

Reports to the
Presbytery of Florida
Fall Stated Meeting

Tuesday, October 25, 2022 • 9 a.m. CDT / 10 a.m. EDT
First Presbyterian Church, 306 N. Madison St., Quincy,
www.firstpresquincy.org



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Attention, please!

- To help ensure accurate recording in the meeting minutes of the meeting attendance, elder commissioners should submit a completed **commissioner certification form** at meeting registration naming him/her as commissioner for the church, signed by the session moderator *or* clerk (both signatures are not necessary). This form is available along with other meeting materials at <http://www.presbyteryofflorida.net/presbytery-meetings/meeting-dockets-documents/>
- Non-retired ministers who are unable to attend the meeting or sessions for whom an elder commissioner is not available for the meeting should submit a **request to be excused** by the stated clerk by calling (850)535-2335 or emailing statedclerk@presbyteryofflorida.com.
- **Lunch menu:** Roast beef, mashed potatoes, rolls, salad, and desserts– \$10 per person
- **Directions to First Presbyterian Church of Quincy** (Parking is available at corner of N. Madison and King Street – vacant lot across from Sanctuary, or park behind the church):

From I-10 East:

Take exit 192 to merge onto FL-10 W/US-90 W/Blue Star Hwy/Memorial Blue Star Hwy. Continue to follow FL-10 W/US-90 W (12.3 miles). Turn right onto County Rd 65/N Madison St. Destination will be on the left (0.2 mile).

From I-10 West:

Take exit 174 toward Quincy (0.3 mile). Turn left onto FL-12 E/Greensboro Hwy. Continue to follow FL-12 E (8.0 miles). Turn left onto County Rd. 65/N Madison St. Destination will be on the left (0.2 mile).

DOCKET OF THE PRESBYTERY OF FLORIDA
October 25, 2022 – 9:00 a.m. CDT/10:00 a.m. EDT
First Presbyterian, Quincy
That which will support the ministries of our churches

(Please note: Times listed are CDT)

8:00 Registration for meeting

9:00..... Fall Meeting Convenes
· Declaration of a Quorum..... Jeannie Dixon
· Adoption of docket..... Jeannie Dixon
· Introductions Trinity Whitley
First-time ruling elders, teaching elders, corresponding members, and visitors

WORSHIP

9:15 Morning Worship, including annual necrology report

EDUCATIONAL TIME

10:00 Committee on Representation

MINISTRY REPORTS

Partner Reports

11:00 Jake Wilson – Texas Presbyterian Foundation
11:05 Matt Frease – UKirk Tallahassee
11:10 Vicki Bell – Presbyterian Women

Staff Reports

11:15 Report from Stated Clerk – Jeannie Dixon
11:20 Report from General Presbyter – Roy Martin, Jr.
11:25 Report from Dogwood Acres Interim Director – Christy Williams
11:30 Report from Accountant/Treasurer – Denise Vandiver

Committee and Commission reports

11:35 Coordinating and Planning Commission (CPC) report

12:00 LUNCH BREAK

12:45 Committee reports for Action/Updates

Committee on Ministry (COM) 15 minutes
Committee on Congregational Revitalization (CCR) 5 minutes
Committee on Mission and Outreach (CMO) 4 minutes
Committee on New Congregational Development (CNCD) 2 minutes
Committee on Nominations (CN) 5 minutes
Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM) 2 minutes
Committee on Presbytery Administration (CPA) 15 minutes

Committee reports for Information

Committee on Dogwood Acres (CDWA)
Committee on Educational Resources (CER)
Committee on Representation (CR)

Adjournment and Closing Prayer

Next Meetings: All meetings 9:00 AM Central/10:00 AM Eastern
Feb. 28, 2023 May 20, 2023 August 22, 2023 October 24, 2023

**Minutes of Summer Stated Presbytery Meeting
at Grace Presbyterian Church, Panama City
August 23, 2022**

The Presbytery of Florida, Inc., of the Synod of South Atlantic of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) met at Grace Presbyterian Church, Panama City, FL, for a Stated Meeting on Tuesday, August 23, 2022.

	Present	Absent	Total
Ruling Elders:			
- Session Commissioners	19	21	40
- Other Continuing Members (RE committee chairs {4}; RE officers {2}; RE educators {1})	7	3	10
- CLP/CRE	1	3	4
Total Ruling Elders	27	27	54
Ministers of Word and Sacrament	27	15	42
Total Present and Absent	54	42	96
Congregations Represented	17	20	37

MINISTERS OF WORD AND SACRAMENT PRESENT (27):

Michael Askew, Mark Broadhead, Brad Clayton, Brant Copeland, Chris Erde, Stephen Graves, Hugh Hamilton, Gene Harris, James Huffaker, Sun Kim, William Lamont, Lisa Martin, Roy Martin, A.J. Meador, Linda Pitts, Emily Proctor, Robert Quiring, Greta Reed, Steve Rhodes, Erin Rosica, Eric Spoon, James Stansbury, Sheldon Steen, John Stringer, Rob Sugg, Carol Wood, Joan Wooten
(italics = HR)

MINISTERS OF WORD AND SACRAMENT ABSENT (6/9):

Excused Ministers: Mathew Frease, Raymond Guterman, John Kelsay, Taylor Phillips, Kim Stavenau, Trinity Whitley
Unexcused Ministers: Casey Aldridge, Mel Baars O'Malley, Robert Bohnsack, Tae Ho Cheong, John Cole, Tai Cole, Jordan Goodwin, Luis Ocasio Torres, Pamela Phillips

RULING ELDER COMMISSIONERS PRESENT (19):

Blountstown, First – unexcused
Chipley, First – Kevin Russell
Crestview, First – James Gaylord, Jr.
Defuniak Springs, Bethel – unexcused
Defuniak Springs, Euchee Valley – Tommy Yates
Defuniak Springs, First – Vivian Powell
Destin, First – unexcused
Fort Walton Beach, First – Fran Goodall
Fort Walton Beach, Korean - unexcused
Freeport, Freeport – unexcused
Gretna, Gretna – excused
Gulf Breeze, Gulf Breeze – excused
Havana, First – unexcused
Laurel Hill, Laurel Hill – excused
Lynn Haven, First – Kathy Welsh

33 **Marianna, First – unexcused**
34 **Milton, First – unexcused**
35 **Monticello, First - unexcused**
36 **Navarre, Navarre – unexcused**
37 **Panama City Beach, Gulf Beach – David Balmer**
38 **Panama City, Grace – Linda Lee Fraser**
39 **Panama City, Parkway – Linda Banacasa**
40 **Panama City, St. Andrews – unexcused**
41 **Pensacola, First – Susan Byram (signed in; no form)**
42 **Pensacola, Korean – unexcused**
43 **Pensacola, Northminster – Pam Nulty**
44 **Pensacola, Trinity – excused, excused**
45 **Quincy, First – Bennett Chesser, Lisa Wilder**
46 **Red Bay, Red Bay – excused**
47 **Sawdust, Woodland – Mary Jo Butler**
48 **Tallahassee, Christ – Jack Frazee**
49 **Tallahassee, Faith – Lew Shelley, Chip Jennings**
50 **Tallahassee, Fellowship – excused**
51 **Tallahassee, First – Norma Meier**
52 **Tallahassee, Lafayette – Sandra Herrington**
53 **Tallahassee, Trinity United – unexcused**
54 **Wewahitchka, First – excused**

55 **Sessions not represented:**

56 **Excused Churches (7):**

57 Gretna; Gulf Breeze; Laurel Hill; Pensacola Trinity; Red Bay; Tallahassee, Fellowship; Wewahitchka

58 **Unexcused Churches (13):**

59 Blountstown, First; DeFuniak Springs, Bethel; Destin, First; Korean First, Fort Walton Beach; Freeport;
60 Havana, First; Marianna, First; Milton, First; Monticello, First; Navarre; Panama City, St. Andrews;
61 Pensacola, Korean; Tallahassee, Trinity United.

62 **CONTINUING MEMBERS:**

63 **CREs present (1):**

64 Joanne Kublik

65 **CREs absent (4):**

66 Tonya Fernandes; Alan House (excused); Larry Plank; Greg Seltzer (excused)

67 **Christian Educators with voice and vote present (1):**

68 Lisa Wilder

69 **Christian Educators with voice present (1):** Christy Williams

70 **Presbytery Staff Members:** Melissa Willis – Administrator; Ben Powell – Dogwood Acres Director;
71 Denise Vandiver (RE) – Accountant/Treasurer

72 **Officers/Team Chairs:** Vicki Bell – Presbyterian Women; Jeannie Dixon – Stated Clerk (RE); Don
73 Mowat (RE) – Vice-Moderator; Glenn Hodges (RE) – Committee on Representation; Leslie Yandle
74 (RE) – Committee on Nominations; Esther Moring (RE) – Committee on Educational Resources

75 **Visitors:** Erin Rugh, Tallahassee, Faith; Pat Farrell; Tallahassee, Faith; Ruth Reynolds, Tallahassee,

76 Faith; Rich Kangas, Lynn Haven, First; Bradley Thoreson, Lynn Haven, First; Russell Nulty, Pensacola,
77 Northminster; Chris Rollins, Fort Walton Beach; Sherl Morden, Panama City, Parkway; Rich Clubb,
78 Panama City, Gulf Beach; Kathy Powell, Quincy, First; Gerry Yandle, Pensacola, First; Clark Simmons,
79 Board of Pensions.

80 **Visiting Teaching Elders:** Joyce Lieberman, Synod of South Atlantic Executive/Stated Clerk

81 **OPENING PRAYER, QUORUM, DOCKET**

82 Vice-Moderator Don Mowat called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM CDT/10:00 AM EDT. A quorum
83 (ten Ministers of Word and Sacrament and ten elders, representing at least ten member congregations)
84 was present, and General Presbyter Roy Martin opened the meeting with prayer. Presbytery approved
85 the docket as presented by Stated Clerk Jeannie Dixon.

