PRESBYTERY OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA



MINUTES NINETY-FIRST STATED MEETING January 28, 2012





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The Presbytery of Western North Carolina Ninety-First Stated Meeting January 28, 2012 at First Presbyterian Church, Belmont, North Carolina

CONSTITUTION

Dr. James Aydelotte, Moderator, convened the Ninety-First Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina at 9:04 a.m., in the sanctuary of the First Presbyterian Church, in Belmont, North Carolina. The Moderator opened the meeting with prayer.

INSTALLATION OF MODERATOR/VICE-MODERATOR

As the immediate past Moderator, Dr. James Aydelotte led a service to install Elder Patricia Clark as Moderator and Rev. Dr. Don Scofield as Vice-Moderator for 2012.

CONVENE WITH PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Patricia Clark, Moderator opened the meeting with prayer.

WELCOME

The Rev. Sam Warner welcomed all presbyters and others to the First Presbyterian Church in Belmont, North Carolina. He brought greetings from the Mayor, Richard Boyce former pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Belmont, who was unable to attend due to a prior commitment.

ATTENDANCE

The Stated Clerk, Elder Bert Sigmon, declared that a quorum was present by reference to our registration data and by observation of those in attendance. He invited people to turn off all cell phones.

The Stated Clerk later reported that the attendance for this meeting was:

The following MINISTERS WERE ENROLLED (P = Present; E = Excused; A = Absent without excuse):

Robert Abel	Е	Ann Aichinger	P	Frank Aichinger	P
Wyatt Aiken, Jr.	Е	Blan Aldridge	Е	Charles Alexander	Е
State Alexander, Jr.	Е	Terry Alexander	Е	Stephen Austin	Е
James Aydelotte	P	Patricia Bacon	Е	Michael Bailey	P
Tony F. Baker	A	Douglas Bartlett	Е	Teddis Beasley, Jr.	Е
Ashley J. Beavers	P	Joseph D. Bennett	Е	Stanley Bennett	Е
Anita Bernhardt	P	James Bernhardt	Е	Carter Blaisdell	Е
Randall Boggs	P	Randall Boone	Е	Ronald A. Botsford	Е
Dewey Bowen	Е	Adam Bowling	Е	Lee Bowman	Е
Richard Boyce	Е	Margie Boyd	A	Grace Boyer	P
David Bradley	Е	Ryan Brakemeyer	Е	Ronald Brauer	Е
Michael Brazelle	P	Edwin Brenegar, III	Е	Hayden Britton	Е

Beverly Brock	Е	G. Thompson Brown	Е	Sandra Brown	Е
Jason Bryant	P	Aimee Buchanan	P	Ralph Buchanan	Е
William Buchanan	P	Mark Burnham	P	Monty Burnham	Е
Sue Burton	Е	Robert Busey	Е	Joey Byrd	Е
John Campbell	Е	Kathy Campbell	P	William Campbell	A
Mary Faith Carson	Е	Joel David Cherry	Е	Calvin Chesnutt	Е
Dwight Christenbury	Е	William Christian	Е	Carol Clark	Е
Mark Clark	P	Sarah Coburn	A	James Cockerham	P
Jeffrey Coffey	P	James Cogswell	P	Evelyn Coleman	Е
Hunter Coleman	Е	Priestley Conyers, III	Е	Thomas Cook, Jr.	P
Donald Cooper	P	Riley Covin	P	John Craven	Е
Curtis Crowther	Е	Robert Bruce Cumming	P	Charles Davenport	P
Jack Davidson	Е	Dent Davis	P	Heather Wood Davis	P
Eddie Deas, III	P	Jey Deifell, Jr.	Е	Arthur DeJong	Е
Susan Denne	P	Ellen Dozier	P	Philip Dunford	P
John Ellington	Е	Charles Elyea	Е	Raymond Fancher	P
Kristy Farber	P	Lee Feero, Jr.	Е	David Fillpot	Е
Ragland Fletcher	Е	Kenneth Foreman, Jr.	Е	Edward Forsyth	P
Maynard Fountain, Jr.	Е	McCoy Franklin	P	Kevin Frederick	P
Keith Freeman	P	Berry French, III	P	John Frye, Jr.	Е
A. W. Gaines	Е	Tee Gatewood, III	P	Denise Geiger	Е
David Grachek	A	Gregory Grana	Е	Theodore Grant	P
Robert Gruber	Е	George Gunn	Е	Samuel Hale	Е
Michal Hall	Е	Terry Hanna	Е	Randall Hardy	A
Martin Harkey, III	P	William Heck	P	Robert Henderson	Е
Robert Hewett	Е	Fred Hill	Е	Robert Hinman	Е
Richard Hobson	Е	Samuel Hobson, Jr.	Е	Richard Holshouser	Е
Samuel Hope	Е	James Hornsby	Е	William Hoyt, III	Е
George Hutchins	Е	Michael Isaacs	P	Donald Jafvert	Е
William Janes	Е	Esta Jarrett	Е	Cecil Jividen	Е

