

STATED MEETING

Date: November 25, 1980 Moderator: The Rev. James A. Cannon  
Place: Birmingham, First Church Stated Clerk: The Rev. Stanley Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Birmingham, First Church, 1669 West Maple, Birmingham, Michigan on November 25, 1980 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Cannon and constituted with prayer.

THE WORSHIP SERVICE was led by The Rev. W. F. Whitledge with The Rev. Kenneth Lister preaching.

The Roll was taken and Stated Clerk Taylor announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Allen, C.	Cobleigh	Henderson	MacDonald	Smith, R.
Allen, M.	Colwell	Hunter	Marvin	Stenner
Anderson	Cook	Ihrle	Mishler	Stary
Andress	Crilley	Irvine	Mecouch	Stryker
Antonson	Curphey	Irwin	Milford	Sunderman
Baker	Davies	Jansen	Miller	Sutton
Banks	Dickson	Jeffrey	McCloskey	Swinehart
Baliad	Dotson	Jerome	McCreight	Tate
Barcus	duCille	Jones, V.	McGowan	Taylor, K.
Barger	M. Dunkelberger	Jones, W.	Nagle	Taylor, M.
Bartko	R. Dunkelberger	Kesler	Naylor	Taylor, S.
Beal	Forsyth	Kettlewell	Orr	Taylor, T.
Beery	Garypie	Kim	Palmer	Thompson
Blackshear	Geissinger	Kind	Peters	Todd
Boeve'	Gensheimer	Kirkman	Peterson	Torrey
Borchardt	Gepford	Koster	Pierson	Vernon
Brand	Gillette	Lambert	Roberts	vonOeyen
Brasure	Glenn	LeDuc	Saum	Voskuil
Brown	Gooch	Lester	Scabich	Warren
Carroll	Gruebel	Leverenz	Schram, J.	Way
Cole	Halsey	Linthicum	Schram, W.	Whitledge
Campbell	Hanna	Lister	Sefcik	Wilson, R.
Cannon	Hartley	Loveless	Sharpless	Wilson, S.
Carter	Hawley	Lucero	Shook	Woehrle
Cater	Haynes	Lumley	Smith, J.	Woodruff

ELDERS

Allen Park	Botu, S.	Ann Arbor, First	D. Clyde
	O. Koivisto		A. Curtis
	N. Larson		R. Doerr
	R. Ruehl		J. Laird
	J. Wagner	Calvary	B. Cummins
	J. Yodes	Northside	S. Lewis
		Westminster	P. Shen

Auburn Heights	T. Henson	Southwest	A. McIntyre
Belleville	C. Quinn	Trinity	F. Murdock
Berkley, Greenfield	S. Books	Trumbull	G. Flack
Birmingham, First	W. Simpson	Village	D. Albright
	T. Brinkman		H. Hanson
	M. Clark	Westminster	N. Rosensteel
	L. Defebaugh		P. Salisbury
	C. Erhard		J. Tashnick
	L. Ferguson		N. Thompson
	C. Harter	Drayton Plains,	W. Lubb
	M. Henderson	E. Detroit, Covenant	D. Wickware
	F. Steelman	Ecorse	L. Nagy
Birmingham, First	F. Street	Farmington	H. Dorman
Northbrook	D. Anderson		D. Johnson
	D. Cottrill		R. Wigger
	J. Howe	Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Fraudmann
	H. Kirk	Fraser, Peace	A. Frobom
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	H. Bowden	Garden City	J. Flynn
	F. Garland		R. Cook
	R. Kelly	Grosse Ile	S. Mauch
	W. Robinson		R. McCollough
	P. Wallis	Grosse Pointe Memorial	T. Candler
Brighton	D. Clixby		P. Fredericks
	W. Fleenor		M. Adams
Canton, Geneva	C. Fanslow		L. Hoyt
Clarkston, Sashabaw	D. Roy		B. Madarasz
Dearborn, First	G. Baumgartner		A. Sherman
	P. Ling	Grosse Pointe Woods	S. Moorhatch
Cherry Hill	W. Kerr	Highland Park	K. Doll
	R. Manson	Lincoln Park	D. Provenzano
	W. Rose		J. Broadwell
Woods	E. Hediger	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	T. Newman
Littlefield Blvd.	E. Geissinger		T. Yeager
	C. Hylkema	St. Paul's	K. Casebere
Dearborn Heights			E. Klimeck
St. Marks	F. Johnson		D. Simmons
Detroit, First	V. McCuaig		G. Wetters
	C. Thompson	St. Timothy	V. Whitledge
Broadstreet	A. Adams	Milan, Peoples	D. Kordt
Calvin East	S. Harris	Milford	R. Slaughter
Calvin West	L. Rose		R. Lawson
	W. Standing		N. Wilson
Central Northwest	C. Talbot	Mt. Clemens, First	F. Eveningred
Eastminster	I. Westhoff		L. Aedeon
Evergreen Village	D. Basierbe	Northville	A. Sellen
	F. Jagger	Plymouth	S. Lankenau
Fort Street	B. Burns		C. Catlett
	C. Taylor	Port Huron, First	R. Coffey
Grandale	M. Klein	Lakeshore	T. Fearnside
	N. Balog	Westminster	C. Milan
Hope	O. Baker	Rochester, University	G. Johnsen
	B. Walker		D. Lewis
Jefferson Ave.	J. Lindsley		M. Mack
	E. Rosella	Roseville, Erin	J. Bassett
Redford	A. Taylor	Royal Oak, First	H. Turner
	E. Burk		W. Lichtenberg
	E. Overly		E. Gross
St. James	R. Broughton	Christ Memorial	R. Champion
	G. Hauswirth	First United	K. Little
			D. Broughton

St. Clair Shores, Faith Lakeshore	L. Thompson B. Konkell L. Hough	Troy, First Northminster	L. Cass N. Parkins H. Hays
Saline, First	P. Grosshans	Walled Lake, Crossroads	J. VanHouten
Shelby, St. Thomas	D. Doyden	Warren, First	L. Martin
Southfield, United	H. Hawley B. Postiff	Celtic Cross West Bloomfield, Church of our Saviour	E. Geyer
South Lyon	F. Heath C. Thorne	Westland, Kirk	L. McIntosh D. Murphy
Taylor, Southminster	B. Dorotinsky	Wyandotte Ypsilanti	F. Hartz B. Ring D. McGaffin

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Carpenter, M.	Rankin, S.	Robertson, G.
Dill, V.	Scott, M.	Younkin, M.

Upon motion, Presbytery granted the following requests to be excused. (Paper A)

- Ministers: Robert Armstrong, Tom Bailey, Ernest Dunn, Harold Ellens, Carl Geider, David Harmon, Galen Hershey, William Hillegonds, Thomas Johnson, Robert Lindsey, Donald MacPherson, John Mishler, William Rieker, David Sherwin, Gene Stone,
- Elders: Pontiac, First Church-2; Sterling Heights, Utica Church-1; White Lake-1,
- Council: Franklin Brown, Jean Lennox,

Upon motion, Presbytery approved the Minutes of the Stated Meeting of October 28, 1980 as printed. (Paper A-2)

Upon motion, Presbytery adopted the Docket for this meeting as printed. (Paper A-3)

Upon motion, Presbytery approved the Moderator's appointment of Elder Claire Harter of the host church as assistant to the Clerk for this meeting.

OMNIBUS MOTION (Paper B-1)

1. Reading time was held for 7 minutes.
2. Upon motion, Presbytery adopted all items under the Omnibus Motion except H as follows:

From Presbytery Council

- A. That invitations for Presbytery to meet at the following places be accepted:

<u>1981</u>	<u>1982</u>
January - Westminster, Detroit	Westminster, Detroit
February - Westminster, Detroit	Westminster, Detroit
April - Dearborn, First	Allen Park
June - First, Ann Arbor	Orchard Lake
September - Westminster, Detroit	
October - Fort Street	
November - Westminster, Detroit	

- B. That the Moderator of General Assembly, Charles A. Hammond, be invited to visit the Presbytery on Sunday, March 29, 1981.

From the Division of Business Affairs

- C. That the request of the Drayton Plains Church to borrow \$15,000.00 from a commercial source, for the purpose of making alterations to conserve energy be approved.
- D. That the request of First Church, Birmingham to sell its manse to Charles Sommers be approved, subject to the following terms: sale price \$108,000.00, down payment \$10,080.00, balance to be financed on a mortgage which will be held by the church, with interest at 4 and 1/4 per cent per annum, and monthly payments on interest and principal of \$800.00; further, that First Church hold in escrow the down payment of \$10,080.00, plus interest as it accumulates.
- E. That Kirk-in-the-Hills be granted permission to place for sale on the open market a parcel of vacant land in the area of Lake Angelus, jointly owned with the Church of Christ, Birmingham.
- F. That Presbytery approve an annual attestation of grant mortgages, as follows: "Be it resolved that the Presbytery of Detroit, commencing with its next annual meeting, acknowledge its indebtedness with regard to grant mortgages, and cause such acknowledgment to be entered in the minutes of its annual meeting;  
"Be it further resolved that the above acknowledgment be reported annually to the Church Building Aid Committee of the Program Agency."

From the Division of Staff Services

- G. That permission be granted to Donald G. Lester, Executive Presbyter, to serve on an Ecumenical "Fact Finding" team on the subject of human rights and race relations in the Republic of South Africa for the period from January 31 to February 20, 1981.

From the Department of Local Church Development

- J. That a record in the session minutes of the Lakeshore Church, St. Clair Shores, concerning the disposition of a house be referred to the Division of Business Affairs for follow-up.
3. Upon motion, Presbytery approved item H as follows:  
Upon motion, Presbytery adopted for the year 1981 the terms of call for the Associate Executives and the Executive Presbyter to be changed as follows: Associate Executive Presbyters, increase of salary of 7% from \$24,438.00 to 26,150.00 as follows, Henry Borchardt, salary \$18,650, Housing \$7,500; Edward Miller, salary \$15,150, housing \$11,000; Donald MacPherson, salary \$16,500; housing \$9,650; increase of the salary of Executive Presbyter 5% from \$30,228.00 to \$31,740 - salary \$18,840, housing \$12,900.

THE REPORT OF PRESBYTERY COUNCIL was reported through Stated Clerk Taylor. (Paper B-2)

The Committee on Bills and Overtures has decided not to recommend early action on Overture A (the property overture) which has been sent down by the 1980 General Assembly. Instead, it plans to present the overture for action by Presbytery at its April meeting. Between now and April the Committee believes that opportunity should be given to Presbytery to study the overture and its background, historical significance and the present issues which surround it. Therefore, the Committee proposed to Council and Council is recommending to Presbytery the following two motions.

1. Upon motion, Presbytery authorized the Moderator to appoint a taskforce to plan and present to the Presbytery a study opportunity which affirms the fundamental and basic principles of United Presbyterian government and discipline as provided by the Book of Order, Chapter V ("Of Church Government").
2. Upon motion, Presbytery approved that when the study opportunity has been scheduled, the Moderator send a pastoral letter to the particular churches, interpreting the actions of the General Assembly with regard to the property issue, encouraging the participation of churches in the study opportunity and recommending to their special attention Blue Book, Part I of the 192nd General Assembly (1980).

DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL

THE COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATES reported through The Rev. Richard W. Todd, chairperson. (Paper C-1)

Upon motion, Presbytery removed Alex King from the roll of candidates of the Presbytery of Detroit, United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. according to the Book of Order 48.09. Elder Charles Talbot, Central Northwest requested that his negative note be recorded.

THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELATIONS reported through The Rev. Ray Kiely, chairperson. (Paper C-2)

1. Upon motion, Presbytery extended the interim pastoral arrangements of the following: The Session of the Lincoln Park Church and The Rev. Theodore Taylor to January 31, 1981; the Session of Detroit, Calvary Church and The Rev. James A. Mitcham to May 31, 1981; the Session of the Livonia, Rosedale Gardens Church and The Rev. Carol Allen to January 31, 1981; the Session of Rochester, University Church and The Rev. Ross H. Gooch to February 28, 1981.
2. Upon motion, Presbytery elected the following administrative commission for the installation of The Rev. Thomas C. Banks as pastor of the Detroit, Calvin West Church, November 30, 1980 at 7:30 p.m.: Ministers - James Cannon or his designee, moderator, Gary Douglas, Gordon Irvine; Elders - Ernest Mobbs (Detroit, Calvin West), Helen Morrison (Grosse Ile), Paul Winslow (Detroit, Fort Street), Charles Banks. The Rev. George Pasek, Presbytery of Western Colorado, invited to be a corresponding member.
3. Upon motion, Presbytery elected the following administrative commission for the installation of The Rev. Stanton R. Wilson as

assistant pastor at the Grosse Pointe, Memorial Church November 30, 1980 at 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.: Ministers - Donald G. Lester, Ray H. Kiely, David B. Antenson; Elders - Mary Grace Adams (Grosse Pointe, Memorial), George E. Bushnell, Jr. (Grosse Pointe, Memorial) and Louise Hoyt (Grosse Pointe, Memorial).

4. Upon motion, Presbytery elected the following administrative commission for the installation of The Rev. Arnold Leverenz as pastor at the Pontiac, Joslyn Avenue Church, December 14, 1980 at 3:00 p.m.: Ministers - Galen Hershey, Moderator, William Palmer, Roy Lambert, Dale Hunter; Elders - Margaret Miller (Pontiac, Joslyn Ave.), Elsie Mihalek (Pontiac, Joslyn Avenue) and Gene Hōisington (Pontiac, Joslyn Avenue).
5. Upon motion, Presbytery responded to a request from the Presbytery of Lake Huron and granted permission to labor outside the bounds of the Presbytery to The Rev. Andrew Kim and The Rev. Sung Gul Cho in order that they may serve a fellowship of Koreans meeting in the city of Flint with occasional preachings. This permission is to be granted for one year.
6. Upon motion, Presbytery appointed The Rev. Drew Nagle moderator of the Detroit, Woodward Avenue Church.
7. Upon motion, Presbytery dissolved the pastoral relation between The Rev. Jon Voskuil and the Port Huron, Westminster Church, effective January 31, 1981, having heard a representative of the church, and granted Mr. Voskuil permission to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery for one year.
8. Upon motion, Presbytery discharged the administrative commission elected to install The Rev. John T. Carrol as associate Pastor, Dearborn, First Church, November 23, 1980.

THE COMMITTEE OF LOCAL CHURCH PERSONNEL PRACTICES reported through Elder Harry Kirk, Sr., chairperson. (Papers C-7, C-3)

Upon motion, Presbytery received the "Guidelines for Employment of Non-Clergy Professional Staff by Local Churches Presbytery of Detroit, 1980" for a second reading (Paper C-3).

THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT had no report.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PRESBYTERY MINISTRIES reported through The Rev. J. Christopher Torrey, chairperson and The Rev. William P. Saum, II, chairperson of The Committee on Peace Education. (Papers C-5a, C-5b)

The Rev. W. James LeDuc, Pastor, presented a statement of the Westland, Kirk of Our Savior Session concerning peace.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PROGRAM AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT reported through The Rev. John Jeffrey, vice-chairperson.

Upon motion, Presbytery redefined and reallocated the funds from Major Mission Fund Project E as follows: The funds for the new Project are to be used by Extended Experience Education Unit over a two year (2) period. Year one: (a) up to \$7,000 allocated as income to the Presbytery Budget (b) approximately the same amount be used for proper land usage, new and unique programming, and the development of projects that would be income producing. Year two: the remaining funds to be used for proper land usage, new and unique programming and the development of projects that would be income producing. The implementation

of the project to be as follows: The year one allocation to be used as Presbytery income approved with the motion. (Item year one a) Item year one (b) and year two projects to be reported to and cleared by Presbytery Council.

Vice-Moderator Paul Sutton took the chair.

SPECIAL REPORTS

THE REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY EXECUTIVE was made by The Rev. Donald G. Lester.

THE DIVISION OF PLANNING reported through The Rev. R. Mark Allen, chairperson.

Upon motion, Presbytery adopted the Budget for 1981 as presented. (Paper D-2)

THE DIVISION OF MISSION SUPPORT reported through Elder Mary Younkin, chairperson.

THE DIVISION OF STAFF SERVICES had no report.

Moderator Cannon took the chair.

THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS reported through Elder Midge Mack, chairperson.

1. Upon motion, Presbytery approved and elected the following. (Paper E1)

OFFICERS OF PRESBYTERY

Moderator	The Rev. Paul Sutton	Southfield
Vice-Moderator	The Rev. William Colwell	Allen Park
Recording Clerk	The Rev. Ross Gooch	University

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELATIONS . (Part of Personnel Department)

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. Richard Milford	Grosse Ile
Area IV	1981	The Rev. William Brown	Brighton, First
Area III	1982	The Rev. Richard Milford	Grosse Ile
Area IV	1982	Elder William Rice	Novi, Faith
Area II	1983	Elder Marie Guyton	Detroit, Westminster
Area II	1983	The Rev. Thomas W. Kirkman	Royal Oak, First
Area III	1983	Elder John D. Sefcik	Detroit, Southwest
At Large	1983	The Rev. James Cannon	Hope
At Large	1983	Elder Helen Timmons	Ann Arbor, First
At Large	1983	Elder David Drake	Southfield United
At Large	1983	Elder Robert Hutton	Saint Thomas

COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATES

(Part of Personnel Department)

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. Richard Todd	Saline
Area I	1983	The Rev. Kenneth Lister	SCS, Lake Shore
Area IV	1983	The Rev. Robert Armstrong	St. Paul's
Area IV	1983	Elder Sandra Lankenau	Plymouth
Area V	1983	The Rev. James Anderson	Kirk in the Hills
At Large	1983	The Rev. William Schram	Sashabaw

PRESBYTERY COUNCIL

Area III	1981	Elder Mary Ann Gipson	Southwest
At Large	1982	Elder Mary Grace Adams	Grosse Pointe Memorial
Area I	1983	The Rev. Robert Linthicum	Grosse Pointe Woods
Area IV	1983	The Rev. Robert McCreight	Belleville
Area V	1983	The Rev. LeRoy Haynes	Saint Thomas
At Large	1983	Elder H. Franklin Brown	St. John's
At Large	1981	Elder Henry Gaston	Presbyterian Lay Committee
At Large	1981	Elder Lois Poston	Detroit Presbyterial

BUSINESS AFFAIRS DIVISION

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. Dale Ihrle	SCS, Lake Shore
Area I	1983	Elder Carey Richmond	St. John's
At Large	1983	Elder Stewart Edgerton	Northminster
At Large	1983	The Rev. Richard Dunkelberger	Presbyterian Village

MISSION SUPPORT DIVISION

Chairperson	1 yr.	Elder Mary Younkin	Grandale
At Large	1981	The Rev. David Antonson	Grosse Pointe Memorial
Area III	1982		
Area V	1983	Elder Marianne Hall	University
At Large	1983	Elder Robert Arnold	Park
At Large	1983	Evelyn Baker	Garden City
At Large	1983	The Rev. Robert Dickson	Wayne

PLANNING DIVISION

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. Mark Allen	Orchard Lake
Area II	1981	Elder Carole Thompson	First, Detroit
Area III	1982	Elder Charles Goodenow	Calvin West
Area I	1983	The Rev. Robert W. Battles	Mt. Clemens, First
At Large	1983	Elder Gordon Robertson	Kirk in the Hills