86 **WELCOME: Pastor Eric Spoon** welcomed the presbytery to the host church, Grace Presbyterian
87 Church, and gave instructions for the day's activity, meals, and facilities.

88 **INTRODUCTIONS:** First-time ruling elders, teaching elders, corresponding members, and visitors
89 were introduced.

90 **MORNING WORSHIP** The Rev. Erin Rugh, newly-called Associate Pastor for Youth and families at
91 Faith Presbyterian Church – Tallahassee, led worship assisted by The Rev Mark Broadhead and Mr.
92 Brad Thoreson.

93 The worship and Ms. Rugh's sermon, "I Am Your neighbor," focused on Luke 10:25-37, The Good
94 Samaritan.

95 Using humorous yet poignant illustrations of people discovering their connections with others by church
96 membership or shared communities, Ms. Rugh explored how literal geographic neighbors come to
97 realize their shared needs and mutual understanding. Expanding your circle to include unfamiliar people
98 expands your understanding of "neighbor." Speaking of a Tennessee potter whose coffee mugs grace the
99 homes of 30,000 customers, Ms. Rugh shared how the bond of coffee klatch neighbors sharing a cup of
100 coffee invites time to share my porch, share my story, my life, my community, which by God's grace
101 become invitations to share my Christ, ...i.e., OUR Christ, OUR lives, OUR faith, OUR hope....our
102 SHARED hope and community.

103 **MINISTRY REPORTS**

104 **Partner Reports:**

105 **Clark Simmons, Board of Pensions Senior Consultant for Southeastern United States:**

106 Medical dues have increased, and annual enrollments October – November for start January 2023 will
107 increase for pastors from 27% to 29% of effective salary, for pension and medical dues total 39%. The
108 "Call to Health" program reduces co-pay for those employees qualifying with 1000 points earned. The
109 Pension plan is doing well, with \$1.42 in hand for every \$1.00 needed to fully cover participants. The
110 Board of Pensions beats or matches any investment plan entity in America. BOP has two years cash on
111 hand. BOP has survived the COVID pandemic well, both fiscally and in retaining personnel.

112 **Rev. Joyce Lieberman, Synod of South Atlantic Executive/Stated Clerk:** Joyce is retiring October
113 2022. General Presbyter Roy Martin celebrated Rev. Lieberman's service with a humorous but sincere
114 resolution of thanks recognizing her service to the PC(USA), the General Assembly, and the Synod.
115 Presbytery appreciated her with a standing ovation. Rev. Lieberman then thanked the presbytery and
116 highlighted leadership initiatives in the Synod and the upcoming February 24-25 leadership conference
117 at Epworth by The Sea, St. Simon's Island, GA.

118 **STAFF REPORTS:**

119 **REPORT FROM STATED CLERK: Jeannie Dixon**

120 Annual Necrology Reminder: To facilitate the submission of names for the annual Necrology report, an
121 online form has been created. Information may be submitted throughout the year for deaths between
122 October 1 and September 30. Please go to the form <http://bit.ly/pofnecro> to complete the information. A
123 reminder will be sent in October. This is for reporting the death of ruling elders and teaching elders.
124 The receipt of the information via email in October will be requested for those not submitting via the
125 form.

126 **Meetings/Activities**

127 Ms. Dixon attended the Synod Presbytery Leader Forum at Epworth-by-the-sea with colleagues from the
128 Synod. Please “save the date” for the Association of Small Congregation gathering at Epworth on
129 March 2-5, 2023.

130 In addition to attending presbytery committee and staff meetings, Ms. Dixon also completed all first-of-
131 the-year record activities for GA and attended a Synod GA Commissioner meet-and-greet on Zoom.
132 Ms. Dixon attended “The Story of Trinity United” meeting held at Faith and recommends the video, to
133 which she will send the online link.

134 As our General Assembly Commissioner, Ms. Dixon attended in person 225th General Assembly
135 Committee Meetings (assigned to Theology, Worship, and Education, observed several other
136 committees, and fully participated in the online 225th General Assembly July 5-9.

137 As information for the CPC committee Ms. Dixon has compiled a presbytery attendance chart of
138 minister members and churches for 2020, 2021, and 2022.

139 Host for the Oct. 25, 2022 presbytery meetings is First, Quincy. Dates for 2023 presbytery meetings
140 have not yet been set by the CPC.

141 Ms. Dixon is working with the Relational Ministry Team of the Committee on Ministry to schedule the
142 review of session minutes.

143 **REPORT FROM GENERAL PRESBYTER: Roy Martin**

144 To-date in 2022, Rev. Dr. Martin has worshipped with most of the congregations of the presbytery and
145 preached at several of them. Presbytery committees are working well, and most are back to in-person
146 meetings at the Presbytery Office at Dogwood Acres. Rev. Dr. Martin acknowledged and appreciated
147 the behind-the-scenes work of pastors, elders, and volunteers that allow the work of the presbytery to
148 thrive.

149 **REPORT FROM PRESBYTREY TREASURES: Denise Vandiver**

150 Ms. Vandiver reviewed the chart of churches’ shared support and pledges. To-date we are doing well.
151 We have \$33,000 of reserves to cover expenditures; we expect expenses to end over budget. Insurance
152 costs have exceeded budget.

153 **REPORT FROM DOGWOOD ACRES: Ben Powell**

154 DWA had an abbreviated camp season, with only two children and youth camp weeks. Attendance was
155 down considerably in 2022; we hope for better attendance in 2023. Fall 2022 retreat bookings are above
156 past years, with both repeat and new clients. DWA is financially sound now. Christy Williams,
157 Tallahassee – First, is now the Interim Director of Dogwood Acres.

158 Ben Powell then spoke of his battle with pancreatic cancer and his need to retire September 30. Ben
159 thanks the presbytery for the love, support, and outreach to Ben and his wife by members of presbytery
160 and witnessed his faith in God’s power to sustain us in all times and experiences. Sharing his faith
161 journey, Ben shared how his roundabout way of coming to Dogwood Acres opened up the camp as a
162 mission field in which he was privileged to share God’s love and the value of the church and the camp
163 partnership as ministry opportunities.

164 Ben then affirmed the value of the ministries of Dogwood Acres and thanked people in the presbytery
165 who have blessed Ben and his wife. Brant Copeland then presented the following “Resolution of
166 Thanks for the Life and Service of Ben Powell”, which was adopted by the presbytery:

167 **Resolution of Thanks for the Ministry of Benjamin Wayne Powell**

168 **Whereas** in the year of our Lord 2011 a forester named Benjamin Wayne Powell visited Dogwood
169 Acres Retreat Center and Summer Camp to examine the laurel oak trees which were at the time both
170 numerous and treacherous; and

171 **Whereas** that same Ben Powell surveyed the property and discovered a goldmine of 120 acres of
172 planted pines ready for harvest; and

173 **Whereas** in his calling as a forester Ben Powell has provided invaluable counsel and advice regarding
174 the stewardship of Dogwood Acres; and

175 **Whereas** in his calling as a presbyter Ben Powell has poured out his servant’s heart for the ministry that
176 takes place at Dogwood Acres; and

177 **Whereas** Ben Powell joined the Committee on Dogwood Acres in the fall of 2011, and was made Chair
178 six months later; and

179 **Whereas** Ben Powell was called to be Director of Dogwood acres in January of 2016; and

180 **Whereas** Ben Powell’s outgoing personality and unpretentious ways have won friends for Dogwood
181 Acres throughout the Florida panhandle and beyond; and

182 **Whereas** Ben Powell’s unrelenting dedication has brought Dogwood Acres through two existential
183 crises: Hurricane Michael and the Covid 19 pandemic; and

184 **Whereas** certain “Ben-isms” are unforgettable, such as “*The view of the valley depends on which*
185 *mountaintop you’re standing on,*” and “*More simple, more better;*” and

186 **Whereas** there are Ben Powell stories to go with every Ben-ism, none of which is brief and all of which
187 are worth hearing on some other occasion; and

188 **Whereas** Ben Powell’s love for Dogwood Acres and vision for its ministry have touched countless lives
189 and granted us a foretaste of the Kingdom of God,

190 **Therefore, be it resolved** that the Presbytery of Florida declares its gratitude to the Triune God for the
191 life and ministry of God’s servant Benjamin Wayne Powell; and

192 **Be it further resolved** that the Presbytery of Florida seeks God’s gifts of wholeness, strength, and joy
193 for God’s servant Ben both now and throughout all his days; and

194 **Be it further resolved** that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Presbytery of Florida at its
195 regular meeting on August 23, 2022.

196 **General Assembly Commissioner Reports:** Jeannie Dixon, Ruling Elder Commissioner; Brad
197 Clayton, Teaching Elder Commissioner; and Ryan Obray, Young Adult Advisory Delegate.
198 Jeannie Dixon: Ruling Elder Commissioner Report

199 **Elder Commissioner Report: Jeannie Dixon:**

200 I was assigned to the Theology, Worship, and Education committee (TWE). That committee’s role was
201 “To prepare recommendations for consideration by the plenary General Assembly for items of business
202 relating to amendments to the Book of Order section W, theological education, higher education, and
203 published materials (including Presbyterian Publishing Corporation).”

204 Prior to traveling to Louisville there was extensive training on various topics that needed to be 8
205 completed prior to arriving in Louisville. There were 4 modules for the training:

- 206 • Welcome to the 225th General Assembly!
- 207 o This provided a general overview of GA plenary and an introduction to the technology
- 208 to be used
- 209 • Preparing for the Business of the GA
- 210 o This provided an overview of the shared values guiding the GA
- 211 o an introduction to Special Committee and Task Force reports
- 212 o an introduction to Advisory and Advocacy Committees
- 213 o parliamentary procedure basics
- 214 o introduction to GA agencies
- 215 o introduction to PC-Biz. (There was further training on this tool)
- 216 • Leader Training
- 217 o This provided information about the "Public Hearing" and "Commissioner Resolution"
- 218 processes for this hybrid assembly, how various advisory and advocacy committees support
- 219 deliberations and discernment, and more.
- 220 o It also provided information on how 'Choice points and equity prime' would be used in
- 221 committee meetings and in plenary. (See last page of this report)
- 222 • Getting Ready
- 223 o This included information on the Travel Expense policy
- 224 o It also provided information on the Advisory Committee on the Constitution

225 Our Synod had 2 separate Zoom “meet and greets” for us to meet other commissioners from our Synod
 226 who would be attending GA. In both meetings we had break out groups by “meeting week”. This
 227 would help us as we travel to recognize one another. It was very valuable!

