

**Minutes of the Presbytery of London**  
**Online Meeting, Tuesday, February 9, 2021, 7:00 PM**

The Presbytery of London met online in regular session on Tuesday, the ninth day of February, two thousand and twenty-one, at the hour of seven o'clock in the evening.

- Constitution** The Moderator, Reverend Michelle Butterfield-Kocis, constituted the Court with prayer.
- Worship** The Worship Service was led by the Moderator.
- Welcome, Courtesies and Announcements** The Moderator welcomed everyone to the meeting. Margaret McGugan represented the WMS. M. McGugan gave a brief update of the work of the WMS executive and advised the Court that the annual Synodical will be online with the theme “Encouraging Unity”.
- Attendance** John Bannerman, Michelle Butterfield-Kocis, David Clark, Mavis Currie, Deb Dolbear-Van Bilsen, Andrew Fullerton, Amanda MacMillan, Keith McKee, James Patterson, Andrew Thompson, Ministers; Julia Morden, Andrew Reid, Appendix; Norm Belyea, Em Cameron, Janet Carter, Linda Charlton, Richard Cote, Lynda Drummelsmith, Bill Fletcher, Lynda Ford, Richard Foster, Theresa Glithero, Janice Lockhart, Brian Lunn, Margaret McGugan, Sheila McMurray, Trudy van der Hoek, Alison Williams, Elders; Lu Brule, Treasurer; Carrie Thornton, Clerk; Wilma Boyce, Oakridge Presbyterian Church.
- Regrets** Jon Van Den Berg, Appendix; Doug Hill, Tom Jeffery, Elizabeth MacLeod, Inge Stahl, Elders.
- Absent** Michael Burns, Minister; Janet Donkervoort, Donna Jean Van Bilsen, Elders.
- Docket** **MOTION:** (Dolbear-Van Bilsen/Clark) THAT the Docket as amended with the addition of the mission report and the refugee report, be adopted for the meeting. CARRIED.
- Minutes** **MOTION:** (Belyea/Clark) THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 12, 2021 be adopted. CARRIED.
- Correspondence and Motions** The Moderator invited the Clerk, C. Thornton, to present the correspondence and motions report.
- MOTION:** (Belyea/Clark) that recommendations 1 and 2 be adopted by consent. CARRIED.
- RECOMMENDATION # 1:** THAT the following correspondence be referred as named:

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21-17	D. Muir, Deputy Clerk	congregational meetings during pandemic	circ. elect.
21-18	T. Hamilton, Assembly Office	info session on vaccination & public health	circ. elect.
21-19	T. Hamilton, Assembly Office	Presbytery statistical information	clerk
21-20	O. Ng, CFO/Treasurer	congregational 2020 statistical reports	circ. elect.

**RECOMMENDATION #2:** The Reverend Andrew Thompson, The Reverend John Bannerman and Lela Burt (Westmount Presbyterian Church) be appointed commissioners to the 23021 General Assembly.

**RECOMMENDATION #3:** (Belyea/Clark) THAT Rev. Julia Morden, Rev. Lynn Nichol and Rev. James Patterson be appointed equalizing ministers for a one-year term beginning February 1, 2021. CARRIED.

**RECOMMENDATION #4:** (Fullerton/Clark) THAT the Presbytery of London nominate Charlene Beynon, an elder from New St. James Presbyterian Church, London, to the Life and Mission Agency, a standing committee of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. CARRIED.

**RECOMMENDATION #5:** (Fullerton/Clark) THAT the Presbytery of London nominate Rev. Mavis Currie to the Life and Mission Agency, a standing committee of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. CARRIED.

**Treasurer's Report** This report was circulated in advance. L. Brule advised the Court that all balances have been updated to January 31, 2021.

**Lending Fund Officers** L. Brule reminded the Court that the Presbytery Lending Fund is looking for a chairperson and asked everyone to pass the word in their congregations. L. Brule can be contacted for more information.

**DaySpring Fund** **MOTION:** (Fletcher/Brule) THAT Burns Presbyterian Church, Mosa receive a grant of \$6,940.00 from the DaySpring for technology upgrades. CARRIED.

**Clerk's Report** The Clerk presented a verbal report and, among other items, advised the Court that the ad hoc committee regarding the general presbyter reports diligence and will report at an upcoming Presbytery meeting.

**Break Out Groups Report** M. Currie asked all the small groups to submit their reports. A summary of the second discussion will be circulated.

**Refugee Committee** The Clerk reminded the Court that the report from the refugee committee was circulated and emphasized the need for a chairperson and other committee members.

**Mission Report** This report is for information only.

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**Exit Review** J. Bannerman presented the report. A copy has been sent to both  
**Westmount** Rev. Dr Jeffrey Crawford and the session of Westmount.

**MOTION:** (Bannerman/Cote) THAT the recommendations 1 through 4 be adopted by consent: CARRIED.

**RECOMMENDATION #1:** THAT The Dr Jeffrey Crawford be commended for his faithful ministry at Westmount Presbyterian Church.

**RECOMMENDATION #2:** THAT the session and congregation of Westmount Presbyterian Church be commended for their faithful ministry and mission in the Westmount community and beyond.

**RECOMMENDATION #3:** THAT the Rev. Rev. Courtney Morris Crawford be commended for her creative ministry as the Minister of Mission and Outreach at W4stmount Presbyterian Church.

**RECOMMENDATION #4:** THAT the Rev. Michael Stol be commended for his ongoing pastoral care ministry within Westmount Presbyterian Church.

**RECOMMENDATION #5:** (Bannerman/Cote) THAT the session and congregation of Westmount Presbyterian Church begin an intentional process to address and develop a unified vision for future ministry, congregation unity, congregational healing, and financial stewardship for God’s mission before proceeding to call a Minister. CARRIED.

**Reports of Interim Moderators** The Moderator thanked all the interim moderators who submitted reports in advance. There were no questions.

**Other Business** No other business.

**Adjournment** On a motion by M. Currie, the Court stood adjourned at four minutes before eight o’clock, to meet online in special session on Thursday, the eighteenth day of February, two thousand and twenty-one, at seven o’clock in the evening and online in regular session on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, two thousand and twenty-one, at seven o’clock in the evening.

The Moderator closed the meeting with prayer.

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Clerk