

**PRESBYTERY OF
WESTERN
NORTH CAROLINA**



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MINUTES

**ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH
STATED MEETING
JANUARY 30, 2016**

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**The Presbytery of Western North Carolina
107th Stated Meeting
January 30, 2016
First Presbyterian Church
Newton, North Carolina**

CALL TO ORDER

Teaching Elder Michael Bailey, Moderator, convened the 107th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina at 9:05 a.m. in the sanctuary of the First Presbyterian Church, in Newton, North Carolina.

INSTALLATION OF MODERATOR/VICE-MODERATOR

As the immediate past Moderator, Teaching Elder Michael Bailey led a service to install Ruling Elder Barbara McLean as Moderator and Teaching Elder Susan Denne as Vice-Moderator for 2016.

CONSTITUTION

The Moderator, Ruling Elder Barbara McLean, opened the One-Hundred Seventh Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina at the First Presbyterian Church, Newton with prayer. Michael Bailey was thanked for his excellent leadership during the past year as Moderator.

WELCOME

Rev. Steven Barnes, pastor at First Presbyterian Church, welcomed everyone to the First Presbyterian Church, Newton.

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. He invited people to turn off all cell phones.

Robert Abel	E	Ann Aichinger	E	Frank Aichinger	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	E	Michael Bailey	P
Tony Baker	E	Susan Balfour	A	Edna Banes	E
Steven Barnes	P	Douglas Bartlett	E	Ashley Beavers	E
Harold Bennett	E	Joseph Bennett	E	Anita Bernhardt	P
Katherine Blankenship	A	Lynn Bledsoe	E	Samantha Gonzalez-Block	P
Randall Boggs	E	Ronald Botsford	E	Adam Bowling	E
Lee Bowman	E	Richard Boyce	E	Grace Boyer	P
David Bradley	E	Ryan Brakemeyer	E	Ronald Brauer	E

Hayden Britton	E	Beverly Brock	A	Sandra Brown	E
Jason Bryant	A	William Buchanan	P	Monty Burnham	E
Sue Burton	E	Robert Busey	E	Joey Byrd	A
John Campbell	E	Kathy Campbell	P	William Campbell	A
Amy Cantrell	P	Helen Pride Carson	A	Mary Faith Carson	E
Katherine Cashwell	E	Joel David Cherry	E	Calvin Chesnutt	E
Dwight Christenbury	E	William Christian	E	Carol Clark	A
Mark Clark	A	Sarah Coburn	A	James Cockerham	E
Jeffrey Coffey	E	James Cogswell	P	Evelyn Coleman	E
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	P	Charles Davenport	P
Dent Davis	P	Heather Davis	P	Holly Davis	P
Eddie Deas, III	P	Jey Deifell, Jr.	E	Arthur DeJong	E
Susan Denne	P	Edward Donnell	E	Ellen Dozier	E
Philip Dunford	E	Steven Eason	E	Stephen Elderbrock	E
Raymond Fancher	E	Kristy Farber	A	Karol Farris	E
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.	E	Curtis Fussell, III	E	Tempe Fussell	A
James Gailey	E	A. W. Gaines	E	Tee Gatewood, III	P
Denise Geiger	E	Joanne Glaser	P	Jean Goodwin	P
Gregory Grana	E	Theodore Grant	E	Keith Grogg	P
Robert Gruber	E	George Gunn	E	Rebecca Gurney	P
Samuel Hale	E	Michal Hall	E	Terry Hanna	E
Patrick Hardy	P	Randall Hardy	A	Luke Harkey, III	P
Rebecca Harrison	E	William Heck	P	Robert Henderson	E
Robert Hewett	E	Robert Hinman	P	Richard Hobson	E

Samuel Hobson, Jr.	E	James Holeman	P	Richard Holshouser	E
Samuel Hope	E	James Hornsby	E	William Hoyt, III	E
George Hutchins	E	Donald Jafvert	E	William Janes	E
Esta Jarrett	E	Cecil Jividen	E	Wallace Johnson	E
Patrick Johnson	P	Franklin Jones	A	Rebecca Jones	A
Kimberly Justice	A	Dong Uk Kang	A	David Kaylor	P
David Kennedy	E	Ira Kennerly	P	Paul Kercher	E
William Kirk	E	Albert Kissling	E	Earl Kreisa	E
Lee Kruse	A	John LaMotte	E	John Laughlin	E
Margaret Lauterer	P	James Layman	P	Thomas Lewis	E
William Lindeman	P	John Lindsay	E	Eugene Linton, Jr.	E
Deneise Deter Liss	A	Laura Long	E	Billy Lowe	P
Robert Lowry	E	David Lytle	P	Tricia Lytle	P
Whit Malone	E	Marjorie Marsh	E	Joan Martin	P
Roberta Martin	E	Robert Martin, Jr.	P	Tyler Martin	E
John McCall	E	Sandra McClinton	A	Patricia McClurg	E
Robert McCully, Jr.	A	Noah McIntee	A	Flemon McIntosh, Jr.	E
David McKee	E	Michael McKee	P	James McPherson	E
Lynn Michie	A	Beth Ann Miller	E	Robert Montgomery	E
Anne Morgan	P	David Morgan	E	Richard Morgan	E
David Mulford	E	Donald Mullen	E	Cameron Murchison, Jr.	P
Carl Murray	E	David Nash	P	Elizabeth Newman	A
John Newton , Jr.	E	John Niles	E	Richard Nygren	E
Daniel Oedy	A	O'Hyun Park	P	Katherine Parker	E
Thomas Parker	E	David Parks	E	Donald Patchel	E
Stratton Peacock	E	Albert 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
Michael Poulos	E	Donald Price	E	Gene Price	E
Caroline Proctor	P	Allen Proctor, Jr.	E	Edyth Pruitt	P

