

At Saltcoats and within Ardrossan & Saltcoats Kirkgate Parish Church on Tuesday 7th October 2014, which place and date the Presbytery of Ardrossan met and was constituted by the Moderator, Mrs Jean C Q Hunter BD.

Sederunt:

Mrs J C Q Hunter (Moderator) Mr A K Saunderson (Clerk)

Ministers:

A Falconer, A Ford, D Granger, M Hickman, M L K Howie, R I T Macdonald, A D McCallum, A M McCance, D R Mitchell, A B Noble, F C Ross, M Thane, J Teasdale, M Thomson, E R L Watson, A Ward, J Whitecross.

Elders:

K Anderson, J Aitken, S Brown, C Black, J Cameron, A Campbell, A Cochrane, G Cunningham, M Green, A C D Hamilton, R Head, R Jarvie, R Kelso, R Lavalette, M Mackay, S Marr, A Martin, J F Murdoch, D Murray, J Niven, R McLean, S McMahan, J M McSwan, F Page, A Pringle, R A Richardson, E Taylor, A Turner, A Todd, K Tudor, K S Welch.

Corresponding Members:

A Currie, M M B Ross.

Guild Presbyterian Council Committee Members:

B Guthrie.

Apologies:

Ministers:

R A Adamson, M S Cameron, N Cruickshank, D J H Harbieson, D J Heberton, M H Mackay, J J McNay, A Sherratt, A S Taylor, T Webster.

Elders:

L Campbell, I Hackney, M Henderson, C Massie, H Mitchell, G K McConnell, S McLellan, W McNish, I Watt.

Corresponding Members:

N Smith, A Montgomerie.

Guild Presbyterian Council Committee Members:

M Hawthorn

Minutes:

The Minutes of meetings held on, Friday 29th August 2014 (Pages 28-29) and Tuesday 2nd September 2014 (Pages 30-34) having been circulated, were approved.

Approved/

Correspondence

- (a) Ministries Council** – Confirmation of Study Leave Application for Revd M Thomson.
- (b) Solicitor of the Church** – Working at Height regulations (This has been sent to all Kirk Sessions within the blounds)

Order of Business

The Order of Business was approved.

Guest Speaker – Shirley Grieve from the Go for it Fund then addressed Presbytery.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Business Committee

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

- i. Interim Ministry Regional Consultation** – Note that Mr Ron Lavalette (Ministries Convener) and Revd Dorothy Granger (Appraisal Convener) will represent Presbytery at the consultation on 31st October 2014.
- ii. Ministries Council Mission Development Staff Consultation** – Note that the Revd Jeanette Whitecross and Revd Tanya Webster will represent Presbytery at the consultation on 4th November 2014.
- iii. Ministries Council Consultation** – Note that the Revd Jim Teasdale and Revd Roddy Macdonald represented Presbytery at the consultation from 30th September – 1st October 2014.
- iv. November Presbytery Meeting Guest Speaker** – Note that Mrs Viv Dickenson Crossreach Director of Children's Services will speak at the November meeting regarding the ongoing re-organisation at Gielisland School, in Beith.
- v. Setting Apart of Mr Andrew Bruce** – Note that Mr Andrew Bruce has now successfully completed all aspects of his training for the Readership. Set the date of Tuesday 28th October 2014, for a Service of Setting Apart within Ardrossan & Saltcoats Kirkgate Parish Church. Presbytery to meet at 7.00 p.m. and Service to start at 7.30 p.m. The Moderator to preside, the Revd Dorothy Granger to preach and Mrs Elizabeth Clarke to conduct.
- vi. Interim Moderator Fairlie Parish Church** - Thank and discharge Miss J M McSwan as Interim Moderator and appoint the Revd James R Teasdale as Interim Moderator from Wednesday 8th October 2014.

