

Report: Ecclesiastical Fund

The meeting of the Ecclesiastical fund held on February 2nd 2012 opened with devotions led by the Convener Prof Graham Hill.

The essential roles of the Synod Ecclesiastical fund were discussed. The changing needs of parishes and camp sites and the usage of the buildings were identified as something the committee is very aware of.

At the National Commitments Committee held earlier in the year there was agreement that \$150,000 of the Ecclesiastical funds for allocation this year would be allocated to the Academic salaries of the PCANZ Knox Centre for Ministry and Leadership.

This left \$414,225 available to cover applications of \$811,500 coming from parishes and camp sites in the Synod area.

There were 16 applications to consider and the committee spent considerable time deliberating diligently on each one.

The committee is very aware that there are not sufficient funds to cover all requests and know that their decisions will not please all.

After prayer and hearing any relevant information from the various areas represented the committee unanimously decided on the allocations as listed in the schedule attached.

The committee wishes to express their thanks to the convener Professor Graham Hill for his work and devotion to the committee and pray that his time as Moderator will be enjoyable and rewarding. Our thanks also to the Executive Officer of Synod, Fergus Sime for his attention to detail and presentation of all information. It makes the work of the committee very rewarding.

Netta Noone,
For the Ecclesiastical Fund Committee.