

**MINUTES OF THE 170<sup>th</sup> STATED MEETING  
OF THE PRESBYTERY OF EAST IOWA**

**First Presbyterian Church  
Iowa City, Iowa**

**10:00 a.m.  
Saturday, February 6, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The 170<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of East Iowa was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by the Moderator, Teaching Elder Dr. Pam Saturnia, with the lighting of the Christ Candle, the sharing of joys and concerns in communal prayer, and the Passing of the Peace. Moderator Saturnia welcomed all those present and expressed appreciation to Iowa City, First for hosting the meeting and to the staff and officers of the Presbytery for their work in preparing for the meeting.

**QUORUM**

The Stated Clerk, Ruling Elder Dr. Rebecca Blair, declared a quorum to be present with the roll to be established from the onsite attendance forms. Moderator Otterbein noted that new business should be submitted to the Stated Clerk no later than 11:00 a.m.

<b>TEACHING ELDER MEMBERS—present at the 6 February 2016 stated meeting:</b>					
Mike Andrew	A	Beverly Hovenkamp	A	Nancy Redman, HR	E
Noelle Andrew	A	Sue Howes, HR	E	Peter Reynen	E
Mary Arnold	E	Kristin Hutson	E	Gerald Rife, HR	E
Teresa Bartlett	P	Herb Isenberg, HR	E	Lisa Ross Thedens	P
Karen D. Beals, HR	E	Will Jackson, HR	E	Pam Saturnia	P
Jim Bonewald	A	William Jamison, HR	E	Julie Schuett	E
Robert Bouton, HR	E	Jennifer Jennings	P	Linda Shatzer	P
Gary Burnett, HR	E	R. Dixon Jennings, HR	P	Paul Skelley, HR	E
Maurice Campbell, HR	E	Warren Jensen	E	David Snyder	A
David Castrodale, HR	E	David Jurgens, HR	E	Colette Soultis	A
Howard Chapman	A	Thomas Kalshoven, HR	E	Emory VanGerpen, HR	P
Le Anne Clausen de Montes	P	Robin Kash, HR	E	Diane Voorhees, HR	E
Stan Coller	A	Lucille King, HR	P	Dick Wallarab, HR	E
Jessica Crane Muñoz	E	Debra Kinney	A	Bill Warhover	A
Robert David	E	Sonda Kirsteatter	P	Mary Anne Welch	P
Elizabeth Dickey	A	Wade Kirsteatter	P	Nathan Williams	E
Tim Dyck	P	James Langley	A	Bill Willis	A
Robert Dykstra	A	Mark Martin, HR	E	Troy Winder	A
Jack Edmisson	A	Samuel Massey	P	Jean Wollenberg	P
John Elliott, HR	E	Charles McCracken, HR	E	Robert Wollenberg	P
Barry Ensign-George	A	Richard Miller	P	Lorene Wunder	A
Jon Evans	E	Ted Miller, HR	E		
James Fyfe, HR	E	Charles Mills, HR	E		

Emory Gillespie	P	Anni Mingin	A		
Aimee Goldmeyer	P	Scott Minter	A		
Mildred Grubbs, HR	E	Diane Monger	P		
Dottie Halverson		Dennis Morey	E		
Pat Halverson	E	Thomas C. Oak	P		
William Harnish, HR	P	Nancy Oehler Love	P		
Heather Hayes	E	Duane Olsen	A		
Sarah Hegar	P	Melody Oltmann	P		
Trey Hegar	P	Kyle Otterbein	P		
Patricia Henderson	P	Kristy Parker	E		
Randi Henderson	A	Kurt Pasko	E		
Beth Hilkerbaumer	P	Matt Paul	A		
Robert Hill, HR	P	Joseph Phipps	A		
Pamela Hoogheem	E	Elizabeth Platt, HR	E		
John Hougen	A	Mary Pugh	P		

<b>RULING ELDER COMMISSIONERS—present at the 6 February 2016 stated meeting:</b>	
<b>Ainsworth, Ainsworth Community</b>	A
<b>Ainsworth, Bethel</b>	A
<b>Argyle, Argyle PC</b>	Larry Peterson
<b>Atkins, Pleasant Hill</b>	A
<b>Bettendorf, Bettendorf PC</b>	A
<b>Birmingham, First</b>	A
<b>Blairstown, First</b>	A
<b>Blue Grass, Blue Grass PC</b>	Charlane Hansen
<b>Bonaparte, Bonaparte United</b>	A
<b>Brighton, Brighton United</b>	A
<b>Burlington, First</b>	Ed Whitmore
<b>Cascade, Community</b>	Nancy Macomber
<b>Cedar Rapids, Calvin Sinclair</b>	A
<b>Cedar Rapids, Christ Church</b>	Ann Luedtka
<b>Cedar Rapids, Echo Hill</b>	A
<b>Cedar Rapids, First (two commissioners)</b>	A
	A
<b>Cedar Rapids, Hus Memorial</b>	A
<b>Cedar Rapids, Olivet</b>	A
<b>Cedar Rapids, Westminster</b>	A
<b>Center Jct., First</b>	A
<b>Clinton, First United</b>	A
<b>Coggon, Zion</b>	Judy Isaacson
<b>Columbus Jct., Cotter</b>	A

<b>Columbus Jct., Salem Welsh</b>	A
<b>Columbus Jct., United</b>	Stan Tate
<b>Crawfordsville, United</b>	A
<b>Davenport, First (two commissioners)</b>	A
	A
<b>Davenport, Newcomb</b>	A
<b>Davenport, New Hope</b>	Shirley Irion
<b>Ely, First</b>	A
<b>Fairfield, First</b>	A
<b>Farmington, Sharon</b>	LeAnn Jones
<b>Ft. Madison, Union</b>	Kathleen Pilkington
<b>Hazleton, First</b>	A
<b>Independence, First</b>	A
<b>Iowa City, First (two commissioners)</b>	Richard Van Rheeden
	Judy Terry
<b>Iowa City, St. Andrew (two commissioners)</b>	Sarah Brakke
	A
<b>Keokuk, United</b>	A
<b>Keota, United</b>	A
<b>LeClaire, First</b>	A
<b>LeClaire, Our Savior</b>	Lois Wilson
<b>Lone Tree, United</b>	A
<b>Lost Nation, Union</b>	Kathy Busch
<b>Manchester, First</b>	A
<b>Marengo, First</b>	A
<b>Marion, First</b>	Marta Pumroy
<b>Mechanicsville, First</b>	Dorothy Russell
<b>Mediapolis, First United</b>	A
<b>Miles, First</b>	A
<b>Monticello, First</b>	Curt Mayo
<b>Montrose, Montrose PC</b>	A
<b>Morning Sun, First United</b>	Karen Minnis
<b>Mt. Pleasant, First</b>	Lynn Ellsworth
<b>Mt. Vernon, First</b>	Larry Petrick
<b>Mt. Vernon, Linn Grove</b>	Anne Kuntz
<b>Muscatine, First</b>	Micki Tripp
<b>New London, New London PC</b>	Teresa Wehrle
<b>Newhall, Central</b>	A
<b>Onslow, First</b>	A
<b>Princeton, Princeton PC</b>	A
<b>Rowley, First</b>	Pamela Collison
<b>Scotch Grove, Scotch Grove PC</b>	A
<b>Shellsburg, First Presbyterian Church</b>	A

<b>Springville, Springville PC</b>	A
<b>Stanwood, Stanwood Union</b>	A
<b>Vinton, Vinton PC</b>	Jerry Blank
<b>Wapello, First</b>	Jeff Lease
<b>Washington, United Presbyterian</b>	Rita Phipps
<b>West Liberty, First Church United</b>	Wayne Noring
<b>West Point, West Point PC</b>	A
<b>Williamsburg, First</b>	A
<b>Wilton, First</b>	Kerry Jennings
<b>Wilton, Sugar Creek</b>	A
<b>Winfield, First</b>	A

**MODERATOR**

Teaching Elder Dr. Pamela Saturnia (listed above)

**VICE-MODERATOR**

Ruling Elder James Claypool (eligible to vote)

**STATED CLERK**

Ruling Elder Dr. Rebecca Blair (eligible to vote)

**TREASURER**

Ruling Elder Karen Bartel (eligible to vote)

**COMMISSIONED RULING ELDERS (eligible to vote)**

Marian Hart

**COMMITTEE MODERATOR/PCC RULING ELDERS (eligible to vote)**

None

**G.A. COMMISSIONER RULING ELDERS [2014-2016] (eligible to vote)**

None

**RULING ELDER FORMER PRESBYTERY MODERATORS (eligible to vote)**

Mary Atwood

**CANDIDATES AND INQUIRERS**

None

**VISITORS**

Kevin Cullum (Camp Wyoming), Grace Hammer (Lost Nation, Union), Becky Ross (Iowa City, First), Phyllis VanGerpen (Washington, United), Thomas Wolthuis (Geneva Campus Ministry)

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## **SEATING OF CORRESPONDING MEMBERS**

**A motion to seat Teaching Elder Gary Neal Hansen (John Knox) was seconded and APPROVED.** Moderator Saturnia welcomed him to the Presbytery.

Moderator Saturnia also welcomed the Reverend Tom Oltheis, a minister member of the Christian Reformed Church and the Director of the Geneva Fellowship on the University of Iowa campus

## **DOCKET**

Moderator Otterbein recognized the Stated Clerk, who advised the body that a motion to approve the docket was in order. **A motion to approve the docket was seconded and APPROVED.**

## **WELCOME FROM THE HOST CHURCH**

The Reverend Dr. Samuel R.D. Massey, Pastor of Iowa City, First, welcomed those present, noting that the church has placed special focus upon its mission and ministry outside its walls, including participation in the work of the Presbytery. He also provided information about the church building and the arrangements for the meal.

## **PURPOSE OF THE MEETING**

Moderator Saturnia noted that we are God's people gathered to follow God's call through discernment, worship, education, and fellowship. She observed that this and future Presbytery meetings have been organized to prioritize these aims and to nurture ourselves as the Body of Christ.

