

DOCKET
 MAUMEE VALLEY PRESBYTERY
 Black Cloister
 619 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio
 Tuesday, February 21, 2017
 THE MEETING TODAY WILL BE IN THE FORM OF A WORSHIP SERVICE

Gathering Around the Word
Call to Worship
Hymns and Songs of Praise Opening Prayer

WHO ARE WE?

- 10:00 GETTING ORGANIZEDThe Moderator, Mary Jane Saunders**
 Call to Order
 Adoption of the Docket
MOTION: to approve the docket as amended
 Welcome
 Approval of Minutes of November 15, 2016
MOTION: to approve the minutes
 Seating of Corresponding Members
MOTION: to seat as corresponding members:
 Privileges of the Floor:
MOTION: to grant privileges of the floor to
 Recognition of First Time Commissioners

MOMENTS OF GOOD NEWS

ACTIONS TAKEN ON BEHALF OF MAUMEE VALLEY PRESBYTERY

Actions Taken to the Presbytery from COM

1. *Holloway (Raisin):* **Approved** the session request of permission for Elder Lance Wiesmann to continue to administer communion for another year.
2. *West Unity:* **Approved** the contract between the session and Rev. Tom Steensma for the period Jan 1, 2017 – Dec 31, 2017.

Salary/Housing allowance	\$ 465.00/Week
Travel Expenses:	
Mileage to/from home	\$ 50.00/Week
Mileage for church business	\$4200.00/Year
Continuing Education/book allowance	\$ 600.00/Year
Vacation: 5 weeks (including 5 Sundays). Continuing Education: 2 weeks (including 2 Sundays)	
3. *Trinity United, Kenton:* The congregation has approved a plan to change Rev. Tomas Pistora from ¾ Time to 2/3 Time. Rev. Pistora will be taking on a half time position as a chaplain at St Rita’s Hospital in Lima. **Approved** the change on the basis that Ron will contact Tomas to be sure he is certain that he will be able to carry out the work required by him at Kenton within the reduced hours.

Cash Salary	\$12,550
Housing allowance	15,500
Travel re-imburement	1,820
Social Security	2,250

Medical/Dental reimbursement	1,000
Pension	14,800
Continuing Education	<u>600</u>
Total	\$48,520

4. Bluffton: **Approved** with regret the retirement of Rev. David Good at FPC, Bluffton, OH, effective 30th June 2017. **AND to reapprove** elder Darlene Hey to administer communion, when necessary, for another year. .

5. Celina: A ½ time contract between the session and Rev Nancy Clancy for the period Jan 1, 2017 – Dec 31, 2017 has been received. After some discussion, **Approved** the contract with the amendment that they provide an exact amount due to the Board of Pensions. The amended contract is:

Cash salary	\$22,620
Pension, medical/disability	13,750
Business expenses	2,448
Continuing education	816

Vacation: 4 weeks (4 Sundays). Continuing education: 2 weeks (2 Sundays)

6. Clyde : **Approved** elder Diane Darr to administer communion for one year. So ordered. **Approved** to ask Rev. Jim Miller to act as Moderator of Session. if the way be clear.

7. Findlay First: **Approved** the request of the session of FPC, Findlay, OH to permit elder Marie Loudon-Hanes to administer communion for one year. Marie is one of those who was recently instructed by Rev Butcher.

8. Perrysburg: **Approved** the commission to ordain Margaret Fox as a Minister of Word and Sacrament at First United Presbyterian Church, Perrysburg, OH on Sunday January 15, 2017. The commission is as follows:

Ruling Elders: Ron Boyd, Upper Sandusky: Jack Simmons, Perrysburg: Marcy St John, Bowling Green.

Teaching Elders: Mary Jane Saunders, Presbytery Moderator: Susan Meier, Presbyter for Common Life: David Montgomery, Toledo Campus Ministry: Karen VanderPloeg, Waterville.

Margaret has requested that Rev Bill Goettler and Rev Maria LaSala, both from Presbytery of Southern New England, be permitted to participate in the service. By approving this motion, permission will be given to them to labor within the bounds of our presbytery.

Approval is also given to authorize communion to be served during the service.

9. Christ Church, Toledo: **Approved** At the request of the congregation, to dissolve the pastoral relationship between Rev. Kris Schondelmeyer and Christ Presbyterian Church, effective Jan 15, 2017. Kris has been called to be pastor of Deep Run PC; Perkasio, PA (near Philadelphia).