John Pruitt	P	Tamara Puffer	E	Jay Rabuck	P
Daria Ragan	E	Joseph Rand	E	Kathleen Rankin	P
Earl Rash	E	Wilson Rhoton, Jr.	E	Calvin Rice	E
Don Robb, III	E	Mary Katherine Robinson	P	Steven Runholt	P
Feild Russell	P	Richard Rustay	E	Donald Scofield, Jr.	P
Henry Scoggins	E	Carol Seaman	E	Kyle Segars	A
William Serjak	E	Albert Shaw, Jr.	E	Mary Elizabeth Sigmon	P
Robert Singdahlsen	E	Wirt Skinner	P	Allen Smith	E
Kent Smith	P	Paul Smith	A	John Somerville	E
Becky Stanley	P	Mark Stanley	P	Margie Stansell	A
Carol Steele	A	John David Stewart	E	Daniel Stitt	E
Cynthia Strickler	E	Charles Swann	E	William Sweetser, Jr.	A
Joseph Taber	P	Chris Taylor	A	Keith Thompson	E
Denise Thorpe	A	Yvonne Thurmond	P	Russell Tillotson, Sr.	E
Robert Tuttle	P	Thomas Tweedie	E	Melissa Upchurch	P
Gary Van Brocklin	A	Lauren Vanacore	E	Rockwell Ward	E
Samuel Warner	E	Lynn Webber	A	Judith Weger	E
Barbara White	P	Lamar Williamson, Jr.	E	Parker Williamson	E
Emily Wilmarth	E	Otis Wilson, Jr.	E	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:

Linda Abel	E	Philip Adams	A	Linda Amos	P
Robert Ayala	A	John Bates	P	Elizabeth Hall	E
John Hall	E	Kenneth Humphreys	P	Bobby Justus	E
James Koone	P	Peggy Koone	P	Deborah Lesenger	A
James Millsaps	A	David Moore, Sr.	A	Lynn Moore	E
Marla Patchel	E	Randy Patterson	A	John Pea	P
Marcia Reighley	A	Russell Reighley	A	Barbara Ross	P

Betty Shaw	E	Dennis Stamper	A	John Stanley	A
James Taylor	E	William Upchurch, Jr.	E	Roger Wise	P
William Wuehrmann	A				

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

Dorothy Descieux	P	Jan Duncan	A	Helen Hall	A
Jane Hansel	A	Bob McFerren	P	Barbara McLean	P
Nancy McNeill	A	Melvin Meares	A	Heath Rada	A
David Smith	A	Jack Suddreth	P		

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

Glenn Bannerman	A	Melinda Christian	A	Betty Davenport	A
Angela Drummond	A	Margarette Kennerly	P	Leslie McLeod	P
Kathy Parse	A	Lynn Thomas	A	Patricia Tuttle	A
Jane Van	P				

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

Arbor Dale (1)	A	
Asheville First (3)	Margaret Black	Gloria Dupree
Banner Elk (1)	Dick Larson	
Belmont First (3)	Steve Burleson	Sue Johnson
	Sue Holder	
Bessemer City First (1)	A	
Black Mountain (2)	Mike Ballard	Margo Smith
Brevard-Davidson River (2)	Judy Welch	Ginny Bradford
Bridgewater (1)	A	
Brittain (1)	E	
Brittains Cove (1)	A	
Bryson City (1)	A	
Buladean (1)	A	

Burnsville First (1)	Jonathan Ward	
Calvary (2)	Tina Joyner	
Canton (1)	A	
Cherryville First (2)	Gary Beam	
Clinchfield (1)	A	
Columbus (1)	A	
Conley Memorial (1)	E	
Crossnore (1)	Jason DeWitt	
Dallas First (1)	Kathy Scott	
Dixon (1)	A	
Dorland Memorial (1)	E	
Dulatown (2)	Princess Anderson	Doris Dula
Duncan's Creek (1)	A	
Ellenboro (2)	A	
Etowah (2)	A	
Fairview (2)	A	
Fletcher (2)	Denise Burleson	
Forest City First (2)	Grady Franklin	
Franklin First (2)	E	
Gastonia First (4)	A	
Glen Alpine (2)	A	
Good Hope (3)	A	
Grace Covenant (3)	James McLean	Mary Lou Nash
	John Curry	
Grassy Creek (2)	E	
Green Mountain (2)	A	
Green Street (3)	E	
Hayesville (2)	A	
Hendersonville First (2)	Charles Snead	
Hickory First (4)	Jay Crane	