## **WORSHIP**

The body joined together in worship led by Teaching Elders Bob Wollenberg, Kyle Otterbein, Mary Pugh, Pat Halverson and Pam Saturnia along with Ruling Elders Karen Minnis and Rebecca Blair. Ruling Elder Darlene Bergman and FPC organist Melissa Moll provided music leadership for worship. The Reverend Dr. Gary Hansen offered the message, "Eat This Book" based upon scripture from Ezekiel 2: 8-3:4 and Matthew 4: 1-11. A Service of Installation for the Teaching Elder Dr. Pam Saturnia as Presbytery Moderator and Ruling Elder Jim Claypool as Presbytery Vice-Moderator was included in the worship service. The offering in support of the purchase of a donkey and chickens from the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance designated for the Flint, Michigan water crisis totaled \$662.

## **SPIRITUAL NURTURE AND EDUCATION**

Following the worship service, the Reverend Dr. Gary Neal Hansen offered an educational presentation entitled "Loving Your Bible: Finding Your Way to the Presence of God with a 12<sup>th</sup> Century Monk". In this presentation, he observed that to be competent, confident followers of Jesus, we need more than a few Bible basics. We need Scripture to lead us to growth and new life, consistently, for a lifetime. Lectio divina, the ancient Christian practice of moving through the Bible into the presence of God,

offers us a vehicle for deeper spiritual growth. His book, of the same title as his presentation, details a faithful modern version of the practice as taught by the 12th century monk, Guigo II.

### **MEAL AND FELLOWSHIP**

The body recessed at 12:03 p.m., gathering in Fellowship Hall for a delicious meal provided by the Iowa City, First Presbyterian Women. Moderator Saturnia offered a prayer for the noon meal prior to recessing the body.

### **RECONVENE**

At 12:40 p.m., Ruling Elder Darlene Bergman lead the body in song to reconvene the meeting in Fellowship Hall and Moderator Saturnia reconvened the body with prayer.

### **CAMP WYOMING PRESENTATION**

Camp Wyoming Executive Director Kevin Cullum presented a video highlighting the exciting opportunities at the Camp. He noted that the Camp is a location in which campers can experience diverse relationships, learning styles, origins, and living situations as they engage knowledge of the Bible together. He asked those present to encourage the youth in the communities represented to attend Camp. He also called attention to the following written report.

### **CAMP WYOMING REPORT**

1. Below please find our Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2015.
2. On January 19, 2016, we received a \$35,000 check from the Presbytery which fulfills the financial commitment to the camp for the year. We are grateful to the Board of Trustees and the Presbytery for this support. In the past, we would receive this support throughout the year. This advancement provides the camp with cash during the low income months of January, February, and March when the camp would historically use its line of credit.
3. The Camp Wyoming Board decided to direct \$178,000 of unrestricted funds towards the following items:
  - 3 New(er) Vehicles
  - Updates to cabins and lodges
  - Purchase of new tables and chairs throughout camp
  - Final updates to Deer Center (Dining Hall)
  - Purchase of new program equipment and supplies

- Cash Reserves (\$45,000)
4. We have sent our 2016 Summer Camp brochures to the churches of the Presbytery. Please encourage the children and youth of your church and community to register for a summer camp experience this year. They can register online through our website ([www.campwyoming.net](http://www.campwyoming.net)) or by completing the back page on the brochure.
  5. We are seeking counselors for our summer camp season. Please encourage any college-aged young people to apply for our 10 week program. The counselors are the lifeblood of our organization so it is vital to have positive and responsible individuals serve on our staff. We would appreciate your help. Interested prospects can contact the office to receive an application or they can apply on our website at [www.campwyoming.net](http://www.campwyoming.net).
  6. We are also seeking nurses to serve for one of our 8 weeks this summer camp season. Please encourage licensed nurses to apply. The camp provides room, board, and a \$250 stipend for the week. Interested applicants can contact the Director, Kevin Cullum, at [kevin@campwyoming.net](mailto:kevin@campwyoming.net).
  7. We are looking forward to hosting the Presbytery at its April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting this year.

## Camp Wyoming Balance Sheet

Dec 31, 2015

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets Checking/Savings

1120 · Checking Regular	0.56
1130 · Savings Deer	8,372.99
1135 · Savings Regular	114,087.40
1136 · Savings - Summer Sale	100.18
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	<b>122,561.13</b>
<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	
1150 · Accounts Receivable	3,690.00
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>3,690.00</b>
<b>Other Current Assets</b>	
1110 · Petty Cash	500.00
1144 · Estate Gift	57,972.32
1146 · Endowment Fund - Johnston	53,372.87
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	<b>111,845.19</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>238,096.32</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	
1210 · Vehicles Fixed Asset	22,000.00
1220 · Furnishings Fixed Asset	3,165.00
1230 · Office Equipment Fixed Asset	5,000.00
1240 · Machinery Fixed Asset	66,075.00
1250 · Buildings & Equip Fixed Asset	621,932.73
1260 · Swimming Pool Fixed Asset	38,365.00

	1270 - Land Value Fixed Asset	22,600.00
	Total Fixed Assets	779,137.73
	<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1017234.05</b>
	<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
2100 · Payroll Liabilities	6,415.84	
2102 · Line of Credit	11,246.42	
2310 · Camper Deposit	18,320.00	
2315 · Camper Deposits - Summer ...	4,356.00	
2320 · Rental Deposit	8,800.00	
Total Other Current Liabilities	49,138.26	
Total Current Liabilities	49,138.26	
Total Liabilities	49,138.26	
<b>Equity</b>		
3110 · Opening Bal Equity	828,575.84	
3510 · Retained Earnings	117,730.52	
Net Income	21,789.43	
Total Equity	968,095.79	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>1017234.05</b>	
	Other Current Liabilities	

Accrual Basis

As of December 31, 2015

Moderator Saturnia relinquished the chair to Vice-Moderator Claypool.

### **REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK**

Vice-Moderator Claypool recognized Stated Clerk Blair to present the following action item.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

The Stated Clerk advised that a motion would be in order that the Presbytery approve the minutes of the 169<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of East Iowa, convened on 14 November 2015 at First United Church in West Liberty, Iowa as posted on the website.

**The motion was seconded and APPROVED.**

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

##### Stated Clerk Service at the 222<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly

The Stated Clerk reports that she has been selected by PCUSA Stated Clerk Gradye Parsons to serve as a Committee Parliamentarian and Plenary Floor Polity Advisor at the 222<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly in Portland, Oregon.

##### Report of Teaching Elders Laboring Outside the Bounds

The following minister members of the Presbytery of East Iowa are laboring in positions located outside the bounds: Robert Dykstra, Barry Ensign-George, and Pamela Hoogheem



### Report of Minister Members At-Large

The following minister members have been enrolled with at-Large status: Michael Andrew, Noelle Andrew, Robert David, Heather Hayes, Patte Henderson, Beverly Hovenkamp, Wade Kirsteatter, Sonda Kirsteatter, Jim Langley, Michael Manaugh, Scott Minteer, Diane Monger, Kristy Parker, Peter Reynen, Colette Soult, Penny Thomsen, Jean Wollenberg

### Communication of Parity Plan

The current *Bylaws of the Presbytery of East Iowa* specify the following:

Membership accords members both voice and vote at all meetings of the Presbytery. Membership shall consist of teaching elders on the official roll of active members of the Presbytery; ruling elders commissioned by sessions of constituent churches of the Presbytery; ruling elders commissioned by the Presbytery to serve as Commissioned Ruling Elders during the term of the specific commission; ruling elders during terms of service as officers of the Presbytery; ruling elders elected to serve as moderators of Presbytery committees and/or members of the Presbytery Coordinating Commission during the term of office; ruling elders elected to serve as commissioners to the General Assembly during the term of service as defined by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.); and former moderators of the Presbytery who are Ruling Elders

It shall be the policy of the Presbytery of East Iowa that there shall be a reasonable balance of representation of ruling elders and 6 teaching elders as specified in the Form of Government (G-3.0103), provided that the allocation of ruling elders always outnumber resident 8 teaching elders.

### Stated Meetings for 2016

Saturday, February 6	10 am-3 pm	First Presbyterian	Iowa City
Saturday, April 9	10 am-3 pm	Camp Wyoming	Wyoming
Tuesday, June 7	4 pm-7 pm	First Presbyterian	Muscatine
Tuesday, September 13	4 pm-7 pm	Bettendorf PC	Bettendorf
Saturday, November 5	10 am-3 pm	First Presbyterian	Williamsburg

**PRESBYTERY OF EAST IOWA EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY**

Approved 11 February 2003

1. The Equal Opportunity Policy of the Presbytery shall follow and implement the current Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and the Bylaws of the Presbytery of East Iowa, seeking to give consideration to candidates without regard to race, ethnic origin, sex, marital status, or age.
2. Sessions/Councils, congregations, and Pastor Nominating Committees/Pastor Search Committees, each in turn, shall declare their intention to comply with this policy. It is assumed that affirmative responses will be made to the equal employment opportunity questions on the Ministry Information Form and that affirmative action steps will be indicated.
3. When the Pastor Nominating Committee/Pastor Search Committee is ready to present a candidate to its congregation, affirmation that the search complies with EEO guidelines shall be communicated to CO Should the representatives of the Commission on Ministry not be satisfied that a serious effort has been made, the matter shall be brought to the full commission before the candidate may be presented to the congregation. If the Commission on Ministry continues to remain unsatisfied, the matter shall be reviewed with the Pastor Nominating Committee. The Commission on Ministry shall make no recommendations to Presbytery without satisfactory compliance.
4. When the policy has been complied with and the Commission on Ministry is recommending a candidate for the approval of the Presbytery, the commission shall always indicate in its motion that the equal opportunity policy of the Presbytery has been complied with, so that the matter is on the record and always before the attention of Presbytery.

**REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY COORDINATING COMMISSION (PCC)**

The Vice-Moderator recognized Stated Clerk Blair to present the following report on behalf of the Presbytery Coordinating Commission.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

The PCC and the Commission on Ministry recommend to the Presbytery that an administrative commission be appointed by the Moderator to the Olivet Presbyterian Church in Cedar Rapids, Iowa to establish regular church governance practice and to facilitate healthy pastor-congregation relationships. This administrative commission shall be authorized to act as follows:

1. To institute formal training to equip members of the Session to act as healthy servant-leaders of the congregation by providing education concerning the roles and responsibilities of Ruling Elders, the boundaries of ethical conduct, and the principles of Presbyterian polity;

2. To attend all meetings of the Session and receive all Session communications to ensure that Session members maintain ethical boundaries and observe Presbyterian polity appropriately;
3. If warranted in the view of the Commission, to assume original jurisdiction on behalf of the Presbytery of East Iowa and to dissolve the current session; and
4. If further warranted in the view of the Commission, to bring forward disciplinary action according to the processes found in the Rules of Discipline.

**The motion was APPROVED.**

The PCC and the Commission on Ministry recommend to the Presbytery that an administrative commission be appointed by the Moderator to the Newcomb Presbyterian Church in Davenport, Iowa to establish regular church governance practice and to facilitate healthy pastor-congregation relationships. This administrative commission shall be authorized to act as follows:

1. To institute formal training to equip members of the Session to act as healthy servant-leaders of the congregation by providing education concerning the roles and responsibilities of Ruling Elders, the boundaries of ethical conduct, and the principles of Presbyterian polity;
2. To attend all meetings of the Session and receive all Session communications to ensure that Session members maintain ethical boundaries and observe Presbyterian polity appropriately;
3. If warranted in the view of the Commission, to assume original jurisdiction on behalf of the Presbytery of East Iowa and to dissolve the current session; and
4. If further warranted in the view of the Commission, to bring forward disciplinary action according to the processes found in the Rules of Discipline.

**The motion was APPROVED.**

The PCC recommends that the Presbytery invite the Moderator to appoint a task force to pursue an engaged conversation and mutual relationship with the Presbytery of Des Moines leadership concerning the possibility of shared activities.

**The motion was APPROVED.**

The PCC recommends that the Presbytery invite the Moderator to appoint a task force to conduct a feasibility study in exploration of the possible establishment of a non-traditional new worshipping community in the Iowa City-Cedar Rapids Corridor.

**The motion was APPROVED.**



RE Anita Burnett	CPM Member (2016)	<a href="mailto:burnett.anita@gmail.com">burnett.anita@gmail.com</a>	319-325-7640
TE Richard Miller	Personnel Committee Moderator (2016)	<a href="mailto:miller@fpcdavenport.org">miller@fpcdavenport.org</a>	563-343-5810
	Personnel Committee Member (2016)		
TE Gary Burnett	Nominating Committee Moderator (2016)	<a href="mailto:burnett.anita1@gmail.com">burnett.anita1@gmail.com</a>	319-530-7638
RE Mary Atwood	Nominating Committee Member (2016)	<a href="mailto:mjatwood@iowatelecom.net">mjatwood@iowatelecom.net</a>	319-653-5868
	Committee on Representation Moderator (2016)		
	Committee on Representation Member (2016)		
Karen Minnis	Trustee Member (2016)	<a href="mailto:kzminnis@louisacomm.net">kzminnis@louisacomm.net</a>	319-868-7962
<b>Staff:</b>			
Kevin Cullum	Camp Wyoming Executive Director	<a href="mailto:kevin@campwyoming.net">kevin@campwyoming.net</a>	563-481-9826
RE Harry Hoyt	COM Associate	<a href="mailto:harryhoyt@mschsi.com">harryhoyt@mschsi.com</a>	563-343-5210
TE Sarah Hegar	Networking Associate	<a href="mailto:shegar@peia.org">shegar@peia.org</a>	319-217-9444

### **PROPOSED OVERTURES TO THE 222<sup>ND</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Vice-Moderator Claypool recognized Stated Clerk Blair to facilitate the body's consideration of three proposed overtures to the 222<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly (2016) in Portland, OR.

Stated Clerk Blair noted that, due to miscommunication with the Office of the General Assembly, the motion as printed in the packet concerning Overture 32 should read as follows: "The Session of First Presbyterian Church in Iowa City recommends that the

Presbytery of East Iowa concur with Overture 12 from the Presbytery of San Francisco and direct the Stated Clerk to transmit this concurrence to the 222<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly.”

Copies of the correct overture were distributed to the body and the Stated Clerk apologized for the confusion. Vice-Moderator Claypool recognized TE Sam Massey who moved that Ruling Elder Becky Ross, a member of Iowa City, First and sponsor of the overture, be given voice to speak to the overture. **This motion was seconded and APPROVED.**

Ruling Elder Ross noted that this overture recommends that the PCUSA divest \$10 million worth of fossil fuel investments in the portfolios of the Board of Pensions and the Presbyterian Foundation. She spoke to the urgency of the fossil fuel issue and definitive action that proclaims social justice.

In response to a question from the floor, Vice-Moderator Claypool asked the Stated Clerk to ascertain the deadline for concurrence with the overture. The Stated Clerk noted that the deadline is April 19, 2016.

**A motion that the PEIA body postpone action on this overture concurrence until the April stated meeting, that this item be referred back to the session of Iowa City, First for resubmission to the Presbytery for consideration at that meeting and that the resubmitted action item include a listing of fossil fuel companies from which divestment would occur was seconded and APPROVED.**

The Stated Clerk then presented the next action item.

**The Presbytery Coordinating Commission recommends that the Presbytery of East Iowa concur with Overture 24 On Adding Section G-2.1104, Administrative Personnel Association (APA) from the Presbytery of Central Nebraska, and direct the Stated Clerk to transmit this concurrence to the 222<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly.**

**The motion was seconded and APPROVED.**

The Stated Clerk then presented the final action item.

**The Presbytery Coordinating Commission recommends that the Presbytery of East Iowa concur with Overture 53 On Clarifying the Role of Ecclesiastical Officers from the Presbytery of Detroit, and direct the Stated Clerk to transmit this concurrence to the 222<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly.**

**The motion was seconded and APPROVED.**

## **REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON MINISTRY**

Ruling Elder Larry Petrick, acting commission moderator, presented the following report on behalf of the committee.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

None

### **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

**The following motions were moved, seconded and approved by the Commission on Ministry in its meeting of November 3, 2015 and are presented here as information:**

**MOTION:** To approve the request of Mt. Vernon, First for Board of Pensions reimbursement in the amount of \$750.00 for 2015 and 2016.

**MOTION:** To include the letter drafted by Sam Massey (included in the meeting materials for November 3<sup>rd</sup> COM) regarding the PEIA Associate Pastor Succession policy in the packet for the November 14<sup>th</sup> Presbytery meeting.

**MOTION:** To dismiss Teaching Elder Mike Manaugh from the Presbytery of East Iowa to the Presbytery of Indian Nations, effective immediately.

**MOTION:** To grant Teaching Elder Sarah Hegar, Member at Large, permission to officiate at communion at Mt. Pleasant, First as needed for one year.

**The following motions were moved, seconded and approved, unless otherwise noted, by the Commission on Ministry in its meeting of December 3, 2015 and are presented here as information:**

**MOTION:** That, at her request, ERE Jean Bruinsma be placed on the Pulpit Supply List, effective immediately.

**MOTION:** That, at her request, Teaching Elder Nancy Oehler Love be removed from the Pulpit Supply List, effective immediately.

**MOTION:** That the membership category of Teaching Elder Emory Gillespie be changed to Member at Large, effective retroactive to 15 November 2015.

**MOTION:** That the membership of Teaching Elder Kerin Sorensen be transferred to the Presbytery of North Central Iowa, effective immediately.

**MOTION:** That the membership of Teaching Elder Lori Patton be transferred to the Presbytery of Milwaukee, effective immediately.

**MOTION:** That TE Lori Wunder be granted permission to labor outside the bounds to officiate at the wedding of Steven Roy and Kacy Armstrong on Saturday February 27<sup>th</sup> in Bond Chapel on the campus of the University of Chicago.

**MOTION:** To renew permission for Lay Speaker Kelly Allard to serve communion at Ainsworth/Bethel for one year. Mr. Allard has been trained in the Reformed understanding and practice concerning communion.

**MOTION:** To approve Ruling Elder Phil Leipold to lead worship and officiate communion at Newcomb Presbyterian on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016.

**MOTION:** To approve the contract between Teaching Elder Jim Bonewald and United Presbyterian Church of Lone Tree. Contract terms as follows:

Contract for 66.6% of a full time position.  
Contract from 12/15/15 to 12/14/16.

Cash salary - \$30,660.00  
Social Security Supplement - \$2,136.00  
Vacation – 1 week paid per quarter  
Continuing education – 2 weeks paid per 6 months  
Maternity/Paternity leave – 6 weeks paid, per occurrence  
Ministry expenses – Continuing education - \$750.00  
Professions expenses - \$750.00

Additional terms – 2 additional “Family leave” Sunday’s off per year  
Reimbursement of Interim training expenses of approximately \$1,200.00.  
Full Board of Pension benefits

**MOTION:** To approve Teaching Elder Randi Henderson to moderate the congregational meeting on December 6, 2015 at Cedar Rapids, Westminster.

**MOTION:** To approve Ruling Elder Harry Hoyt to moderate the session meeting in regard to an intentional interim. at Cedar Rapids, Westminster on December 6, 2015.

**MOTION:** To approve the COM meeting schedule for 2016.

**The following motions were moved, seconded and approved, unless otherwise noted, by the Commission on Ministry in its meeting of January 5, 2015 and are presented here as information:**

**MOTION:** To elect co-moderators to serve as COM leaders. It was decided to postpone a decision on the form of leadership (moderator or co-moderators) until the February meeting when a vote on the form of leadership and person(s) to fill the moderatorial role(s) will be taken.



**MOTION:** To approve Ruling Elder Larry Petrick as the acting Moderator, pending the vote on leadership at the February COM meeting.

