

**PRESBYTERY OF
WESTERN
NORTH CAROLINA**



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MINUTES

**ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH
STATED MEETING
JANUARY 28, 2017**

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**The Presbytery of Western North Carolina
111th Stated Meeting
January 28, 2017
First Presbyterian Church
Lincolnton, North Carolina**

CALL TO ORDER

Ruling Elder Barbara McLean, Moderator, convened the 111th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina at 9:03 a.m. in the sanctuary of the First Presbyterian Church in Lincolnton, North Carolina.

INSTALLATION OF MODERATOR/VICE-MODERATOR

As the immediate past Moderator, Ruling Elder Barbara McLean led a service to install Teaching Elder Susan Denne as Moderator and Ruling Elder Melvin Meares as Vice-Moderator for 2017.

CONSTITUTION

The Moderator, Teaching Elder Susan Denne, opened the One-Hundred Eleventh Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina at the First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton with prayer.

WELCOME

Rev. Danny Trapp, pastor at First Presbyterian Church, welcomed everyone to the First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton.

ATTENDANCE

The Stated Clerk, Teaching Elder Cam Murchison, declared that a quorum was present by reference to our registration data and by observation of those in attendance.

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

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| Robert Abel | E | Wyatt Aiken, Jr. | E | Blan Aldridge | E |
| Charles Alexander | E | Merriam Alexander | P | Terry Alexander | E |
| Stephen Austin | P | James Aydelotte | P | Patricia Bacon | A |
| Tony Baker | E | Edna Banes | E | Douglas Bartlett | E |
| Ashley J. Beavers | E | Harold Bennett | P | Joseph Bennett | E |
| Katherine Blankenship | A | Lynn Bledsoe | E | Samantha Gonzalez-Block | E |
| Randall Boggs | A | Ronald Botsford | E | Adam Bowling | P |
| Lee Bowman | E | Richard Boyce | A | Grace Boyer | E |
| David Bradley | A | Ryan Brakemeyer | A | Ronald Brauer | E |
| Hayden Britton | E | Beverly Brock | A | Sandra Brown | E |
| Jason Bryant | A | William Buchanan | A | Monty Burnham | E |
| Sue Burton | E | Robert Busey | E | Connie Button | P |

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| Joey Byrd | A | John Campbell | E | Kathy Campbell | P |
| William Campbell | A | Amy Cantrell | A | Pride Carson | A |
| Katherine Cashwell | P | Joel David Cherry | E | Calvin Chesnutt | E |
| Dwight Christenbury | E | William Christian | E | Sarah Coburn | A |
| James Cockerham | P | Jeffrey Coffey | E | James Cogswell | E |
| Evelyn Coleman | A | Hunter Coleman | E | Priestley Conyers, III | E |
| Monty Cook | E | Thomas Cook, Jr. | E | Donald Cooper | P |
| Riley Covin | P | John Craven | E | Curtis Crowther | E |
| Robert Bruce Cumming | E | James Dale | E | Blake Daniel | E |
| Charles Davenport | E | Dent Davis | E | Heather Davis | P |
| Holly Davis | P | Eddie Deas, III | P | Jey Deifell, Jr. | E |
| Arthur DeJong | E | Susan Denne | P | Edward Donnell | E |
| Jacob Douylliez | P | Ellen Dozier | E | Philip Dunford | E |
| Stephen Elderbrock | A | Karol Farris | P | Lee Feero, Jr. | E |
| David Fillpot | E | Ragland Fletcher | E | Edward Forsyth | E |
| Maynard Fountain, Jr. | E | McCoy Franklin | E | Kevin Frederick | P |
| Keith Freeman | E | Berry French, III | E | John Frye, Jr. | P |
| Curtis Fussell, III | E | Tempe Fussell | E | A. W. Gaines | E |
| Paul Galbreath | E | David Garnett | E | Tee Gatewood, III | P |
| Denise Geiger | E | Joanne Glaser | E | Jean Goodwin | E |
| Gregory Grana | E | Theodore Grant | E | Keith Grogg | P |
| Robert Gruber | E | George Gunn | E | Rebecca Gurney | A |
| Samuel Hale | E | Michal Hall | E | Terry Hanna | A |
| Patrick Hardy | E | Randall Hardy | A | Martin L. Harkey, III | P |
| Rebecca Harrison | E | William Heck | E | Robert Henderson | E |
| Robert Hewett | E | Richard Hobson | E | J. Samuel Hobson, Jr. | E |
| James Holeman | P | Richard Holshouser | E | Samuel Hope | E |
| James Hornsby | E | William Hoyt, III | E | George Hutchins | P |
| Donald Jafvert | E | William Janes | E | Esta Jarrett | P |
| Cecil Jividen | E | Wallace Johnson | E | Patrick Johnson | A |
| Franklin Jones | A | Rebecca Jones | A | Kimberly Justice | A |

