

MINUTES FROM THE STATED MEETING OF PRESBYTERY OF THE MIAMI VALLEY

November 14, 2009

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Piqua, Ohio

The meeting was convened with prayer by the Rev. William Reisenweaver, Moderator, at 9:00 a.m., Saturday, November 14, 2009, at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Piqua, Ohio.

LEGEND: P = Present E = Excused Blank= Absent *Italics*=attendance recorded in more than one category

OFFICERS OF THE MIAMI PRESBYTERY:

Rev. Bill Reisenweaver (Moderator) - P
 Elder Marge Morgan (Vice Moderator) - P
 Rev. Denise Ingram (Council Chair) - E

Rev. Doris Arnett Whitaker (Stated Clerk) - P
 Elder Larry Hollar (Recording Clerk) - P
 Elder Pam Dobbins (Enrolling Clerk) - P

ROLL OF CHURCHES

BEAVERCREEK: KIRKMONT	DAYTON: FAIRMONT	HAMILTON: THE P. C.
Rev. David JW Brown - P	Rev. Robert Wade - P	Rev. John Lewis
Rev. Carmen Garrigan - E	Rev. Denise Ingram (SS) - E	Rev. Daniel Carter
Elder Pat Youther (CCE) - P	Elder Jean Webster - P	Elder
Elder Ed Hermes - P	Elder Kenneth Eizenga - P	HAMILTON: WESTWOOD
BELLBROOK	DAYTON: GOOD SHEPHERD	Rev. Joshua Long - E
Rev. Stan Gockel (Int) - E	Rev. Richard Walker III	Elder Ted Pinkerton - E
Elder	Elder	HUBER HEIGHTS: FAITH
BELLE CENTER	DAYTON: IMMANUEL KOREAN	Rev. Norman Godfrey
Rev. Kathy Clark (Int) - P	Rev. Soo Kwang Kim - P	Elder
Elder Janice Shepherd - P	Elder	HUNTSVILLE
BELLEFONTAINE	DAYTON: MEMORIAL	Rev. Karen Cassedy (Int.) - P
Rev. Rob Fulton	<i>Rev. David Foubert (SS)</i>	Elder Sue Hurley - P
Elder	Elder	JAMESTOWN
BLUE BALL	DAYTON: SOUTHWESTMINSTER	Rev. Michael Helling
<i>SS vacancy</i>	Rev. Eric Pasanchin	Elder
Elder	Rev. Megan Collins - P	LEBANON
BRADFORD	Rev. Susan Hamilton - P	Rev. Peter Larson
Elder Irwin Roberts (CLP)	Elder Jeanne McIver (CCE)	Elder
Elder	Elder Gay Amos - P	Elder
CARLISLE: NEW JERSEY	Elder	MIDDLETOWN: FIRST
Rev. Jeffrey T. Foster - P	DAYTON: SUGAR CREEK	Rev. L. Timothy Doty
Elder	Rev. Julia Wharff - P	Elder
CEDARVILLE	Elder Ruth Gordon - P	Elder
Rev. Drew Elling - P	DAYTON: TRINITY	MIDDLETOWN: ST. LUKE
Elder	Rev. Lutrelle Rainey - P	Rev. Janet Dillaman
CLIFTON	<i>Elder Artence Walton</i> - P	Elder
Rev. Arby Conn - P	Elder Evelyn Mobley - P	MONROE
Elder	DAYTON: WESTMINSTER	Rev. Patrick Warren
COLLINSVILLE	Rev. George McConnel - P	Elder
Elder Michael Gabbard (CLP)	Rev. John Neely	MORNING SUN
Elder	Rev. Kay Davis-Dudding	Rev. Michael Evans (SS)
COVINGTON	Rev. Nancy Hodgkins	Elder
<i>SS vacancy</i>	Rev. Laurie Davis	NEW CARLISLE: HONEY CREEK
Elder Virginia Watson - P	Elder Les Ferguson - P	Rev. Shelley Wiley (SS) - E
DAYTON: BATH	Elder Sue Merz - P	Elder Beverly Quinn - P
Rev. Janine Wilson - P	Elder	NEW PARIS
Elder Cheryl Collins - P	EATON: FIRST	Rev. Dennis Andrews (SS) - P
DAYTON: CENTRAL	Rev. Wayne Morrison	Elder
Rev. David Jackson (SS)	Elder	OXFORD
Elder Daniel Iselaiye - P	FAIRBORN: FIRST	Rev. Barbara Barnes - E
DAYTON: COLLEGE HILL	Rev. Tom Harmon - P	Rev. Mark Barnes - P
Rev. Robert E. Jones - P	Elder Joyce Hazlett - P	Elder Prue Dana (CCE) - P
Rev. Francisco Pelaez-Diaz - P	FARMERSVILLE: SLIFERS	Elder Pat Gifford - P
Elder Marvella Lambright - P	Rev. Karel Hanhart - P	PIQUA: GOOD SHEPHERD
Elder Rosalyn Givens - P	Elder Janice Kronour - P	<i>SS vacancy</i>
DAYTON: CORINTH	GREENVILLE: FIRST	Elder Sandy Kerns - P
Rev. David Collins - P	Rev. John Person	PIQUA: WESTMINSTER
Elder	Rev. Christopher Benek - P	Rev. Kathryn Hinds - P
	Elder	Elder Audrey Gillespie - P
	Elder	REILY
		Rev. Tom Ramsey (Temp S)
		Elder Dennis Scherzinger - P

