

Minutes of the Presbytery of London

Online Meeting, Thursday, September 22, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

The Presbytery of London met online on Thursday, the twenty-second day of September, two thousand and twenty-two, at seven o'clock in the evening for the purpose of considering a Call to Byron Kappes as minister of Knox Presbyterian Church, Walkerton and to consider a Call to Reverend Tim Raeburn-Gibson as minister of Westmount Presbyterian Church, London.

Constitution The Moderator, Richard Cote, constituted the Court with prayer.

Welcome, Courtesies and Announcements The Moderator welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded the Court that the purpose of the special meeting was to consider the Call from Knox Presbyterian Church, Walkerton to Byron Kappes. He advised the Court that the Call from Westmount Presbyterian Church is not being considered at this meeting and is expected to come to the October regular meeting of Presbytery.

Attendance Tim Archibald, Gordon Brown, Michael Burns, Michelle Butterfield-Kocis, David Clark, Deb Dolbear-Van Bilsen, Andrew Fullerton, Keith McKee, James Patterson, Ministers; Lynn Nichol, Tim Raeburn-Gibson, Appendix: Norm Belyea, Em Cameron, Cathy Cornhill, Richard Cote, Lynda Drummelsmith, Margaret McGugan, Sheila McMurray, Inge Stahl, Elders; Carrie Thornton, Clerk; Reverend Peggy Kinsman, Presbytery of Grey Bruce Maitland; Byron Kappes, Certified for Ordination.

Regrets Mavis Currie, Andrew Thompson, Jon Van Den Berg, Ministers; Herb Hilder, Katharine Michie, Julia Morden, Appendix; Janet Carter, Janet Donkervoort, Janice Lockhart, Donna Jean Van Bilsen, Elders; Lu Brule, Treasurer.

Absent Amanda MacMillan, Minister; Nancy Donkers, Richard Foster, Doug Hill, Elizabeth Leitch, Brian Lunn, Elizabeth MacLeod, Elders.

Call to Byron Kappes **MOTION:** (Butterfield-Kocis/Clark) THAT Reverend Peggy Kinsman be invited to sit and correspond. CARRIED.

MOTION: (Patterson/McGugan) THAT the Call from Knox Presbyterian Church, Walkerton to Byron Kappes be received and considered. CARRIED.

Reverend Peggy Kinsman was invited to come forward and narrate the steps leading to the Call and read the Guarantee of Stipend.

Guarantee of Stipend **Guarantee to Presbytery for Minister's Stipend**

In order that you, Byron Kappes, may be free to devote yourself to ministry of Word and Sacraments among us, we the congregation of Knox Presbyterian Church, Walkerton, hereby guarantee to the Presbytery of Grey Bruce Maitland, of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, that out of our estimated

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Guarantee of Stipend (cont.) *annual revenue of one hundred and twenty-eight thousand dollars we promise and obligate ourselves to provide you, as a first charge thereon, the following annually:*

<i>Annual Stipend (inclusive of travel allowance)</i>	<i>\$42,816.00</i>
<i>Housing/ Rental allowance inclusive of utilities</i>	<i>\$24,000.00</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$66,816.00</i>

We agree to make payments of the above amounts on the first day of each month and agree to adjust the stipend and allowances annually in view of any changes in the cost of living or in the needs of our minister.

We agree further:

- 1. To provide two weeks for continuing education annually, and at least the minimum allowance as set by the General Assembly.*
- 2. That the benefits of number 1 above shall be cumulative up to five years.*
- 3. To provide five weeks holiday annually, which shall be used in the year they are given.*
- 4. To pay supply during the periods of continuing education and holidays.*
- 5. In case of disability or extended illness, to continue to provide stipend, accommodation and allowances for a period not less than that set by the General Assembly, and to pay the cost of pulpit supply*
- 6. To pay for Medical and Dental Insurance as provided through the Pensions and Benefits Board of the General Assembly and to make contributions to the Pension Plan in compliance with the terms of the plan.*
- 7. To pay necessary moving expenses.*

A. Fullerton advised the Court that the Ministry Team had reviewed the terms of the Call and Guarantee of Stipend and both were found to be acceptable.

MOTION: (McMurray/McGugan) THAT the Call to Byron Kappes be sustained as a regular gospel call. CARRIED.

The Clerk emailed the Call documents to B. Kappes and the Moderator indicated that Mr. Kappes has seven days to declare if he will accept the Call.

MOTION: (Patterson/Burns) THAT permission be granted to the Presbytery of Grey-Bruce-Maitland to ordain Byron Kappes. CARRIED.

Other Business None.

Adjournment On a motion by E. Cameron the Court stood adjourned at twenty-seven minutes after seven o'clock in the evening, to meet again in regular session on

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Adjournment (cont.) Tuesday, the eleventh day of October, two thousand and twenty-two at seven o'clock in the evening and within Westmount Presbyterian Church.

The Moderator closed the meeting with prayer.

Moderator

Clerk