

Appendices A, C, D, E, F, and H are not posted with these minutes but are available with the Presbytery papers that were posted for the meeting. Also, the docket pages are blank, but docket is available with first post papers.

The Presbytery of Whitewater Valley held its 160th Stated Meeting at First Presbyterian Church in Noblesville, Indiana, convening at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 2009. The meeting opened with a call to gather, opening hymn, and prayer. Moderator Hitch Learned called the meeting to order.

Rev. Eric Gale, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Noblesville, welcomed the group and invited people to look around their historic building. He welcomed the confirmation class from Noblesville as visitors at the meeting.

Elder Gary Shaw, Interim Stated Clerk, 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)	Dave Comstock Donna Madewell, CLP	Jack Eflin * Richard Harrison * Judy Hatley Caroli Wolfe
Avon, Whitelick (2)	Joy Bilger Goehring *	Mathew Bryant * Virginia A. Sheets *
Bluffton, First (3)	Robert E. Madsen	Lin Harrold * Neal Pitts * Ira Zadylak
Boggestown (1)	Sandra Martin, CLP	William T. Johnson
Brookville, Mt. Carmel (1)	Vacant	John Hoffman *
Clayton (1)	David L. McDonald	Brenda MacPherson *
College Corner, First, PC (USA) (1)	Vacant	Tonya Paddock
Connersville, First (1)	Martha Williams Jordan	Fred Sess
Decatur, First (1)	Laura M. Sherwood	Sue McConaha
Edinburgh, First (1)	Rachel A. Wann *	Keith Pierse *
Elwood, First (1)	Linda E. Philabaun	Emily Leavell Wanda Helm – Alt.
Fishers, New Hope (5)	Steven J. Ebling	Dave Gay * Keith Tash * Carl Kesling * James L. Beatty *
Fort Wayne, Calvary Third (4)	Vacant Joseph T. Fields	Lois Johnson Julie Schneider Dennis R. Fischer *
Fort Wayne, First (6)	Terry Anderson John Stephen Park * Jeanie K. Barnes * Byeong Cheol Han *	Jean Linville * Vrina Stebbins * Betty-Alice Almeida Judith Dawes Beth L. White

Fort Wayne, Grace (3)	Barbara A. Kenley *	Will Searer Betty Werling James Wolfe
Fort Wayne, Trinity (1)	Kevin R. Boyd *	Sally Little *
Fort Wayne, United Faith (1)	Hal V. Thomas	Kathy Jarvis
Franklin, First (3)	Peter F. Jessen	William Liverett David Rook * Marge Rook *
Franklin, Hopewell (3)	David E. Lee	Leona Burton Melinda Frazier * Mark Myers *
Greenfield, First (1)	John J. Paulson, CLP	Deon Hersberger
Greensburg, First (2)	Kathleen D. Splitt * James A. Splitt *	Judy Rust * Joe Westhafer
Greensburg, Kingston (1)	David Crowley *	Mary Marg Karty *
Greensburg, Springhill (1)	David Crowley *	Scott McCoy *
Greenwood, Center Grove (4)	Alice J. McDowell * Sally A. Earl, CLP	Joe Dotzlaf Marge Slaughter Ed Williams * Andy Wiesman
Greenwood (3)	Cheryl Montgomery *	Conrad Gilliland Dorothy Poynter Kay Talley *
Hartford City, First (1)	David R. Smith	Tom Brown *
Indianapolis, Fairview (3)	John R. Koppitch	Mark Lawson Harriet Wilkins Ruby Matthews
Indianapolis, Faith (5)	Kimberly Olson L. Vern Farnum	Tyke Kuhn Marty Dusel * Libby Courtright * Eric Herzog Norm Terando
Indianapolis, First-Meridian Heights (4)	Curtis Page * Trish Lisa *	
Indianapolis, Immanuel (1)	Betty Gilbert Griffin	Donald Miller
Indianapolis, Irvington (5)	Robert A. Heimach Galen L. Schwarz	Melissa Jester * Kathy Moorhead * Luanne Hogg * Amy Pellor * Pat Lewis *
Indianapolis, John Knox (3)	W. Franklin Mansell * Lisa K. Crismore, CLP	Mark A. Harper * Vivian Hale * Daniel Fisher
Indianapolis, Korean (1)	Choon Man Hong *	

Indianapolis, Northminster (5)	Teri L. Thomas Ruth C. Moore	Jean Dodds Lisa Longo Mark Moore Maureen Purcell Sharyl Stevens Tony Kupinski Carolyn Barnes Rachel Faudree
Indianapolis, Orchard Park (6)	Gary Ziegler * Michael Ireland * Kevin J. Long	Don Niederhauser Phil Votaw
Indianapolis, Saint Andrew (2)	Gretchen Schneider	Don Niederhauser Phil Votaw
Indianapolis, Second (10)	Lewis F. Galloway W. Glen Bell Joyce E. Hunn James W. Riley * David A. Berry * Karen L. Lang Richard Baker	Gretchen Brown Nancy Kriplen Mark A. Huesing Ina Van Duyn Charles Liles John L. Miller Howard Pelham Linda Rinker William Roberts Larry Robertson
Indianapolis, Southminster (2)	Gregory L. Glover	Mary Payne Joseph Woods
Indianapolis, Southport (6)	Vacant Kevin G. Bausman June G. Barrow Steven R. Matthies	Beth Davis David Steiner Mark H. Myers Scott Miles * Dorothy Huff Steve McGee *
Indianapolis, Tabernacle (5)	L. John Gable * Oscar A. Clavel	Phil Freiburger * Ann Reynolds Thomas Wirt Don Heitman Gary Nickel *
Indianapolis, Westminster (1)	Vacant	Laurie Baker *
Indianapolis, Witherspoon (3)	L. Bryant Parker	Faye McDaniel Judi Trabue * Muriel R. Treadwell
Jonesboro, First of Grant County (1)	Lyle J. Ewing	Anita Donaldson
Knightstown, Bethel (1)	Peter S. Zinn *	William Sitler
Lewisville, Ebenezer (1)	Peter S. Zinn *	Mike Waggoner *
Lewisville, First (1)	Peter S. Zinn *	Dwight Sweet *
Liberty, First (1)	Dawn A. Gold *	Karen Rodenburg *
Marion, Westminster (3)	Justin I. Schlesinger-Devlin	Jacqueline S. Hancock * Evelyn Grubb
McCordsville, Christ (1)	Nancy A. Howard	William A. Wasitis

Muncie, First (5)	Ronald L. Naylor David B. Jewett * MyungKu Lee * Carrie Jo Miller, CLP	Nancy Barefoot * Michelle Kaitchuck Don Whitaker * Sue Whitaker * Pat Zeabart
Muncie, St. Andrew (1)	Melodie C. Wager *	James Ong
New Castle, First (4)	M. Rex Espiritu	Phyllis Grant Jerry Krupp * Val McNelis * Jean Overmyer
Noblesville, First (3)	Eric R. Gale	Moffett Craig Bob Sauer Thomas H. Bader
Ossian (2)	Jay E. Cline	David Anderson William Milholland
Plainfield, Hope United (1)	Gray Marshall	Brenda Blue *
Portland, First (1)	Wallace F. Wilson	Tom Young
Richmond, First (3)	David A. Layman	Elaine Goodwin Guy Guthrie * Bill Stackhouse
Richmond, Reid Memorial (1)	Vacant	Anne Johnston *
Rushville, First (1)	Dena E. Vittorio *	Andy Taff *
Rushville, Trinity (1)	Mick Saunders, CLP	June Wayt *
Shelbyville, First (3)	Mark E. Morningstar	Jenna Gunnoe * William Mitchell * Mike Whitfield *
Tipton, First (1)	Linda E. Philabaun	Robert Moore *
Union City, First (1)	+Roberta Hart *	
Westfield, CrossRoads (1)	Eric G. Lohe *	Thomas E. Goins *
Winchester, First (1)	William W. Carr *	Cynthia Carr *
Zionsville (6)	Glenn W. McDonald Scott T. Shelton D. William Azbell * R. Patrick Smith Donna S. Pollard, CLP *	Jim Dougherty Barry Sumner Chuck Vogt