STAFF SERVICES DIVISION

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. David Swinehart	Allen Park
Area I	1981	The Rev. Ronald Naylor	Port Huron, First
Area III	1981	The Rev. Carl G. Howie	Dearborn, First
At Large	1982		
Area II	1983	Elder Donald White	Detroit, Westminster
Area V	1983	Elder Avery Mueller	University
At Large	1983	The Rev. Robert Lindsey	Kirk in the Hills



LOCAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Chairperson	1 yr.	Elder Wilma Dellinger	Northbrook
Area V	1981	Ellen Hublein	Troy, First
Area V	1981		
Area I	1982	The Rev. Gary Douglas	Church of the Covenant
Area III	1982	The Rev. Richard Reynolds	Church of the Master
Area IV	1982	Elder Greet Collins	Geneva
At Large	1982	Elder George Mack	University
At Large	1982	Elder Jeff Nolte	Farmington, First
Area I	1983	Elder Clarence Honkanen	Grosse Pointe Woods
Area I	1983	Elder Edwin Fulton, Jr.	Utica
Area II	1983	The Rev. T. Andrew Kim	Korean
Area II	1983	Elder Donn Denniston	Southfield
Area III	1983	Elder Carol Hylkema	Littlefield
Area III	1983	Elder James McIntyre	Southwest
Area IV	1983	Elder James Kipps	Village
Area IV	1983	Elder John Seeley	Ann Arbor, First
Area V	1983	The Rev. Henry Stenner	Milford
Area V	1983	Elder Jean McAllister	Church of Our Saviour
At Large	1983	The Rev. Donald Flowers	
At Large	1983	The Rev. Ralph J. Hawley	
At Large	1983	The Rev. William Hillegonds	Ann Arbor, First
At Large	1983	Elder Freida Jagger	Evergreen Village
At Large	1983	Elder Dianne Jones	Church of the Covenant
At Large	1983	Elder William Standing	Calvin West
At Large	1983	Elder Earl Wise	Plymouth

PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

Chairperson	1 yr.	Elder Harry Kirk	Northbrook
Area III	1981	The Rev. Ronald Wilson	Dearborn, First
Area IV	1981	The Rev. William Brown	Brighton
Area III	1982	The Rev. Richard Milford	Grosse Ile
Area IV	1982	Elder William Rice	Novi, Faith
Area IV	1982		
Area I	1983	Elder Ronald Dalby	Grosse Pointe Memorial
Area I	1983	The Rev. Kenneth Lister	SCS, Lake Shore
Area II	1983	The Rev. Thomas W. Kirkman	Royal Oak, First
Area II	1983	Elder Marie Guyton	Detroit, Westminster
Area III	1983	The Rev. Harry Geissinger	Littlefield
Area III	1983	Elder John D. Sefcik	Detroit, Southwest
Area IV	1983	The Rev. Robert Armstrong	St. Paul's
Area IV	1983	Elder Sandra Lankenau	Plymouth
Area V	1983	The Rev. James Anderson	Kirk in the Hills
Area V	1983	The Rev. MacKay Taylor	Northminster
At Large	1983	The Rev. John Bartko	Ecorse
At Large	1983	The Rev. James Cannon	Hope
At Large	1983	The Rev. William Schram	Sashabaw
At Large	1983	Elder Helen Timmons	Ann Arbor, First
At Large	1983	Elder Sally Rankin	Drayton Avenue
At Large	1983	Elder David Drake	Southfield United
At Large	1983	Elder Robert Hutton	Saint Thomas

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Chairperson	1 yr.	Elder Sally Rankin (1983)	Drayton Avenue
Area III	1981	The Rev. Ronald Wilson	Dearborn, First
Area IV	1982		
Area V	1983	The Rev. MacKay Taylor	Northminster
At Large	1983	The Rev. John Bartko	Ecorse
At Large	1983	Elder Sally Rankin	Drayton Avenue

PRESBYTERY MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. J. Christopher Torrey	Farmington
Area II	1981	Elder Eunice Bagley	Park United
Area V	1981		
Area I	1982		
Area IV	1982	Elder Shirley Lewis	Northside
Area I	1983	Elder Donald McIntyre	Grosse Pointe Memorial
Area I	1983		
Area II	1983	The Rev. Drew Nagle	Fort Street
Area II	1983	Elder Kenneth Mortin	Drayton Avenue
Area III	1983	The Rev. Joan Stary	Southwest
Area III	1983	Elder Lynn Higgins	Lincoln Park
Area IV	1983	Elder Virginia Campbell	Novi, Faith
Area IV	1983	The Rev. Donald Coleman	UMHE
Area V	1983	The Rev. Dennis Barger	Birmingham, First
Area V	1983	Elder Donald Montney	Drayton Plains
At Large	1983	Elder Leonard Bender	Royal Oak, First
At Large	1983	The Rev. Douglas Carter	Troy
At Large	1983	The Rev. Kenneth Gruebel	Geneva
At Large	1983	The Rev. Laurel Loveless	Celtic Cross
At Large	1983	Elder Jean Sweet	Northminster
At Large	1983	The Rev. David Sherwin	Redford
At Large	1983	Barbara Philpott	Southfield
Area IV	1981	The Rev. Gerald Cobleigh	Rosedale Gardens

PROGRAM AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. Ross Gooch	University
Area I	1981	Marlene Whitley	Church of the Covenant
At Large	1981	Elder Dorothy Thompson	Birmingham, First
At Large	1981		
Area II	1983	Elder Henry Gaston	Detroit, Westminster
Area III	1982		
At Large	1982	Elder Jessie Davies	Grosse Pointe Memorial
At Large	1982		
Area I	1983	The Rev. Dale Hunter	Utica
Area I	1983	Shirley Fuqua	Church of the Covenant
Area II	1983	Elder Naomi Pryor	Broadstreet
Area II	1983	Ellison Seaver	Detroit, Westminster
Area III	1983	The Rev. Charles H. Shook	Allen Park
Area III	1983	The Rev. William Wingrove	Wyandotte
Area IV	1983	The Rev. John Jeffrey	St. Mark's
Area IV	1983	The Rev. John Mather	South Lyon
Area V	1983	Elder Richard Dryden	Saint Thomas
Area V	1983	Elder Dale Johnson	Farmington
At Large	1983	The Rev. Robert Barcus	Village
At Large	1983	Elder Irene Gough	Grandale
At Large	1983	Elder Harriet Madison	Broadstreet
At Large	1983	Elder Jesse Perry	St. John's
At Large	1983	Elder William Robinson	Kirk in the Hills
At Large	1983		

SELF-DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

1981	The Rev. Raphael Francis	Park
1983	Elder Rebecca Chamberlain	Detroit, First
1983	Elder Rolando Diao	Grandale
1983	Elder Myra Kruger	Church of Our Saviour
1983	Elder Frances Pitts	St. John's
1983	The Rev. William P. Saum	Church of Our Saviour
1983	Elder Mary Shanks	Trinity

Nominees to the Synod of the Covenant Structure:

SYNOD MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

1982	Elder Shirley Lewis	Northside
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INTERPRETATION & STEWARDSHIP DIVISION

1981	Elder Robert Arnold	Park
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2. Upon motion, Presbytery authorized the Moderator to appoint persons to vacancies as they are recommended by the Committee on Nominations.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSIONS reported through The Rev. James Kesler, chairperson of the Commission on the Mt. Clemens, Knox Church representing all four commissions.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS - There was none.

Upon motion, Presbytery adjourned at 8:30 p.m. with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by The Rev. Donald G. Lester.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
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Stated Clerk

Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance  
April 1980 - April 1981

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	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	6	6	Garden City	2	2
Ann Arbor, First	4	4	Grosse Ile	3	2
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	6
Northside	1	1	Grosse Pointe Woods	4	1
Westminster	2	1	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Auburn Heights	2	2	Howell	2	0
Belleville	1	1	Lincoln Park	2	2
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	4	2
Birmingham, First	9	9	St. Paul's	4	4
Northbrook	4	4	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	5	Ward United	9	0
Brighton	2	2	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Canton, Geneva	2	1	Milford	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Dearborn, First	6	2	Knox	1	0
Cherry Hill	5	3	Northville	2	1
Dearborn Woods	1	1	Novi, Faith Community	1	1
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Orchard Lake	2	2
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Plymouth	3	2
Detroit, First	2	2	Pontiac, First	2	ex 2
Bethany	1	0	Ch. of the Atonement	1	0
Broadstreet	1	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	0
Calvary	1	0	Oakland Avenue	2	0
Calvin East	1	1	Port Huron, First	2	1
Calvin West	2	2	Lakeshore	1	1
Central Northwest	1	1	Westminster	1	1
Church of the Covenant	1	0	Rochester, University	3	3
Church of the Master	1	0	Roseville, Erin	2	1
Eastminster	1	1	Royal Oak, First	7	3
Evergreen Village	2	2	First United	2	2
Fort Street	2	2	Christ Memorial	1	1
Grandale	2	2	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	0	Lake Shore	2	2
Hope	2	2	Saline	1	1
Jefferson Avenue	3	3	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	1
Leitch	1	0	Southfield, United	2	2
Monteith	1	0	Korean	1	0
Redford	5	2	South Lyon	2	2
St. James	1	2	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	0
St. John's	2	0	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
Southwest Community	1	1	Trenton	2	0
Trinity	1	1	Troy, First	2	2
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Northminster	1	1
Village	2	2	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Ward Memorial	1	0	Warren, First	1	1
Westminster	4	3	Celtic Cross	1	1
Woodward Avenue	1	0	Waterford, Lakeland	1	0
Drayton Plains	2	2	Wayne, First	1	0
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	W. Blmfld., Ch. of our		
Esorse	1	1	Saviour	1	1
Farmington	3	3	Westland, Kirk of our		
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	3	1	Savior	1	1
Fraser, Peace	1	1	White Lake	1	ex
			Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	1

## STATED MEETING

Date: January 27, 1981 Moderator: The Rev. Paul Sutton  
 Place: Detroit, Westminster Church Stated Clerk: The Rev. Stanley Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Detroit, Westminster Church, 17567 Hubbell, Detroit, Michigan on January 27, 1981 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Retiring Moderator James A. Cannon and constituted with prayer.

WORSHIP SERVICE AND CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER was led by The Rev. James A. Cannon.

The Roll was taken and Stated Clerk Taylor announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Allen, C.	Davies	Jeffrey	Nagle	Taylor, T.
Allen, M.	Dickson	Jerome	Orr	Todd
Armstrong, R.	Dresser	Jones, W.	Palmer	Torrey
Bailey, T.	Dunkelberger, M.	Keebler	Peterson	Vernon
Baliad, F.	Dunkelberger, R.	Kesler	Peters	Wilson, S.
Banks, T.	Ellens	Kiely	Poland	Wilson, R.
Baker	Eshleman	Kirkman	Ramsey	Roberts, M.
Barcus	Forsyth	Koster	Rieker	
Barger	Francis	Kuckuk	Russell	
Bartko	Garypie	Lambert	Saum	
Battles	Geissinger	Leverenz	Schram, J.	
Beal	Gensheimer	Lindsey	Schram, W.	
Beery	Gepford	Linthicum	Sefcik	
Borchardt	Gillette	Lester	Sherwin	
Brand	Gooch	Loveless	Sharpless	
Brasure	Gruebel	Lucero	Shoup	
Brown	Halsey	McCloskey	Sommers	
Campbell, V.	Hanna	McCreight	Smith, C.	
Cannon	Hartley	McGowan	Smith, R.	
Carroll	Haynes	MacDonald	Stary	
Carter	Heinrichs	MacPherson	Stone, G.	
Cho	Hershey	Mather	Stryker	
Cobleigh	Howie	Milford	Sunderman	
Cole	Hunter	Miller	Sutton	
Coleman	Ihrie	Mischler	Swinehart	
Conley	Irvine	Mitcham	Taylor, K.	
Cook	Jansen	Muench	Taylor, M.	

ELDERS

Allen Park	Botu, S.	Ann Arbor	Lewis, S.
	Hutchison, L.	Northside	Gore, K.
	Larson, N.	Auburn Heights	Henson, T.
	Lush, F.		Books, S.
	Wagner, J.	Belleville	Clark, M.
Ann Arbor, First	Hulett, D.	Birmingham, First	Ferguson, L.
	Swanson, J.		Harter, C.
	Timmons, H.		Kirchhofer
Calvary	Cummins, B.		Perkins, J.

Birmingham	Anderson, D.	Detroit, Southwest	Gipson, M.A.
Northbrook	Dedow, H.	Trinity	Sefcik, J.
	Dellinger, W.	Trumbull Ave.	Wardell, T.
	Kirk, H.	Village	Flack, G.
B.H., Kirk	Harris, C.	Westminster	Hason, D.
	Stewart, D.		Donaldson, W.
	Robinson, W.		Geer, E.
	Wallis, P.		White, D.
	Wilcox, Mrs.R.	Drayton Plains	Smith, S.
Brighton	Waite, J.		King, A.
	VanHaften, J.	Ecorse	Shirley, S.
Canton, Geneva	Fanslow, C.	Farmington	Nagy, L.
	Frey, M.		Forth, D.
Dearborn, First	Clippert, J.		Johnson, D.
	Ecclestone, J.	Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Swartz, B.
Cherry Hill	Burke, D.		Russell, J.
	Caddy, F.	Fraser, Peace	Williamson, M.
	Morley, R.	Garden City	Nagel, J.
	Riley, L.		Eleson, D.
	Rose, R.	Grosse Ile	Todd, J.
Dearborn Woods	Gasser, E.		Billquist, S.
	Hediger, E.		Jones, B.
Littlefield Blvd.	Geissinger, E.	Grosse Pointe Mem.	Rockwell, C.
	Hylkema, C.		Adams, F.W.
			Adams, M.G.
Dearborn Heights	Kieltyka, D.		Beck, F.
St. Mark's	McLeod, H.		Jacobus, W.
Detroit, First	Thompson, C.	Grosse Pointe Woods	Trowern, H.M.
	Adams, A.		Brines, R.
Broadstreet	McSwain, D.	Highland Park, Park	Moorhatch, S.
Calvary	Brown, H.	Lincoln Park	Darling, L.
Calvin East	Holden, A.	Livonia	Wilber, G.
Calvin West	Watkins, P.	Rosedale Gardens	
	Engle, M.		Hamilton, J.
Ch. of the Master	Westhoff, I.		Weyer, E.
Eastminster	Bickley, G.	St. Paul's	Yeager, T.H.
Evergreen Village	Jagger, F.		Casebere, K.
	Thomas, A.	St. Timothy	Wetters, G.
Fort St.	Thomas, P.	Milan, Peoples	Bergstrom, D.
	Rogers, D.	Milford	Campbell, D.
Grandale	Baker, O.		McLeod, J.
Hope	Campbell, D.	Mt. Clemens, First	Wilson, N.
	Glover, D.		Fitzpatrick, B.
Jefferson Avenue	McCracken, H.M.	Northville	Wheaton, D.C.
	McCracken, H.	Orchard Lake	Spigarelli, R.
Monteith	Warren, B.	Plymouth, First	Myers, D.
Redford	Ball, E.		Catlett, C.
	Davison, M.		Harshaw, J.
	Glass, F.	Pontiac, First	Hurtik, L.
	Wilcox, F.	Atonement	Wallis, T.
St. John's	Cain, W.	Joslyn Avenue	Freeland, B.
	Harrison, R.		Vine, J.

Port Huron, First  
Westminster  
Rochester, University

Roseville, Erin  
Royal Oak, First Un.

Christ Memorial  
St. Clair Shores, Faith  
Lake Shore

Shelby, Saint Thomas  
Southfield  
South Lyon

Coffey, R.  
Milan, C.  
Hipple, H.  
Mack, M.  
Nelson, E.  
Spindler, W.  
Doty, R.  
Stratton, N.  
Collins, E.  
Tyler, M.  
Barr, R.  
Heyt, H.  
Dryden, D.  
Postiff, B.  
Fisher, K.  
Doane, B.

Taylor, Southminster  
Southminster  
Troy, First  
  
Northminster  
Walled Lake, Crossroads  
Warren; First  
Celtic Cross  
Waterford, Lakeland  
Wayne, First  
W. Bloomfield  
Ch. of Our Saviour  
White Lake  
Wyandotte

Dorotinsky, B.  
Marshall, A.  
Parkins, N.  
Sisunik, F.  
Spencer, A.  
Van Houten, J.  
Martin, L.  
Scott, M.  
Currin, L.  
Payne, J.

McIntosh, L.  
Schreiber, S.  
Nelson, G.  
Simpson, H.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.	Higgins, J.	Poston
Brown, F.	Lennox, J.	Younkin
Dill, V.		

Upon motion, Presbytery granted the following requests to be excused.  
(Paper A)

Ministers: James Anderson, David Blackshear, Robert Crilley, John Curphey, Ernest Dunn, Carl Geider, Lawrence Glenn, David Harmon, Ralph Hawley, Richard Henderson, Thomas Johnson, Virgil Jones, Kenneth Kettlewell, James LeDuc, Raymond Lumley, Philip Magee, Frank Marvin, Edward Pierson, Charles Shook, Henry Stenner, Howard Warren, William Whitledge.

Elders: Grosse Pointe Woods -1, Sterling Heights, Utica Church -1, East Detroit, Covenant -1, Novi, Faith -1.

Upon motion, Presbytery seated The Rev. Collin Evans, Moderator of the United Reformed Church of East Anglia (Cambridge Area) as a corresponding member.

Upon motion, Presbytery approved the Minutes of the Stated Meeting of November 25, 1980 as printed.

Upon motion, Presbytery adopted the Docket for this meeting as printed (Paper A-3) with the following changes: Committee on Candidates to have 15 minutes instead of 20 minutes; Administrative Commission to have 40 minutes instead of 20 minutes; under Miscellaneous Business, 3 minutes for a Synod Communiqué Report.

Upon motion, Presbytery approved the Moderator's appointment of Elder Donald White of the host church as assistant to the Clerk for this meeting.

OMNIBUS MOTION (Paper B-1)

1. Reading time was held for 5 minutes.
2. Upon motion, Presbytery adopted all items under the Omnibus Motion as follows:

16 From the Division of Business Affairs

- A. That the Redford Church be given permission to sell its manse at 16720 Warwick, Detroit to Thomas E. and Selma R. Marshall for \$80,000 cash.
- B. That the Division of Business Affairs be given permission to sell the manse of the former Military Avenue Church to Stephen Jubinski for \$6,000 cash.
- C. That the Presbytery grant the Novi, Faith Church a temporary loan of \$7,221 until negotiations for a loan of \$8 ,000 have been completed.
- D. That the Korean Church be given permission to borrow \$240,000 at 13% interest from Colonial Federal Savings and Loan through SALPOD.

From the Division of Planning

- E. That the 1981 Program Budget be amended to provide for the following Validated Special Opportunities:

Detroit	
Church of the Covenant	\$10,000
Church of the Master	10,000
Woodward Avenue Church	10,000

From the Department of Local Church Development

- F. That Presbytery approve a proposal for the Sashabaw Church to secure a moratorium on principal payments on a loan from the Program Agency and a loan from the Presbytery for a period of two years.  
The Program Agency loan is #2558 with a balance on 12/31/80 of \$31,073.81 and a loan from the Presbytery of Detroit with a balance on 1/15/81 of \$6,619.84.

