like a dog? That kid was me."

"To this day, though I enjoy being active, I probably would not choose running as an enjoyable activity. I've heard of people who derive a great deal of pleasure from running. I have heard of what is called a "runner's high," but I can't say I have ever experienced it. Nevertheless, I am planning to run 10 km this fall. Why am I running?"

"I am running because this event is being held in memory of a really extraordinary man and (though I didn't know him for long) a good friend. There were many great things about Jeff Veenstra, but one of them was definitely the great passion he had to build a better world. He believed in the work of Presbyterian World Service and Development and was committed to their dream of a world where justice, sustainable development and hope could thrive. His passion for the work inspires me to do what I can to support it."

3. We encourage congregations and courts of the church to access the Justice Ministries resource entitled "*Acknowledging Indigenous Territory in Church.*" It was part of the most recent PC Pak – and is available at <http://presbyterian.ca/healing/>

Respectfully submitted,
Mark B. Gaskin

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**Congregational Affairs Committee Report
for September 13, 2016**

The Congregational Affairs Committee met August 31, 2016 at Knox Presbyterian Church, Guelph.

There are no recommendations to be presented

The following is for information only

The members of the quadrant present discussed the health concerns of Reverend Frank Szatmari at Calvin Presbyterian Church, Kitchener. Rev Olivier contacted Frank after Frank returned from vacation and he informed Johan that he will be having surgery in October 2016 and will be away for approximately three (3) weeks recovery. If there are unforeseen circumstances arising from the surgery Rev Szatmari will be in touch with Rev Olivier and the CA committee. At that time the situation will be addressed (referenced 9.10.10 in the Standing Orders). The committee offered prayer for Frank and his health concerns.

Rev. Olivier will be attending a worship service of the Hungarian Preaching Point on Sunday, September 18, 2016 at 3:00pm. After the service he will meet with two elders of the congregation and Rev Frank Szatmari to gain a better understanding of the needs and the necessity for appointing someone to the Hungarian Preaching Point Advisory Committee.

Guelph Quadrant Representative for the FDF Hiring Committee. The appointment was discussed and a name was presented to Rev Mark Gaskin on Thursday September 8, 2016.

Respectfully submitted
Rev Johan Olivier