

**HURON-PERTH PRESBYTERY IS CALLED TO MEET ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2006
MAIN STREET UNITED CHURCH, MITCHELL**

AGENDA

- 4:00pm Divisions and Committees meet (optional)
5:05pm Clergy Quiet Room and Prayer Time
5:30pm Supper
6:30pm Lighting of the Candle
Constitution of the Court
Resource Centre Presentation
6:35PM Worship
6:55PM Approval of the Consent Docket
Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
Introduction of Guests and New Members of Presbytery
7:00PM Workshops: General Council Report
Youth at Conference Report
8:00pm I Motions from Divisions and Committees
Local Arrangements 2006
Pastoral Relations Committee
Education and Students Committee
Division of Finance and Administration
Division of Mission in Canada
Division of World Outreach
Division of Communications
Stewardship Committee
Pastoral Care and Oversight Committee
Manse Committee
Pensions Convenor
Archives Convenor
UCM (AOTS)
UCW

II Time Sensitive Announcements
Office of the Chairperson
Office of the Secretary
Other Divisions and Committees

III Other Business and Announcements

9:50pm Reflections and Courtesies
9:55pm Closing Prayers
10:00pm Adjournment

**PRESBYTERY: HURON-PERTH
CONFERENCE: LONDON
LOCATION: MAIN STREET UNITED, MITCHELL**

DATE: SEPTEMBER 26, 2006

CONSENT DOCKET

The Consent Docket contains a series of standard motions that are part of the preliminaries for each Presbytery meeting but which do not normally require discussion. If anyone wishes to discuss any of them, that one(s) will be removed from the Consent Docket and placed on the floor at an agreed upon time in the agenda. If anyone has a question for clarification about an item on the Consent Docket it will be answered with a brief explanation.

THE MOTIONS

ATTENDANCE that the attendance be as noted on the registration record.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS that all visitors to the Court be made Corresponding Members of the Court for the current meeting.*

AGENDA That the agenda, as printed and circulated, be the agenda for the current meeting of Huron-Perth Presbytery.

CORRESPONDENCE that all correspondence as identified on the Correspondence Record provided at the time of registration be received for information only.

NEXT MEETING: That the time and place of the next meeting of Huron-Perth Presbytery shall be as noted in the current 'Notice of Meeting.'

PRESBYTERY POWERS TO THE EXECUTIVE, That, at the adjournment of the current meeting of the Court, the powers of Huron-Perth Presbytery be granted to the Executive of Huron-Perth Presbytery to conduct emergent business of the Presbytery on the its behalf until the next meeting of the Presbytery.

*** Corresponding Members (being all those who are one time visitors who are not elected Presbyters by their congregations) are reminded that they may speak on any matter before the court but you may not vote on any matter for which a vote is called.**

*** Delegates to Huron-Perth Presbytery who have been elected at congregational Annual Meetings are not eligible to vote at meetings of Presbytery until the first Presbytery meeting after the rise of London Conference i.e. the June and subsequent meetings of Presbytery. Further, self-proclaimed Delegates will not be counted as Delegates until Presbytery has been so advised by letter from the congregational Secretary to the Secretary of Presbytery.**

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CONSTITUTION OF THE COURT: a quorum being present, the Chairperson of Huron-Perth Presbytery declared the June 2006 meeting of Huron-Perth Presbytery to order at 7:15PM

IN ATTENDANCE - LAITY: Don Atkinson, Margaret Bakker, Maureen Beecroft, Verna Burgin, Kathy Butson, Flo Cartwright, Brent Caslick, Bill Coultres, Marg Dale, Fred Delbridge, Max Demaray, Murray Donaldson, Art Duboyce, Marg Duboyce, Lois Godbolt, Betty Graber Watson, Joop Grotentraast, Steve Hearn, David Hemingway, Steve Hearn, Joan Hibbert, Robert Horner, Ken Hunking, Marjorie Johns, Lloyd Karges, Joe Laurie, Ann-Louise McAlister, Danette McClinchey, John McFadzean, Marie McGavin, Dorothy McGregor, Byron Morris, Cecil Pepper, Emily Phillips, Anne Reuber, Olive Riehl, Dave Shaw, Carol Simons, Dave Williams, Alfred Young, Donna Young.