3. Report of the General Council was presented by Stated Clerk Taylor for information. (Paper B-2)

DIVISION OF MISSION SUPPORT reported through Elder Mary Younkin, chairperson.

DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL

COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATES reported through The Rev. Richard W. Todd, Chairperson.

Mr. Robert Brown, a member of Detroit, Southwest Church, appeared to be taken under care of Presbytery. (Paper C-1)

Upon motion, Presbytery arrested Mr. Brown's examination.

Upon motion, Presbytery sustained Mr. Brown's examination.

Moderator Sutton conducted a service of worship enrolling Mr. Brown as a candidate under the care of Detroit Presbytery.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELATIONS, reported through The Rev. Richard J. Milford, Chairperson. The Rev. Bryce McGowan introduced new pastors.

1. Upon motion, Presbytery heard Elder Emma Weyer, a representative of the congregation, and concurred with the call of Livonia, Rosedale Gardens Church for the associate pastoral services of The Rev. Carol J. Allen effective January 1, 1981. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government (Sections 50.01, 57.044 and 57.046) and the provisions of this Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program for calling of a pastor have been fulfilled thus meeting the requirements of the Churchwide Plan for EEO. The terms of the call



are as follows: \$15,650 salary, \$4,900 housing allowance, full pension, \$500 hospitalization, \$2,100 car allowance, two weeks study leave, \$600 study/conference allowance, one month's vacation, annual review. The call is to be placed in Ms. Allen's hands; elect the following special administrative commission: The Rev. Gerald Cobleigh, chairperson, the Moderator or his designee, The Rev. Richard J. Milford, The Rev. Eldon Berry, Elder Helen Morrison (Grosse Ile), Elder Norma Kumbier (Livonia, Rosedale Garden), Elder Elden Plue (Livonia, Rosedale Gardens), Elder Emma Weyer (Livonia, Rosedale Gardens), and empower said commission to install Ms. Allen at Rose-dale Gardens Church, 7 p.m., February 15, 1981.

2. Upon motion, Presbytery heard Kay Casebeare, a representative of the congregation, and concurred with the call of Livonia, St. Paul's Church for the associate pastoral services of The Rev. Robert G. Armstrong effective January 23, 1981. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government (Sections 50.01, 57.044 and 57.046) and the provisions of this Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program for calling of a pastor have been fulfilled thus meeting the requirements of the Churchwide Plan for EEO. The terms of the call are as follows: \$12,350 salary, \$6,650 housing allowance, full pension, full hospitalization, \$.20 per mile car allowance, two weeks study leave, \$400 study/conference allowance, one month's vacation, annual review. The call is to be placed in Mr. Armstrong's hands; elect the following special administrative commission: The Rev. William F. Whitley, chairperson, The Rev. Donald G. Lester, The Rev. Theodore Taylor, Elder Kay Casebeare (St. Paul's), Elder Robert Putnam (St. Paul's), Elder Donald Veramay (St. Paul's) and empower said commission to install Mr. Armstrong at St. Paul's Church, 9:30 and 11 a.m., February 8, 1981.
3. Upon motion, Presbytery heard Elder Alice E. White, a representative of the congregation, and concurred with the call of Birmingham, First Church for the associate pastoral services of The Rev. D. William Mc Ivor, effective March 1, 1981. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government (Sections 50.01, 57.044 and 57.046) and the provisions of this Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program for calling of a pastor have been fulfilled thus meeting the requirements of the Churchwide Plan for EEO. The terms of the call are as follows: \$18,000 salary, \$8,100 housing allowance, utilities actual cost, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, \$1,500 car allowance, two weeks study leave, \$400 study Allowance, one month's vacation, \$800 expense allowance, annual review and moving expenses. The call is to be forwarded to the Presbytery of Seattle with the request that it be placed in Mr. McIvor's hands and that he be dismissed to the Presbytery of Detroit and Mr. McIvor be enrolled upon receipt of his dismissal.
4. Upon motion, Presbytery heard Henry Barnett, a representative of the congregation, and concurred with the call of Ferndale, Drayton Avenue Church for the pastoral services of The Rev. Peter C. Bower effective March 1, 1981. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government (Sections 50.01,

57,044 and 57.046) and the provisions of this Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program for calling of a pastor have been fulfilled thus meeting the requirements of the Churchwide Plan for EEO. The terms of the call are as follows: \$19,000 salary, \$6,800 housing allowance, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, \$1,900 car allowance, two weeks study leave, \$200 study/conference allowance, one month's vacation, annual review and moving expenses, \$200 book allowance, \$1500 utilities allowance. The call is to be forwarded to the Presbytery of Chicago with the request that it be placed in Mr. Bower's hands and that he be dismissed to the Presbytery of Detroit and Mr. Bower be enrolled upon receipt of his dismissal.

5. Upon motion, Presbytery concurred with the Session of the Jefferson Avenue Church, Detroit, for the contractual services of The Rev. John Halsey to become interim pastor, effective January 1, 1981 for six months, renewable for three or six months additional as required, with the following annual terms: \$20,300 salary, \$1,800 housing allowance, full pension, Blue Cross/Blue Shield hospitalization, \$2,500 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$250 study allowance, one month's vacation.
6. Upon motion, Presbytery concurred with the Session of the White Lake Church for the contractual services of The Rev. Richard Reynolds to become interim pastor, effective January 1, 1981 for a period of six months through June 30, 1981 with the following annual terms: \$17,500 salary and housing, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, \$1,200 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$200 study allowance, one month's vacation; that he be appointed moderator of the Session.
7. Upon motion, Presbytery concurred with the Session of Northside Church, Ann Arbor in extending the contract with The Rev. Peter Boeve to serve as stated supply for an additional period of twelve months from January 1, 1981.
8. Upon motion, Presbytery concurred with the Session of the Northville Church in extending the contract with The Rev. Larry McMellen to serve as part-time interim pastor through February 25, 1981.
9. Upon motion, Presbytery concurred with the Session of the Eastminster Church, Detroit in extending the contract with The Rev. David Abbott to serve as part-time interim pastor through March 31, 1981.
10. Upon motion, Presbytery concurred with the Session of the Park United Church, Highland Park in extending the contract with The Rev. Raphael Francis as stated supply through June 30, 1981.
11. Upon motion, Presbytery heard Elders Eugene Gasser and Elaine Anderson representatives of the Dearborn Woods Church and concurred with the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between The Dearborn Woods Church and The Rev. Thomas A. Bailey effective April 30, 1981 and granted Mr. Bailey the status of Honorably Retired; authorized the Session with the aid, advice and consent of the Committee on Ministerial Relations to secure temporary supplies for its pulpit.

12. Upon motion, Presbytery granted to The Rev. John Douglas Clyde the status of Honorably Retired effective February 11, 1981.
13. Upon motion, Presbytery elected the following special administrative commission: The Moderator or his designee as chairperson, The Rev. David Swinehart, The Rev. John Bartko, The Rev. W. James Le Duc, Jr., Elder Kay Nelson (Lincoln Park), Elder Glen Wilber (Lincoln Park), Elder Kathy Morrison (Lincoln Park) and empower said commission to install The Rev. John K. Poland as Pastor of the Lincoln Park Church on February 3, 1981 at 7:30 p.m.
14. Upon motion, Presbytery appointed The Rev. Ronald Naylor moderator of Port Huron, Westminster Church, The Rev. James Mitcham as moderator of Detroit, Calvary Church and The Rev. James Conley moderator of Church of the Master.
15. Upon motion, Presbytery granted permission to The Rev. Robert von Oeyen to labor outside the bounds of the Presbytery for a period of one year.
16. The Committee has been advised of actions taken at the Annual Meeting of the Central Northwest Church on Monday, January 19, 1981 which indicate the church may be "affected with disorder" (Book of Order 60.04). Therefore:  
Upon motion, Presbytery elected an Administrative Commission; the task of this Commission to "visit the Detroit, Central Northwest Church, reported to be affected with disorder (Book of Order 60.04)" and make specific recommendations to the Presbytery relating to the willingness and ability of the session to "manage wisely the affairs of its church" (Book of Order 41.15). In its report, the Commission shall recommend to the Presbytery (1) whether the session should continue to function, or be replaced by an Administrative Commission of the Presbytery vested with the powers of the session; (2) to make other recommendations to the Presbytery relevant to the health and viability of the congregation. It shall provide the Presbytery with adequate supporting information in the defense of its recommendations. To accomplish its task, the Administrative Commission shall be voted the essential powers:
- (a) The power to convene the Session of the Central Northwest Church.
  - (b) The power to summon and interview individual members of the Session.
  - (c) The power to convene and interview individually, or as a staff, the employees of the church.
  - (d) The power to interview individual members of the church.
  - (e) The power to secure and examine the rolls, minutes and records of the church.
  - (f) The power to secure and examine the corporate records of the church.
  - (g) The power to retain legal counsel.
  - (h) The power to incur expense in the discharge of its duties.
  - (i) The power to secure the services of a stenographer.
  - (j) The power to supply the pulpit.
  - (k) All other such powers as are necessary.
- To transact any further business pertinent to the above item.

Presbytery elected the following persons to the above Commission:

Ministers: Edward Koster, chairperson  
Gary Douglas  
Laurel Loveless  
William Stryker

Ruling Elders: Barbara Philpott (Southfield)  
Donald Hacker (Birmingham, First)  
Clay Perry (Novi, Faith)  
Odessa Trotter (Detroit, St. John's)

17. The Committee on Ministerial Relations has been in conversation with the pastor and session of the Ward Memorial Presbyterian Church, Detroit, regarding the future viability of, and nature of the ministry and witness of that congregation. These cordial conversations have dealt with some of the alternatives which this congregation has before it.

Upon motion, Presbytery elected an Administrative Commission to "explore with the pastor, session, and members of the Ward Memorial Church, Detroit, the future direction of their witness and ministry," charged to return to the Presbytery to request any specific powers it may need to complete its work.

The Presbytery elected the following as members of the Commission:

Ministers: Gareth Baker, chairperson  
Lawrence Glenn  
John Jeffrey  
Thomas Banks

Ruling Elders: Dorothy Mirk (Greenfield)  
Eunice Bagley (Park United)  
Thomas Candler (Grosse Pointe Mem.)  
Aarne Frobom (Fraser, Peace Church)

COMMITTEE OF LOCAL CHURCH PERSONNEL PRACTICES reported through Elder Harry Kirk concerning its Delta Dental Plan.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS reported through Elder Midge Mack.

Upon motion, Presbytery elected the following:

PROGRAM AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Area II	1982	Elder Henry Gaston	Detroit, Westminster
At Large	1982	Elder Jean Russell	Drayton Avenue

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON STRUCTURE

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. Kenneth Kettlewell	Detroit, First
At Large	1981	The Rev. James Cole	Detroit, Westminster
At Large	1981	Elder Dale Johnson	Farmington
At Large	1981	The Rev. Richard Smith	St. Clair Shores, Faith
At Large	1981	Elder Ruth Will	Grandale

The following were presented for first reading as nominees as commissioners to General Assembly:

COMMISSIONERS TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Ministers

Paul H. Sutton	Southfield
William Saum	Church of Our Saviour
Gary Douglas	Church of the Covenant
John Bartko	Ecorse
Mark Allen	Orchard Lake
Robert McCreight	Belleville
Carl Geider	Ann Arbor, First
Theodore Taylor	St. Paul's

Alternates

Charles McCloskey	Alma College
James Russell	Cherry Hill

Elders

Mary Ann Gipson	Southwest
Mary Martini	Dearborn, First
Anne Rogers	Howell
Joanne Waite	Brighton
Richard Dryden	Saint Thomas
Harold Duda	Allen Park
Frederick Passage	Christ Memorial
William Cain	St. John's

Alternates

Pamela Thomas	Fort Street
Ruth Allaben	Farmington

Youth Advisory Delegate

Kenneth Harris	Monteith
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Alternate

Thomas Toonder	St. Paul's
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DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT reported through Elder Wilma Dellinger, chairperson.

COMMITTEE OF RECORD AND REVIEW reported through The Rev. John K. Sefcik, chairperson (Paper C-5).

Upon motion, Presbytery took the action on the Session Minutes and Church Records of each church as indicated in the printed report. (Paper C-5)

DEPARTMENT OF PRESBYTERY MINISTRIES reported through The Rev. J. Christopher Torrey, chairperson.

The Rev. William Cowell, vice-moderator, took the chair.

DEPARTMENT OF PROGRAM AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT reported through The Rev. John Jeffrey, vice-chairperson.

SPECIAL REPORTS

THE PRESBYTERY EXECUTIVE, Donald G. Lester reported.

THE PRESBYTERIAL reported through Elder Lois Poston, president. (Paper D-2)

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSIONS

THE WARD UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COMMISSION reported through The Rev. Paul H. Sutton, chairperson (Paper E-1).

Upon motion, Presbytery received the report of the Commission with its recommendations relating to the dissolution of the Ward United Church to be voted upon at the next Stated Meeting of Presbytery, February 24, 1981.

THE TRENTON COMMISSION reported through Elder Donn Denniston, a member of the Commission.

THE KNOX CHURCH COMMISSION reported through The Rev. James W. Kesler, chairperson.

THE OAKLAND AVENUE COMMISSION reported through The Rev. Harry L. Geissinger, chairperson.

Moderator Sutton took the chair.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Elder Midge Mack reported for the Synod Communique.

Upon motion, Presbytery adjourned at 9:30 p.m. with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by Moderator Sutton.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk

MINUTES APPROVED BY  
THE SYNOD OF THE COVENANT  
DATE May 14, 1981  
SIGNED Martha P. Martin  
STATED CLERK  
*with exception*

Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance  
April 1980 - April 1981

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	6	5	Garden City	2	2
Ann Arbor, First	4	3	Grosse Ile	3	3
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	5
Northside	1	1	Grosse Pointe Woods	4	2 & 1 ex
Westminster	2	0	Highland Park, Park	1	k
Auburn Heights	2	2	Howell	2	0
Belleville	1	1	Lincoln Park	2	1
Berkley, Greenfield	1	0	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	4	3
Birmingham, First	9	8	St. Paul's	4	3
Northbrook	4	4	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	5	Ward United	9	0
Brighton	2	2	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Canton, Geneva	2	2	Milford	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Dearborn, First	6	2	Knox	1	0
Cherry Hill	5	5	Northville	2	1
Dearborn Woods	1	1	Novi, Faith Community	1	ex
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Orchard Lake	2	1
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Plymouth	3	3
Detroit, First	2	2	Pontiac, First	2	1
Bethany	1	0	Ch. of the Atonement	1	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Calvary	1	1	Oakland Avenue	2	0
Calvin East	1	1	Port Huron, First	2	1
Calvin West	2	2	Lakeshore	1	0
Central Northwest	1	0	Westminster	1	1
Church of the Covenant	1	0	Rochester, University	3	3
Church of the Master	1	1	Roseville, Erin	2	1
Eastminster	1	1	Royal Oak, First	7	0
Evergreen Village	2	2	First United	2	2
Fort Street	2	2	Christ Memorial	1	1
Grandale	2	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	0	Lake Shore	2	2
Hope	2	2	Saline	1	1
Jefferson Avenue	3	3	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	1
Leitch	1	1	Southfield, United	2	1
Monteith	1	1	Korean	1	0
Redford	5	4	South Lyon	2	2
St. James	1	0	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	ex
St. John's	2	2	Taylor, Southminster	2	2
Southwest Community	1	2	Trenton	2	0
Trinity	1	1	Troy, First	2	2
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Northminster	1	1
Village	2	1	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Ward Memorial	1	0	Warren, First	1	1
Westminster	4	4	Celtic Cross	1	1
Edward Avenue	1	0	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Drayton Plains	2	2	Wayne, First	1	1
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	ex	W. Blmfld., Ch. of our		
Ecorse	1	1	Saviour	1	1
Farmington	3	3	Westland, Kirk of our		
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	3	2	Savior	1	0
Fraser, Peace	1	1	White Lake	1	1
			Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	0

REPORT OF RECORD AND REVIEW COMMITTEE  
 Local Church Development Department  
 Presbytery of Detroit  
 December 1980

The Record and Review Committee recommends the following actions on the Session Minutes and Church Records of each church as indicated:

AREA I

- Detroit, Bethany: Exceptions--Clerk's signature required July 3, 1979 and August 12, 1979 and following months through 7/6/80.
- Detroit, Calvin East: Exceptions--Members present not listed p.100,119,122,123; no opening prayer p.101; no closing prayer p.103; addition to by-laws: "Calvin East United Presbyterian Church properties, both real and personal, and its deeds, and records are in fact its own, and are not held in trust for any other judicatory of the United Presbyterian Church or any successor, denomination, or ecumenical entity." is out of order. (See 62.08, 62.12)
- Detroit, Church of the Covenant: Exceptions--New members and infant and adult baptisms not recorded p.401,404,405,408. Otherwise minutes well done and up-to-date.
- Detroit, Gratiot: Exceptions--Place of meetings not noted; minutes of 3/24,4/8,6/6/79 not approved. No financial reports 3/25,4/8,5/20/79. Approval of Lord's Supper not recorded, nor number receiving it. Abbreviations used p.58. No record of baptism in Session minutes. Church Register not up-to-date.
- Detroit, Jefferson Avenue: No exceptions. Very good records.
- Detroit, St. James: Exception--signature of clerk missing p.286. Very good records.
- Detroit, St. John's: No exceptions. Excellent records.
- East Detroit, Covenant: No exceptions. Excellent records.
- Fraser, Peace: No exceptions. Good records, complete, neatly typed.
- Grosse Pointe Memorial: No exceptions. Very good minutes and records.
- Grosse Pointe Woods: Exceptions--No annual statistical report. Good records.
- Mt. Clemens, First: Exceptions--Time and attendance not recorded at some meetings. No audit report. Very good minutes.
- Mt. Clemens, Knox: Exception--Record and Review committee not permitted to review Session Minutes and Church Register by church. Refusal was communicated to Administrative Commission on Knox.
- Port Huron, First: Exception--Removal of an old house not approved by the Presbytery. (See 62.08, 62.12 Book of Order) Very good minutes.
- Port Huron, Lakeshore: No exceptions. Good minutes and records.
- Port Huron, Westminster: Exceptions--Church Register being done in pencil; Session minutes unsigned; attendance, prayer at Session meeting p.18 not recorded.
- St. Clair Shores, Faith: No exceptions. Very good minutes.
- St. Clair Shores, Lake Shore: Exceptions--p.417 no moderator noted; Jefferson house sold and removed from property without permission of Presbytery noted in the Session minutes. (See Book of Order 62.08, 62.12)
- Roseville, Erin: Exception--signature of clerk missing 2/13/80. Good records.
- Utica, Sterling Heights: No exceptions. Excellent records.
- Warren, Celtic Cross: No exceptions. Excellent records.

