

## SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

January 26, 2019

### A. The Stated Clerk Report

\*1. MOTION: That Chairs of Presbytery agencies and committees, not otherwise members of Presbytery for this meeting, be given privilege of the floor with voice but not vote.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

\*2. MOTION: That churches based on the 2017 Statistical Report and the parity rules be authorized to elect ruling elder commissioners to presbytery meetings as follows:  
Churches with 2000-2500 members (5 elders each) – First Norfolk  
Churches with 1001-1500 members (3 elders each) –Great Bridge, Williamsburg  
Churches with 501-1000 members (2 elders each) – Bayside, Denbigh United, First Virginia Beach, Hidenwood, St. Andrew  
Racial Ethnic Churches (2 elders each) – Carver Memorial, Community Portsmouth, First United, New Horizons  
Churches authorized additional elder based on number of pastors (less than 501 members) – Second Norfolk, Yorkminster  
Remaining churches authorized one elder commissioner.

Note: In accordance with the Book of Order, G-3.0301 and the Manual of the Presbytery of Eastern Virginia, a recommendation is made annually to the Presbytery concerning any imbalance of teaching and ruling elders based on the determination of resident ministers less those ministers that have not attend meetings in the past two years as approved at the January 26, 2013 Presbytery meeting. As of January 10, 2019, there were 125 resident minister members less 13 honorably retired ministers who had not attended meetings for the past two years and two ministers temporarily excluded from office for a total of 110 ministers. Sessions are entitled to send a total of 70 ruling elder commissioners to each presbytery meeting plus three ruling elder members of Presbytery by virtue of office, ten commissioned pastors (CP), and two ruling elder members of the Presbytery Council, making a total of 85 ruling elders eligible to vote.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

\*3. MOTION: That the report of the Commission to install the Reverend Boone D. Clayton be received and admitted to the record (See Para H.1 below).

That the report of the Commission to Bow Creek Presbyterian Church, Virginia Beach be received and admitted to the record. (See Para H.2 below).

That the report of the Commission to Thalia Trinity Presbyterian Church, Virginia Beach be received and admitted to the record. (See Para H.3 below).

That report of the commission to Covenant Presbyterian Church and Messiah Presbyterian Church, Norfolk be received and admitted to the record. (See Para H.4 below).

That the report of the Commission to Cradock Presbyterian Church, Portsmouth be received and admitted to the record. (See Para H.5 below).

That the report of the Commission to Ocean View Presbyterian Church, Norfolk be received and admitted to the record. (See Para H.6 below).

That the report of the Commission to First Presbyterian Church, South Norfolk, Chesapeake be received and admitted to the record. (See Para H.7 below).

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

**B. ACTIONS:**

BY ACTION OF THE PRESBYTERY OF EASTERN VIRGINIA, AT ITS STATED MEETING OF JANUARY 23, 1999 HELD AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA, IN MATTERS IN DEBATE BEFORE PRESBYTERY, EACH SPEAKER IS LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES, WITH SPEAKERS ALTERNATING BETWEEN THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION AND THOSE OPPOSED. Presbytery is reminded that, according to Robert's Rules of Order, speakers may not speak more than twice on an issue, and the second time only after everyone has had an opportunity to speak once

**C. MINISTERS:**

ORDAINED/DECEASED/RECEIVED/DISMISSED/INSTALLED/DISSOLUTIONS/RETIRED/ SINCE OCTOBER 2018 REPORT

-Ordained: None

-Deceased: The Reverend Clyde Herbert Johnson on November 27, 2018 in Mechanicsville, VA.

-Received: On December 4, 2018 the Reverend Elizabeth Marie Hilkerbaumer from the East Iowa Presbytery to serve as the pastor of Green Acres Presbyterian Church, Portsmouth.

On December 4, 2018 the Reverend Dr. Brian Jeffrey Wells from the Pittsburgh Presbytery to serve as the designated pastor of Carver Memorial Presbyterian Church, Newport News.