228 TWE was scheduled for the first week, meaning we arrived on Friday, June 17. On Saturday June 18,
 229 we had opening worship (with half of the group in the chapel and the other half in the main assembly
 230 room), followed by 3 plenary meetings. For the first few items of the first meeting, only those present
 231 in Louisville were able to constitute the quorum and vote. A vote to validate actions taken at the 224th
 232 GA and to allow Hybrid/online meetings was taken. Once approved, the commissioners not present in
 233 Louisville were “unfenced” and allowed to vote. The 3rd plenary of the day was election of the co-
 234 moderators. There were 2 teams running for election, and the new co-moderators were elected on the
 235 first ballot. The Rev. Ruth Santana-Grace (Executive Presbyter from the Presbytery of Philadelphia)
 236 and Rev. Shavon Starling-Louis (senior pastor at Memorial Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, NC) were
 237 elected co-moderators of the 225th General Assembly.

238 Sunday included a “Juneteenth” worship to be the ending to the city of Louisville’s Juneteenth
 239 celebration weekend.

240 Monday, bright and early, committee meetings began in the Presbyterian Center. The 4 committees had
 241 staggered start times, staggered break times, staggered lunch times, and staggered ending times. This
 242 was to help promote social distancing and Covid protocol. Masks were worn at all times in the building.
 243 Even though we were all physically in the same room, some advisors or overture advocates were not.

244 We used Zoom, which had translations for English, Spanish and Korean for all, and used PC-Biz for
 245 voting. Some committee members were not native English speakers; thus the translation was available
 246 from their language to English. Committee days ended by 5:00 each day so the building could be
 247 cleaned and sanitized for the next day.

248 The schedule continued on Tuesday with Wednesday ending shortly after lunch, when we completed all
 249 of our business.

250 I returned home on Thursday and, using the livestream and PC-Biz, observed committee meetings for
251 the rest of the week and the following week. All committees ended by July 2.

252 Plenary meetings started at 11:00 am (Eastern) with worship at 10:00 each day July 5-9. Lunch break
253 was around 2:30 (Eastern) with dinner break around 7:00 each night. However, the meetings went until
254 11:00 pm (with one lasting until 11:45). That made for very long days! But the schedule was attempting
255 to accommodate those connecting in the western time zones.

256 Some of the highlights of the TWE business was approving a committee to write a new confession for
257 the denomination. Another item from this committee was approval of the creation of worship resources
258 for the military and for first responders.

259 There are some 30 items that will be coming to the presbyteries for vote this fall to make changes to the
260 Book of Order. As soon as we get that information, we will send it right out.

261 A summary of GA actions is available at <https://www.pcusa.org/news/2022/7/12/summary-general65>
262 [assembly-actions/](#)

263 • An overture calling for the divestment from 5 oil and gas companies (Chevron, ExxonMobil, Marathon
264 Petroleum, Phillips and Valero Energy) was approved. Item <https://www.pc-biz.org/#/search/3000939>
265 included a “Metrics Guideline” for scoring energy companies. The Rationale provides interesting
266 information on this.

267 • Approved a per capita rate of \$9.85/member for 2023 and \$9.80/member for 2024.

268 • Approved an overture allowing the church to declare itself a “sanctuary and accompaniment church”.

269 • Much discussion on Gun Violence was held, with approval of a motion to renew its commitment to
270 end gun violence by developing a 10-year campaign “The decade to end gun violence, 2022-2032)”

271 • There was also a lot of discussion on race and gender justice concerns.

272 o “A Resolution Addressing the Lack of Installed Pastoral Leadership in People of Color Congregations
273 in the PC(USA) — From the Racial Equity Advocacy Committee” was approved.

274 o Also approved was “On Offering an Apology to African Americans for the Sin of Slavery and Its
275 Legacy.”

276 o Approval was given to formation of a new special committee to expose white supremacy with the
277 denomination and make recommendations for improvement.

278 The assembly voted to change the format for the 226th GA (2024). The committee meetings will be held
279 online with in-person plenaries in Salt Lake City, Utah. The plenary dates are 06/29/2024 – 86
280 07/06/2024. The committee meeting dates have not yet been finalized.

281 A number of items were approved in changing the Standing Rules of the Assembly. The General
282 Assembly approved changes to the Standing Rules (STAN22) that alter requirements for those serving
283 as Young Adult Advisory Delegates to the assembly. YAADs must be:

284 • An active member of a PC(USA) congregation or participant in a new worshipping community or
285 immigrant fellowship that has a relationship with a presbytery

286 • Between 18 and 23 years of age on the day the assembly convenes.

287 A couple of changes were made to the Annual Church Statistical report.

288 • There is a change in the age groupings. The new groups are:

289 17 and under

290 18-25

291 26-50

292 41-55

293 56-70

294 71 and over

295 When it asks about youth, the groups are:

296 Age 4 and under
297 Elementary School (K-5th grade)
298 Middle School (6th – 8th grade)
299 High School (9th – 12th grade)

300 • Changes to how financial questions are asked. These are:

- 301 o Budget figures
 - 302 Budgeted income
 - 303 Budgeted expense
- 304 o Receipts
 - 305 Regular Contributions
 - 306 Investment Income
 - 307 Capital Building Funds
 - 308 Bequests
 - 309 Subsidy or Aid
 - 310 Other Income
- 311 o Expenditures
 - 312 Local Program
 - 313 Local Mission
 - 314 Capital Expenditure
 - 315 Investment Expense
 - 316 Per Capita Apportionments
 - 317 Other Mission

318 I will plan Zoom sessions again for completing the survey. Those will probably be in January 2023 (just
319 before the survey opens) and then just before it closes, probably in February.

320 There are a number of new committees to be formed along with the existing ones. I would urge each of
321 you to prayerfully consider volunteering to serve. More information can be found at:

322 <https://oga.pcusa.org/section/committees/nominations/Info-faq/#:~:text=A%3A%20The%20General%20Assembly%20Nominating%20Committee%20%28GANC%29%20makes,elder%2Fminister%20can%20apply%20and%20be%20considered%20for%20service.>

325 You should also visit <https://oga.pcusa.org/section/committees/nominations/> and fill out the form in the
326 nominations portal: <https://ganominations.pcusa.org/> The current vacancies are listed there. The
327 committees to be nominated by the co-moderators will be posted by August 31. Watch for more
328 information on this!

329 Read more news of the 225th General Assembly here (<https://www.pcusa.org/>)

330 If you wish to view the worship services, plenary meetings or committee meetings, visit <https://ga-pcusa.org/video/>

332 I found it very helpful to observe several other committees after my committee week was complete.
333 This process helped me understand some of the issues discussed by the committees in preparation for the
334 vote in plenary.

335 The process of online plenary was very isolating as we did not gather as a group. Some presbyteries
336 (generally larger than we are) did do this and found it helpful.

337 I appreciate the opportunity to serve as ruling elder commissioner to the 225th General Assembly.

338 Respectfully submitted,
339 Jeannie Dixon

We each have a choice... to be a voice for equity and inclusion.

When I see or hear someone being treated in a manner contrary to our values and rights as members of this committee, I can...

- Send a private message to the speaker
- Ask for recognition to pause and address the issue in the moment
- Speak with the moderator at the break to address later

Am I using the meeting tools to maintain my own power?

Provisional List of Rights of Members of a GA committee underlying the equity primes card:

- Right to be recognized by moderator
- Right to disagree and voice disagreement
- Right not to be interrupted and finish a thought
- Right to vote, depending on status
- Right to speak in all of our various accents and dialects
- Right to request an interpreter
- Right to feel equal to others at the table
- Right not to be a cradle Presbyterian and have zero connection to the historical church

GROUP/COMMITTEE EQUITY PRIME: QUESTIONS BEFORE DISCUSSION/DECISIONS

- Why are we trying to make the decision now?
- Do we have enough information to make an equitable/inclusive decision?
 - Have we heard directly from those who will be most impacted?
 - Have we thought through the impact to the whole church?
- What additional voices/information do we need to make an equitable/inclusive decision?
- What information would lead to more equity?
- Have we honored what's on our cards to honor each others' rights and check our own use of power?
- Is this decision being made with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?

341 **Minister Commissioner Report: Brad Clayton**

342 Thank you for the opportunity to serve as a commissioner for the 225 General Assembly. The Assembly
343 tackled a tremendous amount of work over the course of three weeks. For the first time in the history of

344 the church the General Assembly adopted a hybrid model for the meeting. The committees met for three
345 weeks in person, followed by the plenary sessions that were completely online. For a summary of the
346 actions of the GA please see [https://www.pcusa.org/news/2022/7/12/summary-general-assembly-](https://www.pcusa.org/news/2022/7/12/summary-general-assembly-actions/)
347 [actions/](https://www.pcusa.org/news/2022/7/12/summary-general-assembly-actions/)

348 **Willing to Face Conflict:** The General Assembly did not avoid controversial topics of the day, but
349 received motions involving Israel and Palestine, abortion, fossil fuel divestment, gun control, racial
350 justice, gender identity justice, war in Ukraine, immigration and sanctuary churches. While some of the
351 amendments to these issues faced close votes, the motions themselves, amended or not, passed with
352 broad agreement from the body.

353 **Commissions, task forces, and special committees:** The Assembly created several new committees
354 and task forces to research and explore on-going issues to be addressed at the next general assembly. A
355 few of the new task forces include

356 *Task Force to rewrite the Standing Rules of the GA

357 A special committee to write new confession to propose to next assembly

358 Task Force to form a new non-geographic presbytery of Korean churches on the West Coast *Task
359 Force to explore theology and practice of ordination to ordered ministry for Ruling Elders

360 *Commission to merge PMA and OGA.