AREA II

- Berkley, Greenfield: Exceptions--elders excused or absent omitted p.49,53; attendance omitted p.64; clerk's signature missing p.48; annual statistical report not recorded. Excellent otherwise.
- Detroit, First: Exceptions--Affiliate member's churches and city not recorded; members cannot be received by an elder or pastor but by Session only; no public reception indicated of new members; dismissions not up to date for second year; no annual statistical report; review of pastor's salary not indicated in Session minutes.
- Detroit, Broadstreet: Exceptions--some elder's name not listed as in attendance p.297; excused and absent not listed; Lord's Supper attendance not listed p.295. Minutes clear and concise.



AREA II (continued)

Detroit, Calvary: Exception--Church Register incomplete.

Detroit, Central Northwest: Exceptions--Elders excused or absent from Session meeting not listed; public reception of members not indicated; elder commissioner to Presbytery not always elected; otherwise records well written.

Detroit, Fort Street: No exceptions. Excellent records.

Detroit, Hope United: Exception--Church Register has several omissions. Excellent Session minutes.

Detroit, Montieth Memorial: Exceptions--excused and absent elders not recorded p.253,258; annual statistical report not included; minutes are concise, exact and well written. Church Register up-to-date and well kept.

Detroit, Trumbull Avenue: Exception--no annual statistical report. An excellent set of records.

Detroit, Ward Memorial: Exceptions--Number receiving Lord's Supper not indicated p.230, 233; incomplete data on baptisms p.227; Church Register incomplete. Session minutes excellent.

Detroit, Westminster: Exceptions--Number receiving Lord's Supper not indicated p.1268; dismissions not noted in Church Register p.1271; adult baptisms not in Church Register p.1279; Session minutes not signed p.1281. Session minutes are well written.

Detroit, Woodward Avenue: Exceptions--marriage not in Church Register p.317; elders excused and absent omitted p.334,335; number receiving Lord's Supper omitted; elder commissioner not always reported; annual statistical report not included.

Ferndale, Drayton Avenue: No exceptions. Excellent minutes.

Highland Park, Park United: Exceptions--Baptisms not placed in Church Register p.277,292. Excellent minutes.

Royal Oak, First: No exceptions. Delightful set of books to review.

Royal Oak, First United: No exceptions. Excellent.

Royal Oak, Christ Memorial: Exceptions--Baptism #710 is in Church Register but not in Session minutes; public receptions of new member should be noted in Session minutes; some Session minutes not signed by clerk. Much improved records.

Southfield, United: Exception--Baptisms recorded in Church Register but not included in Session minutes. Most concise and complete set of records.

Southfield, Korean: Exceptions--No record of Administration of Lord's Supper, pastor's salary review not indicated. The same exceptions were true in 1979. No Church Register was made available for review.

Warren, First: Excellent records. No exceptions.

AREA III

Allen Park, First: No exceptions. Records excellent.

Dearborn, First: No exceptions. Records excellent.

Dearborn, Dearborn Woods: Exceptions--Church Register roll of deaths not maintained since 9/20/78. Dismissions not recorded in Church Register p.170,173,181,183,205. Records well written.

Dearborn, Littlefield Boulevard: No exceptions. Records very well done.

Detroit, Calvin West: No exceptions. Records well kept.

Detroit, Church of the Master: No exceptions. Session minutes well written and easy to read.

Detroit, Evergreen Village: Exceptions--some unnecessary recording; Session cannot elect elders and deacons p.38 (See Book of Order 47.013). Session minutes well done.

Detroit, Grandale: Exceptions--Officers elected at congregational meeting not always listed in church register; records are well kept and in very good order.

AREA III (continued)

Detroit, Leitch Memorial: Exceptions--Baptisms in Church Register but not in Session minutes; transfer of members must include name of church to which they are transferred p.164; no elected commissioner to Presbytery indicated in minutes; Disciplines of Session must show Book of Order paragraph number of discipline exercised. No nominating committee elected by the congregation.

Detroit, Military Avenue: Exception--no commissioner elected to Presbytery recorded in minutes.

Detroit, Redford: Exceptions--No report of commissioner to Presbytery in Session minutes. Clerk's signature missing p.167. Records are very well kept.

Detroit, Southwest: No exceptions. Records are a joy to read, excellently organized, thoroughly written.

Ecorse, First: No exceptions. Session minutes and Church Register well done.

Grosse Ile, First: No exceptions. Excellent records.

Lincoln Park, First: Exceptions--no blank pages should be left in the Session minutes p.82. Session Minutes and Church Register well kept.

Taylor, Southminster: No exceptions. Records very well kept.

Trenton, First: Exception--Session minutes and Church Register were refused by church for review. Refusal was reported to the Administrative Commission on Trenton.

Wyandotte, First: Exceptions--Moderator's name omitted p.249, unnecessary recording of names of persons making or supporting motions; when three Boards meet together no legal actions can be taken; Church Register has erasures; no report of number receiving Lord's Supper; signature of Clerk missing p.261,262,263,264; Church Register in four books is difficult to work with when one has no numbered names; no review of pastor's salary indicated.

AREA IV

Ann Arbor, First: No exceptions. Good!

Ann Arbor, Calvary: Exceptions--Lord's Supper served in jail should indicate elder serving; signatures of temporary clerk missing p.251,252,258,270. No action of appointment of temporary clerk indicated p.48,70.

Ann Arbor, Westminster: Exceptions--approval of Session minutes not indicated in Session actions p.49-52; sheets could not be inserted and corrections are made by cross-references; clerk pro tem appointment by Session not indicated; minutes should be signed by person who recorded them; names of some people in Church Register do not correspond with Session minutes; no annual statistical report recorded.

Ann Arbor, Northside: Exceptions--Session minutes' pages not numbered consecutively; blank areas should not be on pages; quorum for congregation meeting not recorded; signature of clerk missing p.430,434,436; unnecessary details recorded; no indication of commissioner to Presbytery report to Session; minutes 2/20/80 have no closing prayer or who was clerk; no annual statistical report recorded.

Belleville: Exceptions--Church Register has date license issued missing; date of marriage not same in Church Register as it is in Session Minutes p.311; transfer of members should have Book of Order dismissions paragraph numbers; minutes of Special Congregational meetings 3/5,10/14 and Session meeting 7/1 missing.

Brighton, First: Exceptions--date of issuance of marriage license must be in Church Register; duplicate recording of a death; report the serving of the Lord's Supper (number receiving it) at next meeting; appointment of clerk pro tem not recorded p.278,281; annual report not complete.

Canton, Geneva: Exceptions--Time of some meetings not indicated; Lord's Supper not recorded sometimes; Dismissal of members should record Book of Order paragraph number; Clerk's signature is missing p.184,186,188,189,192; no record of May 4 congregational meeting; no record of annual report following last Session meeting in December; some information in the Church Register not complete.

AREA IV (continued)

- Dearborn, Cherry Hill: Exceptions--December 18 minutes not signed; the number receiving the Lord's Supper not recorded until after March 18; date for marriage in Session minutes and date in Church Register not same p.245; baptism not recorded in Church Register p.251; date of death in Session minutes and date in Church Register differ p.256; deaths of members not recorded in Church Register p.278,288.
- Detroit, Village United: Exceptions--no indication of the Lord's Supper of December 2; Baptism in Session record not recorded in Church Register p.21; Book of Order paragraph number for members dismissed should be used; date of transfer of members must be date of Session action; add financial statement to annual report; information about a marriage not complete in Church Register.
- Dearborn Heights, St. Marks: Exception--date members are received is the date they are received by the Session not date they appear publicly before congregation.
- Howell, First: Exceptions--no record of appointment of commissioner to Presbytery; Book of Order paragraph numbers should be used for all discipline actions; no record of administration of Lord's Supper; not clear which minutes were approved p.338; pages cannot be re-numbered in Session minutes; no pastor salary review recorded.
- Livonia, Rosedale Gardens: Exception--Discrepancies between Church Register and Session minutes in marriage dates, spelling of names, baptism records and deletion of a marriage date.
- Livonia, St. Paul's: No exceptions. Excellent records.
- Livonia, St. Timothy: Exceptions--Place of meeting not indicated; date of minutes approved not indicated; on p.527 election of clerk not indicated; annual statistical report not complete; no record of pastor's salary review.
- Livonia, Ward United: Exception--Session Minutes and Church Register were refused for review to the Presbytery committee and the refusal was related to the Administrative Commission on Ward United.
- Milan, Peoples: Exceptions--Book of Order paragraph numbers should be used for Session action of Dismissal of members; date of baptism p.42 in Session records not same as in Church Register; annual statistical report should follow last Session meeting of the year; no indication of review of pastor's salary.
- Northville, First: Exceptions--date of dismissals and additions of members is the date of the Session action; name of the commissioners to Presbytery not indicated p.445; no action indicated on review of pastor's salary; no record in Session minutes of Baptisms; clerk's signature missing p.454,455,456,457,459,460,461; Lord's Supper in August not indicated in minutes p.441; Session minutes and Church Register differ on spelling of some names; date marriage license was issued must be part of Church Register roll of marriages.
- Novi, Faith Community: Exceptions--p.46 is blank; p.53 minutes not signed by clerk; new members are received on date Session receives them not the date they are presented to congregation.
- Plymouth, First: Exceptions--Annual statistical report is inserted; signature of clerk omitted 4/28/80; marriage not in Church Register of 5/24/80.
- Saline, First: Exceptions--Book of Order paragraph numbers should be used when removing a member's name from the roll; date of transfer of member is date of Session action; some unnecessary recording; Session minutes reflect no action in appointment of Clerk pro tem, p.578,592.
- South Lyon: Not examined in 1980.
- Wayne, First: Exceptions--11/19 meeting not closed with prayer; do not use footnotes to Session minutes; some baptisms are not recorded in Church Register; some chronological roll numbers in the Session minutes do not correspond with those used in the Church Register.
- Westland, Kirk of Our Savior: No exceptions. Excellent records!

AREA IV (continued)

Ypsilanti, First: Exceptions--3/3 the time and place of meeting, opening with prayer not recorded; administration of Lord's Supper not recorded; Book of Order paragraph numbers should accompany all Session disciplines and dismissals; Deletions #748,749,715,716 are not recorded in the Church Register; Session minutes and Church Register do not spell names the same way; members deleted from roll in Session minutes p.106 are listed as dismissed to inactive roll in Church Register; #805,806 members not in Session Minutes.

AREA V

Auburn Heights, First: Exceptions--Annual statistical report should follow the December Session meeting minutes; Church Register needs a few corrections.

Birmingham, First: Exception--Church Register incomplete.

Birmingham, Northbrook: Exceptions--Annual Statistical Report should follow last Session meeting minutes of the year; person who takes Session minutes should sign them; "Suspended" is no longer used in Session disciplines.

Bloomfield Hills, Kirk in the Hills: Exceptions--Church Register incomplete--Adult baptisms not listed for several years, dates of infant baptism #1162 not same in Session minutes and Church Register. Session minutes well written.

Clarkston, Sashabaw: Exceptions--Marriages recorded in Church Register are not indicated in Session minutes; no annual statistical report recorded; no review of pastor's salary recorded.

Drayton Plains, Community: Exceptions--No footnotes should be in Session minutes; names in Church Register and those in Session minutes (1010,1593,1042,1547,1915) need correction; no annual statistical report recorded; marriages and funerals not mentioned.

Farmington, First: Exceptions--Rev. Torrey not listed in Church Register; Roll of Trustees not up to date in Church Register; clerk who records Session minutes should sign them; use words from Book of Order for disciplines ("deleted" not "dropped"); some names in Church Register need correction with their corresponding names in Session minutes.

Milford, First: Exceptions--Some member's chronological roll numbers are reversed; no record of election of clerk of Session in the Session minutes; the annual review of pastor's salary is not recorded;

Orchard Lake, Community: Exceptions--number receiving Lord's Supper should be recorded; elder commissioner to Presbytery is not indicated prior to 12/79; annual statistical report not recorded; Church Register needs correction.

Pontiac, First: Exceptions--December Session minutes list of inactive members is not recorded in the Church Register on Inactive Roll. The most complete and correct minutes reviewer read.

Pontiac, Church of the Atonement: Exceptions--Session minutes should have record of infant baptism as well as it being recorded in Church Register; no mention of marriages in Session minutes; elder commissioner to Presbytery not mentioned.

Pontiac, Joslyn Avenue: Exceptions--Signature of clerk missing on some minutes; a motion in minutes of a previous meeting that were approved cannot be added to at a subsequent meeting--properly there should be a motion to reconsider; Church Register needs correction; annual statistical report not included.

Pontiac, Oakland Avenue: Exceptions--Session minutes information and the data in Church Register do not correspond in some instances; Session minutes beyond July were refused review by the Presbytery committee, and the Administrative Commission on Oakland Avenue was informed.

Rochester, University: No Exceptions. Excellent Records.

Shelby, St. Thomas: Not examined in 1980.

AREA V (continued)

Troy, First: Exceptions--Session minutes and Church Register information do not always correspond; congregation meeting minutes of November 1979 are not recorded; legal names should be used in recording new members.

Troy, Northminster: Exceptions--No open or close with prayer on 10/6/79 and 1/27/80; Church Register and Session minute actions do not always correspond; spellings also differ. Very readable minutes.

Walled Lake, Crossroads: No exceptions. Very good minutes.

Waterford, Lakeland: No exceptions. Good to see last year's minutes corrected.

West Bloomfield, Church of Our Saviour: Exceptions--Book of Order words "deleted" and "Inactive roll" designate different status of a member and the Session minutes and Church Register confuse them; clerk did not sign any Session minutes in 1980.

White Lake: Exceptions--the number receiving the Lord's Supper should be recorded; erasures in Session minutes are not allowed; annual review of pastor's salary is not recorded.

## STATED MEETING

Date: February 24, 1981 Moderator: The Rev. Paul H. Sutton  
 Place: Detroit, Westminster Church Stated Clerk: The Rev. Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Detroit, Westminster Church, 17567 Hubbell, Detroit, Michigan on February 24, 1981 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Sutton and constituted with prayer.

WORSHIP SERVICE was led by The Rev. Gary Douglas with The Rev. Gordon P. Irvine preaching.

The Roll was taken and Stated Clerk Taylor announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Abbott	Conley	Halsey	Lister	Saum
Allen, C.	Cook	Hartley	Loveless	Schram, J.
Allen, M.	Cho	Harmon	Lumley	Schram, B.
Anderson	Crilley	Hawley	McCloskey	Sefcik
Andress	Curphey	Henderson	McCreight	Sharpless
Armstrong	Davies	Hillegonds	McGowan	Sherwin
Bailey	Dickson	Howell	MacDonald	Shook
Baker	Dotson	Ihrrie	MacPherson	Shoup
Baliad	Douglas	Irvine	Marvin	Stenner
Banks	duCille	Irwin	Mather	Stone
Barcus	Dunkelberger, M.	Jansen	Mecouch	Sunderman
Barger	Dunkelberger, R.	Jeffrey	Milford	Sutton
Bartko	Ellens	Jerome	Mishler	Swinehart
Battles	Eshleman	Jones, W.	Mitcham	Taylor, K.
Beal	Forsyth	Jones, V.	Kim	Taylor, S.
Beery	Francis	Kesler	Nagle	Taylor, T.
Blackshear	Geissinger	Kettlewell	Naylor	Todd, D.
Boeve	Gensheimer	Kirkman	Orr	Todd, J.
Brasure	Gepford	Koster	Palmer	Torrey
Brand	Gillette	Krehbiel	Peterson	Vernon
Brown	Gillis	Lambert	Poland	Whitledge
Cannon	Glenn	LeDuc	Pierson	Wilson
Campbell	Gooch	Lester	Ramsey	Woodruff
Cobleigh	Garypie	Leverenz	Roberts	Wu
Cole	Gruebel	Lindsey	Russell	
Coleman				

ELDERS

Allen Park	Lange, E.	Ann Arbor, First	Clyde, D.
	Martec, R.		Miner, E.
	McKee, D.		Timmons, H.
	Milotz, B.		Wilkinson, E.
	Morton, B.	Calvary	Cummins, B.
	Wagner, J.	Northside	Evans, C.
	Walker, L.	Westminster	Deal, H.

Auburn Heights	Henson, T.	Redford	Ball, E.
Belleville	Quinn, C.		Baxter, J.
Berkely	Books, S.		Kippenhan, M.
Birmingham, First	Mirk, D.		Link, M.
	Feyanson, L.		Mollon, L.
	Perkins, J.	St. James	Smith, J.
	Pruett, J.	Southwest	Gipson, M.
	Street, F.	St. Johns	Alston, W.
	Thompson, D.		Allen, H.
Northbrook	Zimmer, D.	Trinity	Wardell, T.
	Harrison, M.	Trumbull Ave.	Flack, G.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Dellinger, W.	Village United	White, M.
	Block, D.		Hanson, H.
	Denne, D.	Westminster	Bunch, D.
	Darris, C.		White, D.
	Robinson, W.	Drayton Plains	Stephens, A.
	Smith, D.		Lardis, D.
Brighton, First	Stewart, D.	Ecorse	Elliott, C.
	Dever, W.	Farmington Hills	Kinsey, S.
	Lang, F.		Johnson, D.
	Waite, J.		Allaben, R.
Canton, Geneva	Fanslow, C.	Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Neilson, H.
	Schut, K.		Rankin, S.
Dearborn, First	Brailsford, Mrs.	Fraser, Peace	Magel, J.
	Eurich, T.	Garden City	Todd, J.
	Martini, M.	Grosse Ile	Napier, D.
	Smith, R.		Jones, B.
Cherry Hill	Burke, D.		Bogen, J.
	Caddy, F.	Grosse Pointe, Memorial	Hoyt, L.
	Curth, D.		Burwell, A.
	Hohenshil, J.		Anderson, C.
	Filiak, El		Adams, M.
	Morley, R.		Adams, F.
Dearborn Woods	Hediger, E.		Sherman, A.
Littlefield	Geissinger, E.	Grosse Pointe Woods	Zech, J.
	Schebor, R.	Highland Park, Park	Darling, L.
Dearborn Heights, St. Marks	Kieltyka, D.	Howell, First	Strong, B.
Detroit, First	Thompson, C.		Rhodes, D.
	Kettlewell, J.	Lincoln Park	Nelson, K.
	Cope, D.	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	Weyer, E.
Broadstreet	Waring, A.		Hughes, R.
Calvin East	Wright, A.		Elam, D.
Calvin West	Glover, V.		Easdon, H.
Church of the Master	Burnette, M.	St. Paul's	Whitledge, V.
Covenant	Westhoff, I.		Wetters, G.
Eastminster	Bickley, G.		Miller, J.
Evergreen Village	Jagger, F.		Kelly, J.
	Manos, S.		Crain, J.
Fort Street	Winslow, P.	Milan, Peoples	Sinclair, P.
	Gough, I.	Milford	Wilson, N.
Grandale	Rogers, D.	Mt. Clemens	Eveningred, F.
	Thomas, S.		Carpenter, P.
Gratiot Ave.	Butler, J.	Northville	Williams, E.
Hope	Campbell, D.		Dyke, J.
	Rosella, E.	Orchard Lake	Hicks, H.
Jefferson Ave.	Elston, N.		Barnett, F.
Leitch Memorial	Stockwell, M.	Plymouth	Catlett, C.
Monteith Memorial			

Pontiac, First	Fischer, D.	St. Clair Shores, Faith	Cunningham, A.
Joslyn Ave.	Anderson, F.	Saline	Carmichael, R.
Atonement	Dewey, E.	Shelby Township	Dryden, D.
Port Huron, First	Freeland, B.	Southfield, United	Postiff, B.
Lakeshore	Thistlethwaite, J.	South Lyon	Hawley, H.
Westminster	Coffey, B.	Taylor, Southminster	Heath, F.
Rochester	Fearnside, T.	Troy, First	Dorotinsky, B.
Roseville, Erin	Milam, Ch.	Northminster	Nestico, K.
Royal Oak, First	Zellmer, L.	Warren, Celtic Cross	Sisunik, B.
	Mercado, P.	First	Spencer, A.
	Mack, M.	Waterford, Lakeland	Scott, M.
	Schwenk, B.	Wayne	Taylor, A.
	Fleming, G.	West Bloomfield	Vaughn, S.
	Gotch, J.	White Lake	Shoemaker, W.
	Van Dyke, R.	Wyandotte	McIntosh, L.
	Jones, L.	Ypsilanti, First	Schreiber, C.
	Weaver, H.		Dailing, M.
	Hearn, A.		Hunter, B.
			Grove, T.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.	Dill, V.	Lennox, J.
Brown, H.F.	Higgins, J.	Poston, L.
		Younkin, M.

