

**PRESBYTERY: HURON-PERTH EXECUTIVE
CONFERENCE: LONDON
LOCATION: LONDESBOROUGH UNITED CHURCH, LONDESBOROUGH**

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March 13, 2018**

CONSTITUTION OF THE COURT: A quorum being present, Colin Snyder Chairperson of Huron-Perth Presbytery, declared the March 13, 2018 Executive meeting of Huron-Perth Presbytery to order at 9:38am by stating; “In the name of Jesus Christ the one true Head of the Church, and by the authority vested in me as the chair of Huron Perth Presbytery, I now declare this executive meeting constituted, for worship, fellowship and the transaction of such business as may properly come before us this day”

“For thousands of years indigenous peoples have walked on this land in their own territory. Their relationship with the land is at the center of their lives. We acknowledge the Chippewas, the Saugeen Peoples and the Ottawa people and their stewardship of this land. May we all live with respect on this land, and live in peace and friendship.”

OPENING DEVOTIONS: Chairperson Colin Snyder opened the meeting by lighting the Christ Candle and Constituting the court. Kevin Steeper led worship based on Matthew 6:26-35 and reading a devotion, Finding God in the Now, from an Iona Community book. Devotions closed with prayer.

IN ATTENDANCE: Colin Snyder, Randy Covey, Kate Ballagh-Steeper, Kevin Steeper, Elise Feltrin, Mary Stewart, Betty Graber Watson, Margaret Bakker

Regrets: Avaline Wandel, Christine Hossack, Brent Caslick, Ken Hunking, Janet Bettles, Terry Fletcher, Anne Gregory

Absent: Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF HURON-PERTH
PRESBYTERY OF February 13, 2018.**

Motion: Moved by Margaret Bakker and seconded by Randy Covey that Huron-Perth Presbytery Executive approve, the minutes of their meeting of February 13, 2018.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENTS:

- received a note from Terry Fletcher that he is unable to help with the P2R (Presbytery to Region) Transition committee. Elise Feltrin will ask Kate Crawford if she is willing to take Terry's place on the committee.

- received a note from Richard Hall giving notice of his resignation from the Convenorship of Pensions for the Presbytery, effective June 2018. Colin Snyder will contact London Conference for recommendations of how to deal with this position, since Presbyteries will close at the end of 2018.

REPORTS:

LONDON CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE: Huron Perth representative Ken Hunking

- no report

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PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE: Co-Chairs Randy Covey and Mary Stewart

- working on four files with vacancy requests
- paper work for Wingham United vacancy request has been received
- a short discussion was held concerning Hensall United and Hampstead United
- Milverton United is holding final interviews. They may also be looking into an Ecumenical relationship with another local church in the future
- Northside United, Seaforth and Caven United are still seeking a minister
- the Nominating Committee will be looking for a chairperson for this committee as Randy Covey will be asking for a change in Pastoral Relations and Mary Stewart is planning to take a Sabbatical, September 1, 2018 - December 31, 2018

PASTORAL CARE & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

– Co-Chairs Betty Graber Watson & George Russell

- no report

DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS: - Terry Fletcher

- no report

DIVISION of FINANCE and ADMINISTRATION: - Anne Gregory and Brent Caslick
- Treasurer - Janet Bettles

- Brent Caslick is working with Emmanuel United Church, Sebringville as they have decided to close the church on December 31, 2018.

EDUCATION & STUDENTS COMMITTEE:

- Co-Chairs Elise Feltrin and Christine Hossack
- Elise Feltrin is completing the paper work for the final reviews for Hillary MacDonald and Gail Fricker
- Kevin Steeper had a successful interview at London Conference

ARCHIVES: Avaline Wandel

- Bob Kellington will be transporting Archive material to Toronto on April 21

UNITED CHURCH WOMEN: Avaline Wandel

- the Annual meeting and Spring Fling will be April 9th at Lakeshore United Church, Goderich.
- Westminster Weekend will be May 4-6

**DIVISION OF STEWARDSHIP, MISSION IN CANADA AND
WORLD OUTREACH:** Kate Ballagh-Steeper

- no report

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PASTORAL SUPPORT MINISTER REPORT – Kevin Steeper

- will be working with Brent Caslick to connect with Zion United, Rostock to help them move forward as the church they are working with, Emmanuel United, Sebringville, has made the decision to close

NOMINATION COMMITTEE: Mary Stewart

- will be looking into finding a chairperson for Pastoral Relations Committee

P2R (Presbytery to Region) TRANSITION COMMITTEE: Elise Feltrin

- letters were sent to Presbyteries in the new Region #8 and have received good responses
- hope to set up meetings in May or June to do some visioning
- Pastoral Support Ministers and Chaplains are also looking to setting up meetings to determine how they can work together to help church's move forward

NEW BUSINESS:

- Kevin Steeper will attend a workshop set up by the EDGE group - 'God is up to Something; Are you in? Topic: Congregational renewal workshop Network and Clusters' in London on March 24.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY: Margaret Bakker

- no report

OFFICE OF CHAIRPERSON: Colin Snyder

- Colin Snyder, along with other Presbytery chairpersons, will participate in a conference call to discuss the position of Regional Council Executive Minister for the new region
- it was decided to cancel the April executive meeting as a number of executive members are unable to attend due to other commitments. The next meeting will be May 8.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion by Elise Feltrin seconded by Betty Graber Watson to adjourn was made at 10:53 am. Colin Snyder closed the meeting with prayer.

Colin Snyder, Chair

Margaret Bakker, Secretary

Tentative date and place for next executive meeting:

May 8, 2018 Londesborough United Church