

**ALGOMA PRESBYTERY
THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**

January 17, 2008

EXECUTIVE MEETING

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Algoma Presbytery Executive met on Thursday, January 17, 2008 at Willowgrove United Church, Sault Ste. Marie at noon. The meeting was led by Chair Rev. Doreen Sproule and a quorum was present.

ATTENDANCE:

Ordered Ministry: Jan Schenell, Doreen Sproule, Larry Burton, Phil Miller, Betty Pretty
Laity: Wilma Oliver, Leone Hamilton, Ruby Vaughan, Thom McDonough

OPENING: Chair Doreen Sproule read Opening Devotions.

MINUTES: **Moved, seconded and carried** that Algoma Presbytery approves the Executive Minutes of October 25, 2007 as received.

CORRESPONDENCE: **Moved, seconded and carried** that Algoma Presbytery approves the Correspondence as of January 17, 2008 as received. (1) Rhea will provide information to Presbyters regarding 6 remit issues that will come before the Court in April 2008 to be voted upon. (2) **Moved, seconded and carried** that Algoma Presbytery approves the transfer of Kathryn Knox McLellan to the Edmonton Conference.

FAITH FORMATION REPORT - Larry Burton

- 1 The ARC is now closed. There remain a few items to be sold. The final meeting took place of January 17, 2008.
- 2 The City clusters will hold a joint service amongst themselves in April 21.
- 3 City churches will be examined by engineers/consultants in order to assess the viability of each building.

EDUCATION & STUDENTS REPORT - Wilma Oliver

Jana Howson: Jana continues her courses at a local college in Illinois this semester and is catching up on her reading assignments while in the process of transferring to Emmanuel College.

John Porter Eun-Joo Park are each working with their respective Appointment Advisory teams on their discernment process and will conclude these discussions in early spring.

PASTORAL CARE & OVERSIGHT -- Thom McDonough

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FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION REPORT - Norine St. Jean

Treasurer's report: Phil Miller

PASTORAL RELATIONS - Leone Hamilton

- 4 JNACs and JSCs are progressing well, with JNAC reports ready for February.
- 5 Police checks to be recorded in February: Rydal Bank, Central, East Korah Maxwell, Emmanuel and John Wesley.

Moved, seconded and carried: that Algoma Presbytery accepts all Committee reports.

Old Business:

- 1 Locations for meetings for the year 2008 were reviewed and will be circulated at the February meeting.
- 2 The issue of consensus voting was discussed.
- 3 Regarding the issue of confidentiality, it was determined that this is something that needs to be revisited from time to time. Discussion revolved around the premise that presbyters need to be able to trust that committees will give enough and sufficient information for them to be able to make decisions, without divulging too much personal information. Leone Hamilton and Thom McDonough together will put together a presentation for February's meeting.

New Business:

- 1 John Kaminsky, chair of SAH chaplaincy, will be invited to be guest speaker at the February meeting of Presbytery.

NEXT PRESBYTERY MEETING: February 22 & 23, 2008 at East Korah Maxwell United Church, Sault Ste. Marie.

DOREEN SPROULE, CHAIR
SECRETARY

RHEA McADAM,