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| Dong Uk Kang | A | David Kaylor | E | David Kennedy | E |
| Ira Kennerly | E | Paul Kercher | E | William Kirk | E |
| Albert Kissling | E | Earl Kreisa | E | Lee Kruse | A |
| Michael Lamm | P | John LaMotte | E | John Laughlin | E |
| Margaret Lauterer | E | James Layman | E | Thomas Lewis | E |
| William Lindeman | E | John Lindsay | E | Eugene Linton, Jr. | E |
| Deneise Deter Liss | A | Laura Long | E | Billy T. Lowe | P |
| Robert Lowry | E | David Lytle | P | Tricia Lytle | E |
| Whit Malone | E | Marjorie Marsh | E | Joan Martin | P |
| Roberta Martin | E | Robert Martin, Jr. | E | Tyler Martin | E |
| John McCall | E | Sandra McClinton | A | Patricia McClurg | E |
| Robert McCully, Jr. | A | Noah McIntee | A | David McKee | E |
| Michael McKee | P | James McPherson | E | Lynn Michie | A |
| Beth Ann Miller | P | Robert Montgomery | E | Anne Morgan | E |
| David Morgan | E | Richard Morgan | E | David Mulford | E |
| Donald Mullen | E | Cameron Murchison | P | Carl Murray | E |
| David Nash | E | Wanda Neely | P | Thomas Nelson | P |
| Elizabeth Newman | E | John Newton, Jr. | E | John Niles | E |
| Richard Nygren | E | Daniel Oedy | P | O'Hyun Park | P |
| Katherine Parker | E | Thomas Parker | E | David Parks | E |
| Donald Patchel | E | Stratton Peacock | E | Albert G. Peery, Jr. | E |
| Margaret Peery | E | Harry Petersen | E | Martha Jane Petersen | E |
| Lyle Peterson | E | Harry Philips | E | James Poling | E |
| Luke Ponder | A | John-Nelson Pope | P | Michael Poulos | A |
| Donald Price | E | Gene Price | E | Caroline Proctor | E |
| Allen Proctor, Jr. | E | Edyth Pruitt | P | John Pruitt | P |
| Tamara Puffer | E | Jay Rabuck | E | Daria Ragan | P |
| Joseph Rand | E | Kathleen Rankin | A | Earl Rash | E |
| Wilson Rhoton, Jr. | E | Calvin Rice | E | Don Robb, III | E |
| Mary Katherine Robinson | P | Billy Robinson | P | Steven Runholt | E |
| Feild Russell | P | Richard Rustay | E | Donald Scofield, Jr. | E |

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| Henry Scoggins | E | Carol Seaman | E | Kyle Segars | E |
| William Serjak | E | Albert Shaw, Jr. | E | Marcia Mount Shoop | P |
| Elizabeth Sigmon | P | Robert Singdahlsen | E | Wirt Skinner | E |
| Allen Smith | P | Kent Smith | P | Paul Smith | A |
| John Somerville | E | Margie Stansell | A | Becky Stanley | P |
| Mark Stanley | P | Carol Steele | E | John David Stewart | E |
| Daniel Stitt | E | Cynthia Strickler | A | David Strickler | A |
| Charles Swann | E | William Sweetser, Jr. | A | Joseph Taber | P |
| Christopher Taylor | A | Keith Thompson | E | Denise Thorpe | A |
| Yvonne Thurmond | P | Russell Tillotson, Sr. | E | Daniel Trapp | P |
| Robert Tuttle | P | Thomas Tweedie | E | Melissa Anne Upchurch | P |
| Gary Van Brocklin | A | Lauren Vanacore | P | Dana Vaughn | E |
| Rockwell Ward | E | Samuel Warner | A | Lynn Webber | A |
| Judith Weger | E | Kimberleigh Wells | E | Barbara White | P |
| Lamar Williamson, Jr. | E | Parker Williamson | E | Emily Wilmarth | E |
| Otis Wilson, Jr. | P | Victor Wilson | E | Chris Wingard | A |
| Eugene Witherspoon | E | Graham Wood, Jr. | E | Donaldson Woods | E |
| Rebecca Young | A | | | | |

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

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| Linda Abel | E | Philip Adams | A | Robert Ayala | P |
| John Bates | A | Elizabeth Hall | A | John Hall | A |
| Brenda Howard | P | Kenneth Humphreys | P | Bobby Justus | P |
| James Koone | P | Peggy Koone | P | Deborah Lesenger | A |
| James Millsaps | A | Linda Moore | A | Mark Osborne | P |
| Marla Patchel | P | Randy Patterson | A | John Pea | P |
| Marcia Reighley | A | Russell Reighley | A | Barbara Ross | P |
| Betty Shaw | A | Dennis Stamper | A | John Stanley | A |
| James Taylor | A | William Upchurch, Jr. | E | Roger Wise | P |
| Wanda Woodby | A | | | | |

The following MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL, COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY, and COMMITTEE CHAIRS WERE ENROLLED at this meeting of Presbytery:

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| Katie Adams | A | John Auten | A | Mary Louise Bringle | A |
| Millie Bruns | A | Bill Carpenter | A | Betty Davenport | A |
| Dorothy Descieux | P | Lee Galloway | A | Jane Hansel | A |
| Anna Huntley | A | Tina Joyner | P | Rodney Lytle | P |
| Barbara McLean | P | Melvin Meares | P | Jackson Mott | P |
| Jerry Ragan | P | Roger Rizk | A | Charles Sellers | A |
| Jack Suddreth | P | Paula Wallace | A | Anne Wilson | A |
| Roger Wise | A | | | | |

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

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| Glenn Bannerman | A | Melinda Christian | A | Angela Drummond | A |
| Margaret Kennerly | A | Leslie McLeod | P | Mary Lou Nash | A |
| Kathy Parse | A | Heath Rada | A | Lynn Thomas | A |
| Patricia Tuttle | A | Jane Vann | P | | |

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

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| Arbor Dale (1) | A | |
| Asheville First (3) | Joan Murchison | Pat Harr |
| Banner Elk (1) | Sara Brewer | |
| Belmont First (3) | Parks Wilson | Carol Carstarphen |
| | Sue Johnson | |
| Bessemer City First (1) | A | |
| Black Mountain (2) | Mike Ballard | Margo Smith |
| Brevard-Davidson River (2) | Virginia Bradford | Judy Welch |
| Bridgewater (1) | A | |
| Brittain (1) | Bob Hough | |
| Brittain's Cove (1) | A | |
| Bryson City (1) | A | |
| Buladean (1) | A | |
| Burnsville First (1) | Jonathan Ward | |
| Calvary (2) | A | |

