

ABBOTSHALL PARISH CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, KIRKCALDY
CONGREGATIONAL BOARD

Kennedy Hall

Thursday 20th June 2013

The Congregational Board meeting was constituted with a prayer.

Sederunt:

Present were the Minister in the chair and 6 Board Members. (The Minister advised that under Church law there were sufficient members present to form a quorum)

Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 21st March 2013 were approved without change.

Matters Arising:

Acknowledgement – At the meeting on 21st March 2013 it was agreed that an appropriate certificate, sample as shown, would be presented from the Members of Abbotshall. This presentation has made.

Action: Closed

Retirement of Alex McLean, Beadle - At the meeting on 21st March 2013 the Minister intimated the resignation of Alex due to continuing poor health.

- It was agreed that he should be given a Certificate to mark his time as Beadle and a gift;
- A list of the routine duties carried out by the Beadle is being prepared by the Management Committee. These duties have been circulated to Elders and Board Members.
- Sunday and Special Service duties will be carried out by the No1 Elder
- Church Cleaning will be carried out by a Contract Cleaner.

These actions have been completed.

Action: Closed

Church Bell – at the meeting on 21st March 2013 concern was expressed that the Bell Pintles were worn making the bell difficult to pull. The Property Convenor noted this concern.

Action: Property Convenor.

Property Report

There was no Property Report available.

Finance Report:

The Treasurer, Andrew Duncan, distributed a copy of income and expenditure for the year to date also containing an Analysis of Funding for Abbotshall Parish Church from 2008.

The Treasurer reported that:

- A copy of the 2013 Budget had been issued to Church Members at the Annual Stated Meeting;
- Income is showing an increase over the same period in 2012;
- Unexpected roof repairs had been identified both at the Manse and Halls which will lead to an extraordinary expenditure of circa £11K;
- There could be a yearend shortfall in income over expenditure of circa £40K;
- Numbers of households supporting the Church continues to decline, however those that support the Church continue to increase their contributions;
- Contribution per household would require to be £651 per year to support the Church expenditure;
- The small Donations Scheme commences from 5th April 2013 allowing recovery of tax;
- An increasing amount of Church business and accounts is having to be carried out electronically

Organisations Report

No reports.

Other Reports

No reports.

AOCB:

Bike and Hike Saturday 7th September - Jenny McLeod volunteered to organise the bike and hike for Abbotshall.

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Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Board will be held in the Kennedy Hall at 1930 hrs. on Thursday 26th September 2013.

There being no further business the meeting was closed with the Grace.

Chair

Clerk