

***Appendices A-F are not posted with these minutes but are available with the Presbytery papers that were posted for the meeting.***

The Presbytery of Whitewater Valley held its 168<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting at First Presbyterian Church at Anderson, Indiana, convening at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 11, 2011. Following registration and refreshments, commissioners gathered in the sanctuary to gathering music by Damion Mead, Organist at Anderson-First. The meeting opened with a morning litany, opening hymn, and convening prayer by Moderator Judith Trabue. Rev. Ryan Rasmussen, pastor of First Presbyterian Church welcomed the group.

Moderator Judith Trabue called the meeting to order and confirmed that there was a quorum of voting presbyters (10% of the total eligible minister and elder commissioners).

The roll of the Presbytery was established by registration as follows – all persons were present except those marked with \*; the number in parenthesis ( ) indicates the number of elder commissioners allowed to vote from that congregation; + identifies ministers of another denomination:

### ATTENDANCE

<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>CLERGY</u>	<u>COMMISSIONERS</u>
Anderson, First (4)	Ryan D. Rasmussen Donna Madewell, CLP	Ida Campbell Judy Hatley Caroli Wolfe * Richard Peck *
Avon, Whitelick (2)	Kimberly Olson	Annetta Davis * Virginia Sheets
Bluffton, First (3)	Robert E. Madsen	Pam Gibson Ted K. Smith Ira Zadylak
Boggestown (1)	Sandra Martin, CLP	William T. Johnson
Brookville, Mt. Carmel (1)	+Andrew Zinsmeister *	John Hoffman *
Clayton (1)	David L. McDonald *	Barbara Edmondson *
Connersville, First (1)	Mitch Coggin	Fred Sess
Decatur, First (1)	Marcia Cline, CLP	Janet M. Macklin
Edinburgh, First (1)	Rachel A. Wann	Keith Pierse *
Elwood, First (1)	Linda E. Philabaun	Wanda Helm
Fishers, New Hope (5)	Steven J. Ebling *	Bob Gardner * Karen Dowden * James L. Beatty * Heidi Hollings * Martha Nelson *
Fort Wayne, Calvary Third (4)	Vacant	Dennis Fischer
Fort Wayne, First (6)	Edwin J. Dykstra * Youngsoo An * Ann Pitman *	Betty-Alice Almeida Mary Schneider * Judy Dawes Gary Stebbins Vrina Stebbins
Fort Wayne, Grace (3)	Laura Sherwood	Tammy Menkes Will Searer James Wolfe
Fort Wayne, Trinity (1)	Kevin R. Boyd *	Barbara Boyd *

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Fort Wayne, United Faith (1)	Hal V. Thomas	Gregory White *
Franklin, First (3)	Peter F. Jessen	Doug Andrews Marge Rook Constance Eggers
Greenfield, First (1)	John J. Paulson, CLP	Katherine Harper
Greensburg, First (2)	Steven R. Matthies *	Judy Rust Joe Westhafer *
Greensburg, Kingston (1)	Vacant	Rheadawn Metz *
Greensburg, Springhill (1)	Vacant	Max Neimeyer *
Greenwood, Center Grove (4)	Scott N. Fouts * Sally A. Earl, CLP *	Joe Dotzlaf * Marge Slauter * Ed Williams * Andy Wiesman
Greenwood (3)	Cheryl Montgomery *	Judith A. Lovejoy * Joe Nelson * Kay Talley *
Hartford City, First (1)	David R. Smith	Helen Musselman
Indianapolis, Fairview (3)	John R. Koppitch	Kaye Hirt Eggleston * Mark Lawson Ruby Matthews
Indianapolis, Faith (5)	Charlotte Lohrenz	Dave Percy Diane T. Rhodes Norm Terando Chuck Berning *
Indianapolis, First-Meridian Heights (4)	Robert Agnew Trish Lisa *	Margo Gaines * Eric Moy *
Indianapolis, Immanuel (1)	Betty J. Griffin	DeWillican Middleton
Indianapolis, Irvington (5)	Robert A. Heimach Galen L. Schwarz *	Luanne Hogg * Pat Lewis * Patrick Wooden * Jenny Giddens * JonPauwee *
Indianapolis, John Knox (3)	W. Franklin Mansell * Lisa K. Crismore, CLP	Vivian Hale * Cyd Kladden Ginny Shaw *
Indianapolis, Korean (1)	Hyung (Howard) Kim	Thomas Kim
Indianapolis, Northminster (5)	Teri L. Thomas * Ruth C. Moore *	Jean Dodds Lisa Tait Longo
Indianapolis, Orchard Park (6)	Gary Ziegler * Michael Ireland * Kevin J. Long	Carolyn Barnes * Tony Kupinski * Amy Smith * Joe McDonald Rob Peterson * Dave Steiger *

