

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

November 17, 2018

FOR PRESBYTERY ACTION:

1. **Move that the Presbytery DISSOLVE the pastoral relationship between The Rev. Adele Crawford, Pastor, and the Valley Presbyterian Church, Brookfield, CT effective October 7, 2018.**
2. **Move that the Presbytery RESCIND its action taken at its Stated Meeting on September 14, 2013, removing the Rev. Matthew Jun from membership in the Presbytery of Southern New England, and EXPUNGE this action from the minutes of the Presbytery.** (Note: It came to our attention that the action taken by the Committee on Ministry and the Presbytery of Southern New England in 2013 was in error and we are correcting this. Rev. Jun was out of the country in Guatemala and Nicaragua and in prison for 2 years. We were unaware of this.)
3. **Move that that the Presbytery TRANSFER the membership of the Rev. Matthew Jun to the Presbytery of Hudson River upon their request.**
4. **Move that the Presbytery APPROVE the 2019 Policies on Pastoral Compensation as amended.** (Ref. H-1) Also see *Living By the Gospel*, Board of Pensions Study - #1 under Informational Items.
5. **Move that the Presbytery APPROVE the Policy on Parental Leave as amended.** (Ref. H-2)

FOR PRESBYTERY INFORMATION

1. *Living by the Gospel*, Effective January 1, 2019. Board of Pensions Guide on Structuring Ministers' Terms of Call. (Ref. H-3) Link: http://www.pensions.org/AvailableResources/BookletsandPublications/Documents/pln-619_2019.pdf#search=living%20by%20the%20gospel%202019
2. COM disability letter to PSNE (Ref. H-4) Link: <http://www.psne.org/Ref%20H-4%20COM%20Disability%20Info%20to%20PSNE.pdf>
3. Board of Pensions Resource on Disability Benefits, DSB-100 (Ref. H-5). Link: <http://www.pensions.org/AvailableResources/BookletsandPublications/Documents/dsb-100.pdf#search=dsb%2D100>

4. Board of Pensions Summary of Disability Benefits PTS-610 (Ref. H-6). Link: <http://www.pensions.org/AvailableResources/BenefitsOverviews/Documents/pts-610.pdf#search=pts%2D610>
5. Approved the addition of Ruling Elder John Winsted, First Presbyterian Church, Fairfield, CT to the Administrative Commission for Valley Presbyterian Church, Brookfield, CT.
6. Appointed The Rev. Johanna Johns Jung as Interim Moderator of the Valley Presbyterian Church, Brookfield, CT effective October 8, 2018.
7. Requested The Rev. David Baer, Stated Clerk, to request relief from vacancy dues for Valley Presbyterian Church.
8. Appointed The Rev. Brandi Drake as Interim Moderator of First Presbyterian Church, Fairfield, CT effective October 1, 2018.
9. Conducted exit interviews with Rev. Ed Duffy and Rev. Adele Crawford.
10. Approved the Mission Information Form for First Presbyterian Church, Fairfield, CT for an Interim Pastor.
11. Approved the request for an Administrative Commission for Ordination and Installation of Andre Castillo as Associate Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Greenwich, CT on September 30, 2018.
12. Requested the Stated Clerk to write a letter of endorsement for Ruling Elder Lorene Niehaus to Greenwich Hospital Chaplaincy Program on behalf of the Presbytery of Southern New England.
13. Approved the request of The Rev. Anne Marie Meyerhoffer to work outside the bounds of the Presbytery of Southern New England as Interim Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Marcellus, NY (Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse) effective October 15, 2018.
14. Worked with the Session and Congregation of Valley Presbyterian Church on the provision of disability benefits for Rev. Adele Crawford.
 - a. Note: See the Board of Pensions Resource Bulletin DSB-100: Disability Benefits on how the disability benefit works and the financial responsibility of the church.
<http://www.pensions.org/AvailableResources/BookletsandPublications/Documents/dsb-100.pdf>
15. Dismissed The Rev. John Seiders to the Presbytery of Northern New England at their request effective October 10, 2018.

16. Dismissed The Rev. Gerson Annunciacao to the Presbytery of Utah at their request effective October 10, 2018.
17. Approved the request for retirement of The Rev. Royal Garren, Specialized Clergy, as of January 1, 2019.
18. Approved the request for retirement of The Rev. John Sandel, Specialized Clergy, effective Nov. 1, 2018.
19. Approved the Request for an Administrative Commission for Installation of The Rev. Theodore J. DeMarco, Pastor, Woodbury Union Community Church, Presbyterian, Warwick, RI on October 21, 2018.
20. Discussed the findings of the 2018 Board of Pensions study “Living By the Gospel” that looks at disparities in effective salary for pastors related to age, gender and congregational size and the justice implications for fair compensation.
21. Approved The Rev. Gerard Weiss, HR, Presbytery of Washington (PA), to work within our bounds to conduct a wedding on Nov. 1, 2018.