MINISTERS ON THE ROLL

ACTIVE ROLL, VALIDATED MINISTRY

Eleanor (Bunny) Alexander *	Deborah S. Mansell *	Fabio Socarraz (CLP)
James A. Capps *	Alan J. McCraine	Anne Solovey
David A. Chaddock *	Leonel Pech *	Robert Wauzzinski *
Robert Hunter *	Sergei Petrov *	Reggie Weaver
Carol Johnston *	Tim S. Shapiro *	Betsy Wood
George F. LaMaster *	Stacy Smith	

MINISTERS AT LARGE

Sharon Azbell *
 Merrill Cook *
 Theodore Dorman *
 Lee A. Dorsey *
 F. James Friedewald *

Robert Jordan
 Gerard Kuyk
 Robert B. McAulay, Jr. *
 Peggy McDonald *
 Alan V. Pareis *

Katherine Rieder
 Erik L. Spencer
 Daniel W. Sutherin

HONORABLY RETIRED

Robert Amon *
 David Bae *
 William Barrett *
 J. Donald Boebinger *
 Raymond Bowden *
 George Boyle *
 Bruce Brown *
 John Burhorn *
 Robert Clark *
 F. William Clemenson *
 John Constant
 Judith Cook *
 Henry S. Date *
 Roger L. Dean *
 Donald R. Durrett *
 Herbert C. Eggleston
 William G. Enright *
 Carol G. Farr *
 William Fogg *
 Julian R. Gresham *
 William O. Harris *

William H. Hudnut *
 George R. Jackson *
 Thelma Sue King *
 Robert D. Leas
 S. Kim Leech *
 Loran Lewis *
 A. Howard Lindquist *
 Sheldon Logan
 Donald R. MacPherson *
 P. Keith Main *
 Joan Malick *
 Raymond J. Marquette *
 Jack R. Masters *
 Robert C. McGinnis
 Ralph Mitchell *
 Elsworth (Bud) Morack *
 Harrison C. Neal *
 David F. Noble *
 Patricia S. Reid
 W.W. Ridenour

Robert L. Rooker *
 Anne L. Rose *
 Barbara A. Sloop *
 Quentin N. Small *
 Elbert Smith *
 L. Wayne Smith *
 Richard C. Smith *
 James R. Snyder *
 Richard Stenner *
 John G. Stevens
 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
 Gary Shaw

ELDER COUNCIL MEMBERS

Steve Crane *
 Sandra Crawford *
 John Current
 Ed Friel *
 Guy Guthrie (Commissioner) *
 Eric Herzog (Commissioner)

Jim Hill
 William Howell
 Bob Kelley *
 Frank Learned
 Evelyn Miller *
 Toni Morris

David Probst *
 Sandra Reid
 Ellen Schramm *
 Sharyl Stevens (Commissioner)
 Rich Swartwood *
 Judi Trabue (Commissioner) *

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS

None

INQUIRERS & CANDIDATES

Jennifer Loeb
 Ron Rockey
 Donald Miller (Commissioner)

VISITORS

Martha McDonald
 Mable Chulock
 Nadine Hill
 Janice Rockey
 Joel Rockey

Rebekah Lawson
 Mary Ruth Snyder
 Kaye Hirt Eggleston
 Elizabeth Howell
 Jennifer Lipinski

Mary Sumner
 Larry B. Hanni
 John A. Hale
 Janet Ingle
 Elaine Hulsman

Gary Straber
 Michelle Straber
 Kathleen Hutchinson
 Phillip E. Hutchinson

DOCKET

The docket was approved as proposed. The full docket follows:

A DOCKET OF WORSHIP AND WORK

Whitewater Valley Presbytery June 3, 2009

First Presbyterian Church, Noblesville

9:30 AM – Registration 10:00 AM – Call Meeting to Order

- 9:30 Registration & Refreshments
Gathering Music
- 10:00 AM **CALL TO GATHER FOR GOD'S WORK** Moderator, Elder Hitch Learned
 Leader: I look up to the mountains; does my strength come from mountains?
People: No, my strength comes from God, who made heaven and earth and mountains.
 Leader: He won't let you stumble, your Guardian God won't fall asleep.
People: God's your guardian, right at your side to protect you—
 Leader: Shielding you from sunstroke,
People: Sheltering you from moonstroke.
 Leader: God guards you from every evil, he guards your very life.
People: God guards you now, He guards you always.
- OPENING HYMN "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" # 457
 PRAYER OF CONFESSION, SILENT CONFESSION
 FORGIVENESS OF SINS
Lord God: We acknowledge before your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of our own power to do good. Because of our sin, we endlessly violate your holy commandments. But, O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true sorrow asking that your grace will relieve our distress. Have compassion on us, most gracious God, Father of mercies, for the sake of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt, also grant us daily increase of the grace of your Holy Spirit, and produce in us the fruits of holiness and of righteousness pleasing in your sight: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen
- WORDS OF WELCOME Rev. Eric Gale
 CALL TO ORDER Moderator, Hitch Learned
 ESTABLISHING OF ROLL AND QUORUM
- **Action – Docket Approval**
 - A Word About Our Meeting
 - Introduction Of New Elder Commissioners
 - Seating Corresponding Members
- PRAYER OF THE DAY
 INTERIM STATED CLERK'S REPORT Elder Gary Shaw
Action -- Approve Consent Agenda Motion
- CELEBRATING CALVIN "Calvin as Newborn" Rev. Laura Sherwood
 10:25 COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY Elder Martha McDonald
- Introduction of Ministers New to Presbytery
 - Gray Marshall - Ordination Examination **Action**
 - Elizabeth Howell – Ordination Examination **Action**
 - Barry Sumner – Lay Pastor Examination **Action**
- COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY Rev. Steve Matthies
- Jennifer Loeb, Inquirer to Candidate **Action**
 - Ron Rocky, Inquirer to Candidate **Action**
- CELEBRATING CALVIN "Calvin as Theologian" Rev. Peter Jessen

11:15	PROCLAIMING THE WORD	
	SCRIPTURE	
	OFFERING – Pentecost	
	COMMUNION	Rev. L. Bryant Parker
	PRAYER	
NOON	LUNCH	
12:55	Gathering Music	
1:00	WE RESPOND TO THE WORD	
	GATHERING HYMN “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”	#356
	CELEBRATING CALVIN “Calvin as Pastor”	Rev. Jay Cline
	EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER’S REPORT	Rev. Alan Thames
	Announcements/Joys/Baptisms/Concerns of the Presbytery	
	A WORD FROM PYOCA	Elder Rich Swartwood
	COLLEGE CORNER ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION REPORT	Rev. David McDonald
	Receive Report	
	LAYING DOWN AND LETTING GO	
	HYMN “Come and Find the Quiet Center”	
	COORDINATING COUNCIL REPORT	Elder Sandra Reid
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	NEW BUSINESS	
3:00	FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD	
	CLOSING MOTIONS	
	CELEBRATING CALVIN “Calvin as Humanist”	Rev. Richard Baker
	HYMN OF SENDING “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”	#438
	BENEDICTION	
	ADJOURNMENT	

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

A WORD ABOUT OUR MEETING

Moderator Hitch Learned reviewed the business of the day, highlighting the celebration of John Calvin’s ministry and 500th birthday. [See Appendix A for his full letter of welcome and explanation]

New elder commissioners were introduced. There were no corresponding members to be seated.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Rev. Laura Sherwood led the Prayer of the Day by reading a morning prayer written by John Calvin.