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| Canton (1) | William Rolland | |
| Cherryville First (2) | A | |
| Clinchfield (1) | A | |
| Columbus (1) | A | |
| Conley Memorial (1) | E | |
| Crossnore (1) | A | |
| Dallas First (1) | Patti Duncan | |
| Dixon (1) | A | |
| Dorland Memorial (1) | E | |
| Dulatown (2) | Robert Dula | |
| Duncan's Creek (1) | A | |
| Ellenboro (1) | A | |
| Etowah (1) | Debby Vial | |
| Fairview (2) | A | |
| Fletcher (1) | Denise Burleson | |
| Forest City First (1) | A | |
| Franklin First (1) | A | |
| Gastonia First (3) | Tyler Bullock | Lisa Dent |
| | Kate Buckles | |
| Good Hope (2) | James Tate | |
| Grace Covenant (2) | Jim McLean | |
| Grassy Creek (1) | A | |
| Green Mountain (1) | A | |
| Green Street (2) | A | |
| Hayesville (1) | E | |
| Hendersonville First (1) | Don Henderson | |
| Hickory First (3) | Jay Crane | |
| Highlands First (1) | A | |
| Ironton (1) | Pat Bradshaw | |
| Jack's Creek (1) | A | |
| John Knox (1) | A | |

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| Kenilworth (1) | A | |
| Kings Mountain First (1) | A | |
| Korean Presbyterian Church of Asheville (2) | A | |
| Lenoir First (1) | Beverly Beal | |
| Lincolnton First (1) | Christine Thomas | |
| Long Creek (1) | Deborah Smith | |
| Love's Chapel (2) | Sherry Lovell | Michael Lovell |
| Lowell (1) | Darinda Fredricksen | |
| Marion First (2) | Gail Rivera | Frank Denniston |
| Marshall (2) | Garry Moore | |
| Micaville (2) | A | |
| Mills River (2) | A | |
| Montreat (2) | Linda Hobson | Mary Jo Wright |
| Morganton First (3) | Ken Corn | Bob Ervin |
| Morrison (2) | A | |
| Mount Holly First (2) | Sylvia Groner | |
| New Hope, Asheville (2) | A | |
| New Hope, Gastonia (2) | Edwin Lewis | |
| Newdale (2) | A | |
| Newland (2) | A | |
| Newton First (3) | Melva Cooper | Candace Jongetjes |
| Northminster (2) | Michele Francois | |
| Oak Forest (2) | A | |
| Oakwood (2) | A | |
| Old Fort (2) | A | |
| Olney (2) | A | |
| Pine Street (3) | A | |
| Pineola (2) | A | |
| Quaker Meadows (2) | Lelia Bruder | Kathy Staton |
| Reems Creek-Beech (2) | Kerry Border | |
| Ridgeview (2) | A | |

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| Robinson Memorial (2) | Allen Wiggins | Lynn Laughridge |
| Rutherfordton (3) | Susan Allred | Brenda Winker |
| Ryburn Memorial (3) | Lucretia Bell | |
| Saluda (1) | A | |
| Shelby (2) | Ellen Fletcher | Joe Ogburn |
| Sherrill's Ford (1) | A | |
| Shiloh, Grover (1) | E | |
| Siloam (1) | A | |
| Southminster (2) | Dan McKenzie | Stan Hovis |
| Spindale (1) | A | |
| Spruce Pine First (1) | Don Baucom | |
| Sweetwater (1) | Lynn Honeycutt | |
| Sylva First (1) | A | |
| Third Street (2) | Jeffery Adams | Charles Whitesides |
| Trinity (2) | Bob Forsythe | Don Widemayer |
| Tryon (2) | A | |
| Union (1) | Billy Wilson | |
| Union Mills (1) | Susan Ward | |
| United (1) | Thomas Gibson | |
| Unity (2) | Catherine Fowler | Bud Freeman |
| Vians Valley (1) | A | |
| Waldensian (2) | Debbie Garrou | Barbara Cockerham |
| Walnut (1) | A | |
| Warren Wilson (1) | Sally Broughton | |
| Waynesville First (1) | Hughes Roberts | |
| West Asheville (1) | Melissa Allen | |
| West Avenue (1) | Gail Haynes | |

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

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| Teaching Elders | 68 |
| Ruling Elders | 72 |
| Certified Educators | 2 |
| General Council/Committee Chairs | 8 |

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| Visitors | 41 |
| Total | 191 |

There following corresponding member(s) was/were in attendance:

- Bryan Hovey, member of the United Church of Christ, serving as Transitional Pastor at the First Presbyterian Church, Mt. Holly
- Carol Hovis, member of Redwoods Presbytery

Standing Committees:

Resolution and Thanks:

- Teaching Elder John Pruitt
- Ruling Elder Linda Hobson

Bills and Overtures:

- Teaching Elder Joseph Taber
- Ruling Elder Beverly Beal

Tellers:

- Ruling and Teaching Elders from First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton and Pine Street Presbyterian Church

APPROVAL OF DOCKET

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

8:30 Registration

(If you do not sign in, you will not be counted as present.)

Orientation for New Elders

Barbara Ross

9:00 Call to Order

Barbara McLean

Immediate Past Moderator

Installation of Moderator and Vice-Moderator

Convene with Prayer of Invocation

Susan Denne

Moderator

Welcome from First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton

Danny Trapp

Appointment of Standing Committees

Susan Denne

Resolution of Thanks

- Teaching Elder John Pruitt
- Ruling Elder Linda Hobson

Bills and Overtures

- Teaching Elder Joseph Taber
- Ruling Elder Beverly Beal

Tellers

- *Ruling and Teaching Elders from First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton and Pine Street Presbyterian Church*

Certification of Quorum

Cam Murchison, Stated Clerk

Approval of Docket

Consent Agenda

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(Consent Agenda 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 Consent Agenda and it will be dealt with as part of the committee report from which it was drawn.)