**MOTION:** To approve Teaching Elder Wade Kirsteatter as moderator at Coggon through the date of the annual meeting.

**MOTION:** To recommend to the Presbytery through the Presbytery Coordinating Commission that an Administrative Commission be formed to address operational and relational issues at Cedar Rapids, Olivet.

**MOTION:** To recommend to the Presbytery through the Presbytery Coordinating Commission that an Administrative Commission be formed to address operational and relational issues at Davenport, Newcomb.

### **MOTIONS APPROVED BY E-MAIL and PRESENTED HERE AS INFORMATION**

**The following motion was approved by e-mail dated 11 November 2015:**

**MOTION:** That, on behalf of the Presbytery, COM commission ERE Alice Hawes for one year to serve the Keokuk United Presbyterian Church as needed, beginning November 15, 2015 with the authority to serve communion, administer baptisms, perform weddings and lead worship. The Keokuk Session will compensate her at the rate of \$125 per worship service provided.

**The following motion was approved by e-mail dated 17 November 2015:**

**MOTION:** To approve the temporary pastor contract (CRE equivalent) between Princeton Presbyterian Church and Derek Harmon (UMC Licensed Preacher).

**MOTION:** To appoint Teaching Elder Elizabeth Dickey as moderator of the Mechanicsville session, effective immediately.

**The following motion was approved by e-mail dated 10 December 2015:**

**MOTION:** To concur with the request of Teaching Elder Sonda Kirsteatter and the session of Olivet Presbyterian Church to dissolve the pastoral relationship, effective 31 December 2015.

**The following motions were approved by e-mail dated 15 December 2015:**

**MOTION:** To approve Ruling Elder Harry Hoyt as moderator for the session of Cedar Rapids, Westminster, retroactive to 17 November 2015 and as needed during this transition period.

**The following motions were approved by e-mail dated 18 December 2015:**

**MOTION:** to appoint the Reverend Gary Van Heukolem (a retired RCA pastor) to moderate a congregational meeting at First Presbyterian Church of Williamsburg on December 6. This appointment made in accordance with the Formula of Agreement.

**MOTION:** To approve the request from Cedar Rapids, Christ Church for reimbursement of the 1.5% additional dues to the Board of Pensions for family coverage in the amount of \$788.85 for 2015 and 2016.

**MOTION:** That COM approve on behalf of the Presbytery of East Iowa the terms of contract between the session of Springville Presbyterian Church in Springfield, IA and the Reverend William Warhover for a Temporary Pastoral Relationship as follows:

33.3% of full-time position: 1/1/2016 -12/31/2016  
Termination by any party with 30 days written and dated notice

Cash Salary	\$ 3,180.00
Income reportable to IRS	\$12,000.00
Deferred Compensation:	\$ 2,990.04

**MOTION:** That COM approve on behalf of the Presbytery of East Iowa the terms of contract between the session of First Presbyterian Church in Rowley, IA and the Reverend Lisa Ross Thedens for a Temporary Pastoral Relationship as follows:

25% of full-time position: 12/1/2015-5/31/2016  
Termination by any party with 30 days written and dated notice

Cash Salary	\$10,992.00
Paid Time Off: 1 week/quarter vacation	
Continuing Education—cumulative to 12 mos.	1 week per 6 months
Continuing Education	\$ 1,000.00
Professional Expenses	\$ 500.00
Mileage: submitted at current IRS rate	
6 weeks paid maternity/paternity	
Board of Pensions Benefits	

Moderator Saturnia resumed the chair.

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY**

Moderator Saturnia recognized Teaching Elder Melody Oltmann, committee moderator, to present the report.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

In accord with the Presbytery of East Iowa CRE Policy, the Committee on Preparation for Ministry recommends that the Presbytery examine CCRE Don Clark in order that he become an Eligible Ruling Elder (ERE), an elder certified as prepared to assume a commission for pastoral service as a CRE (Commissioned Ruling Elder). The CPM has examined Mr. Clark and has determined he is ready to come before the Presbytery for examination.

Moderator Saturnia invited Mr. Clark forward to receive questions from the body. After a period of questioning, **a motion that the examination cease was seconded and APPROVED.** Mr. Clark was escorted from the room. **A motion that the examination be sustained and that Ruling Elder Don Clark be enrolled as an ERE was seconded and APPROVED.** Mr. Clark was escorted back into the room with the body’s applause.

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

**Persons Currently Under Care**

**Inquirers**

Amanda Edwards		Iowa City, First
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**Candidates**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Seminary</b>	<b>Church of Care</b>
Andrew Phillips	Dubuque Seminary	Williamsburg, First
Steven Sankey Certified for call	Columbia Seminary	Westminster, Cedar Rapids
Tamara Schmidt	Graduate Louisville Seminary	Echo Hill, Cedar Rapids

**AN IMPORTANT REMINDER TO MODERATORS AND SESSIONS**

If a member of your congregation is seeking to enter the ordination process, the very first step is to invite a member of the CPM to conduct a session orientation. This will help ensure that the session asks the right questions before it makes a recommendation to the CPM to enroll the person as an inquirer. It will also help the session understand its responsibilities as one of the very important partners in the ordination process.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

Vice-Moderator Jim Claypool, Trustees moderator, presented the following report on behalf of the Trustees. He requested that the action items be considered ad seriatim.

### ACTION ITEMS:

**The Trustees met on December 17, 2015, and have received the following requests for funding upon which the Trustees now request the approval by the Presbytery:**

1. 2016 Youth Triennium: Teaching Elder Sarah Hegar, Network Associate for the Presbytery, requested funding for a portion of the cost of participation by 40 to 50 youth and adults. Registration costs run approximately \$400 to \$500 per person. Teaching Elder Hegar requested that the Presbytery fund transportation to the event, which will be held on the campus of Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana. Funding would also be used for a pre-event gathering of participants, t-shirts and pins. The budget for the requested funding is as follows:

Pre-event Gathering	\$ 175.00
Transportation	\$1,000.00 – 2000.00
T-shirts and Pins	\$ 500.00

The Trustees voted to recommend setting aside \$5,000 to fund the Presbytery's 2016 Triennium costs, with the expectation that the Networking Associate will administer funding and present a written report of expenses and funding usage to the Trustees.

**The Trustees request that the Presbytery approve budgeting \$5000 for the cost of sending participants to the 2016 Youth Triennium with the expectation that the Networking Associate will administer funding and present a written report of expenses and funding usage to the Presbytery Trustees.**

**The motion was APPROVED.**

2. Presbytery Gathering Task Force: Teaching Elder Pam Saturnia, Moderator of the Presbytery, has appointed a task force to help plan stated meetings during her tenure to make the meetings more inclusive and attractive to participants. The task force wishes to arrange for the attendance of respected scholars and theologians to speak/preach at stated meetings to be held in 2016, and to provide opportunity for meaningful and useful continuing

education. It is the intention of the task force to have a guest speaker preach at the stated meeting worship and also spend an hour giving a presentation or lecture.

**The Trustees request that the Presbytery approve funding of \$10,000 to cover travel costs, housing, meals and speaker fees for the five stated meetings to be held in 2016.**

**The motion was APPROVED.**

### **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- The Trustees continue to oversee several vacant church buildings. The last payment under the contract for the sale of the church building in Wyoming was received and all title transfer documents were issued to transfer the record title to the purchasers. The Presbytery therefore has no further interest in the building. The Knox and Middletown buildings are listed for sale.
- The Trustees, by consensus, endorsed Karen Bartel to the Personnel Committee as Financial Manager.
- The new Moderator of the Trustees Commission is Jim Claypool, and his contact information is as follows:

**Telephone:** Work: (319) 668-1170  
Home:(319) 668-2416  
Cell: (319) 330-3643  
E-mail: [jclaypool@iowatelecom.net](mailto:jclaypool@iowatelecom.net)

**Address:** 304 Long St.  
P.O. Box 8  
Williamsburg, Iowa

### **REPORT OF THE TREASURER**

Ruling Elder Karen Bartel, PEIA Treasurer, presented the following financial report. She commented that she had closed all previous companies and opened a new company now that the financial reports have been revised.

**Presbytery of East Iowa  
BALANCE SHEET  
As of December 15, 2015**

Dec 31, 15

**ASSETS**

**Current Assets**

**Checking/Savings**

1000 · Petty Cash	200.00
1005 · Checking - U of I Credit Union	75,145.87
1010 · Savings - U of I Credit Union	<u>598,973.06</u>

**Total Checking/Savings** 674,318.93

**Total Current Assets** 674,318.93

**Fixed Assets**

1505 · Building/Condo	277,326.12
1510 · Office Equipment	51,278.86
1520 · Office Furnishings	25,745.65
1610 · Accumulated Depreciation	<u>-265,794.00</u>

**Total Fixed Assets** 88,556.63

**Other Assets**

**1800 · Long Term Investments**

1801 · Grubbs Endowment	1,217.88
1802 · Mt Zion Endowment	6,869.46
1803 · Schermerhorn Bequest	<u>15,143.93</u>

**Total 1800 · Long Term Investments** 23,231.27

**Total Other Assets** 23,231.27

**TOTAL ASSETS** 786,106.83

**LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

**Equity**

32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets	847,448.71
3201 · Investments	8,087.34
Net Income	<u>-69,429.22</u>