-Dismissed: None

-Installed: None

-Dissolutions: None

-Honorably Retired: None

-Temporary Exclusion:

**D. CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Received an allegation of a disciplinary offense dated October 23, 2018 from a minister member of the Presbytery against another minister member.
2. Received a letter dated October 30, 2018 from Department of Environmental Quality, Commonwealth of Virginia, concerning the removal of an oil tank and soil contamination at the dissolved congregation of Cradock Church, Portsmouth.
3. Received a letter dated November 14, 2018 from the associate director of Presbyterian Mission Agency Research Services in reference to racial integration of the congregations in the Presbytery.

**E. ANNUAL MINISTERIAL SUMMARY REPORT FOR 2018**

The Presbytery of Eastern Virginia submitted its annual Ministerial Summary Report to the Office of the General Assembly for the year ending December 31, 2018. The Presbytery had 125 ordained ministers and one excluded from office, eight candidates and seven inquirers. The following changes for ministers are reported and the candidates and inquirers listed:

Received	Presbytery	Date
Nancy Lee Rowland	New Castle	01/02/2018
Boone DeBerry Clayton	Northern Kansas	03/06/2018
Gillian Elizabeth Weighton	Milwaukee	05/01/2018
Caitilin Ness Hoy	the Peaks	06/05/2018
David Aston Cagle	the James	06/28/2018
Elizabeth Marie Hilkerbaumer	East Iowa	12/04/2018
Brian Jeffrey Wells	Pittsburgh	12/04/2018

Ordained		Date
Keith Alan Phillips		01/28/2018
Elnoria Lofton Harrison		04/29/2018

Dismissed	Presbytery	Date
Keith Alan Phillips	Northern Kansas	01/29/2018
Mark T. Jernigan	the James	10/02/2018

Removed from temporary membership		Date
Dwight Webster		07/24/2018

Necrology	Place of death	Date
Gerald H. Kirby	Morristown, TN	07/04/2018
Clyde Herbert Johnson	Mechanicsville, VA	11/26/2018

#### PASTOR RELATIONS

Installations	Church	Date
Michelle D. Burcher	Yorkminster	03/18/2018

Dissolutions	Church	Date
Albert G. Butzer, III	First Virginia Beach	07/31/2018

#### CANDIDATES AND INQUIRERS

Candidates	Church
Carol Bayma	Royster Memorial
Katherine Dickens	1st Virginia Beach
Pamela Hrcir	Williamsburg
Sara Green	Great Bridge
Jeff Keeney	1st Norfolk
Gordon Tubbs	1st Norfolk
Chuck Webb	Hilton
Andrea Alvord Wood	1st Norfolk

Inquirers	Church
Melissa Goodson	Hilton
Kimberly Coyle	Bayside
Calvin Sydnor IV	Carver Memorial
Joanna Sydnor	Carver Memorial

Inquirers Received	Church
Donna Herring	Williamsburg
Marcy Wright	Carver Memorial
Joel Phillips	1st Norfolk

F. WORK OF MINISTERS

List to be provided at the meeting

G. JUDICIAL

In accordance with the Book of Order, D-5.0206b, the roster of those members of the Permanent Judicial Commission whose terms have expired within the past six years are listed for use in constituting a quorum when necessary.

Class of 2016

Rev. Walter C. Hunting

John Y. Pearson, Jr. (First Norfolk)

Class of 2018

Michael T. Condrey

J. Selden Harris

The Stated Clerk will report an action of the Permanent Judicial Commission at the Presbytery Meeting.

H. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSIONS (\*MOTION # 3 CONSENT AGENDA)

Reports:

\*1. Report and Minutes of the Commission to Install the Reverend Boone DeBerry Clayton on January 13, 2019:

By appointment of the Presbytery of Eastern Virginia, the Commission to Install the Reverend Boone DeBerry Clayton as the Associate Pastor of Denbigh Presbyterian Church, Newport News, VA, met at the church at 10:00 am. The Moderator, Ruling Elder Diane P. Griffin convened the Commission. Other members present were ministers of the Word and Sacrament; the Reverend Deborah D. Dail, Pastor, Denbigh United Church, the Reverend Elizabeth G. Hendricks, General Presbyter, and Ruling Elders Jessica Kelly (Hidenwood) and Jay Dunn (Denbigh United). Also present and sitting with the Commission were the Reverend S. Jay Click (National Capital Presbytery), and Ruling Elders (RE) Maria Clayton, Warren Clayton and Donna Lucas (Grace Presbyterian Church, Springfield, VA).