Stated Clerk's Report **Cam Murchison** **B**
(Work of the Clerk, Presbytery Meeting Dates, Administrative Commission Reports)

Reports Submitted for Information and/or Included in the Consent Agenda
Outreach/Witness Division **P**

9:25 Service of Worship, including Necrology for 2016
Celebration of the Lord's Supper and Necrology

10:25 Speak Out *(5 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.)

Union Seminary *(3 minutes)* **Jordan Davis**

General Council *(45 minutes)* **Barbara McLean** **C**
(Work of the committee, Presbytery Treasurer, Amendments to the Constitution)
Presentation of Amendments and Voting
Preliminary Presentation of Amendments 16.G. and 16.H. for April 28, 2017 Meeting

Personnel Committee *(10 minutes)* **Luke Harkey** **FF**
(Work of the committee and recommendation(s) from the committee.)

Finance Committee *(10 minutes)* **Charles Sellers** **BB**
(Work of the committee and Proposed Budget for 2017)

Christian Education and Resource Center *(10 minutes)* **Adam Bowling** **W**
(2017 Spiritual Retreat)

Ministry Campaign *(5 minutes)* **Feild Russell** **BH**
Linda Rostan

Youth Committee *(5 minutes)* **James Holeman** **Y**
(Upcoming Events) **Joseph Taber**

Committee on Ministry *(25 minutes)* **Whit Malone and** **D**
Lauren Vanacore
(Work of the committee, introduction of new ministers – John Pope, Wanda Neely; Thom Nelson, approval of ordination of Lisle Garrity)

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

Young Adult Volunteers *(5 minutes)* **Andy Thomas**

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

12:35 Benediction and Adjournment

12:35 Lunch and Fellowship

(We encourage everyone to stay and share a meal and fellowship with other members of the Presbytery.)

CONSENT AGENDA

Stated Clerk Cam Murchison explained the rules for the Consent Agenda. He then moved that the Consent Agenda be approved. Items included in this motion are marked by "CA" in the margin. (Appendix A)

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

- Outreach/Witness Division (Appendix B)

STATED CLERK'S REPORT

Dr. Murchison presented recommendations 1 thru 12 included in the Stated Clerk's report, stating that these recommendations had previously been approved in the Consent Agenda. He then referred to items 16-22 as items for information.

Stated Clerk Murchison moved recommendations 13, 14, and 15, which were duly seconded and approved.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- CA 1. **THAT Susan Denne, Cam Murchison and Robbin Buchanan be requested to prepare the minutes of this Presbytery meeting for approval at the April 25, 2016 Presbytery meeting.**
- CA. 2. **THAT the minutes of the October 25, 2016 Stated Meeting of Presbytery be approved as submitted.**
- CA. 3. **THAT the Presbytery celebrate the lives and service of the following Ruling Elders, as reported by their local congregations, who died during the year of 2016, and that their names become a part of the permanent record:**

Banner Elk
Margaret T. Tate
Robert Clement Smith
Joyce Robinson

Belmont, First
Hilda Heafner Fite
Elizabeth Carol Dixon

Black Mountain
Stephen B. Roberts

Brevard-Davidson River
Don Edward Strickland

Burnsville, First
Geneva Rogers

Cherryville, First
Edwin Keith Long, Jr.

Fletcher
George Hall Norris

Franklin, First
Robert John Trafford

Gastonia, First
Ruth McQueen Rice
Judith Miller Miller
Ann Kiscadden Knauss
Walker Eugene Hunter

Good Hope
Peggy Whitmire

Grace Covenant
Dorothy Busey
Pat Callison
Mimi Rankin

Green Street
Margaret Thomas

Hickory, First
Dr. Thomas E. Fitz
Charles Dixon
Martha Espey
Frances Fitz
George Blackwelder Jr.

Highlands, First
Alan Lewis

Long Creek
John Ray Bridges
Russell 'Mutt' Rayfield
Jean Walker Hahn

Montreat
Catherine S. Vaughn

Morganton, First
Samuel Ernest Aycock

Mount Holly
Robert F. Jessen, Jr.

Trinity
Joe Gernoske

Newton, First
Mavis Hedrick
Dave Hardin
Stuart Terry
Brenard Brown

United
Linda E. Crump

Unity
Max Knox
Robert Jelinek

Olney
Gene Grissom
George Torrence
Gladys Hutchinson

Waldensian
Hattie Reynolds Rostan
William McCall Brinkley

Rutherfordton
Patricia Ford Hula Queen

Warren Wilson
Emmy Lou Legerton

Shelby
William Albergotti Lattimore
Aldonna Ra Searles Simmons

Waynesville, First
Donald Eudy

- CA 4. **THAT the Presbytery celebrate the lives and service of the following teaching elders/ministers of the Word and Sacrament who died during the year of 2016 and that their names become a part of the permanent record.**

Rev. W. Flemon McIntosh, Jr. (June 2, 2016)

- CA 5. **THAT any disparity in number between ruling elder and teaching elder commissioners be corrected in the following manner:**

Attendance and Voting. Each teaching elder shall attend each meeting of Presbytery, and each congregation shall be represented by at least one ruling elder at each meeting. Congregations are entitled to ruling elder commissioners based on the following active membership (BO: G-1.0402), as shown on the most recent statistical report (*For the 2017 year, churches M through R are entitled to an additional elder. Please note that commissioner representation is based on active membership figures taken from the 2015 Statistical Report as figures are not available for 2016.*):

0 - 250 members - 1
251 - 750 members - 2
751 - 1250 members - 3
1251 - 1750 members - 4

Honorably retired teaching elders shall be welcome at all meetings, but their necessary non-attendance shall be excused.