361 These special committees will make a report to the 226 General Assembly and nearly all of them had 23
362 budget implications.

363 **Restructure:** The Assembly voted to merge the Office of the General Assembly with the Presbyterian
364 Mission Agency. A special commission was formed to oversee this merger. Funding was a major factor
365 in this decision. While the OGA only has one mainstream of funding (per capita), PMA has several
366 streams of funding that will hopefully help with financial concerns for the future.

367 **Future Meetings:** The Assembly voted that the GA 226 would also be a hybrid model, with the
368 committees meeting on-line and the plenary meeting in person in Salt Lake City. While there was
369 considerable agreement that meeting in-person was preferred, budget implications may require some
370 portion of online meetings in the future.

371 **Personal Reflection:** I found the plenary work online to be difficult, especially considering the gravity
372 of the motions that we discussed. I find it fascinating that the online platforms used to hold us together
373 during Covid, can now keep us isolated.

374 Respectfully submitted: Dr. Brad Clayton

375 **Young Adult Advisory Delegate (YAAD) Report: Ryan Obray**

376 This is my second time serving as a Young Adult Advisory Delegate (YAAD), once online and now
377 once in person. I attended the first week of the General Assembly in Louisville, KY, to witness the
378 opening of the GA. During the first week, I was able to participate in person in the state of the church
379 report, the co-moderator election, and a beautiful Juneteeth service at the Presbyterian Center.

380 The first night was our longest night as we began the work of GA. During one of the first sessions, we
381 watched a lot, and I mean a lot, of videos that describe some of the partnerships and organizations the
382 Presbyterian church has. These videos were eye-opening to see all that we do as a denomination.

383 I served on the Polity committee, which dealt with amendments concerning the Book of Order. While
384 some of the conversations were confusing, overwhelming, and felt unnecessarily long, I enjoyed seeing
385 people's passion for the Book of Order and the Presbyterian Church. The in-person experience proved
386 to be much more engaging as we could serve on committees, have discussions, break bread together,
387 rekindle old friendships, and make new connections, all while serving the greater Presbyterian church
388 and God's Kingdom.

389 Respectfully submitted,
390 Ryan Obray

391 **EDUCATIONAL TIME: Racial Justice Subcommittee and Committee on Educational Resources**
392 **(CER)**

393 **ENGAGING YOUR SHADOW: RACIAL HEALING IN THIS PRESENT MOMENT:**
394 **Dr. Catherine Meeks, Executive Director of the Absalom Jones Center for Racial Healing,**
395 **Atlanta, GA**

396 Ruth Reynolds, Racial Justice Subcommittee member, introduced Dr. Catherine Meeks, who spoke of
397 her 50 years of teaching, speaking, reflecting on racial healing. Drawing on Romans 7:15, *the good I*
398 *want to do I do not do, and the wrong I don't want to do, I do*, Dr. Meeks asked us to consider times
399 when we find ourselves in conflict with our best intentions. What is the source of the problem, and what
400 is the desired outcome? Fixing race is not about fixing something "out there," external, other people;
401 rather you must interrogate yourself and ask, "WHY do I think that, act like that, react like that?"

402 Speaking of our nation's polarity, and division by race, gender, class, creed, we must admit we don't
403 know how to talk about it, or resist talking about it. As people of faith do we believe, truly BELIEVE,
404 that God created all people, loves all people the same? Corrects, calls, claims, cherishes all people the
405 same? Then why do we not reflect that in our treatment of others?
406 We must interrogate ourselves: "What are MY conflicts? Why? What can I change? How? Am I willing
407 to change?" Looking for wellness, health of our world, begins with self-interrogation. What is in your
408 heart? Who lives in your head? Do we want to live in community or in chaos? If in community, are we
409 willing to give people the benefit of the doubt? Do not project onto others your expectations, your
410 ignorance, your imagination, your prejudice. Stop! Learn and reflect.

411 Research and reflect on "projection." Alert yourself to your tendency to project . Be open to entertain
412 new information, and to adjust to the new reality, new understanding. Don't be afraid of the truth. You
413 may experience some pain before the truth sets you free, but the truth WILL set your free.

414 "The SHADOW" is the unknown part of ourselves, where projections, bias, ignorance, fear , lives. In
415 projection and fear we make up stories to handle, to hide, or even to sustain our fears and prejudices. To
416 face our fears, to face our projections, is to learn what and who taught us that fear, that anger, that
417 resentment, that resistance, that...(name your poison).... Then we must ask, "why? Why me? Why
418 NOT me? What now?"

419 We must learn that "difference does not mean lack of value." We give value to celebrity and devalue
420 poverty, lack of education. We must learn to be curious about people. What makes them tick? Lack of
421 understanding leads to assumptions, bullying, prejudice. Fear of change is fear of loss...of control, of
422 privilege, of position, of status. Where will we all end up? It is OK to say, "I don't know." Change
423 requires humility and vulnerability, and risk of rejection. But CHANGE can, and must, make things
424 better than where we are now.

425 **For more information:** explore *Engaging Your Shadow: Racial Healing in This Present Moment*
426 with Dr. Catherine Meeks, Executive Director of the Absalom Jones Center for Racial Healing
427 (<https://www.centerforracialhealing.org/>)

428 Prior to the center's opening, Dr. Meeks chaired its
429 precursor, Beloved Community: Commission for
430 Dismantling Racism for the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta.
431 A sought-after teacher and workshop leader, Catherine
432 brings four decades of experience to the work of
433 transforming the dismantling racism work in Atlanta. The
434 core of her work has been with people who have been
435 marginalized because of economic status, race, gender or
436 physical ability as they pursue liberation, justice and
437 access to resources that can help lead them to health,
438 wellness and a more abundant life. This work grows out of
439 her understanding of her call to the vocation of teacher as
440 well as her realization that all of humanity is one family
441 which God desires to unite.



442 Catherine is the retired Clara Carter Acree Distinguished
443 Professor of Socio-Cultural Studies from Wesleyan College and Founding Executive Director of the
444 Lane Center for Community Engagement and Service. She characterizes herself as a midwife to the soul
445 of her students and workshop participants. She has spent many years sharing the insights that she gained
446 from her pursuit of the truth. She has had many great teachers including her sons, the Bible, Jungian
447 psychology, cross cultural stories and other books of wisdom. But her greatest teacher is rheumatoid
448 arthritis because it has forced her to learn many new ways to listen to her body and to pay attention to
449 the messages from her heart.

450 She is frequently asked to present commentaries on Georgia Public Radio and other radio and television
451 programs. She is the author of six books and one inspirational CD and is the editor of the bestselling
452 book, *Living Into God's Dream: Dismantling Racism in America* and co-author of *Passionate for*
453 *Justice: Ida B Wells as Prophet for Our Times*. She holds a Masters Degree in Social Work from Clark
454 Atlanta University and PhD from Emory University.

455 **COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION REPORTS:**

456 **COORDINATING AND PLANNING COMMISSION (CPC): Michael Askew**

457 Upon the CPC recommendation, presbytery approved The Rev. Dr. Ted Land, minister (HR), First
458 Presbyterian Church of Chipley, to the Committee on Nominations (CN Class of 2024-25).

459 **COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR ACTION/UPDATES**

460 **COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY (COM): Joan Wooten**

461 As information the COM reported their approval of

- 462 1. Transfer of Rev. Dan Mitchell (HR) to Flint River Presbytery
- 463 2. Interim Ministry Information Form for Fort Walton Beach-First
- 464 3. Temporary Pulpit Supply Contract for Fort Walton Beach-First (Rev. Jim Rollins-HR)
- 465 4. Temporary Supply Contract for DeFuniak Springs-First (Rev. Steve Rhodes-HR)
- 466 5. The "Restoring Creation" loan application from Tallahassee-Lafayette to the Presbyterian Investment
467 and Loan Program (PILP) to install solar panels.
- 468 6. The 2022 Terms of Call for Rev. Brad Clayton and Rev. Trinity Whitley (Tallahassee-Faith).
- 469 7. The Request from Rev. Erin Rosica to transfer status to Member-At-Large.
- 470 8. The Ordination examination of Erin Rugh to serve as Associate Pastor for Youth and College
471 Ministry (Tallahassee-Faith).
- 472 9. Rev. Kwonsoo Cho of the Presbyterian Church of Korea to serve as pulpit supply at Pensacola
473 Korean Community, and Rev. Sun Kim (Fort Walton Beach, Korean First) to serve as Rev. Cho's
474 mentor.

475 The Committee is introduced Erin Rugh, whose ordination examination was approved on July 26. Erin
476 presented will present her autobiography, personal faith journey, and her statement of faith, and
477 answered questions from the floor. She was then welcomed by the presbytery.

478 The Committee recommended and the presbytery approved: **That the Presbytery of Florida approve**
479 **the donation of the 150' by 150' lot owned by Gretna Presbyterian Church at Third and Church**
480 **Streets, which is adjacent to Gretna Baptist Church and identified as Parcel 2-32-3N4W-0430-**
481 **00045-0020, to Gretna Baptist Church, with the condition that the property be limited to church**
482 **use, and that if at some point it is not used for church purposes it will revert to Gretna**
483 **Presbyterian Church.**

484 Background and rationale: In November 2020, the congregation of Gretna Presbyterian Church
485 approved the recommendation of the session that the above-described parcel be given to Gretna Baptist
486 Church. The lot is vacant and is not being used by Gretna Presbyterian Church. It sits adjacent to
487 Gretna Baptist Church at the corner of Third and Church Streets in Gretna. In its discussion on July 12
488 the Committee on Ministry requested that CRE Alan House contact Gretna Baptist's pastor, David
489 Warr, to ensure the church's willingness to accept a reversionary clause. Gretna Baptist has agreed that,
490 if at some point the parcel ceases to be used for church purposes, it will revert to Gretna Presbyterian
491 Church. At the present time Gretna Baptist plans to use the lot for parking.