INTERIM STATED CLERK’S REPORT

Elder Gary Shaw, Interim Stated Clerk, made an amendment to the Session Records Review report in the packet to include the Session records for First Presbyterian Church, Decatur, Indiana and First Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana, as approved without exception. He then moved that the consent agenda be accepted. The motion was seconded and the consent agenda was accepted.

The Consent Agenda follows:

ACTION

The Presbytery adopted the following reports as published on this Consent Agenda:

1. Reported actions of the Committee on Ministry (follows COM Report)
2. Reported actions of the Coordinating Council (follows Council Report)
3. Mission Focus Unit Budget Income Statement First Quarter 2009 (**See Appendix H**)
4. Mission Operations Unit Income Statement First Quarter 2009 (**See Appendix H**)
5. Fund Balances by Restriction First Quarter 2009 (**See Appendix H**)
6. Necrology Report (**See Appendix B**)
7. Session Records Review Report (**See Appendix C**)
8. 2009 Terms of Call Report (**See Appendix D**)

Ordination Anniversaries

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

CELEBRATING CALVIN

In recognition of John Calvin's 500th birthday in July, Presbytery is celebrating Calvin today by looking at different aspects of who Calvin really is. Rev. Laura Sherwood started with Calvin as Newborn, covering the years from Calvin's infancy through his college days when he had a profound religious experience and was influenced greatly by reformed thinking between 1532 and 1533.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

Elder Martha McDonald, Moderator of the Committee on Ministry, introduced new pastors in the Presbytery:

Kimberly Olson, Interim Minister at Faith Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

Caroline Dennis, Associate Minister at Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

Martha expressed blessings and best wishes to Rev. Larry Moslener who is moving from Associate Pastor at Northminster Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, to Interim Pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Peru, Indiana.

COM presented three persons for ordination examinations:

Martha presented James Gray Marshall to be examined for ordination. Gray has a call as Designated Pastor at Hope United Presbyterian Church, Plainfield, Indiana. After the presentation of his faith statement and examination by the members of the Presbytery, a motion to arrest the examination was made and passed. It was M/S/P to sustain the examination of Gray as Minister of Word and Sacrament and that he be approved for ordination and installation. The motion was approved by voice vote. Gray will be ordained by the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley on June 14th.

Martha then presented Elizabeth Howell to be examined for ordination. Elizabeth has a call as Lake Fellow at Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis. After the presentation of her faith statement and examination by the members of the Presbytery, a motion to arrest the examination was made and passed. It was M/S/P to sustain the examination of Elizabeth as Minister of Word and Sacrament and that she be approved for ordination and installation. The motion was approved by voice vote. Elizabeth will be ordained by Foothills Presbytery in South Carolina.

Martha McDonald presented Barry Sumner to be examined for Commissioned Lay Pastor to serve as Pastoral Assistant of the Bilingual NCD nesting at John Knox 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 Barry and approve his status as Commissioned Lay Pastor to serve at the bilingual NCD. Moderator Hitch Learned then presided in the service of commissioning as Barry answered the constitutional questions.

All three of the above candidates were invited to come forward and were joined by representatives of the congregations supporting each of them. Rev. Robert Heimach led the Presbytery in prayer.

The reported actions of Committee on Ministry follow:

REPORTED ACTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY, FEBRUARY 18, 2009**QUORM PRESENT, MINUTES APPROVED**

The Committee on Ministry met February 18, 2009 at the Presbytery office. A quorum was present. The COM minutes of November 17, 2008 were APPROVED.

CONSENT AGENDAS

The COM **APPROVED** the Consent Agenda of February 18, 2009.

Saunders, Robert M. "Mick" – CLP Rushville-Trinity

1. The Rushville-Trinity Session approved an action November 20, 2008, to renew the commission of Lay Pastor Mick Saunders for a three-year-period. The COM **APPROVED** the Session's request and Elder Mick Saunders' Commission as a Lay Pastor for a three-year-period, March 1, 2009 through March 31, 2012.
2. The COM **APPROVED** the CLP contract between Elder Robert M. (Mick) Saunders and the Trinity Presbyterian Church, Rushville, effective January 1, 2009 for a period of one year with the following terms:

Salary	\$14,000
Housing	\$ 8,840
Pension	\$ 9,179
Auto Allow	\$ 2,500
Study Leave	Two Weeks
Vacation	Four Weeks

The COM **APPROVED**, by electronic vote, the Consent Agenda prepared for the January 28, 2009 COM meeting that was cancelled due to weather. Those actions included:

1. Petro, Mary Ann – Ordination Commission

Date/Time/Location: February 8, 2009 3:00 p.m. Indianapolis-Faith
 Moderator: Elder Hitch Learned
 Elders: Robin Stark, Indianapolis-Faith; Carrie Jo Miller, Muncie-First
 Ministers: Rev. Vern Farnum; Rev. Betty Gilbert Griffin
 Ecumenical Rep: Dr. Dianne Reistroffer, Louisville Presbyterian Seminary
 Other Participant: Rev. Dr. Hattie Wagner, Presbyterian Homes and Services of Kentucky, Mid-Kentucky Presbytery
 Background: Mary Ann Petro was examined for ordination by Milwaukee Presbytery Nov. 25. The examination was sustained. Her Validated Ministry with the Vitas Hospice was approved by the Committee on Ministry, Milwaukee Presbytery.

2. Morningstar, Rev. Mark - Installation Commission

Date/Time/Location: February 22, 2009 3:00 p.m. Shelbyville-First
 Moderator: Elder Hitch Learned
 Elders: Emily Campbell, Shelbyville-First; Sandra Martin, CLP Boggstown-First; John Paulson, CLP Greenfield-First
 Ministers: Rev. Jerry Kuyk; Rev. Robert Heimach
 Ecumenical Rep: Rev. Cliff Branch, Shelby County Ministerial Association, Lewis Creek Baptist Church, Shelbyville

3. Paulson, Elder John – Greenfield-First Commission Lay Pastor

The renewal of the CLP Contract between Elder John Paulson and the First Presbyterian Church, Greenfield, effective February 1, 2009 for a period of one year, 30 hours per week with the following terms:

Salary	\$ 12,811
Housing	\$ 20,000
Auto Allow	\$.505 vouchered @ IRS rate
Prof. Expenses	\$ 1,250
Study Leave	two weeks to include two Sundays
Vacation	one month to include four Sundays

4. Lawson, Rebekah - Add to Pulpit Supply List5. Marshall, Gray – Add to Pulpit Supply List6. February COM Meeting – the COM meeting date for February 18 due to schedule conflicts of the Executive Presbyter, Associate Executive Presbyter, and Administrator.7. Solether, Rev. Scott

Transfer Rev. Scott Solether to Presbytery of Southern Kansas where he accepted a position as the pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Great Bend, Kansas, effective December 1, 2008.

INTERVIEWSSumner, Barry Commissioned Lay Pastor Examination for Membership

The COM interviewed Elder Barry Sumner, Zionsville Presbyterian Church, for membership in the Presbytery. Elder Sumner completed Lay Pastor Training with the Synod of Lincoln Trails program November 2007. The COM:

1. examined and **APPROVED** Elder Sumner for membership; and,
2. will recommend that Elder Barry Sumner be examined by the Presbytery June 3, 2009; and,
3. if the examination is sustained, that Elder Sumner will serve as a Commissioned Lay Pastor, Pastoral Assistant, to the Presbytery's Bilingual/Bicultural New Church Development in Indianapolis, effective June 4, 2009 for a period of three years with all the permissions granted to a Commissioned Lay Pastor in the Book of Order being allowed.