To ensure approximate parity in numbers between ruling elder and teaching elder commissioners:

1. All members of the General Council shall have voice and vote (if ruling elders).
2. All division, committee and sub-committee chairs shall have voice and vote (if ruling elders).
3. All Commissioned Lay Pastors shall have voice and vote.
4. 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).

5. All ruling elder commissioners to the Synod Assembly and to the General Assembly shall have voice and vote as long as their terms last.
6. All exempt staff of Presbytery shall have voice.
7. All racial/ethnic congregations and other congregations designated by the General Council shall elect an additional ruling elder commissioner.

That the following churches (Churches M-R) be requested to send one additional elder commissioner for the year 2017:

| | | |
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| Marion, First | New Hope, Gastonia | Pine Street |
| Marshall | Newdale | Pineola |
| Micaville | Newland | Quaker Meadows |
| Mills River | Newton, First | Reems Creek-Beech |
| Montreat | Northminster | Ridgeview |
| Morganton, First | Oak Forest | Robinson Memorial |
| Morrison | Oakwood | Rutherfordton |
| Mount Holly, First | Old Fort | Ryburn Memorial |
| New Hope, Asheville | Olney | |

8. 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.

- CA 6. THAT the Stated Clerk be given permission to attach a current list of ministers of this Presbytery and that the list becomes a part of the permanent record. (Appendix C)**
- CA 7. THAT the past membership roster of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina Permanent Judicial Commission as required in BO: D-5.0206b, be reported and become a part of the permanent record of Presbytery. (Appendix D)**
- CA 8. THAT the January 2017 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 E)**
- CA 9. THAT the January 2017 report of the Administrative Commissions for the Walnut Grove Presbyterian, First Presbyterian Church of Hendersonville, and First Presbyterian Church of Swannanoa and be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (Appendix F)**
- CA 10. THAT the January 2017 report of the Administrative Commission for the First Presbyterian Church, Lenoir be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (Appendix G)**
- CA 11. THAT the January 2017 report of the Board for the UKirk at WCU Cullowhee Campus Ministry be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (Appendix H)**
- CA 12. THAT the minutes of the installation of the following be placed into the record of Presbytery:**
- Dana Vaughn (Appendix I)**
- Marvin Daniel Trapp (Appendix J)**

13. **THAT the Administrative Commission for the Walnut Grove Presbyterian Church, having completed their work, be dissolved with thanks for the members effective service, effective January 28, 2017.**
14. **THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina approve the dissolution of the Glen Alpine Presbyterian Church (at its request) with an effective date of November 6, 2016.**
15. **THAT the Presbytery Standing Rules, Section III. H. 1. be amended to reflect the allowing for the ruling elders serving on the Committee on Ministry to have voice and vote during their term of service.**

H. Attendance and Voting. Each teaching elder shall attend each meeting of Presbytery, and each congregation shall be represented by at least one ruling elder at each meeting. Congregations are entitled to ruling elder commissioners based on the following active membership (BO: G-1.0402), as shown on the most recent statistical report:

0 - 250 members - 1
 251 - 750 members - 2
 751 - 1250 members - 3
 1251 - 1750 members - 4

Honorably retired teaching elders shall be welcome at all meetings, but their necessary non-attendance shall be excused.

To ensure approximate parity in numbers between ruling elder and teaching elder commissioners:

1. All members of the General Council (*and Committee on Ministry*) shall have voice and vote (if ruling elders).

FOR INFORMATION:

16. **THAT an Administrative Commission report was not received from the following commission for this meeting:
 Administrative Commission for First Presbyterian Church, Kings Mountain**
17. **THAT the deadline for the Annual Statistical Report is February 16, 2017.**
18. **THAT the 112th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina will be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2017, at the Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, North Carolina.**

19. **THAT the following dates have been set for 2017 and 2018 Presbytery Meetings:**

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20. THAT the following dates have been established for Clerk of Session Training and Reviewing Church Records:

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| April 29, 2017 | First Presbyterian Church, Morganton |
| June 10, 2017 | Trinity Presbyterian Church |
| August 19, 2017 | Crossnore Presbyterian Church |
| September 30, 2017 | First Presbyterian Church, Bessemer City |

21. THAT the following Session Records for 2015 were submitted and approved during November 2016.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Belmont, First West Avenue | Forest City, First | Good Hope |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|

22. THAT the following Session Records for 2015 have not been reviewed and are delinquent in meeting the requirements of the 2015-2017 Book of Order. For churches desiring to meet the requirements of the Book of Order and be in compliance, please contact Stated Clerk, Cam Murchison for further instructions.

| | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Brittains Cove | Buladean | Calvary |
| Canton | Ellenboro | Green Mountain |
| Ironton | Jack's Creek | Kings Mountain, First |
| Korean Presbyterian Church | Mills River | New Hope, Asheville |
| Oak Forest | Oakwood | Old Fort |
| Pine Street | Ridgeview | Ryburn Memorial |
| Shiloh, Grover | Spindale | Walnut |
| Warren Wilson | | |

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP
AND CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Worship was led by the Reverends Danny Trapp, Terry Cline and Joan Martin. The Rev. Danny Trapp preached a sermon entitled "Go To The Street Called Straight," with the scripture taken from the Matthew 10:16-22 and Acts 9:1-20. The service was enhanced by a combined choir from First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton and Pine Street Presbyterian Church under the direction of John Lineberger.