RUSHSYLVANIA		SPRINGFIELD: NORTHMINSTER		WEST LIBERTY	
SS vacancy		Rev. Dwight McCormick	- E	Rev. Angela Schenck (SS)	- P
Elder		Elder Lois Shroyer	- P	Elder	
SEVEN MILE		SPRINGFIELD: OAKLAND		WILMINGTON	
Elder Lee Ault (CLP)		Rev. Tom Martin (Int)		Rev. David Judd	- P
Elder		Elder		Elder Ralph Taylor	- P
SIDNEY: FIRST		SPRINGHILL		Elder	
Rev. Joe M. Hinds III	- P	Rev. Angela Schenck (SS)	- P	XENIA: MEMORIAL UNITED	
Elder Ann Hagen	- P	Elder		Rev. Wayne McLaughlin (Int)	- P
SOMERVILLE		TRENTON: MT. OLIVET		Elder	
SS vacancy		Rev. Chuck Testas	- P	XENIA: WESTMINSTER	
Elder		Elder		Rev. Brian Maguire	- P
SOUTH CHARLESTON: FIRST		TROY: FIRST		Elder Corinne Whitesell	- P
Rev. William Reisenweaver	- P	Rev. Richard Culp		YELLOW SPRINGS: FIRST	
Elder Tom Staten	- P	Elder		Rev. Doris Arnett Whitaker	- P
SPRINGBORO: COVENANT		Elder		Elder	
Rev. Ken Howard		URBANA: FIRST			
Elder		Rev. Kevin Horrigan			
SPRINGFIELD: COVENANT		Elder			
Rev. Ray Stewart	- P	WEST CARROLLTON: FIRST			
Elder Mark DeViliss	- P	Rev. Kathy Horne (SS)			
		Elder			

MINISTERS IN SPECIALIZED MINISTRIES

Angleberger, Kelley	- P	DeanBanion, Myra		Niece, Linda	- P
Avotri, Solomon	- P	Dozeman, Thomas		Soards, Marion	- E
Barr, Judith Dunlap		Hess, Lisa	- P	Thornton, Jesse	- P
Battin, Barbara	- E	Ingram, Steven		Wilson, Donald	- E
Brooks, Juanita		Martin, Christopher	- E	Worthen, Merritt	

MINISTER MEMBERS AT LARGE

Bain, Marcianna	- P	Hernandez, David	- P	Shin, Kelley Wehmeyer	- P
Bryant, Kendall	- E	McClanahan, Steven		Springer, Linda	- E
Douglass, Katherine	- E				

HONORABLY RETIRED MINISTERS (Excused unless attendance indicated)

Amidon, C. Forrest		Girbert, David A.		Righter, Richard L.	
Angerman, Jack W.		Graham, James		Sensenbrenner, Edward W.	
Angerman, Susan		Graham, William I.		Schechter, Richard	
Bickett, David E.		Harsh, Theodore F.		Sheldon, Jocelyn J.	
Brown, Edward		Hill, Doris J.		Short, Paula	
Bueschel, Bruce		Hookey, Joseph R.	- P	Smith, Robert B., Jr.	
Carlisle, Virginia		Kester, Gordon L.		Sparks, W. Franklin	
Creager, Ronald		Kingsbury, Edwin		Stewart, Donald M.	
Dawes, Preston	- P	Locke, C. William		Swaim, Gerald G.	
Edwards, Robert L.		<i>Martin, Thomas</i>		Thompson, Glenn E.	
Fleming, David L.		McCoy, Wayne L.		Wall, Evan	
<i>Foubert, David</i>		Meyer, JoAnne		Walthour, William	
Garcia, Nehemias		Philips, William		Williams, Russell D.	
Gibson, Gregory		Phleger, Terry		Yanney, William	

ELDER MEMBERS OF PRESBYTERY

Dobbins, Pam (Council)	- P	Hess, Carol (Council)		Reed, Buzz (Com Chair)	
Elder, Laurie (Council)	- P	Morgan, Marge (V Mod)	- P	Stahler, Jim (Council)	
Hazlett, Joyce (Com chair)	- P	Piermont, Dennis (EP)	- P	<i>Walton, Artence (Com Chair)</i>	- P

Inquirers and Candidates (not otherwise registered) – none

Corresponding Members – none

Staff Members of the Miami Presbytery (not otherwise registered) –Tom Oxley

REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK – The Rev. Doris Arnett Whitaker

- A quorum was declared and on motion/second, the roll was formed by signatures obtained during registration showing an attendance of forty-two (42) ministers of Word and Sacrament, thirty-one (31) elder commissioners (representing twenty-five [25] churches), and five (5) elder members of presbytery: a total of seventy-eight (78) voting members. Also present and not otherwise registered were one (1) staff member of the presbytery, and fifteen (15) registered visitors for a total registered attendance of ninety-four (94).

- On motion/second, the docket was adopted as amended.

Correspondence report (September 4, 2009 through November 11, 2009)

- From Springfield: Oakland – a letter requesting a waiver of G-14.0226c so that an elder may be elected to a third consecutive term on active session duty; needs recommendation to Presbytery for action. Forwarded to COM.
- From the Synod of the Covenant –
 - Results of Administrative Review Committees regarding Presbytery of Detroit and Presbytery of Mackinac
 - Advance materials for Synod Assembly
- From the Board of Pensions – delinquency reports
- Minister membership changes (since last presbytery meeting) –
 - Losses – Rev. William Seitz (to Northern Kansas), Rev. Warren McCready (deceased)
 - Gains – none
 - In transition – none

2009 Session Records Review (Appendix A)

Administrative Commissions

- Dayton: Central (Appendix B)
- Dayton: Trinity – commission has received orientation and begun its work; printed minutes will be reported at next stated meeting of the presbytery
- Yellow Springs (Appendix C)

Report of the Synod Commissioners (Appendix D)

REPORT OF THE VICE MODERATOR – Elder Marge Morgan

The Vice Moderator recommends the presbytery elect the following to the Committee on Nominations:
 Class of 2010 Rev. David Collins
 Nominations opened to the floor. None received. Nominee elected on voice vote.

HOSPITALITY REPORT – The Rev. Kazy Hinds

- Introductions of guests and new elders

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL – Elder Marge Morgan

Consent Agenda – The following actions were approved by voice vote after the presbytery was given the opportunity to pull business

- From the Stated Clerk – Approval of Minutes of September 8, 2009
- From the Committee on Ministry –
 - Grant the status of Honorably Retired to the Rev. Wayne McLaughlin effective January 1, 2010
 - Collinsville –Renew the part-time (20 hours per week) Commissioned Lay Pastor Covenant with Elder Michael Gabbard for one year beginning January 1, 2010; duties – preach and worship leadership, administer the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord’s Supper, perform weddings and funerals, provide pastoral care, advise and resource Session and congregational committees, serve as moderator of Session, attend meetings of the Presbytery of Miami Valley with voice and vote; terms – Cash salary \$8,304, housing allowance \$7,020, prof dev reimb \$500, 4 weeks vacation and 2 weeks study leave annually. Supervising minister will be appointed by COM.
 - Springfield: Oakland – Grant a one-year waiver of the six-year limit for electing elders on active session duty as outlined in G-14.0226c.

