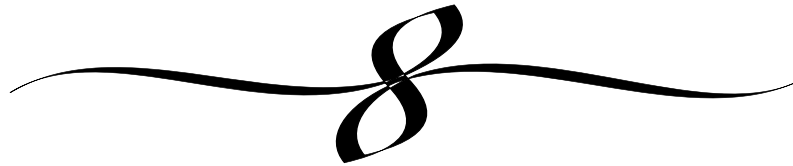


**PRESBYTERY OF
WESTERN
NORTH CAROLINA**



**MINUTES
NINETY-THIRD
STATED MEETING
July 31, 2012**

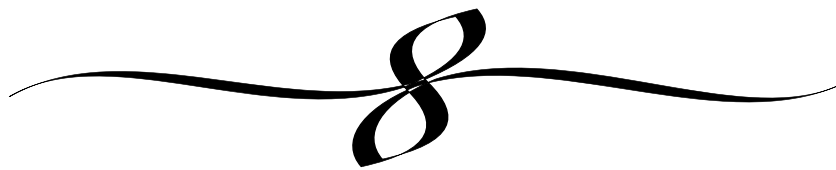


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**The Presbytery of Western North Carolina
Ninety-Third Stated Meeting
July 31, 2012
at the Black Mountain Home for Children, Youth and Families
Black Mountain, North Carolina**

CONSTITUTION

Elder Patricia Clark, Moderator, convened the Ninety-Third Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina at 9:05 a.m., in the Community Room at the Black Mountain Home for Children, Youth and Families, in Black Mountain, North Carolina. Ruling Elder, Robert Ayala of the Newdale Presbyterian Church opened the meeting with a hymn.

CONVENE WITH PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Patricia Clark, Moderator, convened the meeting with prayer.

WELCOME

Mr. Tom Campbell welcomed all presbyters and others to The Black Mountain Home for Children, Youth and Families in Black Mountain, North Carolina.

ATTENDANCE

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

Robert Abel	P	Ann Aichinger	E	Frank Aichinger	E
Wyatt Aiken, Jr.	P	Blan Aldridge	E	Charles Alexander	E
State Alexander, Jr.	E	Terry Alexander	E	Stephen Austin	P
James Aydelotte	P	Patricia Bacon	P	Michael Bailey	E
Tony F. Baker	E	Douglas Bartlett	E	Teddis Beasley, Jr.	E
Ashley J. Beavers	E	Joseph D. Bennett	P	Stanley Bennett	E
Anita Bernhardt	P	James Bernhardt	P	Carter Blaisdell	E
Randall Boggs	P	Ronald A. Botsford	E	Dewey Bowen	E
Adam Bowling	E	Lee Bowman	P	Richard Boyce	P
Margie Boyd	P	Grace Boyer	P	David Bradley	E
Ryan Brakemeyer	E	Ronald Brauer	E	Michael Brazelle	A
Edwin Brenegar, III	P	Hayden Britton	E	Beverly Brock	P
G. Thompson Brown	E	Sandra Brown	P	Jason Bryant	E
Aimee Buchanan	P	William Buchanan	P	Mark Burnham	P
Monty Burnham	E	Sue Burton	E	Robert Busey	E

Joey Byrd	E	John Campbell	E	Kathy Campbell	P
William Campbell	A	Mary Faith Carson	E	Joel Cherry	E
Calvin Chesnutt	E	Dwight Christenbury	P	William Christian	E
Carol Clark	P	Mark Clark	E	Sarah Coburn	A
James Cockerham	P	Jeffrey Coffey	E	James Cogswell	E
Evelyn Coleman	A	Hunter Coleman	E	Priestley Conyers, III	E
Thomas Cook, Jr.	E	Donald Cooper	P	Riley Covin	P
John W. Craven	E	Curtis Crowther	E	Robert Bruce Cumming	P
Charles Davenport	P	Jack Davidson	A	Dent Davis	E
Heather Davis	A	Eddie Deas, III	P	Jey Deifell, Jr.	E
Arthur DeJong	E	Susan Denne	A	Edward Donnell	E
Ellen Dozier	P	Philip Dunford	E	John Ellington	E
Charles Elyea	E	Raymond Fancher	E	Kristy Farber	P
Lee Feero, Jr.	E	David Fillpot	E	Ragland Fletcher	E
Kenneth Foreman, Jr.	E	Edward Forsyth	P	Maynard Fountain, Jr.	E
McCoy Franklin	P	Kevin Frederick	P	Keith Freeman	E
Berry French, III	P	John Frye, Jr.	P	A. W. Gaines	E
Tee Gatewood, III	E	Denise Geiger	P	David Grachek	E
Gregory Grana	E	Theodore Grant	E	Robert Gruber	E
George Gunn	P	Samuel Hale	E	Michal Hall	E
Terry Hanna	P	Randall Hardy	A	Martin Harkey, III	E
William Heck	P	Robert Henderson	E	Robert Hewett	E
Fred Hill	E	Robert Hinman	P	Richard Hobson	E
Samuel Hobson, Jr.	E	Richard Holshouser	E	Samuel Hope	E
James Hornsby	E	William Hoyt, III	P	George Hutchins	E
Michael Isaacs	P	Donald Jafvert	E	William Janes	P
Esta Jarrett	P	Cecil Jividen	E	Wallace Johnson	E
Mike Johnston, IV	A	Franklin Jones	E	Kim Justice	P
Dong Uk Kang	A	David Kaylor	A	Alyce Kelly	A
David Kennedy	E	James Kennedy	E	Ira Kennerly	P

