

The Presbytery met in Stanley at Hillcrest United Church on Thursday the 27th of April. There was a good attendance. Concern was expressed for those affected by rising flood waters and for Edythe Penny undergoing surgery and Kay Clowater who is ill. Congratulations are in order for Elaine Strawbridge who will be ordained in London Conference and for Rosemarie Shephard who will be ordained at Maritime Conference. Congratulations, best wishes and our blessings go with them as they begin new phases in their lives.

The Remits from General Council were discussed and voted on. The full details of the remits will appear in the minutes.

Gail Wylie gave a very interesting report and video presentation on her recent visit to India. Gail would be willing to share her experiences with interested groups.

Highlights from Committee reports:

Christian Life and Growth reported that 10 young people from Woolastook will attend the Youth at Conference event in May. Each of these young people will be asked to prepare a written report on their experiences for Presbytery. The new Board had prepared packets on Camping for each congregation. Be sure to look for yours if you do not have it!

Church in Action presented a resolution to the Court on uranium mining in New Brunswick. After discussion a motion was passed that a letter be sent to the Premier expressing our concern. Heritage and Resources presented a summary of the questionnaire re the Proposed Payroll policy. It was agreed that the full report be sent to Maritime Conference as a proposal, an expression of our concern since many of the Pastoral Charges did not support the new plan. Pastoral Relations presented several motions, complete details are in the minutes. For note, Rev. Dr. Heather Froats will be moving to Ontario, and Ellen Flemming has also asked for a Change in Pastoral Relations. We will miss them and offer our prayers and blessings as they move on. MPE reported that there are 2 Inquirers from Wilmot United Church and 2 Discernment committees will be put in place.

Pastoral Care and Oversight reported on the amalgamation of 3 churches on the Glassville-Juniper Pastoral Charge. Glassville, Juniper and Argyle will become one, with a new name Lake View United Church. The services will be held May 4th at Juniper; May 25th at Glassville and June 8th at Argyle, all at 2:30pm. The service at Argyle will be a 'closure' and a new beginning. Members of Presbytery are asked to try and attend these services
Proposals-4 will be sent to Maritime Conference for consideration—see minutes.

The chair, Elaine White distributed copies of the May 2007 Mandate, material from which will be used as a part of the Conference agenda.

The June meeting will be in Plaster Rock: June 12th, 2008 at 11:00am.
Secretary, Doreen Kissick