

PRESBYTERY MINUTES

CONSTITUTION

The November meeting of Elgin Presbytery, was held at St. Andrew's United Church, St. Thomas. The meeting was constituted as a court of the Church by Chairperson Joan Golden. A quorum was present.

WELCOME

Joan Golden Presbytery Chairperson, welcomed presbyters to the November meeting.

ATTENDANCE

The attendance register was signed by:

Lay Reps: Jo Ann Day, Barb Dawson, Cindy Earhart, Bonnie Graham, Debbie Graham, Roberta Gillard, Mary Johann, Bob Karn, Don Page, Ellen Palmer, Hazel Sims, Ken Verrell, June Warren, Joe Richards

Absent: Doug Andrews, Nora Brooks, Donald Carroll, Tom Charlton, Kay Chamberlain, Jane Cox, Wayne Ferguson, Terry Lanning, Doug Lee, Ruth McCutcheon, Jean Mitchell, Devin Pearson, Donna Penhale

Regrets: Glenda McMillan

Clergy: Joan Golden, Roger Landell, Brenda MacMain, Diane Macpherson, Don Macpherson, Troy Van Ginkel, John Brown, Henry Marissen,

Regrets: Don Graham, Joan Golden

Absent: James Evans James Izawa, Wendy Millilken, Jung Hee Park, Janess Binns Landell, James White

Staff Associates - absent- Barb Furneaux

Students serving a Pastoral Charge: Laurie O'Leary

Absent: George Walker

Conference Staff: Bev Robinson

AGENDA

It was moved and seconded to accept the agenda as printed and circulated.

CARRIED

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes pages 2008-56 to 2008-69 dated September 18, 2008 as printed and circulated.

CARRIED

Presbytery Executive minutes pages 2008-63 to 2008-64 dated October 1, 2008 ; Presbytery Executive Minutes pages 2008-66 dated October 29, 2008; Executive Minutes pages 2008-68 to 2008-70 dated November 5, 2008 were for information.

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

IN	SUBJECT
2008-146 Yarmouth Centre	Re: request to sell Manse
147 Richard's Memorial U C	Approval of L O'Leary Appointment
148 Dutton /Dunwich Pastoral Charge	Re: Manse sale and property view

WORSHIP

Worship Team members Rev.Diane Macpherson, and Bonnie Graham led in worship.

TREASURER'S REPORT

It was moved and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report stating a Bank Balance of \$358.63 dated November 18, 2008. See appendix # 1 **CARRIED**

It was moved and seconded to accept the Elgin Presbytery proposed Budget for 2009 with an assessment of \$16.70 per resident member. See Appendix # 2 **CARRIED**

The Animation Team to draft a letter to each minister in the presbytery explaining how presbytery operates with the proposed budget.

WORKSHOP / DISCUSSION / LEARNING TOGETHER

NEW WAY OF ELGIN PRESBYTERY

Discussion was held to discern how teams are adjusting to the presbytery's new format.

TEAM REPORTS

ANIMATION TEAM

Notice of the Moderator's visit has been sent to all congregations.

FAITH FORMATION TEAM

Pearce Williams Christian Centre Report:

- two new staff personnel have joined Pearce Williams
- rentals are up
- school groups are coming to use the facilities
- new appliances have been purchased and approval for a new \$4,000 dishwasher has been received.

JUSTICE TEAM

No report

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL TEAM

Rev. Roger Landell opened with prayer. The agenda was approved as printed. Minutes were reviewed.

It was moved and seconded to approve the sale of the Yarmouth Centre Manse for the sum of \$92,000.00 (asking price was \$99,000.00) **CARRIED**

Abstentions- Don Macpherson, Hazel Sims

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MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL TEAM (cont'd)

Rev. Henry Marissen visited West Lorne Pastoral Charge upon examining their Annual Report question of concern were raised. A parcel of property had been sold by the West Lorne Pastoral charge at some point in time. The sale had not been done by normal procedure. A letter is to be sent to West Lorne requesting verification by trustees of the sale of the property and where the funds are placed so the information can be recorded in the minutes of Elgin Presbytery.

Reports

Internship - no report

Settlement: no report

Pensions: no report

Education and Students: It was moved and seconded th renew Doug Andrews Lay Preacher's License for the year 2009. **CARRIED**

It was moved seconded that Christmas Gifts of \$100 be given to Wendy Noble, Barb Dawson **CARRIED**

It was moved and seconded that Bursary gift of \$500 for the year 2009 be given to Wendy Noble.

CARRIED

Pastoral Oversight - no report

Pastoral Relations: West Lorne Pastoral Charge - Rev. Henry Marissen met with them and JNAC has been formed with 5 members from their charge

Straffordville / Port Burwell, Vienna Pastoral Charge; Rev. Henry Marissen will work with Straffordville board as they work to restructure their board.

SHOW ME THE MONEY TEAM

No report.

WORSHIP TEAM

Covenanting service for Laurie O'Leary, Southwold Pastoral Charge, to be held on November 30, 2008 3 p.m. Shedden

NEW BUSINESS

Best Wishes were extended to Barb Dawson as leaves Elgin Presbytery for Oxford Presbytery January 1, 2009.

Covenanting Service for Laurie O'Leary on November 30,2008 at 3 p.m. Bethany United Church, Shedden.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Elgin Presbytery will be held **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2009 3 - 8 P.M. at Pearce Williams Christian Centre.**

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

(Joan Golden, Chairperson)

(Ellen Palmer, Secretary)