Upon motion, Presbytery granted the following requests to be excused.  
(Paper A)

Ministers: David Antonson, Henry Borchardt, John Carroll, Douglas Carter, William Colwell, David Dresser, Ernest Dunn, Carl Geider, J. Richard Hanna, LeRoy Haynes, Carl Howie, Roland Keebler, Ray Kiely, Robert Linthicum, Lawrence McMellen, Edward Miller, Richard Peters, William Rieker, Richard Smith, Charles Sommers, Joan Stary, William Stryker, Howard Warren, Ronald Wilson.

Elders: Grosse Pointe Woods -1; Livonia, St. Timothy -1; Royal Oak Christ Memorial -1.

Upon motion, Presbytery approved the Minutes of the Stated Meeting of January 27, 1981 as printed with the following corrections: Page 2, Item C., Omnibus Motion - 2. The loan to the Novi, Faith Church is \$86,000. Page 2, Item F, from Local Church Devel. Dept., Omnibus Motion should include the following clarification of the loans for the Clarkston, Sashabaw Church; the Program Agency Loan is Loan Number 2558 with a balance on December 31, 1980 of \$31,073.81 and a loan from Presbytery of Detroit with a balance on January 15, 1981 of \$6,619.84.

Upon motion, Presbytery adopted the Docket for this meeting as printed with the following changes: Report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations to be made the order of the day at 7:00 p.m., and the report on Presbyterian Village to be the order of the day at 7:30 p.m.

Upon recommendation of the Stated Clerk, the Moderator appointed Elder Donald White of the host church as assistant to the Clerk for this meeting.

OMNIBUS MOTION (Paper B-1)

1. Reading time was held for 5 minutes.
2. Upon motion, Presbytery adopted all items under the Omnibus Motion as follows:



1. It is recommended that the Dearborn Woods Church be given permission to sell two parcels of land and to transfer title to a third parcel, as follows: (a) to sell a parcel of land 9 feet by 130 feet to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kwiecinski for \$3,000.00 cash; (b) to sell a parcel of land 116.56 feet long and varying from 0 feet wide to 15 feet wide to Mr. and Mrs. William Kmet for \$1,500.00 cash; (c) to transfer title from the church to the manse of an irregular parcel of land of triangular shape, consisting of 2,136 square feet, with no transfer of funds being involved.
2. It is recommended that the Southfield United Church be given permission to sell a 10 foot wide frontage of approximately 798 square feet to the Board of Oakland County Road Commission for \$5,000.00 cash.
3. It is recommended that when Presbytery is responsible for reimbursement for travel by automobile that the reimbursement be at the rate of 20 cents per mile.
4. It is recommended that, at the request of the congregation, the name of Church of the Atonement be changed to the Atonement Presbyterian Church.
5. It is recommended that David Antonson and James Woodard be elected to represent the Presbytery at the first annual Convocation on Ecumenism, to be held by the Michigan Council of Churches on March 28, 1981.
6. It is recommended that the Department of Presbytery Ministries be given permission to hold a Pre-Presbytery meeting in June on the subject of Peacemaking.
7. It is recommended that the Administrative Commission to install Arnold Leverenz as pastor of the Joslyn Avenue Church be dismissed

From the Department of Local Church Development

8. It is recommended that Presbytery approve a moratorium on principal payments for three years on General Assembly loans for Kirk of Our Savior, Westland, pending approval by the Division of Business Affairs.
9. It is recommended that Presbytery approve a proposal of the Orchard Lake Church to borrow up to \$35,000 for sewer hook-up pending approval by the Division of Business Affairs and information about funding sources and interest rate.
10. It is recommended that Presbytery expect no further per capita from the following churches as indicated below:

<u>Gratiot Avenue</u>	1978	\$ 265.44
	1979	46.52
<u>Village United</u>	1978	367.82
	1979	12.35

3. Report of the General Council was presented by Stated Clerk Taylor for information. (Paper B-2)

DIVISION OF MISSION SUPPORT reported through Elder Mary Younkin, chairperson.

DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

THE DEPARTMENT OF MINISTERIAL RELATIONS reported through The Rev. Richard J. Milford, chairperson. (Paper C-3)

1. Upon motion, Presbytery heard Elder Robert Carmichael, a representative of the congregation and concurred with the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between Saline, First Church and The Rev. Richard W. Todd effective February 28, 1981; authorized the Session with the aid, advice and consent of the Committee on Ministerial Relations to secure temporary supplies for its pulpit.
2. Upon motion, Presbytery concurred with the dissolution of the stated supply relationship between Detroit, Trinity Church and The Rev. Frank duCille effective March 1, 1981; authorized the Session with the aid, advice and consent of the Committee on Ministerial Relations to secure temporary supplies for its pulpit.
3. Upon motion, Presbytery heard Elder Lynn R. Zellmer, a representative of the congregation, and concurred with the call of the Rochester, University Church for the associate pastoral services of Candidate Judy Mitchell Todd (pending her ordination) and The Rev. Richard W. Todd, together working 1.4 jobs, effective March 1, 1981. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government (Sections 50.01, 57.044 and 57.046) and the provisions of this Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program for calling of a pastor have been fulfilled thus meeting the requirements of the churchwide plan for EEO. The terms of the call for Ms. Todd are as follows: \$8,180 salary, \$6,320 housing allowance, full pension, \$1,260 auto allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$250 study allowance, one month's vacation, annual review and \$1,250 moving expenses. The terms of the call for Mr. Todd are as follows: \$8,180 salary, \$6,320 housing allowance, full pension, \$1,260 auto allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$250 study allowance, one month's vacation, annual review and \$1,250 moving expenses; enroll Ms. Todd upon ordination, place the call in the Todds' hands; elect the following special administrative commission: The Rev. William Colwell, chairperson, The Rev. David Blackshear, The Rev. Donald Lester, The Rev. William Saum, Elders Nancy Beauchamp (University Church), Thomas Nissen (University Church), Pam Crosshane (Saline, First), Janet Hansen (Saline, First); empower said commission to ordain and install Ms. Todd and install Mr. Todd at University Church, 7:00 p.m., March 8, 1981.
4. Upon motion, Presbytery elected the following special administrative commission for the installation of The Rev. Peter Bower as pastor at the Drayton Avenue Church, Ferndale on March 29, 1981 at 10:30 a.m.; The Rev. John Halsey, chairperson, The Rev. Donald G. Lester, The Rev. Edward Miller, Elders Henry Barnett, Gene Brown and Merle Williamson (Drayton Avenue).
5. Upon motion, Presbytery approved the following change in the terms of call for The Rev. Gerald Cobleigh, pastor at Rosedale Gardens Church, Livonia: \$29,000 salary including \$11,000 for housing allowance and utilities, \$2,100 auto allowance, \$800 study leave,

2% hospitalization deductible, full pension, effective January 21, 1981.

6. Upon motion, Presbytery approved the status of Honorable Retirement of The Rev. George Jerome, effective February 21, 1981.
7. Presbytery found that the ministry of the following persons qualifies them for continuing membership for the next year:  
HONORABLY RETIRED: Platte Amstutz, Alton Cressman, Lloyd Brasure, Wanzer Brunelle, Ernest Dunn, Frank Fitt, William Ferry, Allan Frew, Rudolph Garypie, Paul Gillis, W. Glen Harris, Ralph Hawley, D. Keith Irwin, Andrew Janssen, Walter Jenkins, Charles Kennedy, George Kind, Willard Lampe, Robert Lucero, Wilson Moore, Kenneth Neigh, Einar Oftedahl, Norman Riedesel, R. Robert Rives, Ernest Schroeder, Gene Stone, John Stone, Hubert Sunderman, George Sweet, Stanley M. Taylor, Kemper Taylor, John Visser, Henry Walch, Samuel C. Weir, Richard Williams, Allan Zaun, Manson Lowe.  
SPECIALIZED MINISTRIES CLERGY: David Abbott, Alfredo Baliad, Ivan Benedict, Peter Boeve, Henry Borchardt, James Kenneth Brand, James Campbell, Lawrence Cater, Sung Gul Cho, Douglas Clyde, Donald Coleman, James Conley, Ellis Deibler, Paul Dotson, Richard Dunkelberger, Craig Dykstra, Harold Ellens, Donald Flowers, John Foster, David Noel Freedman, Carl Gundersen, Ross Gooch, Thomson Heinrichs, Benjamin Helmke, Chase S. Hunt, Gordon Irvine, George Jerome, Robert Johnson, David Krehbiel, John Kuckuk, Benjamin Lane, Donald G. Lester, John MacInnes, Donald MacPherson, William McLeister, Donald Muench, John Mecouch, Charles McCloskey, Lawrence McMellen, Edward Miller, James Mitcham, Francis Nagy, Robert von Oeyen, Jr., William Rieker, Roger Ring, Hendrik van Sluijs, L. J. Peterson, Theodore Taylor, II, Louis Thompson, Walter White.

The following specialized ministries' clergy have failed to file their annual report on time and have not returned the second form mailed to them. If we do not receive their forms before the April 9 meeting of the Committee on Ministerial Relations, they will be recommended for the Inactive Roll of Presbytery: William Dunifon, Richard Meske, Charles Rassi, Albert Ratcliffe and Robert Way.

8. Upon motion, Presbytery removed The Rev. Paul Cross from the Inactive Roll and placed his name back on the Active Roll of the Presbytery of Detroit. (Book of Order 82.19)
9. Upon motion, Presbytery appointed The Rev. David Eshleman as moderator of Detroit, Trinity Church and The Rev. Vern Campbell as moderator of Saline, First Church.

#### PRESBYTERY MINISTRIES

PRESBYTERIAN VILLAGE reported through The Rev. Richard Dunkelberger, Executive Director.

COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATES reported through The Rev. Edward Pierson. Mrs. Judy Mitchell Todd, a member of Saline, First Church, and a graduate of McCormick Theological Seminary was presented. Mrs. Todd has passed all her trials for ordination and has been examined by Presbytery's Committee on Candidates and deemed fully qualified for ordination. Mrs. Todd read her statement of Faith. (Paper C-2)

Upon motion, Presbytery arrested Mrs. Todd's examination.

Upon motion, Presbytery sustained Mrs. Todd's examination and approved her for ordination.

DEPARTMENT OF PROGRAM AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT reported through The Rev. John Jeffrey, vice-chairperson.

DEPARTMENT OF PRESBYTERY MINISTRIES reported through The Rev. J. Christopher Torrey, chairperson.

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT reported through Elder Wilma Dellinger, chairperson.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS reported through Elder Sally Rankin.

1. Upon motion, Presbytery elected the following persons:

To the Department of Local Church Development:

Area V	1981	Elder Lorraine Johnson	Farmington, First
Area V	1982	The Rev. Richard Reynolds	White Lake
Area V	1983	The Rev. Jenny Schram	Sashabaw

To the Department of Personnel and Committee on Ministerial Relations:

Area I	1981	Elder Keith Balcom	Utica
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To the Department of Program and Resource Development:

Area V	1981	Elder Lorraine Johnson	Lakeland
Area V	1981	Elder Nona Thompson	Drayton Plains
At Large	1981	Elder Donald Glover	Jefferson Avenue
At Large	1982	Elder Evelyn Rigby	Calvin East
At Large	1982	The Rev. John Halsey	Jefferson Avenue
Area V	1983	Elder Mary Kathryn Cakes	Drayton Plains
At Large	1983	The Rev. John Poland	Lincoln Park
At Large	1983	Elder Jo Gray	Orchard Lake

2. Upon motion Presbytery elected the following commissioners to General Assembly:

<u>Ministers</u>	Paul H. Sutton	Southfield
	William Saum	Church of Our Saviour
	Gary Douglas	Church of the Covenant
	John Bartko	Ecorse
	Mark Allen	Orchard Lake
	Robert McCreight	Belleville
	Carl Geider	Ann Arbor, First
	Theodore Taylor	St. Paul's

<u>Alternates</u>	Charles McCloskey	Alma College
	James Russell	Cherry Hill

<u>Elders</u>	Mary Ann Gipson	Southwest
	Mary Martini	Dearborn, First
	Anne Rogers	Howell
	Joanne Waite	Brighton

Richard Dryden	Saint Thomas
Harold Duda	Allen Park
Frederick Passage	Christ Memorial
William Cain	St. John's

<u>Alternates</u>	Pamela Thomas	Fort Street
	Ruth Allaben	Farmington

<u>Youth Advisory Delegate</u>	Kenneth Harris	Monteith
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<u>Alternate</u>	Thomas Toonder	St. Paul's
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3. Presbytery received the following nominations as commissioners to Synod of the Covenant:

Ministers - 2 yr. term

Jenny Shram	Sashabaw
William Schram	Sashabaw
Ronald Naylor	Port Huron, First
David Eshleman	Grosse Pointe Woods
Henry Stenner	Milford
J. Christopher Torrey	Farmington
J. Rodney Real	Royal Oak, First United

- 1 yr. term

James Cole	Detroit, Westminster
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<u>Alternates</u>	William Hillegonds	Ann Arbor, First
	Arnold Leverenz	Joslyn Avenue

<u>Elders</u>	Daisy Washburn	Southwest
	Janet Cobb	Dearborn, First
	Jean Russell	Drayton Avenue
	Fletcher Street	Birmingham, First
	Lura Hugel	Greenfield
	Louise Hoyt	Grosse Pointe Memorial
	Lawrence Harman	Northside

<u>Alternates</u>	Jacqueline Bender	Broadstreet
	Grace Heatley	Fort Street

Youth Advisory Delegates

Christine Stoner	Detroit, First
Kenneth Ryall	Garden City
Richard LeMaster	Northside

COMMITTEE ON PRESBYTERY STRUCTURE reported through The Rev. Kenneth Kettlewell, chairperson.

The following changes were reported for a first reading with action to be taken at the April Stated Meeting of Presbytery. (Paper C-9)

A. Chapter III Meetings of Presbytery

Section 1: Stated Meetings

Paragraph A

Page 1	lines 45 and 46	Delete: "and December"
	line 45	Add: "and" November,

B. Chapter VI — Presbytery Council  
 Section I: Composition  
 Paragraph D  
 (Item 9)

Page 9 line 6 Add: "The Vice-Moderator of Presbytery during his term of office shall serve as chairperson of the Committee on Bills and Overtures."

PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION decision concerning the complaint of Jerome Forster, a member of the First United Presbyterian Church, Royal Oak was read by Stated Clerk Taylor.

The decision in the Case of Jerome Forster, a member of the First United Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak, Michigan, complaining on June 5, 1980 against action of the Session of the First United Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak, Michigan of May 12, 1980.

Meeting on November 17, 1980, the Judicial Commission found the complaint of Jerome Forster, a member of the First United Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak, Michigan, against action of the Session of the First United Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak, Michigan, to be in order according to The Book of Church Discipline, 86.05 paragraph a. and timely according to The Book of Church Discipline, 86.08, Remedial Cases.

Both Complainant and Respondent were given opportunity to file briefs and declined to do so.

Both Complainant and Respondent were given opportunity to appear before the Judicial Commission and declined to do so.

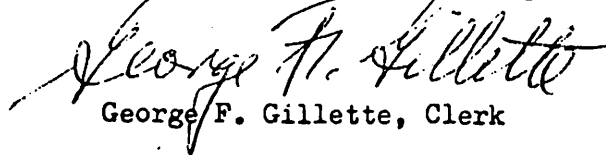
The Judicial Commission met on January 28, 1981 at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Detroit, Michigan and found the action of the Session of the First United Presbyterian Church, Royal Oak, Michigan, of May 12, 1980, to be irregular and contrary to the Directory For Worship, Chapter V, Sec. 20.02 and Chapter VI, Sec. 21.04 and the Form of Government, Chapter XI, Sec. 41.06, and therefore sustains the complaint of Jerome Forster of June 5, 1980. The Judicial Commission, in its reading of The Directory For Worship, 21.04, second paragraph, is convinced that an invitation to the Lord's Supper shall include "all who confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and shall include baptized children who are being nurtured and instructed" and that there is no exclusion provided because of age. This was the unanimous decision of the members of the Judicial Commission present on that evening.

The Judicial Commission further directs the Session of the First United Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak, Michigan to rescind its action of May 12, 1980, that children seeking admittance to the Lord's Supper should be in the sixth grade.

Absent and not voting in the decision of the Judicial Commission of the Presbytery of Detroit were the Rev. Ralph C. Stribe, Jr. and the Rev. E. Dickson Forsyth.

Certified to be a true copy of the decision of the Judicial Commission of the Presbytery of Detroit taken at its meeting of January 28, 1981, meeting in the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Detroit, Michigan.

Jesse Bacalis  
John Foster  
Frank Zinn

  
George F. Gillette, Clerk

  
H. Franklin Brown, Acting Moderator

The Rev. Harry Geissinger, Past Moderator took the chair.

PRESBYTERY EXECUTIVE, The Rev. Donald G. Lester reported.

THE COUNCIL OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES reported through Elder Jean Perkins.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSIONS

THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON THE LIVONIA, WARD UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH reported through The Rev. Paul H. Sutton, chairperson (Paper E-1) Upon motion, Presbytery took the following actions:

- A. Dissolve the Ward United Presbyterian Church effective February 24, 1981 per 42:08 of the Book of Order.
- B. Receive the properties and assets of the Ward United Presbyterian Church and direct the Trustees of the Presbytery of Detroit to arrange for their transfer to the Ward Presbyterian Church of Livonia, Michigan (check correct title) subject to the conditions described in Section C immediately below.
- C. That the Presbytery of Detroit agree to receive on behalf of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. the sum of \$550,000 payable during years 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984 and 1985 in accordance with the agreement at the end of this report.
- D. That the Presbytery instruct its legal counsel to arrange for the removal of the Presbytery of Detroit, Inc. from any contingent liability for unpaid mortgages or other financial obligations of either the Ward United Presbyterian Church, the Ward Presbyterian Church of Livonia, or the Trinity Presbyterian Church, Superior Township, Washtenaw County.
- E. That the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Detroit be instructed to notify the membership of the Ward United Presbyterian Church that the congregation has been formally dissolved by the Presbytery effective February 24, 1981 and that the rolls are technically under the oversight of the Presbytery.
- F. That the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Detroit be empowered to grant letters of transfer for the former members of the Ward United Presbyterian Church to other United Presbyterian congregations or bodies in correspondence with this Church, and that at a point twelve months from the dissolution of the Ward United Presbyterian Church the Clerk delete from Presbytery's roll the names of persons who have not so acted.