FY 2010 Budget

- FY 2010 Budget placed on the floor as the main motion. (Appendix E)
 - Narrative PowerPoint presentation was given on the proposed budget.
 - After an opportunity for questions and discussion, the motion passed on voice vote.

Treasurer’s Report

- Treasurer Report and Balance Sheet dated October 31, 2009. YTD Receipts \$567,834.66; YTD Disbursements \$571,357.72; Net Balance -\$3,523.06. Total Net Worth and Liabilities \$1,965,856.56.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS – Elder Joyce Hazlett

For action, the Committee on Nominations places the following names in nomination:

YOUNG ADULT ADVISORY DELEGATE (YAAD) TO THE 219TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
 Marcus Lambright (Dayton: College Hill)

Nominations opened to the floor. None received. Nominees elected on voice vote.

For action, the Committee on Nominations places the following names in nomination:

COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY (CPM)
 Class of 2012 Elder Tom Preisser (Dayton: Westminster)

Nominations opened to the floor. None received. Nominees elected on voice vote.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY – The Rev. Brian Maguire

See consent Agenda for additional action items

For action, the committee recommends that the presbytery:

- Bradford: First - Extend the Commissioned Lay Pastor Covenant with Elder Irwin Roberts through December 31, 2009 at the current duties and terms.

Motion to amend/second – “through ~~December 31, 2009~~ February 28, 2010 at the current duties and terms.” Motion to amend passes on voice vote.

New main motion - Extend the Commissioned Lay Pastor Covenant with Elder Irwin Roberts through February 28, 2010 at the current duties and terms.

After an opportunity for questions and discussion, the motion passed on voice vote.

Recognition of retiring minister, Rev. Wayne McLaughlin

Expressions of thanksgiving of ministry shared. The Presbytery was led in prayer by the Moderator.

In Memoriam – the presbytery was led in prayer for the life of the Rev. Warren McCready

(Appendix F)

For information, the committee reports the following action taken on behalf of the presbytery:

- Beavercreek: Kirkmont – Approved the request from the Rev. Carmen Garrigan and the Kirkmont congregation at a duly called meeting on August 30, 2009 to dissolve the Associate Pastor relationship effective November 18, 2009. Terms of severance – last Sunday of active ministry August 30, 2009 with unused vacation, continuing education leave and maternity leave continuing through November 18, 2009; salary/housing and medical/pension/death & disability/dental dues to continue at current terms through May 18, 2010 or until Rev. Garrigan begins a new pastoral position, whichever comes first; if new pastoral position assumed has lower than current compensation, difference in salary and housing will be paid by the church through May 18, 2010.
- Blue Ball – Completed triennial visit.
- Dayton: Central – Approved the renewal of the full-time Stated Supply appointment with the Rev. David E. Jackson for one year beginning November 29, 2010. Terms: cash salary \$29,345, housing allowance \$15,000, medical supplement reimb \$ 1,260, full medical/pension dues, auto reimb at IRS rate up to \$2,000, prof dev reimb \$1,000, 4 weeks vacation and 2 weeks study leave annually.
- Dayton: Fairmont – Approved the renewal of the full-time Stated Supply appointment with the Rev. Denise Ingram for twelve months beginning January 1, 2009. Terms: cash salary \$27,931; housing allowance \$19,000; medical supplement \$1,800; full medical/pension dues; professional expense reimbursement (travel, prof. development, etc.) \$6,000; four weeks vacation and 2 weeks study leave annually.
- Huntsville – Approved the renewal of the full-time Interim Pastor covenant with the Rev. Karen Cassidy for twelve months beginning December 1, 2009. Terms: Cash Salary \$34,000, housing allowance \$16,000, medical reimbursement \$750, full medical/pension dues, SECA \$1,912, auto/professional reimbursement \$2,700, professional development reimbursement \$1,000, four weeks vacation and two weeks study leave annually.

- Lebanon – Approved the request of the Session to conduct a congregational meeting to organize an A.P.N.C.
- New Carlisle: Honey Creek – Approved the renewal of the part-time Stated Supply appointment of the Rev. Shelley Wiley for a period of twelve months beginning November 16, 2009, continuing the current terms of call.
- Piqua: Westminster – Approved the renewal of the full-time Stated Supply appointment of the Rev. Kazy Hinds for a period from October 22, 2009 through December 31, 2009, continuing the current terms of call.
- Troy: First – Complete triennial visit.
- Xenia: Memorial – Approved the renewal of the full-time Interim Pastor covenant with the Rev. Wayne McLaughlin for two months (November 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009), continuing the current terms.

ORDER OF THE DAY - “TECHNOLOGY IN THE CHURCH”

- All attendees were invited to attend two of the following 30 minute workshops:
 - “Technology & Record-keeping for Clerks” - Doris Arnett Whitaker
 - “Ethics of Internet” - Lisa Hess
 - “Social Networking” – Tom Harmon
 - “Church Communication & Technology” - Tom Oxley
 - “Website Design” (DIY solutions for smaller churches) –Don Nowak
 - “Online Sources for Discipleship, Leadership training & CE” – Nadia Stropich
 - “Energize Church Secretarial Work with FREE Google Apps” - Dave Collins
 - “Worship/Sanctuary Technologies” - Amy Vaubel
- The Presbytery reconvened in sanctuary

WORSHIP – The Rev. Thomas Harmon, preacher

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL, CON’T.

- Business pulled from Consent Agenda for individual consideration
- Opportunity for Questions on Printed Reports

The meeting was adjourned with prayer at approximately 12 noon. The next stated meeting of the Presbytery of the Miami Valley is 9:00 a.m., Saturday, February 13, 2010, at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Dayton, Ohio.

