

General Mission Board
April 15, 2025
3:00 pm, Campus House

MINUTES

In person at Campus Ministry House, 1412 College Heights Rd, Johnson City, at 3:00 PM.

Call to Order and Opening Prayer by Rodney Norris

Members Present: Bishop Green, Rick Raum, Sam Schaus, Kathi Cary, Maggie Rust, William Anderson, Kaye Florence, Rodney Norris

Ex-officio Members Present: Gwen Hunter, Dave Welch, Collin Adams, Karen Russell, Beverly Johnson

Absent: Todd Jenkins

Reports/Recommendations to the General Mission Board

- Finance, Budget and Stewardship

Reminded the GMB to continue to consider the sale of the Campus Ministry House. Action on this recommendation has been deferred until the Campus Ministry Committee has had a chance to provide a clear vision and strategy for Campus Ministry.

- Administration & Personnel Subcommittee

Increased Beverly Johnson's position as Treasurer up to 20 hours per week at the rate of \$15 per hour.

Motion was made and seconded to increase it to \$16 an hour to put Beverly Johnson on the same pay level as our Administrative Assistant. **Motion passed.**

- Committee on Ministry

Items for Action:

- Recommend that Rev. Choonki Kim be received into the membership of Holston Presbytery by transfer from Northeast Georgia.
- An additional item was brought to the General Mission Board for recommendation to the Presbytery. The following recommendation, after some discussion was recommended to not be presented to Presbytery. **There was a motion and second that this be sent back to the COM for further consideration . Motion passed.**

Recommend that Holston Presbytery commission Becky Wilcox and TJ Freshour to serve congregations in the presbytery (to be named later) as moderators and permit them to serve communion in those congregations

where they moderate, contingent on additional training in polity, sacraments, and pastoral care.

- **Committee on Preparation for Ministry**

No Report

- **Nominations Committee**

No Report

- **Mission & Discipleship**

Item for Action:

That the Campus Ministry Subcommittee become a Committee of Presbytery, reporting to the General Mission Board. Motion passed.

- **Trustees**

The Trustees have approved the following:

The Session of Colonial Heights Presbyterian Church has met and unanimously approved a buyer's offer to purchase a home located at 505 Dogwood Drive, Kingsport, the home had been donated to the church. GMB approved by common consent.

- **RECOMMENDATION FOR ACTION:** Ratify Lease of Bethany Property. (see supplemental report)

- **Administrative Commissions**

The Greene County Administrative Commission reports there has been some progress. The survey is complete for the Amity property. The Zion property still has details to be worked out on the cemetery and the manse. A title search will help with the deed information. The Mt. Hermon property is insured, and the church records are at our office.

The Bethel (Kingsport) Administrative Commission reports that regular business for the congregation continues. Nothing new to report.

Transitional Executive Presbyter's Report (see printed report)

Stated Clerk's Report

ACTION: Place Barton Springs and Chuckey Churches under the Greene Co. AC.

Treasurer's Report no report other than the printed financial reports

Moderator's Report no report

Vice-Moderator's Report no report

Recommendations to Presbytery from General Mission Board

- Information items only

Stated Meeting Docket for May, 2025, Colonial Heights Presbyterian Church

Joys & Concerns

Kaye Florence closed in prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 PM