

REVISED DOCKET PRESBYTERY OF ST. AUGUSTINE

Spring Stated Meeting
May 1, 2018
Moderator Mary Mickel
Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center
Starke, Florida

The mission of the Presbytery of St. Augustine is to support our faith community, so that together we may witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

8:15 a.m. - WELCOMING TIME

Welcome to the 2018 Spring Stated Meeting! Registration opens at 8:15 a.m. Please enjoy the coffee reception, the display tables, and the "swap and share" area. New commissioner training will take place at 8:45 a.m. at the front of the meeting room.

9:00 a.m. - SPRING MEETING CONVENES

Moderator's Greeting and Prayer
Host Welcome
Quorum and Docket Approval
Welcome to First Time Commissioners and Guests
Welcome to Corresponding Members
Appointment of Tellers
Approval of Consent Agenda Items

CONSENT AGENDA

Stated Clerk Alexandra (Sandra) Hedrick

The stated clerk recommends that the presbytery take the following actions:

1. Excuse from attendance persons who submitted requests to be excused as recorded in the roll of this meeting.

- 2. Record this meeting as a corporate meeting for both the Presbytery of St. Augustine, Inc. and Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center, Inc.
- 3. Receive and record the minutes of the commission appointed to commission ruling elder Joan Wells to special pastoral service to the First Presbyterian Church of Williston, Florida, on March 18, 2018. (Appendix A)
- 4. Receive and record the minutes of the commission appointed to install the Rev. Julie Jensen as Associate Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Fernandina Beach, Florida, on April 8, 2018. (Appendix B)
- 5. Receive a summary of our presbytery's 2017 statistics reported to the Office of the General Assembly. (Appendix C)
- 6. Receive and record an updated list of the status of session minute reading. (Appendix D)

Presbytery Coordinating Council

Jeff Welch, Chair

The Presbytery Coordinating Council recommends that the presbytery take the following actions:

- 1. Receive the report that the Coordinating Council reviewed and approved the minutes of the 2018 Winter Stated Meeting (a copy of the minutes will be available for review at the stated clerk's table).
- 2. Receive the minutes of Coordinating Council meetings. (Appendix E)
- 3. Receive the Financial Statements of the Presbytery of St. Augustine and Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center as of March 31, 2018, along with summary cover sheets. (Appendix F)

Member Preparation and Call Commission

Craig Davies, Provisional Chair

The Member Preparation and Call Commission met on February 20, March 19 and April 17, 2018, and reports the following actions taken on behalf of the presbytery (note: new minster information is contained in Appendix G):

- 1. Approved the 2018 reported terms of call (note: please send any corrections to the stated clerk who will ensure that they are presented to the commission and recorded). (Appendix H)
- 2. Examined Ana Lugo-Berrios for membership in the Presbytery of St. Augustine, sustained the examination, validated her ministry, and received her on March 19, 2018. Ana is serving as a Regional Gift Planner with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (Florida-Bahamas Synod).
- 3. Examined James Kendrick (Palms) for ordination as a teaching elder, sustained the examination, and approved his contract as stated supply pastor of the Mayport Presbyterian Church. The service of ordination is being scheduled.
- 5. Approved the transfer of Cheryl Gans to the Presbytery of New Covenant and the transfer of David Pierce to the Presbytery of Northern New England.
- 6. Approved the following temporary pastor relationships:*

Cliff Lyda and Palatka (interim)
Bruce Seaman and Fairfield (stated supply) (renewal)
Holly Medearis and Middleburg (stated supply) (renewal)
Vickie Bossuot and Lakewood (parish associate) (renewal)
Jessi Higginbotham and Community (interim associate) (renewal)
Josh Braley and Bethlehem (stated supply) (renewal)
Joe Medearis and Peace (stated supply) (extension)
James Kendrick and Mayport (stated supply)
**dates will be recorded in minutes.

7. Received as information/approved these dissolutions of pastor relationships:

Jim Black and St. Andrews as of (date will be recorded in minutes). Jesse Perry and Woodlawn (parish associate) as of January 1, 2018. Don McGarity and First Starke (stated supply) as of April 2, 2018. Gabe Goodman and Community as of July 15, 2018.

- 8. Approved the validated ministry of Jim Black serving the St. Matthews Lutheran Church in Jacksonville in a contract position.
- 9. Examined CJ Dates (Palms) to be a Candidate for Ministry under our care and approved his candidacy as of March 19, 2018. Also approved the recommendation of

- the prior Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM) that Forrest Foxworth (First Fernandina) be received as a candidate as of the date he was examined by the CPM.
- 10. Received Justin Forbes (Memorial) as an Inquirer for Ministry under our care effective March 19, 2018.
- 11. Approved scholarships for summer term for the following inquirers and candidates for ministry under our care: Forrest Foxworth, Dana Riley, and Kevin Wright. The total provided was \$2,000.
- 12. Examined ruling elder Joan Wells for the purpose of commissioning her to special pastoral service to First Williston. The service was held on March 18, 2018.
- 13. Approved the renewal of the commission of ruling elder Debbie Pangrass to special pastoral service to Marion Oaks. The contract was effective on April 12, 2018.
- 14. Appointed temporary moderators to churches without installed or stated supply pastors; approved ministry information forms; approved the election of pastor nominating committees (PNCs); approved the request of the Weirsdale church for ruling elder Water Laseter to preside at the sacrament of the Lord's Supper on a limited basis; and took other actions relating to churches in transition.
- 15. Examined Conley Zomermaand for membership into the Presbytery of St. Augustine, sustained the examination, and received him as of July 1, 2018. The commission also approved his contract as Interim Pastor of the Community Presbyterian Church. He will be introduced at a future presbytery meeting.

