

# **THE MINUTES OF THE** **CANADIAN PRESBYTERY**

*Associate Reformed Presbyterian Churches in Canada,  
Associate Reformed Presbyterian Synod*

## **Special Called Meeting**

March 8, 2012

Teleconference Call



Mr. Bill McKay  
Stated Clerk

Mr. Kevin Bigney  
Moderator

## **OFFICERS OF THE CANADIAN PRESBYTERY**

### **MODERATOR**

(1 yr. Term expires June 30, 2012)

Mr. Kevin Bigney  
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(1 yr. Term expires June 30, 2012)

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(3 yr. Term expires June 30, 2013)

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### **READING CLERK**

(3 yr. Term expires June 30, 2013)

Rev. Jeff Kingswood  
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### **TREASURER**

(3 yr. Term expires June 30, 2013)

Mr. Gary Armstrong  
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## **CHURCHES OF THE CANADIAN PRESBYTERY**

### **MARITIMES REGION**

Covenant Reformed Presbyterian Church

Covenanters ARP Church

Grace Fellowship Church, ARPC

Mt. Zion ARP Church

Trinity Presbyterian Church

### **ONTARIO REGION**

Grace Presbyterian Church

Reformed Hungarian Church

Riverside ARP Church

Trinity ARP Church

## **MINUTES OF THE CANADIAN PRESBYTERY, ARPC SPECIAL CALLED MEETING – March 8, 2012**

A Special Called Meeting of the Canadian Presbytery was held on March 8, 2012 by teleconference. Fifteen (15) presbyters were in attendance for this meeting of presbytery.

### **Presbytery Convenes for Called Teleconference Meeting**

At 7:00 p.m. (E.S.T.)/ 8:00 p.m. (A.S.T.), the Vice-Moderator of the Canadian Presbytery, Mr. Kevin Bigney, called the presbyters to order and convened the Special Called Meeting of the Canadian Presbytery (via teleconference).

### **Calling of the Roll**

The Stated Clerk, Bill McKay called the roll of presbyters for this meeting.

#### **a) Roll Call of ministers present:**

|                |                    |                |
|----------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Rick Barnes    | Kevin Carter       | Rudy deVries   |
| David Els      | Jerry Hamstra      | Jeff Kingswood |
| Frank Kovacs   | Brian Murray       | Andrew Savill  |
| John Shearouse | Bill VanDoodewaard |                |

#### **b) Roll Call of Ruling Elders present (as delegates to presbytery):**

Albert Gerrits (Covenanters ARPC)  
Reg Lindsay (Trinity Presbyterian, NB)  
Bill McKay (Grace Presbyterian Church)  
Greig Park (Riverside ARPC)

There were no Ruling Elder representatives from Grace Fellowship Church, Covenant Reformed Presbyterian Church, Reformed Hungarian ARP, Trinity ARPC (Chatham, ON).

Student Russ Kosits was present.

Steve Richardson, Henry Bartsch, William Campbell and Jack Whytock were absent and excused from the meeting.

The Stated Clerk declared a quorum was present.

Mr. Bigney constituted the teleconference meeting as a court of the church of Jesus Christ, with a reading of Scripture from Psalm 117. Mr. Bigney opened the meeting with prayer.

### **Minutes**

- **Motion:** To receive the minutes from the Called Meeting of January 26, 2012 as presented.  
**M/S/C**

### **Business**

#### **1) Pastoral Relationship**

Rev. David Els is requesting to have the Pastoral Relationship between Trinity Presbyterian Church (Woodstock, NB) and himself dissolved as he has received and accepted a call to the Tocumwal-Finley-Berrigan congregation of Presbytery of Riverina (Presbyterian Church in Australia).

- **Motion:** The Canadian Presbytery approves the dissolution of the Pastoral Relationship between Rev. David Els and Trinity Presbyterian Church (Woodstock, NB). **M/S/C**
- **Motion:** To appoint David Els as the Stated Supply and Interim Moderator of the congregation of Trinity Presbyterian Church (Woodstock, NB) until a date to be determined. **M/S/C**

**Closing Prayer**

Rev. Jeff Kingswood offered prayer in the closing of the meeting.

**Future Meeting Date**

**April 26-27/12:** Riverside ARP Church, Cambridge, ON

**Adjournment (7:15 p.m. EST/8:15 AST)**

- **Motion:** To adjourn the meeting. **M/S/C**

Respectfully submitted by:

Bill McKay  
Stated Clerk

Attest:

Kevin Bigney  
Moderator

## **Past Officers of the Canadian Presbytery**

### **2004-05**

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Jack C. Whytock  
Vice-moderator: Rev. Rick Barnes  
Stated Clerk: Bill McKay  
Treasurer: Henry Brunsveld

### **2005-06**

Moderator: Ken Turner  
Vice-moderator: Rev. Frank Kovacs  
Stated Clerk: Bill McKay  
Treasurer: Henry Brunsveld

### **2006-07**

Moderator: Rev. David Els  
Vice-moderator: John Moerman  
Stated Clerk: Bill McKay  
Treasurer: Henry Brunsveld/  
Gary Armstrong

### **2007-08**

Moderator: Rev. John van Eyk  
Vice-moderator: Rev. Brian Murray  
Stated Clerk: Bill McKay  
Treasurer: Gary Armstrong

### **2008-09**

Moderator: Mike Flewelling  
Vice-moderator: Rev. Jeff Kingswood  
Stated Clerk: Bill McKay  
Treasurer: Gary Armstrong

### **2009-10**

Moderator: Rev. Brian Murray  
Vice-moderator: Rev. Kevin Carter  
Stated Clerk: Bill McKay  
Treasurer: Gary Armstrong

### **2010-11**

Moderator: Rev. Frank Kovacs  
Vice-moderator: Rev. David Els  
Stated Clerk: Bill McKay  
Treasurer: Gary Armstrong