492 The Committee reviewed the status of congregations within the Presbytery and the work of the subteams
493 (Pastor Transition, Relational Ministry, and Temporary Pastoral Leadership).

494 **COMMITTEE ON NEW CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CNCD): A. J. Mealor**
495 Upon motion by CNCD, the presbytery approved that CNCD move forward in establishing a new
496 worshipping community in the 30A/Hwy. 98 corridor and that the members of CNCD be elected as the
497 PNC for securing pastoral leadership for this new worshipping community, and that this PNC be trained
498 by and responsible to the Committee on Ministry as the COM search process requires.

499 **COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS (CN): Leslie Yandle**
500 Upon recommendation of the CN presbytery approved as members of the Committee on Ministry, Class
501 of 2025: Richard Clubb, RE, Panama City Beach – Gulf Beach and RE Pam Nulty, Pensacola –
502 Northminster.

503 **COMMITTEE ON PRESBYTERY ADMINISTRATION (CPA): Brad Clayton**
504 *For information:*
505 Finances: The 2022 Shared Support is slightly below budget for this time of year. We have continued to
506 balance our expenses with reserves, and it is possible that we will need more reserves than anticipated to
507 cover our budget for the year. Please see the Treasurer's Report for details.
508 Personnel: We have instituted a new personnel review program by creating teams of presbyters to
509 support and 9 evaluate staff members throughout the year. We are continuing to adapt and perfect this
510 process.
511 Property: We have received plans for a new presbytery office building to be built at Dogwood Acres.
512 We are currently receiving bids. Once the bids are in place, we will make presentations to the presbytery
513 for review. This project will have to be approved by presbytery before we move forward.

514 *For action:*
515 Upon motion from CPA, presbytery approved the preliminary budget for 2023. This is a working budget
516 that will allow us to send Shared Support requests to our churches immediately.

517 **COMMITTEE ON CONGREGATIONAL REVITALIZATION (CCR): Mark Broadhead**
518 *For information:*

519 Panama City-Grace, Pensacola-Northminster, Crestview-First, and Milton-First continue to make their
520 way through the revitalization process. Several more congregations are interested in exploring what the
521 revitalization process is about.

522 Tallahassee-Lafayette will engage in revitalization perhaps in October of this year.

523 DeFuniak Springs-Bethel is very enthusiastic about their revitalization work thus far. The physical
524 property is being updated (electric and air conditioning at this point). Members who have been absent
525 from worship for some time have started to return. Excitement is being generated.

526 **Pastor Seminar:** On Wednesday, October 5, 2022 CCR is hosting a one-day seminar at Dogwood
527 Acres with Mark Tidsworth, author on church revitalization, exploring ways to do ministry in our
528 congregations in this rapidly-changing, post-Covid-9 societal setting. Staff from the Presbyterian
529 Foundation will speak about new ways of receiving and managing offerings.

530 **COMMITTEE ON DOGWOOD ACRES (CDWA): Bill Lamont**

531 Summer camp resumed this summer after being disrupted for two summers because of Covid. This
532 disruption has impacted camper registration, so we streamlined the number of weeks of summer camp
533 down to two without a dedicated Einstein camp for special needs campers. We were able to
534 accommodate some of the special needs campers into our two-week camp program, but we look forward
535 to being able to provide a dedicated camp for them in the future. Seven counselors were hired this
536 summer, with chaplains and nurses for both weeks of summer camp. About 70 campers enjoyed a week
537 at Dogwood as a result.

538 The committee was grieved to learn that our director, Ben Powell, was diagnosed with serious health
539 issues just before the camping season was to begin. Unable to attend to his duties, the committee and
540 others in presbytery stepped up to help us provide a summer camp program nonetheless. Our thanks to
541 Christy Williams, who stepped in as interim camp director for the first week, and to Eric Hearn, who
542 took charge during the second week. Ben and his wife, Kathy, play an integral part in the running of
543 Dogwood Acres, so the committee must move with speed to put leadership in place for the interim. We
544 ask for presbytery's prayers for Ben and Kathy and for their support as we navigate through the coming
545 months together.

546 Dogwood Acres has a new building on its premises now, close to the main dining hall. This building
547 will be dedicated storage facility and has been on Ben's wish list for over a decade. There is still some
548 minor carpentry work to be done. Anyone with building experience who would like to volunteer to help
549 complete it can contact the chair.

550 The committee remains dedicated to its mission and is moving forward together, trusting in God.

551 **COMMITTEE ON MISSION AND OUTREACH (CMO): Hugh Hamilton**

552 The Anti-Racism *I Stand With You Task Force* has been renamed the Racial Justice Subcommittee and
553 has come under the CMO for reporting and accountability purposes. Their motto remains, "I Stand with
554 You." The Anti-Racism Task Force has been tied to both CMO and CER, but the subcommittee feels
555 that, to avoid confusion, they should come solely under CMO for reporting purposes. The *Racial Justice*
556 *Subcommittee* has requested funding in the 2023 CMO budget to provide workshops and events to raise
557 awareness of racism across the Presbytery. The Rev. Dr. Michael Askew has joined the Racial Justice
558 Subcommittee.

559 The Racial Justice Subcommittee will present at September 17, 2022 Disciplefest a workshop on the
560 impact of racism on poverty, led by Greta Reed and Debbie Gibson, and at the August 23, 2022
561 presbytery meeting, an educational hour via Zoom featuring Dr. Catherine Meeks from the Absalom
562 Jones Center in Atlanta. Dr. Meeks will present to the group for 45 minutes and allow questions for 15
563 minutes. The Team will be available during lunch for those who wish to continue the discussion on Dr.
564 Meeks presentation.

565 Mission Grants. CMO continues to complete guidelines and applications for CHURCH AND
566 COMMUNITY MISSION GRANTS in lieu of PC(USA) Self Development of People (SDOP) program
567 applications, as per our conversations at the May 2022 Presbytery meeting at Dogwood Acres. These
568 grants requests would be endorsed by CMO prior to submission for action/approval by Committee on
569 Presbytery Administration, using funds from the 10% of the balance in Reserve Funds of presbytery
570 above the \$650,000 threshold established by CPA and usable to fund “Unbudgeted Presbytery Projects”
571 as approved the Committee on Presbytery Administration (CPA). Source: Presbytery Stated Meeting
572 Minutes - May 21,2022 Report of the Committee on Presbytery Administration (CPA).

573 Presbytery International Mission Partnership: Guatemala. CMO continues to seek people involved in
574 existing Guatemala mission projects or interested in further connections in Guatemala who may join our
575 CMO’s Presbytery of Florida -Presbyterian Women of Guatemala initiative development. July
576 presbytery newsletter featured article on work and needs of CMO. We especially seek a bilingual
577 English/Spanish translator. Becky Rose (Freeport) has report on partnership agreement developments
578 and possible Presbyterian Women and congregational involvements at the August 2022 presbytery
579 meeting.

580 FLAPDAN: Tim Crawford (1st, Crestview) now serves on the FLAPDAN Executive Board.
581 FLAPDAN approved two grants from remaining funds from hurricanes Michael and Irma relief:
582 \$10,84.14 to Peace River Presbytery for unmet needs for the Immokalee Fair Housing Alliance and
583 \$7,480.70 to the Presbytery of Florida for unmet needs for Dogwood Acres Retreat.
584 CMO/FLAPDAN Subcommittee: We have assembled the list of church contacts within the presbytery
585 sorted by district. In the event of a disaster or other calamity, each church will be contacted by the
586 presbytery’s FLAPDAN board members; Ed Nickinson will contact the east district, Tim Crawford the
587 central, and George Woodward the west.
588 FLAPDAN and Presbytery Leadership will now 1) create at least an annual event for mid-council
589 communication, 2) Review, revise and standardize FLAPDAN’s “ask” for financial contributions from
590 presbyteries, 3) Standardize FLAPDAN’s board selection and composition: Establish qualifications for
591 board candidates, establish standard process for board recruitment and appointments that establishes
592 who recruits and who vets candidates, 4) Revise board composition to one rep per presbytery and three
593 at-large members.

594 Hunger Action Grants. CMO approved a \$5,000.00 grant to First Presbyterian Church, Crestview, to be
595 used to supply and operate their soup kitchen/food distribution activities. On some occasions, homeless
596 and transient persons are provided a meal at their weekly Friday meal/food distribution. Hunger Grant
597 application form and guidelines are on the presbytery website.

598 Vacancies/Needs/Nominations: We need two committee members from West District and two from
599 Central District. Please suggest people with a passion for missions and service to the Nominating
600 Committee (Leslie Yandle) and/or to CMO Chair Hugh Hamilton (Pensacola-Trinity).
601 Congregational Mission Liaisons: Forms were distributed and collected at the presbytery meeting to
602 secure individuals at each congregation who will serve as a communication liaison/contact person to
603 receive information FROM the CMO and report to the congregation and to report TO CMO stories and
604 updates from congregations highlighting their mission and service endeavors.

605 **COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION (CR): Glenn Hodges**

606 Elder Yongwoon Shim is a new member of the CR. She replaced Reverend Tae Ho Cheong. She is a
607 member of the Korean First Presbyterian Church of Fort Walton Beach.
608 Committee member Aracelis Fernandez, from First Presbyterian of Havana, in the Presbytery’s East
609 District, who served in the Class of 2024/25, has resigned, so a new CR member from the East District is
610 needed.

611 The CR plans to lead the education hour for the October 25, 2022, Presbytery meeting, to encourage
612 Presbytery members to achieve, accomplish, realize, endorse, and preserve our commitment to
613 inclusiveness.
614 Elder Yongwoon Shim wrote an article about the history of the Korean First Presbyterian Church of Fort
615 Walton Beach for the *Panhandle Presbyterian* newsletter. The article appeared in the August 2022
616 edition.