Indianapolis, Saint Andrew (2)	Gretchen Schneider	Philip Votaw Benjamin Busald *
Indianapolis, Second (10)	Lewis F. Galloway W. Glen Bell Joyce E. Hunn James W. Riley David A. Berry * Karen L. Lang * Richard Baker Caroline Dennis	Gretchen Brown Linda Rinker Mark A. Huesing Natalie Auberry Charles Liles John L. Miller Howard Pelham Ina Van Duyn Robert Everitt * Larry Robertson * William Roberts
Indianapolis, Southminster (2)	Gregory L. Glover	Ronald Rockey Joseph R. Woods *
Indianapolis, Tabernacle (5)	L. John Gable * Oscar A. Clavel	Don Heitman * Bob Shaw Gary Nickel * Dan Schroeder * Thomas Wirt
Indianapolis, Westminster (1)	Vacant	Donna Studevent
Indianapolis, Witherspoon (3)	L. Bryant Parker	Nina Graham * Geraldine Malone Claud Pace *
Jonesboro, First of Grant County (1)	Alan V. Pareis	Karen Owen
Knightstown, Bethel (1)	Peter S. Zinn	Glenn Orr
Lewisville, Ebenezer (1)	Peter S. Zinn	George W. Pierce *
Lewisville, First (1)	Peter S. Zinn	Dwight Sweet *
Liberty, First (1)	Dawn A. Gold *	Barbara Montgomery
Marion, Westminster (3)	Justin I. Schlesinger-Devlin	Jacqueline Hancock * Jeff Raver * Eric Walts *
McCordsville, Christ (1)	Nancy A. Howard *	Miki Bean
Muncie, First (5)	Ronald L. Naylor * David B. Jewett MyungKu Lee Carrie Jo Miller, CLP *	Scott Shockley * Steve Cooper Gloria Courtright * Janie Miller * Bob Wadsworth *
Muncie, St. Andrew (1)	Melodie C. Wager *	Scott Knight *
New Castle, First (4)	M. Rex Espiritu	James Overmyer Dee Dorr * Beverly Cherry * Val McNelis *
Noblesville, First (3)	Eric R. Gale	Thomas H. Bader * Fredric Powell Judith Sauers

Ossian (2)	Jay E. Cline	David Anderson Ted Martz *
Plainfield, Hope United (1)	Gray Marshall *	Shirley Jones *
Portland, First (1)	Deborah Bowsher *	Julia Schwomeyer
Richmond, First (3)	David A. Layman *	Guy Guthrie Jon Richwine * Bill Stackhouse
Richmond, Reid Memorial (1)	Joseph T. Fields	
Rushville, First (1)	Dena E. Vittorio	Jon Martin *
Rushville, Trinity (1)	Mick Saunders, CLP	June Wayt
Shelbyville, First (3)	Mark E. Morningstar	Frank Learned William Mitchell Mike Whitfield *
Tipton, First (1)	Linda E. Philabaun	Robert L. Moore
Union City, First (1)	+Roberta Hart *	
Westfield, CrossRoads (1)	Eric G. Lohe *	Chris Kemp *
Winchester, First (1)	Chérie L. Isakson	Jane Passmore
Zionsville (6)	Glenn W. McDonald * Scott T. Shelton * R. Patrick Smith * Donna S. Pollard, CLP James G. Dougherty, CLP	Don Armstrong Kevin J. Garvey * Cindy Bauer * Jeff Colton * Steve Wright Jack Ellett *