Wallace Johnson	P	Mike Johnston, IV	A	Franklin Jones	P
Dong Uk Kang	A	David Kaylor	A	Alyce Kelly	A
David Kennedy	Е	James Kennedy	Е	Ira Kennerly	Е
Paul Kercher	Е	Shannon Kershner	P	Jeff Kesterson	Е
William Kirk	A	Albert Kissling	Е	Earl Kreisa	Е
Lee Kruse	A	Gale Lammey	Е	John LaMotte	P
John Laughlin	Е	Margaret Lauterer	Е	James Layman	Е
Calvin Lewers	P	Wendell Ligon	Е	William Lindeman	A
John Lindsay	Е	Eugene Linton , Jr.	Е	Deneise Deter Liss	P
Brad Long	Е	Laura Long	Е	Dick Lonnee	Е
Billy Lowe	P	Bob Lowry	Е	David Lytle	P
James W. Malone	P	Marjorie Marsh	Е	Joan Martin	P
Roberta Martin	Е	Robert Martin, Jr.	Е	Tyler Martin	Е
Layton Mauze, III	Е	John McCall	Е	Sandra McClinton	A
Patricia McClurg	Е	Robert McCully, Jr.	P	Flemon McIntosh, Jr.	Е
David McKee	Е	Alexander McLean	P	James McPherson	Е
Lynn Michie	P	Beth Ann Miller	P	Robert Mills	A
Paul Moehlman	Е	Robert Montgomery	P	Anne Morgan	P
David Morgan	Е	Richard Morgan	Е	Nancy Mugford	A
David Mulford	Е	Donald Mullen	Е	Camerson Murchison	P
Carl Murray	Е	David Nash	P	Elizabeth Newman	Е
John Newton, Jr.	Е	John Niles	Е	Herman Nodine	Е
Richard Nygren	Е	O'Hyun Park	P	Katherine Parker	P
Thomas Parker	P	David Parks	Е	Donald Patchel	Е
Stratton Peacock	Е	Albert Peery, Jr.	P	Margaret Peery	Е
Harry Petersen	Е	Martha Jane Petersen	Е	Lyle Peterson	Е
Harry Phillips	Е	James Poling	Е	Luke Ponder	Е
Samuel Pope	Е	Carolyn Poteet	P	Michael Poulos	P
Donald Price	P	Gene Price	Е	Edyth Pruitt	P
Tamara Puffer	A	Jay Rabuck	Е	Daria Ragan	P

Mark Ramsey	Р	Earl Rash	Е	Wilson Rhoton, Jr.	Е
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Calvin Rice	Е	Homer Richabaugh	P	Don Robb, III	Е
Jack Robinson	Е	Steven Runholt	Е	Richard Rustay	Е
Matthew Schlageter	A	Donald Scofield, Jr.	P	Henry Scoggins	P
Julius Scott	Е	Carol Seaman	Е	Michael Sears	P
William Serjak	Е	Albert Shaw, Jr.	Е	Allan Sinclair	A
Robert Singdahlsen	Е	Wirt Skinner	Е	Allen Smith	Е
O'dell Smith	Е	Kent Smith	P	Paul Smith	A
John Somerville	Е	Becky Stanley	P	Mark Stanley	P
Carol Steele	Е	John David Stewart	Е	Daniel Stitt	Е
David Stover	P	Cynthia Strickler	Е	James Stuart	Е
Walter Styles	Е	Charles Swann	Е	William Sweetser, Jr.	A
Lee Thomas	P	Keith Thompson	Е	Dan Thornton	Е
Russell Tillotson, Sr.	Е	Margaret Torrence	Е	Ace Tubbs	Е
Robert Tuttle	P	Thomas Tweedie	Е	Melissa Upchurch	P
Gary Van Brocklin	P	Lauren Vanacore	P	Rockwell Ward	Е
Samuel Warner	P	Mark Watson	A	Lynn Webber	Е
Brian Weger	Е	Judith Weger	Е	Barbara White	P
Cynthia Williams	Е	Lamar Williamson, Jr.	P	Parker Williamson	Е
John Wilson	Е	Otis Wilson	Е	Margaret Wilson- Stayton	P
William Wing, Jr.	Е	Chris Wingard	Е	Eugene Witherspoon	Е
Graham Wood, Jr.	P	Donaldson Woods	Е	Beth Yarborough	P
Rebecca Young	Е				

The following COMMISSIONED LAY PASTORS WERE ENROLLED at this meeting of Presbytery:

Linda Abel	Е	Philip Adams	P	Dwayne Durham	A
Joe Gernoske	P	David Moore, Sr.	P	Linda Moore	Е
Randy Patterson	A	Pete Peterson	P	Patricia Queen	P
Thomas Queen	P	Marcia Reighley	A	Russell Reighley	P
Betty Shaw	A	William Sigmon	P	Robert Simes	A

Dennis Stamper A

The following MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD and COMMITTEE CHAIRS WERE ENROLLED at this meeting of Presbytery:

Suzanne Barrett	P	Mike Begley	P	Patricia Clark	P
Jay Crane	P	William Kantonen	A	Janet Mahannah	A
Bill Martin	A	Melvin Meares	P	Dick Peck	A
Julia Richards	A	Martha Rockett	A	Jackie Scott	A
Florence Shelor	P	Tony Sigmon	A	Pat Skinner	A
Jack Suddreth	P	Ron Tingle	P	Paula Wallace	A

The following CERTIFIED CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS WERE ENROLLED for this meeting of Presbytery:

Mary V. Atkinson	Е	Glenn Bannerman	A	Melinda Christian	A
Betty Davenport	P	Angela Drummond	A	Sandy Jividen	Е
Margarette Kennerly	A	Leslie McLeod	P	Heath Rada	A
Bonnie Sanford	P	Patricia Tuttle	A		

The following CHURCHES WERE ENROLLED by the attendance of their elder commissioners:

Arbor Dale (1)	A	
Asheville First (2)	A	
Banner Elk (1)	Dick Larson	
Belmont First (2)	Jamey Boiter	Gwen Hall
Bessemer City First (1)	A	
Black Mountain (2)	Kent Patton	Glenda McDaniel
Brevard-Davidson River (2)	Marilyn Massey	Gene Baker
Bridgewater (1)	A	
Brittain (1)	Andrew Harris	
Brittains Cove (1)	A	
Bryson City (1)	A	
Buladean (1)	A	
Burnsville First (1)	A	