Paul Kercher	E	Shannon Kershner	P	Jeff Kesterson	E
William Kirk	A	Albert Kissling	E	Earl Kreisa	E
Lee Kruse	A	Gale Lammey	E	John LaMotte	P
John Laughlin	E	Margaret Lauterer	P	James Layman	E
Calvin Lewers	P	Tom Lewis	P	Wendell Ligon	P
William Lindeman	E	John Lindsay	P	Eugene Linton , Jr.	P
Deneise Deter Liss	P	Brad Long	P	Laura Long	P
Dick Lonnee	P	Billy Lowe	P	Bob Lowry	P
David Lytle	E	James W. Malone	P	Marjorie Marsh	P
Joan Martin	P	Roberta Martin	P	Robert Martin, Jr.	E
Tyler Martin	E	John McCall	E	Sandra McClinton	A
Patricia McClurg	P	Robert McCully, Jr.	P	Flemon McIntosh, Jr.	E
David McKee	P	Alexander McLean	P	James McPherson	E
Lynn Michie	A	Beth Ann Miller	P	Robert Montgomery	P
Anne Morgan	P	David Morgan	E	Richard Morgan	E
Nancy Mugford	A	David Mulford	E	Donald Mullen	E
Cameron Murchison	E	Carl Murray	E	David Nash	P
Elizabeth Newman	E	John Newton, Jr.	E	John Niles	P
Herman Nodine	E	Richard Nygren	E	O'Hyun Park	E
Katherine Parker	P	Thomas Parker	P	David Parks	E
Donald Patchel	E	Stratton Peacock	P	Albert Peery, Jr.	P
Margaret Peery	E	Harry Petersen	P	Martha Jane Petersen	P
Lyle Peterson	E	Harry Phillips	E	James Poling	P
Luke Ponder	A	Samuel Pope	P	Carolyn Poteet	P
Michael Poulos	E	Donald Price	E	Gene Price	E
Edyth Pruitt	E	Tamara Puffer	P	Jay Rabuck	P
Daria Ragan	P	Mark Ramsey	P	Joseph Rand	P
Earl Rash	E	Wilson Rhoton, Jr.	E	Calvin Rice	E
Homer Rickabaugh	E	Don Robb, III	E	Steven Runholt	P
Feild Russell	P	Virginia Russell	P	Richard Rustay	E

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

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

Linda Abel	E	Philip Adams	A	Linda Amos	P
Dwayne Durham	A	Joe Gernoske	P	Ken Humphreys	P
David Moore, Sr.	P	Linda Moore	A	Randy Patterson	A
Pete Peterson	P	Patricia Queen	P	Thomas Queen	P
Barbara Ross	P	Betty Shaw	E	William Sigmon	P
Robert Simes	A	Dennis Stamper	A	John Stanley	A
William Wuehrmann	A				

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

Suzanne Barrett	E	Mike Begley	P	Patricia Clark	P
Jay Crane	P	Gail Deas	A	William Kantonen	P
Janet Mahannah	A	Bill Martin	A	Melvin Meares	P
Dick Peck	A	Russell Reighley	A	Julia Richards	A
Martha Rockett	A	Florence Shelor	P	Tony Sigmon	A
Pat Skinner	P	Jack Suddreth	A	Ron Tingle	P
Jane Vann	P				

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

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

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

Arbor Dale (1)	A	
Asheville First (3)	Sue Bennett	Jamie Brady
	Neil Leach	
Banner Elk (1)	Tony Fortune	
Belmont First (2)	Margaret Packard	Kevin Plonk
Bessemer City First (1)	A	
Black Mountain (2)	Katherine Neville	
Brevard-Davidson River (2)	Judy Dasta	Gail Blunt
Bridgewater (1)	A	
Brittain (1)	Carol Harris	
Brittains Cove (1)	A	
Bryson City (1)	George Evans	
Buladean (1)	A	
Burnsville First (1)	John Ward	

Calvary (2)	Vivian Ridley	Mamie White
Canton (1)	A	
Cherryville First (2)	Fred Brown	
Clinchfield (1)	A	
Columbus (1)	A	
Conley Memorial (1)	A	
Crossnore (1)	David Hege	
Cullowhee (1)	Marcia Woosley	
Dallas First (1)	A	
Dixon (1)	A	
Dorland Memorial (1)	A	
Dulatown (2)	Helen Hall	Doris Dula
Duncan's Creek (1)	Sue Price	
Ellenboro (2)	A	
Estatoa (2)	A	
Etowah (2)	Darlene Hagan	
Fairview (2)	A	
Fletcher (2)	Roger Wise	
Forest City First (2)	Mary Jane Daily	
Franklin First (2)	A	
Gastonia First (4)	John Garrett	V. A. Avery
	David Ratchford	Charlie Grissom
Glen Alpine (2)	A	
Good Hope (3)	Allene Sellars	Julio Washington
Grace Covenant (3)	Mary Lou Nash	
Grassy Creek (2)	Robert Justus	
Green Mountain (2)	A	
Green Street (3)	A	
Hayesville (2)	Missy Stephens	Betty Anne Watkins