## **MINISTERS ON THE ROLL**

### ACTIVE ROLL, VALIDATED MINISTRY

Eleanor (Bunny) Alexander *	Elizabeth N. Howell *	Leonel Pech *
Sarah Brouwer	Carol Johnston *	Sergei Petrov
David A. Chaddock	Jessica Konker	Tim S. Shapiro *
L. Vern Farnum *	George F. LaMaster *	Robert Wauzzinski *
Joy Bilger Goehring *	Deborah S. Mansell *	

### MINISTERS AT LARGE

Terry Anderson *	Theodore Dorman *	Peggy McDonald *
Sharon Azbell *	Lee Dorsey *	John Stephen Park *
Jeanie Barnes *	F. James Friedewald *	Daniel W. Sutherin *
Kevin G. Bausman	Gerald Kuyk	Wallace F. Wilson
David W. Comstock	Lorna Kuyk *	Elizabeth B. Wood *
Merrill Cook *	Robert B. McAulay, Jr.	

### HONORABLY RETIRED

Robert Amon *	Robert Hunter *	W. W. Ridenour
David Bae *	George R. Jackson *	Anne L. Rose *
William Barrett *	Thelma Sue King *	Barbara A. Sloop
J. Donald Boebinger *	Robert D. Leas *	Quentin N. Small *
Raymond Bowden *	S. Kim Leech *	L. Wayne Smith *
George Boyle *	Loran Lewis *	Richard C. Smith *
Bruce Brown *	A. Howard Lindquist *	

John Burhorn \*  
 Robert B. Clark \*  
 F. William Clemenson \*  
 John Constant \*  
 Judith A. Cook \*  
 Henry S. Date \*  
 Donald R. Durrett \*  
 Janet L. Dykstra \*  
 Herbert C. Eggleston \*  
 William G. Enright \*  
 William Fogg \*  
 Julian R. Gresham \*  
 William O. Harris \*  
 William H. Hudnut \*

Sheldon Logan \*  
 Donald R. MacPherson \*  
 P. Keith Main \*  
 Joan Malick \*  
 Raymond J. Marquette  
 Jack R. Masters \*  
 Alan McCraine \*  
 Robert C. McGinnis \*  
 Ralph Mitchell \*  
 Elsworth (Bud) Morack \*  
 Harrison C. Neal \*  
 David F. Noble \*  
 Curtis Page \*  
 Patricia S. Reid \*

James R. Snyder \*  
 Erik L. Spencer \*  
 Richard Stenner \*  
 Robert S. Stewart \*  
 Paul R. Stone \*  
 Edgar A. Towne \*  
 R. Glen Traver \*  
 Byung Sub Van \*  
 William J. Weber \*  
 Arthur C. Whitaker \*  
 John R. Wineman \*  
 James S. Wolfe \*

#### PRESBYTERY STAFF

T. Alan Thames  
 Felipe Martinez  
 Fernando Rodriguez

Fabio Socarraz \*  
 Barry Sumner \*  
 Gregory Thomas

#### ELDER COUNCIL MEMBERS

Sally Barnes  
 Linda Bennett \*  
 Connie Brown \*  
 Sandra Crawford \*  
 Barbara Edmondson \*

Guy Guthrie (Commissioner)  
 Eric Herzog  
 Mark Huesing (Commissioner)  
 Girtha R. Perkins \*  
 Ellen Schramm \*

Gary Stebbins (Commissioner)  
 Rich Swartwood \*  
 Judi Trabue

#### CORRESPONDING MEMBERS

Maggie Lauterer, Western North Carolina Presbytery

#### VISITORS

Barbara L. Meriweather  
 Mable Chulock  
 Faye McDaniel  
 Jim Hill  
 Sandra Reid  
 Mary Ruth Snyder  
 Sue Miller

