

# CONSENT AGENDA

*For the purpose of expediting some of Presbytery's decisions which are routine and non-controversial, a Consent Agenda will be used. These motions are included throughout the packet.*

## **PLEASE READ THESE MOTIONS BEFORE PRESBYTERY!**

*Matters may be removed from the Consent Agenda when:*

- A. *Any member of the governing body requests removal of an item included in the CA whereupon that item shall be removed and presented to the governing body as part of the report from which it originated.*
- B. *When the Consent Agenda is presented on the floor, opportunity shall be given for members of the governing body to request, without comment or debate, for removal of specific items from the CA.*

**A FAVORABLE VOTE ON THE CA SHALL BE RECORDED AS A FAVORABLE VOTE ON ALL MATTERS INCLUDED IN THE MOTION. THEREFORE, PLEASE READ AND PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER ALL MOTIONS BEFORE PRESBYTERY.**

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**THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS, BE ADOPTED:**

### **RECOMMENDATIONS 1 thru 11 FROM THE STATED CLERK'S REPORT**

**(See Stated Clerk's Report (B) for contents of recommendations.)**

- CA 1. **THAT Melvin Meares, Cam Murchison and Robbin Buchanan be requested to prepare the minutes of this Presbytery meeting for approval at the April 24, 2018 Presbytery meeting.**
- CA. 2. **THAT the minutes of the October 24, 2017 Stated Meeting of Presbytery be approved as submitted.** *(The full set of these minutes, including appendices, is available for review at the Stated Clerk's table.)*
- CA. 3. **THAT the Presbytery celebrate the lives and service of the following Elders, as reported by their local congregations, who died during the year of 2017, and that their names become a part of the permanent record:**

**Asheville, First**

Phillip N. Atkinson  
Marion M. Boggs  
Robert S. Turk  
Louise H. Williams

**Banner Elk**

George G. Anderson

**Brevard-Davidson**

Bonnie Burgan  
Alice Dalton  
William Engelson  
Virginia Heckert  
Eileen Price  
Patsy Sexton  
Reginald Tomlin

**Canton**

Edith McFee  
Hazel Robertson

**Cherryville, First**

Darril Sigmon  
Norman Warlick

**Dallas, First**  
Robert A. Grant

**Kenilworth**  
Judy Taylor  
David Taylor

**Shelby**  
Robin Gay Fichter  
Albert Mancinelli

**Fairview**  
Guy Hall  
Marjorie Strawn

**Lowell**  
James C. Ashworth  
Russell H. Stepp

**Southminster**  
Bill Barlowe

**Gastonia, First**  
William P. Adams  
Marian H. Call  
Ruth D. Dickson  
William G. Quarles

**Mills River**  
Bill Fowler

**Montreat**  
Charlotte F. Chesnutt

**Trinity**  
Jay Barr  
Carl Christiansen  
George Godsy  
Robert Stratton  
Kathleen Wylde

**Good Hope**  
Connie A. Allison

**Morganton, First**  
Denton Emery  
Bette Smith  
Ken Salthouse

**Tryon**  
Elaine Prather

**Grace Covenant**  
William O. Prescott  
Becky Stradley

**Mount Holly**  
Thomas E. Stewart

**Union**  
Wilson Barnett  
Don Farris  
Mary Lou Helms  
Judy Meek

**Grassy Creek**  
Helen G. Haberneck

**New Hope Asheville**  
Helen J. Cable  
Ann Higgins  
Maria Young

**United**  
Willoughby H. "Bill" Biggs  
Marion P. Day

**Green Street**  
Peggy Drayton

**Newland**  
James R. Banner  
Sam Cartner

**Unity**  
Justus "Jess" Wingard  
Max Gilleland

**Hickory, First**  
Peggy G. Bissette  
Joanne F. Underdown  
P C "Neil" Underdown, Jr.

**Newton, First**  
David Lowrance

**Waldensian**  
Betty Lou Guigou  
Kenneth L. Bumgarner  
Agnes R. Burns  
Katherine E. Parse  
Hilda O. Jones

**Ironton**  
James M. Moore

**Northminster**  
Robert Johnson

**John Knox**  
Bob Pegram

**Robinson Memorial**  
Fred A. Kerr

**West Asheville**  
Donald T. Huntsinger

- 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 2017 and that their names become a part of the permanent record.**

Charles E. Alexander  
Mary Faith Carson  
Joel David Cherry  
William Maynard Fountain, Jr.  
J. Richard Holshouser  
Youn Ho Hong  
Katherine E. Parker  
Thomas D. Parker  
Harry Petersen, III

- 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 2018 year, churches S through Z are entitled to an additional elder. Please note that commissioner representation is based on active membership figures taken from the 2016 Statistical Report as figures are not available for 2017.*):