Hendersonville First (3)	Marge Hever	Betty Buck
	Mimi Jamieson	
Hickory First (4)	Lynn Smith	Carole Cumming
	J. P. Benton	
Highlands First (2)	Chris Boltz	Ann Greenlee
Ironton (2)	E	
Jack's Creek (2)	Jean Phillips	Linda Anglin
John Knox (2)	Florence Brooks	Blannie Robinson
Kenilworth (2)	Bob Craddock	
Kings Mountain First (3)	A	
Korean Presbyterian Church of Asheville (3)	A	
Lenoir First (2)	Jeff Crisp	
Lincolnton First (2)	Pam Sipe	
Long Creek (2)	Becky Bridges	
Love's Chapel (3)	Cora Slade	Thelma Isles
Lowell (2)	Laura Stewart	Darinda Fredrickson
Marion First (1)	A	
Marshall (1)	Nan Wise	
Micaville (1)	A	
Mills River (1)	Jeannie Hardin	
Montreat (1)	Marylyn Huff	
Morganton First (2)	Abby Redman	Mary Hewat
Morrison (1)	Linda Ligon	
Mount Holly First (1)	E	
New Hope, Asheville (1)	Angela Lepro	
New Hope, Gastonia (1)	Frank Maske	
Newdale (1)	Anita Fortner	
Newland (1)	Doris Matthews	
Newton First (2)	A	
Northminster (2)	Gene Rice	

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)	Peggy Ferguson	
Quaker Meadows (1)	Dorothy Paschall	
Reems Creek-Beech (1)	Catherine Roberts	
Riceville (1)	A	
Ridgeview (1)	A	
Robinson Memorial (1)	A	
Rutherfordton (2)	Reid Lane	John Talley
Ryburn Memorial (2)	A	
Saluda (1)	A	
Shelby (2)	Donna Simmons	
Sherrill's Ford (1)	A	
Shiloh, Grover (1)	A	
Siloam (1)	A	
Southminster (2)	A	
Spindale (1)	A	
Spruce Pine First (1)	A	
Swannanoa First (1)	Lynn Holman	
Sweetwater (1)	Ray Combs	
Sylva First (1)	A	
Third Street (2)	Lois Camp	Terry Taylor
Trinity (2)	Robert Forsythe	
Tryon (2)	A	
Union (1)	Frank Suggs	
Union Mills (1)	A	

United (1)	Margaret Lillard	
Unity (2)	John Birthisel	
Vians Valley (1)	A	
Waldensian (2)	John Heilman	
Walnut (1)	A	
Walnut Grove (1)	A	
Warren Wilson (1)	Susan Laney	
Waynesville First (1)	Barbara Phillips	
West Asheville (1)	Judy Goode	
West Avenue (1)	Guy Wallace	
Westminster (1)	Dot Descieux	

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

Teaching Elders (formerly Ministers)	122
Ruling Elders (formerly Elders)	85
Certified Educators	3
Administrative Board/Committee Chairs	9
Visitors	74
Total	293

There were two corresponding members in attendance.

- Rev. Helen Locklear, Coastal Carolina Presbytery
- Rev. Eade Anderson

Standing Committees:

Resolution and Thanks:

- Rev. Steve Runholt, Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church, and Ruling Elder Jane Vann, Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Asheville

Bills and Overtures:

- Mr. Guy Wallace, West Avenue Presbyterian Church, Gastonia

APPROVAL OF DOCKET

Stated Clerk Sigmon moved the approval of the docket as distributed. The motion was made and approved.

8:30 Registration

8:30 Prayers before Presbytery

Orientation for New Elders

9:00 Convene with Prayer of Invocation

Hymn

Welcome

**Black Mountain Home for Children,
Youth & Families (5 minutes)**

Wyatt Aiken

Barbara Ross

Patricia Clark, Moderator

Bob Ayala

Tom Campbell, President

Appointment of Standing Committee

Moderator

Tellers

Bills and Overtures

Teaching Elder Cam Murchison

Resolution of Thanks

*Ruling Elder Jane Vann, Grace Covenant and Teaching Elder Steve Runholt,
Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church*

Certification of Quorum

Bert Sigmon, Stated Clerk

Approval of Docket

Omnibus Motion

A

(Omnibus Motion is a consent motion. Any commissioner may pull any item from the consent agenda for any reason. Simply state the item to be removed from the Omnibus Motion and it will be dealt with as part of the committee report from which it was drawn.)