617 **NEW BUSINESS: Brant Copeland**

618 Upon motion from Brant Copeland, second from the floor, presbytery endorsed Tallahassee - Trinity
619 United Presbyterian Church's application for a Black Heritage Witness grant. MOTION: That
620 presbytery approve the request from Trinity United Presbyterian Church to approve their effort to seek a
621 Preserving Black Churches grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

622 **ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSING PRAYER**

623 The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 1:55 PM CDT/2:55 PM EDT by The Rev. Dr. Roy Martin

624 **NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, October 25, 2022, First, Quincy 9AM Central/10AM Eastern.

625 Minutes respectfully submitted,

626 Hugh Hamilton,
627 Recording Clerk

628 Don Mowat, Vice Moderator
629 Jeannie Dixon, Stated Clerk
630 Hugh Hamilton, Recording Clerk

Report from the Presbyterian Women of the Florida Presbytery

As this report is being presented, Presbyterian Women from across this Presbytery have recently returned from two days of attending the PW Synod of South Atlantic 12th Triennial Gathering at Epworth by the Sea. The Triennial was entitled “Plug in and Recharge” and there were numerous events, speakers, workshops to choose from, a silent auction and local excursions to St. Simons Island by trolley or boat. We all had a wonderful time.

As you may or may not know, the Presbyterian Women have a scholarship available for Presbyterian Women attending Seminary. For the past several years, Lauren Scott has been the recipient, but at this time, no applications for this scholarship have been received.

This scholarship opportunity is made possible by the combination of two scholarship funds, the Coralie Wickersham, and Miss S.E. Stewart. The Coralie Wickersham Memorial Scholarship was established in 1945 by the Women of the Church of the Presbytery of Florida and named to honor Coralie G. Wickersham, an active and dedicated churchwoman from the First Presbyterian Church of DeFuniak Springs. Mrs. Wickersham served as Presbyterian President from 1923-1925. The Miss S.E. Stewart Scholarship and Endowment Fund was established in 1984 by the Women of the Presbytery of Florida and named to honor Miss Stewart for her life work in the First Presbyterian Church of Milton and the Presbytery of Florida.

The Presbyterian Women of your Churches have the Scholarship information including the application in their PW Directory as does the Presbytery Office in Chipley. Please encourage any Presbyterian Woman in your Church planning to attend or attending Seminary to consider this scholarship.

If you have any questions or need information, please contact the Synod Seminaries & Scholarship Fund of the Presbyterian Women, Vicki Bell, 1311 Old Philadelphia Church Road, Quincy, FL 32352, vabb1954@gmail.com or 850-510-3314.

Respectfully Submitted
Vicki Bell, Moderator Presbyterian Women
Florida Presbytery

Report from the Stated Clerk

Meetings/Activities

I attended a Zoom meeting of the clerks in the Synod.
Arranged for reading of Presbytery minutes for the Synod; scheduled for October 20.
Worked with Relational Ministry team of COM to schedule reading of session minutes. East district is scheduled for October 16.
I attended the September meeting of COM and the September staff meeting.
The dates for the 2023 meetings have been set by the CPC:
Feb. 28, 2023
May 20, 2023
August 22, 2023
October 24, 2023

Volunteers are needed to host the meetings.

40 **Communications**

41 From the Synod of South Atlantic:

42 **Welcome Rev. Terry Newland, Bridge Stated Clerk, Synod of South Atlantic**

43 Please welcome Rev. Terry Newland as the Bridge Stated Clerk for our synod, while we continue our
 44 search for our next Synod Executive and Stated Clerk. Terry has served the Presbyterian Church for
 45 54 years in wide-ranging roles from church janitor, camp counselor, church pastor and judicatory
 46 executive, having retired most recently as the Synod Executive and Stated Clerk of the Synod of Living
 47 Waters. Terry's responsibilities will be restricted to those most essential and will be done from his
 48 home in Alabama during this brief transitional period. We look forward to having him with us during our
 49 stated November 3 meeting on Zoom. Welcome, Terry!

Necrology report, October 2021 – September 2022

Date of death	Name of deceased elder	Church Name, City
9/9/2022	L.E. Bowers	First, Crestview
3/1/2022	Judy Burns	Gulf Breeze
12/07/2020	Margaret Chase	PCUSA missionary
5/13/2022	Sharon Clark	Christ, Tallahassee
08/21/2022	Donna Coble	Gulf Breeze
5/5/2022	Bill Haley	Christ, Tallahassee
4/19/2022	Otis L. Ikner	First, Chipley
11/20/2021	Rev. Harold "Hal" Jensen	HR
8/12/2022	Ora May Keys	Fellowship, Tallahassee
7/14/2022	James "Mac" McLees	Fellowship, Tallahassee
10/23/2021	Arthur W. Morden	Parkway, Panama City
3/31/2022	Douglas Myers	First, Crestview
6/29/2022	Rev. Durl Odom	HR
9/4/2022	Mr. Leslie Byron Reese	First, DeFuniak Springs
3/21/2022	Rev. Leo Sandon, Jr.	HR
5/6/2022	Winona L. "Winkie" VanLandingham	First, Chipley

Report from the **Committee on Ministry (COM)**

Membership: Chair, vice-chair, 13 members-at-large

Purpose: To fulfill all Book of Order and presbytery manual responsibilities related to oversight of and assistance to congregations, Ministers of Word and Sacrament and Certified Christian Educators in their ministry. These responsibilities include all matters related to matriculation of new pastors, periodic visits with sessions and pastors, support for clergy and Certified Christian Educator wellness and professional development, minimum standards for clergy compensation, dissolving pastoral relationships, processes leading to the next pastoral call, and examining ministers for readiness and suitability to receive calls.

For information:

At its meeting of September 13, 2022, the Committee on Ministry noted the following items for information which it had approved via electronic vote between July 13 and September 12:

1. Recommendation to Presbytery to approve land donation by Gretna Presbyterian Church to Gretna Baptist Church
2. Extension of Temporary Supply Contract for DeFuniak Springs-First (Rev. Steve Rhodes-HR), effective 9/6/2022
3. Temporary Supply Contract for Wewahitchka-First (Rev. Carol Wood-HR), effective 9/1/2022
4. Ordination commission request for Lauren Scott (11:00 am CDT on 10/1/22 at Pensacola-Trinity)

The Committee on Ministry approved the following items:

1. Dismissal of Rev. Charles K. Moore (HR) to Grace Presbytery (received 7/19/22)
2. 2022 Terms of Call for Erin Rugh (Tallahassee-Faith), as approved by the congregation of Tallahassee-Faith on 8/7/22
3. CRE contract for the Gretna and Woodland churches (Alan House), effective 7/1/21 and continuing through 6/30/24
4. Ordination/installation commission request for Erin Rugh (4:00 pm EDT on 9/25/22 at Tallahassee-Faith)
5. Ruling Elder Denise Hauck Moore (Central Presbyterian Church, Mobile, AL) for inclusion on the pulpit supply list
6. Revised MIF for Euchee Valley
7. Interim Pastor contract between Rev. John Stringer (HR) and Fort Walton Beach-First

The Relational Ministry Team is working on scheduling Session minutes review (2019-2021), by district.

The Committee is working on setting up mandatory training in accordance with our Presbytery's sexual misconduct policy.

The Committee reviewed the status of congregations within the Presbytery and the work of the sub-teams (Pastor Transition, Relational Ministry, and Temporary Pastoral Leadership).

For action:

The Committee will recommend the following item for action:

42 1. 2023 minimum compensation for Christian Educators and for called and installed Ministers of
43 Word and Sacrament. The Committee will meet on Monday, October 24th and will have a
44 written recommendation printed for commissioners' review and vote at the Presbytery meeting.

45 The next regular meeting of the Committee will be November 8, 2022 at 9:30 am CST at Dogwood
46 Acres.

47 Respectfully submitted,
48 Joan Wooten, Chair
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Committee on Ministry (COM)

Class of 2022-23

Kenneth Kelley
(Minister – HR)

Linda Pitts
(Minister – Member at Large)

Bill Green
(Elder – Euchee Valley,
DeFuniak Springs)

Mary Mehta
(Elder – Gulf Breeze)

Sue Coleman
(Elder – Trinity, Pensacola)

Class of 2023-24

Carol Wood
(Minister-1st, Wewahitchka)

Linda Shelley (Vice Chair)
(Elder-Faith, Tallahassee)

Joan Wooten (Chair)
(Minister – 1st, Pensacola)

Bill Wert
(Elder – 1st, Quincy)

Bob Crabtree
(Elder – Christ, Tallahassee)

Class of 2024-25

Lisa Martin
(Minister – 1st, Lynn Haven)

Matt Frease
(Minister – UKirk Tallahassee)

Richard Clubb
(Elder – Gulf Beach,
Panama City Beach)

Pam Nulty
(Elder – Northminster,
Pensacola)

Vacancy

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1 Report from the
2 **Committee on Congregational Revitalization (CCR)**

3 **Membership:** Chair, vice-chair, seven members-at-large

4 **Purpose:** To provide processes and support for congregations that have an identified need,
5 willingness, and ability to engage in spiritual and/or programmatic growth which can lead to deeper
6 commitment both within and beyond current membership.

7 **Items for Information**

- 8 • Crestview-First has completed the Holy Cow CAT and await the interpretation and information
9 from the MissionInsite demographic study.
- 10 • Four congregations are currently engaged in the strategic planning stages of the revitalization
11 process: Panama City-Grace, Pensacola-Northminster, Gulf Breeze, and Milton-First.
- 12 • Panama City-Parkway has begun the Holy Cow and revitalization process.
- 13 • Still in the discernment stages of engaging the revitalization process: Chipley-First, Monticello-
14 First.
- 15 • Tallahassee-Lafayette is slated to engage the Holy Cow/Revitalization/Transition process in
16 October.
- 17 • Shelia Clark-Askew continues to engage with Bethel Presbyterian Church and its efforts with
18 community outreach. The congregation will apply for a grant to help sustain African-American
19 congregations.
- 20 • A one-day workshop for pastors, CLPs, and interested persons was held at Dogwood Acres on
21 Wednesday, October 5, from 9:00-2:00, led by author and consultant Rev. Mark Tidsworth.
22 Fourteen participants attended and received excellent information on moving forward providing
23 ministry in our changing culture.