Attest:

Doris Arnett Whitaker, Stated Clerk

APPENDICES:

- A. 2009 Session Records Review
- B. Dayton: Central – Minutes from the Administrative Commission
- C. Yellow Springs: First – Minutes from the Administrative Commission
- D. Report of Synod Commissioners
- E. FY 2010 Budget
- F. In Memoriam – The Rev. Warren McCready

APPENDIX A
REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK
2009 Session Record Review
(as of November 9, 2009)

Approved Without Exceptions

Beavercreek: Kirkmont
Bellbrook
Bellefontaine: First
Bradford: First
Carlisle: New Jersey
Collinsville
Covington
Dayton: Bath
Dayton: Central
Dayton: Fairmont
Dayton: Southminster
Dayton: Sugar Creek
Dayton: Trinity
Dayton: Westminster
Eaton: First
Greenville: First
Hamilton: Westwood
Huber Heights: Faith
Huntsville
Jamestown
Middletown: St. Luke
Monroe
Oxford
Piqua: Good Shepherd
Piqua: Westminster
Seven Mile
Sidney: First
Somerville
South Charleston
Springfield: Covenant
Springfield: Northminster
Springhill
Trenton: Mt. Olivet
West Carrollton: First

West Liberty
Wilmington
Xenia: Memorial
Xenia: Westminster

Approved With Exceptions

Camden: First
Dayton: Corinth
Dayton: Heritage
Fairborn: First
Farmersville: Slifers
Hamilton: The Presbyterian
Lebanon
Middletown: First
Reily
Springboro: Covenant
Troy: First
Yellow Springs: First

Still To Be Reviewed

Belle Center
Blue Ball
Cedarville
Clifton
Dayton: College Hill
Dayton: Good Shepherd
Dayton: Memorial
Morning Sun
New Carlisle: Honey Creek
New Paris
Rushsylvania
Springfield: Oakland
Urbana: First

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APPENDIX B
**Administrative Commission
Central Presbyterian Church
Dayton, Ohio
Minutes
August 13, 2009**

1. Call to order

Elder Marge Morgan called the Administrative Commission to order at 5:20 PM on Thursday, August 13, 2009. The meeting was held at the Miami Presbytery Offices. Elder Morgan opened the meeting with prayer.

2. Attendees

Members	
Elder Sally Bruggeman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Elder John W. Ey	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reverend Jeff Foster	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Elder Larry Hollar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reverend Joe Hookey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reverend David Judd	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elder Marge Morgan, Moderator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Guests	
Elder Nancy Peterson, COM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

3. Minutes from last meeting

The minutes from the June 25, 2009 meeting were previously distributed by email. One change to the minutes was offered and the minutes were approved as amended.

4. Discussion

1. The July Central Presbyterian Session meeting was discussed. We have learned that the church's treasurer is planning to resign and his replacement is unclear.
2. Elder Nancy Peterson, COM liaison, described her experiences in worship at both services. Rev. Dave Jackson already has underway some theological reflection on worship to enhance appreciation for both types of worship, as the AC suggested. The AC discussed whether Dave Jackson and the appropriate committee could do more of a focus (in worship, adult education, forums) on talking about the church's current vision, including what worship means to Central.
3. Elder Morgan described some of the history of Central's PNC and COM and the advice of the former executive presbyter during the selection process that led to the call of Rev. Crapnell. Some on session continue to have concerns about the process of David Crapnell's leaving.

5. Next Meetings

- Thursday, August 20, 2009– 7:00 PM – Session Meeting at Central. Elder Morgan, Rev. Foster, and Elder Peterson plan to attend. It was agreed that our AC time at this meeting could include inviting the session to go back over some of what they had agreed to do earlier, including having an Elder of the Day on Sundays who would be listed in the bulletin and available for the congregation.
- Thursday, September 9, 2009– 5:15 PM – AC meeting at Presbytery Office

6. Adjournment

Elder Morgan adjourned the meeting at 6:40 PM with prayer.

Minutes submitted by:

Larry Hollar
Elder/Clerk pro tem

**Administrative Commission
Central Presbyterian Church
Dayton, Ohio
Minutes
September 9, 2009**

1. Call to order

Elder Marge Morgan called to Administrative Commission to order at 5:20 PM on Wednesday, September 9, 2009. The meeting was held at the Miami Presbytery Offices. Elder Morgan opened the meeting with prayer.

2. Attendees

Members	
Elder Sally Bruggeman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Elder John W. Ey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reverend Jeff Foster	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elder Larry Hollar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reverend Joe Hookey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reverend David Judd	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elder Marge Morgan, Moderator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Guests	
Reverend David Jackson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Elder Nancy Peterson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

3. Minutes from last meeting

The minutes from the meeting June 25, 2009 meeting were previously distributed by Elder Ey via email. These minutes were approved at the August 13, 2009 meeting. Elder Larry Hollar will provide the minutes from the August 13, 2009 meeting.

4. Business

4. Elders Morgan and Peterson attended the last Central Session meeting on August 20, 2009. Along with Rev. Jackson, they related the following:
 - The meeting started congenially.
 - Steve Donisi, Treasurer, resigned his position, but will remain as an active Elder on Session
 - Elder Morgan re-interpreted to the Session the AC's recommendation that they continue the work of the June 18th Session Meeting, specifically to continue the reflection on the minutes of the last year which have been provided for review.
 - Rev. Jackson reported that the 7 month YTD budget deficit of \$4K is significantly less than the projected deficit at this point of \$18K.

5. Rev. Jackson and the AC discussed some planning for the fall at Central, including:
 - "Elder of the Day" or "Communication Elder" program was instituted last Sunday, September 6, 2009.
 - The Fall Weekday Bible Study will be based on "Forgiveness."
 - A Worship Workshop focusing on the "Theology of Worship" is planned.
 - The Session will be encouraged to continue and to embrace the "Re-Invisioning" process.

