

A meeting of the Pastoral Relations (PR) Commission was held via Zoom Conference call on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Jim Allen, Ina Bromley, Wayne Harris (Chair), Sharon MacDonald, Erin McIntyre, Karen McLean (Scribe), Whit Strong, Linda Suddaby (11)

REGRETS: Patsy Henry, Charlotte Hoy, Micheline Montreuil, Blair Paterson (4)

CALL TO ORDER, OPENING PRAYER:

Chair, Wayne Harris, called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. After a quick check-in with members, Linda Suddaby led us in an opening prayer.

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

- Shaun Yaskiw as Pastoral Charge Supervisor to Knox (Nepean) P.C.

INTERIM MOTIONS:

MOTION 2024-28 (M. Montreuil/C. Hoy) “that the Pastoral Relations Commission recommends to the EOORC Executive that the Merrickville Pastoral Charge be declared disbanded effective February 5, 2023.” **CARRIED**

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

MOTION 2024-29 (E. McIntyre/J. Allen) “that the minutes of March 19, 2024 be accepted as circulated.” **CARRIED**

CORRESPONDENCE: None

MEDICAL LEAVE:

LTD: Rev. Kathleen Petrie (OM) Augusta P.C.

ACKNOWLEDGED SABBATICALS:

David Sherwin – Zion-Memorial P.C. (Carleton Place) – March 1 to May 31, 2024

Cindy Casey – Kanata P.C. – April 1 to June 30, 2024

Tiina Côté – Pembroke: Calvin P.C. – May 1 – September 2, 2024

Elaine Beattie – Glen Cairn P.C. – June 1 to August 31, 2024

Erin McIntyre – Cornwall: Knox-St. Paul’s P.C. – June 1 to September 3, 2024

Lorrie Lowes – Bells Corners P.C. – July 1 to September 30, 2024

SABBATICALS/ COVERAGE: None

SUPERVISED MINISTRY EDUCATION (SME) site:

Rothwell P.C.

MOTION 2024-30 (E. McIntyre/I. Bromley) “that the EOORC PR Commission recommends to the Office of Vocation that the Rothwell Pastoral Charge be recognized as a Supervised Ministry Education (SME) site.” **CARRIED**

CALLS/(RE)-APPOINTMENTS

Osgoode-Kars P.C. – Alwin Maben

MOTION 2024-31 (S. MacDonald/L. Suddaby) “that the EOORC PR Commission approves the appointment of Alwin Maben (OM) to the Osgoode-Kars Pastoral Charge as Congregational Minister, 20 hours per week effective May 1, 2024 – May 1, 2027.” **CARRIED**

Britannia P.C. – Jennifer Power

MOTION 2024-32 (L. Suddaby/I. Bromley) “that the EOORC PR Commission approves the re-appointment of Jennifer Power (OM) to the Britannia Pastoral Charge as Congregational Minister, 40 hours per week effective July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025.” **CARRIED**

Glebe-St. James P.C. – Susan Toller

MOTION 2024-33 (S. MacDonald/J. Allen) “that the EOORC PR Commission approves the re-appointment of Susan Toller (Candidate) to the Glebe-St. James Pastoral Charge as Congregational Minister, 20 hours per week effective September 1, 2024 – August 31, 2025.” **CARRIED**

CHANGE OF TERMS:

Natalie Matkovsky

MOTION 2024-34 (J. Allen/I. Bromley) “that the EOORC PR Commission approves the change in terms of the call of the Rev. Natalie Istead (Matkovsky) (OM) of the Charge Pastorale Grâce Pastoral Charge from 40 hours per week to 20 hours per week, effective April 1, 2024 – July 31, 2024.” **CARRIED**

SACRAMENTS ELDERS: None

CONGREGATIONAL DESIGNATED MINISTER (CDM): None

PASTORAL CHARGE SUPERVISORS:

Knox (Nepean) P.C.

MOTION 2024-35 (E. McIntyre/L. Suddaby) “that the EOORC PR Commission, in the absence of called/appointed ministry personnel, names the Rev. Commander Shaun Yaskiw, EOORC member, as Pastoral Charge Supervisor to the Knox (Nepean) Pastoral Charge effective July 1, 2024.” **CARRIED**

[Note: PCSs are still needed for St. Andrew’s (Westmeath); Lower Gatineau Valley; Templeton]

Pastoral Charges without called/appointed Ministry Personnel:

(Pastoral Charge Supervisor in place as noted)