This 20 hour per week position is not salaried, but the Presbytery will provide mileage and continuing education. A final CLP Contract will be presented to the COM for approval at a later date.

REPORTED ACTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY, MARCH 25, 2009QUORM PRESENT, MINUTES APPROVED

The Committee on Ministry met March 25, 2009 at the Presbytery office. A quorum was present. The COM minutes of February 18, 2009 were APPROVED.

INTERVIEWSMarshall, Gray Plainfield-Hope United Designated Pastor Examination for Membership

The COM interviewed and examined Mr. Gray Marshall for membership in the Presbytery.

The COM **APPROVED** Mr. Marshall for membership in the Presbytery when the way be clear and upon the approval of the congregation March 29 and a successful ordination examination by the Presbytery June 3, 2009. He will begin serving as a part time Designated Pastor Elect, 20 hours per week, effective April 1, 2009 with the following terms:

Salary & Housing	\$20,000
Auto Allowance	vouchered at IRS rate
Full Pension	\$ 6,300
Professional Development	\$ 1,000
Books & Journals	\$ 250

Mr. Marshall will not be permitted to perform the sacraments until he is ordained.

OTHER ACTIONS REGARDING PASTORS and CHURCHESGreensburg-First

The COM **APPROVED** the principles and initial terms of a Separation Agreement with Rev. Kathleen and Rev. Jim Splitt.

Portland-First

Liaison Lyle Ewing reported. The COM received and **APPROVED** the Core Study and the PNC may proceed to elect a PNC.

REPORTED ACTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY, APRIL 29, 2009QUORM PRESENT, MINUTES APPROVED

The Committee on Ministry met April 29, 2009 at the Presbytery office. A quorum was present. The COM minutes of March 25, 2009 were APPROVED.

CONSENT AGENDAS

The COM **APPROVED** the Consent Agenda of February 18, 2009.

1. Portillo, Rev. Catriona (formerly Ward)

Transfer to Chicago Presbytery so that she may serve City Lights, a ministry of Chicago Fourth Presbyterian Church.

2. Cutter, Rev. Alan, a member of Presbytery of South Louisiana
Approve request that permission be granted to labor in the bounds of WWVP to officiate at his nephew's wedding the weekend of June 6.
3. Plainfield-Hope United
COM approved, by e-mail, a request from the Session that Rev. Shirley Jones, an ordained Methodist minister in good standing, be allowed to serve Communion on Maundy Thursday.

OTHER ACTIONS REGARDING PASTORS

Olson, Rev. Kim – Indianapolis-Faith Interim Pastor

The COM interviewed, examined and **APPROVED** Rev. Kim Olson for membership in the Presbytery and previously by e-mail, the terms of the Interim Pastor Contract between Rev. Olson and the Session, effective April 5, 2009 for a period of one year with the following terms:

Salary	\$ 40,000
Housing	\$ 18,000
Full Pension	\$ 18,428
Prof. Dev.	\$ 2,000
Auto Allowance	vouchered at IRS rate
Social Sec Offset	\$ 4,500
Vacation	five weeks to include five Sundays
Continuing Ed	two weeks to include two Sundays

Rev. Olson will moderate the Session.

The Executive Presbyter reported a presbytery-to-presbytery reference check was satisfactory.

The Session approved the contract March 26.

Kim, Rev. Hyung Joo Howard – Indianapolis-Korean

The COM interviewed and examined by conference call Rev. Kim for membership in the Presbytery. The COM **APPROVED** Rev. Kim for membership in the Presbytery and his call with the Korean Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, effective July 19, 2009 with the following terms:

Salary	\$ 30,804
Housing	\$ 19,358
Full Pension	\$ 15,801
Moving Expns	up to \$5,000
Prof Dev Allow	\$ 1,000
Books & Journals	\$ 500
Business Expns	\$ 1,500
Med. Supp.	\$ 1,830
Tax SS Offset	\$ 3,500

Rev. Kim will moderate the Session. The COM will meet with Rev. Kim after he arrives on the field.

The Executive Presbyter reported a presbytery-to-presbytery reference check was satisfactory.

The congregational meeting to call Rev. Kim will be May 10, 2009.

OTHER ACTIONS REGARDING PASTORS & CHURCHES

Rev. Jim Splitt & Rev. Kathleen Splitt

The COM **APPROVED** changing the ecclesiastical status of Rev. Jim Splitt and Rev. Kathleen Splitt to members-at-large.

Anderson-First

The COM reviewed and **APPROVED** the Core Study and the CIF.

College Corner-First United

The COM **APPROVED** that the Board of Pension vacancy dues be waived for the College Corner First United Presbyterian Church.

2009 Terms of Call

The annual 2009 Terms of Call were **APPROVED** as printed.

-----End of COM Report-----

COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

Rev. Steve Matthies, Moderator of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, welcomed two Inquirers who were requesting to be moved to Candidate status.

Rev. Matthies presented Jennifer Loeb to be moved from Inquirer to Candidate status. After a time of examination by the members of the Presbytery, the examination was arrested. It was M/S/P that the Presbytery sustain the examination and move Jennifer to Candidate. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Rev. Matthies then presented Ron Rockey to be moved from Inquirer to Candidate status. After a time of examination by the members of the Presbytery, the examination was arrested. It was M/S/P that the Presbytery sustain the examination and move Ron to Candidate. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Jennifer Loeb and Ron Rockey answered the constitutional questions (G-14.0305f) asked by Moderator Hitch Learned. Families and church members from their supporting churches gathered around Jennifer and Ron and prayers were offered by Rev. Greg Glover and Rev. John Koppitch.

CELEBRATING CALVIN

Rev. Peter Jessen celebrated John Calvin as Theologian, recognizing Calvin as the most influential man and theologian of all times.

WORSHIP

Rev. L. Bryant Parker led the worship, communion service, and prayers. A total of \$690.00 was received for the Pentecost offering.

LUNCH

Presbytery recessed for lunch at 12:15 p.m.

RECONVENE

Presbytery reconvened in the sanctuary at 1:00 p.m. and opened the afternoon session with the singing of a hymn.

CELEBRATING CALVIN

Rev. Jay Cline celebrated John Calvin as Pastor. We can look at Calvin's life and passion as a guide to how we should use our learning and gifts in the work to which God has called us.

EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER'S REPORT

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Nadine Hill, Moderator of Presbyterian Women, announced the PW Gathering on October 10th at Irvington Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis
- John Koppitch announced the Fairview 75th Anniversary Fish Fry from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday and Friday this week.
- Jean Dodds, elder from Northminster Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, asked that persons put the date of Monday, November 2nd, on their calendars for the Closterhouse Colloquium, a three-part workshop being led by Dr. Thomas G. Long of Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Long has authored many books on preaching. The free workshop will be held at the Northminster Presbyterian Church.
- Martha Jordan asked that the Survey for the Leadership Team be turned in today.
- Jay Cline encouraged attendance at the North-Central Wee Kirk Conference at Pokagon State Park on October 6-8. The conference is for leaders, pastors, and CLPs of smaller Presbyterian Churches with 200 members or less.
- David Lee announced the corn roast at Hopewell Presbyterian Church in Franklin on the first weekend in August.
- Eric Gale announced the Presbytery Golf Outing on June 15th.
- Mick Saunders asked the Mission and Growth Team to meet immediately after today's meeting at the front of the sanctuary.

- Alan Thames asked the ministers to save November 8-10 for the Pastors' Retreat at Geneva Center. Benny Meadows will be the worship leader.
- Alan announced that the choir from Tabernacle Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, will be singing the *Te Deum* at Carnegie Hall.