Reports Submitted for Information and/or Included in the Omnibus

Nominating Committee

I

Budget & Finance Committee

BB

(Financial Report and Annual Audit Report)

Committee on Representation

F

(Annual Report)

Stated Clerk's Report

Bert Sigmon

B

(Reports of Administrative Commissions)

9:30 Service of Worship, including the Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Preachers: Candidates for Ordination

(Hal Bennett, Yvonne Thurmond, and Catherine Taylor)

Scripture: Selected from the Book of Acts

10:30 Christian Education (15 minutes)

Nancy McNeill

10:45 Care of Church Professionals (15 minutes)

Dwight Christenbury

(Recognition of ministers with 25 and 50 years of ministry, ministers retiring)

Honorably Retired

Brian D. Weger

Tony F. Baker

D. Cameron Murchison

Margaret B. Peery

50 Years in Ministry

John Ellington

Cecil Jividen

Don Woods

25 Years in Ministry

Kathy Campbell

Roberta Martin

Nancy Mugford

Martha Jane Petersen

Feild Russell

Virginia Russell

Don Scofield

11:00 Warren Wilson (5 minutes)

Julie Lehman

Brian Ammons

11:05 Report from the Montreat Team

Don Scofield

11:55 Prayers of Intercession

Beth Ann Miller

(Please submit requested prayers of intercession to the Stated Clerk's table before 11:00 a.m.)

12:00 Lunch (First Presbyterian Church, Gastonia Picnic Pavilion)

1:15 Reconvene with a Hymn

Bob Ayala

1:20 Speak Out (10 minutes)
(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.)

1:30 Committee on Ministry (35 minutes) **John Lindsay** **D**
(Introduction of new ministers; For Such a Time as This)
(Commissioning of Lay Pastors - Lisa Canterbury and Roger Wise)
Margaret Torrence

2:05 Report of the General Presbyter (5 minutes) **Bobbi White** **GP**

2:10 School for the Laity/Commissioned Lay Pastors(10 min) **Lynn Moore**
(Recognition of SL/CLP Graduates)
Robert J. Craddock, Jr., Kenilworth Faye N. Harrell, Union Sharon H. Meares, Hickory First
Lorraine Alls, Crossnore David Roy Hege, Crossnore Roger Wise, Fletcher
Dennis Godfrey, West Avenue Ione Coshatt Josephs, Green Mountain Lola Renee Yoder, Hickory, First
David Gilreath, Union J. Melvin Meares, III, Hickory First

2:20 Recognition of Churches Participating in Acts Initiative (10 minutes)

2:30 Committee on Preparation for Ministry (15 minutes) **Carolyn Poteet** **K**
(Introduction of a candidate for ministry)

2:45 Administrative Board (15 minutes) **James Aydelotte** **C**
(Guidelines for Congregations Seeking Dismissal)

3:00 Missions Committee (10 minutes) **Bill Lowe**
(Work of the committee, Malawi Mission Team Report)

3:10 Reports from the General Assembly Commissioners (45 minutes) **JJ**
(Teaching Elders Riley Covin, Margaret Torrence and Bill Campbell; Ruling Elders Gayle Deas, Frela Beck and Barbara Ross; and YAAD Emma Frellick)

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 and General Assembly Commissioners submitted reports to the Presbytery for information and approval. All were received and approved.

- Nominating Committee (Appendix B)
- Budget & Finance Committee *(Financial Report and Annual Audit Report)* (Appendix C)
- Committee on Representation *(Annual Report)* (Appendix D)
- Reports from General Assembly Commissioners (Appendix E)

STATED CLERK’S REPORT

Ruling Elder Sigmon presented recommendations 1-9 included in the Stated Clerk’s report, stating that these recommendations had previously been approved in the Omnibus Motion. The motion was made and approved.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- OM 1. **THAT Patricia Clark, Bert Sigmon, and Robbin Buchanan be requested to prepare the minutes of this Presbytery meeting for approval at the October 26-27, 2012 Presbytery meeting.**
- OM 2. **THAT the minutes of the April 24, 2012 Stated Meeting of Presbytery be approved as submitted.**
- OM. 3. **THAT the minutes of the installation of the following be placed into the record of Presbytery: (Appendix F)**
Whit Malone
- OM 4. **THAT the Presbytery accept the report of membership and worship statistics as submitted by the Sessions on the Annual Statistical Report and that it be recorded that the following Sessions are not in compliance with the *Book of Order* G-10.102 p (7). (Appendix G-Report of Membership Statistics & Appendix H- Report of Worship Statistics)**
- | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Ellenboro</i> | <i>Shiloh, Grover</i> |
| <i>Korean Presbyterian</i> | <i>Oak Forest</i> |
- OM 5. **THAT an Administrative Commission for the Korean Presbyterian Church of Asheville be approved consisting of the following members:**
 Rev. Bill Heck, Chair Mrs. Olivia LaMotte
 Rev. Susan Denne Mr. Paul Vliek
 Ms. Dot Descieux
- THAT the commission has been assigned the following tasks and powers:**
- a. To grant permission, pursuant to the *2009-2011 BO: G-11.0103.s*, to assume original jurisdiction of the Session for the welfare of the congregation;
 - b. To work with the congregation for the health, vitality, and wholeness of the church;
 - c. To have the authority to negotiate, working with the Session, a comprehensive and fair severance agreement with the pastor, subject to the approval of the congregation;
 - d. To ensure that worship services are carried out in harmony with the Directory of Worship and that the pastoral needs of the congregation are adequately met;
 - e. To recommend to Presbytery, in consultation with the session, comprehensive resolutions of this church's difficulties.
 - f. To have the authority to negotiate real estate and property issues, in consultation with the Session, and subject to the approval of the congregation.
 - g. To work towards recommendations in the areas of rental agreements, transparency in finances, issues of personal property and office equipment, and a selection of an interim.
 - h. To provide a written report, through the Committee on Ministry and Stated Clerk, to each meeting of the Presbytery for inclusion in the Presbytery packet.
- OM 6. **THAT the July 31, 2012 report of the Administrative Commission for the First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (Appendix I)**