Calvary (2)	A	
Canton (1)	Е	
Cherryville First (1)	Fred Brown	
Clinchfield (1)	A	
Columbus (1)	A	
Conley Memorial (1)	A	
Crossnore (1)	Barbara Ross	
Cullowhee (1)	A	
Dallas First (1)	A	
Dixon (1)	A	
Dorland Memorial (1)	Emma Kate Davis	
Dulatown (2)	Angela Battle	Evelyn Bennett
Duncan's Creek (1)	Sue Price	
Ellenboro (2)	A	
Estatoa (2)	A	
Etowah (2)	Wanda Cook	
Fairview (2)	Jane Roberts	Jason Myers
Fletcher (2)	Tommy Burleson	Roger Wise
Forest City First (2)	Charles Freeman	
Franklin First (2)	Gail Lehman	
Gastonia First (4)	Sarah Wentz	Charlie Grissom
	Bob Spencer	Jan Jones
Glen Alpine (2)	A	
Good Hope (3)	A	
Grace Covenant (3)	Mary Lou Nash	
Grassy Creek (2)	John Hall	
Green Mountain (2)	A	
Green Street (3)	Е	
Hayesville (2)	Е	
Hendersonville First (3)	Bob Murray	Eloise Murray

	Marjorie Hever	
Hickory First (3)	Sarah Shumate	John King
Highlands First (2)	Е	
Ironton (2)	Pat Bradshaw	
Jack's Creek (2)	Jean Phillips	Linda Anglin
John Knox (2)	Julia Price	Marilyn Odom
Kenilworth (2)	Bob Craddock	
Kings Mountain First (2)	Stella Putnam	
Korean Presbyterian Church of Asheville (3)	A	
Lenoir First (2)	A	
Lincolnton First (2)	Pam Sipe	
Long Creek (2)	Sue Unnasch	Ken Unnasch
Love's Chapel (3)	Cora Slade	Sherry Lovell
	Valinda Redi	
Lowell (2)	Mimi McCully	Darinda Fredericksen
Marion First (1)	Jennings Bryant	
Marshall (1)	Ellie Pinkham	
Micaville (1)	A	
Mills River (1)	A	
Montreat (1)	John Hinkle	
Morganton First (2)	Perry Beeson	
Morrison (1)	Е	
Mount Holly First (1)	Bob Jessen	
New Hope, Asheville (1)	Rebecca Weeks	
New Hope, Gastonia (1)	Sue Hawkins	
Newdale (1)	A	
Newland (1)	A	
Newton First (1)	Ralph Dell	
Northminster (1)	Otto Woods	
Oak Forest (1)	A	

Oakwood (1)	A	
Old Fort (1)	A	
Olney (1)	Lamar Howe	
Paint Gap (1)	A	
Pine Street (2)	A	
Pineola (1)	A	
Quaker Meadows (1)	Kenny Harney	
Reems Creek-Beech (1)	A	
Riceville (1)	A	
Ridgeview (1)	A	
Robinson Memorial (1)	John Pea	
Rutherfordton (1)	Lorna Putnam	
Ryburn Memorial (2)	A	
Saluda (1)	A	
Shelby (2)	Donna Simmons	Mary Conner
Sherrill's Ford (1)	A	
Shiloh, Grover (1)	Е	
Siloam (1)	A	
Southminster (1)	A	
Spindale (1)	A	
Spruce Pine First (1)	A	
Swannanoa First (1)	Steve Hansel	
Sweetwater (1)	Karen Spencer	
Sylva First (1)	A	
Third Street (2)	Carolyn Carter	Jeffrey Adams
Trinity (1)	Marian Lowry	
Tryon (1)	Les Stobbe	
Union (1)	William Jordan	
Union Mills (1)	Susan Ward	
United (1)	Margaret Lillard	

Unity (2)	Ron Schoff	
Vians Valley (1)	A	
Waldensian (1)	Bill Brinkley	
Walnut (1)	A	
Walnut Grove (1)	A	
Warren Wilson (1)	A	
Waynesville First (1)	A	
West Asheville (1)	William Clark	
West Avenue (1)	Roger Carithers	
Westminster (1)	Dot Descieux	

The Stated Clerk later reported that the attendance for this meeting was:

Ministers	97
Elders	76
Certified Educators	3
Council/Committee Chairs	8
Visitors	56
Total	240

There were two corresponding member in attendance.

- Rev. Kitty Rankin
- Rev. Eade Anderson

Standing Committees:

Resolution and Thanks:

- Rev. Beth Yarborough Interim Pastor at Southminster Presbyterian Church
- Elder Teresa Locke Elder at Southminster Presbyterian Church

Bills and Overtures:

- Rev. D. Cameron Murchison, Jr. (Chair)
- Rev. Dr. Nancy Mugford Pastor, Shiloh Presbyterian Church, Grover, NC
- Mr. Ron Tingle Elder, Waynesville, First

APPROVAL OF DOCKET

Stated Clerk Sigmon moved the approval of the docket as distributed. The motion passed.