JOYS, BAPTISMS, AND CONCERNS

Joys and concerns expressed:

Joy for the Noblesville church and pastor as our hosts today and for COM, CPM, and the gifted persons presented today who will serve the Church. Thanks for Woody Collins now serving in the Congo, Rich Swartwood at Pyoca, and John and Sharyl Stevens as they are moving to the Sacramento area. Prayers for the Session at Southport as they are engaged in discernment and for Hopewell Presbyterian Church as they also expressed concern for discernment.

There were 24 adult baptisms at eleven churches since the last Presbytery meeting. Mick Saunders, CLP at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Rushville, related the story that on the day of the baptism of a 57-year-old, every member of the congregation worshipping that day came forward to support that person. David Comstock related that three of the four members in their confirmation class came from families who are not involved in any church.

Rev. Thames led the Presbytery in prayer.

A WORD FROM PYOCA

Elder Lisa Longo, Chair of the Pyoca Executive Committee, gave the report for Pyoca. The renovations of the Lodge are completed and the parking lot is paved. Yurts are completed and carpet is being laid, the geo-thermal heating system in the lodge is working. Of the \$954,255 pledges for the Capital campaign, \$486,000 has been received. Eighteen churches in Whitewater Valley and twenty-three churches in Ohio Valley have pledged. The next project is the dam. Eventually a lodge-style building will be considered. Pyoca is 35 campers ahead of where they usually are at this time. Scholarships are available. Groups are needed to help with maintenance. 2010 retreat reservations are being accepted, but there are still great weekends available in 2009. Paper newsletters have been discontinued for ecological reasons, but online newsletters are available on the website.

COLLEGE CORNER ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION REPORT

Rev. David McDonald, member of the College Corner Administrative Commission, presented the report for the commission. Moderator, Rev. Cheryl Montgomery, is teaching Interim Ministry classes this week. Rev. McDonald related it was a very difficult process. **[Please see Appendix F for the legal document of the settlement reached with the church.]**

Rev. McDonald summarized the process starting with the listening sessions in November of 2007. It became apparent that the majority of the congregation had the deep feeling to leave the PC(USA). The Session filed an injunction preventing the Commission from pursuing the dismissal process. The Commission met with the small group who wished to remain and Rev. Rik Spencer has been meeting with that group of people. In August of 2008, the Commission met with the Session and Attorneys to reach a settlement. There was no agreement at that time and further legal negotiation and litigation continued in November and December of 2008. In December the Presbytery was notified that Rev. Jason Bantz and the Session had renounced jurisdiction of the PC(USA). After continued long meetings, emails, and conference calls, the court case was settled in March of 2009 in Ohio. Because of another ruling by the Ohio Court of Appeals in Ohio, we were advised by legal counsel that it would be costly to continue litigation and that a positive outcome in Ohio would be unlikely. On March 25 there was a meeting with those members of College Corner who wished to remain and there are nine members who will remain involved in the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley. Legal work is finished and work continues with the remaining group. Rev. McDonald held up the witness of Allen and Tonya Paddock who will serve as Clerk of Session and Treasurer of the remaining remnant. The extraordinarily painful process has taken a toll on all of us. Gratitude was expressed to Executive Presbyter, Rev. Alan Thames, for his support of the work of the Commission and to Elder Gary Shaw for his support as Stated Clerk and practicing Attorney. We grieve the time and money spent in the dividing and healing of the body of Christ.

LAYING DOWN AND LETTING GO

A litany of *Laying Down and Letting Go*, a unison prayer of commitment, and the hymn, *Come and Find the Quiet Center*, followed the report of the College Corner Administrative Commission.

COORDINATING COUNCIL REPORT

Elder Sandra Reid, Moderator of Coordinating Council, reported that Coordinating Council coordinates Presbytery mission and oversees financial responsibilities of the Presbytery.

SECOND READ OF STANDING RULES

The Standing Rules were presented for approval. Approval of the Standing Rules was seconded. Discussion followed. Questions were raised as to omissions and editorial concerns. Gary Shaw, Interim Stated Clerk, acknowledged that there are additional items that are contingent on editing. They did not meet the completion dates, but there is a need to move forward with the new format. Mr. Shaw asked that the Standing Rules be approved contingent upon further editing. Other discussion questioned 10% quorum requirement as being very low. Mr. Shaw replied that 10% is a standard number for quorum requirements.

Rev. Glen Bell noted that in Article IX, #1, the last sentence is incomplete. He moved to amend the Standing Rules with the following insertion to complete the sentence: Election shall be contingent upon the individuals completing an ...

orientation for commissioners, including the duties and privileges of commissioners, organization of General Assembly, familiarity with the documents of General Assembly and knowledge of the representative form of government.

The motion was seconded and passed.

The vote was then taken to adopt the Standing Rules, including the insertion. The Standing Rules were approved. Gary Shaw confirmed further work would be done on them and asked for any suggestions to be emailed to him. **[See Appendix G for Revised Standing Rules]**

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Treasurer Eric Herzog offered to answer any questions on the finance reports for the first quarter of 2009. There were none. **[See Appendix H for Finance Reports]**

Elder William Howell, Chair of the Finance Committee, presented the first read of the 2010 budget. No action is required at this meeting. The second read will be in September. There will be no increase in per capita for 2010. The Finance Committee is budgeting for a zero bottom line. **[See Appendix I for the 2010 Budget]**

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Rev. Steve Ebling, Moderator of the Personnel Committee, reported that the annual reviews of the Presbytery staff have been completed. The Committee has begun discussions for calling a new Stated Clerk. The hope is to have a candidate by late fall. Rev. Ebling expressed appreciation for Gary Shaw, Interim Stated Clerk, who is fulfilling the responsibilities of Stated Clerk while still practicing law as a full time Attorney.

MISSION & GROWTH – HISPANIC MINISTRIES LEAD TEAM

Rev. Felipe Martinez, Associate Executive, reported that the PNC continues to search for the pastor for the bilingual church. They have two face-to-face interviews this month.

The NQR mission trip is still on for July. The outbreak of the Swine Flu had caused some concerns, but there are no travel restrictions. We have 150 persons going from various churches. All who were present at Presbytery or represented churches who are sending participants came forward and were commissioned by David R. Smith, Moderator of the Hispanic Ministries Lead Team and also a participant on the trip.

The Reported Actions of the Coordinating Council follow:

REPORTED ACTIONS OF THE COORDINATING COUNCIL

First Presbyterian Church, Connersville
May 6, 2009

The Coordinating Council met May 6, 2009 at First Presbyterian Church, Connersville, Indiana. The meeting was called to order at 6:16 pm by Moderator Sandra Reid and was opened with prayer.

QUORUM ESTABLISHED

A quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Council minutes of February 4, 2008 were APPROVED.

The Presbytery Minutes of December 6, 2008 and March 7, 2009 were APPROVED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council APPROVED a motion to convene an executive session of the Coordinating Council.

The Council heard reports regarding Administrative Commissions relating to Indianapolis-Wallace Street, Ohio-College Corner, and Richmond-Reid Memorial.

The Council also heard a report regarding a request from Indianapolis-Southport to enter into a discernment process regarding their affiliation with the Presbyterian Church (USA).

The Council APPROVED a motion to adjourn the executive session.