Canton	Hendersonville, First	Trinity
Clinchfield	Highlands, First	Warren Wilson
Franklin, First	Kenilworth	Waynesville, First
Hayesville	Morrison	West Asheville
	Sylva, First	
	Swannanoa, First	

17. **THAT the following Session Records for 2011 were submitted and approved on Saturday, May 5, 2012, at a Session Records Review, held at the First Presbyterian Church, Spruce Pine:**

Burnsville, First	Grassy Creek	Reems Creek Beech
Conley Memorial	Marion, First	Riceville
Cullowhee	Newdale	Spruce Pine, First
Dorland Memorial	Newland	Walnut Grove
Fletcher	Pineola	

18. **THAT the following Session Records for 2011 were submitted and approved on Saturday, May 19, 2012, at a Session Records Review, held at the First Presbyterian Church, Forest City:**

Belmont, First	John Knox	Saluda
Calvary	New Hope, Asheville	Shelby
Duncan's Creek	Northminster	Tryon
Forest City, First	Olney	Westminster
Hickory, First	Rutherfordton	

19. **THAT the following Session Records for 2011 were submitted and approved on Saturday, June 9, 2012, at a Session Records Review, held at the Long Creek Presbyterian Church, Kings Mountain:**

Bessemer City, First	Kings Mountain, First	Southminster
Cherryville, First	Lincolnton, First	Third Street
Dixon	Love's Chapel	Union
Dulatown	Mills River	Union Mills
Gastonia, First	Mount Holly, First	Unity
Good Hope	Sherrill's Ford	West Avenue

20. **THAT the following Session Records for 2011 were submitted and approved on Saturday, July 14, 2012, at a Session Records Review, held at the First Presbyterian Church, Morganton:**

Banner Elk	Dallas, First	New Hope, Gastonia
Black Mountain	Green Street	Oakwood
Columbus	Jack's Creek	Ryburn Memorial
Crossnore	Long Creek	Sweetwater

21. **THAT the following Session Records for 2011 have not been reviewed and are delinquent in meeting the requirements of the 2009-2011 Book of Order (G-9.0407.d).**

Arbor Dale	Lowell	Ridgeview (2006-2011)
Brittains Cove (2006-2011)	Micaville	Shiloh, Grover (2009-2011)
Buladean (2010-2011)	Oak Forest	Spindale (2009-2011)
Ellenboro (2006-2011)	Old Fort (2006-2011)	Vians Valley (2009-2011)
Estatoa (2006-2011)	Paint Gap (2010-2011)	Walnut (2010-2011)
Green Mountain	Pine Street (2006-2011)	
Korean Pres Ch (2006-2011)	Robinson Memorial (2010-2011)	

22. **THAT the following dates have been established for Sacred Trust-Relational Boundaries Training:**

August 18, 2012 @ Let's Celebrate - Child Safety Training
(Designed for local congregations & does not meet the requirement for sexual misconduct prevention training.)

October 4, 2012 @ Cullowhee Pres. Church - 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

March 7, 2013 @ First Pres. Morganton - 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
(3/6 hour training; morning session meets the requirement for 3 hr. training; all day meets the requirement for 6 hr. training.)

The Stated Clerk presented items 15-22 as items of information.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Worship was led by the Revs. Jenny and Feild Russell with music led by Mike Barker. The Presbytery heard from the following three candidates for ministry:

Yvonne Thurmond, Designated Pastor-elect for the Quaker Meadows Presbyterian Church, preached a sermon entitled "The Many Tongues of the Spirit," with scripture taken from Acts 2:1-5. Hal Bennett, Designated Pastor-elect for the Dulatown Presbyterian Church, delivered a sermon entitled "God's Potential," with scripture taken from Acts 9:26-27. Catherine Taylor, Designated Pastor-elect of the Sweetwater Presbyterian Church, selected "Peaceful Voices" for her sermon title, with scripture taken from Acts 18:9-11.

Worship concluded with a celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Assisting with sacraments were teaching elders being recognized for 25 and 50 years of service and Honorable Retirement.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Nancy McNeil, member of the Resource Center Task Force and Christian Education Committee, reported on the actions of the task force over the past five years and the creation of Presbytery's Resource Center at Montreat, which is now to be named for Jo Gallagher, who worked so hard for its establishment. Rev. Eade Anderson was recognized for his efforts in the campaign for funds and assistance in moving the resource center. Other recognitions for their efforts and work with the resource center were Tonya Williams, members of the Resource Center Task Force and the Christian Education Committee.