- G. That during years 3 and 5 of the life of this proposal, Presbytery's Council initiate conversations with Ward about the possibility of the church petitioning the judicatory to once again become a United Presbyterian congregation.
- H. That Presbytery's Council, through the office of the Treasurer, monitor the payments from Ward to the Presbytery and other United Presbyterian Judicatories, and take appropriate action in the event of default.

THE TRENTON COMMISSION reported through The Rev. William F. Whitley, chairperson. (Paper F-2)

Moderator Sutton took the chair.

THE KNOX COMMISSION reported through The Rev. James W. Kesler, chairperson.

THE OAKLAND AVENUE COMMISSION reported through The Rev. Harry L. Geissinger, chairperson.

THE DETROIT CENTRAL NORTHWEST CHURCH COMMISSION reported through The Rev. Edward H. Koster, chairperson. (Paper E-5)  
Upon motion, Presbytery received and adopted the following report:

This administrative commission was formed by the Presbytery of Detroit at its meeting of January 27, 1981, for the purpose of determining if Central Northwest Church is "affected with disorder", and to determine if its Session is able to "manage wisely the affairs of its church".

To these ends, this commission has met three times, one of which was designed to meet with the Session of Central Northwest Church. The Session did not appear at the meeting convened for them.

To date, there has been no face to face meeting with any representative of Central Northwest Church. In various phone conversations with the Clerk of Session, Mr. Charles Talbot, the only agenda that was open for discussion is the withdrawal from the denomination.

This Commission therefore finds that:

Central Northwest United Presbyterian Church is "affected with disorder" in that:

1. At a meeting of its corporation on January 19, 1981, it voted to "withdraw its affiliation with the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, effective immediately".
2. This action of the corporation is in violation of the principles of this denomination and our Constitution, which make no provision for withdrawing from affiliation in this way.
3. The Session of Central Northwest Church is meeting without the presence of the Moderator appointed by the Presbytery of Detroit.



The Session of Central Northwest United Presbyterian Church has not "managed wisely the affairs of its church" in that:

1. It has not made adequate use of the procedures and resources available to them to assist in resolution of problems they have with various positions and actions of this denomination and this presbytery.
2. It has refused to make provision for the discussion of these problems with this Commission.

Therefore this Commission makes the following motions:

1. That the Presbytery of Detroit remove the Session of Central Northwest United Presbyterian Church.
2. That the Presbytery of Detroit replace the Session of Central Northwest United Presbyterian Church with a Commission.
3. That this commission have the following powers:
  - (1) To dissolve the Congregation of Central Northwest United Presbyterian Church if it demonstrates itself to have become extinct.
  - (2) If this Commission chooses to dissolve the Congregation of Central Northwest United Presbyterian Church, to make provision for the continuing pastoral care of those who remain loyal to the United Presbyterian Church.
  - (3) To negotiate a property settlement with the members of the extinct congregation at that location, or any other party, in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the General Assembly, which will be submitted to the Presbytery for final approval.
  - (4) To supply the pulpit.
  - (5) If deemed necessary, to seek legal counsel and institute legal proceedings in support of the powers given by this Presbytery.
  - (6) To incur expenses for carrying out the responsibilities of this Commission.
  - (7) Any other powers as may be essential for this Commission to carry out Responsibilities.
4. That the current Administrative Commission be dissolved, and that another Administrative Commission be established to carry out the responsibilities outlined above. We recommend that the following people be appointed as members of this Commission with a quorum of 5:

Edward H. Koster (Chairman)  
Laurel Loveless  
Gary Douglas  
William Stryker

Ministers

Barbara Philpott	(Southfield)	Ruling Elders
Donald Hacker	(Birmingham, First)	
Clay Perry	(Novi, Faith)	
Odessa Trotter	(St. John's)	

Upon motion, Presbytery adjourned at 9:00 p.m. with prayer and the  
Apostolic Benediction by Moderator Sutton.

*Stanley M. Taylor*

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Stated Clerk

Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance  
 April 1980 - April 1981

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	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	6	6	Garden City	2	1
Ann Arbor, First	4	4	Grosse Ile	3	3
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	6
Northside	1	1	Grosse Pointe Woods	4	1 & lex
Westminster	2	1	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Auburn Heights	2	2	Howell	2	2
Belleville	1	1	Lincoln Park	2	1
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	4	4
Birmingham, First	9	6	St. Paul's	4	4
Northbrook	4	2	St. Timothy	1	ex
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	6			
Brighton	2	2	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Canton, Geneva	2	2	Milford	2	1
Clarkston, Sashabaw	1	0	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Dearborn, First	6	4	Knox	1	0
Cherry Hill	5	5	Northville	2	2
Dearborn Woods	1	1	Novi, Faith Community	1	0
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Orchard Lake	2	2
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Plymouth	3	1
Detroit, First	2	2	Pontiac, First	2	2
Bethany	1	0	Ch. of the Atonement	1	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Calvary	1	0	Oakland Avenue	2	0
Calvin East	1	1	Port Huron, First	2	2
Calvin West	2	1	Lakeshore	1	0
Central Northwest	1	0	Westminster	1	0
Church of the Covenant	1	0	Rochester, University	3	3
Church of the Master	1	1	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Eastminster	1	1	Royal Oak, First	7	3
Evergreen Village	2	2	First United	2	2
Fort Street	2	2	Christ Memorial	1	ex
Grandale	2	2	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	Lake Shore	2	0
Hope	2	2	Saline	1	1
Jefferson Avenue	3	1	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	1
Leitch	1	1	Southfield, United	2	2
			Korean	1	0
Monteith	1	1	South Lyon	2	1
Redford	5	5	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	0
St. James	1	1	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
St. John's	2	2	Trenton	2	0
Southwest Community	1	1	Troy, First	2	2
Trinity	1	1	Northminster	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	0
Village	2	2	Warren, First	1	1
Ward Memorial	1	0	Celtic Cross	1	1
Westminster	4	2	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Edward Avenue	1	0	Wayne, First	1	1
Dr. on Plains	2	2	W. Blmfld., Ch. of our		
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	Saviour	1	1
Ecorse	1	1	Westland, Kirk of our		
Farmington	3	3	Savior	1	0
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	3	2	White Lake	1	1
Fraser, Peace	1	1	Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	1

I. Background

On June 23, 1980 the congregation of Ward United Presbyterian Church was convened by its Session to vote on a proposal to "Dissociate itself from the United Presbyterian Church U.S.A.". The proposal, which bore the endorsement of the 4 pastors, was approved by a vote of 2,133 to 5. It was an act both unilateral and decisive.

On June 24th, Presbytery elected an administrative commission to investigate the matter and make recommendations to the presbytery regarding the session's ability and willingness to manage wisely the affairs of the church, and the future status of the pastors. On June 30th, 1980 that commission reported to the presbytery. It was recommended that the session be replaced by a commission of the presbytery empowered to administer the affairs of the church. The 4 pastors of Ward United renounced the jurisdiction of the Denomination at that time, and were erased from presbytery's rolls. Presbytery had found the church to be "affected with disorder".

The present administrative commission, vested with the powers of the session, was elected by the Presbytery of Detroit and began its work immediately. The Rev. Richard Milford resigned as of January 1, 1981 because he became Chairperson of Ministerial Relations. The Commission has concluded its work, therefore, with 7 members.

II. Process

The Commission chose to establish positive rapport and communication with the leadership of the church "attempting to withdraw". The Commission, acted to grant the former session of Ward Church permission to administer the church's affairs on the commission's behalf for 90 days. This permission was later renewed.

The Commission established a "cooling off period" during which conversation between the two groups could take place. The Commission requested the rolls, records and minutes of the church. The Commission requested a joint meeting with the former session. These requests were denied. The Commission attempted to contact the membership of the congregation to determine whether there was a loyal remnant interested in a future life in the United Presbyterian Church. Using the newspaper to invite the congregation, the Commission held a consultation at Village United Presbyterian Church on September 29th. No loyal remnant appeared.

In consort with 3 other administrative commissions of the Presbytery, this commission developed and adopted a strategy paper which it used in its dealings with Ward Church. This paper was presented to the Presbytery for information on September 23, 1980. This commission adopted it and has functioned within the areas it describes. The Commission has functioned in the following manner:

- (1) The Commission attempted to affect reconciliation between Ward Church and the Presbytery. The Commission consulted with Ward's leaders to determine the changes needed in the Denomination to effect reconciliation. Papers were shared, and joint meetings were held to explore the possibility of reconciliation. At the close of 1980 the prospects of reconciliation seemed distant. It was recognized that the changes would require actions by General Assembly over several years, and that the thought of keeping the church's future unresolved was not acceptable. It was agreed that reconciliation is still to be pursued. The proposal not presented to the Presbytery provides for a re-examination of Ward's status at least twice in the next 5 years.

- (2) The Commission suggested the Ward Church reconsider its June 23, 1980 action and instead, petition the Presbytery of Detroit to transfer to another denomination in correspondence with the United Presbyteryan General Assembly. The Commission failed to achieve this objective.
- (3) Beginning on January 9, 1981, the Commission and representatives of Ward Church began to discuss ways in which Presbytery could deal with the issue of property enabling the members of Ward to withdraw from the United Presbyterian Church. This proposal presented to the Presbytery of Detroit on January 27, 1981 is the result of those deliberations.

### III. Objectives

In presenting its final recommendations to the Presbytery of Detroit, the Commission maintained and worked within the following goals and objectives.

- (A) Compassion and a continued commitment to reconciliation beyond the point of legal termination of presbytery's relationship with Ward United Church.
  - 1. The Commission's objective was to complete the process without a public expose of intra-United Presbyterian conflict. We planned a process and achieved an outcome designed to avoid charges and counter-charges in the public media.
  - 2. It was the Commission's objective to avoid any effort to move the matter into civil court. To that end we worked to avoid the involvement of our attorney, George Bushnell, in direct dealings with Ward. We did have Mr. Bushnell review our work periodically.
- (B) Legality and a solution within both the letter and spirit of the constitution of the United Presbyterian Church U.S.A.
  - 1. It was our goal obligation to exercise the presbytery's powers as the session of Ward Church, and provide shelter and pastoral care for the church's members. Our attempts to do so, particularly through the consultation of September 29, 1980 have led us to conclude that there is no constituency in the membership of Ward United Church interesting in availing itself of that shelter and oversight. At Ward we perceive there is no visible "loyal remnant".
  - 2. It was our obligation to safeguard the assets of Ward United Presbyterian Church for the future use of United Presbyterian judicatories. The Commission worked to secure "adequate compensation" for the transfer of the Ward United Presbyterian Church properties to the continuing group. In this proposal presented to the Presbytery for first reading January 27, 1981, the Commission is convinced that Presbytery is receiving as much of a "fair market value" settlement as it could possibly expect.
  - 3. It is our objective to present a solution that is legally binding upon the subject parties. To this end the settlement will be accomplished through the preparation and execution of legal documents accoptable to the legal counsel of the Commission, which provide for:
    - (a) An orderly transfer of the properties to the new congregation no longer related to the Presbytery of Detroit.
    - (b) A legally binding document which assures the Presbytery proper access to the funds agreed to in the financial settlement.

- (c) A legal agreement with the lending institutions which provided mortgage funding for the construction of the Ward Church which releases the Presbytery of Detroit from any contingent liability for their payment.

#### IV. Proposal

It is proposed that the Presbytery of Detroit receive the following motion for first reading at its Stated Meeting of January 27, 1981, and that action be voted at the Stated Meeting of the Presbytery to be held at Detroit, Westminster Church on February 24, 1981 at 6:00 P.M.

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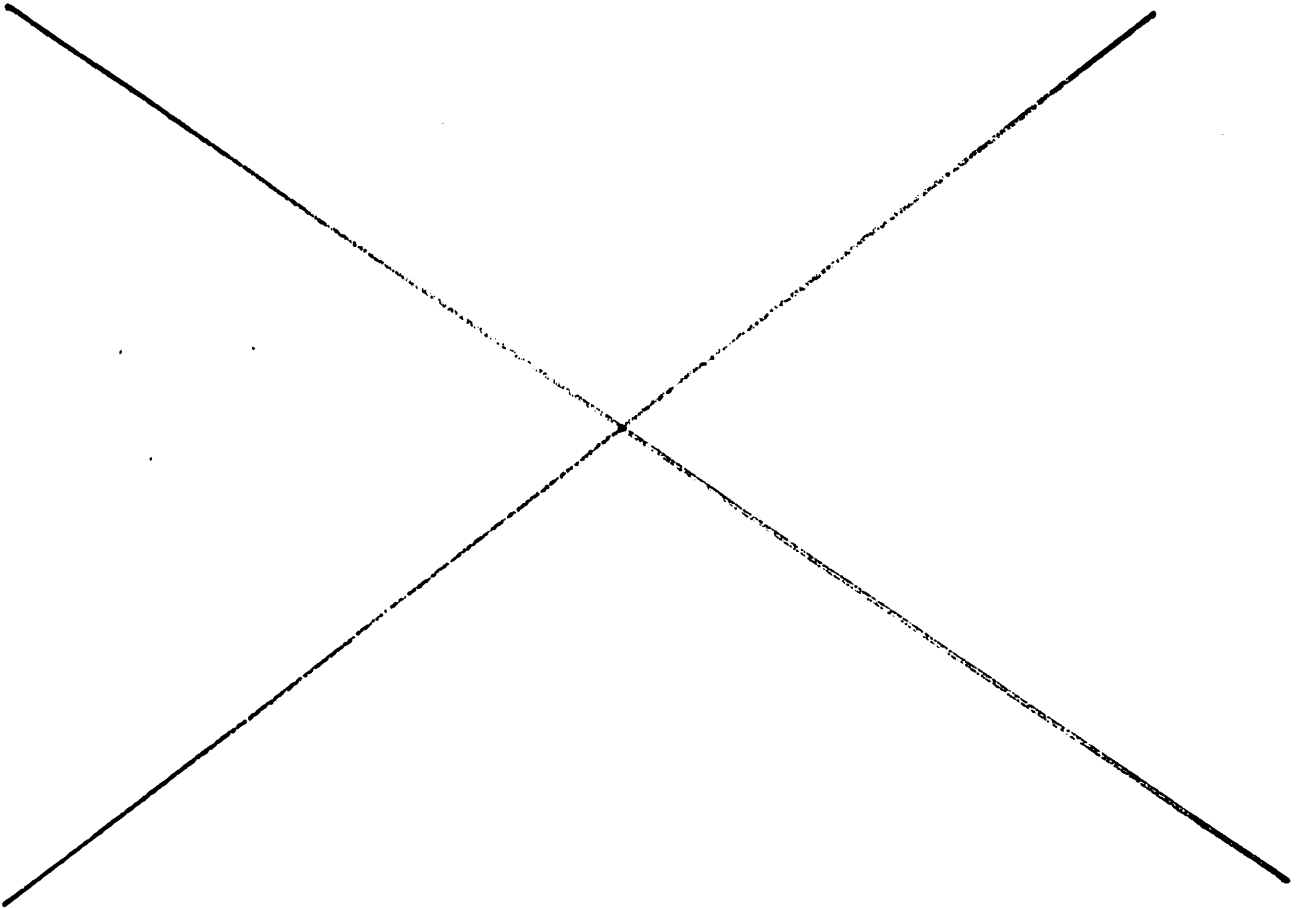
#### V. Appendixes

On file with the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery is a limited number of copies of the following information which will be entered into Presbytery's minutes as a part of the Commission's final report:

## Ward Commission Report to the Presbytery

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- A. The minutes of the Administrative Commission.
- B. The Strategy Paper adopted by the Commission and received by the Presbytery for information on September 23, 1980.
- C. The text of papers shared by the Commission and Ward leadership in the pursuit of reconciliation.
  1. Reflection Paper I.
  2. Ward Position Paper.
  3. Reflection Paper II.
  4. Appraisal on the property.



AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, Made and entered into on this \_\_\_\_ day of January, 1981, by and between PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT, UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, whose address is 17575 Hubbell, Detroit, Michigan 48235, sometimes hereinafter referred to as "Presbytery", and WARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LIVONIA, A MICHIGAN ECCLESIASTICAL CORPORATION, whose address is 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan 48154, sometimes hereinafter referred to as "Ward".

WHEREAS, WARD has by a vote of its membership withdrawn its affiliation with the UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and

WHEREAS, the PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT has asserted that the assets of WARD are by implication held by WARD in trust for the use and purposes of the UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and

WHEREAS, the parties wish by this instrument to resolve all claims which either party hereto may have against the opposing party, now, therefore,

In consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein contained, it is agreed by and between the parties as follows:

1. PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT, UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, hereby relinquishes, releases and disclaims any interest which it may have or which it may ever have had, in and to the assets, both real and personal, of WARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LIVONIA, a Michigan Ecclesiastical Corporation, and of TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, a Michigan Ecclesiastical Corporation, including, but not by way of limitation:

A parcel of land which is part of the northwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the northwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 15, T1S, R9E, City of Livonia, Wayne County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the northwest corner of Section 15 (iron pipe sunk in pavement), thence running easterly along northline of Section 15 (centerline of Six Mile Road), north  $89^{\circ}53'55''$  east 580.40 feet (crosscut in pavement), thence running southerly on a line parallel with the westline of Section 15, south  $0^{\circ}11'33''$  east 751.0 feet (iron stake set), thence running westerly on a line parallel with the northline of Section 15, south  $89^{\circ}$



53'55" west, 580.40 feet to the westline of Section 15 (crosscut in pavement), thence running northerly along the westline of Section 15 (centerline of Farmington Road), north 0°11'33" west, 751.0 feet to the place of beginning, excepting the southerly 30 feet of said parcel and excepting therefrom other lands heretofore taken or conveyed for highway purposes.

Situated in the Township of Superior, Washtenaw County, Michigan, beginning at the northwest corner of Section, thence 89°34'30" east 630.61 feet in northline of Section, thence south 1°03'53" west 2440.39 feet to point in northerly R.O.W. line of Highway M-14, thence southerly in northerly R.O.W. line of Highway M-14, to a point in westline of section, thence northerly in westline of Section to place of beginning, being part of the west ½ of Section 1, T2S, R7E, containing 39.77 acres.

2. That WARD shall pay the following benevolences in

accordance with the following schedule:

CALENDAR YEAR	TO PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT	TO DESIGNATED MISSIONARIES AND PROJECTS WITHIN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY BUDGET	TO DESIGNATED UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CAUSES	TOTAL
1981	\$32,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$ 80,000
1982	\$48,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$100,000
1983	\$43,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$100,000
1984	\$72,000.00	\$37,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$135,000
1985	\$67,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$135,000
			<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>\$550,000</u>

A. WARD may in any year designate additional monies to GENERAL ASSEMBLY BUDGETED PROJECTS, but if so, such monies shall be subtracted from the amounts designated for UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CAUSES. In no event shall the amounts as shown for the PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT or the GENERAL ASSEMBLY BUDGET be less than as shown on the above schedule.