Highlands First (2)	A	
Ironton (2)	Pat Bradshaw	
Jack's Creek (2)	A	
John Knox (2)	A	
Kenilworth (2)	Bob Craddock	
Kings Mountain First (2)	A	
Korean Presbyterian Church of Asheville (3)	A	
Lenoir First (3)	A	
Lincolnton First (2)	Jan Duncan	
Long Creek (2)	Deborah Smith	Sue Unnasch
Love's Chapel (3)	A	
Lowell (2)	Darinda Frederickson	Rob Groves
Marion First (1)	Frank Denniston	
Marshall (1)	A	
Micaville (1)	A	
Mills River (1)	E	
Montreat (1)	Linda Hobson	
Morganton First (2)	Greg Carpenter	Kim McCann
Morrison (1)	A	
Mount Holly First (1)	Becky Lineberger	
New Hope, Asheville (1)	Bambi Teague	
New Hope, Gastonia (1)	Edwin Lewis	
Newdale (1)	A	
Newland (1)	A	
Newton First (2)	Melva Cooper	Tracey Paul
Northminster (1)	Isaac Stewart	
Oak Forest (1)	A	
Oakwood (1)	A	
Old Fort (1)	A	

Olney (1)	Al Forbes	
Pine Street (2)	A	
Pineola (1)	E	
Quaker Meadows (1)	A	
Reems Creek-Beech (1)	Kerry Border	
Ridgeview (1)	Wayne Tipton	
Robinson Memorial (1)	Jean Faires	
Rutherfordton (2)	Brenda Winker	Susan Allred
Ryburn Memorial (2)	Shelia Warthen	Ralph Warthen
Saluda (1)	A	
Shelby (2)	Mary Conner	Doug Boyette
Sherrill's Ford (1)	A	
Shiloh, Grover (1)	E	
Siloam (1)	A	
Southminster (2)	Margaret Mason	Cindy Mauney
Spindale (1)	A	
Spruce Pine First (1)	A	
Sweetwater (1)	Lynn Honeycutt	
Sylva First (1)	A	
Third Street (2)	Allen Lowry	Jeffrey Adams
Trinity (2)	Bob Forsythe	
Tryon (2)	A	
Union (1)	Larry Meek	
Union Mills (1)	Susan Ward	
United (1)	Margaret Lillard	
Unity (2)	Cathy Bumgardner	
Vians Valley (1)	A	
Waldensian (2)	Debra Garrou	Linda Brackett
Walnut (1)	A	
Walnut Grove (1)	A	

Warren Wilson (1)	Diana Sanderson	
Waynesville First (1)	Sylvia Lonnee	
West Asheville (1)	Don Hawkins	
West Avenue (1)	Mollie Trosper	

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

Teaching Elders	75
Ruling Elders	67
Certified Educators	3
General Council/Committee Chairs	5
Visitors	24
Total	174

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

Thomas Singleton- New Vision, Conover – New Church Development
 Rosalyn Barker – New Vision, Conover – New Church Development
 Michael E. Lamm – Member of Salem Presbytery
 Donald E. Stroud – Member of Baltimore Presbytery
 Ken Mast – Member of Hudson River Presbytery
 Sally Woodard – Member of Presbytery of West Virginia

Standing Committees:

Resolution and Thanks:

- Mary Katherine Robinson, Black Mountain
- Margo Smith, Black Mountain

Bills and Overtures:

- Kevin Frederick
- David Kaylor
- Luke Harkey
- Sue Johnson (Belmont)
- Linda Hobson (Montreat)

Tellers:

- Tracey Paul
- Melva Cooper
- Ray Rhinehart
- Steven Barnes

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

Michael Bailey
Immediate Past Moderator

Installation of Moderator and Vice-Moderator

Convene with Prayer of Invocation

**Barbara McLean
Moderator**

Welcome from First Presbyterian Church, Newton

Steven Barnes

**Appointment of Standing Committees
Resolution of Thanks**

Barbara McLean

Bills and Overtures

(Fossil Fuel Divestment – Faithful Alternative to Climate Change)

Tellers

Ruling and Teaching Elders from Host Church

**Certification of Quorum
Approval of Docket**

Cam Murchison, Stated Clerk

Consent Agenda

A

(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

Nominating Committee

I

Congregational Development

GG

Presbyterian Women – Guatemalan Microloan Project

MM

**9:25 Service of Worship, including Necrology for 2015
Celebration of the Lord's Supper
and Necrology**

**Steven Barnes
Mark Osborne**

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.)

10:30 General Council (10 minutes)

Michael Bailey

C

(Work of the committee, Presbytery Treasurer, Search Committee for an Associate, Reports from Divisions on Progress of Re-Organization of Committees.)

10:40 Personnel Committee (10 minutes)

Otis Wilson

FF

(Work of the committee and recommendation(s) from the committee.)

10:50 Finance Committee (10 minutes)

Jay Crane

BB

(Work of the committee and Proposed Budget for 2016.)

11:00 Christian Education and Resource Center (5 minutes)

Kent Smith

W

(2016 Spiritual Retreat and rollout traveling resource center presentation.)