Jen Knebel  
 Sue Smith  
 Rebekah Lawson  
 Sue Smith  
 Jim VanDuyn  
 Ed Friel  
 Caroline Seese

Beau Brown (Inquirer)  
 Tyler Gibson (Inquirer)  
 Jennifer Lipinski (Inquirer)  
 Jennifer Loeb (Candidate)  
 Ronald Rockey (Candidate)  
 (Commissioner)  
 Brian Shivers (Candidate)

#### DOCKET

The proposed docket was approved. The docket follows:

Whitewater Valley Presbytery  
 PRESBYTERY DOCKET – May 11, 2011  
 9:30 AM – Registration 10:00 AM – Call Meeting to Order  
 First Presbyterian Church, Anderson, Indiana

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9:55	Gathering Music <i>"This is the Day the Lord has Made"</i>	Congregation
10:00-10:30 a.m.	A CALL TO WORSHIPFUL WORK MORNING LITANY MORNING HYMN <i>"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"</i> CONVENING PRAYER WORDS OF WELCOME CALL TO ORDER Establishing Roll and Quorum Action – Docket Approval	Elder Judith Trabue, Moderator  # 476 PH A Elder Judith Trabue, Moderator Rev. Ryan Rasmussen, Host Pastor

Introduction of New Elder Commissioners & New Pastors  
Seating Corresponding Members

## STATED CLERK'S REPORT

10:30-11:20

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

New Testament Scripture *James 1:1-6, 16-18*A Keynote Message *"True Colors"* Rev. Maggie Lauterer  
Montreat Presbyterian Church, Montreat, NC

*During the sermon, Rev. Ray Marquette, Associate Executive  
Presbyter Emeritus, will construct a mobile celebrating the mission  
and ministry of our Presbytery, Synod and the PC(USA)  
denomination. Templates of the mobile will be distributed to each  
commissioner for copying and use in their own church. Our goal is  
to have one mobile prominently displayed in each church. We are  
connected!*

Presbytery Offering &amp; Prayer – Pentecost Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving

11:20-11:40

## ORDINATION EXAMINATION

Rev. David Comstock, CPM Moderator

Mr. Brian Shivers, Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

11:40-11:50

MY SPIRITUAL JOURNEY *"A Great Cloud of Witnesses"*

Mr. Brian Shivers

11:55-12:45

## PRAYER and DISMISSAL FOR LUNCH

Elder Donna Madewell, CLP  
Anderson-First

12:50

## RECONVENE WITH GATHERING MUSIC

12:55

## EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER'S REPORT &amp; ANNOUNCEMENTS

1:05

## BIG TENT EVENT

Elder Jen Knebel

1:10

## COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR EXAMINATION

Rev. Hal Thomas

Elder Jim Hill, Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

1:20

## SYNERGOS! Presentation

Rev. Mark Morningstar

1:35

## INQUIRER TO CANDIDATE EXAMS

Rev. Dave Comstock

Mr. Tyler Gibson, First Presbyterian Church, Bluffton

Mr. Beau Brown, Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

1:55

## COORDINATING COUNCIL REPORT

Rev. Joe Fields

2012 First Read Budget

Elder Gary Stebbins

Receive Reported Actions

## COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT

Recommended actions to approve retirements:

Rev. Theodore Dorman, Rev. Wallace Wilson, Rev. Gary Ziegler

Receive Reported Actions

## OLD BUSINESS

## NEW BUSINESS

2:25

## FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

A Service of Communion

Celebrant, Rev. Ryan Rasmussen

2:55

## ADJOURN WITH PRAYER

Elder Judi Trabue, Moderator

Benediction Sung in Unison *"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"*

-----End of Docket-----

New elder commissioners were introduced. Rev. Hal Thomas introduced new pastors to the Presbytery (Bob Agnew, Interim at First-Meridian Heights, Indianapolis; Mitch Coggin, Interim at Connersville-First) as well as those with changes within the Presbytery (Gerry Kuyk, Interim at Indianapolis-Fairview; Brian Shivers, Associate at Indianapolis-Second; Jim Hill, CLP at Indianapolis-Westminster; Gray Marshall, Installed Pastor at Plainfield-Hope United; Dan Sutherin, Chaplain at Westminster Village North; and Vern Farnum, Coordinator of Chaplains at Indiana Health Center.