IN ATTENDANCE – MINISTRY PERSONNEL: Wayne Beamer, Chris Beaumont, Tom Beecroft, Bob Biggar, Richard Bott, Pat Cook, Harry Disher, Michelle Down, Elaine Graham, Steve Hildebrand, Marion Jackson-Tyler, Neil Lackey, Sharon Lohnes, Charles Love, Sheila Macgregor, Alex McGilvery, Ethel Miner Clare, Roy Nicol-MacDonald, Valerie Pitt, Judith Ritchie, Paul Ross, Alun Thomas, Kathi Urbasik-Hindley, Elly Van Bergen, Marybeth Wilson.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS: Barbara Cooper, David Hemingway, Gail Clarkson, Marilyn Horne,

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: Sandra Cable, Susan Cameron, Jeff Hawkins, Gary Jones, Robin McGauley, Gwen Nicol-MacDonald, Wendy Noble, Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa, Shannon Tennant, Greg White, Laurie White, Marlene Coulthard, Nancy Denham, Margaret Hern, Pat Hunking, Helen Shute, Elaine Strawbridge.

ABSENT: Suzanne Andrew, Betty Archambault, Peter Aunger, Joan Bartlett, Rae Bender, Janice Brock, Alan Carr, Gladys Carter, Alice Coles, Bob Doupe, Tom Dunbar, Ruthann Eagleson, Sherwood Eddy, Laurene Erb, Bud Eyre, George Gracey, Hilda Grant, Jane Hastey, Jeff Hulley, Bernice Jewson, Winston Jibb, Clifford Laidlaw, Hilda Lansbergen, Ruth Long, Myra Lovell, Mary Jane Lowe, Elaine MacMillan, Jean Mathers, Don McCaffrey, John McIntosh, Mary McIntosh, Sandy Morris, Shirley Nicholson, Brenda Radford, Mel Ritchie, John Robinson, Phyllis Scott, Ron Skinner, Doris Spence, Gladys Stock, Jim Tyler, Steven Cox, Sandra Evan-Jones, John Gould, Camillia LaRouche, Martha Reynolds, George Russell, Nancy Wetselaar.

RESOURCE CENTRE

- 1) “The United Church of Canada Welcomes You” pamphlet series introduced. The template for these may be downloaded from the UCC web site for those congregations wanting to customize the pamphlet.
- 2) “In the Name of Love” new UCC multi-media Baptismal resource introduced.
- 3) “Age to Age” intergenerational worship resource introduced.
- 4) On behalf of the Resource Centre and Board, Kathy thanked all those who helped at the Conference Bookstore. Sales for the Conference totaled \$17,700.
- 5) The last day of business for the Resource Centre before the Summer break is June 23rd. The RC will close from June 24th through September 4th, opening again on September 5th. However, phone and e-mail messages will be answered, and the Resource Centre will be in touch with congregations when their Church School curriculum arrives.

WORSHIP was led by members of Camp Menesetung along with an Induction of the new Chair of Presbytery by outgoing Chair, Elly Van Bergen

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APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT DOCKET

MOTION: Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the Consent Docket as presented. **CARRIED.**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HURON-PERTH PRESBYTERY FOR APRIL 25, 2006

MOTION: Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the minutes of the meeting of Huron-Perth Presbytery for April 25, 2006 as printed. **CARRIED.**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HURON-PERTH PRESBYTERY EXECUTIVE FOR MAY 12, 2006

MOTION: Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery receive the minutes of the meeting of Huron-Perth Presbytery for May 12, 2006 as printed for information purposes. **CARRIED.**

PART-TIME MINISTRY TASK GROUP REPORT

part-time Ministers in Huron-Perth Presbytery are engaged in a discussion about setting standards for the minimum expectations of part-time Ministry. There will be meetings in September with a view to presenting a report by the October Presbytery. Contact Alex McGilverly or Michelle Down if you wish to participate in this project.