**Total Equity** 786,106.83

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY** 786,106.83

**Presbytery of East Iowa  
INCOME STATEMENT  
As of December 15, 2015**

	<u>Jan - Dec 2015</u>
<b>Income</b>	
<b>4000 · Mission Receipts</b>	
4005 · East Iowa	108,570.32
4025 · Previous Year	11,071.57
<b>Total 4000 · Mission Receipts</b>	<u>119,641.89</u>
<b>4015 · Synod Allocation - BoP Dues</b>	5,877.81
<b>4030 · Previous Year Per Capita PEIA</b>	13,973.14
<b>4035 · Synod/CPS</b>	24,791.66
<b>4040 · Per Capita/Presbytery</b>	210,061.11
<b>4050 · Interest Earned</b>	
4065 · Savings Interest	2,487.97
<b>Total 4050 · Interest Earned</b>	<u>2,487.97</u>
<b>4100 · Investment income</b>	
4115 · Appreciation/Depreciation	22,967.24
<b>Total 4100 · Investment income</b>	<u>22,967.24</u>
<b>4500 · Grants and Scholarships</b>	3,000.00
<b>4640 · Miscellaneous Income</b>	179.00
<b>4700 · PEIA Missions Receipts</b>	
4960 · Planning Calendars	1,049.19
4965 · Mission Yearbooks	483.00
4970 · Books of Order	208.00
<b>Total 4700 · PEIA Missions Receipts</b>	<u>1,740.19</u>
<b>4800 · Restricted Funds</b>	
4010 · Sinclair Endowment	1,823.19
<b>4805 · Dissolved Churches Income</b>	
2025 · Mt. Moriah/Interest	6,934.00
2026 · Lucas/Interest	212.97
5020 · Mt. Moriah/Principal	3,576.52
5035 · Lucas/Principal	9,988.38
<b>Total 4805 · Dissolved Churches Income</b>	<u>20,711.87</u>
4815 · McCann Scholarship	767.46
<b>4820 · PEIA Disaster Fund</b>	
4835 · Direct Income	0.00
4820 · PEIA Disaster Fund - Other	4,170.00
<b>Total 4820 · PEIA Disaster Fund</b>	<u>4,170.00</u>
4855 · Presbytery Offering	1,201.00

4950 - Contingency Funds	253.74
4955 - Peacemaking	1,170.92
4980 - Grubbs Investment Fund	48.90
4985 - Mt. Zion Scholarship	275.98
5005 - Laurence Nelson Scholarship Fun	843.58
5055 - Dorothy Bishop Gift	6,200.00
4800 - Restricted Funds - Other	14,569.80
<b>Total 4800 - Restricted Funds</b>	<b>52,036.44</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>456,756.45</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
<b>6000 - CommissionCommitteeExp</b>	
<b>6005 - Presbytery Coordinating Comm</b>	
6010 - Presbytery Coordinating Comm	22.00
6011 - PEIA Initiative Consulting Exp	801.76
6150 - Commissions	0.00
<b>Total 6005 - Presbytery Coordinating Comm</b>	<b>823.76</b>
<b>6040 - Personnel</b>	<b>75.99</b>
<b>6055 - Commission on Ministry</b>	
6060 - COM/Admin. Costs	217.71
6061 - COM Meals	537.39
6065 - COM Training	730.00
6075 - COM Pastor Retreats	138.24
6140 - COM Protect My Ministry	31.50
<b>Total 6055 - Commission on Ministry</b>	<b>1,654.84</b>
<b>6090 - Committee-Preparation-Ministry</b>	<b>2,110.00</b>
<b>6165 - Trustees</b>	<b>22.20</b>
<b>6170 - Mileage Comm/Comissn/TaskFrc</b>	<b>4,252.44</b>
<b>6500 - Leadership &amp; Networking Exp</b>	
6570 - Networking Events	6,587.93
6580 - Leadership Events	544.88
<b>Total 6500 - Leadership &amp; Networking Exp</b>	<b>7,132.81</b>
<b>Total 6000 - CommissionCommitteeExp</b>	<b>16,072.04</b>
<b>6100 - CLP Expenses</b>	
6105 - Salary	328.18
<b>Total 6100 - CLP Expenses</b>	<b>328.18</b>
<b>6200 - Missions</b>	
6205 - Camp Wyoming Mission Support	40,000.00
6220 - Coe College	5,000.00
6225 - Olivet Neighborhood Mission	500.00
6230 - Grants/Churches Mission Outreac	5,500.00



<b>Total 6200 · Missions</b>	51,000.00
<b>6408 · Commissions</b>	
<b>6410 · Administrative Commissions</b>	354.12
<b>Total 6408 · Commissions</b>	<u>354.12</u>
<b>7000 · Administrative Expenses</b>	
<b>7010 · Compensations</b>	
<b>7025 · Stated Clerk</b>	
<b>7026 · Stated Clerk Salary</b>	60,942.60
<b>7080 · Benefits-Stated Clerk</b>	18,375.00
<b>7081 · FICA - Stated Clerk</b>	6,067.81
<b>7220 · Travel-Stated Clerk</b>	2,574.57
<b>7260 · Stated Clerk Prof Expense</b>	1,932.29
<b>7025 · Stated Clerk - Other</b>	0.00
<b>Total 7025 · Stated Clerk</b>	<u>89,892.27</u>
<b>7035 · COM Associate</b>	
<b>7036 · COM Associate Salary</b>	59,697.06
<b>7085 · Benefits-COM Associate</b>	18,375.00
<b>7086 · FICA - COM Associate</b>	5,972.53
<b>7195 · Travel-COM Associate</b>	5,793.24
<b>7196 · COM Assoc Communications Exp</b>	3,802.82
<b>7035 · COM Associate - Other</b>	0.00
<b>Total 7035 · COM Associate</b>	<u>93,640.65</u>
<b>7040 · Pastor to Pastor Associate</b>	
<b>7041 · Pastor to Pastor - Salary</b>	5,833.38
<b>7043 · Pastor to Pastor Assoc - Travel</b>	2,555.08
<b>Total 7040 · Pastor to Pastor Associate</b>	<u>8,388.46</u>
<b>7050 · Networking Associate</b>	
<b>7051 · Networking Associate - Salary</b>	32,721.90
<b>7100 · Benefits-Networking Associate</b>	3,565.09
<b>7101 · FICA - Networking Associate</b>	2,490.66
<b>7200 · Travel - Networking Associate</b>	840.32
<b>7050 · Networking Associate - Other</b>	0.00
<b>Total 7050 · Networking Associate</b>	<u>39,617.97</u>
<b>7055 · Editor/Newsletter/WebMaster</b>	8,958.98
<b>7060 · Admin. Assist.</b>	
<b>7061 · Admin Asst Wages</b>	7,236.00
<b>7062 · FICA - Admin Asst</b>	553.55
<b>Total 7060 · Admin. Assist.</b>	<u>7,789.55</u>
<b>7065 · Finance/Data Mgmt.</b>	
<b>7066 · Finance/Data Mngmnt - Salary</b>	20,000.00

7090 · Benefits-Finance/Data Mgmt.	6,973.71
7091 · FICA - Finance/Data Mngmnt	1,495.46
7065 · Finance/Data Mgmt. - Other	0.00
<b>Total 7065 · Finance/Data Mgmt.</b>	<b>28,469.17</b>
7095 · Payroll taxes	0.00
<b>Total 7010 · Compensations</b>	<b>276,757.05</b>
7175 · Travel Other	
7190 · Travel-Treasurer	5,907.70
7215 · Travel - Moderator & Vice Mod	66.13
<b>Total 7175 · Travel Other</b>	<b>5,973.83</b>
7250 · Office of the Stated Clerk	0.00
7330 · Staff Training/Meetings	500.00
<b>Total 7000 · Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>283,230.88</b>
7104 · Office Operating Expenses	
7110 · Telephone	2,057.82
7111 · Internet Access Expense	1,884.15
7115 · Utilities	2,331.82
7120 · Association Dues	13,627.80
7125 · Insurance	4,307.50
7130 · Postage	1,189.98
7131 · Bank Fees& Charges	75.00
7140 · IT Service Contracts	8,421.78
7141 · Custodial Contract	3,426.27
7145 · Office Maintenance & Supplies	161.47
7150 · Publications	250.33
7155 · Office Supplies	2,452.93
7160 · Copier/Printer Contract	4,866.52
7170 · Legal and Professional	102.60
7171 · Auditing & Reviews	4,000.00
7275 · Kitchen/Hospitality	389.25
<b>Total 7104 · Office Operating Expenses</b>	<b>49,545.22</b>
7180 · Gifts/Recognitions/Remembrance	862.39
7183 · Presbytery Meeting Expenses	849.10
8000 · Restricted Expenses	
8105 · Davenport/St. Andrew Closing	5,172.22
8200 · PEIA Disaster Fund	
8235 · Muscatine Flood Damage/2007	5,000.00
<b>Total 8200 · PEIA Disaster Fund</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
8400 · Brazil Campaign	54,606.00
8425 · Monticello/First Fire	9,350.00

8450 - Contingency Funds	14,552.21
8470 - Planning Calendars	767.25
8490 - Grubbs Investment Fund	1,241.64
8510 - Middletown Church Closing	18,533.01
8515 - CR Knox Church Closing	14,465.54
8520 - Church Closing Expenses	26.95
<b>Total 8000 - Restricted Expenses</b>	<b>123,714.82</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>525,956.75</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-69,200.30</b>