10. Bluffton: **Approved** the contract between the session and Rev David Good for the 6-month period from 1 January through 30 June 2017 (the date David retires) as follows (annual figures shown):

Salary --	\$19,656.00
Housing Allowance --	\$24,000.00
Health/Disability/Pension --	\$16,531.00
Travel/Professional Expenses --	\$ 2,840.00
Continuing Education --	\$ 832.00
Social Security Reimbursement --	\$ 669.00
Medical Flex Spend: Dental --	\$ 634.00
General --	<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>
Pastor Total --	\$66,162.00
Vacation -- 5 Weeks & 4 Sundays (One Sunday Deferred)	
Study Leave -- 2 Weeks & 2 Sundays	

11. Ottawa: At the request of the congregation, to **Approved** the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between Ottawa Presbyterian Church and Rev Patrick Harley effective Feb 28, 2017. So ordered. Rev Harley has accepted a call in Montgomery, Alabama.
Appointed Rev. David Good Moderator. So ordered.
12. Defiance: If the way be clear, **Appointed** Rev Pamela Short as Quarterly Moderator of Record.
13. Fostoria: **Appointed** Marie Loudon-Hanes as Moderator of the Whole (& co-opt her as ex-officio to COM) & Rev Gary Saunders as Moderator of Record for January thru March.
14. Norwalk: At the request of the congregation, **Approved** the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between First Presbyterian Church, Norwalk and Rev Adrian Doll effective Jan 31, 2017. Rev Doll has accepted a call in Nevada.
Appointed Rev. Claire Brewer as moderator for the months of January through March.
15. First Findlay, At the request of the congregation, **Approved** the dissolution of the pastoral relationship and agreed termination package between First Presbyterian Church, Findlay, OH and Rev Cynthia Holder Rich effective February 19, 2017. It was confirmed that this termination package exceeds the minimums required under Presbytery Policy 1.11. – Policy on Involuntary Termination of Pastoral Services.

Approved to add Rev Cynthia Holder Rich to the presbytery’s list of ‘Pastor’s at Large’ effective February 20, 2017.

Appointed Rev. Ken Wessler as moderator effective Feb 20, 2017. So ordered.

16. OMNIBUS MOTION: **Approved** the 5 Temporary Pastor Contracts listed below, as submitted. So ordered. (These contracts are not required to meet the minimum terms for full time installed positions).

(1) Defiance: Contract between the session and CRE Lynette Bova for the period Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017 as follows:

Salary (3/4 time, or 37.5 hrs/week)	\$33,929.40
Travel Accomodation	<u>\$ 3,500.00</u>
TOTAL EFFECTIVE SALARY	\$37,429.40
Member only Medical Dues	\$ 8,290.00
Pension/D&D (12%)	\$ 4,491.53
Matching 403b	\$ 1,000.00
Dental	\$ 443.40
Reimburseables:	
Professional Travel	\$ 2,500.00
Continuing Education	\$ 1,000.00
Vacation – 4 weeks (4 Sundays), Continuing Education – 2 weeks (2 Sundays)	

(2) McComb: Contract between the session and CRE Janeane Hopkins as follows: (The figures quoted are on an annual basis although Janeane will be retiring prior to July 31, 2017)

Total Effective Salary (30 hours per week)	\$28,714.00
(A manse is provided)	
Travel expenses	\$ 800.00
Vacation: 4 weeks (4 Sundays),	
Continuing Education: 2 weeks (2 Sundays)	

(3) Milan: Contract between the session and CRE Don Loving for the period Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017, as follows:

Total Effective Salary (25 hours per week)	\$22,000.00
Travel expenses	\$ 1,000.00

Continuing Education	\$ 500.00
Other expenses	\$ 2,000.00
Vacation: 4 weeks (4 Sundays), Continuing Education: 2 weeks (2 Sundays)	

(4) LaSalle: Employment Agreement between the session and Lay Preacher, Elder Jerry Zibbell for the period Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017, as follows:

Total Effective Salary (6 hours per week)	\$10,180.00
Travel Expenses	\$ 1,700.00
Vacation: 4 weeks (4 Sundays), Continuing Education: 1 week (1 Sunday)	

(5) Napoleon: Contract between the session and CRE Tom Polker for the period Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017, as follows:

Total Effective Salary (full time)	\$45,320.00
Health/Disability/Pension	\$19,725.00
Travel Expenses	\$ 2,500.00
Continuing Education	\$ 800.00
Additional Medical	\$ 2,000.00
Vacation: 4 weeks (4 Sundays), Continuing Education: 2 weeks (2 Sundays)	

Actions Taken to the Presbytery from General Council (attachments a & b)