YOUTH AT CONFERENCE REPORT

Representing youth from Huron-Perth who went to Conference 2006, Laura Brennan reported she found the experience enjoyable and enlightening. She had a new appreciation of the complexity of the United Church including new light on the differences between what's going on "in" the church as opposed to "around" the church.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND NEW DELEGATES a number of guests and new Delegates to Presbytery were introduced with a special welcome to new Ministry Personnel Judith Ann Baird-Ritchie, and Gail Clarkson. Farewells were extended to dear friends in ministry, Richard Bott, Shannon Tennant, Bob Biggar, and Valerie Pitt.

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE

A special thank you was offered to leadership, members and volunteers of Local Arrangements, as well as to UCW, for the organization of one of the best Conferences in recent memory.

CATEGORY ONE BUSINESS

PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

- 1) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the Joint Needs Assessment Report for the **Monkton Pastoral Charge**. **CARRIED.**
- 2) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery declare a vacancy for a full-time ministry position on the **Monkton Pastoral Charge** effective July 1, 2006. **CARRIED.**
- 3) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery deal with the following motions concerning Ministry Personnel with a show of hands. **CARRIED.**
- 4) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the Call of **Rev Robbin Congram to the Hibbert-Cromarty Shared Ministry** effective September 1, 2006, at an Annual Salary of \$38,000 inclusive of travel allowance; Housing Allowance of \$10,000 plus all utilities; study leave of 3 weeks of study leave cumulative for up to 5 years; Book Allowance of \$200 per year; holiday period of 5 weeks per year along with all other terms and conditions applicable in the Presbyterian Church in Canada. **CARRIED.** Abstaining: Kathy Butson
- 5) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the Appointment of **Gail Clarkson** as part-time Student Supply to the **Walton-Bluevale Pastoral Charge** for the period July 1, 2006 to April 15, 2007 with salary of \$1,163.79/mo, Housing Allowance of \$232.76/mo., Secretarial assistance as needed along with all other applicable terms and conditions of The Manual. **CARRIED.**

PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE (cont'd)

- 6) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the Call of **Rev Robert Biggar** to the King City Pastoral Charge, York Presbytery, Toronto Conference at category F salary of \$38,652; provision of a Manse; Phone allowance of \$360; Assistance for Study Leave of \$1000; Secretarial assistance defined as 18 hrs per week; reimbursement for travel at General Council rates along with all other applicable terms and conditions of The Manual. **CARRIED.** Abstaining: Bob Biggar.
- 7) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the transfer of **Rev Robert Biggar** from Huron-Perth Presbytery, London Conference to York Presbytery of Toronto Conference. **CARRIED.**
- 8) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the request of Pastoral Relations Committee to require all documents requiring a decision by Pastoral Relations Committee in the hands of the Chair or Co-chair of the committee no later than 48 hrs before the meeting of Huron-Perth Presbytery. **CARRIED.**
- 9) Wayne Beamer is in possession of a new DVD produced by London Conference outlining the intricacies of the Interim Minister process. Contact Wayne to borrow the resource.
- 10) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery request that Pastoral Care and Oversight conduct a review of Huron-Perth Housing Allowance minimums. **CARRIED.**

EDUCATION and STUDENTS COMMITTEE

- 1) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the establishment of a pastoral charge in Selkirk Presbytery, Manitoba and Northwest Ontario Conference as a learning site for **Kathy Douglas.** **CARRIED.**
- 2) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the Walton-Bluevale Pastoral Charge as a learning site for **Gail Clarkson.**