**Presbytery of East Iowa  
Acr. Vs. Budget by Account**

	<b>Jan - Dec 15</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>% of Budget</b>
<b>Income</b>			
<b>4000 - Mission Receipts</b>			
4005 - East Iowa	108,570.32	200,000.00	54.29%
4025 - Previous Year	11,071.57		
<b>Total 4000 - Mission Receipts</b>	<b>119,641.89</b>	<b>200,000.00</b>	<b>59.82%</b>
<b>4015 - Synod Allocation - BoP Dues</b>	5,877.81	0.00	100.0%
<b>4030 - Previous Year Per Capita PEIA</b>	13,973.14		
<b>4035 - Synod/CPS</b>	24,791.66	22,500.00	110.19%
<b>4040 - Per Capita/Presbytery</b>	210,061.11	236,900.00	88.67%
<b>4050 - Interest Earned</b>			
4065 - Savings Interest	2,259.05		
4050 - Interest Earned - Other	0.00	1,300.00	0.0%
<b>Total 4050 - Interest Earned</b>	<b>2,259.05</b>	<b>1,300.00</b>	<b>173.77%</b>
<b>4100 - Investment income</b>			
4115 - Appreciation/Depreciation	22,967.24		
<b>Total 4100 - Investment income</b>	<b>22,967.24</b>		
<b>4500 - Grants and Scholarships</b>	3,000.00		
<b>4640 - Miscellaneous Income</b>	179.00		
<b>4700 - PEIA Missions Receipts</b>			
4960 - Planning Calendars	1,049.19		
4965 - Mission Yearbooks	483.00		
4970 - Books of Order	208.00		
<b>Total 4700 - PEIA Missions Receipts</b>	<b>1,740.19</b>		
<b>4800 - Restricted Funds</b>			
4010 - Sinclair Endowment	1,823.19	2,700.00	67.53%
<b>4805 - Dissolved Churches Income</b>			
2025 - Mt. Moriah/Interest	6,934.00		
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4980 · Grubbs Investment Fund	48.90		
4985 · Mt. Zion Scholarship	275.98		
5005 · Laurence Nelson Scholarship Fund	843.58		
5055 · Dorothy Bishop Gift	6,200.00		
4800 · Restricted Funds - Other	14,569.80		
<b>Total 4800 · Restricted Funds</b>	<b>52,036.44</b>	<b>2,700.00</b>	<b>1,927.28%</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>456,527.53</b>	<b>463,400.00</b>	<b>98.52%</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
<b>6000 · Commission Committee Exp</b>			
6005 · Presbytery Coordinating Comm			
6010 · Presbytery Coordinating Comm	22.00	2,500.00	0.88%
6011 · PEIA Initiative Consulting Exp	801.76		
<b>Total 6005 · Presbytery Coordinating Comm</b>	<b>823.76</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>32.95%</b>
6040 · Personnel	75.99	400.00	19.0%
6055 · Commission on Ministry			
6060 · COM/Admin. Costs	217.71	3,000.00	7.26%
6061 · COM Meals	537.39	400.00	134.35%
6065 · COM Training	730.00		
6075 · COM Pastor Retreats	138.24		
6085 · COM New Pastor Development	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
6086 · Pastor Assessment/Consultation	0.00	4,000.00	0.0%
6140 · COM Protect My Ministry	31.50	200.00	15.75%
<b>Total 6055 · Commission on Ministry</b>	<b>1,654.84</b>	<b>8,600.00</b>	<b>19.24%</b>
6090 · Committee-Preparation-Ministry			
6076 · CRE Rtreats, Curriculum & Misc	0.00	4,000.00	0.0%
6090 · Comm-Preparation-Ministry - Other	2,110.00	2,000.00	105.5%
<b>Total 6090 · Committee-Preparation-Ministry</b>	<b>2,110.00</b>	<b>6,000.00</b>	<b>35.17%</b>
6125 · Nominating Committee	0.00	150.00	0.0%
6130 · Committee on Representation	0.00	100.00	0.0%
6165 · Trustees	22.20	1,000.00	2.22%
6170 · Mileage Comm/Comissn/TaskFrc	4,252.44		
6500 · Leadership & Networking Exp			
6570 · Networking Events	6,587.93		
6580 · Leadership Events	544.88		
6590 · Networking Leadersip Events	0.00	9,000.00	0.0%
6500 · Leadership & Networking Exp - Other	0.00	5,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total 6500 · Leadership &amp; Networking Exp</b>	<b>7,132.81</b>	<b>14,000.00</b>	<b>50.95%</b>

<b>Total 6000 - Commission Committee Exp</b>	16,072.04	32,750.00	49.08%
<b>6100 - CLP Expenses</b>			
6105 - Salary	328.18		
<b>Total 6100 - CLP Expenses</b>	328.18	0.00	100.0%
<b>6200 - Missions</b>			
6025 - Visioning Task Force	0.00	300.00	0.0%
6205 - Camp Wyoming Mission Support	40,000.00	40,000.00	100.0%
6220 - Coe College	5,000.00	5,000.00	100.0%
6225 - Olivet Neighborhood Mission	500.00		
6230 - Grants/Churches Mission Outreach	5,500.00	20,000.00	27.5%
6402 - Presbytery Meeting Task Force	0.00	100.00	0.0%
<b>Total 6200 - Missions</b>	51,000.00	65,400.00	77.98%
<b>6408 - Commissions</b>			
6160 - Presbytery Coordinating Commiss	0.00	250.00	0.0%
6410 - Administrative Commissions	354.12		
6414 - Permanent Judicial Commission	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total 6408 - Commissions</b>	354.12	1,250.00	28.33%
<b>7000 - Administrative Expenses</b>			
<b>7010 - Compensations</b>			
<b>7025 - Stated Clerk</b>			
7026 - Stated Clerk Salary	60,942.60	51,000.00	119.5%
7080 - Benefits-Stated Clerk	18,375.00	17,850.00	102.94%
7081 - FICA - Stated Clerk	6,067.81	3,902.00	155.51%
7220 - Travel-Stated Clerk	2,574.57	3,000.00	85.82%
7260 - Stated Clerk Prof Expense	1,932.29		
<b>Total 7025 - Stated Clerk</b>	89,892.27	75,752.00	118.67%
<b>7035 - COM Associate</b>			
7036 - COM Associate Salary	59,697.06	51,000.00	117.05%
7085 - Benefits-COM Associate	18,375.00	17,850.00	102.94%
7086 - FICA - COM Associate	5,972.53	3,902.00	153.06%
7195 - Travel-COM Associate	5,793.24	3,000.00	193.11%
7196 - COM Assoc Communications Exp	3,802.82		
<b>Total 7035 - COM Associate</b>	93,640.65	75,752.00	123.62%
<b>7040 - Pastor to Pastor Associate</b>			
7041 - Pastor to Pastor - Salary	5,833.38	10,000.00	58.33%
7042 - FICA - Pastor to Pastor Assoc	0.00	765.00	0.0%
7043 - Pastor to Pastor Assoc - Travel	2,555.08	2,500.00	102.2%
<b>Total 7040 - Pastor to Pastor Associate</b>	8,388.46	13,265.00	63.24%
<b>7050 - Networking Associate</b>			
7051 - Networking Associate - Salary	32,721.90	43,000.00	76.1%
7100 - Benefits-Networking Associate	3,565.09	15,050.00	23.69%
7101 - FICA - Networking Associate	2,490.66	3,289.50	75.72%
7200 - Travel - Networking Associate	840.32	2,000.00	42.02%
<b>Total 7050 - Networking Associate</b>	39,617.97	63,339.50	62.55%
<b>7055 - Editor/Newsletter/WebMaster</b>	8,958.98		

<b>7060 - Admin. Assist.</b>			
7061 - Admin Asst Wages	7,236.00		
7062 - FICA - Admin Asst	<u>553.55</u>		
<b>Total 7060 - Admin. Assist.</b>	<b>7,789.55</b>		
<b>7065 - Finance/Data Mgmt.</b>			
7066 - Finance/Data Mngmnt - Salary	20,000.00	48,000.00	41.67%
7090 - Benefits-Finance/Data Mgmt.	6,973.71	16,800.00	41.51%
7091 - FICA - Finance/Data Mngmnt	<u>1,495.46</u>	<u>3,672.00</u>	<u>40.73%</u>
<b>Total 7065 - Finance/Data Mgmt.</b>	<b>28,469.17</b>	<b>68,472.00</b>	<b>41.58%</b>
<b>Total 7010 - Compensations</b>	<b>276,757.05</b>	<b>296,580.50</b>	<b>93.32%</b>
<b>7175 - Travel Other</b>			
7190 - Travel-Treasurer	5,907.70	1,500.00	393.85%
7215 - Travel - Moderator & Vice Mod	<u>66.13</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>6.61%</u>
<b>Total 7175 - Travel Other</b>	<b>5,973.83</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>238.95%</b>
<b>7330 - Staff Training/Meetings</b>	<u>500.00</u>		
<b>Total 7000 - Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>283,230.88</b>	<b>299,080.50</b>	<b>94.7%</b>
<b>7104 - Office Operating Expenses</b>			
7105 - New Equipment	0.00	1,500.00	0.0%
7110 - Telephone	2,057.82	5,000.00	41.16%
7111 - Internet Access Expense	1,884.15		
7115 - Utilities	2,331.82	3,500.00	66.62%
7120 - Association Dues	13,627.80	13,200.00	103.24%
7125 - Insurance	4,307.50	5,000.00	86.15%
7130 - Postage	1,189.98	1,400.00	85.0%
7131 - Bank Fees& Charges	75.00		
7140 - IT Service Contracts	8,421.78	8,400.00	100.26%
7141 - Custodial Contract	3,426.27	3,200.00	107.07%
7145 - Office Maintenance & Supplies	161.47	650.00	24.84%
7150 - Publications	250.33	350.00	71.52%
7155 - Office Supplies	2,452.93	1,500.00	163.53%
7160 - Copier/Printer Contract	4,866.52	7,200.00	67.59%
7170 - Legal and Professional	102.60	3,400.00	3.02%
7171 - Auditing & Reviews	4,000.00	2,500.00	160.0%
7275 - Kitchen/Hospitality	<u>389.25</u>	<u>503.00</u>	<u>77.39%</u>
<b>Total 7104 - Office Operating Expenses</b>	<b>49,545.22</b>	<b>57,303.00</b>	<b>86.46%</b>
<b>7180 - Gifts/Recognitions/Remembrance</b>	862.39	550.00	156.8%
<b>7183 - Presbytery Meeting Expenses</b>	849.10	2,500.00	33.96%
<b>8000 - Restricted Expenses</b>			
7181 - GA Expense	0.00	2,500.00	0.0%
7182 - GA Overture Advocate Expense	0.00	2,500.00	0.0%
8105 - Davenport/St. Andrew Closing	5,172.22		
8200 - PEIA Disaster Fund			
8235 - Muscatine Flood Damage/2007	<u>5,000.00</u>		
<b>Total 8200 - PEIA Disaster Fund</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>		
<b>8400 - Brazil Campaign</b>	54,606.00		
<b>8425 - Monticello/First Fire</b>	9,350.00		