8:30 Registration

8:30 Prayer before Presbytery Heather Wood Davis
Orientation for New Elders Barbara Ross

9:00 Call to Order (Sanctuary) James Aydelotte

	Installation of Moderator and Vice-Moderator	Immediate Past Moderato	or
	Convene with Prayer of Invocation	Patricia Clark, Moderator	r
	Welcome	Sam Warner, Host Pastor	
	Appointment of Standing Committee Resolution of Thanks Bills and Overtures	Moderator	
	Certification of Quorum Approval of Docket	Bert Sigmon, Stated Clerk	ζ.
	Omnibus Motion (Omnibus Motion is a consent motion. Any commissioner may pull and Simply state the item to be removed from the Omnibus Motion and it was drawn.)		
	Stated Clerk's Report (Corresponding Members; Report of Administrative Commissions; Ox	vertures.)	В
	Reports Submitted for Information and/or Included in Nominating Committee	the Omnibus Motion	I
9:15	Service of Worship (including Celebration of the Lord's Supper and Necrology)	Sam Warner, Pastor	
10:30	Administrative Board (10 minutes) (Election of Treasurer)	James Aydelotte	C
	Personnel Committee (10 minutes) (Terms of Call for 2012 for Presbytery Staff)	Bill Martin	FF
	Budget & Finance Committee (15 minutes) (Approval of the 2012 Budget)	Jay Crane	BB
	Witness Division		
	Evangelism (20 minutes)	Michael Sears	
	(The Study of the Book of Acts; The Year of Evangelism) Hunger Committee (5 minutes) (Souper Bowl of Caring; Nickel-a-Meal Grants)	Bill Heck	
	Peace and Justice (15 minutes) (Prison Ministries)	Lynn Michie	
	Guatemala Partnership	Ellen Dozier	
	Committee on Preparation for Ministry (5 minutes)	Mark Burnham	
11:55	Prayers of Intercession (Please submit requested prayers of intercession to the Stated Clerk's	Michael Sears table before 11:00 a.m.)	

Immediate Past Moderator

12:00 Lunch

(Fellowship Hall)

1:00 Reconvene (Sanctuary)

Speak Out (10 min)

(Opportunity to address the Presbytery for **one minute or less**, per speaker, on any suitable topic. No new business may be introduced at this point, but announcements, concerns, or opinions may be shared.)

1:10 **Report of the General Presbyter** (15 minutes) **Bobbi White**

GP

Committee on Ministry (25 minutes)

Eddie Deas

D

(Introduction of new members, Commissioning of Lay Pastor)

Sacred Trust Relational Boundaries Task Force (5 min) Michael Poulos

1:50 **Union Presbyterian Seminary** (5 minutes) Lisa McLennan

(Seminary Update)

Charlotte Campus Admissions

DISCIPLESHIP DIVISION

Youth Committee (5 minutes)

Michael Bailey

Y

(SLAYM-Senior Highs Leap Into Youth Mission; Middle School Rally; Week of Work) **Christian Education Committee** (5 minutes)

Adam Bowling

W

(CE Retreat)

Good News from Churches (10 minutes)

Emanuel and New Vision Church (5 minutes)

Ann and Frank Aichinger

Gary Van Brocklyn

Small Membership Church Committee (5 min)

Russ Reighley

Report of Bills and Overtures Committee

Resolution of Thanks

Benediction and Adjournment

Moderator

OMNIBUS MOTION

Stated Clerk Sigmon explained the rules for the Omnibus Motion and then moved its approval. It was duly seconded. (APPENDIX A) The Presbytery approved all items. Items included in this motion are marked by "OM" in the margin.

The following committees submitted reports to the Presbytery for information and approval. All were received and approved.

- Nominating Committee (APPENDIX B)
- Outreach Division Report (APPENDIX C)

STATED CLERK'S REPORT

Elder Sigmon presented recommendations 1-14 included in the Stated Clerk's report, stating that these recommendations had previously been approved in the Omnibus Motion.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

\mathbf{OM}	1.	THAT the Presbytery celebrate the lives and service of the following Elders who die	
		during the year of 2011 and that their names become a part of the permanent record.	

Banner Elk Lincolnton Shelby William H. Hosbein Frances Buff Cornelia Sparks Barnett **Hugh Causey** Jean Ware LeGrand John Hugh Weatherly Belmont, First

Malloy Davis, Jr. Long Creek

Harley Whiteside Sylva, First Henry Green **Bessemer City, First** David Stephen Dameron J. D. McRorie Lowell Flora Viola Deck Dameron Robert C. Brown

Third Street Lloyd Truesdale **Black Mountain** Morganton, First Don Hussey Elbert Coolidge Swink

Anne Lindsay **Trinity** Perrin Todd James Beardsley Morrison George McClure Donald Hoogstra

Bryson City Dick Wallace Comodore Casada Donna Williams Tryon

George Finnie John Goshorn Ruth "Susie" House Mt. Holly, First Virginia P. Whitt Calvary Joan Davis Dunton

Union New Hope, Asheville Mark Lee Murray, Jr. James F. Poindexter, Sr. Alma M. Chatfield Mary Frances Ratchford

Dallas, First George L. Ratchford, Sr. Ruby Armstrong Riggs Newton, First David Doolittle United

William "Bill" Clippard Etowah **Marion Krams Olney** James "Ed" George Eugenia Forbes McAcuer William "Enzor" Greene

Lester Robinson William "Bill" Martin Franklin, First Gloria J. Brinkley

Pineola Unity Clyde Armstrong Oleda Smith Gastonia, First Carolina Harris Garrison Nancy Thompson James M. Nixon John Lewis Goff, Jr. Ronnie Sadler

Robinson Memorial Peggy W. Hutchins Hendersonville, First Waldensian Randolph Houlton Gustaro "Gus" Tron Rutherfordton Viola Newton Vinay

West Asheville **Ryburn Memorial** Porter Orr Holder

Elizabeth Hawkins Atchley Hickory, First Linda D. Ellis David G. Frye, Jr. Sarah W. Womack James Hooper Robert Wendell Whiteside John Knox Jack Creech

West Avenue

Louise Keener Anne Myers Roy Whitesides Larry Zill

Westminster

Mildred B. Jordan Samuel Robert Young, Jr. Margaret Young

OM 2. THAT the Presbytery celebrate the lives and service of the following Ministers of the Word and Sacrament who died during the year of 2011 and that their names become a part of the permanent record.