ACTIONS BY THE COORDINATING COUNCIL

1. That the Council recommend to Presbytery that Barry Sumner be examined by Presbytery June 3, 2009 as a Commissioned Lay Pastor to the Presbytery, Pastoral Assistant, John Knox Bilingual Worship Presbytery's New Church Development, Indianapolis). Note: The COM interviewed Barry Sumner February 18, 2009 (see reported actions of the Committee on Ministry).
2. That the Council adopt the "Guidelines for Welcoming Immigrant Faith Communities" and "A Process for Supporting PLAN NCD Work."
3. That the Council adopt the Finance Committee Manual.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM REPORTS RECEIVED BY THE COORDINATING COUNCIL

1. Executive Committee Minutes April 1, 2009
 - reviewed discernment process for Indianapolis-Southport
 - reviewed the Presbytery Action Plan and its implementation
 - reviewed the Immigrant Faith Communities and A Process for Supporting PLAN documents
 - reviewed CLP position description for Pastoral Assistant to Bilingual NCD
 - Finance Committee will meet April 2
 - Leadership Development Team will meet April 16
 - reviewed items for May 6 Council docket
2. Personnel Committee
 - annual staff reviews are scheduled
 - position descriptions have been updated
 - Stated Clerk search will begin soon
 - initiating conversations with other presbyteries how we might share resources
 - exploring Sabbath Fridays with other nearby presbyteries
3. Leadership Development
 - Presbytery docket reviewed
4. Finance Committee
 - reviewed 2010 first read budget and quarterly finance reports
5. Board of Directors
 - received report of April 23, 2009 meeting
 - Indianapolis-John Knox, approved construction loan
 - Indianapolis-Southminster, approved property right-of-way
 - Richmond-First, approved \$9,000 from manse sale to repair stone tower
 - reported Temple of Refuge sale for \$5,000
 - approved KB Parrish for 2008 audit
 - reviewed financial reports and proposed investment policy
 - reviewed other church property proposals that require additional information
 - working with Finance Committee to establish Funds Data Base

OTHER BUSINESS**Listening Sessions Training**

At the invitation of the Committee on Ministry, the Coordinating Council will assist with the Listening Sessions to be scheduled with the congregation of the Indianapolis-Southport. Bob Heimach led the training.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETINGS: August 5 - Grace, Ft Wayne November 4 - First, Shelbyville

-----End of Coordinating Council Report-----

NEW BUSINESS

Rev. Peter Jessen made the suggestion that additional legal costs incurred by future Administrative Commissions be the responsibility of the departing congregation. Rev. Jessen's suggestion was referred to the Committee on Ministry by the Interim Stated Clerk.

CELEBRATING CALVIN

Rev. Richard Baker celebrated John Calvin as Humanist. Humanity means compassion and decency, something we once had, but now too often is something we've lost. Restoration of our humanity lies neither within our power or within us. God became human so we could become human. Because God has showed humanity to us, so we should show it to one another.

CLOSING HYMN, BENEDICTION AND ADJOURNMENT

The 160th stated meeting of the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley was adjourned with the singing of *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* and prayer and benediction by Executive Presbyter Alan Thames. The meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next stated meeting of the Presbytery will be Saturday, September 12, 2009, at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Marion, Indiana, at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary L. Shaw, Interim Stated Clerk

Ruth Ann MacPherson, Recording Clerk

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The following pastor died in 2008: **Rev. Robert Eversull, Honorably Retired**

The following churches reported no Elder deaths during 2008:

Avon, Whitelick	Indianapolis, Southport	McCordsville, Christ
Elwood, First	Indianapolis, Wallace Street	Muncie, St. Andrew
Franklin, First	Jonesboro, First-Grant County	Westfield, CrossRoads
Greenfield, First	Lewisville, Ebenezer	
Greensburg, Kingston	Liberty, First	
Indianapolis, Immanuel	Marion, Westminster	

WITH REJOICING IN THEIR LIFE EVERLASTING, WE CELEBRATE THE LIVES OF THE FOLLOWING ELDERS WHO JOINED FAITH'S GREAT CLOUD OF WITNESSES DURING 2008:

Anderson, First	William Patrick Moroney	January 3
	Robert Austin	February 13
	Gale Weather Ford	September 22
Boggsstown	Tom Helms	March 14
Edinburgh, First	Selma Freese	August 7
Fort Wayne, Calvary Third	Roberta M. (Gannon) Litten	May 18
Fort Wayne, Grace	Donald R. Converse	November 26
	Richard S. Button	December 13
Fort Wayne, United Faith	Mary F. Dick	October 29
Greensburg, Springhill	William Gordon	February 20
Indianapolis, Irvington	Robert H. Amick	January 4
	Nila M. Dilworth	January 8
	Ralph R. Dillon	January 28
	Marian B. Slater	March 1
	Linda J. Pridemore	April 4
	Betty A. Boyd	October 18
	Glenda R. Berkshire	October 23
	Katherine M. McGuire	October 30
	Grace McVey	November 27
	Dorothy E. Walters	December 12
	Alice E. Martin	December 23
Indianapolis, John Knox	Louis Wilson	April 7
	George Tucker	October 28
Indianapolis, Northminster	Gordon Abbott	
January 2	Kendall (Ken) Vinton	March 19
	Melvin Gorby	May 23
	Junius K. Tremps	July 21
	William (Bill) Willson	October 27

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Indianapolis, Orchard Park	Donald Kincaid Dean Whitehead	February 14 May 16
Indianapolis, Saint Andrew	Jean Graven DeWitt Brown	March 10 March 30
Indianapolis, Second	Morgan Mitchell Mary Alice Garrison James R. East Eugene H. Yockey John P. Cronin David Hale William C. Crumley Lucille E. Brock	February 27 August 3 September 10 October 4 November 16 November 26 December 11 December 17
Indianapolis, Southminster	John Yoke	December 18
Indianapolis, Tabernacle	Jean Cohee C. Howard Jansen Margaret Melcher Judith Bell Blough Horace Milton Price	February 20 February 22 April 6 July 20 July 28
Lewisville, First	Donovan Jackson	May 29
Muncie, First	Beulah Lazar Ruth Halberg	March 2 August 31
Ossian, First	Arthur Neuenschwander	February 11
Portland, First	Anita Holmes Young	December 11
Richmond, First	W. Ray Stevens	September 29
Richmond, Reid Memorial	James Spencer Robert Rhoads Robert Copeland Curtis Gilmore	January 27 January 28 February 19 November 30
Rushville, First	William (Bill) Paugh	August 15
Shelbyville, First	Lorene Lemmon John Bremer Jacqueline Meloy	April 28 July 11 September 11
Tipton, First	Bob Timm	March 9
Winchester, First	Roy Leavell Barnes Alfreida Maxine Fraze	October 20 November 7

Churches not listed did not return forms.

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STANDING RULES
PRESBYTERY OF WHITEWATER VALLEY

ARTICLE I - GENERAL PROVISIONS

- A. This document shall be known as the Standing Rules of the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).
- B. These Standing Rules are created by the action of the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley as authorized by the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Should any provision of the Standing Rules be in conflict with that Constitution, the Constitution shall prevail. It is the purpose and intent of these Standing Rules to avoid repetition of the provisions of the Constitution, and to provide such additional governance as may be required or appropriate. The Presbytery may delegate any power permitted by the Constitution.

The meetings of the Presbytery and its related organizations shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised except in those cases where the Constitution or these Standing Rules provide otherwise. (G-9.0302)

- C. The Presbytery shall include all particular churches of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) within the following counties of the State of Indiana:

Adams	Franklin	Jay	Shelby
Allen	Grant	Johnson	Tipton
Blackford	Hamilton	Madison	Union
Decatur	Hancock	Marion	Wayne
Delaware	Hendricks	Randolph	Wells
Fayette	Henry	Rush	

1. And the Zionsville Presbyterian Church within Boone County as of January 1, 1999 per General Assembly action in 1998.
 2. All organizations, committees, and governing units of the Presbytery shall seek (wherever practical, feasible, and appropriate) geographic diversity from within the Presbytery.
- D. Members of Presbytery:
1. Membership shall be as provided for in the Constitution (G-11.0101)
 2. Sessions shall elect commissioners on an annual basis.
 3. Elder members of the Coordinating Council shall be at-large commissioners to Presbytery.
 4. The members of the Coordinating Council and members of the Board of Directors elected by the Council shall constitute the membership of the Corporation of the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley, Inc.
- E. Priorities of Presbytery. The Coordinating Council shall engage the Presbytery once every three years in the process of defining three major priorities for Presbytery. These priorities shall guide the Coordinating Council in defining programmatic and mission emphases during that period.