24 **Items for Discussion**

- 25 • None

26 **Items for Action**

- 27 • None

28 **Next meeting** of CCR: Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. (Central) in the Presbytery Office.

29 Respectfully Submitted,
30 Mark Broadhead, Chair

Committee on Congregational Revitalization (CCR)

Class of 2022-23
Joanne Kublik (Secretary)
(CLP – Red Bay)

Jean Mourey
(Elder-1st, Milton)

Shelia Clark-Askew
(Elder-Gulf Beach,
Panama City Beach)

Class of 2023-24
Harvey Jenkins
(Minister- HR)

Mark Broadhead (Chair)
(Minister- 1st, Crestview/
Laurel Hill)

Vacancy

Class of 2024-25
Sun Kim
(Minister- Korean 1st,
Fort Walton Beach)
Karen Weaver (Vice Chair)
(Elder-1st, Monticello)

Ernie McNeill
(Elder-1st, Marianna)

Report from the **Committee on Mission and Outreach (CMO)**

Membership: Chair, vice-chair, five members-at-large

Purpose: To coordinate local, national, and international mission work through congregations and mission communities by providing information and resources and to oversee and coordinate presbytery-wide mission work.

For Information:

Guatemala Mission Partnership update: Discussions are underway with denominational leaders to establish our partnership with the national administrators of the Presbyterian Church of Guatemala rather than with rotating, regional, volunteer leaders of the Presbyterian Women of Guatemala so that we may have peer-to-peer institutional liaisons and thereby secure more continuity of contacts and communications. Both PW-Guatemala and we remain excited about working toward educational and empowerment opportunities for women and children in Guatemala.

FLAPDAN: Hurricane Ian recovery efforts are underway in central Florida and congregations have begun contributions to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and FLAPDAN per bulletin inserts and supplied directions from PDA. We will give an update at presbytery meeting.

FOR ACTION:

SDOP and CMO's Church and Community Action Grants

The CMO recommends presbytery approval of the following to establish Committee on Mission and Outreach Church and Community Action Grants:

1. Guidelines for Church and Community Action Grants (see attached)
2. Application for Church and Community Action Grants (see attached)

Funding: The CMO foresees that such grants can be funded by CMO from our CMO-related restricted funds of presbytery:

Fund Balance July 31, 2022

4203 Emergency Relief Fund	\$5,541.40
4252 Two-Cents a Meal Hunger Fund	\$21,839.00
4253 Presbytery of Florida Peacemaking Fund	\$11,311.70
4255 Self-Development of People Fund	\$699.19

Cap: We recommend five-thousand-dollar (\$5000.00) cap on grant funding allocations, each being a one-year start-up program grant only.

For those grant requests not related to these funds' stipulations, CMO would submit a request for action/approval by Committee on Presbytery Administration to use funds from the 10% of the balance in Reserve Funds of presbytery above the \$650,000 threshold established by CPA and usable to fund "Unbudgeted Presbytery Projects" as approved the Committee on Presbytery Administration (CPA). (Source: From Presbytery Stated Meeting Minutes - May 21,2022 Report of The Committee on Presbytery Administration)

Regarding the Self Development of People (SDOP) national program and funding requests, CMO has reported to the Racial Justice Subcommittee that though we recognize the SDOP national program, with only four committee members CMO does not have the wherewithal to meet the SDOP requirements for establishing an SDOP committee or pursuing SDOP projects, so we recommend that:

- 1) persons wishing to create an SDOP Committee find the required number of committee members a) with the racial-ethnic composition required, b) committed to be constituted by

43 SDOP national and trained by SDOP and serve for the duration of the project/program, c)
44 representing all three districts of the presbytery, and that
45 2) they identify and create a project/program proposal and application meeting the SDOP
46 National guidelines, and
47 3) submit the proposal to CMO for consideration and action by the presbytery.

48 Report Submitted by Hugh Hamilton, Chair of CMO

Committee on Mission and Outreach (CMO)

<u>Class of 2022-23</u>	<u>Class of 2023-24</u>	<u>Class of 2024-25</u>
Steve Graves <i>(Minister – Lafayette, Tallahassee)</i>	Tim Crawford <i>(Elder – 1st, Crestview)</i>	Susan Byram <i>(Elder – 1st, Pensacola)</i>
Hugh Hamilton (Chair) <i>(Minister – Trinity, Pensacola)</i>	Vacancy	Vacancy
Becky Rose <i>(Elder – Freeport)</i>		

Committee on Mission and Outreach Action Grant Guidelines

- Application deadlines are March 1 and October 1. (Actual dates TBD)
- All grant applications will be reviewed; however, priority will be given to the following:
 - > Grant applications within the bounds of the Presbytery of Florida and sponsored by a congregation/session in the Presbytery.
 - > Grant applications that are sponsored by churches in the Presbytery of Florida that have never sponsored a grant or have not done so in some time.
 - > Grant applications that have the greatest demonstrated need as determined by the Congregational Mission Support Team.
 - > Grant applications that address social justice issues, and/or racial/ethnic issues.
 - > Projects which are sensitive to the environment.
 - > Projects with direct, regular input from the group of people who will benefit directly.
 - > Grant applications that have kept administrative cost to a minimum.
- Other criteria:
 - > Grant applications must demonstrate an ability to provide the services indicated in the grant proposed.
 - > A report on the use of a grant will be required within 6 months of awarding the grant. (Actual times TBD)
 - > Projects will limited to one grant every 18 months. (Actual limit TBD)
- To be eligible, programs should provide at least one of the following:
 - > Identified Needs – serving the marginalized, the poor, and the under-served, including mental health, physical health, justice, racial-ethnic, or systemic issues.
 - > Development Assistance – encourage programs in such areas as training in community outreach, nutrition, education, public health, literacy, family stability, ecumenical endeavors, etc.
 - > Influencing Public Policy – as Christians, advocate in the centers of political and economic power, support policy changes that will provide avenues of hope, reconciliation, and justice.
 - > Lifestyle Integrity – assist in moving toward personal and corporate lifestyles which are sensitive to the reality of the earth's limited resources and the critical needs of over half the human family.
 - > Education and Interpretation – provide educational resources, such as training, equipping, and other strategies addressing developmental, personal, justice, or racial/ethnic issues.
 - > Vision Strategies – Address long-term correction of conditions that keep people bound by poverty and oppression.

1 Report from the **Committee on New Congregational Development**
2 (CNCD)

3 **Membership:** Chair, vice-chair, 5 members-at-large

4 **Purpose:** To formulate and implement a comprehensive plan for the location, funding, and
5 development of new congregations and new worshipping communities within the bounds of the
6 presbytery.

7 **For information:**

8 After August's Presbytery approval to move forward with a NWC in the 30A Corridor, we have met
9 with COM and are drafting the Ministry Information Form (MIF) now. We hope to have the MIF up on
10 the CLC by the end of the year and to take the next steps in the search process.

11 For action: No items.

12 Respectfully submitted,
13 A. J. Mealor, Chair

Committee on News Congregational Development (CNCD)

<u>Class of 2022-23</u>	<u>Class of 2023-24</u>	<u>Class of 2024-25</u>
Stan Trappe (Elder– Grace, Panama City)	Steve Rhodes (Vice Chair) (Minister-1 st , DeFuniak Springs)	A. J. Mealor (Chair) (Minister – Fellowship, Tallahassee)
Vacancy	Artie White (Elder – Faith, Tallahassee)	Jim Rollins (Minister – HR)
	<hr/> Kathy Milton (Elder – 1 st , Marianna)	

Report from the **Committee on Nominations (CN)**

Membership: Chair, vice Chair, four members-at-large representing all geographic areas of the presbytery, 1 liaison from the Committee on Representation.

Purpose: To nominate presbytery individuals to serve on presbytery committees, adhering to established norms of committee membership and representation including vacancies, chairs and vice-chairs; and to nominate persons to serve on presbytery's PJC and as commissioners to Synod and General Assembly meetings.

For action:

The Committee on Nominations move that the following people be confirmed for the designated committee assignments:

Committee on Mission and Outreach (CMO)

Reverend Harry Horne (HR), Member at Large, class 2/2025

Committee on Educational Resources

Reverend John Stringer (HR) Interim, 1st Presbyterian Church, Fort Walton Beach, class 2/2024

Committee on New Congregational Development (CNCD)

Beth Mooney, Elder, 1st Presbyterian Church, DeFuniak Springs, class 2/2023

Presbytery - Vice-Moderator

Reverend Mark Broadhead, Minister, First Presbyterian Church, Crestview

Synod Commissioner Ruling Elder

Don Mowat, Elder 1st Presbyterian Church, Lynn Haven, Class 2024

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Kangas, Vice Chair

Committee on Nominations (CN)

Class of 2022-23

Linda Lovins
(Elder-Christ, Tallahassee)

Class of 2023-24

Ruth Bedell
(Elder-Faith, Tallahassee)

Rich Kangas
(Elder-1st, Lynn Haven)

Fred Pryor
(Elder-1st, Ft. Walton Beach)

Class of 2024-25

Leslie Yandle (Chair)
(Elder-1st, Pensacola)

Ted Land
(Minister-1st, Chipley)

Report from the **Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM)**

Membership: Chair, vice chair, 5 members-at-large

Purpose: To oversee the care and examination of Commissioned Lay Pastors, Inquirers, and Candidates for Ministry, inform sessions of the process for CLPs, inquiry and candidacy, and conduct examinations of candidates seeking calls within the bounds of this presbytery.

For Information:

The committee met September 21, 2022, at the Presbytery office at Dogwood Acres.