B. The particular persons and/or projects designated by WARD within the GENERAL ASSEMBLY MISSION BUDGET and UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CAUSES accounts shall be the same persons and/or projects designated by WARD in year 1980, although the amounts may differ.

C. Any changes in designations by WARD Church from one project to another within the designated missionaries and projects within the GENERAL ASSEMBLY BUDGET or designated UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CAUSES during the five (5)

year period, shall be done through a consultation process with the PRESBYTERY in determining the validity of the new project to which funds are designated.

D. The monies above designated for the PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT shall be used by PRESBYTERY for new church development and for church redevelopment in accordance with its mission priorities.

3. Upon payment of all monies set forth in Paragraph 2 above, WARD may, but shall not in any manner be required to, pay any further benevolences to or for the use of the PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT or the UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

4. Payments of benevolences shall be made by WARD in each year in approximately three (3) equal installments in accordance with its current benevolence practice.

5. WARD shall provide receipts or evidence of payment for all benevolences under this agreement which are not paid directly to PRESBYTERY. PRESBYTERY or its agents may inspect the books and records of WARD at any reasonable time to verify the compliance of WARD with this agreement.

6. WARD (add additional titles as desired) warrants that it has made no representations in connection with any real estate or personal property transactions of any kind, whether in cash, credit or both, that the PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT is a party to any such transaction, or stands behind WARD's part in any such transaction as a guarantor, indemnifier, secondarily liable party or in any way formally or informally obliged or willing to satisfy WARD'S obligation in any such transaction. In the event of breach of this warranty, WARD shall fully indemnify the PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT for all liabilities, costs, expenses and legal fees incurred thereby.

7. This agreement is intended to be a full and final settlement and release of all claims whatsoever between the parties hereto. This agreement is being executed in recordable form and it is understood by both parties that WARD may at its option record this agreement.

WITNESS:

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THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT,  
THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_

WARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LIVONIA,  
A Michigan Ecclesiastical Corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: President and Clerk of Session

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

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COUNTY OF )

On this \_\_\_\_ day of January, 1981, before me a Notary Public  
within and for the said County and State aforesaid, personally appeared  
\_\_\_\_\_ to me known, who being by me duly  
sworn, did say that he is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the PRESBYTERY  
OF DETROIT, and that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of  
said Corporation by authority of its members and the said \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ acknowledges the execution of the said instrument  
as the free act and deed of the PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public, \_\_\_\_\_ County, MI.  
My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

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COUNTY OF WAYNE)

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 1981, before me a Notary Public within and for the said County and State aforesaid, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did say that he is the President and Clerk of Session of WARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, a Michigan Ecclesiastical Corporation, and that said instrument was signed on behalf of said Ecclesiastical Corporation by authority of its membership, and the said \_\_\_\_\_ acknowledged the execution of the said instrument as the free act and deed of said WARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LIVONIA.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Notary Public, Wayne County, MI.  
 My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument drafted by:

Donald C. Harms  
 29700 Orchard Lake Road  
 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48018

## Appendixes Ward Administrative Commission

January 27, 1981

### I. Appendixes

Appendix 1: Minutes of the Administrative Commission, (Complete text to be quoted in entirety. Check list: meetings were docketed for June 30, July 16, August 6, September 4, September 29, October 7, 15, November 17, December 18, January 12 and January 19, 1981.)

Appendix 2: Strategy paper adopted by the Commission September 23, 1980.

Appendix 3: Text of papers shared by the Commission and Ward leadership in the pursuit of reconciliation.

Reflection Paper I  
Ward Position Paper  
Reflection Paper II

Appendix 4: Property appraisal. The Commission authorized an appraisal to be made by Mr. Richard Messier of Real Estate One. Mr. Messier works with commercial real estate, specializes in churches, and has handled a number of property dispositions and acquisitions on behalf of the Presbytery.

#### I. Types of Appraisals:

There are several types of appraisals.

A. Replacement Value: An appraiser can examine the square footage of a particular building and the type of construction, and can determine what the structure would cost if it were built now. This is the kind of appraisal used in determining how much fire insurance to carry.

B. Depreciated Replacement Value: From the replacement value of the building, a method is used to calculate the effect of wear and tear and time upon the value of the property.

1. A professional appraisal to determine depreciated replacement value is an extensive and costly proposition. For example, a careful study is made of the heating plant to compare it to modern units, to determine how efficient it is, and how long it is likely to last without major repair or replacement. The results of such an appraisal would be needed in the event the title to a property were contested and "fair market value" had to be determined through arbitration or in court.

2. A professional appraisal estimate will determine the approximate depreciated fair market value of a property. It is less extensive, and therefore less costly. It is useful in determining the price at which a property should be listed for sale, or in the process of negotiation in other than a court setting.

- C. Comparable Sales: An appraiser can study real estate transactions and determine how similar properties in similar locations have sold in recent months. This is particularly useful with residential properties, in neighborhoods where a large number of houses have sold recently. The expected sale price can be estimated on the basis of what has actually happened recently with similar properties. This kind of appraisal is valuable to a party who wants to know what can actually be expected from the sale of a property. It answers the question: "What are we likely to get it for?"

## II. The Ward Appraisal

The Administrative Commission authorized the conducting of an informal appraisal that would determine depreciated replacement value. (B-2 above) In conducting the appraisal, Mr. Messier also presented an estimate of what the property would bring if listed on the open market, an analysis of comparable sales (C above).

Results of the appraisals are as follows:

Ward property at 6 Mile and Farmington Road contains 7.89 acres. As it is currently zoned it is worth \$25,000 per acre or approximately \$200,000. If it were re-zoned for a shopping center (a likely possibility in that area, the land with no buildings on it would be worth \$50,000 per acre, with a total land value of \$400,000).

The buildings total 82,000 Sq. Ft. depreciated replacement value was estimated at \$55.00 per square foot, with a value for the buildings at \$4,510,000.

Thus it is estimated that in a legal arbitration the value of the Farmington Road Ward properties would be set at \$4,710,000.

On the basis of comparable sales, it is estimated that on the open market in 1981 the Ward properties would bring approximately \$1,500,000. Mr. Messier is in commercial real estate and he specializes in the purchase and sale of church properties. He is currently the broker for Bushnell Congregational Church on the Southfield Expressway which is currently for sale. His estimate is made on the basis of knowledge of who the potential church buyers in the Detroit area are, the economic capacity of those buyers to purchase a church, and the saleability of Ward Livonia as a church.

## III. The Washtenaw County Property

On September 26, 1978 the Presbytery of Detroit authorized the purchase of approximately 40 acres of property on the Northeast corner of Plymouth-Ann Arbor Road and Gotfredson Road in Superior Township, Washtenaw County. The purchase price was \$300,000. It can be conservatively estimated that it is worth now what it was when purchased.

On or about June 29, 1980 there were two corporations formed, one called Trinity Presbyterian Church. It was organized as an independent church entity. It had been a new church development staffed by Ward United on behalf of the Local Church Development Department of the Presbytery. The second corporation, called Christian Communication, Inc. was also created at the same time. Ward United deeded approximately 5 acres of the subject property to Trinity, 35 acres to Christian Communications, Inc.

The administrative commission, in considering the value of Ward Church properties, has taken the Washtenaw County real estate into account. It was purchased with the permission of the Presbytery as a part of a collaborative strategy, and it was owned by Ward United at the time their congregation voted to withdraw from the United Presbyterian Church.

Conclusion:

There are two ways in which "fair market value" can be estimated for Ward United Presbyterian Church.

1. Depreciated Fair Market Value:

Livonia Church Property and related land	\$4,710,000
Washtenaw County real estate	300,000
	<u>\$5,010,000</u>

2. Likely sale price if offered for sale:

Livonia Church Property and related land	\$1,500,000
Washtenaw County real estate	300,000
	<u>\$1,800,000</u>

3. Indebtedness:

At present there are outstanding loans on the Livonia property of approximately \$1,100,000.

The Administrative Commission has no information about indebtedness on the Washtenaw County property.

4. Minimum Fair Market Value was calculated by subtracting the \$1,100,000 indebtedness from the \$1,800,000 above.

The Administrative Commission on Ward Church met July 2, 1980 at 2 p.m.

Present: Adams, Brown, Jones, Lumley, Robertson, Winslow

Staff: Lester, Borchardt

The meeting opened with prayer.

After considerable discussion concerning the tasks of this Commission, the following motion was made and seconded: The Acting Chairperson, Virgil Jones, should contact George Bushnell and ask him to serve as our attorney in matters regarding Ward United Presbyterian Church. Motion carried.

The following information was requested for the next meeting if possible:

1. All information Presbytery has regarding Ward United Presbyterian Church properties.
2. A check with the Register of Deeds in Washtenaw County should be made concerning properties of Ward United Presbyterian Church.

After further discussion, the following motion was made and seconded: Paul Sutton and Franklin Brown should hold informal conversations with Ward United Presbyterian Church to let them know the door is always open for reconciliation and to see if Ward has a negotiating stance, and if so, what it would be. Motion carried.

It was agreed that our attorney should be advised of and consulted with prior to the conversation.

It was agreed that a registered letter be sent to Dr. Hess explaining that the Commission was in the process of developing an understanding of the issues and future relationships, and would be in contact with him in the near future.

The meeting adjourned with prayer.

Paul Winslow  
Secretary

Next Meeting: July 16, 1980  
4:30 p.m.



The Administrative Commission on Ward Church met July 16, 1980 at 4 p.m.  
The meeting opened with prayer.

Present: Adams, Brown, Jones, Lumley, Milford, Robertson, Sutton, Winslow

Staff: Lester, Borchardt

The following reports were presented in response to the July 2, 1980 meeting:

1. George Bushnell was contacted and agreed to act as our attorney in the Ward United Presbyterian Church issue.
2. The 35 acres in Washtenaw County previously owned by the Ward United Presbyterian Church is now owned by a neutral corporation called The Christian Communication Corporation.
3. On Saturday morning, July 12, 1980, an informal conversation was held between Dr. Hess, Paul Sutton, Franklin Brown and Donald Lester. The issues discussed were presented by the Commission.
4. L. Edward Davis asked in a telephone conversation with Paul Sutton if the contract covering their organ restoration was involved with the third motion passed by Presbytery on June 30, 1980 concerning "any major alteration to the property."

The reports and other issues were discussed. The following motions were made and seconded:

1. That under Book of Order 41.07, the Commission grants the former session of Ward United Presbyterian Church permission to use the facility up to sixty days in order that a negotiation might occur between the former session and the Administrative Commission. Motion passed.
2. In response to the telephone inquiry of L. Edward Davis, former associate pastor of Ward United Presbyterian Church, to Paul Sutton on July 16, 1980 at 3 p.m.:  
The Administrative Commission authorizes the former session of the Ward United Presbyterian Church to honor the contract concerning the expansion of the organ and to assume the financial responsibilities thereof. If borrowing of funds is necessary, this action is contingent upon the action of the Presbytery of Detroit.  
Motion passed.
3. The Administrative Commission having assumed the powers of the Session requests the former session of the Ward United Presbyterian Church furnish a membership roll to this Commission in accordance with Section 41.06 on or before August 4, 1980.  
A registered letter to the former clerk of session should be forwarded immediately concerning this motion.  
Motion passed.

4. Chairperson Paul Sutton and Attorney George Bushnell are to prepare a letter to be brought before the Commission on August 6, 1980 concerning the joint appraisal of the Ward properties.  
Motion passed.

5. Attorney George Bushnell is requested to check with the Register of Deeds in Wayne and Washtenaw Counties concerning the properties of Ward United Presbyterian Church.  
Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned with prayer at 5:35 p.m.

Paul Winslow  
Secretary

Next Meeting: August 6, 1980  
4 p.m.

Ward Commission Minutes/Borchardt Version  
August 6, 1980

PRESENT: Sutton, Winslow, Jones, Robertson, Milford

EXCUSED: Adams, Lumley, Brown

STAFF: Borchardt

Prayer

Motion to have George Bushnell request a membership list from the church.

Motion to ask George Bushnell to review Paul Sutton letter requesting Ward's collaboration in securing appraisals on the property, and send the letter.

Contingency Plans: (No motions)

- a) We should advertise in the public media and convene a meeting of Ward members in staying United Presbyterians if the leadership does not furnish a roll or
- b) We should secure a copy of the roll by other means.

Commission adjourned to reconvene September 4, 1980, one day after the deadline for Ward to respond to our requests - 4:00 p.m. at the Presbytery office.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON WARD CHURCH

Minutes September 4, 1980

The Administrative Commission on Ward Church met on September 4, 1980 at 4 p.m.  
The meeting was opened with prayer.

Present: Brown, Jones, Lumley, Robertson, Sutton, Winslow

Guests: Lester, Borchardt

The following items were reported to the Commission by Rev. Sutton:

1. A letter was sent to George Bushnell regarding the Ward membership lists.
2. A telephone conversation with Dr. Hess was summarized. Ward will not furnish a membership list or collaborate in an appraisal, but will let us in to make an appraisal and will negotiate with us.

After considerable discussion, the following motions were made and seconded:

1. A public meeting will be held at The Village Church on September 29, 1980 at 7:30 to:
  - a- discuss the matters of withdrawing
  - b- discuss the alternatives available to those who wish to remain in the United Presbyterian Church that are current members of the Ward Church

Passed

2. Rev. Sutton is to approach Mr. Rogers and Dr. Hess and set up a meeting between the Administrative Commission and representatives of former session in order to begin negotiations.

Passed

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Paul Winslow  
Secretary

Next Meeting: September 29, 1980, 7:00, Village Church

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON WARD CHURCH

Minutes

September 23, 1980

The Administrative Commission on Ward Church met on September 23, 1980 at 4 p.m.  
The meeting was opened with prayer.

Present: Adams, Milford, Robertson, Sutton, Winslow

Guests: Borchardt

After considerable discussion, the following motions were made and seconded:

1. The Proposed Goals for Administrative Commissions, Presbytery of Detroit; dealing with churches attempting to withdraw, dated September 19, 1980 be approved.

Passed

2. That under Book of Order 41.07, the Commission grants an extension of 60 days to the former session of the Ward United Presbyterian Church to use the facility.

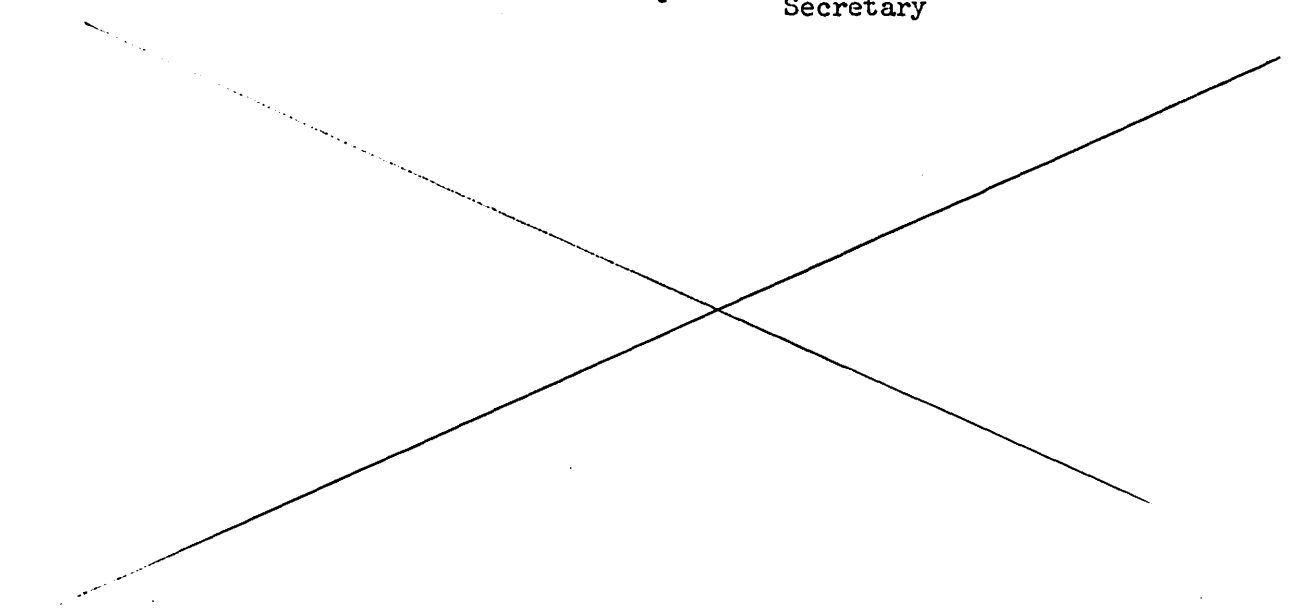
Passed

3. A meeting with the Ward Church representatives and the Administrative Commission will be held on October 7, 1980 at 7:00 or 7:30 at a place to be agreed upon by Dr. Hess and Rev. Sutton.

Passed

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Paul Winslow  
Secretary



## ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON WARD CHURCH

Minutes September 29, 1980

The Administrative Commission on Ward Church met on September 29, 1980 at 4 p.m.

Present: Sutton, Winslow, Robertson, Adams, Lumley, Jones, Brown, (Milford excused early).

Guests: Lester, Borchardt

The meeting was convened with prayer following consultation with "Loyal Remnant".

VOTED to have consultation with Ward "Session" Tuesday, October 7, 1980, 7:30 p.m.

VOTED to have dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Kregar's Restaurant, October 7, 1980, to develop strategy for the meeting.

VOTED to make strategy paper available to Ward prior to October 7, 1980.

Summary of the Consultation with "Loyal Remnant":

1. Four people appeared.
2. Non constituted a Loyal Remnant. Two were sent by the former Session to observe and report back to Mr. Hess.
3. Extended conversation occurred which could be termed a prelude to negotiation. They told us how they felt and we told them how we felt.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Henry Borchardt  
Secretary Protem

MEETING: Tuesday, October 7, 1980 Kregar's Restaurant, 5:30 p.m.
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WARD ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION MINUTES  
 Presbytery of Detroit  
 October 15, 1980

Present: Sutton, Robertson, Lumley, Milford, Jones

Meeting was convened with prayer by the moderator.

Voted to meet November 17, 1980--Commission at 5:30 p.m.  
 at Cregar's and 7:30 p.m. at Ward with "the Session."

Voted to direct the chairperson to request intercessory  
 prayer of commissioners at October 28 Presbytery meeting.

Voted to ask Borchardt to amplify page three (3) of the  
 "reflection paper" in preparation for the drafting of  
 overtures.

Voted to adjourn with prayer.

Ward United Administrative Commission

Minutes

November 17, 1980

Present: Sutton, Robertson, Adams, Brown, Jones, Lumley.

Excused: Winslow, Milford.

Guests: Lester, Borchardt.

The meeting opened with prayer.

Motion to appoint Virgil Jones temporary clerk of the Commission for this meeting.