6. The AC members briefly discussed the "Role of the AC" and generally agreed that the path of healing and success for Central is not necessarily a straight one, nor is it a process that can be rushed. Elders Bruggeman and Ey were encouraged to particularly observe, at the next Central Session meeting, signs of forgiveness.

5. Next Meetings

- The next meeting was set for Wednesday, October 7, 2009 at 5:15 PM at the Presbytery office.
- Elder Sally Bruggeman and Elder Ey will plan to attend the next Central Presbyterian Session meeting on Thursday, September 17, 2009 at 7:00 PM.

6. Adjournment

Elder Morgan adjourned the meeting at 6:40 PM. Elder Hollar closed the meeting with prayer.

Minutes submitted by: John W. Ey, Elder/Clerk

APPENDIX C

Summary of Administrative Commission: Yellow Springs, First, August 13, 2009 through October 22, 2009.

The members of the AC are Elder Phil Calland, Elder Bob Leibecke, Elder Michael Seewer, Elder Lois Shroyer, Rev. Ginny Carlisle, HR, and Rev. Kay Davis-Dudding. Rev. Drew Elling resigned September 2009.

The Administrative Commission met with leaders and members of Yellow Springs, First on August 13, September 10, and October 22, 2009. The AC met alone on August 20 and September 1, 2009.

The most exciting development is that the Rev. Ms. Doris Arnett Whitaker was appointed as stated supply pastor (1/3 time) for Yellow Springs, First for six months (renewable) beginning September 10, 2009. The AC continues to function as the Session, with Rev. Arnett Whittaker as the Moderator. Members of the AC as well as of the congregation of YS, First are pleased to have Rev. Whitaker in place, and we are thankful for the working of the Holy Spirit in making it possible. The Spirit is stirring a new sense of enthusiasm, purpose, and hope in the church. Thanks be to God!

Minutes of meetings of the AC with Yellow Springs leaders follow:

Minutes of the Administrative Commission, Yellow Springs, First: September 10, 2009 7:00 PM

AC members present: Virginia Carlisle, Phil Calland, Michael Seewer, Bob Leibecke, Kay Davis-Dudding, and Lois Shroyer.

The Rev. Ms. Doris Arnett Whitaker newly appointed Stated Supply and Moderator of Session.

Yellow Springs, First, leaders present: Fran LaSalle, Kay Reimers, Ruth Bent, Mark Munger, Jeanna Breza, Libby Rudolf, Barbara Boettcher, and Joe Johnson. Ruth and Henry Myers were also present.

Rev. Whitaker read the Emmaus Road passage from chapter 24 of Luke in the Message Bible and then opened the meeting with prayer.

Adoption of Agenda: the Moderator distributed a printed agenda that the AC accepted by consensus.

Introductions: Rev. Whitaker introduced herself to the Yellow Springs leaders and then asked each of them and each member of the AC to introduce him/herself.

- Rev. Whitaker outlined her schedule: she plans to be at Yellow Springs all day on Wednesdays as well as on Sunday mornings. On Tuesdays and Thursdays she is in the Presbytery office and on Fridays she works from home. She will post her schedule and phone numbers so that YS members can contact her for any pastoral need or emergency.
- Her contact numbers are (937) 258-8118, (Presbytery); (937) 901-8798, (cell); and (937) 275-8419, (home).

Correspondence: the Moderator reported receiving the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Drew Elling from the AC.

Worship Committee: AC liaison Kay Davis-Dudding:

- It was reported that the committee has been working on a special service for World Communion Sunday (October 4th).
- The Moderator asked who usually arranges for a liturgist and was told that the Worship Committee does, usually signing persons up for a month at a time.

Mission and Evangelism Committee: AC liaison Michael Seewer:

- Elder Ruth Bent, chair, reported that the plan to provide breakfasts for needy students at Mills Lawn Elem. is on hold because of changes at the school; apparently the school is planning to offer breakfasts on site.
- Two fall fundraisers are planned: a pecan sale, and a Friday Fling supper on October 16th.
- The Moderator was told that this committee meets as needed.

Christian Education: AC liaison Ginny Carlisle:

- Elder Libby Rudolf, Chair, reported that the CE program will begin on September 13th, and that the children are working on the banner for Apple Fest.
- The children sing in worship on the third Sunday of the month.
- Some Yellow Springs high school students who have made a service/educational trip to Rwanda this year are interested in sharing their experiences with the youth and/or the congregation, and the committee will try to arrange this.
- The Moderator asked about adult Sunday School; there is no adult Sunday morning class. The choir practices every Sunday at 9:15 AM.

Finance Committee Report: AC liaison, Phil Calland: Elder Calland agreed to replace Rev. Drew Elling as the AC liaison.

- Elder Fran LaSalle distributed a printed balance sheet, dated August 31, 2009, a Profit and Loss statement for August, and a Profit and Loss statement for January through August, 2009. For this period total expenses were \$60,632.23 and total income was \$85,200.22, leaving a net income of \$24,567.99. Part (\$11,557.74) of the net income is from the Russell Miller and one other bequest that are for now deposited in the general fund as a ready hedge for big expenses.
- The Moderator reported that she has spoken with Elder John Peterson of Middletown, First and that he has completed his financial review of the YS, First records, that he finds everything to be in order, and that he will send a written report soon.
- Elder Calland answered a question of how the stated supply pastor's compensation will impact the finances by admitting that the church cannot afford the \$9,000 or \$12,000 to repair the roof in addition to the pastor's compensation. He explained that the AC had made the decision that at this time ministry to this congregation is more important than continuing to pour every resource into the maintenance of the building, and that we trust and pray that in the future God will show us how both to do ministry and to take care of the building.

Building and Grounds Committee: AC liaison Phil Calland and chair, Mark Munger reported receiving two bids for the repair of the flat roof over part of Westminster Hall: 1) Cason Roofing (\$12,300) and C&A Roofing \$9,000.

Facilities Committee: AC liaison Bob Leibecke: chair Barbara Boettcher gave the report:

- The Montessori school is interested in using the nursery room and another school room for three mornings per week. They are prepared to pay \$325 to \$350 per month in rent. They will not be licensed until January 2010.
- YSKP successfully used space during the summer, and they are interested in renting space for classes during October and November. They are also interested in space during the winter.
- The Yellow Springs arts organization is interested in using space on a long term basis for dance classes, but they haven't yet presented a formal proposal.

