



MINUTES OF KAMLOOPS-OKANAGAN PRESBYTERY

OF BRITISH COLUMBIA CONFERENCE
The United Church of Canada

May 26, 2017

HELD AT THE NEST, UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Friday, May 26, 2017

PRESENT	<p>Ministry Personnel / Recognized Designated Lay Ministers: Juanita Austin, LeAnn Blackert, Jenny Carter, Bruce Comrie, David Cooke, Kathy Hogman, Armand Houle, Ken Jones (Chair), Pieter le Roux (Candidate for Admission), Michele Rowe, Donald Schmidt (Candidate for Admission), Jeff Seaton, Sandra Stickney, Laura Turnbull</p> <p>Retired Order of Ministry: Harvey Barker</p> <p>Student Ministers: Kirstin Autio, John Helps, Ian McLean</p> <p>Lay Delegates: Beryl Baldeo, Cathie Basket, Lynda Black, Betty Chenoweth, Patricia Chown, Maxine Coffey, Ian Fraser, Lee Fraser, Norma Fraser, Barbara Godsmark, Carole Hutchings, Megan Loyer, Sheila MacDermott, Lenore McLean, Gary Munro, Robert Riddle, Leslie Stirling (Treasurer)</p> <p>Members at Large: Martha Ashbaugh, Janet McDonald, Leslie Ross (Secretary), Don Seaton, Susan Sullivan, Peggy Whitley</p> <p>Youth at Presbytery: Michael Hamlin-Gravells</p> <p>Young Adults at Presbytery: Tayana Simpson</p> <p>BC Conference Staff: Allison Rennie (Conference Minister)</p> <p>Staff: Keri Wehlander (Youth and Young Adult Minister)</p> <p>Guests: Doug Goodwin</p>
REGRETS	<p>Ministry Personnel / Recognized Designated Lay Ministers: Richard Chung, Elaine Diggle, Sharilynn Upsdell</p> <p>Retired Order of Ministry: Stephen Hershey</p> <p>Lay Delegates: Sherri Fowler, Marilyn Hansen, Hailey Jones</p> <p>Members-at-Large: Dee Hershey, Marion Hollingshead</p>
AUTHORITY & CALL TO ORDER	<p>Pursuant to the authority of the 2017 Spring Meeting of Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery, the 2017 Conference Meeting was Called to Order in The Nest at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC and was declared open at 12:27 pm to conduct the business properly before it with Chair Ken Jones presiding. A quorum was present.</p>
AGENDA	<p>Motion: (Jenny Carter / LeAnn Blackert) that the agenda be accepted as circulated. Carried.</p>
CORRESPONDING PRIVILEGES	<p>Motion: (Norma Fraser / Tayana Simpson) that corresponding privileges be granted to visitors and guests to this meeting of Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery. Carried.</p>
COVENANTING	<p>We moved into a time of worship to covenant with Allison Rennie, Conference Minister in Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery. Armand Houle from the Worship Animation Working Unit and Ken Jones, Chair of Presbytery, presided. Jenny Carter, Tayana Simpson, and Doug Goodwin, representing the Search Committee, presented Allison Rennie. Following the promises being made by the Conference Minister and Presbytery and the thanking of the Joint Search Committee, symbols were presented to Allison Rennie. A pitcher of water represented the desire for her to be among us as one who nourishes and tends signs of life in our Presbytery and in our communities of</p>

faith. A loaf of bread represented the desire for her to be among us as one who reminds us that there will be times of being broken open in order for new life to come. A Bible represented the desire for her to be among us as one who dares to teach, preach, and live the provocative and life-giving Word of God.

CORRESPONDENCE

Leslie Ross reported that only one piece of correspondence needed to be brought before the Court. A letter from the Rev. Robin McGauley, Program Coordinator Ministry Vocations, Ministry & Employment Unit of the United Church of Canada, dated May 17, 2017, regarding “Names Presented for ADMISSION and READMISSION to the Order of Ministry in The United Church of Canada” was received. As per United Church policy, the list was read. Leslie Ross noted that if anyone had any objections to a person on the list being admitted to contact her regarding the process to be followed.

MINISTERS SEEKING ADMISSION**FROM OTHER DENOMINATIONS TO THE ORDER OF MINISTRY IN THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**

Name	Denomination	Conference
Yong-Seok Baek	Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea	Saskatchewan
Karlene Ingrid Brown-Palmer	Methodist Church in the Caribbean and Americas	Manitoba & NW Ontario
Limon Daka	Reformed Church in Zambia	Manitoba & NW Ontario
Eunkyu Ji	Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea	Saskatchewan
Velvet John	Church of South India	Saskatchewan
Mojalefa Mosa Khechane	Apostolic Faith Mission, South Africa	Hamilton
MiYeon Kim	Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea	Alberta North West
Tammy Lindahl	Presbyterian Church USA	British Columbia
Lennox Omar Scarlett	United Church in Jamaica and Cayman Islands	Hamilton
Young Seo	Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea	Saskatchewan
Thomas (Tae Sung) Shin	Korean Methodist Church	Toronto
Gert Tait van Rensburg	Renaissance Church in South Africa	British Columbia

MINISTERS SEEKING READMISSION

Name	Conference, Presbytery
Mark Giuliano	London Conference, Middlesex Presbytery

PASTORAL RELATIONS

Allison Rennie reported. She announced that the church that had been used by the St. Andrew's United / All Saints Anglican Shared Ministry had been sold.