Worship concluded with a celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, led by the Reverends Danny Trapp, Terry Cline and Joan Martin, with communion being served by the ruling and teaching elders affiliated with the First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton and Pine Street Presbyterian Church. The lives of 1 ruling elder and 50 teaching elders of Presbytery who had passed on to the Church Triumphant during the year 2016 were celebrated.

UNION SEMINARY

Jordan Davis, Church Relations Officer at Union Presbyterian Seminary, spoke before the Presbytery bringing greetings, announcements and updates from the seminary.

GENERAL COUNCIL

On behalf of the General Council, Barbara McLean presented recommendations 1 thru 4 included in the General Council report, stating that these recommendations had previously been approved in the Consent Agenda. She then presented recommendation 5. The recommendation was moved and approved. Cam Murchison, Stated Clerk, presented the Proposed Amendments for discussion and vote.

Items 6 thru 21 of the General Council report were presented as items for information and required no action.

CA 1. THAT permission be granted for the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper to be celebrated at Presbytery sponsored events, mission trips, Cullowhee Campus Ministry and Wee Kirk Presbyterian Church during 2017.

CA 2. THAT permission be granted to the North Carolina Presbyterian Pilgrimage to celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper at the Pilgrimage events during 2017. (This will be administered by Presbyterian ministers for the Presbytery of WNC and surrounding Presbyteries.)

CA 3. THAT Elder Jack Suddreth be re-elected as Treasurer of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina for 2017.

CA 4. THAT the Presbytery elect the following person(s) to serve on the Nominating and Representation Committees:

Nominating:

Mrs. Gayla Woody (Southminster) (D) Class of 2019

Representation:

Mr. Robert Dula (Dulatown) (E) Class of 2017

5. THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina follow the special arrangements at this meeting of Presbytery for the discussion and actions on the process for voting on the Proposed Amendments to the Constitution. (Appendix K)

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

6. THAT copies of the Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA), approved by the 222nd General Assembly, can be downloaded from the PCUSA website:

<http://www.pcusa.org/resource/ga222-proposed-amendments-constitution/>

7. THAT the General Council reviewed and approved the following Synod Grant Applications:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Newland Presbyterian Church | \$5,000 |
| Oakwood Presbyterian Church | \$5,000 |
| Love’s Chapel Presbyterian Church | \$5,000 |

8. THAT the General Council approved extending a \$25,000 Line-of-Credit for a one-year term to Camp Grier for 2017.

9. THAT the General Council approved a lease agreement between the Presbytery of Western North Carolina and The Apostolics of Rutherford County, Inc. for the former Bostic Presbyterian Church Property.

10. THAT the General Council reports approval of the following Regional and International Nickel-A-Meal Hunger Grants:

| REGIONAL GRANTS | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|
| Agency | Location | Sponsor Church | Amount Granted |
| BeLoved Asheville | Asheville | Kenilworth | \$ 5,000. |

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------|
| Heart Life at Pleasant View | Morganton | Morganton, First | \$ 1,920. |
| Home Grown Garden | Black Mountain | Asheville, First | \$ 1,000. |
| Linc Home Meals | Lincolnton | Lincoln, First | \$ 5,000. |
| PBJ (People By Jesus) | Hendersonville | Kenilworth | \$ 6,000. |
| | | | |
| | | TOTAL | \$18,920. |

| INTERNATIONAL GRANTS | | | |
|------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| Guatemala Health Partnership | Guatemala | PWNC-Doug Michaels | \$22,600. |
| Thandizo Orphan Care | Malawi | | \$ 6,000. |
| | | TOTAL | \$28,600. |

- 11. THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina received a Hunger Action Enabler Grant for 2017 from the PCUSA.**
- 12. THAT a list of upcoming events of the Presbytery can be found on the back of the Presbytery Docket.**
- 13. THAT the Christian Education Committee will sponsor an overnight spirituality retreat, to be held March 31-April 1, 2017 at the Bonclarken Conference Center outside of Flat Rock, NC. The cost for this two-day event is \$30 (includes 3 meals, “a double room”, program and material), an additional charge of \$15 for a private room. The theme will be “Challenges for the Church in a Time of Change.” The retreat will be led by Dr. Carl Horton, Presbyterian Peacemaking Program for the Presbyterian Church (USA).**
- 14. THAT the following dates have been set for youth events in 2017:**
 March 17-18, 2017 High School Mission Retreat Black Mountain Home
 April 29, 2017 Youth Adventure Day Camp Grier
 July 11-19, 2017 International Mission Trip Guatemala
- 15 THAT the PWNC Youth Ministry Committee will be sponsoring a Youth Leaders FORUM on Saturday, March 4, 2017 at Waldensian Presbyterian Church. The leaders for this event will be the Reverends James Holeman and Michael Poulos.**
- 16. THAT the Presbyterian Women will be holding their Spring Gathering on:**
 April 8, 2017 – First Presbyterian Church, Newton
 Speaker: Melissa Bane Sevier
- 17. THAT the Mission Committee will be offering a mission trip to West Virginia to help with flood recovery.**
 Date: April 30 – May 6, 2017
 Cost: \$250 per person for a week
Registration information can be found on the Presbytery website.
(www.presbyterywnc.org)
- 18. THAT thanks was expressed to Rev. Michael Bailey for chairing the General Council during 2016, and for his years of service on the General Council and dedicated service to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina.**

19. THAT thanks was expressed to Bob McFerren, Dot Descieux, Jay Crane, Dwight Christenbury, and Melvin Meares for their years on the General Council and their dedicated service to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina.