It was M/S/P to seat Rev. Margaret Lauterer, Western North Carolina Presbytery, as a corresponding member.

### **STATED CLERK'S REPORT**

Elder Greg Thomas, Stated Clerk, reported:

1. The case against Jim Friedewald was presented to the Permanent Judicial Commission and the commission approved the Consent Agreement. It was monitored by the Committee on Ministry. The hearing went well with no issues.
2. The current results of the Amendment votes as shown on the PC(USA) website:  
Form of Government: 72 for and 64 against  
Confession of Belhar: 68 for and 42 against  
G-6.016b Gifts and Requirements: 80 for and 62 against
3. Session Records Review Results: Out of 63 churches, 53 were approved with no exceptions, 2 were approved with comments, and 8 churches did not present their records for review. Mr. Thomas expressed thanks to the churches who hosted the reviews.  
**[See Appendix A for full Session Records Review report]**

There was a motion to accept the Stated Clerk's report. The motion was seconded and passed.

### **ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES**

**June through August [See Appendix B]**

### **A KEYNOTE MESSAGE**

Elder Kristy Quinn, part of the Leadership Development Team of Council, introduced Rev. Maggie Lauterer, Supply Pastor of Montreat Presbyterian Church, Montreat, North Carolina, as our keynote speaker for the day. Rev. Lauterer's message was entitled, "True Colors," using James 1:1-6, 16-18 as the scriptural text which tells us to pray for help and ask boldly. Our faith life is forced into the open and shows its true colors; the presence of the Holy Spirit is necessary in our life every day. Her message showed ways to invite new persons into fellowship with Jesus Christ to grow our churches.

During the presentation Rev. Ray Marquette, Associate Executive Presbyter Emeritus, constructed a mobile celebrating the mission and ministry of our Presbytery, Synod and the PC(USA) denomination. Templates of the mobile were distributed to the commissioners for copying and use in their own church. The goal was to have one mobile prominently displayed in each church to show that we are connected.

An offering for Pentecost was received. A total of \$750.00 was collected. Rev. Gretchen Schneider offered prayer.

### **ORDINATION EXAMINATION**

Rev. David Comstock, Moderator of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, presented Mr. Brian Shivers, to be examined for ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament. Brian was certified to receive a call by the Committee on Preparation for Ministry and has a call as Associate Pastor for Youth and College Ministries at Second Presbyterian Church. Following his faith statement and a period of examination by the members of the Presbytery, a motion to arrest the examination was made, seconded, and passed. Rev. Comstock moved to sustain the examination of Brian as Minister of Word and Sacrament and that he be approved for ordination and membership in the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley. There was no discussion and the motion passed. Family and friends from Second Presbyterian were invited to join Brian as Rev. Lewis Galloway led the Presbytery in prayer.

### **A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY**

Brian Shivers shared his spiritual journey by remembering the "great cloud of witnesses" who have been mentors and supporters throughout his pre-ordained ministry.

### **PRAYER AND LUNCH**

Elder Donna Madewell gave directions for lunch and the prayer of blessing for the food. We dismissed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

### **RECONVENE**

Presbytery reconvened in the sanctuary at 12:55 p.m.