The next stated meeting is October 8, 2009 at 7:00 PM. The meeting adjourned and was closed with prayer by Rev. Whitaker at 9:05 PM.

Lois Shroyer, Scribe

Rev. Ms Doris Arnett Whitaker, Moderator

Minutes of the Administrative Commission, Yellow Springs, First: October 22, 2009 7:00 PM

AC members present: Virginia Carlisle, Phil Calland, Michael Seewer, and Lois Shroyer. Bob Leibecke and Kay Davis-Dudding were excused.

The Rev. Ms. Doris Arnett Whitaker moderated.

Yellow Springs, First, leaders present: Fran LaSalle, Kay Reimers, Ruth Bent, Mark Munger, Jeanna Breza, Libby Rudolf, Barbara Boettcher, and Joe Johnson.

Rev. Whitaker read from the I Corinthians chapter concerning the gifts of the church and then invited those present to share what they understand their gift(s) to be. She then opened the meeting with prayer.

Adoption of Agenda: the Moderator distributed a printed agenda that was added to and then the AC accepted it by consensus.

Clerk's report: Minutes of the September 10, 2009 minutes were approved as amended. Communion was served in the sanctuary during morning worship on October 4, 2009. Elder Ruth Bent was appointed as commissioner to the November 14, 2009 Presbytery meeting at Piqua, Westminister.

Moderator's report: Rev. Whitaker is beginning to visit shut-ins. On Sunday, December 13th, in Rev. Whitaker's absence, there will be a lay led service of Lessons and Carols. Rev. Whitaker will work with the Worship Committee to plan the service.

Correspondence: the Moderator circulated a report detailing funds received by Presbytery from YS, First: \$2,752.88, year-to-date. This includes the per-capita assessment

Annual Review of Membership Rolls: Elders Ruth Bent and Fran LaSalle will work with Rev. Whitaker to conduct the review.

Consent Agenda: the following consent agenda was approved by consensus:

- From Strategic Task Force – to invite the Shower of Stoles to exhibit at FPYS
- From Mission and Evangelism –
 - to ratify the email decision to receive the Peacemaking Offering on October 4, 2009 (World Communion Sunday)
 - to invite Ms. Amy Crawford from the Yellow Springs Senior Center to speak about the Home Assistance Program during the Fellowship Hour on Sunday, October 25th
 - to approve the receipt of the Christmas Joy Offering on Sunday, December 20th
- From Christian Education Committee –
 - to support of education in Pakistan through collection of Pennies for Peace
 - to reintroduce the practice of paying \$10 per Sunday for nursery care
 - to reimburse Libby Rudolf \$220 for 22 weeks of payment made to Melanie Rudolf for nursery care (out of CE budget line item)
- From Building and Grounds - to ratify the email decision to replace the water heater for main bathrooms and authorize the plea for extra-mile giving to cover the expenses
- From the Y.S. Interspiritual Council – to approve the use of Westminister Hall for the Community Thanksgiving meal on Thursday, November 26th at no charge, with the church sexton providing set-up and clean-up
- To approve fund-raising event, "Hometown Holiday...A Sentimental Journey" on Saturday, December 5th, 7 – 9 pm, held at the Emporium

Item pulled from the consent agenda: To approve the formation of a local chapter of the Witherspoon Society/Voice of Sophia. This proposal is from the Strategy Task Force, whose members find the mission of the Witherspoon Society (e.g.: to advocate for peace, justice, the integrity of creation, and the full inclusion of all God's people in church and society) a particularly good fit for YS, First and the larger community of YS. The AC approved the proposal unanimously.

Worship Committee: AC liaison Kay Davis-Dudding: The committee will meet November 1st.

Mission and Evangelism Committee: AC liaison Michael Seewer:

- The Friday Fling supper on October 16th was successful, raising more than \$400. The funds will go to a local food pantry.

Christian Education: AC liaison Ginny Carlisle: Elder Libby Rudolf (chair) reported:

- The “Pennies for Peace” collection is going well. They have placed a container at Tom’s Market, and are preparing a poster/collage to advertise the effort during polling on Election Day.
- It has been suggested that the children’s choir practice at a time besides during Sunday worship.
- Jim Felder has given a check for \$100 (from the proceeds from Apple Fest) for CE’s effort in painting the banner. \$25 of that is to reimburse Libby for the fabric.
- Mary Kay Clark is looking for a Christmas play that will involve both children and adults.

Finance Committee Report: AC liaison, Phil Calland: Elder Fran LaSalle gave the report:

- The stewardship campaign kicked off during worship on October 11th with a play that will continue each Sunday. Commitment Sunday is November 8th. Some pledges have already been received.
- Elder Fran LaSalle distributed a printed balance sheet, dated September 30, 2009, a Profit and Loss statement for September, and a Profit and Loss statement for January through September, 2009. For this period total expenses were \$66,662.66 and total income was \$89,880.95, leaving a net income of \$23,218.29.
- Elder LaSalle explained that there is \$400.00 in the Kedzie Fund which is a grant for the Pastor (from a restricted endowment). On motion, the AC approved releasing these funds to Rev. Whitaker.
- Began discussion of the need to have all church funds accountable to the Session.
- The Moderator reported that Elder John Peterson of Middletown, First has reviewed all church accounts (including Deacons, Mission and Evangelism, and PW).

Building and Grounds Committee: AC liaison Phil Calland and chair, Mark Munger reported:

- Two estimates (\$9000 and \$12,000) for roof repairs were received some time ago, they are outdated and must be rebid. The work can’t be done now, so will get new estimates in the spring.
- During the heating system inspection by AC Plumbing, a significant water leak was discovered and repaired before any damage was done.
- The water heater serving the restrooms near the entryway has been replaced.
- Need to arrange for snow removal, as the agreement with 2 Clowns Mowing expired at the end of October. 2 Clowns Mowing had donated their services in return for advertising. Mr. Munger asked those present to inquire of businesses/organizations who does their snow removal.
- The group that did the free energy audit for the church late last winter has asked permission to display a sign on church grounds as advertising. The AC approved on motion.
- The Moderator reported finding in the session minutes from the 1800’s that the sanctuary was dedicated on the first Sunday in March 1860, so 2010 will be the 150th year. She suggests that celebrations be planned as a way of stirring up interest/enthusiasm in the community.

