

ERIE PRESBYTERY Executive, April 11, 2018
HAMILTON CONFERENCE, THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

THEME: “Gathered Blessings”

The Executive meeting of Erie Presbytery, Hamilton Conference, The United Church of Canada, was held on Wednesday April 11, 2018 in the Upper Room at Five Oaks Centre. A quorum was present.

Constitution of the court:

Chair Cathy Dilts called the meeting to order at 9:34 am in the name of Jesus Christ the Head of the Church and the meeting open for the business to come before it.

Worship:

Adrienne Robertson led us in worship with Easter theme using scripture of John 20:19-29 and reading a chapter from ‘*We Make the Road by Walking*’ by Brian McLaren.

Roll: Barrie Bain, Jayne Carman, Norma Cronkwright, Cathy Dilts, Nora Fueten, Ross Gowan, Adrienne Robertson, Karen Tobey, Diane Matheson Jimenez

Regrets: Jennifer Canning, Barbara Fullerton, Peter Hartmans, Sheena Marini, Kim Shantz, Bob Thompson, Harold Wall

Approval of the Agenda:

Motion: Adrienne Robertson/Jayne Carman that the agenda be approved. **CARRIED**

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: Ross Gowan/Barrie Bain that the minutes from the March 14, 2018 executive meeting be accepted as written. **CARRIED**

Correspondence

Secretary Karen Tobey read a letter from *Churchweb Support Inc.* from owner and President Rev Wayne Irwin. The letter will be filed for information and read again at plenary.

Persistent Friend

Diane Matheson Jimenez said Peter Hartmans is unable to be with us because he is now working two days a week as Executive Minister of the Regions 6 & 10 as well as his other responsibilities as Executive Secretary of Hamilton Conference (until December 31, 2018) and co-chair of the Remit Implementation Team for the national church.

She said Cheryl Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa who will be Executive Minister of Regions 7, 8, 9 will be at Hamilton Presbytery plenary meeting May 1st.

Diane read an email from General Secretary Nora Sanders regarding ***Naming People to Regional Council Transition Commissions***. Karen will forward to the presbytery emailing list.

Business arising from the previous minutes

There was nothing.

New Business:

1. Deborah Laforet will speak at plenary April 25 regarding Skylight Festival
2. Fresh Start will present a condensed module at the plenary meeting June 13
3. Cathy Dilts collected the names of those executive members who will attend Hamilton Presbytery May 1st meeting.

Committee Reports:**Pastoral Relations:**

There was no report. The committee will meet again in two weeks.

Human Resources

There was no report.

Admin/Finance

There was no report.

Property – Ross Gowan

A. Concerning Oneida Pastoral Charge – loan application and request for permission to list manse for sale

Motion: Ross Gowan/Norma Cronkwright that Erie Presbytery Executive approve the application for a Capital Loan for Oneida Pastoral Charge in the amount of \$63,800, and forward the approved application to Hamilton Conference for their consideration and approval. The loan is required in order that the Pastoral Charge can complete upgrades to the manse property and satisfy the requirements for severance so that the manse property can be sold.

CARRIED

Motion: Ross Gowan/ Adrienne Robertson that Erie Presbytery Executive approve the request by the Trustees of Oneida Pastoral Charge to list its manse property for sale once the severance requirements are satisfied. The property is located at 699 Haldimand Road 9, Concession 2, part of Lot 24, Oneida Township, Haldimand County, and will be listed with ReMax Escarpment Realty, Paul Dishke & Travis Langeraap with 3% commission rate, asking price of \$385,000, and expected sale date of June 1, 2018.

CARRIED

B. Concerning Mount Zion Pastoral Charge – application for Church modernization & improvement grant to upgrade flooring

Motion: Ross Gowan/ Jayne Carman that Erie Presbytery approve the application by Mount Zion Pastoral Charge for a Church Modernization & Improvement Grant from the United Church of Canada, for a \$5,000 grant to install new flooring in their basement, and forward the approved application to Hamilton Conference for their consideration and approval.

CARRIED

C. Concerning Springvale United Church (Hagersville Pastoral Charge) – application for church modernization grant to improve accessibility

Motion: Ross Gowan/Nora Fueten that Erie Presbytery approve the application by Springvale United Church, Hagersville Pastoral Charge, for a Church Modernization & Improvement Grant from the United Church of Canada, for a \$3,356 grant to install automated door hardware and a

ramp to enhance the accessibility of their church, and forward the approved application to Hamilton Conference for their consideration and approval. **CARRIED**

D. Concerning St George United Church Pastoral Charge – application for loan and church modernization & improvement grant to replace furnaces

Motion: Ross Gowan/ Adrienne Robertson that Erie Presbytery Executive approve the application for a Capital Loan by St. George Pastoral Charge in the amount of \$11,421.56, and forward the approved application to Hamilton Conference for their consideration and approval. The loan is required in order that the Pastoral Charge can replace its two furnaces.

CARRIED

Nora Fueten abstained.

Motion: Ross Gowan/ Jayne Carman that Erie Presbytery approve the application by St George Pastoral Charge for a Church Modernization & Improvement Grant from the United Church of Canada, for a \$5,000 grant to install new furnaces, and forward the approved application to Hamilton Conference for their consideration and approval. **CARRIED**

Nora Fueten abstained.

Pastoral Oversight:

There was no report.

Education & Students

Jayne Carman said that there are four candidates in the process. One interview has been completed and three more will be done soon.

She and Ted Black will be going to the Education and Services conference next week and Robin McGauley Program Coordinator, Ministry Vocations will be there

Ted has been following up with Chris Hoover.

Robert Lawson will be ordained at Conference in May.

Licensed Lay Worship Leaders will be acknowledged and licenses renewed at June plenary meeting.

Mission & Outreach/Life and Public Witness

There was no report.

Faith Formation:

There was no report but there was a reminder from members present that registration deadline for CAYTS and Youth Forum for Conference is April 16.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 and Chair Cathy closed with prayer.

**Next Executive Meeting: Wednesday, May 9th, 2018 at 9:30 am at Five Oaks Centre.
Worship: Barrie Bain**

**Next Regular meeting: Wednesday, April 25th, 2018, at 5:00 pm, at Mount Zion UC,
Renton**

Cathy Dilts, Chair

Karen Tobey, Secretary