Addison – Lynne Gardiner

Admaston – Paul McLenaghan

Ashton-Munster – Jim Allen

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

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

Aylwin – Natalie Matkovsky

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Bathurst – Shelley Roberts
Bethel-St. Andrew's – Jan Lougheed
Charge pastorale Namur – Jim Kenney
Chinese (Ottawa) – Barbara Reynolds (after 10 years, only on call)
Clyde Forks-Tatlock – Carla Van Delen
Delta-Toledo – Charlotte Hoy
Denbigh, Matawatchan, Schutt – Jon Williams
Elgin-Portland – JoAnne Fletcher
Genesis Co-operative – Jim Allen
Glasgow-Castleford – James Murray
Glengarry East – John Noordhoff
Golden Lake – Jon Williams
Greenwood – Ina Bromley
Harrowsmith-Verona – Sharon MacDonald
Kenmore (selling building – NOT disbanding) - Ed Gratton
Knox (Nepean) – Shaun Yaskiw
Knox Edwards – (disbanding April 30, 2024) - Ed Gratton
Lansdowne – Donald Wachenschwanz
Lower Gatineau -
Lyn: Christ Church – Shelley Roberts
Mallorytown – Charlotte Hoy
Melville-Eganville – Ina Bromley
Metcalf – Ed Gratton
Osgoode-Kars – Ed Gratton
Pembroke: Mt. Zion – Kevin Moratz
Perth Road – Heather McLurg Murphy
Pittston – Myra Garvin
Quyon – Cathy Stewart
Rideau – Sharon MacDonald
Rockland – Jim Kenney
Russell – Ed Gratton
South Mountain-Hallville – Christine Lowson
Southminster – Brian Copeland
St. Andrew's (Westmeath) -
St. John's (Brockville) – Linda Suddaby
Templeton -
Williamstown – Lois Gaudet

LIAISONS

[Note: Liaisons are still needed for Aylwin; Merivale-Fallowfield; Morrisburg: Lakeshore Drive; South Mountain-Hallville; St. Andrew's (Westmeath); Parkdale]

Pastoral Charges in search mode:

(Liaisons in place as noted)

Ashton-Munster – Jim Allen
Aylwin –
Bethel-St. Andrew's – Beth Sweetnam
Cardinal – Myra Garvin
Charge pastorale Namur – Jim Kenney
Denbigh, Matawatchan, Schutt – Jon Williams/Ina Bromley
First United (Ottawa) – Janet Nield
Genesis Co-operative – Jim Allen
Glasgow-Castleford – James Murray
Harrowsmith-Verona – Sharon MacDonald
Kemptville: St. John's – Jim Allen
Lansdowne – Phyllis Dietrich
Merivale-Fallowfield -
Metcalf – Ed Gratton
Morrisburg: Lakeshore Dr. -
Osgoode-Kars – Ed Gratton
Parkdale -
Perth Road – Heather McLurg Murphy
Quyong – Cathy Stewart
Rockland – Jim Kenney
Rothwell – Beth Sweetnam
Russell – Ed Gratton
Smiths Falls: Trinity – Wayne Harris
South Mountain-Hallville -
St. Andrew's (Westmeath) -

Pastoral Charges not searching:

Addison	Aylmer-Eardley	Centenary
Clyde Forks-Tatlock	Delta-Toledo	Elgin-Portland
Glasgow-Castleford	Greenwood	Lower Gatineau Valley
Lyn: Christ	Mallorytown	Pittston
Rideau	St. John's (Brockville)	Templeton
Vernon		

FOLLOW-UPS FROM LIAISONS AND PCSs

Lanark/Balderson and Central Lanark P.C.s

Wayne reported he and Sharon attended (and led) the Covenanting service for Dan Hansen. All went very well. It has taken over five years but the two pastoral charges have come to an agreement to embark on a shared ministry and have found a minister to join them on the journey.

Trinity (Smiths Falls)

Council has approved the Profile – it will go to the Congregation on April 28th.

Other Updates

Other Liaisons reported briefly on the pastoral charges with whom they are working.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1) Liaisons and Pastoral Charge Supervisors

Whit noted the numbers of Pastoral Charges requiring Liaisons and PCSs continues. As quickly as one charge fills its ministry requirements, another opens up. We were reminded that Pastoral Charge Supervisors must be members of EOORC but Liaisons need not be. Training is provided for interested persons.

2) Proposed Changes to PRC Terms of Reference:

Wayne had prepared a draft revision to the terms of reference for the team. Question – Are members of leadership teams required to be members of EOORC i.e. ministry personnel or reps from Communities of Faith?

Stittsville P.C. – Review

A reviewer has been appointed. Once the review has been completed and the Executive has met, a follow-up meeting will be held to determine next steps.

LAST WORD:

Next meeting – **Tuesday, May 21, 2024** 1:00-3:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Note – Wayne will be away. Any items for the May meeting should be sent to Whit and Karen.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://united-church.zoom.us/j/85233506275>

Meeting ID: 852 3350 6275

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CLOSING: The business listed on the agenda being completed, Wayne declared the meeting closed at 2:29 p.m.