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ARTICLE II - MEETINGS

- A. By September 30th of each year, the Presbytery shall establish the dates, times, and places for stated meetings of Presbytery during the coming year. Details of, and docket for, Presbytery meetings shall be determined by the Coordinating Council (or its designated representatives) and the Stated Clerk. There shall be at least four stated meetings per year.
- B. Special Meetings may be called according to the provisions of the Book of Order or by the Coordinating Council in a manner consistent with G-11.0201.
- C. A member of Presbytery is either present at a meeting or absent.
- D. A quorum for meetings of Presbytery shall be 10% of the minister commissioners and 10% of the elder Commissioners.
- E. Certified Christian Educators who are ordained as elders shall have the privilege of the floor with voice and not vote and the meeting attendance record shall include registration of Certified Christian Educators.

ARTICLE III - OFFICERS

The officers of the Presbytery shall be minister of the Word and Sacrament, elders or commissioned lay pastors in active service. The guidelines of diversity and inclusiveness (G-4.0400) shall be followed in the selection of nominees for the office. The terms of office will begin upon their installation, ordinarily the last stated Presbytery meeting of the calendar year.

1. Moderator
The term shall be for one year during which the Moderator shall perform the duties of office as set forth in the Book of Order.
2. Vice Moderator
The Vice Moderator shall be the moderator elect during the one year term, during which time the vice moderator shall prepare for the office of moderator by being trained in the skills of parliamentary procedure, the polity of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and the organizational functions of the Presbytery. The vice moderator shall preside at presbytery meetings as moderator in the absence of the moderator.
3. Stated Clerk
The duties shall be those indicated in the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA), the Standing Rules and the Presbytery-approved position description. The Presbytery shall elect the Stated Clerk for a three-year term and the Stated Clerk may be re-elected for additional terms at Presbytery's pleasure. The Stated Clerk may appoint one or more assistants as needed.
4. Recording Clerk: The recording clerk shall be elected by the presbytery and the term shall be recommended by the Personnel Committee. The recording clerk will present a draft of the presbytery minutes to the Stated Clerk within 30 days of a presbytery meeting, make necessary edits, and present a second draft to the Stated Clerk within 45 days of the meeting.
5. Treasurer
The Presbytery treasurer is elected annually by the Presbytery.

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The Treasurer shall be responsible for seeing that an accurate record is kept of all income and disbursements, that all bills are paid in a timely fashion once authorized by a properly-executed voucher, and for submitting timely financial reports to the Presbytery. In consultation and by invitation of the executive presbyter, the treasurer (or the treasurer's appointed representative) may serve as ex-officio staff to the Board of Directors and the Finance Committee.

The Presbytery may contract for additional financial management personnel and resources. The Coordinating Council shall determine such need, create a position description, establish compensation and, through the Personnel Committee, employ/terminate an individual to fulfill this position.

6. Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall consist of six members. Two of the members shall be members of the Coordinating Council and four shall be members at-large nominated by the Nominating Committee and elected by the Presbytery at the December stated meeting of the Presbytery. The Board of Directors shall annually, at its first meeting of the calendar year, elect a President and a Vice President, At-large members shall become members of the Corporation but not of the Council At large directors shall be elected for staggered four year terms and are not eligible for reelection. The board shall elect from its membership a secretary of the corporation who will work in consultation with the stated clerk. The secretary of the Board of Directors may direct the stated clerk of the presbytery to serve in her/his stead or in her/his absence.

The Executive Presbyter, Treasurer and Presbytery Administrator shall serve as ex-officio of the Board of Directors with the Executive Presbyter being the initial and primary staff contact when questions of process or advisement are sought.

ARTICLE IV - STAFF

The Personnel Committee shall recommend to the Presbytery, through the Coordinating Council, the need for specific administrative, executive and contract staff positions. They shall present a staffing rationale and a position description. When approved by the presbytery, these positions shall continue until the Personnel Committee recommends elimination of the position.

Temporary Contract Staff positions may be created by the Coordinating Council's Executive Committee and/or the Personnel Committee. Staff positions will be recommended to and approved by the Coordinating Council.

ARTICLE V - THE COORDINATING COUNCIL

The Coordinating Council shall evaluate its organizational structure and effectiveness and have the authority to change the composition of the Council, its sub-units and membership size. The organizational changes shall be reported to Presbytery.

A. The voting members of Council shall be the following:

1. Council Moderator, whose term is one year
2. Council Vice Moderator who serves a one-year term then succeeds the Council Moderator
3. Presbytery Moderator
4. Presbytery Vice Moderator
5. 24 members of the Council that will include the moderator of the Finance Committee.
(TERMS TO BE INSERTED: SAME AS CURRENT)

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B. Ex-Officio

1. Executive Presbyter
2. Associate Executive Presbyter
3. Stated Clerk
4. Administrator
5. Treasurer
6. Moderators of ecclesiastical committees or designees.

C. Duties of the Coordinating Council shall have all powers provided by the *Book of Order*. The Coordinating Council shall have the following additional duties, functions and powers:

1. Referred Business
To consider and act upon business as referred to it by the Presbytery.
2. Meetings
To meet at times and places designated in an annual schedule recommended by the Executive Committee or for special meetings as determined by the Executive Committee.
3. General Oversight
To have general oversight of the programmatic, fiduciary and mission work of the Presbytery.
4. Recommendations
To submit recommendations to Presbytery on matters requiring the Presbytery's attention.
5. Budget Recommendations
To present to the stated meeting of Presbytery a per capita budget for the following calendar year, the rate of per capita apportionment required to support it, and a Presbytery mission budget for the following year to be supported by voluntary giving by each church.
6. Session Records
To assure the annual examination of session records by the Session Records Committee and their approval by Presbytery
7. Service Teams
To establish and dissolve teams, task forces, partnerships, and committees that fulfill the presbytery's priorities, responsibilities and goals as determined by the Presbytery
8. Nominate the Nominating Committee
To nominate members for the Nominating Committee of Presbytery.
9. Approve the Presbytery Minutes

D. Meetings

The Coordinating Council shall meet at least four times each year.

E. Quorum

A quorum for meetings of the Coordinating Council shall be eight members.

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F. Executive Committee of the Coordinating Council

1. The Executive Committee of the Coordinating Council shall consist of Moderator and Vice Moderator of Council, the Moderator and Vice Moderator of Presbytery, the Executive Presbyter, Associate Executive Presbyter and Stated Clerk. The Treasurer and Administrator will be ex-officio.
2. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of any three members of the Executive Committee. It shall expedite the work of the Presbytery and Coordinating Council, and act on behalf of the coordinating council when a Coordinating Council meeting is not expedient. Decisions made or actions taken shall be reported at the next Council meeting.

Judicial Matters

- a. In the event Presbytery becomes a respondent or complainant in a remedial case, the Moderator of Presbytery and the Moderator of Coordinating Council shall nominate persons for the committee of counsel (D-6.0302). The Coordinating Council or its Executive Committee shall elect them on behalf of the Presbytery.
- b. In the event that an accusation is filed against a minister member of the Presbytery, the Moderator of Presbytery and the Moderator of Coordinating Council shall nominate persons for an investigating committee (D-10.0201). The Coordinating Council or its Executive Committee shall elect them on behalf of the Presbytery.
3. Administrative Commissions are elected by the Presbytery. The Executive Committee of the Coordinating Council, in consultation with the Stated Clerk, may nominate persons to an administrative commission. The nominees shall be elected at the next Stated Meeting of the Presbytery along with the approval of the Administrative Commission's scope of Powers (G-90502).