Mary Lou Nash

11:05 Ministry Campaign (20 minutes) <i>(Updates on Quiet Phase and Roll Out of Congregational Phase)</i>	Feild Russell Linda Rostan	BH
11:25 Committee on Preparation for Ministry (10 minutes) <i>(Introduction of inquirer to move to candidate for ministry)</i>	Bob Tuttle	K
11:35 Youth Committee (5 minutes) <i>(Upcoming Events; Middle School Retreat; and 2016 Youth Triennium)</i>	James Holeman Joseph Taber	Y
11:40 Committee on Ministry (15 minutes) <i>(Work of the committee, introduction of new minister – Patrick Johnson; Sacred Trust/Relational Boundaries)</i>	John Pea and Tee Gatewood	D
11:55 Report of the General Presbyter (5 minutes)	Bobbi White	GP
12:05 Guatemala Partnership (2 minutes)	Marie Connelly de Palacios	
12:10 Report from the Bills and Overtures Committee (30 Minutes) <i>(Report from committee regarding 2016 PCUSA Fossil Fuel Divestment Overture Rationale)</i>		
12:40 Prayers of Intercession <i>(Please submit requested prayers of intercession to the Stated Clerk's table before 11:00 a.m.)</i>	Kevin Frederick	

Benediction and Adjournment

CONSENT AGENDA

Stated Clerk Cam Murchison explained the rules for the Consent Agenda. He then moved that the Consent Agenda be approved. Item 10 from the Stated Clerk's Report was pulled from the Consent Agenda. The remaining items of the Consent Agenda were approved as submitted. 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.

- Nominating Committee Report (Appendix B)
- Congregational Development (Appendix C)
- Presbyterian Women – Guatemalan Microloan Project (Appendix D)

STATED CLERK'S REPORT

Dr. Murchison presented recommendations 1 thru 9 and 11 thru 13 included in the Stated Clerk's report, stating that these recommendations had previously been approved in the Consent Agenda. He then referred to items 15-19 as items for information.

Stated Clerk Murchison moved recommendations 10 and 14, which were duly seconded and approved.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- CA 1. THAT Barbara McLean, Cam Murchison and Robbin Buchanan be requested to prepare the minutes of this Presbytery meeting for approval at the April 26, 2016 Presbytery meeting.**
- CA. 2. THAT the minutes of the October 31, 2015 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 2015, and that their names become a part of the permanent record:

Asheville, First

Jill Rowe Abernethy
 Carl Odgen Gray
 Dr. Colin Munroe Hudson
 John Edgar McLeod
 Charles J. Noufer
 Dr. Lewis Standish Rathbun

Banner Elk

Paul "Sonny" Fletcher

Belmont, First

James J. Fuller
 Emily L. Smith

Black Mountain

Mary V. Atkinson
 Bob Grove

Brevard-Davidson River

Howard Barnes
 Robert W. Heckert

Brittain

Jacqueline (Jackie) Long
 Edward Arthur Taylor

Marion First

Finley Norris

Mount Holly

Clive Hoyt Green

Newland

Mack Stewart Isaacs
 Leelen Morris Isaacs

Newton

Robert Westbrook
 Peggy Day

Northminster

Robert E. Clark

Olney

Mildred Huffstetler
 Clyde Hill

Calvary

Arthur Edington

Cherryville, First

James E. Black
 Joel Blackwelder
 Rodney Bowyer

Conley Memorial

Dock Edward Good

Crossnore

David Hege

Duncan's Creek

James B. Mode

Etowah

James McKinna

Fairview

Dr. Jane Carswell Roberts

Green Street

Mary Tucker Caldwell

Shelby

Eugene Sibley Arrowood
 Maude Crisp Reid

Southminster

William R. Bradshaw

Trinity

Jack Case
 George Kehoe
 Dorothy Ward

Tryon

W. G. "Bill" Wuehrmann

West Asheville

Faye Roberts Barnard
 Charles "Chuck" Hines

Gastonia, First

Mabel Warren Andrews
 Helen Walker Harris
 Samuel Girard McGregor
 James T. McRainey, Jr

Grace Covenant

Sandy Jividen
 Bettie Pritchard
 Rex Snodgrass

Hickory, First

Robert T. Hambrick, Jr.
 Kent C. Moore

Lenoir, First

Donald W. Lackey
 James M. McCarl

Long Creek

Pat Byers
 Barbara Larck

Lowell

William Reid Price

Union Mills

Elizabeth Hendrix

United

John McRee

Unity

Gene Hudgens
 Suzanne "Sue" Thomas

Waldensian

J. Hugh Fletcher
 Edward Pascal

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 2015 and that their names become a part of the permanent record.

Rev. Ted H. Beasley (1/4/2015)
Rev. Kenneth J. Foreman (4/15/2015)
Rev. James Gailey (10/17/2015)
Rev. Fred Hill (2/6/2015)
Rev. Jefferson T. Kesterson (1/24/2015)
Rev. J. Wendell Ligon (7/8/2015)
Rev. Walter H. Styles (7/4/2015)
Rev. Dan Maynard Thornton (11/19/2015)
Rev. Ace L. Tubbs (2/8/2015)

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 2016 year, churches E through L are entitled to an additional elder. Please note that commissioner representation is based on active membership figures taken from the 2014 Statistical Report as figures are not available for 2015.*):

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 E-L) be requested to send one additional elder commissioner for the year 2016:

Ellenboro, Estatoa, Etowah, Fairview, Fletcher, Forest City First, Franklin First, Gastonia First, Glen Alpine, Good Hope, Grace Covenant, Grassy Creek, Green Mountain, Green Street, Hayesville, Hendersonville First, Hickory First, Highlands First, Ironton, Jack's Creek, John Knox, Kenilworth,

Kings Mountain First, Korean Church of Ashe., Lenoir First, Lincolnton First, Long Creek, Love's Chapel, Lowell

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 E)**
- 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 F)**
- CA 8. **THAT the January 30, 2016 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 G)**
- CA 9. **THAT the January 30, 2016 report of the Administrative Commission for the First Presbyterian Church, Hendersonville be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (Appendix H)**
- CA 10. **THAT the January 30, 2016 report of the Administrative Commission for the First Presbyterian Church, Lenoir be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (Appendix I)**
- CA 11. **THAT the January 30, 2016 report of the Board for the UKirk at WCU Cullowhee Campus Ministry be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (Appendix J)**
- CA 12. **THAT the January 30, 2016 report of the Administrative Commissions for Paint Gap Presbyterian Church and Walnut Grove Presbyterian Church be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (Appendix K)**
- CA 13. **THAT the January 30, 2016 report of the Administrative Commission for Westminster Presbyterian Church, Asheville and West Asheville Presbyterian Church be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (Appendix K)**
14. **THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina agreed to study the overture submitted by the session of the First Presbyterian Church, Asheville, regarding fossil fuel divestment between October 31, 2015 and January 30, 2016, with a vote to be taken at the January 30, 2016 meeting. On two separate occasions, Presbyterians gathered to study and give thoughtful consideration of this matter. THAT the overture now be referred to the Bills and Overtures Committee of Presbytery recommending of action at this meeting. (Appendix L)**

FOR INFORMATION:

15. **THAT Administrative Commission reports were not received from the following commissions/boards for this meeting:**
Administrative Commission for First Presbyterian Church, Swannanoa

16. **THAT the deadline for the Annual Statistical Report is February 17, 2016.**
17. **THAT the 108th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina will be held on Tuesday, April 26, 2016, at the Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, North Carolina.**
18. **THAT the following dates have been set for 2016 and 2017 Presbytery Meetings:**
- 2016
- Saturday, January 30, 2016 – First Presbyterian Church, Newton
 Tuesday, April 26, 2016 – Montreat Conference Center
 Tuesday, July 26, 2016 – Grandfather Home for Children
 Tuesday, October 25, 2016 – Brevard-Davidson River
- 2017
- January 28, 2017 ~ First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton
 April 25, 2017 ~ Montreat Conference Center
 July 25, 2017 ~TBD
 October 28, 2017 ~TBD
19. **THAT the following dates have been established for Clerk of Session Training and Reviewing Church Records:**
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| April 16, 2016 | First Presbyterian Church, Morganton |
| May 14, 2016 | First Presbyterian Church, Waynesville |
| June 11, 2016 | Rutherfordton Presbyterian Church |
| October 1, 2016 | Bessemer City Presbyterian Church |

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

Worship was led by the Reverends Steven Barnes and Heather Davis. The Rev. Heather Davis preached a sermon entitled “Surviving the Cliff Hanger,” with the scripture taken from the Gospel of Luke, Luke 4:21-30.

Worship concluded with a celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, led by the Revs. Steven Barnes and Heather Davis, with communion being served by the ruling and teaching elders affiliated with the First Presbyterian Church, Newton. The lives of 63 ruling elders and 9 teaching elders of Presbytery who had passed on to the Church Triumphant during the year 2015 were celebrated.

GENERAL COUNCIL

On behalf of the General Council, Michael Bailey presented recommendations 1 thru 4 and 6 thru 10 included in the General Council report, stating that these recommendations had previously been approved in the Consent Agenda. He then presented recommendation 5. The recommendation was moved and approved.

Items 11 thru 33 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 2016.**

- 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 2016.**
(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 2016.**
- CA 4. **THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina follow the special arrangements at this meeting of Presbytery for the discussion and action on the process for voting on the Overture regarding Fossil Fuel Divestments. (Appendix M)**
5. **THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina approve the recommended membership of the Associate Presbyter for Mission, Witness and Church Support Search Committee:**
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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Rev. Kathy Campbell (F) | Elder Roger Wise (F) |
| Rev. Terry Hanna (A) | Elder Helen Hall (E) |
| Rev. Bill Heck (B) | Elder Judy Nebrig (C) |
| | Elder Jerry Ragan (D) |
- CA 6. **THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina approve \$10,000 being set aside from the 2015 Budget to a Contingency Fund of the General Council.**
- CA 7. **THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina approve the following members to serve on the Board to Camp Grier:**
- Mr. J. D. Waldrop (Class of 2016)
 - Mr. Larry Huggins (Class of 2017)
 - Mr. William (Bill) McLucas (Class of 2017)
 - Mr. Allen Thornburg (Class of 2018)
- CA 8. **THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina approve Rev. Samantha Gonzalez-Block to serve on the Board for the North Carolina Council of Churches.**
- CA 9. **THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina approve the addition of Ms. Heidi Buchanan to serve on the WNC UKirk Campus Ministry Board.**
- CA 10. **THAT the Presbytery approve the covenant with the Presbyterian Hunger Program, including the support for the Hunger Action Enabler position.** *(Background: This is an annual renewal with the General Assembly Hunger Program, which helps fund the work of the Hunger Action Enabler, which is part of the responsibility of the Associate Presbyter for Mission, Witness and Church Support.)*