Trustees of the Presbytery of St. Augustine and the Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center

Kimberly Hyatt, President of the Corporations

The Trustees of the Presbytery of St. Augustine and Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center (MPCC) report the following actions to the presbytery:

1. The Trustees elected to the MPCC Executive Operating Board the individuals that the presbytery nominated/approved: Tommy Lane, Bob Lombard, and Barbara Martin.

- 2. The Trustees received and approved First Alachua's request to sell a portion of its property not needed for the ministry of the church.
- 3. The Trustees approved convening a meeting for reconciliation on the subject of MPCC with participants including representatives of the Trustees, the Executive Operating Board, the Coordinating Council, and the Trustees/Council Task Force.

Administrative Commission for the Fleming Island Presbyterian Church

Ben Samuels, Moderator

The commission reports that the way is now clear to dissolve the Fleming Island Presbyterian Church and its corporation. That will complete the commission's work so that it too may be dissolved. The commission recommends and requests presbytery approval of each of these actions.

Report from Meeting of the Synod of South Atlantic

Jessi Higginbotham and Conrad Wenham, Commissioners

Many thanks to our commissioners who attending the meeting of the Synod of South Atlantic, held the week of April 16. Written report(s) will be included in the presbytery meeting materials posted online and in the minutes of this meeting.

9:10 a.m. - ACTION AGENDA

Greetings from Area Relationship Coordinators

Gary Hardesty, Joe Rigsby, Earle Sickels, Sheryl Sumlin-Walker

9:30 a.m. - PRESBYTERY WORSHIP

Preaching - Holly Inglis
Celebrants - Gary Hardesty and Diane Wilson
Liturgist - Forrest Foxworth
Commissioning for General Assembly Commissioners, TSAD, and YAAD
Offering - Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center
Musician: Sandra W. Chandler

10:30 a.m. - FELLOWSHIP TIME

Gathering with Area Representatives

11:00 a.m. - ACTION AGENDA CONTINUES

Meet New Minister Members

Mark Hults, Member Preparation and Call Commission

Please welcome Ana Lugo-Berrios, who is serving as a Regional Gift Planner with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. She was received by transfer from the Presbytery of Palo Duro. Also welcome James Kendrick, a candidate for ministry under our care who has been examined and approved for ordination as a teaching elder. He is serving as the stated supply pastor of our Mayport church.

*Note: New minister information is contained in Appendix G.

Memorial Resolution

Mark Hults, Member Preparation and Call Commission

The memorial resolution for the Rev. James Lloyd will be presented by the Rev. Sam Souers (United Church of Christ). (Appendix I)

Meet New Candidates for Ministry

Mark Hults, Member Preparation and Call Commission

Please welcome Forrest Foxworth (First Fernandina) and CJ Dates (Palms), who have been received as candidates for ministry under our care.

Coordinating Council

Jeff Welch, Chair of the Coordinating Council

The Coordinating Council recommends that the presbytery:

- 1. Receive an update regarding presbytery transition.
- 2. Approve the proposed Amended Operating Budget. (Appendix J)

3. Receive an oral report from Bill Hoff, chair of the Trustees/Council Task Force for Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center.

Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center

Glenn Dickson, Chair of the Executive Operating Board, and Lexi Green, Interim
Executive Director

Glenn Dickson provides the written report contained in Appendix K.

Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of St. Augustine

Gayle Bone, Moderator

Gayle Bone provides the written report contained in Appendix L.

Mutual Mission Committee

Diane Watkins and Bob Bell, Co-Chairs

Diane Watkins and Bob Bell provide the written report contained in Appendix M.

Nominating Team

Patti Phillips, Chair

The Nominating Team provides the written report contained in Appendix N.

St. Augustine Presbytery Disaster Assistance Commission

Jim Pellot, Chair

The St. Augustine Presbytery Disaster Assistance Commission reports that it recommended to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) Program that it provide church damage grants to the following churches for damage related to Hurricane Irma. The grants were approved, and the funds have been received and disbursed as follows: \$5,000 to Countryside (Ocala) and \$5,000 to Korean (Jacksonville). Jim Pellot will make a brief oral report at this meeting.

Presentation - Westminster Communities of Florida

Walk Jones, Director of Church Relations for Westminster Communities of Florida

Walk Jones will make a presentation on behalf of the Westminster Communities of Florida. He also provides the written report contained in Appendix O.

SPEAK-OUT TIME

Speak-Out Time is open to ministers and commissioners who would like to share about glimpses of grace or expressions of gratitude in the community of the Presbytery of St. Augustine. Speak-out time is limited to one-minute per person.

CALL FOR THE FALL STATED MEETING

The Fall Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of St. Augustine will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 2, 2018, at the Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center in Starke, Florida.

REMINDER OF SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

A special called meeting of the Presbytery of St. Augustine will be held on August 25, 2018, at 9:30 a.m., at a location to be announced. The purpose of the meeting is to consider and make strategic decisions concerning the future of Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center.

CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT

LUNCH – 12:30 P.M.