

Westminster Presbytery **Regular** Meeting at St. Andrew's Haney United, Maple Ridge, B.C Tuesday June 1, 2010

Present: (lay) Lois Brown, Bruce Cowburn, Carol Cox, Donna Dawson, Ross Dunning, Carole Finch, Laberta Hamill, Samantha Hardy, Reine Hitchen, Ralph Johnston, Eileen Karyula, Sue Kellas, Pam Kennedy, John Kim, Paul Kim, Marilyn McCutcheon, Pat McGrath, Leanne Mill, Roger Nelson, Mary Nichol, Dave Nicol, Fred Nienaber, Georgia Runcie, Angela Stevens, David Vervaet, Kathy Young

Ministry personnel: Charles Ahn, Dave Anderson, Jan Bihl, Richard Bott, Bruce Cameron, Kevin Hegseth, Kim Horwood, Min Goo Kang, Julie Lebrun, Ian Macdonald, Gabrielle McLarty, Mary Nichol, Shannon Tennant, Barb Tunnickliffe, Jong Chul Woo

Visitors: Nathan Wright, Kathleen Edmunds, Brenda Faust, Dennis Riley, Leenane Shiels, Pat McGrath

Regrets: Janet Babey, Brian Burke, Rich Crooks, Kimiko Karpoff, Gil W. Kim, Dona Lethbridge, Rick Newbury Cattarina Patrice, Ernie Roberts, Jo Shearer, Pamela Scott, Doug Throop, Scott Turnbrook, Ria Van Holten, Michael Yoon

Authority: The meeting of Westminster Presbytery of The United Church of Canada was convened at the call of the chair Dave Anderson at St. Andrew's Haney United Church, Maple Ridge B. C. at 5:30 pm.
A Quorum was present.

Gathering and Dinner

Members of presbytery gathered at 5:30 pm and dinner was served at 6:00 pm. Dave Anderson offered grace and thanked the kitchen crew.

Call to order and prayer: Dave called the meeting to order at 6:55 pm

Introductions Visitors were introduced.

Motion 30/2010 Moved and seconded (Bruce Cameron/Richard Bott) That corresponding privileges be granted to visitors. **Carried**

Joys, Sorrows and Announcements

Georgie Runcie announced the strawberry teas to be held at The Fair Havens: June 19, 1:30 pm at Burnaby Fair Haven, Rumble and Sussex and June 26, 1:30 at Vancouver Fair Haven, 49th and Vivian. Barb Tunnickliffe announced the visit from the Cuban youth August 21st. There will be a Cuban Dinner on June 13th. Richard Bott distributed business cards for the new United Church resource web site (www.ucc-resources.ca). Richard also informed presbyters that the 2010 Manual is in effect August 1st and recommended everyone familiarize themselves with the changes. Dave Anderson is looking for accommodation in the Bellingham area for a gentleman who is being deported.

Dave offered prayers for those named during joys and sorrows.

Minutes

Motion 31/2010 Moved and seconded (Ralph Johnson/Jan Bihl) That we adopt the minutes of the regular meeting held March 2, 2010. **Carried**

Motion 32/2010 Moved and seconded (Fred Nienaber/Barb Tunnickliffe) That we adopt the minutes of the regular meeting held May 4, 2010. **Carried**

Motion 33/2010 Moved and seconded (Leanne Mills/Donna Dawson) That we receive the minutes of the executive meeting held April 7, 2010 for information. **Carried**

Motion 34/2010 Moved and seconded (Richard Bott/Lois Brown) That we receive the minutes of the executive meeting held April 27, 2010 for information. **Carried**

Business arising from minutesCliff Avenue United

Motion 35/2010 Moved and seconded (Richard Bott/Ross Dunning) That Westminster Presbytery appoint Dave Anderson as pastoral charge supervisor at Cliff Avenue United Church while Ernie Roberts is on sabbatical.

CarriedFall Retreat

The presbytery fall retreat will now be held November 18 to 20, 2010 at Chehalis Retreat Centre.

Correspondence

1. General Council, statistical returns outstanding from Eagle Ridge, Hammond, IOCO, Korean United and Queens Avenue - request for immediate action by these pastoral charges.
2. Waterloo Presbytery, request for support for KAIROS funding - executive
3. Montreal Presbytery, asking for letters to be written regarding assistance for Haitian-Canadians - read

Nominations

The following names were presented by the Executive for 2010/11 Nominations:

Chair	Scott Turnbrook	Chair, Communications	Vacant
Vice Chair	Doug Throop	Chair, Education & Students	Carol Cox
Past Chair	Dave Anderson	Chair, Youth Ministry Advisory	Barb Tunnicliffe
Secretary	Shannon Tennant	Pensions	Bruce Cowburn
Treasurer	Bruce Cowburn	Rep. to Conference Executive	Carole Finch
Chair, Pastoral Relations	Kim Horwood	Youth (age 13-18)	Vacant
Chair, Congregational support	Brian Burke	Youth (age 18-30)	Vacant
Members at Large:			
Fair Haven Board	Georgia Runcie		

Motion 36/2010 Moved and seconded (Carole Finch/Ross Dunning) That we accept the report of the executive nominations committee.

Carried

Members at large positions will be used to appoint people to specific task requiring presbytery membership.

Report from Task Group on Gift-based Ministry Model

Richard Bott summarized the report that was presented to the presbytery executive and circulated electronically. The executive approved items 1 through 9 for action. Richard presented items 10 and 11 for discussion.

Motion 37/2010 Moved and seconded (Richard Bott/Lois Brown) That Westminster Presbytery agree in principle to the appointment of a "Presbytery support Minister", whose responsibilities would include (though not be limited to), support of the Pastoral Relations Committee, the organizational work of ensuring the gifts-based Presbytery ministry laid out in this proposal, being a resource to help congregations in responding to the areas of growth named by the Pastoral Oversight Division; that the Executive prepare a position description and funding strategy prior to the Presbytery meeting in September.

Carried

Motion 38/2010 Moved and seconded (Richard Bott/Carol Cox) That Westminster Presbytery name a working group (either a current Division or *ad hoc*) to explore and develop a way for Presbytery to gather names of consultants gifted in the areas in which Pastoral Oversight has noted a high congregational need, develop a process by which the financial resources of Presbytery could be equitably used to help congregations with the cost of these supportive consultancies, and that this working group report back with a completed plan for discussion and decision, no later than December 2010.

Carried

Education and Students

Carol Cox introduced Mary Nichols, candidate for Diaconal Ministry. Members of the Presbytery entered into a covenant with Mary as she proceeds with her education. Mary was presented with the United Church services book, *Celebrate God's Presence*.

Congratulations, thank yous and Good-byes

Barb Tunnicliffe, with assistance from Carole Cox presented stoles to Min Goo Kang and Kathleen Edmunds. Mary Nichols was also recognized with a card. Barb presented Gabrielle with a small gift as she leaves Westminster Presbytery. Brenda Faust's retirement eighteen months ago was recognized and Fred Nienaber, Sue Kellas and Ian Macdonald were thanked for their service on the Presbytery executive. Ian Macdonald and Barb Tunnicliffe were joined by others as they sang a song of thanks to Dave Anderson for his years as chair of Presbytery.

Adjournment

The evening of celebration concluded at 8:30 pm.

 Chair

 Secretary

Executive meeting - at the call of the Chair

Next Regular Meeting - at the call of the Chair

**Fall Retreat - November 18 to 20, 2010
Chehalis Retreat Centre**