

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.

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 Hal Bennett, Cam Murchison and Robbin Buchanan be requested to prepare the minutes of this Presbytery meeting for approval at the April 27, 2021 Presbytery meeting.**
- CA 2. **THAT the minutes of the October 27, 2020 Stated Meeting of Presbytery be approved as submitted.**
- CA 3. **THAT the past/present 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 4. **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 5. **THAT the January 2021 report of the following Administrative Commissions be received and entered into the permanent record of Presbytery. (Stated Clerk**

Attachment 2)

Administrative Commission for First Presbyterian, Lincolnton
 Administrative Commission for West Avenue
 Administrative Commission for Churches Concluding Ministry

CA 6. **THAT the minutes of the installation of the following be placed into the record of Presbytery:**

Michael J. Poulos

CA 7. **THAT the minutes of the ordination of the following be placed into the record of Presbytery:**

Katheryn McGinnis

CA 8. **THAT the Presbytery celebrate the lives and service of the following teaching elders/Ministers of the Word and Sacrament who died during the year 2020 and that their names become a part of the permanent record.**

Charles E Swann	2/17/2020
Curtis Fennell Crowther Jr	3/10/2020
Carl C Murray	4/1/2020
R. David Fillpot	4/10/2020
Robert Samuel Busey	5/14/2020
Donald Collins Mullen	5/17/2020
Lamar Williamson Jr	7/11/2020
Gene Price	8/30/2020
George Wilson Gunn, Sr.	10/5/2020
Harry Philips	10/5/2020
John Jey Deifell	11/6/2020
John David Stewart	12/12/2020
Stratton Peacock	12/27/2020

CA 9. **THAT the Presbytery celebrate the lives and service of the following Certified Christian Educator, as reported by his local congregation, who died during the year of 2020, and that his name become a part of the permanent record:**

Glenn Bannermann 10/30/2020

CA 10. **THAT the Presbytery celebrate the lives and service of the following Elders, as reported by their local congregations, who died during the year of 2020, and that their names become a part of the permanent record:**

Asheville, First

Harvey Lee Haynes
 Gay Kriek
 Edward Almy “Ned” Gibson
 Leonard G “Len” Pardue
 Paul Roberts

Banner Elk

William Cummings Tate, II, MD
 Irving (Irv) Fryberger
 William (Bill) Wilson

Black Mountain

Ruth Brandon
 Patrick Miller
 Sara LeVan
 Glenn Bannerman
 Evelyn Bannerman
 Margie Tyas

Brevard-Davidson River

Marilyn Massey
 Don Stinchcomb
 Sara Winston

Canton

Jeanne Smathers
Emily Smathers
Doris Murphy

Cherryville, First

Troy Sellers
Lecy Quinn
Connie Wise

Dallas, First

Ray Clemmer

Fairview

H. Dale Atwood
Rosa P. Miller

Forest City, First

Neil Ray Anderson, II
Caroline Flack Baynard
Ron Lessard

Gastonia, First

Virginia Ann Patrick Avery
William (Bill) David Lawson, III
Vann Marshall Matthews
Dr. George R. Miller
Jane K. Molen
James (Jimmy) Cliff Thompson, Jr.

Hickory, First

Kenneth Farver
Doris Phillips Robinson
Richard Douglas Taylor

Highlands, First

Donald Fisher
Mary Jellison
Hillrie Quin
John Rymer
Mary Thompson

Kenilworth

Robert (Bob) Craddack

Lowell

Catherine B. (Kitty) Wilson
Donald (Don) Koran

Micaville

Billie Jean Tomberlin

Mills River

Joseph Gilreath
Maggie Thomas

Montreat

Betsy Neville
Gordon Neville

Morganton, First

Judge Samuel McDowell Tate
Wifred Mills Kenan
Elizabeth "Betty" McBrayer
Sasser Robert Thomas Clark

Mount Holly

Anita Jones
Phyllis Piper

New Hope, Asheville

Frank I. Reynolds

Newland

Ralph Baird

Newton

Edwin F. Nolley

Quaker Meadows

Linda Mong
Ruth Pershing
Harry "Riddle" Smith
Virginia E. Whisnant
Fred Kyle Williams

Reems Creek-Beech

Pat Bradley

Shelby

Bob Point

Sherrill's Ford

Sue Phillips
Willie Beatty

Waldensian

Edward Louis Blyeat
 Betty Bumgarner Garrou
 Louis William Garrou
 Emile Martin Jacumin, Jr.
 Freddy Gene Leger
 Spottswood Pryor Neal

Walnut

Ernestine Plemmons

Union, Gastonia

Lewis Brooks
 William Craig

United

Janet H. Wilson

Unity

Henry Fogle
 Charlie Lampley
 Hollis Cobb
 Jane Wilson
 George Midgett
 Jackie Rozzelle

West Asheville

Betty Edwards Whiteside

CA 11. 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 2021 year, churches O through Z are entitled to an additional elder. Please note that commissioner representation is based on active membership figures taken from the 2019 Statistical Report as figures are not available for 2020.*):

- 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, Committee on Ministry, and Committee on Ministry Advocates 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 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.
8. That the following churches (Churches O-Z) be requested to send one additional elder commissioner for the year 2021.