There have been some transitions in pastoral relations. She noted that Elaine Diggle was unable to be with us as she recovers from hip surgery. We welcomed John Helps, a diaconal student, to Osoyoos United Church. St. Andrew's United Church in Enderby is nearing the end of its search process. Richard Chung, St. Paul's United Church, Kelowna, and Bruce Chalmers, St. Mary's Anglican/United Shared Ministry, Sorrento, are moving from their congregations. Allison Rennie expressed Presbytery's appreciation for the work and leadership they provided their congregations and their service to and involvement in Presbytery and the wider church.

Allison Rennie provided background information and described conversations that have already occurred regarding the following notice of motion. It will be part of the work for Fall Presbytery.

Notice of motion: (Kathy Hogman / Laura Turnbull) that Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery re-establish a Pastoral Relations Committee to support Paid Accountable Ministers, Pastoral Charge Supervisors, Mentors for Paid Accountable Ministers awaiting admission to the United Church, and Pastoral Charges without Ministers. This Committee would also offer Pastoral Oversight and ensure Pastoral Charge records are in good order, and other duties as may be required by the Presbytery or Executive. This Committee would support the work of the Presbytery Minister.

GIFTS & CALLINGS

Peggy Whitley reported. She announced that Tayana Simpson has been appointed to be a Young Adult representative to Presbytery. As Janet McDonald passed out small tokens of appreciation, Peggy Whitley acknowledged our thanks

- to our Presbytery Chair Ken Jones who has led us for the past two (2) years and to Jenny Carter who is taking on that role this weekend
- to Leslie Ross who keeps us organized as Presbytery Secretary and to Leslie Stirling who keeps track of our funds as Treasurer
- to others on our Executive: Don Seaton who has worked so hard as Administration Coordinator, especially dealing with Property matters; Marion Hollingshead as Human Resources Coordinator; Stephen Hershey who represents us on the Conference Executive
- and to all the people who have been chairing the Working Units that spend time outside of Presbytery meetings – doing the work of Kamloops-Okanagan: David Martyn, Stephen Hershey, Marion Hollingshead, Richard Chung, Susan Sullivan, Pat Totten, Harvey Barker, Jo Ann Hinter, Armand Houle, Michele Rowe, Beryl Itani, Lorraine Powell, David Cooke, Juanita Austin, LeAnn Blackert
- to everyone who has been serving on our Leadership Circle: Elaine Diggie and Robert Riddle who are ending their terms, and to those who are part of this team as we move into a new year – Martha Ashbaugh, Lily Watson, Sue Goodwin, Jenny Carter, LeAnn Blackert, Jim Hannah, Susan Sullivan, and Brianna Huet
- to Dee Hershey, our Registrar; Allison Rennie, our Conference Minister; Keri Wehlander, our Youth and Young Adult Minister; Kathy Johnson, our Archivist; Lyn McDonald, Naramata Centre Society representative; Tayana Simpson, Youth Adult at Presbytery; Michael Hamlin-Gravells, Youth at Presbytery
- to Ian Fraser and Janet McDonald who have been sharing their knowledge about remits to congregations throughout the Presbytery

Special thanks go to those whose terms are ending at this Conference and to those who are stepping into new roles as we go forward.

She then thanked all those who take time out of their lives to come to Presbytery meetings and asked that we thank the folks sitting on either side of us.

Leslie Stirling rose on a point of personal privilege to thank Don Seaton in his role of Administration Coordinator for the support and assistance he has provided her as she carries out the duties of Treasurer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESBYTERY MEETING DATES

Year	Spring Presbytery		Fall Presbytery	
	Date	Place	Date	Place
2017	February 17 - 19	Kamloops United	October 20 - 22	Revelstoke
2018	February 23 - 25	TBA	October 19 - 21	TBA

MOTION TO EMPOWER

Motion: (Susan Sullivan / Don Seaton) that the Presbytery Executive be empowered to carry out the business of Presbytery until Presbytery meets October 20 – 22, 2017 at Revelstoke United Church in Revelstoke, BC. **Carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

Jenny Carter adjourned the meeting at 12:55 pm with prayer.

Jenny Carter, Chair

Leslie Ross, Secretary

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