The Montreat Conference Center has provided space for the Presbytery's Resource Center in the Moore Building. The resource center will be named, "The Jo Bales Gallagher Resource Center, (PCUSA)."

CARE OF CHURCH PROFESSIONALS

Dwight Christenbury, chair of the Care of Church Professional Committee, and Matt Schlageter a member of the committee, recognized all members who have been in the ministry for 25 and 50 years. Also recognized at this time were ministers who have retired during the past year. Certificates were presented to those being recognized for honorable retirement and faithful service to the church.

The following ministers were recognized for their service in ministry.

Honorably Retired

Brian D. Weger
Tony F. Baker
D. Cameron Murchison
Margaret B. Peery

50 Years in Ministry

John Ellington
Cecil Jividen
Don Woods

25 Years in Ministry

Kathy Campbell
Roberta Martin
Nancy Mugford
Martha Jane Petersen
Feild Russell
Virginia Russell
Don Scofield

Additionally, the following teaching elders were recognized for their years of service:

Rev. Lyle Petersen (66 years)

Rev. Calvin Chestnutt (61 years)

Rev. Stanley Lee Bennett (61 years)

Rev. Bill Hoyt (60 years)

Matt Schlageter offered prayer for those being recognized and for those who have retired.

WARREN WILSON COLLEGE

Julie Lehman, Director of Public Relations, brought greetings from the Warren Wilson College and Campus. She introduced Dr. Brian Ammons, Chaplain and Director of Spiritual Life at Warren Wilson College. Dr. Ammons spoke briefly and extended thanks for all the warm welcomes he had received as the new chaplain.

REPORT FROM THE MONTREAT TEAM

An extensive report from the Presbytery's Montreat Team outlining the history, background, legal background and what can be anticipated with regard to the Montreat Presbyterian Church, EPC and the Montreat Presbyterian Church, PCUSA were reported to the Presbytery. Presentations were given from Don Scofield, Mark Ramsey, Henry Neale, Arline Taylor and John Frye.

Members of the team include: Arline Taylor, James Aydelotte, Don Scofield, John Frye, Henry Neale Mark Ramsey, Melvin Meares and Jim Henderson, David Stover, and Bobbi White.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rev. Beth Ann Miller led the Presbytery in prayers of intercession. The Presbytery recessed for lunch at 12:05 p.m.

RECONVENE

The moderator reconvened the Presbytery at 1:25 p.m. with prayer, song, and an opportunity for Presbyterians to address the Presbytery with announcements, concerns, and opinions.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

I. WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry, Rev. John Lindsay reported on the actions taken by the Committee on Ministry on behalf of the Presbytery. (Appendix N)

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY
II. INTRODUCTION OF NEW MINISTERS

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry and the Examinations Sub-Committee, Rev. 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 N)

- John Pruitt, from Providence Presbytery, as Stated Pastor at Robinson Memorial Presbyterian Church, Gastonia effective June 12, 2012.
- Tom Lewis, from Northeast Georgia Presbytery, as Honorably Retired effective June 12, 2012.
- Kim Justice, from Coastal Carolina Presbytery, as Pastor at Franklin First Presbyterian Church, effective September 10, 2012.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY
**III. INTRODUCTION OF CANDIDATES FOR
ORDINATION/INSTALLATION**

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry and the Examinations Sub-Committee, the Rev. John Lindsay introduced Hal Bennett, Designated Pastor-elect, Dulatown Presbyterian Church in Lenoir; Yvonne Thurmond, Designated Pastor-elect, Quaker Meadows Presbyterian Church in Morganton; and Catherine Taylor, Designated Pastor-elect, Sweetwater Presbyterian Church in Hickory, as candidates for ordination and installation. Having heard sermons from each of the candidates during the morning worship, Rev. Lindsay moved, on behalf of the Committee on Ministry, that they be ordained and installed by the Presbytery. The motion passed and Rev. Lindsay offered prayer. Representatives from Dulatown Presbyterian Church, Quaker Meadows Presbyterian Church and Sweetwater Presbyterian Church were recognized. (Appendix N)

Candidate Hal Bennett
Sermon: "God's Potential"
Text: Acts 9:26-27

Candidate Yvonne Thurmond
Sermon: "The Many Tongues of the Spirit"
Text: Acts 2:1-5

Candidate Catherine Taylor
Sermon: "Peaceful Voices"
Text: Acts 18:9-11

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry and the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, Rev. Lindsay introduced Sara Varnado, to a validated ministry with the Asheville Buncombe Community Christian Ministries. As Sara was a candidate of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina, she delivered a sermon and was examined by the Committee on Preparation for Ministry. Rev. Lindsay moved, on behalf of the Committee on Ministry, that she be ordained by the Presbytery. The motion passed and Rev. Lindsay offered prayer.

