

**Presbytery of Transylvania  
Coordinating Council Minutes  
May 25, 2006**

**Opening**

The meeting of the Coordinating Council was held at the Presbytery Office on Thursday, May 25, 2006. The meeting was opened with prayer at 4:30 p.m.

**Roll**

Those present included members Bill Owens, Tyler Ward, Hannah McIntyre, Jon Martin, Jerry Utt, Kent Berry, Susan Alley, Richard Smith, Mary Reed, Susan Warren, Marilyn Daniel, Catesby Woodford, David Renwick, John White, Mike Ward, Lucie Nelson. Also present: Linda Crawford, Associate General Presbyter and Robyn Justus, Business Manager.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the February 23, 2006, meeting of the council was presented and announced that they had been approved by the Presbytery. The minutes were received.

**Report of the Stated Clerk**

The Stated Clerk's report informed Council that the investigating committee that was announced at the March meeting of the Presbytery is actively at work.

A request had come to the Stated Clerk that the honoring of retired ministers be moved to the June meeting of presbytery. ***Discussion followed and a motion was made to allow COM to decide on how to honor the retired ministers at the September presbytery meeting in Stanton. Motion carried.***

The proposed dates for the 2007 meeting of the presbytery were presented:

March 13, 2007

June 9, 2007

September 11, 2007

November 30 & December 1, 2007

***On motion these dates were approved.*** The Presbytery currently has received and accepted invitations from the Buckhorn Lake Area Church for the June 2007 meeting and from the Versailles Church for the September 2007 meeting.

The December 2006 Presbytery meeting was discussed. It was decided that the Friday night dinner format with a speaker at a hotel should be done again this year.

**Report of Associate General Presbyter**

Linda Crawford shared a verbal report with the council, calling attention to various activities in which she is involved at the present time. She reminded folks of the mission conference, "Let Your Light Shine" that the Social Witness & Christian Formation Committees are currently working on. The event will be held August 19<sup>th</sup> at First Presbyterian, Richmond. More information will follow.

### **Report of Moderator**

Due to the resignation of David Renwick, effective after the June Presbytery meeting, discussion took place as to who would serve as Moderator of Presbytery and Moderator of Council for the remainder of 2006. The guidelines state that should a person not be able to serve, the vacancy shall be filled by the most recent available past moderator. *A motion was made to elect Bill Owens to serve as Moderator of Presbytery beginning at the September meeting and also for Bill to continue to moderate Council for the remainder of 2006. Motion carried.*

### **Purpose and Discernment Task Force**

Discussion took place regarding the recommendations to presbytery from the task force. The format was discussed and explained that the small group leaders at presbytery will collect all of the comment sheets and the task force will consolidate and revise their recommendations to the General Presbyter Search Committee. *A motion was made to commission the General Presbyter Search Committee that will be elected at the June presbytery meeting during worship. Motion carried.*

### **Dinner**

At 5:45 p.m. the Council took a recess to eat dinner, with business being resumed at 6:20 p.m.

### **Church Development & Evangelism**

John White reported that the committee authorized funding from their budget to hire an architect so that the committee could get realistic cost estimates of a building project at Gleneagles.

The recommendation to Presbytery from the Trustees regarding the Gleneagles property was discussed during this time. The recommendation states that if the Presbytery has not adopted a plan addressing the use of the Gleneagles property by the conclusion of the December 2006 meeting, the Trustees shall offer the property for sale. The consensus was that a plan would be developed by this time.

*A motion was made to allow the General Presbyter to raise funding for the property at Gleneagles. Motion carried.*

### **Committee on Ministry**

*Richard Smith moved that Jack Haga be given a \$399 Leadership Development Grant to attend the upcoming ARMSS convention and that Rollin Tarter be given a \$692 Leadership Development Grant to attend the Montreat Conference on Healthy Congregations Facilitator Training in September. Motion Carried.*

**Presbytery Docket June 10, 2006 Meeting**

The moderator was instructed to work on the worship of the docket along with the General Presbyter.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting was on motion adjourned at 7:20 p.m. with prayer.