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

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

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

1. All members of the General Council and Committee on Ministry shall have voice and vote (if ruling elders).
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 S-Z) be requested to send one additional elder commissioner for the year 2017:

Saluda	Southminster	Tryon	Waldensian
Shelby	Spruce Pine, First	Union	Walnut
Sherrill's Ford	Sweetwater	Union Mills	Warren Wilson
Shiloh, Grover	Sylva, First	United	Waynesville, First
Siloam	Third Street	Unity	West Asheville
	Trinity	Vians Valley	West Avenue

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 become a part of the permanent record.**
- 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. (Stated Clerk Attachment 1)**
- CA 8. THAT the January 2018 report of the Administrative Commission for the New Vision, Conover New Church Development be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (Stated Clerk Attachment 2)**

- CA 9. **THAT the January 2018 report of the Administrative Commissions for the First Presbyterian Church, Kings Mountain; First Presbyterian Church of Swannanoa; Westminster Presbyterian Church; and Churches Concluding Their Ministry be received and entered into the permanent record of the Presbytery. (Stated Clerk Attachment 3)**
- CA 10. **THAT the minutes of the ordination of the following be placed into the record of Presbytery:**  
 Barrett A. Payne  
 Matthew D. Conner
- CA 11. **THAT the minutes of the installation of the following be placed into the record of Presbytery:**  
 Janet B. DeWater  
 Richard R. Coble

### **RECOMMENDATIONS 2-4 FROM THE GENERAL COUNCIL REPORT**

(See General Council's Report (C) for contents of recommendations.)

- CA 2. **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 2018.**
- CA 3. **THAT permission be granted to the North Carolina Presbyterian Pilgrimage to celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the Pilgrimage events during 2018. (This will be administered by Presbyterian ministers for the Presbytery of WNC and surrounding Presbyteries.)**
- CA 4. **THAT Elder Jack Suddreth be re-elected as Treasurer of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina for 2018.**

### **RECOMMENDATIONS I. (A-E) FROM THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT**

(See Committee on Ministry Report (D) for contents of recommendations.)

- CA I. **RECOMMEND TO PRESBYTERY THE VALIDATION OF MINISTRY FOR:**
- A. Lynn Bledsoe, as Ministries Associate for Givens Estate, through January 27, 2019.
- B. Amy Cantrell, as Co-Director/Pastor of BeLoved Asheville, through January 27, 2019.
- C. Daniel Tipton, as Hospice Chaplain at Four Seasons Compassion for Life Hospice, through January 27, 2019.
- D. David Lytle, as Chaplain at Novant Health Huntersville Medical Center, through January 27, 2019.
- E. Evelyn Coleman, as Director for Programs at Montreat Conference Center, through January 27, 2019.

**RECOMMENDATIONS 1 thru 3 FROM THE  
NOMINATING/REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE REPORT**  
(See Nominating/Representation Committee Report (I) for contents)

- CA 1. **Youth Ministries Committee/Youth Division Chair**  
 Rev. Joseph Taber (Lowell) (D) Class of 2019 Co-Chair 2018  
 Ms. Karyn Cherry (E) Class of 2018 Co-Chair 2018
- CA 2. **Youth Ministries Committee**  
 Rev. Evelyn Coleman (Montreat Conf) (B) Class of 2020
- CA 3. **The Nominating Committee reports the following youth to serve as a Youth Advisory Delegate (YAD) for 2018 at the 223rd General Assembly, to be held June 16 - June 22, 2018, in St. Louis, Missouri.**

**Katheryn Anne McGinnis** - Hickory, First - [katherynannemcginnis@gmail.com](mailto:katherynannemcginnis@gmail.com)

I am a 23 year old first year Mdiv student at Princeton Theological Seminary. Before starting seminary, I graduated from Lenoir-Rhyne University in December of 2015 with a BA in Religious Studies and minor in Psychology. I then served as a PCUSA Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) in the Philippines from August 2016 to July 2017 where I worked with our partner church, the United Church of Christ in the Philippines, in their Indigenous People's Program. During my year, I was able to travel to many different indigenous communities in the mountains of the Philippines where I lived in the various communities, worshipping with them, learning to farm, and working together to combine indigenous practices and traditions into Christian worship.

I am Presbyterian born and raised. I was baptized in my home church, First Presbyterian Church of Hickory, North Carolina, where I am still a member today. Growing up, I spent my summers spending as much time as I could hiking in mountains of Montreat, where my family has had a house for three generations. I was fortunate enough to spend two summers doing what I love on staff at Montreat as the Club's Wilderness Ranger, organizing and leading youth backpacking trips.

I am currently on an ordination track and look forward with a grateful heart to a career spent serving God through the PCUSA!