
A meeting of the Pastoral Relations (PR) Commission was held via Zoom Conference call on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Jim Allen, Ina Bromley, Wayne Harris (Chair), Charlotte Hoy, Sharon MacDonald, Erin McIntyre, Karen McLean (Scribe), Whit Strong, Linda Suddaby (1:10 p.m.) (9)

REGRETS: Patsy Henry (1)

CALL TO ORDER, OPENING PRAYER:

Chair, Wayne Harris, called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. and led us in an opening prayer.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

- Community of Faith (CoF) self-assessment forms
- Cost of Living (CoL) updates

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

MOTION 2022-132 (E. McIntyre/S. MacDonald) “that the minutes of November 8, 2022 be accepted as circulated.” **CARRIED**

RESTORATIVE CARE:

For information:

- David Illman- White remains on restorative care effective September 29, 2022.

ACKNOWLEDGED SABBATICALS:

Christine Johnson – Bethel-St. Andrew’s P.C. – Jan. 1 – March 31, 2023 PCS ???

Christopher Ryan – Smiths Falls: Trinity P.C. – April 10 – September 5, 2023 PCS ???

Carla Van Delen – Barrhaven P.C. – April 17 – July 9, 2023 PCS???

Blair Paterson – South Mountain-Hallville P.C. – April 24 – July 23, 2023 PCS???

Tiina Côté – Pembroke: Calvin P.C. – dates to be determined PCS???. [Note: Ina Bromley will be the PCS for Calvin when we have confirmed the dates.]

CHANGE IN RELATIONS:

Christ Church United P.C.

MOTION 2022-133 (I. Bromley/J. Allen) “that the EOORC PR Commission rescinds the November 8, 2022 **MOTION 2022-129** and removes it from the minutes.” **CARRIED**

[Note: Deborah is not retiring.]

MOTION 2022-134 (E. McIntyre/J. Allen) “that the EOORC PR Commission approves the re-appointment of Deborah Poirier (DLM) to the Christ Church United Pastoral Charge as Congregational Minister, 30 hours per week with a total annual remuneration of fifty-four thousand forty-four dollars and seventy-five cents (\$54,044.75), effective December 1, 2022 to June 30, 2024.” **CARRIED**

PASTORAL CHARGE SUPERVISORS:**Bethel-St. Andrew's P.C.**

MOTION 2022-135 (S. MacDonald/I. Bromley) “that the EOORC PR Commission, in the absence of called/appointed ministry personnel, names Jan Lougheed, EOORC member, as Pastoral Charge Supervisor to the Bethel-St. Andrew's Pastoral Charge covering the sabbatical leave of Christine Johnson.”

CARRIED**Pastoral Charges without called/appointed Ministry Personnel:**

(Pastoral Charge Supervisor in place as noted)

Addison – Lynne Gardiner

Admaston – Paul McLenaghan

Ashton-Munster – Jim Allen

Aylmer-Eardley – Jim Allen (Aylmer closing, Eardley open for a couple of services per year.)

Arnprior – Sheryl McLeod (until the minister completes Admissions)

Augusta – Linda Suddaby (while the minister is on LTD)

Aylwin – Susan Butler-Jones, Boyd Drake

Bristol – Jon Williams

Central Lanark – Wayne Harris

Clyde Forks-Tatlock – Carla Van Delen

Delta-Toledo – Charlotte Hoy

Denbigh, Matawatchan, Schutt – Jon Williams

Elgin-Portland – JoAnne Fletcher

Glasgow-Castleford – James Murray

Golden Lake – Jon Williams

Greenwood – Ina Bromley

Kenmore (in process to close) - no PCS

Knox Edwards – (closing in early 2023) - Ed Gratton

Lanark-Balderson – Sharon MacDonald

Lansdowne – Donald Wachenschwanz

Lower Gatineau Valley - Vacant

Lyn: Christ Church – Shelley Roberts

Mallorytown – Charlotte Hoy

Manotick – CS – no PCS

Melville-Eganville – Jon Williams

Merrickville – (closing early 2023) - Christopher Ryan

Metcalf – Ed Gratton

Namur – Jim Kenney

Ottawa Chinese – Barbara Reynolds

Pembroke: Mt. Zion – Kevin Moratz

Pembroke: Zion Evangelical – Zacharia Mandara (meetings);
Ingrid Condie-Bennett (Pastoral Care)

Perth Road – Heather McLurg Murphy

Pittston – Myra Garvin

Quyon – Susan Butler-Jones

Rideau – Sharon MacDonald
Rockland – Jim Kenney
Russell – Ed Gratton
Shawville – Charles Barrett
South Stormont – John Noordhof
Southminster – Eric Lukacs
Stittsville – Cindy Casey
Templeton – **Vacant**
Vernon – ministry is supplied by the Baptist Church

Pastoral Charges in search mode:

(Liaisons in place as noted)
Admaston – **(not looking)**
Ashton-Munster – Jim Allen
Aylwin – Susan Butler-Jones, Boyd Drake
Bathurst – Shelley Roberts
Centenary – Charlotte Hoy
Central Lanark - Wayne Harris
Clyde Forks-Tatlock – **(summer ministry only)**
Cobden-Queen's Line –
Delta-Toledo – Charlotte Hoy
Denbigh, Matawatchan, Schutt –
Elgin-Portland – Wayne Harris
Glasgow-Castleford –
Greenwood – Ina Bromley
Kenmore **(in process to close)** – Ed Gratton
Knox Edwards – Ed Gratton
Lanark-Balderson – Sharon MacDonald
Lansdowne – Patsy Henry
Lower Gatineau Valley –
Mallorytown – Charlotte Hoy
Manotick – Dianne Cardin
Merrickville **(closing 2023)**
Metcalf – Ed Gratton
Namur – Jim Kenney
Ottawa Chinese – Charles Barrett
Parkdale (Ottawa) – Jim Allen
Perth Road – Heather McLurg Murphy
Quyong – candidate
Rideau – Sharon MacDonald
Rockland – Jim Kenney
Russell – Ed Gratton
Shawville – Charles Barrett
South Stormont – Erin McIntyre

St. John's (Brockville) – Linda Suddaby
Stittsville – Caroline Penhale
Templeton -

CALLS/(RE)-APPOINTMENTS

APPOINTMENTS

Centretown P.C. – Laurie McKnight (OM-R)

MOTION 2022-136 (J. Allen/L. Suddaby) “that the EOORC PR Commission approves the appointment of the Rev. Laurie McKnight (OM-R) to the Centretown Pastoral Charge as Short-term Supply Minister, 16 hours per week, with an annual remuneration of twenty-nine thousand nine hundred and eighty-four dollars (\$29,984.00), from January 1, 2023 – March 31, 2023.”

CARRIED

Stittsville P.C. – Anne Montgomery (OM-R)

MOTION 2022-137 (I. Bromley/E. McIntyre) “that the EOORC PR Commission approves the appointment of the Rev. Anne Montgomery (OM-R) to the Stittsville Pastoral Charge, as Short-term Supply Minister, 20 hrs/week with a total annual remuneration of thirty-five thousand three hundred and twenty-nine dollars (\$35,329.00), Jan. 24, 2023 – May 28, 2023.”

CARRIED

FOLLOW-UPS FROM LIAISONS AND PCSs:

Maynard

Whit noted Kathy Petrie is on LTD.

St. John's P.C., Brockville

Linda reported Brockville would like to hire the Rev. Melany Cassidy-Wise 10 hours/wk. (1/4 time). Whit clarified how con-ed and holiday time will work and discussed how to share communications expenses with the Rural United Ministry.

St. Paul's U.C., Perth

A Covenanting service was held with the Rev. Don McLean during worship on Dec. 11, 2022.

Lanark-Balderson P.C.

They continue to look for a minister interested in sharing with Central Lanark P.C. in a 50/50 ministry position. Balderson is considering selling the church building.

Oxford Mills U.C.

A decommissioning service was held on Dec. 4, 2022. The final closure is effective on Dec. 31, 2022. The building will be listed for sale.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Licensed Lay Worship Leader (LLWL) update

- Policy: April 28, 2022 the Executive passed a motion that LLWLs would be paid 2/3 of the preaching fee if the pastoral charge cancels with less than a week's notice. LLWLs are paid at the Sunday Supply rate as set by the General Council Office.

Question:- What happens if the LLWL has to cancel – not the pastoral charge? This will be

added to the January agenda for further discussion.

- Some LLWLs are taking pastoral care training. They have been reminded that if they are on their Community of Faith's (CoF's) pastoral care team, that is one thing...but pastoral care is *not* Part of their function as an LLWL.
- All but a couple have submitted annual letters from their pastoral charges.
- Very few have submitted accountability reports. Is this grounds for not re-licensing?

Brockville: St. John's P.C.

Several ministers have been lined up to cover their Sunday worship plan until the end of April 2023. As mentioned in the Liaison report, they hope to hire the Rev. Melany Cassidy-Wise to cover pastoral care on a part-time basis.

Pastoral Care and Oversight Visits update

The Executive will not meet until January 12, 2023. Wayne will add this to our February agenda.

CoF self-assessment forms

The form has been based on that developed by other Regional Councils. It can be completed on-line in fillable format and submitted directly. Every Pastoral charge and ministry personnel will receive this form – there is an expectation that it will be submitted annually.

Cost of Living (CoL) update

Updated calculations have been made using the current consumer cost index resulting in some pastoral charges being moved up to a higher category. The list will be released to pastoral charges in January 2023.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting – **Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023** 1:00-3:00 p.m. via Zoom.

CLOSING: Whit offered the closing prayer this month and wished everyone a happy Christmas and all the best for 2023. The business listed on the agenda being completed, Wayne declared the meeting closed at 2:16 p.m.