James Reynolds Crook (2/9/2011) C. Drayton Cooper (6/28/2011) Ernest James Lewis (6/13/2011) Charles Lindsey Donnell (10/20/2011)

- OM 3. THAT any disparity in numbers between elder and minister commissioners be corrected in the following manner:
 - a. All members of the Administrative Board shall have voice and vote (if ruling elders).
 - b. All division, committee and sub-committee chairs shall have voice and vote (if ruling elders).
 - c. All Commissioned Lay Pastors shall have voice and vote.
 - d. All Certified Christian Educators, Certified Associate Christian Educators, and, in addition, other Christian Educators who have
 - earned at least a bachelor's degree (or its equivalent)
 - served in one or more educational ministries under the jurisdiction of a Presbytery (or one of its Sessions) for a minimum of two (2) years, and
 - been examined and recommended to Presbytery by the Christian Education Committee

shall have voice and (if ruling elders) vote, provided that these privileges shall end, pursuant to BO: G-2.1103, when such persons are no longer serving in an educational ministry under the jurisdiction of the Presbytery (or one of its Sessions).

- e. All ruling elder commissioners to the Synod Assembly and to the General Assembly shall have voice and vote as long as their terms last.
- f. All exempt staff of Presbytery shall have voice.
- g. All racial/ethnic congregations and other congregations designated by the Administrative Board shall elect an additional ruling elder commissioner. That the following churches (Churches E-L) be requested to send one additional elder commissioner for the year 2012. (In 2009, Churches M-R were given this responsibility, in 2010, Churches S-Z and in 2011, Churches A-D.)

Ellenboro **Grace Covenant** John Knox **Grassy Creek** Kenilworth Estatoa **Etowah Green Mountain** Kings Mountain, First Korean Church of Ashe. **Fairview Green Street Fletcher** Havesville Lenoir, First **Forest City, First** Hendersonville, First Lincolnton, First Franklin, First Hickory, First Long Creek Gastonia, First Highlands, First Love's Chapel Glen Alpine **Ironton** Lowell **Good Hope** Jack's Creek

h. Only teaching elders who are active members (including honorably retired teaching elders) or members-at-large of Presbytery, as defined by the *Book of Order*, shall have voice and vote.

- OM 4. THAT the Stated Clerk be given permission to attach a current list of ministers of this Presbytery and that the list become a part of the permanent record. (APPENDIX D)
- OM 5. THAT Patricia Clark, Bert Sigmon, and Robbin Buchanan be requested to prepare the minutes of this Presbytery meeting for approval at the April 24, 2012 Presbytery meeting.
- OM 6. THAT the minutes of the October 21-22, 2011 Stated Meeting of Presbytery be approved as submitted.
- OM. 7. THAT the minutes of the installation of the following be placed into the record of Presbytery: (APPENDIX E, F, G, H respectively)

Berry G. French, III Margie W. Boyd Michael G. Isaacs Lauren Vanacore

- OM 8. THAT the past membership roster of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina Permanent Judicial Commission, as required in *BO: D-5.0206.b*, be reported and become a part of the permanent record of Presbytery. (APPENDIX I)
- OM 9. THAT the January 28, 2012 report of the Administrative Commission for the Iglesia Presbiteriana Emanuel Fellowship be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (APPENDIX J)
- OM 10. THAT the January 28, 2012 report of the Administrative Commission for the New Vision, Conover New Church Development be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (APPENDIX K)
- OM 11. THAT the January 28, 2012 Report of the Administrative Commission for the West Asheville Presbyterian Church be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (APPENDIX L)
- OM 12. THAT the January 28, 2012 report of the Administrative Commission for the Cullowhee Presbyterian Church be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (APPENDIX M)

- OM 13. THAT the January 28, 2012 report of the Administrative Commission for Dulatown Presbyterian Church be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (APPENDIX N)
- OM 14. THAT an Administrative Commission for the Southminster Presbyterian Church has been appointed consisting of the following members:

Rev. Dr. Richard Boyce, Chair Rev. Mike Johnston Mr. Parks Wilson, Elder Ms. Cindy Combs, Elder

THAT three additional members will be added to this commission.

THAT the commission has been assigned the following tasks and powers:

- a. To walk beside the current Session (through the 1st quarter of 2012)
- b. To walk beside the new Session (through the 2nd quarter of 2012
- c. For the tasks of the commission to commence no later than July 31, 2012 with respect to the work of the Session and Personnel Committee.
- OM 15. THAT an Administrative Commission for the First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton has been appointed consisting of the following members:

Mr. Jerry Ragan, Chair Rev. Shannon Kershner Mrs. Paula Wallace, Elder Rev. Kevin Frederick

Mr. Robert Ervin, Elder

THAT two additional members will be added to this commission.

THAT the commission has been assigned the following tasks and powers:

- a. To take original jurisdiction of the Session;
- b. To work with the congregation for the health, vitality, and wholeness of the church;
- c. To work towards the recommendations of the mediation report. The recommendations included work in the area of an audit, transparency in finances, issues of personnel, and a selection of an interim.