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Nominations Committee

For the Committee the Presbytery Clerk proposed and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. **Revd J R Teasdale** – Agree to a request from the Revd J R Teasdale to be released as Convener of the Appraisal Committee.
- ii. **Revd D Granger/ Miss J M McSwan** – Appoint the Revd D Granger as Convener and Miss J M McSwan as Vice Convener of the Appraisal Committee.
- iii. **Ministries & Superintendence Committee** – Appoint the Revd J R Teasdale to the Committee.

Appraisal Committee

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

- i. **Fairlie Parish Church** - In terms of Act VII 2014 grant an extension of six months to the Right to Call, to the Congregation of Fairlie Parish Church.
- ii. **Largs: St Columba's Parish Church** - In terms of Act VII 2014 grant an extension of six months to the Right to Call, to the Congregation of Largs: St Columba's Parish Church.
- iii. **Kilbirnie: Auld Kirk** - In terms of Act VII 2014 grant an extension of six months to the Right to Call, to the Congregation of Kilbirnie: Auld Kirk.
- iv. **Kilmory I/w Lamlash Parish Church** - In terms of Act VII 2014 grant an extension of six months to the Right to Call, to the Congregations of Lilmory and Lamlash.

Ministries & Superintendence Committee

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

- i. **Local Church Review** – Note that the following Congregations will be visited in session 2014/15
 - (a) **Stevenston High Kirk:** Rev Ian Currie (Convener), Mr Stephen Brown, Mr Graham Cunningham, Mr Ian Watt.
 - (b) **Whiting Bay and Kildonan:** Rev Jeanette Whitecross (Convener) Mr Gordon McConnell, Mr Allan Richardson, Mr Alan Cochrane.

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- (c) **Beith Parish Church:** Rev Angus Adamson. (Convener)
Rev Mandy Hickman, Mrs K Tudor, Miss Mima McSwan.
- (d) **Ardrossan & Saltcoats Kirkgate:** Rev E Watson (Convener)
Mr Ron Lavalette, Mr R Wilson, Mrs Sheena Marr.
- (e) **West Kilbride:** Rev A D McCallum. (Convener) Rev M Thane,
Mr K Welch, Mr John Aitken.

For the Committee the Ministries Vice Convener proposed and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- ii. **Vocations Champion** - Recognise Miss Barbara Graham as a Vocations Champion serving the Presbyteries of Ayr, Ardrossan and Irvine and Kilmarnock.
- iii. **Vocations Champion** - Invite Miss Barbara Graham to submit a report each year concerning her work as a Vocations Champion.
- iv. **Discernment Process Briefing** - Note that a briefing will take place on Wednesday 22nd October at Ardrossan and Saltcoats Kirkgate Church from 12 Noon till 2.30 p.m. A light lunch will be available from 12 Noon – 12.30 p.m.

Finance Stewardship & Property Committee

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

- i. Note that in terms of Standing Order 34, The Convener gives Notice of Motion that at the November meeting of Presbytery, the Committee will move the approval of the Ministries and Mission Contributions for 2014 (Presbytery Reports 49-52)
- ii. **Largs: St John's** - Grant permission to Install Solar Panels on the South Side of the Church Roof at a cost of £ 17,014.45.
- iii. **Working at Height in Church Property** (Law Department Circular) Note the information which has been passed by the Presbytery Clerk to all Kirk Sessions within the bounds.

Presbytery to meet in hunc effectum on Wednesday 8th October 2014 within Largs: Clark Memorial Church at 7.00 p.m. for the Induction of the Revd T David Watson.

Presbytery to meet in hunc effectum on Tuesday 28th October 2014 within Ardrossan & Saltcoats Kirkgate Parish Church at 7.00 p.m. for the Service of Setting Apart of Mr Andrew Bruce.

Bruce/

Presbytery to meet on Tuesday 4th November 2014, at 7.30 p.m within Ardrossan & Saltcoats Kirkgate Parish Church, the conduct of Ordinary Business.

Business Committee to meet in Wednesday 22nd October 2014 at 3.00 p.m. within Ardrossan & Saltcoats Kirkgate Church

The meeting was closed with prayer.

_____ Moderator

_____ Clerk