

**Report of the Committee on Ministry
For the Meeting of Transylvania Presbytery
June 7, 2008**

The Committee on Ministry (COM) met on April 8th and May 13th in addition to regional meetings held on other dates. The COM makes the following report of Actions taken and Actions Recommended.

Actions taken by the COM:

1. Approved contract between Emily Boyce and Ezel through 12/31/08. Terms: \$21,000 which includes stipend and mileage allowance, and vacation of four Sundays per year.
2. Approved extension of contract with no changes between Kathy Riley and Meadowthorpe for six months pending receipt of written contract.
3. Approve contract between Kerry Conlee and Frenchburg for pulpit supply through 12/31/08. Terms: \$4,320 cash, \$4,000 housing and vacation of four Sundays per year.
4. Approved having non-Presbyterian pulpit/stated supplies attend some form of Presbyterian training twice yearly to be provided by the Stated Clerk.
5. Approved that First Winchester and Chapel Hill be allowed to elect PNCs.
6. Added Sandy Mitchell a CLP from First Presbyterian Church to the pulpit supply list.
7. Approved Hunter Presbyterian to form a PNC.
8. Approved Community Presbyterian Church of Bellefonte to form PNC. Approved one year contract for Stewart Schneider at Community Presbyterian Church of Bellefonte pending receipt of signed contract as corrected.
9. Received Jim Brazell into membership from Presbytery of Cincinnati.
10. Approved Jim Brazell as interim at First Presbyterian, Ashland, effective June 1, 2008 - March 1, 2009. Terms are: Salary \$16,750, Housing \$17,500, Professional Expenses \$1,000, Flexible Spending Medical \$750, Mileage reimbursement at current IRS rate, pension and medical, Moving expenses \$3,000, vacation two weeks, continuing education 3 weeks.
11. Received Scott Cervas from Heartland Presbytery pending the vote of the congregation to call him as pastor at Meadowthorpe.
12. Received Emmett H. Barfield from Presbytery of Mississippi.
13. Approved change in Terms of Call for Rev. Jerry Utt, as part-time pastor at Graham Memorial Presbyterian Church in Whitesburg, KY, effective May 1, 2008. Terms are: 30 hours per week, Salary \$22,000, SECA \$2,205, Manse equity \$750, utilities/furnishing allowance \$4,000, Mileage \$2,400, Continuing Education \$600, Books & supplies \$656, Full benefits as per Board of Pensions, 4 weeks vacation, 2 weeks study leave.
14. Grant permission for Doermann Memorial/Isom Churches to begin the search process with election of a PNC after meeting with Bill Putman, liaison to the churches.
15. Approved as a temporary exception to normal policy to permit Tom Farmer to reach an agreement with the Beaumont Church to act as a consultant to the PNC.

16. Approved the contract for interim services between Fred Hood and First PC, Winchester. Terms are: Salary \$18,000, Insurance \$4,800, Housing \$15,750, Travel, continuing education and miscellaneous \$12,000, 4 weeks vacation, 2 weeks continuing education.
17. Approved the following Policy for retiring minister that was presented by the ARMSS group. The ARMSS group will facilitate the policy.

PROCEDURE FOR RECOGNITION OF RETIRING MINISTERS

Request the retiring minister to supply a one page up-to-date biographical sketch that summarizes their service of ministry.

Have a friend and/or close associate to read the biographical sketch at the presbytery meeting with the permission to add a few comments of their own to the sketch. This is done in a way that expresses the thanks of presbytery and the church for the individual's service. (Such a statement will be read for each retiring minister.)

The retiring minister(s) are invited to say a few words in response to the presbytery.

The presbytery is lead in prayer by someone who has been asked to lead in a prayer of thanksgiving.

The presbytery joins in a fitting hymn.

Recommendations for Presbytery Approval:

1. Recommend that Lynne Hardy be approved for ordination and installation as full-time pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Harlan, effective July 2008. Terms are: Salary \$24,150, Housing \$9,000, Utilities \$3,000, SECA \$2,918, Full Board of Pensions, 403b \$2,000, 4 weeks vacation, 2 weeks continuing education, Travel \$3,500, Continuing Education \$1,000 plus \$350 for the first call seminar in each of the first two years of ministry.
2. Recommend Jim Brazell as moderator at First Presbyterian, Ashland effective June 1, 2008.
3. Recommend Scott Cervas as moderator of Meadowthorpe effective July 14, 2008.
4. Recommend Merle Caudill and Greg Whitaker co-moderators of the Session of the Drift Presbyterian Church.
5. Recommend that J.T. Silence be appointed as Moderator for June, July, August of Beaumont Presbyterian Church..
6. Recommend that Jim Rucker, Sr. be appointed moderator of Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church.
7. Recommend that Rev. Rollin Tarter be granted the status of honorably retired effective June 1, 2008.
8. Recommend that Bryce McGowan be granted the status of honorably retired effective August 1, 2008.
9. Recommend that Scott Howard be granted the status of honorably retired effective May 1, 2008.