G. Policy Manual

The Coordinating Council shall maintain a Presbytery Policy Manual which shall include all policies established committees and approved by the Coordinating Council. The Stated Clerk shall keep such manual current.

ARTICLE VI – ADMINISTRATION

The Coordinating Council shall oversee all administrative responsibilities of the Presbytery.

1. Personnel Committee

- a. The Personnel Committee shall consist of two members of Council and four classes of one member each. The moderator and vice moderator must be a member of Coordinating Council.
- b. The Personnel Committee shall review, recommend to Coordinating Council, and implement all personnel and administrative policies pertaining to the employees of the Presbytery.
- c. The Personnel Committee shall maintain the Personnel Policies of the Presbytery, recommending changes to the Coordinating Council for the Council's approval.

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2. Session Records Review Committee

The Session Records Committee shall consist of two members of Council and four classes of one member each and the Chair shall be a member of the Coordinating Council. The Session Records Review Committee will be responsible for reviewing the records of the sessions of congregations within the Presbytery and for reporting on its review and recommendations of Session records to the Coordinating Council and to the Presbytery

3. Finance Committee

- a. The Finance Committee shall consist of two members of Council and four classes of one member each. Ex-officio members include the Executive Presbyter and Treasurer with the Executive Presbyter as the primary staff contact when questions regarding policy, process or advisement are sought.

No member of the Finance Committee shall have had a business relationship with the Presbytery during the previous 4 years and may not have any business relationship with the Presbytery during and for 4 years following their term of office.

- b. The Finance Committee, in consultation executive presbyter and the Coordinating Council, shall have oversight of all financial management and financial record keeping of the presbytery.
- c. The Finance Committee serves in a liaison role between the Presbytery's external auditing firm and the Presbytery's Board of Directors.
- d. Provide for an annual audit of the Presbytery's financial records.
4. Bills and Overtures
The Bills and Overtures Committee members are the elected General Assembly Commissioners from the most recent General Assembly. Their duties, in consultation with the stated clerk, are to review the general assembly amendments with the Presbytery body. The Bills and Overtures Committee may also recommend Presbytery overtures to the General Assembly.
5. Board of Directors
The Board of Directors is a body of the Coordinating Council and its membership is defined in Article III.6.

Duties of the Board of Directors shall be:

- a. To maintain the Corporation of the Whitewater Valley Presbytery under the laws of the State of Indiana;
- b. To hold title to all property of Presbytery and to serve as agent for receiving and disposing of property (including enforcement of G-8.0201);
- c. To be the official agent of Presbytery in all corporate matters;
- d. To examine, and make recommendations regarding all legal transactions where Presbytery approval is required.

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ARTICLE VII – MISSION

The Coordinating Council shall facilitate the Presbytery's mission, program and strategic planning.

REVISION IN PROGRESS FOR MISSION DELIVERY

1. Mission Partnerships
Congregations, clusters of congregations, or ecumenical clusters of congregations (involving at least one congregation of this Presbytery), may apply to the Presbytery for a "partnership". Partnerships may involve ecclesiastical, financial, leadership, or other forms of support by the Presbytery with the congregation(s) providing the initiative, people, and oversight of the actual project. Partnerships will be directly supported no more than three years.
2. Presbytery Mission
Mission undertakings will involve all (or nearly all) congregations of the Presbytery, including both for support and participation. These projects must be validated the Coordinating Council and may be funded on a year to year basis.

ARTICLE VIII - ECCLESIASTICAL COMMITTEES

EX OFFICOS WILL BE ADDED

Ecclesiastical Committees are those mandated by the Book of Order, elected by the Presbytery, and are directly accountable to Presbytery.

- A. Committee on Ministry (COM) – Twenty-seven elected members
 1. The Committee on Ministry shall be responsible for carrying out those responsibilities delegated to it by the Book of Order.
 2. A quorum for the Commission on Ministry shall be at least 1/3 of the members with not fewer than five elders.
 3. This committee shall also be responsible for the care of persons seeking certification as Certified Christian Educators in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).
- B. Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM) - 12 elected members
 1. This committee is responsible for the care of persons received as inquirers and candidates for ordination to the office of minister of the Word. The responsibilities of the committee are listed in the Book of Order (G-11.0103L G-14.0300 - 14.0400) and the committee is granted commission powers relating to enrolling Inquirers (G-14.0303(e)).
 2. A quorum for the Commission on Ministry shall be at least 1/3 of the members with not fewer than two elders.
- C. Committee on Nominations and Representation - 6 elected members
1/3 laywomen, 1/3 laymen, 1/3 ministers PENDING RECOMMENDATION TO BE REVIEWED
 1. This committee's membership criteria and responsibilities are listed in the Book of Order (G-9.0800).

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2. All nominations shall be made at the year's final stated meeting of Presbytery, except that, when vacancies occur, nominations shall be made at the next succeeding stated meeting.
3. As far as is practical and possible, the committee shall nominate persons representing the diversity and the geography of Presbytery.
4. The Nominating Committee shall submit one name only for each office, except for commissioners to General Assembly, for which two names are to be presented for each available position. Printed biographical material in lieu of nominating speeches shall be presented for Commissioners to General Assembly and for the office of Moderator and for the office of Vice-Moderator.
5. Nominations from the floor are always in order, but shall include prior agreement that the individual will serve and prior arrangement for distribution of biographical material to members of Presbytery.
6. The Committee on Representation is the Committee on Nominations.

ARTICLE IX - COMMISSIONERS TO HIGHER GOVERNING BODIES

Commissioners to General Assembly

1. Commissioners shall be elected at Presbytery's December's stated meeting in the year prior to a General Assembly meeting and according to the policies & procedures established by the Presbytery. Service as a commissioner is subject to training as offered by the Stated Clerk and Synod. Election shall be contingent upon the individuals completing an
2. Commissioners shall report on actions of the General Assembly at the first stated meeting of Presbytery following the adjournment of the Assembly.
3. Commissioners to the General Assembly shall be Presbytery's Committee on Bills and Overtures.
4. All overtures to and from the General Assembly shall be referred to this Committee for its advice and recommendation.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

These Standing Rules may be amended according to the following procedure:

- A. Any commissioner to this presbytery, congregation of this presbytery, or group constituted by this Presbytery or these Standing Rules, may present a proposed amendment at any stated or adjourned meeting of Presbytery, or at any meeting specifically called for that purpose. Upon receiving a second, questions and answers are in order, but it shall not be debated at that meeting, but shall immediately be referred to the Coordinating Council for study and recommendation. The text of the proposed change(s) shall be included with the call for the next meeting of the Presbytery.
- B. At its next stated meeting the Presbytery shall hear the report of the Coordinating Council, together with its recommendation either for or against adoption.
- C. Amendments to the language of the proposed amendment shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

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- D. An affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Ministers and Elder Commissioners registered at that meeting shall be necessary for adoption.

ARTICLE XI - SUSPENSION OF STANDING RULES

- A. Any of these Standing Rules except this one may be suspended for a particular purpose stated in the motion at any meeting of Presbytery by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Ministers and Elder Commissioners registered at that meeting.
- B. Presbytery may suspend two readings of proposed Amendments to the Standing Rules only if such action is proposed by the Council and the motion to suspend the second reading is approved by three-fourths of those registered at that Presbytery meeting.

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