Oak Forest	Ryburn Memorial	Tryon
Oakwood	Saluda	Union
Old Fort	Shelby	Union Mills
Olney	Sherrill's Ford	United
Pine Street	Shiloh, Grover	Unity
Pineola	Southminster	Vians Valley
Quaker Meadows	Spruce Pine, First	Waldensian
Reems Creek-Beech	Sweetwater	Walnut
Ridgeview	Sylva, First	Warren Wilson
Robinson Memorial	Third Street	Waynesville, First
Rutherfordton	Trinity	West Asheville

**RECOMMENDATIONS 1-4 FROM THE
GENERAL COUNCIL REPORT**

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

- CA 1. THAT the Presbytery elect the following person to serve on the Nominating and Representation Committee:

Mr. Bill Kantonen (Asheville, First) (B) Class of 2023

- CA 2. THAT permission be granted for the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to be celebrated at Presbytery sponsored events, mission trips, UKirk Campus Ministry and Wee Kirk Presbyterian Church during 2021

- 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 2021. *(This will be administered by Presbyterian ministers for the Presbytery of WNC and surrounding Presbyteries.)*

- CA 4. THAT Elder Melvin Meares be elected as Interim Treasurer of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina for 2021.

**RECOMMENDATIONS II. A thru E, IV and III. A, B and C
FROM THE FIRST SECTION OF THE
COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT.**

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

- CA II. RECOMMEND TO PRESBYTERY THE VALIDATION OF MINISTRY FOR:
 A. Bob McCully, as Treatment Director for Cherokee County Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse in Gaffney, SC through October 27, 2021
 B. Cynthia Strickler, as Director and Head of Staff at Presbyterian Reformed Ministries, Int., through January 29, 2022.

- C. Lynn Bledsoe, as Ministries Associate for the Givens Communities in the Asheville area, through January 29, 2022.
- D. Clay Fouse, as Chaplain and Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) Coordinator at the Charles George VA Medical Center in Asheville, through January 29, 2022.
- E. Tamara Puffer, as Minister of Vulnerability at Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church in Asheville, through January 29, 2022.

CA III. THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING REGARDING PASTORAL TERMS OF CALL:

(A) Beginning in July 2021, and continuing each following July thereafter, the COM will make recommendations to the Presbytery about minimum terms of call for the upcoming calendar year for decision and approval by the Presbytery. The recommendations will be based on a percentage of the church wide median effective salary published in May of each year by the Board of Pensions.

(B) Beginning in July 2021, and continuing each following July, the COM will make recommendations to the Presbytery about increases in all other (non-minimum) terms of call for the upcoming calendar year for decision and approval by the Presbytery. The recommendations will be based on the percentage increase between the current year and the coming year of the church wide median effective salary published in May by the Board of Pensions.

(C) In light of the ongoing and perhaps worsening pandemic, the COM will discuss and decide the parameters and considerations for its recommendations as referenced in subparagraphs (a) and (b) herein on a date in calendar year 2021 to be set at the joint discretion of the General Presbyter and the Stated Clerk.

**RECOMMENDATIONS 1- 7 FROM THE
NOMINATING/REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE REPORT
(See Nominating/Representation Committee Report (I)
for contents of recommendations)**

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| CA | 1. | <u>Committee on Ministry</u> | | |
| | | Mr. Melvin Meares (Hickory, First) | (E) | Class of 2023 |
| | | Mr. Phillip Ashley, CP (Columbus) | (C) | Class of 2023 |
| | | Ms. Ann Lampron (Unity) | (E) | Class of 2021 |
| | | Ms. Laura Sigmon (Northminster) | (E) | Class of 2021 |
| CA | 2. | <u>Examinations Committee</u> | | |
| | | Mr. Bob Forsythe (Trinity) | (C) | Chair for 2021 |
| | | Ms. Barbara Ross (Crossnore) | (F) | Class of 2022 |
| CA | 3. | <u>Hunger Committee</u> | | |
| | | Ms. Ann Kieffer (Asheville, First) | (B) | Class of 2023 |

- CA 4. **Campus Ministry**
Mr. Ken Murchison (Warren Wilson) (B) Class of 2023
- CA 5. **Youth Committee**
Ms. Terri Smith (Pineola) (F) Class of 2023
- CA 6. **Christian Education**
Mrs. Vivian Hare (Montreat) (B) Chair for 2021
- CA 7. **Smaller Membership Churches**
Ms. Peggy Ferguson (Pineola) (F) Class of 2021
Mr. Robert Dula (Dulatown) (E) Class of 2021
- CA 8. **Committee on Preparation for Ministry**
Rev. Dwight Christenbury (Trinity) (C) Chair for 2021

**RECOMMENDATION I. FROM THE
COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY REPORT.
(See Committee on Preparation for Ministry Report (K) for contents of
recommendation.)**

- CA I. **THAT** Darren Schach, an inquirer from Kenilworth Presbyterian Church in Asheville, be removed from the preparation for ministry process, per his request, effective August 29, 2020.