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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

- New and Small Church Grant Fund
 - Robinson Memorial Presbyterian Church – Replacement of Entrance Doors
- Presbyterian Initiative Grant
 - Presbyterian Men-Kenya

12. **THAT the General Council reviewed and approved the following 1001 Worshiping Communities Grant Application:**
WNC UKirk Campus Ministries
13. **THAT the General Council reviewed and approved that the proposal for repairs to the dam at Camp Woodson be submitted to the State of North Carolina for the necessary permits. The proposal was prepared by Quible Engineering and Joel Lenk, Engineer and Caretaker at Camp Woodson.**
14. **THAT the General Council of the Presbytery extended the services of Mr. Sam Avery, of OS Associates, LLC to continue his contract with the Presbytery of Western North Carolina from November 23, 2015 until August 31, 2016, said contract may be terminated by either party with a 90 day notice. Mr. Avery will continue his services during the congregational phase of Ministry Campaign of the Presbytery. (Appendix N)**
15. **THAT the General Council approved a \$105,000 Budget submitted by the Building H.O.P.E. Finance Committee which include expenses incurred from September 2014 through October 31, 2015, marketing expense for the Quiet Phase, Consultant’s and Campaign Manager’s Salary from November 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016, and projected marketing expenses for the Congregational Phase. (Appendix O)**
16. **THAT the General Council approved the hiring and contract for a part-time Campaign Director. The contract between the Presbytery of Western North Carolina and Dr. Richard Larson came before the General Council from the Building H.O.P.E. Campaign Planning Committee and Finance Committee. The role of the part-time director would be to handle educational programs and conduct training sessions related to the Building H.O.P.E. Campaign. (Appendix P)**
17. **THAT the General Council approved a policy submitted by the Building H.O.P.E. Finance Committee referencing the “Application and Distribution of Funds Received in the Building H.O.P.E. Campaign.” (Appendix Q)**
18. **THAT the General Council reports approval of the following Nickel-A-Meal Hunger Grants:**

Clay Co. Food Pantry	\$5,000
Dulatown Food Pantry	\$12,000
Haywood Christian Ministry Food Pantry	\$5,000
HeartLife@Pleasant View	\$2,000
TOTAL	\$20,000

19. **THAT the General Council reports approval of the following International Grants:**

OFCB Ministries/School Food Program - Haiti	\$16,500
Guatemala Health Project	\$13,500

Thandizo Orphan Care - NKhoma	\$10,000
Nkhoma Hospital Children's Ward	\$32,000
TOTAL	\$72,000

- 20. THAT the Presbytery of Western North Carolina received a Hunger Action Enabler Grant for 2016 from the PCUSA.**
- 21. THAT the General Council approved the MicroLoan Credit Project for Women in Guatemala to be included in the Reclaiming Christmas Card Project for 2015.**
- 22. THAT the General Council approved endorsing Taiwanese Pastors, including John McCall, Guatemalan Pastors and pastors from Western North Carolina, to host a consultation at the Montreat Conference Center, August 19, 2016 – August 29, 2016. The consultation will be “Ministry In A Global World, Sowing Seeds of Understanding.”**
- 23. THAT the General Council continues to review the work of the divisions of the Presbytery as they strive to work toward a new committee structure for Presbytery. The progress report for the Outreach and Mission Division is being submitted for Presbytery records. (Appendix R)**
- 24. THAT a list of upcoming events of the Presbytery can be found on the back of the Presbytery Docket.**
- 25. THAT the Christian Education Committee will sponsor an overnight spirituality retreat, to be held April 8-9, 2016, at the Moore Center at Montreat Conference Center. The theme will be Experiential Worship. The retreat will be led by Rev. Dr. David Gambrell, Associate for Worship in the PCUSA Office of Theology and Worship.**
- 26. THAT the following dates have been set for youth events in 2016:**
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| February 27, 2016 | Healthy Relationships & Sexuality Retreat |
| March 11-12, 2016 | High School Mission Retreat |
| April 16-17, 2016 | Triennium Delegation Retreat |
| July 19-23, 2016 | Presbyterian Youth Triennium |
- 27. THAT the General Council approved that the Administrative Commission for the Paint Gap Presbyterian Church sell the Paint Gap Presbyterian Church property for \$65,000. (Appendix S)**
- 28. THAT the Presbyterian Women will be holding their Spring Gathering on: Saturday, April 16, 2016 - First Presbyterian Church, Asheville**
- 29. THAT thanks was expressed to Jim Henderson for chairing the General Council during 2015, and for his years of service on the General Council and dedicated service to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina.**
- 30. THAT thanks was expressed to Bob Riddle for his years on the General Council and his dedicated service to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina.**

31. THAT thanks was extended for the work of Lisa Pressley, Comptroller, and Jack Suddreth, Treasurer, for their work during 2015 and their continued service to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina.