FOR INFORMATION:

- 16. THAT the summary background report on the Montreat Court Case become a part of the permanent record of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina. (Appendix O)
- 17. The ninety-second stated meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina will be held on Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at the Montreat Conference Center, Upper Anderson Auditorium, in Montreat, North Carolina.
- 18. THAT the following dates have been established for Reviewing of Church Records and Form of Government Training:

Saturday, March 10, 2012 - First Presbyterian Church, Morganton

Saturday, April 21, 2012 - First Presbyterian Church, Waynesville

Saturday, May 5, 2012 - First Presbyterian Church, Spruce Pine

Saturday, May 19, 2012 - First Presbyterian Church, Forest City

Saturday, June 9, 2012 - Long Creek Presbyterian Church

9:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. New Form of Government Training

11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Lunch

12:15 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Session Records Review

- 19. THAT the deadline for the Annual Statistical Report is February 22, 2012.
- 20. THAT the following dates have been set for 2012 and 2013 Presbytery Meetings:

2012

January 28, 2012 ~ First Presbyterian Church, Belmont April 24, 2012 ~ Montreat Conference Center July 31, 2012 ~ Black Mountain Home for Children, Youth and Families October 26-27, 2012 ~ Lake Junaluska Conference Center

2013

January 26, 2013 ~ First Presbyterian Church, Hickory April 30, 2013 ~ Montreat Conference Center July 30, 2013 ~ Grandfather Home for Children October 25-26, 2013 ~ Lake Junaluska Conference Center

The Stated Clerk presented items 16-20 as items of information.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Revs. Sam Warner and Daria Ragan led the Presbytery in a service of worship. Scripture for the service was read from Psalm 90; Romans 12:1-2; and Hebrews 12:1-2. The Rev. Warner's sermon was entitled, "A Lego Church." Worship concluded with a celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, during which all the ruling and teaching elders who had passed on to the Church Triumphant during the year of 2011 were celebrated.

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

James Aydelotte presented the report of the Administrative Board. On behalf of the Administrative Board, recommendations 1 through 3 were presented for approval. Item 4 was presented in the Omnibus Motion report. The recommendations were approved. Items 5 through 18 were presented for information.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT Elder Jack Suddreth be re-elected as Treasurer of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina for 2012 and be given voice and vote at the Presbytery of Western North Carolina Presbytery meetings.
- 2. THAT the Presbytery sell the building that the Emanuel Presbyterian Church has been meeting in to Sovereign Grace Orthodox Presbyterian Church upon the following terms: (APPENDIX P)
 - a. Purchase Price \$110,000.
 - b. Property being sold in "as is" condition.
 - c. Closing Date set for January 30, 2012.
 - d. Sale to include most of the furnishing. (A detailed list to be determined prior to acquisition.)
- 3. THAT the Presbytery grant approval to the Rutherfordton Presbyterian Church to acquire real property that borders their church. (APPENDIX Q)
- OM 4. THAT the Presbytery approve the endorsement of the Stewardship Seminar, "Faith and Fund Raising." The seminar is to be held at the Montreat Conference Center in 2013 and will be presented by the Lake Institute on Faith and Giving.

FOR INFORMATION:

5. THAT the Administrative Board reports approval of the following Nickel-A-Meal Grants:

Thermal Belt Outreach Feed-A-Kid Program

\$5,000.00

(Sponsored by Columbus Presbyterian Church and Tryon Presbyterian Church)

S.O.C.K.S. (Serving our Community with Kindness

\$3,151.00

In Springwood) Food Pantry

(Sponsored by First Presbyterian Church, Gastonia)

6. THAT the Administrative Board reports approval of the following International Grant:

Malawi Orphan Care Project

\$30,540.28

(Sponsored by Dr. Barbara Nagy)

Cameroon Food Sovereignty Program

\$ 7,543.77

(Presbyterian Hunger Program Project)

Nkhoma Hospital's Pediatrics' Ward Food Supplies

\$6,421.47

(Sponsored by Dr. Barbara Nagy)

- 7. THAT the Administrative Board approved the Hunger Committee to use any remaining 2011 International Nickel-a-Meal funds to fill Regional Nickel-a-Meal Grant requests in 2012, in order to facilitate a change in its grant schedule process. (APPENDIX R)
- 8. THAT a list of upcoming events of the Presbytery can be found on the back of the Presbytery Docket.
- 9. THAT Seminar 6 for the Acts 16:5 Initiative will be held on Saturday, March 24, 2012, at the First Presbyterian Church, Morganton and the cost will be \$10 per person. This will be the final seminar and all churches that have participated are invited to attend.
- 10. THAT thanks was expressed to J. D. Waldrop for chairing the Council during 2011 and for his more than 16 years of service to Presbytery.
- 11. THAT the Christian Education Committee will sponsor a one-day retreat, "Through the Roof: Thinking Outside the Box About Bible Study," to be held on Saturday, February 25, 2012, at the First Presbyterian Church, Morganton. Keynoter for this event will be Mary-Todd Peters. Cost is \$10 per person.
- 12. THAT a training event for Adults and Youth, "Let's Celebrate," will be held on Saturday, August 18, 2012, at the First Presbyterian Church, Morganton. The emphasis of this event will be: Evangelism, Revitalization and Transformation.
- 13. THAT the following dates have been set for Youth Events in 2012:

February 24-25, 2012 - Senior High LEAP - Asheville

(SLYAM - Senior Highs Leap Into Asheville Youth Mission)

March 18, 2012 - Middle School Rally - Montreat

July 8-13, 2012 - W.O.W. Week of Work - Charlotte

(Week of Work will take place at CROSS, a ministry of Myers Park Presbyterian Church.)

14. THAT the following date has been set for the Spring Gathering for the Presbyterian Women:

April 21, 2012 ~ First Presbyterian Church, Hickory

15. THAT the following dates have been set for 2012 and 2013 Presbytery Meetings:

2012

January 28, 2012 ~ First Presbyterian Church, Belmont

April 24, 2012 ~ Montreat Conference Center

July 31, 2012 ~ Black Mountain Home for Children, Youth & Families

October 26-27, 2012 ~ Lake Junaluska Conference Center

2013

January 26, 2013 ~ First Presbyterian Church, Hickory

April 30, 2013 ~ Montreat Conference Center

July 30, 2013 ~ Grandfather Home for Children

October 25-26, 2013 ~ Lake Junaluska Conference Center

16. THAT the following dates have been set for Sacred Trust Relational Boundaries training for 2012:

February 23, 2012 - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (6 hour training) Pastoral Care Response Team Only