Present: Bob Lovins, Casey Aldridge, Shelton Steen, Jeanne Norman, Greg Seltzer, Sarah Waby, Roy Martin, and Raymond Guterman

The meeting was opened with prayer by Sheldon Steen. Minutes of the prior meeting were approved.

The committee reviewed pre-inquirer Lauren Christians's forms. The committee then met with Lauren and approved a motion to enroll her as an Inquirer. Greg Seltzer will be Lauren's liaison. He led a prayer on the occasion of her enrollment.

The committee approved Jeanne Dixon and Brant Copeland as our presbytery's ordination exam graders for 2023.

The committee made final approval of the power point which Sheldon ably completed regarding Commissioned Ruling Elders. Raymond will distribute this presentation with a cover letter to all of the pastors and clerks of session in our presbytery. The committee discussed the status of our other Inquirer.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Greg Seltzer.

Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM)

Class of 2022-23

Raymond Guterman (Chair)
(Minister – 1st, Marianna)

Bob Lovins
(Elder-Christ, Tallahassee)

Class of 2023-34

Sheldon Steen (Vice Chair)
(Minister – Faith, Tallahassee)

Sarah Waby
(Elder – Gulf Beach,
Panama City Beach)

Greg Seltzer
(CRE – Northminster, Pensacola)

Class of 2024-25

Casey Aldridge
(Minister – Member at Large)

Jean Norman
(Elder – Trinity, Pensacola)

Report from the **Committee on Dogwood Acres (CDWA)**

Membership: Chair, vice-chair, 11 members-at-large

Purpose: To provide short and long-term planning, management, development, operations, and programs connected with Dogwood Acres.

There has been more activity at Dogwood Acres in 2022 than we have seen in the two previous years combined. Demand for our Dogwood has been high this year, with groups beginning to meet together once more. Following summer camp, there were two retreats in August, three retreats in September and seven more (presently) scheduled for October and November.

The Presbytery's Educational Resources Committee hosted a successful Disciplefest event at DWA on Saturday September 17th, which attracted 37 participants. Eric Hearn, our program director, has been working with a small group of volunteers on Spiritfest, our presbytery's weekend retreat for middle school students. The theme they have chosen for this event is 'Live Life Loud.'

Ben Powell resigned as DWA director at the end of September, and a reception in his honor was hosted by Quincy PC on Sunday, October 2nd, at 3pm (central). Christy Williams, former educator from 1st PC Tallahassee, has been hired as interim director and has been working behind the scenes with Ben and Eric to assure a smooth transition.

The DWA committee met via Zoom in early October, and Christy Williams was introduced and welcomed as part of the DWA team. Finally, a joint work crew from Lafayette PC and Gulf Breeze PC organized a two-day work be-together to complete the storage building near the dining hall. This building will provide the camp with climate controlled storage space near the center of camp, something that has been sorely needed for over a decade. It is a hopeful sign to see our churches working together like this to help build DWA's future.

Bill Lamont, Chair

Committee on Dogwood Acres (CDWA)

Class of 2022-23

Bennett Chesser
(Elder – 1st, Quincy)

Bill Lamont (Chair)
(Minister – Gulf Breeze)

Brad Schild
(Elder – 1st, Pensacola)

Vacancy

Class of 2023-24

Leon Corbett
(Elder – Faith, Tallahassee)

Brant Copeland
(Minister – HR)

Lisa Wilder
(DCE – 1st, Quincy)

Vacancy

Vacancy

Class of 2024-25

Ken Densmore (Vice Chair)
(Elder – 1st, Pensacola)

Henry Givens
(Elder – Laurel Hill)

Vacancy

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Report from the **Committee on Educational Resources (CER)**

Membership: Chair, vice-chair, 5 members-at-large

Purpose: To provide education and resources in the area of stewardship, children’s ministry, youth and young adult ministry, evangelism, social justice issues, and other areas related to congregational ministry through the use of specialized teams and regional and presbytery-wide training events.

For information:

CER has met monthly with focus on improving our planning to stay ahead of the challenges meeting our objectives and deadlines for articles for the *Panhandle Presbyterian*, speaker events, and education support.

Disciplefest 2022 was a wonderful event for those who were able to attend in person Sept. 17th, a beautiful day at the lovely Dogwood Acres. Feedback speaks of how well-organized, inviting and interesting the worship and workshops were. Of the 12 workshops offered, two popular, lively sessions were focused on post-pandemic changes in our churches and culture. Other topics were accounting, scripture, living wills, and racism. “Am I a racist?” was not the question on the table, but rather, the historical policies and their effects on peoples’ incomes and outcomes explored. Many thanks to all who helped with this event. Disciplefest 2023 is already in planning. Mark your calendars for March 3-4. This date and the theme of “Nurturing the Garden” was shared with the attendees. The 2-day event will allow for even more church family interaction, requested workshops, and how about FUN! It will be great, mark your calendar! Even if you could not attend this Fall, we would love to hear what you would like to see in the Spring Disciplefest. Please contact Rev. Erin Rosica or Esther Moring.

Staffing and attendance challenges continue, but help is on the way with 2 new prospective members to balance representation of all regions to complete the team. We are currently missing 2 members with 2 more members expected to come off CER early next year. We are especially seeking members from the Central district. Please contact the Nominating Committee with names of possible candidates.

Presbytery Meeting Educational Sessions. Next meeting is October 25 with Glenn Hodges leading the CR-Committee on Representation doing a one-hour interactive presentation aiming to generate awareness of the Presbytery and broaden our collective vision of inclusion in participation.

UKirk budget remains the same, but will be seeking funding to bring the facility up to code for accessibility, as well as an overdue general increase. Contact Rev. Matt Frease for questions.

For action: No items.

Respectfully submitted,
Esther Moring, CER Chair

Committee on Educational Resources (CER)

Class of 2022-23
Don Winslett
(Elder – 1st, Pensacola)

Vacancy

Class of 2023-24
Esther Moring (Chair)
(Elder – 1st, Tallahassee)

Vacancy

Class of 2024-25
Erin Rosica
(Minister – Member at Large)

Hilda Jackson (Vice Chair)
(Elder – 1st, DeFuniak Springs)

Tai Cole
(Minister – Member at Large)

Report from the **Committee on Representation (CR)**

Membership: Chair, vice-chair, 2 members-at-large

Purpose: To advise the Presbytery with respect to membership of its committees and to the employment of its personnel per Book of Order G-3.0103.

For information:

The CR has met monthly, with the last meeting occurring on Saturday, September 10, 2022. The committee attempted to meet in person at Dogwood Acres on Thursday, August 13, 2022.

The CR and the Committee on Nominations have held one joint zoom meeting to plan the education hour for the October 25 presbytery meeting. The purpose of the educational hour is to encourage Presbytery members to achieve, accomplish, realize, endorse, and preserve our commitment to inclusiveness. The focus of the educational hour is leadership. We hope to encourage congregation members to join presbytery committees.

The Coordination and Planning Commission approved the nomination of Mr. Ruben Dias of First Presbyterian Church of Tallahassee as a member of CR. Mr. Dias is Guatemalan and will replace Elder Aracelis Fernandez.

An article in observance of Latino-a and Hispanic Heritage Month appeared in the October 1, 2022, *Panhandle Presbyterian* newsletter.

The next CR committee meeting is on Saturday, October 22, 2022.

For action: No items.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn Hodges, Chair

Class of 2022-23
Youngwoon Shim
(Elder – Korean 1st,
Fort Walton Beach)

Committee on Representation (CR)
Class of 2023-24
Emily Proctor
(Minister – Member at Large)

Glenn Hodges (Chair)
(Elder – 1st, Tallahassee)

Class of 2024-25
Vacancy

Parliamentary Motions Guide

Based on *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (10th Edition)*

The motions below are listed in order of precedence. Any motion can be introduced if it is higher on the chart than the pending motion.

YOU WANT TO:	YOU SAY:	INTERRUPT?	2ND?	DEBATE?	AMEND?	VOTE?
§21 Close meeting	I move to adjourn	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
§20 Take break	I move to recess for	No	Yes	No	Yes	Majority
§19 Register complaint	I rise to a question of privilege	Yes	No	No	No	None
§18 Make follow agenda	I call for the orders of the day	Yes	No	No	No	None
§17 Lay aside temporarily	I move to lay the question on the table	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
§16 Close debate	I move the previous question	No	Yes	No	No	2/3
§15 Limit or extend debate	I move that debate be limited to ...	No	Yes	No	Yes	2/3
§14 Postpone to a certain time	I move to postpone the motion to ...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
§13 Refer to committee	I move to refer the motion to ...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
§12 Modify wording of motion	I move to amend the motion by ...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
§11 Kill main motion	I move that the motion be postponed indefinitely	No	Yes	Yes	No	Majority
§10 Bring business before assembly (a main motion)	I move that [or "to"] ...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority

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Parliamentary Motions Guide

Based on *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (10th Edition)*

Incidental Motions - no order of precedence. Arise incidentally and decided immediately.

YOU WANT TO:	YOU SAY:	INTERRUPT	2ND?	DEBATE?	AMEND?	VOTE?
§23 Enforce rules	Point of order	Yes	No	No	No	None
§24 Submit matter to assembly	I appeal from the decision of the chair	Yes	Yes	Varies	No	Majority
§25 Suspend rules	I move to suspend the rules which ...	No	Yes	No	No	2/3
§26 Avoid main motion altogether	I object to the consideration of the question	Yes	No	No	No	2/3
§27 Divide motion	I move to divide the question	No	Yes	No	Yes	Majority
§29 Demand rising vote	I call for a division	Yes	No	No	No	None
§33 Parliamentary law question	Parliamentary inquiry	Yes	No	No	No	None
§33 Request for information	Point of information	Yes	No	No	No	None

Motions That Bring a Question Again Before the Assembly - no order of precedence. Introduce only when nothing else pending.

§34 Take matter from table	I move to take from the table ...	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
§35 Cancel previous action	I move to rescind ...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	2/3 maj. w/ notice
§37 Reconsider motion	I move to reconsider the vote ...	No	Yes	Varies	No	Majority

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