The Rev. Bobbi White, General Presbyter, presented the four candidates with Guatemalan stoles on behalf of the Presbytery and as a welcome to the Presbytery.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY
IV. VALIDATION OF MINISTRIES

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry, Rev. John Lindsay moved that the Presbytery validate the ministries of the following: (Appendix N)

- Carol Steele, as Senior Associate Director for Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Montreat Conference Center, through July 31, 2013.

- Joseph D. Bennett, as Chaplain for Hospice of Yancey County, Inc., through July 31, 2013.
- Evelyn Coleman, as Associate Director for the Center for Youth and Young Adult Ministry, through July 31, 2013.
- John T. Campbell, as Director for Eastatoe Trail Counseling and Consultation, LLC, through July 31, 2013.
- Sara Varnado, as Circles Coach/Coordinator with Asheville Buncombe Community Christian Ministries (ABCCM), through July 31, 2013.
- William Christian, as Counselor at Black Mountain Pastoral Care and Counseling Center, through July 31, 2013.
- David Bradley, as Pastoral Counselor with Pastoral Counseling and Growth Center of Asheville, through July 31, 2013.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY
V. COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR

On behalf of the Examinations Committee, Rev. Kevin Frederick moved that the Presbytery approve that Lisa Canterbury and Roger Wise be commissioned as lay pastors. Lisa Canterbury will be commissioned to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina as Dean of the School for the Laity and Roger Wise to Fletcher Presbyterian Church in Newland. Following questions and answers, the motion passed. This commissioning for Lisa Canterbury included permission to celebrate the Lord's Supper. The commissioning for Roger Wise included permission to lead worship, celebrate the Lord's Supper, Baptisms, weddings, and moderate the Session.

Also, the Committee on Ministry approved the re-commissioning of Dwayne Durham (at Hendersonville, First Presbyterian Church) as a Commissioned Lay Pastor. The commissioning for Dwayne Durham included, permission to celebrate the Lord's Supper, Baptisms, weddings and moderate the Session. (Appendix N)

REPORT OF THE GENERAL PRESBYTER

The General Presbyter, Rev. Bobbi White, shared her excitement of the number of new ministers being received into the Presbytery. She continued her report by sharing news and business from the recent meeting of the 220th General Assembly. The theme from the assembly was "Walking, Running, Soaring in Hope." She called on the Presbytery to open their eyes and see what is happening around them and then challenged the Presbytery to reach out in the name of Christ to our communities and the people in our midst. (Appendix O)

After sharing with the Presbytery that Associate Presbyter, Grace Boyer would be leaving the Presbytery staff in November, and Coordinator for the Guatemalan Partnership, Ellen Dozier would be retiring in February, she advised the Presbytery would be seeking interims for both of these positions.

SCHOOL FOR THE LAITY PROGRAM

Lisa Canterbury, Dean of the School for the Laity Program, recognized eleven graduates from the school for 2012. The School for the Laity Program has been an important part of this Presbytery since 1999. A new term will begin in September 2012. Those completing the two-year program were:

Robert J. Craddock, Jr., Kenilworth
Lorraine Alls, Crossnore
Dennis Godfrey, West Avenue
David Gilreath, Union
Faye N. Harrell, Union
David Roy Hege, Crossnore

Ione Coshatt Josephs, Green Mountain
J. Melvin Meares, III, Hickory First
Sharon H. Meares, Hickory First
Roger Wise, Fletcher
Lola Renee Yoder, Hickory, First

trustees of the Montreat Presbyterian Church to the Montreat Team as members to serve along side of those listed at the April 24, 2012 meeting of the Presbytery. (Trustees: Jim Henderson, Arline Taylor, and Henry Neale)

OM

- 7. **THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina approve changing the name of the Non-Installed Pastors Sub-Committee to Non-Installed/Designated Pastors Sub-Committee.**
- 8. **THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina concur with the Administrative Board and the Personnel Committee that Bobbi White is to be commended for her performance as General Presbyter. (Appendix R)**

FOR INFORMATION:

- 9. **THAT the Administrative Board heard a review of finances from the chair of Budget and Finance, the treasurer and the controller and agreed to a plan to cut back on expenses for 2012.**
- 10. **THAT Ellen Dozier, our Guatemalan Partner Coordinator, is retiring in October 2012. The Personnel Committee, along with the Administrative Board, will be working to fill this position.**
- 11. **THAT Grace Boyer, the Associate Presbyter, is resigning December 31, 2012. She will be joining her husband in Korea until September 2013, when they will return and reside in the Asheville area. The Personnel Committee, along with the Administrative Board, will be working to fill this position.**

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

Dulatown Presbyterian Church Food Pantry (Sponsored by United)	\$2,500.00
Catawba County HOPE [Help our People Eat] (Sponsored by Hickory First)	\$1,177.55
Pack a Sak of Gastonia (Sponsored by Third Street)	\$2,500.00
StoreHouse Pantry (Sponsored by Rutherfordton)	\$4,500.00
Cherokee County Sharing Center (Sponsored by Hayesville)	\$4,500.00

For a total of \$15,177.55 in Nickel-a-Meal Regional grants.