8450 - Contingency Funds	14,552.21		
8470 - Planning Calendars	767.25		
8490 - Grubbs Investment Fund	1,241.64		
8510 - Middletown Church Closing	18,533.01		
8515 - CR Knox Church Closing	14,465.54		
8520 - Church Closing Expenses	26.95		
<b>Total 8000 - Restricted Expenses</b>	<b>123,714.82</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>2,474.3%</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>525,956.75</b>	<b>463,833.50</b>	<b>113.39%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-69,429.22</b>	<b>-433.50</b>	<b>16,015.97%</b>

Disbursements from Prior Year  
Budget 83,508.21

**Presbytery of East Iowa  
2015 PER CAPITA AND UNIFIED MISSION  
BY CHURCH**

Ch_Name	City	PIN	2015 Per Capita	Paid	Due	Mission Pledge	Paid
Bethel Presbyterian Ch	Ainsworth	2587	342.70	342.70	0.00		72.00
Ainsworth Community Ch	Ainsworth	10415	3,118.57	3,118.57	0.00	550.00	550.00
Argyle Presbyterian Ch	Argyle	2549	2,638.79	2,638.79	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Ch	Atkins	2345	2,535.98	0.00	2,535.98		
Bettendorf Presbyterian Ch	Bettendorf	2589	11,309.10	11,309.10	0.00	5,500.00	6,630.00
First Presbyterian Ch	Birmingham	2550	274.16	274.16	0.00	250.00	250.00
First Presbyterian Ch	Blairstown	2346	1,713.50	1,610.69	102.81		
Blue Grass Presbyterian Ch	Blue Grass	10388	5,140.50		5,140.50		
Bonaparte United Ch	Bonaparte	2551	891.02		891.02		891.02
Brighton United Ch	Brighton	2591	2,090.47	250.00	1,840.47		
First Ch	Burlington	11889	6,991.08	2,500.00	4,491.08		

Presbyterian Ch Community								
Presbyterian Ch Calvin Sinclair	Cascade	2479	925.29	925.29	0.00	600.00	680.00	
Presbyterian Ch Christ Ch	Cedar Rapids	9582	1,370.80	623.00	747.80			
Presbyterian First	Cedar Rapids	2375	4,283.75		4,283.75	600.00		
Presbyterian Ch Hus Memorial	Cedar Rapids	2347	17,546.24	17,546.24	0.00			
Presbyterian Ch Olivet	Cedar Rapids	2350	3,324.19	3,324.19	0.00	450.00	450.00	
Presbyterian Ch Westminster	Cedar Rapids	2352	2,193.28	2,193.28	0.00		1,000.00	
Presbyterian Ch First	Cedar Rapids Center	2354	16,449.60	16,450.08	-0.48	5,270.00	5,270.00	
Presbyterian Ch First United	Junction	2355	753.94	753.94	0.00		100.00	
Presbyterian Ch Zion	Clinton	12129	5,106.23	2,404.56	2,701.67			
Presbyterian Ch Cotter	Coggon Columbus	2358	2,535.98	2,535.98	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Presbyterian Ch United	Junctn Columbus	2596	891.02		891.02			
Presbyterian Ch Salem Welsh	Junctn	2593	4,489.37	4,489.37	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	
Presbyterian Ch United Ch of	Conesville	2594	1,336.53	1,336.53	0.00		100.00	
Crawfordsville	Crawfordsville	10414	2,535.98		2,535.98		3,433.00	

Ch_Name	City	PIN	2015 Per Capita	Paid	Due	Mission Pledge	Paid
First							
Presbyterian Ch New Hope	Davenport	2598	32,350.88	16,264.00	16,086.88	6,000.00	6,000.00
Presbyterian Ch Newcomb	Davenport	12240	3,358.46	3,358.46	0.00	600.00	600.00
Presbyterian Ch First	Davenport	2600	7,093.89	7,093.92	-0.03		
Presbyterian Ch First	Ely	2357	7,539.40	7,539.40	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Presbyterian Ch Sharon	Fairfield	2554	5,928.71	3,701.16	2,227.55	3,000.00	3,000.00
Presbyterian Ch Union	Farmington	2557	4,694.99	4,694.99	0.00		
Presbyterian Ch First	Ft. Madison	2558	3,324.19	933.21	2,390.98		
Presbyterian Ch First	Hazleton	2482	925.29	585.49	339.80	250.00	250.00
Presbyterian Ch First	Independence	2484	8,259.07	8,259.07	0.00		
Presbyterian Ch St. Andrew	Iowa City	2605	22,446.95	22,446.85	0.10	7,000.00	7,000.00
Presbyterian Ch United	Iowa City Keokuk	2626 10668	28,855.34 3,015.76	28,645.02 2,000.00	210.32 1,015.76		62,791.78



Presbyterian Ch United Ch of Faith First	Keota	2607	3,289.92	2,500.00	789.92		
Presbyterian Ch Our Savior	LeClaire	2609	3,050.03	2,550.03	500.00	100.00	350.00
Presbyterian Ch United	LeClaire	10135	4,215.21	4,215.21	0.00		
Presbyterian Ch Union	Lone Tree	10026	7,882.10	2,033.04	5,849.06	6,600.00	5,632.66
Presbyterian Ch First	Lost Nation	2360	4,078.13	4,078.13	0.00		
Presbyterian Ch First	Manchester	2489	4,009.59	3,986.19	23.40		
Presbyterian Ch Echo Hill	Marengo	2611	4,489.37	4,489.37	0.00		
Presbyterian Ch First	Marion	12233	12,748.44	11,686.07	1,062.37	8,000.00	7,333.39
Presbyterian Ch First	Marion	2361	15,250.15	15,302.55	-52.40	6,000.00	5,500.00
Presbyterian Ch First United	Mechanicsville	2362	3,461.27	3,461.27	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Presbyterian Ch First	Mediapolis	2562	2,673.06	2,673.06	0.00		
Presbyterian Ch First	Miles	2363	3,358.46	3,289.92	68.54	1,500.00	1,500.00
Presbyterian Ch Montrose	Monticello	9641	6,888.27	6,854.00	34.27	4,000.00	4,000.00
Presbyterian Ch First United	Montrose	2565	1,302.26	1,302.26	0.00		
Presbyterian Ch First	Morning Sun	2566	4,318.02		4,318.02		
Presbyterian Ch	Mt. Pleasant	2569	12,405.74	5,625.00	6,780.74	8,900.00	6,675.00
<b>Ch_Name</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>PIN</b>	<b>2015 Per Capita</b>	<b>Paid</b>	<b>Due</b>	<b>Mission Pledge</b>	<b>Paid</b>
First	Presbyterian Ch	Mt. Vernon	2366	5,071.96	5,071.96	0.00	3,000.00
Linn Grove	Presbyterian Ch	Mt. Vernon	2367	1,267.99	1,267.99	0.00	1,500.00
First	Presbyterian Ch	Muscatine	2613	7,642.21	7,642.21	0.00	3,300.00
New London	Presbyterian Ch	New London	2571	3,803.97	3,804.00	-0.03	2,700.00
Central	Presbyterian Ch	Newhall	2368	1,439.34		1,439.34	
First	Presbyterian Ch	Onslow	2369	1,473.61	1,473.61	0.00	
Princeton	Presbyterian Ch	Princeton	2616	2,330.36	2,330.36	0.00	
First	Presbyterian Ch	Rowley	2495	1,267.99	1,267.99	0.00	800.00
Scotch Grove	Presbyterian Ch	Scotch Grove	2371	1,165.18	1,080.87	84.31	
First	Presbyterian Ch	Shellsburg	2372	2,947.22	2,947.22	0.00	

Springville Presbyterian Ch	Springville	2373	3,838.24	1,172.48	2,665.76		
Stanwood Union Ch	Stanwood	10413	2,261.82	2,261.82	0.00	500.00	1,400.00
Vinton Presbyterian Ch	Vinton	10227	9,184.36	9,184.36	0.00		
First Presbyterian Ch	Wapello	2579	4,626.45	4,626.45	0.00	2,000.00	2,050.00
United Presbyterian Ch	Washington	9756	14,084.97	14,709.94	-624.97		6,875.00
First Ch United	West Liberty	2622	2,638.79	2,638.79	0.00	1,461.21	1,461.21
West Point Presbyterian Ch	Denmark	2580	959.56	959.56	0.00		500.00
First Presbyterian Ch	Williamsburg	2623	9,081.55	9,028.55	53.00		3,750.00
First Presbyterian Ch	Wilton	2624	6,031.52	1,754.23	4,277.29	2,000.00	
Sugar Creek Presbyterian Ch	Wilton	2625	1,062.37	651.13	411.24		
First Presbyterian Ch	Winfield	2581	4,866.34	788.30	4,078.04		
			409,046.82	328,855.96	80,190.86	86,131.21	164,895.06

Presbytery of East Iowa      As of 12/28/15  
 General Missions and Per  
 Capita  
 2015

Per Capita	2015%	Billed	Collected	Due
GA	0.206	85,200.57	67,744.33	17,456.24
Synod	0.152	62,175.12	49,986.11	12,189.01
PEIA	0.642	262,608.06	211,125.53	51,482.53
		409,983.75	328,855.96	81,127.79

General Mission	2015%	Pledged	Collected	Over Pledge
GA	0.66	56,846.60	108,830.74	
Synod	0.07	6,029.18	11,542.65	
PEIA	0.27	23,255.43	44,521.67	
		86,131.21	164,895.06	78,763.85

Some Sessions distribute at a different ratio, but their totals are included.

**A motion to receive the Treasurer's Report as presented was seconded and APPROVED.**

## **REPORT OF THE PEACEMAKING TASK FORCE**

Moderator Saturnia recognized Teaching Elder Lisa Ross Thedens, co-moderator of the Peacemaking Task Force, to present the following report on behalf of the task force:

### **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

The Task Force met Nov. 18, 2015, at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church in Iowa City, and will meet Jan. 28, 2016. We warmly welcome anyone interested in joining us in seeking peace, justice, and love. Contact Lisa at [lrossthedens@gmail.com](mailto:lrossthedens@gmail.com) for our next meeting date.