## **EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER'S REPORT**

Rev. Alan Thames, Executive Presbyter, welcomed announcements, joys, concerns, and adult baptisms.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Rev. Thames updated the Amendments vote report as just last night the 87<sup>th</sup> Presbytery voted "Yes" to change the G-6.016b Gifts and Requirements wording and the unofficial count as of today is 88 affirmative votes. 87 affirmative votes were needed for Amendment 10A to pass. Rev. Thames will be sending a pastoral letter and resources to churches for use with their congregations regarding the passage of this amendment.
- Rev. Thames gave thanks for the contributions received for the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to Japan after the tornado and tsunami in that area.
- Rev. Thames told of the Indianapolis New Church Discernment group that is investigating the possibility of a new church development in downtown Indianapolis. He invited any interested persons to join in with the discernment group.
- There will be a Pastors' Retreat on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, to Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, at Geneva Center.
- Pyoca camps are filling at an historic rate, 55 campers ahead of last year at this time. There is a new program this summer – Family Camp from August 12-14. 2012 Retreat reservations will begin soon. As part of the Capital Campaign the septic system and phase one of the dam renovation is taking place.
- Other announcements included the annual fish fry at Fairview on June 2-3; Kirkin' of the Tartan at Anderson-First; Connecting with God workshop on September 16 and 17 at Second Presbyterian Church; Richmond-Reid Memorial is celebrating 150-year anniversary of the sanctuary; Rushville-Trinity is celebrating five new members; Strawberry Festival at Greenfield-First on June 3<sup>rd</sup>; Korean church will have a celebration on May 21 at 7:00 p.m.

### **JOYS, BAPTISMS, AND CONCERNS**

Seven churches celebrated adult baptisms since the last Presbytery meeting, including several requests for baptism by immersion.

Rev. Thames remembered two ministers who died in 2010 (Carol Farr and Elbert Smith), then read the names of churches on the Necrology Report that had elders die during 2010 and remembered the ministers and the elders in prayer. **[See Appendix C for the Necrology Report]**

Rev. Thames asked Rev. Betty Griffin to come forward and gave thanks for her ministry in Whitewater Valley as she has received a new call to the First Presbyterian Church in Mt. Vernon, New York. Betty will be missed.

Rev. Alan Thames, executive presbyter, led the Presbytery in prayer.

## **BIG TENT EVENT**

Elder Jen Knebel, Event Liaison, encouraged attendance and asked for volunteers for the Big Tent Event to be held in Indianapolis at the JW Marriott on June 30 to July 2, 2011. The Big Tent Event is the national gathering on the alternate years of General Assembly meetings. There are 214 volunteer assignments. Online registration is available.

## **COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR EXAMINATION**

Rev. Hal Thomas presented Jim Hill to be examined for Commissioned Lay Pastor to serve as Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis. Following a presentation of his faith journey and examination by the Presbytery, a motion to arrest the examination was made and passed. It was M/S/P to sustain the examination of Jim and approve his status as Commissioned Lay Pastor to serve at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Moderator Judi Trabue then presided in the service of commissioning as Jim answered the constitutional questions.

Jim was joined by friends and family from Westminster and Second Presbyterian Churches for the laying on of hands and prayer led by Rev. Lewis Galloway.

## **SYNERGOS! PRESENTATION**

Rev. Mark Morningstar announced the *Lead Like Jesus* seminar on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Rev. Felipe Martinez will be leading a similar seminar with 100 of our church partners in Mexico next week.

## **INQUIRER TO CANDIDATE EXAMINATION**

Rev. David Comstock, Moderator of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, introduced Tyler Gibson and Beau Brown, both Inquirers to be examined to be moved to Candidate status.

The first to be examined was Tyler Gibson from First Presbyterian Church in Bluffton. After a time of examination by the members of the Presbytery, the examination was arrested. It was moved that the Presbytery sustain the examination and move Tyler to Candidate status. The motion was approved by voice vote. Members and friends of First Presbyterian Church of Bluffton were invited to join Tyler. Tyler answered the constitutional questions (G-14.0305f) asked by Moderator Judith Trabue.