A quorum being present, the moderator of the Commission, RE Griffin convened the meeting with prayer and RE Dunn was elected Clerk.

The Commission approved the order of worship and arrangements as printed in the bulletin and then joined and participated in a service of worship at 10:30 am with the congregation.

The Call to Worship was led by Reverend Dail. RE Kelly offered the Call to Confession, the Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness. RE Kelly gave the prayer for illumination and read the Old Testament Scripture, Psalm 8. Reverend Click read the New Testament Scripture 1 Timothy 5:17-18. Reverend Click thereafter preached a sermon titled, "Three Contributions to a Successful Pastorate." The Moderator recited the proceedings of Presbytery leading up to this service. The constitutional questions were asked of the pastor by the Moderator and RE Dunn, of the congregation. This being answered in the affirmative, the Reverend Brian Hugh

Harroff was installed as the Associate Pastor of Denbigh United Presbyterian Church, agreeable to the Word of God and the Book of Order.

The installation prayer was given by Reverend Dail. The Commission extended the right hand of fellowship to the newly installed pastor.

The charge to the pastor was delivered by Ruling Elders Maria and Warren Clayton and the charge to the congregation and the Presbytery by RE Dunn.

The Offertory prayer was given by Reverend Hendricks.

The service was concluded with a statement and the benediction pronounced by Reverend Click.

\*2. Bow Creek Church, Virginia Beach, VA  
the Reverend Dr. Jeffrey S. Bell, Moderator,  
the Reverend Linda K. Rainey,  
Ruling Elder Donald Bradway, (King's Grant)

\*MOTION: That the Administrative Commission be dissolved with the sincere thanks and appreciation of the Presbytery. The Presbytery will assume responsibility for the management of the real estate and tenant congregation, the Red Church.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

\*3. MOTION: That the Administrative Commission to Thalia Trinity Presbyterian Church, Virginia Beach, be dissolved with the thanks and appreciation of the Presbytery

Rationale: The congregation of Thalia Trinity Presbyterian Church, Virginia Beach, was dissolved in accordance with the provisions of the Book of Order, G-3.0301 a. on October 23, 2018. The real estate of Thalia Trinity Presbyterian Church was sold by the congregation through its trustees on January 9, 2018, to the trustees of New Life Church. The assets of Thalia Trinity Presbyterian Church have been transferred to King's Grant Presbyterian Church, Virginia Beach.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

\*4. Covenant and Messiah Presbyterian Churches, Norfolk, VA  
the Reverend Alfred C. McCall, Jr., Moderator  
Ruling Elder Christine M. Darden (Carver Memorial)  
Commissioned Pastor Sidnia B. Etherington (Lafayette).

The Presbytery Service of Uniting Congregations was held for New Horizons Presbyterian Church on Sunday, February 4, 2018 at 11:00 am at the new church location, 913 Covenant Street, Norfolk (formerly Covenant PC).

The work of the Commission continues.

\*5. Cradock Presbyterian Church, Portsmouth, VA  
the Reverend James M. Wood, Jr., Moderator  
Ruling Elder Lorri Richardson (Community Portsmouth)  
Ruling Elder Kenneth M. Wheeler (Green Acres)

By action of the Presbytery on October 25, 2016, an Administrative Commission was appointed, as requested by the Session of Cradock Presbyterian Church, Portsmouth, VA in accordance with G-3.0109b of the Book of Order, "to administer Cradock Presbyterian Church, for the purpose of overseeing the dissolution of the Cradock Presbyterian Church, whatever form that may take."

The final worship service at Cradock Presbyterian Church was held on June 5, 2017 and the congregation was dissolved on that date. A congregation known as Chosen for Completion under the leadership of Pastor Nathaniel Grant, is worshipping in the church building.