Facilities Committee: AC liaison Bob Leibecke: chair Barbara Boettcher gave the report:

- The Montessori preschool is interested in using the nursery room, another school room, and the courtyard for three mornings per week (Tues., Wed., and Thurs.) from January through mid-June. They are prepared to pay \$325 to \$350 per month in rent, depending on the number of students enrolled. They will not be licensed until January 2010. On motion, the AC approved these arrangements.
- The church has received \$900 from YSKP this fall for use of space. Additional revenue will be received before the end of the year.
- The committee has considered whether and how to charge for the use of the sanctuary and/or Westminster Hall for funeral or memorial services for non-members. They suggest that there be no charge for use of the sanctuary (except \$40 for the sexton) but that there will be a charge for use of Westminster Hall.
- The committee is looking at updating use of facilities agreements, particularly to include a damage deposit.

The next stated meeting is November 12, 2009 at 7:00 PM.

The meeting adjourned and was closed with prayer by Rev. Whitaker at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Lois Shroyer, Scribe for the AC

APPENDIX D
REPORT FROM THE SYNOD COMMISSIONERS

To: The Presbytery of the Miami Valley
From: Elder Janet Bohren and Rev. Kathy Horne,
Date: Oct. 27, 2009

We began our service in March, 2009 as part of the newly restructured Synod Assembly. Each presbytery sends one clergy person and one elder to the Assembly, which meets 3 times a year at the Synod office in Maumee, Ohio. Synod staffing, assembly and committee meeting arrangements, etc. have been streamlined to reduce costs so that the available funding can be used to carry out the Synod's Mission. An excellent DVD that highlights the synod's mission in only 8 minutes is available from the presbytery office.

At the March meeting, we were able to indicate preferences for the committees on which we would serve and then Kathy Horne was assigned to the Church Development and Transformation committee, and Janet Bohren was assigned to the Ministries in Higher Education committee. Committees met and reported, we worshiped and enjoyed food and fellowship times. We celebrated the retirement of the Rev. Marie Cross, who had served as Synod Executive for 5 years. In addition, the assembly heard a presentation by Joel Wrobel, Director of Marketing for the Westminster-Thurber Community in Columbus, on the book *What are Old People For? How Elders will save the world* by William H. Thomas, MD. We both came away from the Assembly with an appreciation for the mission work the synod is doing – enabling churches to carry out projects they could not do on their own.

Between Assemblies, committees often meet by phone to make decisions about grant requests and other committee business. In June the Assembly met by teleconference call to vote on the terms of the call of Elder Margaret Haney as interim Synod Executive for one year, to approve the Synod entering into a contract to use the service of Percept (provides demographic information), and to authorize specified persons to sign financial documents on behalf of the Synod. All three items were approved by a vote of those present.

Our second Assembly meeting on August 12-13 was highlighted by the presence of vice-moderator of General Assembly of the PC (USA), Byron Wade, who led the group in an emerging worship experience Wednesday evening at Christ Presbyterian Church, Toledo and spoke on "The Emerging Church" Thursday morning at the assembly meeting. The Judicial function of the Synod was emphasized when the Assembly dealt with reports from two Administrative Review Committees that had been working with complaints raised by persons in the Mackinac and Detroit presbyteries. (This function is similar to that of an Investigating Committee at the presbytery level, determining if a PJC action is needed.) These were difficult discussions and we came away with an appreciation for the time and prayerful consideration that had been given to seeking to care for the persons involved in these situations. The Rev. Denise Ingram, past moderator of Miami Valley Presbytery served on one of these Administrative Review Committees.

We celebrated the Synod Health Fair ministry, which held 51 fairs during the summer of 2009. Interim Synod Executive Margaret Haney led the Assembly in a discussion seeking to discern the new things God is doing in the synod. She asked commissioners to participate in visiting each of the presbyteries to gather information on this topic. This will be used in determining the position description for the new Synod Executive. The assembly approved a proposal to apply for a Frank E. Clark Charitable Trust Grant, which would enable the synod to fund eleven grants of \$4,500 each (one per presbytery) to be used to help churches upgrade their heating/cooling systems (capital improvements only). We came away marveling at how much work had been accomplished in only about 24 hours spent together!

The Ministries in Higher Education Committee has voted that Presbyterian students from United Theological Seminary in Trotwood are eligible to apply for racial ethnic scholarships from the synod.

It should be noted that the synod has sponsored eleven pastors from Eastern Europe who are now in churches in our synod. Two are in the Presbytery of the Miami Valley, Rev. Peter Penaz from Czech who is visiting the Lebanon PC, and Rev. Michael Jablonski from Poland who is visiting the Middletown First PC.

The next meeting of the assembly is Nov. 6-7 in Maumee, Ohio at the Synod offices.

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APPENDIX E
FY 2010 BUDGET

INCOME BUDGET FOR 2010	2009	2010	
Per Capita from Churches (GA portion)	83,135.70	80,927.85	
Per Capita from Churches (Synod portion)	42,987.24	41,845.62	
Per Capita from Churches (Presbytery portion)	208,447.56	202,911.78	
Total Per Capita Income	334,570.50	325,685.25	2.66% Decrease
Undesignated Mission Giving (GA)	119,866.00	110,533.03	
Undesignated Mission Giving (Synod)	19,151.00	17,827.91	
Undesignated Mission Giving (Presbytery)	247,646.00	228,197.22	
Total Undesignated Mission Giving	386,663.00	356,558.16	7.78% Decrease
Presbyterian Women	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Interest	3,000.00	300.00	
Kirkmont House Rental		10,800.00	
IKNCD	56,189.00		
TOTAL INCOME	783,422.50	696,343.41	10.31% Decrease