- 13. **THAT the Administrative Board reviewed and approved the following grant application for use of restricted fund 59239 (Mission Program with preference given to advocacy for environment and evangelism) to be forwarded to the Presbyterian Church (USA):**
 - Montreat Earth Care Outreach
- 14. **THAT a list of upcoming events of the Presbytery can be found on the back of the Presbytery Docket.**
- 15. **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. Keynote speaker will be Dr. Kenneth Gergen. More information is available on the Presbytery website: http://www.presbyterywnc.org/content/lets_celebrate_2012/

- 16. THAT the following dates have been set for Youth Events in 2012:**
 - August 17-18, 2012 - PYC Orientation & Let's Celebrate
 - September 23, 2012 - High School Event at Montreat
 - November 9-11, 2012 - Middle School Retreat at Camp Grier

- 17. THAT the following dates have been set for 2012 and 2013 Presbytery Meetings:**
 - 2012**
 - 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

- 18. THAT the Presbyterian Women will be holding their Fall Gatherings on:**
 - September 22, 2012 First Presbyterian Church, Waynesville
 - October 6, 2012 First Presbyterian Church, Gastonia

- 19. THAT the Administrative Board granted permission for the following items to be sold at the October 2012 Presbytery meeting: Presbytery Reclaiming Christmas Cards (to benefit missions of the Presbytery); and Fair Trade coffee, tea, chocolate, beans, olive oil, etc. (to be sold by Unique World Gifts Ten Thousand Villages Store).**

- 20. THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina has been recognized by the General Assembly Mission Council (GAMC) as one of thirty-seven presbyteries giving generous support to Presbyterian mission in 2011.**

Following the report of the Administrative Board, Rev. Dr. Pete Peery made the following motion:

That the Administrative Board report to the October 2012 Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina (94th Stated Meeting) the following:
The status of the properties of Camp Woodson and Camp Grier;
The funding sources available to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina;
The liabilities the Presbytery of Western North Carolina holds as it retains the properties of Camp Woodson and Camp Grier;
The missional plans under consideration by the Administrative Board for the best use of the properties of Camp Woodson and Camp Grier; and
The attention to the stewardship of the earth being considered by the Administrative Board as it considers options for the use of the properties of Camp Woodson and Camp Grier.

Dr. Peery offered a brief statement regarding the motion. Rev. Aydelotte moved the motion, on behalf of the Administrative Board. The motion passed.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Rev. Dr. Billy Lowe, chair of the Missions Committee, spoke of the work of the committee and of the missionaries in our Presbytery. Dr. Barbara Nagy, Mission Co-Worker in Malawi, has returned to the U.S. for a two-year time to study. Dr. Nagy will be enrolling in the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University in Georgia for a two-year degree. This degree will enable her to return to Malawi and focus on growing Nkhoma Hospital's ten remote village clinics. During this two year period, the Presbytery is still committed to paying 80% of her salary so that she can provide for herself and her children while in Decatur, GA.

The Missions Committee will be collecting Presbyterian Disaster Assistance "Gift of the Heart Kits" to be taken to PDA's Ferncliff Disaster Assistance Center in Little Rock, AR. (Appendix S)

REPORTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS TO THE 220th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Presbytery heard reports from three (Barbara Ross, Bill Campbell and Riley Covin) of our seven Commissioners to the 220th General Assembly. Copies of their experiences can be found in the appendices. Barbara Ross served as Moderator for the Committee on Authoritative Interpretations. (Appendix E)

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Rev. Steve Runholt, Teaching Elder at Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church, and Ruling Elder Jane Vann, Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Asheville, submitted the following Resolution of Thanks:

We are thankful to the God who unites and sustains us for the following:

- For the gracious hospitality of our hosts and the ministry of the BMCH,
- For our presbytery leadership and staff who work so hard to serve us all for the gifts and work of this meeting:
 - For Jo Gallagher and the resource center,
 - For new beginnings at WWC,
 - For those faithful pastors and leaders who are now retired, who have served for 50 years, for 25 years and for five years and for five days,
 - For those newly received, newly commissioned and for those preparing for ministry,
 - All those who have heard God's call and have answered it,
 - For Barbara Nagy and her wonderful ministry and its new challenges,
 - For the ministry of the Montreat Presbyterian Church and those who do the hard work of reconciliation.

BENEDICTION AND ADJOURNMENT

With the business of the Ninety-Third Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina completed and adjournment voted, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m. with prayer by Moderator Patricia Clark.

NEXT MEETING

The Ninety-Fourth Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina will be held on Friday, October 26, 2012 and Saturday, October 27, 2012 at the Lake Junaluska Conference Center in Lake Junaluska, 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 October 26-27, 2012 at its meeting at the Lake Junaluska Conference Center in Lake Junaluska, NC.

APPENDICES

- A. Omnibus Motion
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- K. Administrative Commission Report for West Asheville Presbyterian Church & Cullowhee Presbyterian Church & Dulatown Presbyterian Church
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For a copy of the Appendices, please contact the Presbytery Office.
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