Next to be examined was Beau Brown from Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis. After a time of examination by the members of the Presbytery, the examination was arrested. It was moved that the Presbytery sustain the examination and move Beau to Candidate status. The motion was approved by voice vote. Members and friends of Second Presbyterian Church were invited to join Beau. Beau answered the constitutional questions (G-14.0305f) asked by Moderator Judith Trabue.

Moderator Judith Trabue led the Presbytery in prayer.

## **COORDINATING COUNCIL REPORT**

Rev. Joseph Fields, Moderator of Council, presented the Coordinating Council report.

### **2012 First Read Budget**

Elders Gary Stebbins and Eric Herzog, Treasurer, presented the 2012 Budget for the First Read. There were no questions.

**[See Appendix D for the 2012 First Read Budget]**

**[See Appendix E for the current financial reports]**

A motion was made and passed to receive the report of the Coordinating Council.

A summary and the reported actions of Coordinating Council follow:

The Coordinating Council was called to order April 9, 2011, 2:30 p.m. at the Benedict Inn, Indianapolis, Indiana. A quorum was present.

The Coordinating Council:

- APPROVED Council minutes of February 23, 2011
- APPROVED Presbytery minutes of February 26 and March 19
- APPROVED a Small Church Gathering Proposal for the purpose of gathering pastors and leaders of smaller membership churches for affirmation, fellowship and exploring potential partnerships and other resources that may be available to them from the Presbytery. This will be hosted by Clayton Presbyterian Church with the date and time to be determined.
- APPROVED Leadership Academy Proposal for continuing education and fellowship opportunities within the Presbytery. The proposal will continue to be developed with a pilot model possibly being offered in the summer or fall of 2011. The cost would be modest with participants covering the cost of lunch and materials if applicable.
- APPROVED a 2011 or 2012 combined Indiana presbyteries event featuring PC(USA) Moderator Cynthia Bolbach.
- APPROVED the First Read 2012 Presbytery Budget for presentation to the May 11, 2011 Presbytery meeting
- APPROVED a recommendation from the Executive Committee that the Executive Committee assist with the development of a Presbytery ballot counting process for future PC(USA) amendment ballot counts.
- CONCURRED with the Executive Committee regarding their response to correspondence received regarding the process for presenting PC(USA) amendments to the Presbytery March 19.
- DISCUSSED feedback received from commissioners regarding presentation of General Assembly amendments at the February 26, 2011 Presbytery meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- That by e-mail the Coordinating Council APPROVED that the Council forward a letter regarding opposition to Senate Bill 590 to Indiana Legislatures
- That by e-mail, the Leadership Development Team APPROVED a special offering for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance/Japan, at the Presbytery meeting March 19.
- That by e-mail the Executive Committee APPROVED there would be no charge for lunch at the Presbytery meeting March 19.

The Coordinating Council adjourned at 4:00 p.m. and the next meeting will be July 13 at Indianapolis-Tabernacle.

*[End of Coordinating Council Report]*

**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY**

Rev. Hal Thomas, Moderator of the Committee on Ministry, presented the Committee on Ministry report. He recommended actions to approve the honorable retirements of:

Rev. Theodore Dorman, effective March 1, 2011

Rev. Wallace Wilson, effective May 1, 2011

Rev. Gary Ziegler, effective August 1, 2011

Retirement certificates will be presented to each of the retirees.

There was a motion to receive the reported actions. The motion passed.

**[See Appendix F for Reported Actions of COM]**

**A SERVICE OF COMMUNION**

Rev. Ryan Rasmussen, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Anderson, led the communion service and administered the sacrament. Communion was served by intinction. Rev. Rasmussen closed the service with prayer.

**ADJOURNMENT AND BENEDICTION**

The 168<sup>th</sup> stated meeting of the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley was adjourned at 2:45 p.m. with prayer by Moderator Judith Trabue and the singing *God Be with You Till We Meet Again*.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next stated meeting of the Presbytery will be on Saturday, August 13, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. at John Knox Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Thomas, Stated Clerk

Ruth Ann MacPherson, Recording Clerk

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