EXPENSES BUDGET FOR 2010

SALARIES & BENEFITS

Exec Presbyter Salary	75,037.50	75,787.88
Exec Presbyter Pension	8,424.00	8,336.67
Exec Presbyter Med/Disability	15,588.00	15,536.51
Exec Presbyter Professional Exp.	9,000.00	9,000.00
Exec Presbyter Supplement Medical	1,000.00	1,000.00
Exec Presbyter Education	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total Executive Presbyter	112,049.50	112,661.06
Stated Clerk Salary	11,808.00	11,926.08
Stated Clerk Housing	20,000.00	20,200.00
Stated Clerk Deferred Compensation	1,200.00	1,200.00
Stated Clerk Pension	3,630.88	3,822.62
Stated Clerk Med/Disability	6,931.68	6,998.48
Stated Clerk Dental	675.00	675.00
Stated Clerk Supplement Medical	750.00	750.00
Stated Clerk Professional Expense	5,000.00	5,000.00
Stated Clerk Education	563.00	563.00
Total Stated Clerk	50,558.56	51,135.18
IKNCD Pastor Salary	31,728.00	
IKNCD Pastor Housing	9,756.00	

IKNCD Pastor Pension	4,775.00	
IKNCD Pastor Medical	8,505.00	
IKNCD Pastor Dental	675.00	
IKNCD Pastor Education	750.00	
Total IKNCD Pastor	56,189.00	
Office Manager	36,225.00	36,587.25
Office Manager Medical Insurance	460.00	460.00
Treasurer	10,764.00	7,000.00
Treasurer Professional Expense	1,200.00	850.00
Bookkeeper	17,500.00	17,675.00
Website Manager	4,800.00	4,848.00
Resource Center	9,000.00	5,000.00
FICA	11,729.48	11,500.00
Workers Comp	2,881.00	550.00
Total Miscellaneous Salaries & Benefits	94,559.48	84,470.25
Total Salaries & Benefits	313,356.54	248,266.48

OPERATIONS

Rent	22,929.00	18,142.20
Insurance	18,498.00	3,500.00
Presbytery Meetings	300.00	1,200.00
Audit/Review Expense	6,000.00	6,000.00
Office Supplies	8,000.00	4,000.00
Telephone	3,300.00	3,500.00
Postage	3,300.00	3,000.00
Equipment Purchase	1,000.00	1,000.00
Equipment Usage/Maint	8,000.00	10,000.00
Staff Meetings	2,000.00	2,000.00
Camden Expense		2,000.00
Kirkmont Loan Interest	500.00	6,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense		2,000.00
Total Operations	73,827.00	62,342.20

MISSION

GA Portion Un-designated Mission	119,866.00	110,533.03
GA Portion Per Capita	83,135.70	80,927.85
Synod Portion Un-designated Mission	19,151.00	17,827.91
Synod Portion Per Capita	42,987.24	41,845.62
College Hill Hispanic Ministry Grant		7,000.00
Presbytery Grant IKNCD Expense		7,000.00
Total Mission	265,139.94	265,134.41

COMMITTEES, GRANTS & NETWORKS

Council/Keynote Presenter	2,500.00	2,000.00
Committee on Ministry	15,000.00	15,000.00
Committee on Preparation for Ministry	500.00	500.00
Certified Christian Educators	500.00	500.00
Commissioned Lay Pastors	500.00	500.00
Self Development of People	100.00	100.00
Kirkmont Camp and Conference Center	50,000.00	50,000.00
Kirkmont House Expense/Maintenance		2,000.00
Network Support Committee	55,000.00	50,000.00
Total Committees, Grants & Networks	124,100.00	120,600.00

TOTAL EXPENSES	776,423.48	696,343.09	10.31% Decrease
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APPENDIX F
IN MEMORIAM

The Reverend Warren G. McCready



Rev. Warren G. McCready “Mac” passed away on November 5, 2009 at his residence in Kettering, Ohio surrounded by his loving family. Warren was 88 years old, born January 16, 1921 in Youngstown, Ohio to Thomas and Bessie McCready who preceded him in death.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 63 years, Betty McCready and sons; Paul McCready (Stephanie) of Cincinnati, Ohio, Eric McCready (Rosa) of Dallas, Texas, Roger McCready (Kathy) of Dayton, Ohio, and grandchildren Angela, Alyssa, Anna, Thomas and Patric. Also, by sister Helen Campbell (Ralph), of Boone, North Carolina and Brother-in-Law Dr. James Clark (Mary) of Cheyenne, Wyoming, and two nieces and four nephews. He was preceded in death by his sister Doris Campbell and husband, Jack, of Youngstown, Ohio.

Warren graduated from Muskingum College in January 1943 and Princeton Theological Seminary in 1947. He was ordained as a Presbyterian Minister on July 9, 1946 and fulfilled his vows faithfully and tirelessly until June 2006. He served Woodsfield-Buchanan Presbyterian Church, Woodsfield, Ohio from 1946 to 1948, Carmichaels Presbyterian Church of Carmichaels, Pennsylvania from 1948 to 1955, Hamilton Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania from 1955 to 1965 and Sugar Creek Presbyterian Church of Kettering, Ohio from 1965 to 1972. He was a proud member of the Presbytery of Miami Valley since January 1965. From 1972 until 2006, Warren provided pastoral services to 39 of the 63 congregations of the Presbytery of Miami Valley. “Mac” enjoyed to the fullest extent the opportunity to preach and minister to all people.

“Mac” knew NO strangers and had a kind word for everyone he met. He loved to talk and always had something to say whether it was an amusing story, joke or historical anecdote.

A Celebration of His Life will be held at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 125 North Wilkinson Street, Dayton, Ohio on Saturday, November 21, 2009 at 1:30 pm. The family will receive friends following the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to either Westminster Presbyterian Church (marked music fund) 125 North Wilkinson Street, Dayton, Ohio 45402 www.westminsterdayton.org or Hospice of Dayton, 324 Wilmington Ave, Dayton, Ohio 45420 (www.hospiceofdayton.org) or to your favorite charity in Warren McCready’s name.

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