20. THAT thanks was extended for the work of Lisa Pressley, Comptroller, and Jack Suddreth, Treasurer, for their work during 2016 and their continued service to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina.

21. THAT the following dates have been set for 2017 and 2018 Presbytery Meetings:

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

Following a procedure approved by Presbytery, the Stated Clerk recommended that the Presbytery accept the recommendations of various committees regarding the General Assembly's Amendments to the Constitution. Amendments 16.C1-C8; and 16-F were removed from the recommendations to be discussed further. The remaining Amendments were voted on, sustaining the recommendations of the committees. Thus, following discussion, Amendments 16.C.1 – C.8 were approved. The Presbytery, then considered Amendments 16.A (Child and Youth Protection Policy) and 16.D (Relationship to the PC(USA) of a Person Who Has Renounced Jurisdiction of the Church. These amendments were considered carefully and prayerfully. The Presbytery voted on approval of 16.A and disapproval of 16.D.

| Amendment | PROPOSED AMENDMENT | |
|-----------|---|-----------|
| 16.A. | Child and Youth Protection Policy—On Amending G-3.0106 | APPROVE |
| 16.B | Parity in Committees—On Amending G-3.0109 | APPROVE |
| 16.C | Ordered Ministry Titles 16-C.1.—On Amending F-3.0202 16-C.2.—On Amending G-2.0102 16-C.3.—On Amending G-2.0301 16-C.4.—On Amending G-2.05 and G-2.0501 16-C.5.—On Amending G-2.0701 16-C.6.—On Amending G-3.0307 16-C.7.—On Amending Titles in Directory for Worship and Rules of Discipline 16-C.8.—On Amending W-4.4001a. | APPROVE |
| 16.D. | Relationship to the PC(USA) of a Person Who Has Renounced Jurisdiction of the Church 16-D.1.—On Amending G-2.0509 | DISPPROVE |

| | | |
|-------|---|---------|
| | 16-D.2.—On Amending D-10.0401 | |
| 16.E. | Certified Service Requirements—On Amending G-2.1101 | APPROVE |
| 16.F. | The Ministry of Members—On Amending G-1.0304 | APPROVE |

Two more proposed amendments concerning the revised Directory of Worship are scheduled for consideration by this Presbytery at the April 25, 2017 Presbytery meeting at Montreat. An overview of the revised Directory of Worship was given by Jane Vann, Kathy Campbell and James Aydelotte. They urged all to attend one of two informative seminars regarding the changes to be held on February 28 at Canton Presbyterian Church and March 28 at Northminster Presbyterian Church.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Personnel Committee, Otis Wilson reported on the work of the committee for 2016, presented the salaries of the Program Staff for 2017, and gave a report of their recommendations for 2017. The Personnel Committee recommended a 2% salary increase for the Presbytery staff be implemented for 2017. The motion was moved, seconded and approved. (Appendix L)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Finance Committee, teaching elder Jay Crane updated the Presbytery on the work of the committee, the Presbytery, church contributions and Presbytery revenue and expenses.

The 2017 Budget of \$1,048,639 was presented, with the endorsement of the General Council, based on anticipated donations from churches being submitted during 2017. He expressed thanks to the Presbytery of WNC for the difference they are making in the churches. A motion was made to approve the 2017 budget. The 2017 Budget of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina was approved. (Appendix M)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Teaching Elder Adam Bowling and Ruling Elder Rick Leissner reported on the work of the committee and announced the Spiritual Retreat to be held on March 31-April 1, 2017 at the Bonclarken Conference Center in Flat Rock, NC. (Appendix N)

MINISTRY CAMPAIGN

Participants of the Ministry Campaign Leadership Team, Feild Russell and Dick Larson, presented the latest edition of “Wait, Wait, Don’t Ask,” with reports using various disguises on the progress of the Building H.O.P.E. Campaign. The campaign has reached \$1.7 million through contributions and pledges, with the anticipation of additional contributions. (Appendix O)

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Teaching Elder Joseph Taber reported on the work of the committee and upcoming events. Events scheduled for 2017 were highlighted:

- March 4, 2017 – Youth Leader FORUM
- March 17-18, 2017 – High School Mission Retreat
- April 29, 2017 – Youth Adventure Day at Camp Grier
- July 11-19, 2017 – International Mission Trip to Guatemala

Congregations were encouraged to check out the Presbytery website and get their youth involved in these awesome events. (Appendix P)

**CHURCHES AND PASTORS
COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY
I. WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry, Ruling Elder John Pea reported on the actions taken by the Committee on Ministry on behalf of the Presbytery. (Appendix Q)

Ruling Elder John Pea reported that the following ministers requested that their membership be transferred:

- Rev. Michael Bailey to Sheppard and Lapsley Presbytery, to the First Presbyterian Church, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, effective December 1, 2016.
- Rev. Steven Barnes to Greater Atlanta Presbytery, to Northminster Presbyterian Church, Roswell, Georgia, effective August 26, 2016.

Ruling Elder John Pea reported that the following minister requested honorable retirement:

- Rev. Joel David Cherry, Honorably Retired, effective January 1, 2017

**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY
II. INTRODUCTION OF NEW MINISTERS**

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry and the Examinations Sub-Committee, Teaching Elder Lauren Vanacore introduced Wanda Neely, John Nelson Pope, and Thom Nelson, as new ministers in the Presbytery. They 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 Q)

- Rev. Wanda Neely from New Hope Presbytery, to First Presbyterian Church, Morganton as Transitional Pastor, effective February 15, 2017.
- Rev. John Nelson Pope from Presbytery of the Pines, to Montreat College as Associate Professor of Counselor Education, effective January 10, 2017.
- Rev. Thom Nelson from Great Rivers Presbytery as Honorably Retired, effective January 10, 2017.