March 3, 2012 - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (6 hour training) - Morganton, First

March 31, 2012 - 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. (3 hour training) - Morganton, First

June 2, 2012 - 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. (3 hour training) - Morganton, First

17. THAT the following date has been set for Committee Chair Training:

February 8, 2012 ~ 10 a.m. til 2 p.m. ~ Morganton, First

18. THAT the following dates have been set for General Assembly Commissioner and Alternate Commissioner Training:

March 15, 2012 - 4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. ~ Morganton, First

April 26, 2012 - 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. ~ Morganton, First

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Personnel Committee, Rev. Becky Stanley reported on the work of the committee and presented the terms of calls for the staff of the Presbytery. A motion was presented and approved. (APPENDIX S)

BUDGET AND FINANCE

Elder Jay Crane, chair of the Budget and Finance Committee, reported on the work of the committee and commended those committees who were able to do their work and remain either within or under their 2011

approved budget. A motion was made to approve the 2012 budget. The budget was approved. (APPENDIX T)

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Rev. Michael Sears, chair of the Evangelism Committee, reported on the work of the committee and emphasized that 2012 is designated as "The Year of Evangelism." During the coming year, 2012, the Evangelism Committee has one vision, one purpose, one goal - "The Kingdom of God is at Hand." Each congregation within the Presbytery has been asked to intentionally engage in one act of evangelism during 2012 - an intentional act with a prayerful beginning, a recognizable unfolding, and a decisive ending.

The Evangelism Committee also encouraged churches to explore the book of Acts in worship, teaching and preaching, throughout the year. Opportunities will be offered throughout the year to assist with the teaching and preaching of Acts. At the October Presbytery meeting, at Lake Junaluska, Ray Jones, from the General Assembly, will be the keynote speaker with an emphasis on evangelism.

HUNGER COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Hunger Committee, Bill Heck reported on the work of the committee and of the number of ways in which the congregations within our Presbytery are working toward hunger relief. Various congregations support back pack programs for children, food pantries within their community; and are organizing community gardens.

Churches were encouraged to participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring and One Great Hour of Sharing Offering. Both of these offerings aid in hunger relief. (APPENDIX C)

PEACE AND JUSTICE

Rev. Lynn Michie, Chaplain at Black Mountain Correctional Center for Women and a member of the Peace and Justice Committee, reported on the work of the committee and the work of chaplains within the prison system and how they are suffering from the drastic cut backs of the state. Volunteer assistance is needed within the prisons to share the word of God and to assist with taking prisoners out into the community. As part of this program, Lynn introduced Joan Hamilton, an inmate at the Black Mountain Correctional Center for Women, to share her story and faith journey. Joan, a very courageous woman, will be leaving the gated community to a transitional home in Black Mountain. (APPENDIX C)

GUATEMALA PARTNERSHIP

On behalf of the Guatemala Partnership, the Rev. Ellen Dozier brought greetings from the brothers and sisters in Guatemala and reported on the work of the partnership. During the month of April, there will be several women visiting from Guatemala and visiting at the April Presbytery Meeting. A delegation to Guatemala is scheduled for June 2012. (APPENDIX C)

GOOD NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

The Presbytery heard, with appreciation, reports from the following:

- Emanuel and New Vision Church
- Small Membership Church Committee

UNION PRESBYTERIAN SEMINARY

Lisa McLennan, spoke on behalf of the Union Presbyterian Seminary in Charlotte, North Carolina.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rev. Michael Sears led the Presbytery in prayers of intercession. The Presbytery recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

RECONVENE

Don Scofield reconvened the Presbytery at 1:04 p.m. with prayer and an opportunity for Presbyterians to address the Presbytery with announcements, concerns, and opinions.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL PRESBYTER

Commissioners heard from General Presbyter, Rev. Bobbi White who believes that the spirit is blowing through Western North Carolina and that God is equipping our churches through reformation. She has had numerous opportunities to see how and what God is doing in our churches and appreciates the way in which elders and pastors are working in the churches. (APPENDIX U)

Rev. White encouraged commissioners to continue to share there stories of how God is working in their churches. She invited commissioners to partake in a teaching study on the Book of Acts on April 23, 2012, prior to our April 24, 2012 Presbytery Meeting.

The Presbytery of Western Carolina continues to support missions and missionaries within the PCUSA. As a presbytery, we are supporting Barbara Nagy (80%) and Becca Young (50%). We are also supporting a number of other missionaries through the denomination.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY I. WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry, Rev. Eddie Deas reported on the actions taken by the Committee on Ministry on behalf of the Presbytery. (APPENDIX V) The following were recognized for Honorable Retirement: Margaret B. Peery, effective November 1, 2011; Terry Alexander, effective October 1, 2011; and D. Randall Boone, effective December 1, 2011.

On behalf of the Committee, he reported that the following minister requested that his membership be transferred:

• Joseph Washburn as Pastor to Coastal Carolina Presbytery, effective January 1, 2012.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY II. INTRODUCTION OF NEW MINISTERS

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry and the Examinations Sub-Committee, Rev. Dr. Kevin Frederick introduced the following new ministers in the Presbytery. Each spoke briefly and signed the Book of Obligations. Their statements of faith and biographical statements were included in the report of the Committee on Ministry. (APPENDIX V)

- Berry G. French, III, from New Hope Presbytery, as Associate Pastor at Black Mountain Presbyterian Church, effective November 8, 2011.
- Mary Elizabeth Yarborough, from Abingdon Presbytery, as an Interim Pastor at Southminster Presbyterian Church, effective November 8, 2011.