DIVISION OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

- 1) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the request of Exeter United Church to invest up to 20% of its Manse principle in an equity fund of their choice. **CARRIED.**
- 2) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery approve the request of Exeter United Church to install new Sanctuary lighting at an estimated cost of \$50,000. **CARRIED.**
- 3) Presbyters may expect a mailing in the near future requesting input into the 2007 budget.
- 4) It is noted that for April and June Presbyteries, 15 people who ordered supper either by phone or by virtue of placing their name on the permanent list, did not attend for supper and did not phone to cancel their meal. This poses an extra cost to Presbytery, and subsequently, on assessments to your congregations since Presbytery guarantees host churches for the number of meals and has to pay for absent Presbyters. Therefore, those of you on the permanent list, be sure that you are diligent and considerate by advising the Meals Co-ordinator when you do not want a meal. In addition, those not on the permanent list who periodically want a meal should not assume they can get one on the spot. Please order your meals in advance.
- 5) Please note that due to the acceptance of Chair of DMC by Marybeth Wilson, we are looking for a person to share meals co-ordination responsibilities with Martha Reynolds.

CATEGORY TWO BUSINESS

- 1) The Chair advised Presbyters of the Hope For The World Seminar with Rev Dr. Douglas John Hall to be held at Grace United Church, Tavistock on September 16th.
- 2) A Covenanting Service is announced for Wendy Noble on Sunday, June 11th at Exeter United Church.
- 3) **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that Huron-Perth Presbytery empower a Volunteer Covenanting Commission made up of Murray Donaldson, Flo Cartwright, Brent Caslick, Jim Tyler, Neil Lackey and

CATEGORY II BUSINESS (cont'd)

Dave Williams to represent Huron-Perth Presbytery at the Covenanting Service for Wendy Noble. **CARRIED.**

- 1) The Chair of Education and Students Committee advised Presbyters of the Alex Sims Rural Symposium sponsored by Queen's University to be held at Crieff Hills Retreat Centre October 23-25/06.
- 2) The Executive Review Committee is still in process of completing its report. It is still awaiting delivery of certain records but will have the completed report to the Executive by July 31, 2006. **MOTION:** Moved and seconded that the report be made available to the full court at the September 2006 Presbytery. **CARRIED.**
- 3) It was recommended that Committee Member lists be posted on the Presbytery website.
- 4) Division of Communication is planning an Orientation Workshop for new Presbyters to be held at our September 26th Presbytery beginning at 4:00pm.
- 5) Centralia United Church announces a fundraiser featuring the music of Bruce Harding on June 26th at 6:30pm. Cost is \$15 30 yrs of age or older. Under 30 yrs free.
- 6) The Five Alive Church Cluster announces a music fundraiser at Brucefield United Church on October 26th beginning at 7:30pm featuring The Singing Priest.
- 7) Items lost at the May London Conference are temporarily being held by Dave Williams. Please contact him if you're looking for a lost article.
- 8) Michael Foss, author of best selling book "Power Surge" is offering a seminar in Woodstock, June 27-29th. Contact Rev Richard Bott for details.
- 9) The Pastoral Support Minister advises that Clericus for June 21st will be held at the home of Rev Sheila Macgregor.
- 10) The Pastoral Support Minister called all present and past members of the Pastoral Ministers Support Committee since its inception in 1996, to the front. Neil offered thanks and appreciation for the members of his committee following which, it being found that Betty Graber-Watson was the only active "founding" member - having served for ten years, and still serving on this critical committee -Neil presented her with a gift of appreciation for her long-standing service.
- 11) The Chair of Huron-Perth Presbytery advised the next Executive meeting would be held at Main Street United at 9:30am on June 23rd.
- 12) The Chair of Huron-Perth Presbytery advised the next meeting of Huron-Perth Presbytery would be held at Main Street United, Mitchell, on Tuesday, September 26, 2006, beginning with committee meetings at 4:00pm.

REFLECTIONS AND COURTESIES by Rev Alex McGilvery

BENEDICTION pronounced by Rev Bob Biggar

ADJOURNMENT declared by the Chair at approximately 9:10pm

Alex McGilvery, Chair

Chris Beaumont, Secretary.