**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY
III. ORDINATION/INSTALLATION**

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry and the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, Rev. Lauren Vanacore and Rev. Bob Tuttle introduced Lisle Garrity. As Lisle is a candidate of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina, she delivered a sermon and was approved and recommended by the Committee on Preparation for Ministry. Rev. Vanacore moved, on behalf of the Committee on Ministry and the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, that she be ordained by the Presbytery. The motion passed and Rev. Vanacore offered prayer. Representative from Black Mountain Presbyterian Church were recognized. (Appendix Q)

The Rev. Bobbi White, General Presbyter, presented Lisle Garrity with a Guatemalan stole as a welcome to the Presbytery.

**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY
IV. VALIDATION OF MINISTRIES**

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry, Ruling Elder John Pea moved that the Presbytery validate the ministries of the following: (Appendix Q)

- Lisle Garrity, as Creative Director, A Sanctified Art LLC, through January 28, 2018.
- Katie Cashwell, as Director of Programs, Montreat Conference Center, through January 28, 2018.

- Evelyn Coleman, as Director for Programs, Montreat Conference Center, through January 28, 2018.
- Kitty Rankin, as Pastor to Seniors, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, through January 28, 2018.
- John Pope, as Associate Professor of Counselor Education, Montreat College, through January 28, 2018.

REPORT OF GENERAL PRESBYTER

Bobbi White, General Presbyter, emphasized that she felt 2017 will bring challenges to the Presbytery and to the church. She stressed that we need to rely on God's help and to understand what is important to our faith. She encouraged everyone to share their faith and invite others to worship at their churches. (Appendix R)

YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTEERS

Andy Thomas, a Young Adult Volunteer (YAD), presented an informative talk about the PC(USA) YAD Program and urged Presbyterians to invite someone to come to their church and make a presentation. Andy is currently serving in the Asheville area at the 12 Baskets Café, working with those who are considered to be living in poverty.

Kathy Meachem, a Board Member of the Hands and Feet of Asheville, also spoke to the Presbytery in support of the Young Adult Volunteer Program through the PC(USA).

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rev. Daria Ragan led the Presbytery in prayers of intercession.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Teaching Elder John Pruitt, Transitional pastor of New Hope Presbyterian Church, Gastonia and Ruling Elder Linda Hobson, Montreat Presbyterian Church, submitted the following Resolution of Thanks for the 111th meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina held at the historic First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton, NC.

WHEREAS being able to assemble, walking on heart of pine wooden floors where many saints have trod for 100 years to worship and to address church business, we are grateful, and

WHEREAS the assembly was welcomed with warm hospitality by the body of believers at First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton

AND WHEREAS we give thanks for:

- A service of worship and celebration of the Lord's Supper that inspired attendees to think about God's call to unlikely people as we all are directed to "Go To The Street Called Straight"
- Service of Necrology celebrating the life and ministry of Teaching and Ruling Elders who entered the Church Triumphant in 2016;
- A decent and in order discussion and vote on Amendments 16.B, 16.C, 16.E, and 16.F;
- Jane Vann's paper power point presentation, Introduction to the proposed Revisions to the Presbyterian Church (USA) Directory of Worship;
- The inspiring examination and approved ordination of Lisle Gwynn Garrity to a validated ministry as Creative Director, A Sanctified Art LLC;
- For ministers transferring: Teaching Elders Wanda Neely, John Nelson Pope, and Thom Nelson;
- Recognition of the honorable retirement of Teaching Elder Joel David Cherry;
- The latest edition of "Wait, Wait, Don't Ask," with reports from Bo Cephas, Percy of Possum Trot, and several other friends on the progress of the Building Hope Campaign;

- The work of the Finance Committee in presenting a sustainable 2017 Budget;
- The planning of the Christian Education Committee for a Spirituality Retreat this spring, including writing and receiving a grant to make it an affordable retreat for all;
- For the fine work of the Youth Committee in developing programs and mission trips for our youth;
- For Bobbi White’s encouragement of all Presbyterians to invite people to come to worship at their churches;
- The good news Jordan Davis shared of the ministry of Union Presbyterian Seminary;
- Andy Thomas’ faith testimony on being a YAD and the ministry of 12 Baskets in Asheville;
- The staff and leadership of the Presbytery office for their hard work in preparing all the materials for the meeting, sending them to participants, and ensuring that the meeting runs smoothly;
- People across the region who give of their time, talent, and resources to serve God through the Presbytery and for those visitors who attended the meeting;
- A time of fellowship with friends from across the Presbytery;
- The installation of 2017 Moderator Susan Denne and Vice-Moderator Melvin Meares;

NOW THEREFORE, we resolve that God, from whom every good and gracious blessing comes, be praised, and we offer thanksgiving to God for the divine love and mercy that surrounds us all the days of our lives, both as a covenant people and as individuals, nourishing us with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love to respond to God’s calling in the night with ”Here Am I Lord, I will go Lord if you lead me” to witness and service so all will know of God’s gracious love and care.

BENEDICTION AND ADJOURNMENT

With the business of the 111th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina completed and adjournment voted, Moderator Denne adjourned the meeting at 12:55 p.m. with prayer.

NEXT MEETING

The 112th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina will be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, North Carolina.

These minutes were prepared by the following:

Susan Denne, Moderator

D. Cameron Murchison, Stated Clerk

Robbin Buchanan, Assistant Stated Clerk

These minutes to be approved by Presbytery on April 25, 2017 at its meeting at the Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, North Carolina.

APPENDICES

- A. Consent Agenda**
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- G. Administrative Commission Report for First Presbyterian Church, Lenoir**
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