32. THAT the following dates have been set for 2016 and 2017 Presbytery Meetings:

2016

January 30, 2016 ~ First Presbyterian Church, Newton

April 26, 2016 ~ Montreat Conference Center

July 26, 2016 ~ Grandfather Home for Children

October 25, 2016 ~ Brevard-Davidson River Presbyterian Church

2017

January 28, 2017 ~ First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton

April 25, 2017 ~ Montreat Conference Center

July 25, 2017 ~TBD

October 28, 2017 ~TBD

33. THAT the Gaston Area Presbyterian (GAP) will welcome the Moderator of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) for a special evening of fellowship, worship and discernment for our church's place in the world today. The event will be held on Friday, February 12, 2016 at the First Presbyterian Church, Gastonia.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Personnel Committee, Jay Crane reported on the work of the committee for 2015, presented the salaries of the Program Staff for 2016, and gave a report of their recommendations for 2016. The Personnel Committee recommended a 2% salary increase for the administrative staff and a few of the program staff be implemented for 2016 was moved, seconded and approved. (Appendix T)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Jay Crane, chair of the Budget and Finance Committee, updated the Presbytery on the work of the committee, the Presbytery, church contributions and Presbytery expenses. The Finance Committee is happy to announce that they have a volunteer benefits expert that has joined the committee and is available to assist churches with questions.

The 2016 Budget of \$1,040,753 was presented, with the endorsement of the General Council, based on anticipated donations from churches being submitted during 2016. He expressed thanks to the Presbytery of WNC for the difference in which they are making in the churches. A motion was made to approve the 2016 budget. Approved. (Appendix U)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND RESOURCE CENTER

Kent Smith, chair of the Resource Center Task Force, presented an update from the Jo Bales Gallagher Resource Center located in Montreat. The Resource Center is a great place for ideas, to gather resources and materials for special events and to view current curriculum. The Task Force will be hosting seminars within the various clusters of Presbytery to inform others of the curriculum and materials available to the churches. The first of several seminars planned will be held on February 20, 2016 at the West Asheville Presbyterian Church, Asheville, NC.

Mary Lou Nash, co-chair of the Christian Education Committee, invited everyone to consider attending the Spiritual Retreat on April 8-9, 2016 at Montreat. The retreat leader will be David Gambrel. (Appendix V)

MINISTRY CAMPAIGN

Participants of the Leadership Team (Dick Larson, Linda Rostan, Mark Stanley and Anita Bernhardt) for the Building H.O.P.E. Ministry Campaign highlighted the four ministries of the campaign (Camp Grier, Guatemala, Malawi, and revitalized Congregations) and explained how the current “congregational phase” of the Campaign would now offer each church and/or individual an opportunity to participate. An update was presented on the current contributions and/or pledges to the campaign. Over \$1 million dollars has now been contributed and/or pledged to enhance the ministries of the Presbytery. The Presbytery was reminded that what they have already done so well, that they are getting ready to do better. (Appendix W)

COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

On behalf of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry, Rev. Bob Tuttle made the following recommendations to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina:

- 1. THAT David Brandon Smith, a member of Montreat Presbyterian Church, and a student at Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, NJ, be enrolled as a Candidate following the required examination by Presbytery.**

After sharing his faith journey and his call to the ministry, Moderator Barbara McLean opened the floor for questions. Following a period of time for questions, the Presbytery approved the enrollment of David Brandon Smith as Candidates. The Moderator then asked the questions in the *Book of Order*, G-14.0305f, which were answered affirmatively.

The Rev. Maggie Lauterer delivered the charge and the Rev. Keith Grogg offered the prayer for David Brandon Smith. Those who came in support of these candidates were asked to stand and be recognized. (Appendix X)

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Teaching Elders James Holeman and Joseph Taber reported on the work of the committee and upcoming events. Events scheduled for 2016 were highlighted with an emphasis be placed on the 2016 Youth Triennium. (Appendix Y)

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 Z)

On behalf of the committee, Ruling Elder John Pea reported that the following ministers requested that their membership be transferred:

- Marshall J. Nord, to ECO (A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians), The Presbytery of Southern California, effective January 30, 2016.
- James Bernhardt, to the Presbytery of Lake Erie, as Pastor, at Wayside Presbyterian Church in Erie, PA, effective December 1, 2015.
- Michael Isaacs, to the Presbytery of Miami Valley, as Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Middletown, OH, effective November 16, 2015.
- Margaret LaMotte Torrence, to Peace River Presbytery, as Interim Associated Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Sarasota, effective January 2, 2016.

On behalf of the committee, Ruling Elder John Pea reported that the following minister requested honorable retirement:

- Jeffrey R. Coffey, effective November 1, 2015

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

II. INTRODUCTION OF NEW MINISTERS

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry and the Examinations Sub-Committee, the Teaching Elder Tee Gatewood introduced Patrick Johnson, as a new minister in the Presbytery. He spoke briefly and signed the Book of Obligations. His Statement of Faith and biographical statement was included in the report of the Committee on Ministry in October 2015.