• J. Whittington (Whit) Malone, Jr. from Presbytery of North Central Iowa as Pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Hickory, effective October 24, 2011.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY III. VALIDATION OF MINISTRIES

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry, Rev. Eddie Deas moved that the Presbytery validate the ministries of the following: (APPENDIX V)

- Beverly Brock, as Director, The Community Kitchen in Canton, through January 28, 2013.
- Edwin R. Brenegar, III, as Consultant/Speaker, Community of Leadership, LLC, through January 28, 2013.
- Matthew Schlageter, as Chaplain for Mission/St. Joseph's Hospital, through January 28, 2013.
- Cynthia Strickler, as Director of Dunamis Fellowship, Int'l. with Presbyterian Reformed Ministries, Int'l., through January 28, 2013.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY IV. COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry, Rev. Eddie Deas moved that the Presbytery approve that Linda Amos and Philip Adams be commissioned as lay pastors. Linda Amos will be commissioned to Quaker Meadows Presbyterian Church in Morganton and Philip Adams to Oakwood Presbyterian Church in Lenoir. Following questions and answers, the motion passed. This commissioning for Linda Amos and Philip Adams included permission to lead worship, celebrate the Lord's Supper, Baptisms, weddings, and moderate the Session. (APPENDIX V)

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT PREVENTION TEAM

On behalf of the Sexual Misconduct Prevention Team, Rev. Michael Poulos and Rev. Susan Denne reported on the work of the tasks of the team and the training schedule for the 2012. There have been 219 people who have attended one of the various trainings that have been held within the Presbytery during 2011.

The team's emphasis for 2012 will be focused on "Child Protection Policy for Churches." The Sexual Misconduct Prevention Team has been working on a policy template for all churches. Once it has been approved, the template will be available for all churches.

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Rev. Michael Bailey, chair of the Youth Committee for the Presbytery reported on the work of the committee and upcoming events for the youth within this Presbytery. The Presbytery of WNC will be offering the following opportunities for the youth during 2012:

- SLAYM Senior High Leap into Asheville Youth Mission, a 20 hour event for youth that will be held in Asheville on February 24-25;
- Middle School Rally to be held at Upper Anderson Auditorium, Montreat, NC on March 18, 2012. Keynoters: Grie and Rich Richards;
- W.O.W. Week of Work will take place at CROSS, a ministry of Myers Park Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, July 8 13, 2012.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Christian Education Committee, Rev. Michael Bailey reported on the work of the committee. The Christian Education Day Retreat for 2012 to be held on February 25, at the First Presbyterian Church in Morganton, will be led by Mary-Todd Peters. The topic for this year will be, "Through the Roof: Thinking Outside the Box about Bible Study."

The Christian Education Committee and the Resource Center Task Force have been in the process of raising funds to move the Resource Center from the Presbytery Office to the Montreat Conference Center. Rev. Bailey announced that the task force had almost reached their goal to raise \$45,000 to make the move.

The annual educational training event, "Let's Celebrate," held each year in August will be on August 18 at the First Presbyterian Church in Morganton. Keynote speaker for this year's event will be Dr. Kenneth J. Gergen.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Rev. Beth Yarborough and Elder Teresa Locke for Southminster Presbyterian Church, Gastonia, submitted the following Resolution of Thanks:

We give you thanks O God for:

The beautiful new facility here at Belmont First;

The abundance of bathrooms and Sam Warner's very tasteful announcement of such;

The opportunity to worship - particularly for pastors who have the blessing of being on the other side of the pulpit for an hour.

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices.

For the support of so many Presbyterians;

For Black Mountain Children's Home;

For ideas of evangelism, support of Souper Bowl and One Great Hour of Sharing, 5 cents a meal.

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices.

For Lynn Michie's spiritual care for women in prison;

For Joan Hamilton as we celebrate her newfound freedom and her walk of faith;

For 1st responders who stand ready to assist us in emergencies;

For mission efforts in Guatemala, and other places;

For new church development and small church ministry.

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices.

For the dedicated staff of Western NC Presbytery;

For commissioned lay pastors;

Newly welcomed pastors to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina;

For Christian education and youth ministry opportunities.

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices.

BENEDICTION AND ADJOURNMENT

With the business of the Ninety-First Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina completed and adjournment voted, the meeting was adjourned with prayer by Patricia Clark at 2:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The Ninety-Second Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina will be held on Tuesday, April 24, 2012, at the Montreat Conference Center in Montreat, North Carolina.

These minutes were prepared by the following:		
Patricia Clark, Moderator		
William A. "Bert" Sigmon, Stated Clerk		
Robbin Buchanan, Assistant Stated Clerk		

These minutes to be approved by Presbytery on April 24, 2012 at its meeting at the Montreat Conference Center in Montreat, NC.

APPENDICES

- A. Omnibus Motion
- B. Report from the Nominating Committee
- C. Report from the Outreach Division and Guatemala Partnership
- D. List of Ministers as of December 31, 2011
- E. Minutes of Installation of Berry G. French, III
- F. Minutes of Installation of Margie W. Boyd
- G. Minutes of Installation of Michael G. Isaacs
- H. Minutes of Installation of Lauren Vanacore
- I. Membership Roster of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina's Permanent Judicial Commission
- J. Report from the Administrative Commission of the Iglesia Presbiteriana Fellowship
- K. Report from the Administrative Commission for New Vision in Conover
- L. Report from the Administrative Commission for West Asheville
- M. Report from the Administrative Commission for Cullowhee Presbyterian Church
- N. Report from the Administrative Commission for Dulatown Presbyterian Church
- O. Background Report on the Montreat Court Case
- P. Agreement Regarding Sell of the Iglesia Emanuel Presbiteriana Fellowship
- Q. Property Request from Rutherfordton Presbyterian Church
- R. Hunger Committee Request for Disbursement of Funds
- S. Report of the Personnel Committee
- T. Report from the Budget and Finance Committee
- U. Report from the General Presbyter
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