The Commission is managing the real estate and other property of the dissolved congregation. The mitigation of oil spilled in the soil of the church property is being addressed by the Commission. The work of the commission continues.

\*6. Ocean View Presbyterian Church, Norfolk, VA  
the Reverend Walter C. Hunting, Moderator  
Ruling Elder Sandra Stearns (Second Church).

By action of the Presbytery on April 25, 2017 an Administrative Commission was appointed, as requested by the Vision Implementation Team in accordance with G-3.0109b of the Book of Order, to work with Ocean View Presbyterian Church, Norfolk, for the purpose of overseeing the governance the congregation which includes seeking Presbyterian pastoral leadership, finances, and the potential dissolution of the Ocean View Presbyterian Church, whatever form that may take.

Commissioned Pastor Paula Bass has agreed to serve as the temporary relationship pastor to Ocean View Presbyterian Church, Norfolk.

The Administrative Commission has taken original jurisdiction of this congregation. However, the Administrative Commission has delegated to the session of Ocean View Presbyterian Church the responsibility of "...managing the physical property of the congregation for the furtherance of its mission; directing the ministry of...all organizations of the congregation...leading the congregation in the participation in the mission of the whole church..." in accordance with the Book of Order, G-3.0201 c. The work of the commission continues.

\*7. First South Norfolk Presbyterian Church, Chesapeake, VA  
the Reverend Dr. Keith M. Curran, Convener  
the Reverend Dr. Wilbur C. Douglass, III,  
Ruling Elder Constance Jones (Grace Covenant)

By Action of the Presbytery on October 24, 2017 an Administrative Commission was appointed. This action was requested by the Commission on Ministry in accordance with

G-3.0109 b. and G-3.0303 e. of the Book of Order, to work with First Presbyterian Church, South Norfolk, Chesapeake (FPCSN), for the purpose of overseeing the governance and finances, of the First Presbyterian Church, South Norfolk, whatever form that may take.

The work of the Commission continues.

**B. Commission on Ministry (COM)**

1. Recommendation to Presbytery: The Commission on Ministry RECOMMENDS to the Presbytery the following:

\*1. MOTION: That the Presbytery approve the actions taken by the COM.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Commission on Preparation for the Ministry (CPM)**

\*1. MOTION: That Kimberly Coyle be approved for candidate for ministry.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

\*2. MOTION: That the Presbytery receive the narrative report of the CPM.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

**D. Nominations Committee**

The Nominations Committee RECOMMENDS to Presbytery that:

1. MOTION: The following names in nomination as indicated be elected by the Presbytery:

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

**E. Presbytery Council (PC)**

\*1. MOTION: That the Presbytery receive the narrative report of the PC and approve the actions of the PC.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

2. MOTION: That the General Assembly amendments to the Book of Order be considered by the Presbytery and approved by ballot.

**F. Sessional Records Review Committee**

1.\*MOTION: The Sessional Records Review Committee recommends to the Presbytery that the following records reviewed for the fourth quarter of 2018 be approved as indicated:

Records reviewed without exception: Denbigh United, King’s Grant, Naomie Makemie, Franklin, Bethany, and Suffolk.

Records reviewed with exception(s): First Norfolk, Christ, Stone House, Wythe, and St. Andrew, Third.

Records to submitted late by agreement: none

Records not received: First Church South Norfolk, Chesapeake

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

**G. Stewardship Ministry Team**

\*1. MOTION: That the Presbytery receive the narrative report of the SMT

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

**H. RESOURCE CENTER MINISTRY TEAM**

\*1. MOTION: That the report of the Resource Center Ministry Team be received.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

**I. Hunger Committee**

\*1. MOTION: That the report of the Hunger Committee be received.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

**J. Peacemaking Committee**

\*1. MOTION: That the report of the Peacemaking Committee be received.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

**K. Moderator's Report for 2018**

\*1. MOTION: That the report of the Moderator, Ruling Elder Diane P. Griffin be received.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_

**L. United Campus Ministries at Christopher Newport University**

\*1. MOTION: That the report of the United Campus Ministries be received.

Motion Made \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_