1. **Approved** that the funds to pay for the "Waking Up White" books for General Council be taken out of the Global Peace and Social Witness account.
2. **Approved the referral** to the Nominating Committee the task of presenting nominees for the Personnel Committee
3. **Approved that** the funds from the Will of Elizabeth J Watson to the Toledo Covenant (MVP as successor) in the amount of 48,378.38 be declared as unrestricted funds.
4. **Approved** to fund a "Reformation Festival" and other discussions to promote understanding of "LGBTQA", Racial Minorities and "Other Christian groups; Roman Catholics, Lutheran, Mennonite, etc." from the Peace Making and Justice Fund not to exceed \$2,000.
5. **Approved** a presbytery wide mission trip for June 10-17 to go to New Orleans area and to recruit a mission trip leader.
6. **Approved** the following places for upcoming Presbytery meetings:
 February 21, 2017 (10:00-3:00 p.m.) Black Cloister Bar,
 May 16, 2017 3-8 p.m. First Presbyterian Church of Adrian, Michigan;
 September 19, 2017 3-8 p.m. First Presbyterian Church of Monroe, Michigan
 November 14, 2017 10-3 p.m. First Presbyterian Church of Napoleon, Ohio
 February 20, 2018 10 – 3 p.m
7. **Approved** the following dates and places for upcoming Council meetings:
 All meetings of General Council for 2017 will be held at the Presbytery office media Center, located at 700 E. Melrose, Findlay, Ohio ;
 April 18th 4 – 6 p.m. (April 18th is week after Easter)
 August 15 4 – 6 p.m.
 October 17 4-6 p.m.

**CONFESSION PRAYER
SONGS**

GRAND RAPIDS -----ACTIONS IN OUR BROKENNESS (attachment 1)

ON MOTION that Maumee Valley Presbyter declare that the First Presbyterian Church of Grand Rapids, Ohio is hopelessly divided and that a schism be declared.

AND ON MOTION that the remnant members of the First Presbyterian Church of Grand Rapids, Ohio under the leadership of the Grand Rapids Administrative Commission be declared "true church within the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON
SONGS OF GLORY TO GOD**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD Scripture and Songs

RESPONDING TO THE WORD Affirmation of Faith Songs

MEAL

VOTING ON THE OVERTURES (*Possibly start while eating lunch*) [\(attachments 2 & 3\)](#)

ON MOTION

16-A. Child and Youth Protection Policy- - - -On Amending G-3.0106 (Item 05-09)

16-B. Parity in Committees- - - -On Amending G-3.0109 (Item 06-05)

16-C. Ordered Ministry Titles- - - - (Item 06-08, Recommendations 1 through 8)

16-D. Relationship to the PC(USA) of a Person Who Has Renounced Jurisdiction of the Church- - - (Item 06-10, Recommendations 1 and 2)

16-D.1. On Amending G-2.0509 (Item 06-10, Recommendation 1)

16-D.2. On Amending D-10.0401 (Item 06-10, Recommendation 2)

16-E. Certified Service Requirements- - - -On Amending G-2.1101 (Item 06-15)

16-F. The Ministry of Members- - - -On Amending G-1.0304 (Item 09-11)

16-G. Access to the Lord's Table- - - -On Amending W-2.4011a. and b. (Item 14-03)

16-H. Directory for Worship- - - -On Replacing the Current Directory for Worship (Item 14-04)

ITEMS FOR ACTION

Actions taken to Presbytery by Nominating Committee

1. **On Motion** to elect according to procedures approved by Roberts Rules or order [\(attachment 4\)](#)

Actions Taken to the Presbytery from COM

Actions Taken to the Presbytery from General Council

1. **ON MOTION** that the **majority** recommendation in Appendix B. Recommendations of Presiding at the Lord's Supper from the report of the Branch of Congregational Life be approved. [\(attachment 5\)](#)
2. **On Motion** that **MVP** receive and adopt the changes in the manual of Operations -----See attachment 2016 Policy changes in PDF. [\(attachment 6\)](#)

Actions Taken to the Presbytery from the Clerk

1. **On Motion** to receive the final report summary from the Administrative Commission to close the Presbyterian church in Columbus Grove, OH and to dismiss the Commission with thanks. [\(attachment 7\)](#)

SEALING OF THE WORD

Sacrament of Communion

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

Presbytery beyond this meeting

Branch of Congregations [\(attachment 8\)](#)

Branch of Service to World [\(attachment 9\)](#)

Presbyterian Women [\(attachment 10\)](#)

Five Minutes for May Presbytery Meeting

Comings and Goings Saying goodbye

Goings:

Rev Adrian Doll, Norwalk

Rev Chris Schondelmeyer, Toledo Christ

Rev Patrick Harley, Ottawa

3:00 ADJOURNMENT TIME

The next regular meeting of Maumee Valley Presbytery will be Tuesday, May 16th at the First Presbyterian Church, Adrian MI, beginning at 3:00 p.m.

Attachments:

a. Council minutes

b. financial reports

1. Grand Rapids report and motion page

2. Overture book

3. Association of Stated Clerks analysis of Overtures

- 4. Nominations**
- 5. Appendix B form Branch of Congregational Life re: serving of communion**
- 6. 2016 changes in the manual of Operations**
- 7. Columbus Grove final summary**
- 8. Branch of Congregational Life**
- 9. Branch of Service to World**
- 10. Presbyterian Women**
- 11. Report from Breakout groups at November 2016 meeting**

