

At Saltcoats and within Saltcoats: New Trinity Church on Tuesday 5th March 2013 , which place and date the Presbytery of Ardrossan met and was constituted by the Moderator, the Reverend Fiona C Ross BD Dip Min.

Sederunt:

Revd F C Ross (Moderator) Mr A K Saunderson (Clerk)

Ministers:

N Cruickshank, I S Currie, A Falconer, D J H Harbieson, M Hickman, M L K Howie, R I T Macdonald, M H Mackay, A D McCallum, A M McCance, J J McNay, D R Mitchell, A B Noble, S J Smith, A S Taylor, J Teasdale, E R L Watson, T Webster, J Whitecross.

Elders:

K Anderson, J Aitken, M Brown, A K Butcher, J Cameron, A Cochrane, M Cooper, M Duff, G H Gregory, I Hackney, J C Q Hunter, R Jarvie, R Kelso, R Lavalette, A Lees, J T McGill, W Mackay, A Martin, C Massie, G K McConnell, S McMahan, J M McSwan, A Pringle, R A Richardson, E Sillars, E Taylor, A Turner, K Tudor, A C Watt, K S Welch, J Welsh.

Corresponding Members:

R McCool, N Smith, M M B Ross, A Montgomerie, H Knight.

Guild Presbyterian Committee Representatives :

M Broster.

Apologies:

Ministers:

R A Adamson, D Granger, D J Heberton,

Elders:

S Brown, A Campbell, G Cunningham, A C D Hamilton, R McLean, K Milne, A Todd.

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th February 2013 (Pages 3-8) having been circulated , were approved.

Tribute – The Revd Alex Downie

The Revd Tanya Webster made tribute to the Revd Alex Downie, Minister Emeritus of Ardrossan: Park Church. Thereafter the Moderator offered Prayer.

Correspondence

- (a) **Presbytery of Ayr** – Extract minute advising that the call for the Congregation of Ayr: St Andrew's, to the Revd Morag Garrett has been sustained and appointing 28th February as the date for her Induction to the Charge.

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- (b) **Ministries Council PPTG** – Extract Minute confirming the Plan revision has received concurrence.
- (c) **Department of the General Assembly** – Heart and Soul Information.

Order of Business – The Order of Business was moved as in the print.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Appraisal Committee

For the Committee the Convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. **Presbytery Plan Revision** – Note that an Extract Minute has been received from the Ministries Council Presbytery Planning Task Group advising: **“The Task group considered the Revised Plan from the Presbytery of Ardrossan and observed that one notice of intention to appeal had been received timeously from one congregation. noting that this appeal did not have to be disposed of immediately – the Task Group Concurred with the Revised Plan”**
- ii. **Kilmory/Lw Lamlash** – Appoint the following Consultative Committee to visit the Kirk Sessions: Revd M H Mackay (Convener), Revd I S Currie and Mr R Lavalette
- iii. **Saltcoats: St Cuthbert’s** – Grant permission to the congregation, as in the agreed Presbytery Plan, to Call a Minister on the basis of 5 years Reviewable Tenure and appoint an Advisory Committee to visit the Kirk Session: Miss J M McSwan (Convener), Revd J Whitecross & Mr R A Richardson.
- iv. **Kilbirnie: Auld Kirk** – Grant permission to the congregation, as in the agreed Presbytery Plan, to Call a Minister on the basis of 7 years Reviewable Tenure and appoint an Advisory Committee to visit the Kirk Session: Miss J M McSwan (Convener), Revd J Whitecross, & Mr R A Richardson.
- v. **Largs: St John’s & Cumbrae Parish Church** – Appoint the following committee to visit both Kirk Sessions to negotiate a Basis and Plan of Linkage. Revd I S Currie (Convener), Revd J Teasdale & Mrs A Turner.
- vi. **Largs: St Columba’s & Fairlie: Parish Church** - Appoint the following committee to visit both Kirk Sessions to negotiate a Basis and Plan of Linkage. Revd R I T Macdonald (Convener), Revd T Webster & Mr R Lavalette.

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- vii. **Stevenston: Livingstone L/w Stevenston: Ardeer** - Appoint the following committee to visit both Kirk Sessions to negotiate a Basis and Plan of Union. Revd D Granger (Convener), Revd J J McNay & Mr R A Richardson.
- viii. **Saltcoats: New Trinity & Ardrossan: Barony St John's** - Appoint the following committee to visit both Kirk Session to negotiate a Basis and Plan of Union. Mr K S Welch (Convener) Revd S J Smith & Mrs S Marr.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

For the Committee the Convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. **Ardrossan: Barony St John's** – Note that the Revd Dorothy Granger has been off work for a period of six weeks and appoint the Revd James J McNay as Interim Moderator.
- ii. **Kilmory: Parish Church L/w Lamlash Parish Church** – Note that due to personal circumstances Mr Stephen Brown has resigned as Interim Moderator. And appoint Mr A K Saunderson as Interim Moderator on an interim basis.
- iii. **Presbytery Minute Book** – Note that the Presbytery Minute book has been examined and attested.
- iv. **General Assembly 2013** – Appoint the following as Commissioners to the General Assembly of 2013 **Ministers:** Revd's A A Adamson, T Webster, J Teasdale, J Whitecross,, A B Noble, I S Currie.

Elders: Mr W Mackay (Dalry: Trinity) Dr N Lawrie (Largs: Clark Memorial), Mr R Hunter (Saltcoats: St Cuthbert's) Mr W McNish (Kilmory: Parish Church), Mr A K Saunderson (Presbytery Clerk) & Mr R A Richardson (Beith Parish Church)
- v. **Presbytery Accounts 2012** – Approve the Presbytery Accounts for the year ending 31st December 2012. (Reports Pages 1-7) Thanks were extended to Mrs Ann Turber for all of the work undertaken by her as Presbytery Treasurer during the year.
- vi. **Presbytery Dues 2013/14** – Set Presbytery dues at £ 2.50 and Survey Dues at 80 pence for 2013/14.
- vii. **Nan Stevenson trust for retired Ministers** – Note that the Trustees have approved the accounts for the year ending 31st December 2012.
- viii. **Visit by Moderator of the General Assembly** – Note the programme for the visit from 20th – 29th April 2013)
- ix. **Annual Statistical Report** – Note the annual Statistics (Reports Page 8)

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Stewardship & Finance Committee

For the Committee the Convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. **National Stewardship Programme** - Remind all Congregational Treasurers that the National Stewardship Programme Response forms should be returned to the Presbytery Clerk no later than 31st March 2013 and that a copy should also be sent to the Stewardship & Finance Department at Central Office.

Mission & Discipleship Committee

For the Committee the Convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. **Youth Representative to the General Assembly 2013** – Appoint Mr Peter McEleny (Largs: St Columba's) as Youth Representative to the General Assembly of 2013.

Superintendence Committee

For the Committee the Convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. **Annual Attestation of Rolls and Records** – Note that all Rolls and records within the Presbytery have been attested and extend thanks to all those involved.

Presbytery to meet on Tuesday 9th April 2013 at 7.30 p.m. within Saltcoats: New Trinity Church for the conduct of Ordinary Business.

Business Committee to meet in Wednesday 20th March 2013 at 3.00 p.m. within Saltcoats: New Trinity Church.

The meeting was closed with Prayer.

_____ **Moderator**

_____ **Clerk**