**Ecumenical Advocacy Days for Global Peace with Justice** will be April 15-18, 2016, in Washington, D.C. with the theme "Lift Every Voice! Racism, Class, and Power." PCUSA holds an additional training event the day preceding. Let us know if we can help you attend. Early bird registration ends Feb. 1st.

At our Nov. meeting, we gave thanks for the work of Jason Chen in leading the Men's Interfaith Dialogue in Iowa City for many years. He is taking a much needed break. The women's interfaith dialogue, known as Faith Friends, continues. The men's group is taking a recess until a new leader can be found. The group was founded many years ago by fellow-presbyter UI Campus Minister Darrell Yeane and led ably by Dr. Jim Clifton, ruling elder, First Presbyterian in Iowa City, before Jason's tenure. Members of the women's group are available to speak to congregations or groups interested in interfaith harmony or learning more about Islam.

**The Peacemaking Banner** is at St. Andrew (Iowa City) and will soon travel to Olivet (Cedar Rapids) and Zion (Coggon). Let me know when you would like it to visit your church. It travels complete with its own attached sermon.

Also at the Nov. meeting Lisa reported on **the annual conference of the PCUSA Israel Palestine Mission Network**. Highlights were Q & A with Omar Barghouti, of Palestine's BDS National Committee, and an address by Hunter Farrell, Director of World Mission. Barghouti talked about boycott of and divestment from G4S, a security company with a record of participation in many human rights abuses worldwide. A workshop was given on the #NoWayToTreatAChild campaign to end Israeli nighttime arrests and imprisonment of Palestinian children. "Administrative detention," an arrest often without a public criminal charge, is used to routinely imprison Palestinian adults and children at will. They are frequently denied access to lawyer, family, the evidence used against them, and imprisoned indefinitely without trial.

Hunter Farrell urged the network to listen to the needs of our mission partners in Palestine, to educate youth in the work of peacemaking and justice, and to support our

mission co-worker Kate Taber as much as possible. [Many of our mission workers will be cut if we do not support them.]

Finally, several U.N. treaties deserve our prayerful study as steps toward peace. If you are reading this report before Feb. 1st, please consider taking one or both these resolutions to your caucus

**RESOLUTION: We support Senate ratification & full U.S. participation in the following treaties and conventions:**

**The Rome Statute creating the International Criminal Court**

**The UN Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women**

**The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child**

**The Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty**

**The Ottawa Convention to ban landmines**

**The UN Convention on the Law of the Sea**

**The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities**

**The Convention on Cluster Munitions**

**The Optional Protocol to the Convention on Torture**

**The International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance**

**The Arms Trade Treaty**

**Background:** The US Constitution requires the consent of the Senate before we are party to international treaties. Though we've helped negotiate these treaties, the Senate has never ratified them. These treaties advance human rights, arms reduction, and rule of law. Our failure to ratify harms vulnerable populations, deprives the U.S. of voice in their implementation, undercuts our leadership on these key issues, and impedes the rule of law in international affairs.

**RESOLUTION: We support continuing U.S. leadership in international efforts to combat climate change and implementation of the Paris Climate Agreement.**

**Background:** Reduction in our emission of greenhouse gases and use of renewable energy will reduce the damaging consequences of climate change encourage other nations to do the same.

If you are reading this after Feb.1st, consider advocating with our legislators for these important steps toward shalom, or leading congregational study on the treaties.

Remember also Berthe Nzeba's request that we monitor our multinational companies' practices in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The Transparency Initiative has amassed evidence of dishonest underreporting of mineral extraction. (Lisa has the full published report exposing it.) They also hire the militias that engage in ethnic cleansing by raping Congolese women in the mineral-rich northeast.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Stated Clerk Blair announced that she had received one item of new business concerning a proposed Presbytery partnership with the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan.

She called attention to the follow item distributed on the tables.

## Proposal for Presbytery Mission Partnership Presbyterian Church of Pakistan 6 February 2016



*“There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus” --Galatians 3:28*

The Presbyterian Church of Pakistan was constituted in 1993. It has a long history rooted in the establishment of the Lahore Church Council of the United Church in Pakistan and the Synod of the United Presbyterian Church of Pakistan. Presbyterian Mission in the area was started in 1854 by the United Presbyterian Church of North America. The first Presbytery was formed in 1859 and the Synod of Punjab in 1893, which was declared autonomous in 1961 with the name of United Presbyterian Church of Pakistan.

The Presbyterian Church of Pakistan belongs to a family of Reformed Churches. The church is organized in sessions (the basic unit which comprises a pastor and a few elders), presbyteries (which consists of at least ten sessions) and the general assembly, which is the highest body and meets annually. General Assembly is represented by the

commissioners from all the presbyteries. The Presbyteries have the central position in the whole system of the Church. The Presbyterian Church of Pakistan consists of 22 Presbyteries. The church consists of the people at large; the estimated total membership numbers more than 300,000. It contains over 300 congregations and 260 pastors. These numbers are rapidly increasing through the vision of church planting by the Presbyterians.

### MISSION STATEMENT

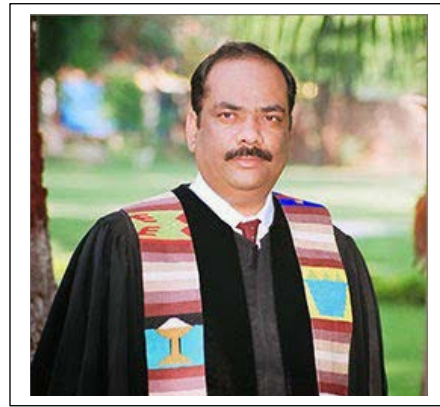
The mission statement of Presbyterian Church of Pakistan is to preach the Good News of Christ.:

- To serve the humanity in evangelical spiritual educational (formal and informal) social, medical, financial and welfare sectors of life from local, national to international.
  - Persuade sinful person to divine salvation and enable them to live a holy life.
  - Every possible effort for peace, harmony tolerance, unity and justice.
  - To eliminate the prejudice, extremism, hate, enmity and war.
  - To stimulate (persuade for equality, harmony, tolerance and patience.
  - To take every possible measure to help the victims of calamity.
  - To care the universe, humanity and creation.
  - To develop evangelical, theological, educational, medical, technical, agricultural and welfare institutions and strengthen existing institutions of Presbyterian Church
  - To assist for better environment for all and enforce the principles of God's kingdom on earth
  - To witness the nature and character of God through Jesus Christ in thoughts and deeds.
  - To produce the capacity in humanity to enter in the Eternal and Glorified Kingdom of God.
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### **A PROPOSAL FOR THE PRESBYTERY OF EAST IOWA TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

This motion proposes that a reciprocal mission partnership be established between the Presbytery of East Iowa and the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan. The length of this initial partnership is for three years with the partnership to be mutually evaluated and extended at the end of that time if both mission partners agree.

Mission partner contact is the Reverend Dr. Majid Abel, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan



As part of this partnership, the Presbytery of East Iowa will:

- Financially support the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan according to mutually agreed-upon mission priorities
- Support the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan through exchanges of mission teams from each partner to participate in the life and ministry of the other
- Support the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan through constant prayer for those in ministry and leadership
- Promote and communicate the mission and ministry of the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan on the PEIA website, Facebook page, and in meetings of the Presbytery.
- Form and seek recognition for a Presbytery Network to support the mission and ministry initiatives through provision of guidance and advice as requested by the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan
- Encourage congregations of the Presbytery to support the ministry and mission of the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan in their mission planning.

Mission Priorities for Study and Consideration:

**Immediate Mission Priorities**—these priorities aim to build synergy in a system that requires revitalization

- Funding for three salaried positions: a youth coordinator, a Christian education coordinator, and a women's/children's coordinator. These salaried positions will provide intensified focus to essential areas of mission and ministry in accountable ways [\$18,000/year]
- Renovation of and provision of security for office space for the denomination along with office equipment. The office will function as a base location from which to connect with congregations and provide leadership development opportunities [One-time expense of \$15,000]
- Office operations [\$30,000/year]
- Vehicle for travel to rural areas for mission consultation and coordination [One-time expense of \$30,000]

### **Long Term Mission Priorities**

- **The Rural Pastor Project:** Over 80% of the churches within the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan are located in rural areas. Rural clergy currently receive a meager subsidy of \$6 per month, an inadequate sum to sustain them. They require at least \$25 per month for basic sustenance as well as the provision of parsonages and church buildings, each of which may be supplied for approximately \$8,000.
- Further, these clergy need Sabbath times—opportunities for rest and revitalization, opportunities for continuing education and leadership development, and opportunities for fellowship and mutual support. Members of the Presbytery of East Iowa who visit Lahore may participate in leading these Sabbath opportunities for their fellow Presbyterian pastors. In addition, PEIA congregations can partner with congregations in Pakistan to supply parsonages and church buildings.
- **The Peace and Justice Commission:** Pakistan represents a challenging and vital mission field in which Christians may witness to peace and justice. Joining with ecumenical partners, the Presbytery of Pakistan aims to revitalize its Peace and Justice and Interfaith commissions to contribute an active, unified voice to speak out on social justice issues. The Presbytery of East Iowa can engage in conversation with the Presbytery of Pakistan to develop a missional framework for peace and justice initiatives.
- **Property Think Tank:** All property within the bounds of the Presbyterian Church in Pakistan is held in trust by the PCUSA. The PCP plans to form a denominational think tank to converse with the PCUSA partners about the stewardship of this property in order to use it to best effect in mission and ministry. The Presbytery of East Iowa can supply expert advice upon request to further this conversation.

**A motion that this proposed partnership be approved in principle, that the specific terms of partnership be taken under advisement, and that members of the body be urged to engage in prayer and discernment concerning potential action at the April stated meeting was seconded and APPROVED.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion to adjourn was seconded and APPROVED.** Moderator Saturnia adjourned the body with prayer at 2:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruling Elder Dr. Rebecca Blair  
Stated Clerk

<p><b>NEXT MEETING:</b> <b>171<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting</b> <b>Saturday, April 9, 2016</b> <b>10 am-3 pm</b> <b>Camp Wyoming</b></p>
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