- Patrick Johnson, from Presbytery of New Brunswick, as Pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Asheville, effective December 13, 2015.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

III. VALIDATION OF MINISTRIES

On behalf of the Committee on Ministry, Rev. Whit Malone moved that the Presbytery validate the ministries of the following: (Appendix Z)

- A. Evelyn Coleman, as Director for Programs, Montreat Conference Center, through January 30, 2017.
- B. Steve Eason, as Director of Consulting, Macedonian Ministry, through January 30, 2017.
- C. Kitty Rankin, as Pastor to Seniors, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, through January 30, 2017.
- D. Katie Cashwell, as Director for Programs, Montreat Conference Center, through January 30, 2017.
- E. Amy Cantrell, as Director/Pastor, BeLoved Community, through January 30, 2017.
- F. Jason Bryant, as Minister of Congregational Care, River Hills Community Church, through January 30, 2017.

REPORT OF GENERAL PRESBYTER

Bobbi White, General Presbyter, reported on her recent trip to Taiwan to help celebrate the 150th anniversary of its church and to China to learn about the church there.

She shared that it is important to have and share “joy” in our faith. Through the Building H.O.P.E. Campaign, we need to get excited about the ministries that the campaign is striving to fulfill and have joy about these four ministries. Bobbi shared that when the Building H.O.P.E. Leadership Team heard about the famine in Malawi that they pulled together and sent \$50,000 to Malawi. In closing, she encouraged everyone to that when they returned home to get down on their knees and ask God what he is calling each of you to do. (Appendix AA)

GUATEMALA PARTNERSHIP

On behalf of the Guatemala Partnership Team, Susan Maveety reported from the team that had recently returned from Guatemala. The Leadership Team, on behalf of the Presbytery, along with the Suchitepéquez and Sur Occidente Presbyteries drafted a new covenant for the next ten years. The new covenant will be presented and signed at the April 26, 2016 Presbytery.

BILLS AND OVERTURES

Teaching Elder Luke Harkey, chair of the Bills and Overtures Committee reported that the Committee was not able to make a recommendation either for or against the endorsement of the 2016 PCUSA Fossil Fuel Divestment Overture.

Following a discussion, a motion was made and seconded that the Presbytery of WNC endorse the 2016 PCUSA Fossil Fuel Divestment Overture. By a vote of 61 in favor and 47 against, the motion passed.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rev. Kevin Frederick led the Presbytery in prayers of intercession.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Teaching Elder Mary Katherine Robinson and Ruling Elder Margo Smith presented the following Resolution of Thanks for the 107th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina:

Here in the place new light is streaming...

Thanks to Newton First Presbyterian Church and pastor Steven Barnes, the worship leaders, and the musicians and to those who have provided hospitality, welcome, and comfort to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina.

Thank you for the leadership of our Presbytery, for Barbara McLean as she was elected moderator. For Michael Bailey and his faithful leadership for the past year, For Cam Murchison as he lives into his new position as stated clerk.

Gather us to drink the wine of compassion; given us to eat the bread that is you; nourish well and teach us to fashion lives that our holy and hearts that are true.

Thanks for the peace and guidance that comes through corporate worship and for those who plan and lead in worship.

Thank you for Heather Wood Davis and her lively, thrill seeking sermon of sensory explosion on the Gospel of Luke, which "has a way of cutting right to the marrow."

May we walk with Christ "to the edge of the cliff to see what will happen next" and where we can "take a deep breath because gospel will be fulfilled today."

Here in the place the new light is shining; now is the kingdom and now is the day.

Thanks for those who have gone to peace with you and for their guidance for us through their devoted service.

Here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Thanks for the work of churches which have taken rest and for the new and renewed congregations and for Administrative Commissions whose consistent and thorough conversation witness as Congregations consider leaving our body to enter a different path in the same love of Christ.

Thanks for the service of those called to lead committees, commissions, projects, retreats, and mission endeavors.

Thanks for those who run the day to day work of the Presbytery, who serve the local churches, who maintain the mission from our Presbytery to the world.

Thanks for those who plan and lead opportunities for retreat and renewal.

Thanks for those leading the Building HOPE Finance (Campaign) to raise money for Health Care, Outdoor Adventures, Partnered Growth, and Education throughout the Presbytery and to the world reminding us "How much more we can accomplish when we raise our hands upward and outward together," and celebrating that "Most presbyteries are working to survive-while you are reaching out..."

Thanks for the call to those seeking to serve and for the support they are given as they journey along the way, for David Smith as he moves into candidacy led by Psalm 139, and for Patrick

Johnson who joins the Presbytery with the message that churches are mission outposts, tying the confessions to the benefits of Christ.

Thanks to the missionaries who serve here and in lands beyond, both as a vocation and as volunteers.

Thanks for Bobbi White's joy in leading the Presbytery's work in spreading the good news throughout the Presbytery and to the world.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery. We are the old who yearn for your face. We have sung throughout all of history, called to be light to the whole human race.

Thanks for the courage to face hard questions, to take positions, and to love one another in our various views as we seek justice and live our commitment to God's creation.

Gather us in all peoples together fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

BENEDICTION AND ADJOURNMENT

With the business of the 107th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina completed and adjournment voted, Moderator McLean adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m. with prayer.

NEXT MEETING

The 108th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina will be held on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, North Carolina.

These minutes were prepared by the following:

Barbara McLean, Moderator

D. Cameron Murchison, Stated Clerk

Robbin Buchanan, Assistant Stated Clerk

These minutes to be approved by Presbytery on April 26, 2016 at its meeting at the Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, North Carolina.

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