Motion to adopt a format for consultation with former Session and pastors of Ward United, November 17, 1980 at 7:30 p.m. as follows:

1. That the Commission's draft document "Reflection Paper II" be presented to the Ward group as a product of the Commission in its attempts to develop a strategy for reconciliation.
2. That the first part of the meeting contain an introduction by each group of its study paper and a period for questions of clarification. Mr. Borchardt will do an introduction of the Commission's "Reflection Paper II."

3. That the second part of the meeting be a "caucus" with each group going into a separate room to discuss the paper presented by the other.
4. That the whole group reassemble to present conclusions and suggest a process and time-table for the next steps to be instituted to affect reconciliation.

Motion to instruct the Commission's legal council, George Bushnell to arrange for a title search on the property in Washtenaw County on the northeast corner of Plymouth-Ann Arbor Road and Goddfredson Road which has reportedly been deeded over from Ward United to a new church development called Trinity Presbyterian Church, and that Mr. Bushnell be asked to report back to this Commission as soon as possible when it has been determined who the owner of that property is.

Motion to meet on call to hear a report from Mr. Bushnell and determine appropriate steps for securing the Gottfredson Road property for future use by the Presbytery, including a possible injunctive procedure to stop Trinity Church from encumbering that property in any way.

Motion to ask Paul Sutton to invite Mr. Bushnell to the November 24 luncheon for Commission chairpersons.

Motion to adjourn.

Commission will next meet prior to a joint gathering with Ward people either on Monday, January 12, 1981 or Monday, January 19, 1981, and on call of the chairperson when Attorney Bushnell is prepared to report.

Ward Administrative Commission

January 12, 1981

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Minutes

Present: Sutton, Lumley, Robertson, Adams, Winslow

Guests: Lester, Borchardt

The meeting was opened with prayer at 7:00 P.M.

The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as presented.

The Rev. Paul Sutton reported on the written communication between the Commission and Ward Presbyterian concerning the Trinity Church, and discussions that had taken place concerning this area.

After considerable discussion, it was agreed to follow the following format in our discussions with the Ward Session on January 19, 1981:

- I. Ascertain whether Ward still wishes to discuss reconciliation.
- II. Ask Bart Hess about the settlement formula they are suggesting and background relating to it.
- III. If our objective is to reach a financial settlement establish a process for working out details.
  - A. A committee of 6, 3 from Ward, 3 from the Commission.
  - B. Establish a time frame for the committee of six to report to Ward and the Commission.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 8:57 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Winslow

Ward Administrative Commission

January 19, 1981

Minutes

Present: Sutton, Adams, Lumley, Robertson, Jones, Winslow

Guests: Lester, Borchardt

The meeting was opened with prayer at 7:30 P.M.

The format of the January 12, 1981 meeting was followed.

Ward stated that at this time, reconciliation was not possible. We explained the other points and each appointed a three person team to sit down and work out the details. Each team will present their findings to their respective bodies no later than the second Monday in February.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Winslow



Revised 9-2-80  
 Revised 9-4-80  
 Revised 9-19-80

Proposed Goals for Administrative Commissions, Presbytery of Detroit dealing with churches "attempting to withdraw".

## Introduction

In dealing with the churches of the Presbytery of Detroit which have attempted to withdraw, the Administrative Commissions are challenged to look at the following goals proposed by a consultation of the chairpersons of the four commissions.

An over-arching goal of all commissions shall be to carry out their responsibilities in such a way that "re-union" with the Presbytery could be accomplished in the future without rancor, unnecessary hurt, and with graciousness. It is entirely possible that changes within the United Presbyterian Church could precipitate a move back on the part of one, or all of the congregations. We should hold the door open to this possibility in whatever way is possible, within the framework of the constitution of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.

The continuing assumption during all negotiations shall be the sharing of concrete evidence of good faith on all sides.

The basic aim of the Presbytery in the negotiation process is to function, within the Book of Order of the United Presbyterian Church. It is Presbytery's responsibility to assure that the denomination can face its future with adequate resources to do its task.

## I. Reconciliation

The first priority of the Administrative Commissions would be to pursue the course of reconciliation with the Presbytery and the denomination.

- a) The Commissions shall determine if the action of the church is considered revocable.
- b) The Commissions shall determine what changes either in the Presbytery or actions of the General Assembly would be helpful. What assurances would be needed in order for reconciliation to be considered.
- c) To determine what time frame would be acceptable to the congregation or session of congregation attempting to withdraw in order to pursue the goal of reconciliation.

## II. Transfer to another Denomination

The second priority for each congregation would be to pursue with them the possibilities of transfer to another denomination within the reformed tradition and in correspondence with U.P.C. U.S.A. General Assembly. This could be accomplished with an orderly transfer of property, credentials, etc. Alternatives for consideration:

1. Presbyterian Church, U.S.
2. Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church
3. Reformed Church in America

It should be noted that all congregation have appointed committees to study the question of alternative affiliation. The commissions should encourage this and seek to facilitate in whatever ways seem appropriate.

### III. Dealing with Total Withdrawal

In the event that the first two goals are not achieved, the third alternative involves the congregation's total withdrawal from the Denomination. In such an event there are two issues with which the presbytery must contend:

- a) The loyal remnant. Persons who wish to remain in the United Presbyterian Church should be helped to do so. The congregation as a whole should be made aware of the Presbytery's interest in them, its willingness to provide shelter, nurture and effective congregational life, and its commitment to listen to them in developing a strategy.

From the ranks of the total group, the remnant would be consulted and helped to make a choice from among options like the following:

- 1. continuing as the original congregation
  - 2. becoming a new church development of the Presbytery
  - 3. joining another congregation in the Presbytery en masse
- b) The property. Following a process of securing appraisals and determining the fair market value of properties, the parties involved should reach an agreement.
    - 1. to sell the property to a new congregational entity (the dissident group)
    - 2. to lease the property to the same group
    - 3. to use those resources toward expansion of United Presbyterian Ministry in the wider community.

In dealing with such a matter the presbytery should consider the amount of debt outstanding on the property, the time the congregation has been in the Presbytery, and the congregation's ability to purchase the property.

- c) Presbytery will need the approval of the next General Assembly for any transfer of property for less than real value, however, this does not imply that G.A. expects Presbytery to negotiate real value.

### IV. When bargaining in good faith has failed.

In the event that leaders of the church in question fail to meet with Presbytery's administrative commission or fail to resolve the issues outlined in III above, the commission shall institute proceedings within the civil legal system.

- a) the commission shall retain legal counsel to secure records, rolls and books.
- b) the commission shall retain legal counsel to attain operational access and legal title to the buildings and properties of the subject church.
- c) the commission shall consult appropriate agencies of the presbytery in determining what disposition or use should be made of the buildings and properties.
  - 1. Presbytery's council
  - 2. The Division of Business Affairs
  - 3. The Department of Local Church Development
  - 4. Session of U.P. congregations in the vicinity of the church in question.

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REFLECTION PAPER

What did we learn from our meeting with Ward people on October 7th? They described three "precipitating factors" which arose from their observations of the 1980 General Assembly. These are the immediate matters about which they would seek change in pursuing reconciliation:

1. They seek change in Book of Order 47:01 which would turn the "fair representation of women and minorities" provision from mandatory to permissive language. Rather than to say there shall be fair representation they seek a word like "ought" or "should".
2. They want safeguards which tighten the creedal subscription process eliminating the possibility of an action like that taken by National Capital Union Presbytery in enrolling Mansfield Kaseman. Perhaps we are talking about an overture which changes 47:071, the paragraph containing the ordination/installation question on the Lordship of Christ.

In this connection they would also probably seek a change in the behavior and attitudes of the Stated Clerk of General Assembly. They object to Dr. Thompson's ruling on the Kaseman issue, accusing General Assembly (Thompson) of being unkind or unfeeling toward conservatives.

3. They seek the defeat of Overture A (1980) on the conservation of church property. They do not want clarification of the property issue which states more explicitly that Presbytery assumes ownership of the properties of extinct or disaffected congregations.

They also said there are predisposing factors behind the immediate events of 1980. These are matters of longstanding and broader scope. In affecting reconciliation these "background issues" may be more difficult to resolve.

1. Behind the 47:01 "fair representation" issue is the matter of freedom. The same freedom issue is behind their problem with Overture A (1980). They seem to consider themselves more of a congregational church than most congregations within the Presbyterian tradition. To them Presbytery may really be a federation of congregations. They seek a Presbytery which has minimum powers to intervene in the lives of its churches.

Thus 47:01 is seen as interfering in the election process, and Overture A (1980) is seen as interfering in the church's decisions to purchase, use and dispose of property. Ward's process of starting "Trinity Chapel", their new church development in Washtenaw County, is illustrative of this independent style. Most congregations would call Presbytery's attention to new church possibilities, and would pledge financial support as a project developed. Ward, on the other hand, started such a project through their own research, with their own staff and financial resources, seeking Presbytery's concurrence in their strategy.

2. Behind the National Capital Union Presbytery/Mansfield Kaseman issue is the matter of style. Style refers to what Church people do, how they do it, and the language people use in expressing their faith. Style refers to the ethos or personality of a congregation or judicatory.

On October 7th there were several expressions from Ward people expressing displeasure over the style of ministry they see elsewhere in the United Presbyterian Church. They claim that the diversity of the church has spread more among liberals than among conservatives. As they see it there has been a broadening of the "left" and a constriction of the "right".

Their problem with Kaseman is more with style than content. Their difficulty with him stems from his use of language, for he does not speak in traditional terms. He does not repeat the traditional formula about Jesus. His referral to Jesus as "the God-man" is not a denial of the lordship of Jesus. It is a contemporary way of describing the Christological paradox that Jesus is fully both God and human. It is the way he said it that constitutes the problem.

The Ward style is traditional, and in some instances moralistic. For example, a poster advertising a program at their singles' group indicates the ultimate objective for the formerly married is to have them safely remarried. In other United Presbyterian churches the agenda for singles might be to help them enjoy being single.

The style problem came out in the October 7th conversation when they said they have been quick to point out to interested parties that they are not a "typical Presbyterian Church".

In the Ward phenomenon the freedom and style issues clash. While they seek freedom for themselves, they find other people's freedom embarrassing. They do not use freedom as a universal principle. They want "liberal" causes disavowed in the United Presbyterian Church, or at least carefully analyzed, while free to pursue their brand of conservative Christianity as they see fit. The Constitution should, for example, protect the freedom of a congregation to elect persons to its boards, even though the church discriminates against women in the process, yet the Constitution should not serve to protect the rights of women themselves to make certain decisions with respect to their own lives.

Thus, the issues of freedom and style are in tension. Freedom is called for to protect a particular style of ministry, but it is not universally applied in respect for other styles.

3. Finally, there is the issue of change. Ward people did not mention it as obviously, but it is the principle that unifies the inconsistency above. In Toffler's Future Shock the term "island of stability" is used to describe a part of life that stays the same while we cope with change in other areas. To Ward people the church is seen as an island of stability, a place which does not change. The church is a link with the past, a place of familiarity amid rapid changes elsewhere. Thus the Church is "the same, yesterday, today and forever".

To many others in the Denomination the Faith leads people to be agents of change. The call to follow Christ is seen, among other things, as a call to change the world to embody more compassion, more justice, less violence. Thus many United Presbyterians have been involved over the last several decades in the civil rights movement, the peace movement, and the women's liberation movement.

The issue that seems to separate Ward from the rest of the Church is change itself, change in general. It does not matter what is being changed. Change is seen as a problem because of the basic role the Church is seen to play. If the Faith is a source of stability, change is wrong. If the Faith is viewed as a model for a society, change is necessary. This appears to be the heart of the clash between Ward and the rest of the Church. Thus freedom is called for in maintaining stability while controls are sought to deal with change.

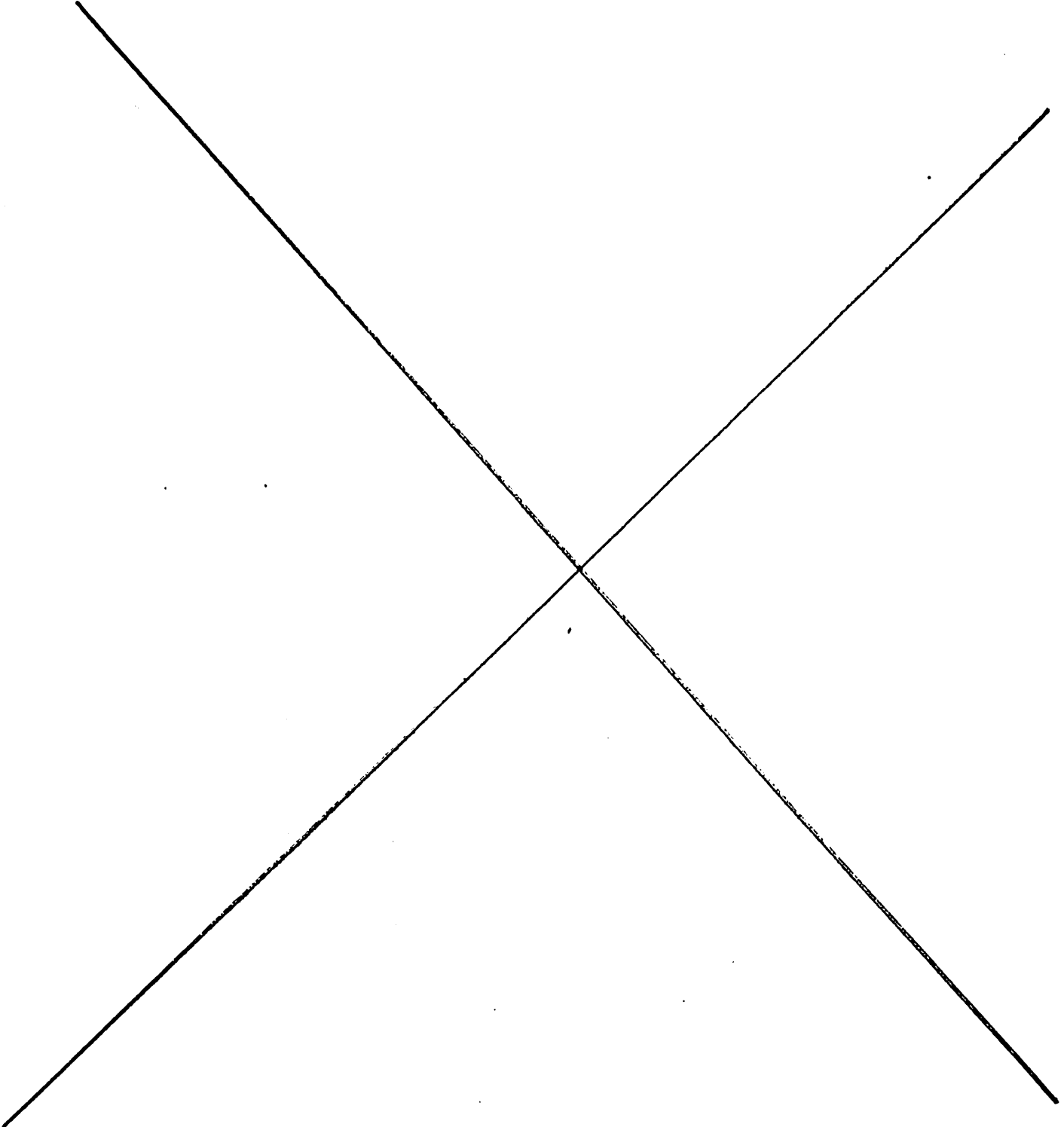
What, then, does the Presbytery of Detroit do to affect reconciliation? With regard to the precipitating factors there are several immediate things that could be done over 2-3 years:

1. An overture could be written to change the text of Book of Order 47:01. Presbytery could confer with the Committee on Women and those of the Ward persuasion to arrive at a new 47:01 text which protects freedom on the one hand, rights of women in the church on the other. The objective would be to write 47:01 in permissive language without retrenchment on womens' issues and their empowerment in the functioning of the Church.
2. Change could be affected through an overture modifying 47:071, the ordination and installation question that deals with the Church's faith in Jesus. A new 47:071 could be drafted which satisfies conservatives on the Christological question within the confessional standards of the Denomination.
3. Presbytery could both campaign to defeat the present Overture A (1980) and at the same time propose a new overture dealing with the same issue. Implications are far-reaching enough that wide-spread collaboration would need to occur on the text of a new overture, for we ARE a Presbyterian Church. We are obligated to safeguard our future with sufficient resources to do mission. Giving churches away does not help us achieve that objective. A product is needed, therefore, which assures the continuation of a connectional Denomination on the one hand, freedom to develop a particular program and style in each congregation on the other.

It may be more difficult to handle the underlying issues.

1. Freedom is a two-way street and at present Ward seems to only want freedom selectively applied. Our good faith negotiating should involve a commitment that freedom be a universal principle. Our denominational "umbrella" would have to broaden, with an affirmation of diversity more credible than what we now have. In exchange for freedom on what it wants, Ward would have to express greater tolerance for the freedom of others in the Church.
2. Up until the present, the "style" issue has taken care of itself. Ward has been free to be Ward. The congregation would have to be satisfied that resolution of the precipitating factors would assure them the freedom to develop and maintain their style of ministry within the diverse unity of the United Presbyterian Church. They could tell prospective members they are different, and indeed be different. Presbytery would have to assure them an appropriate role in judicatory decision-making, inclusion of ministers and elders on judicatory committees, and judicatory resourcing to help them be what their planning process indicated is valid. They would be assured a "place in the sun" provided they recognize others with their "place in the sun".

3. The change issue is both the most basic, and the most difficult to manage. The Church-wide process of setting mission priorities, under the guidance of the General Assembly Mission Council, would have to be the arena for assessing the Denomination's attitude toward change, and its role as a change agent. We would collaborate in developing new methods for appraising the effect of change, being constructively critical about change, and planning for coordination of changes within the confessional stance of the Denomination. In bringing this to issue the Presbytery and Ward would have to develop a "Theology of Change".



POSITION PAPER

The congregation of Ward Presbyterian Church has been concerned for some time regarding the kind of pluralism found within the United Presbyterian denomination (UPCUSA). We believe it is good and indeed healthy to have and exchange a variety of ideas found within an historic biblical framework. Our concern has grown with an apparent and increasing socio-cultural perspective at the expense of the propositional truths found in the authoritative written Word of God. These concerns also grow at the realization that the Confessions of the Church are not binding but rather the Book of Order is binding.

Our concerns revolve around the issues of the authority of the Scriptures, the Deity of Jesus of Nazareth, and the freedoms of the local congregation in regard to electing its own leadership and possessing its own property.

Specifically, the UPCUSA must affirm without question or apology the full deity and humanity of Jesus Christ. We believe this basic tenet of the Christian faith should be stated explicitly in the Book of Order.

Secondly, we want to be assured that the UPCUSA has a written affirmation found within its constitution that acknowledges the Holy Scripture to be the infallible written Word of God. In matters of preaching, teaching and practical Christian living, the Bible is the ultimate authority in human language and experience.

Thirdly, the right of God's people to elect their own officers is inalienable. The mandate for compliance of Overture "L" or rather, coercing the local congregation must be stopped. It appears the UPCUSA is forcing organizational unity at the expense of spiritual unity. Overture "L" must not be found within the Book of Order.

Finally, we believe it is the right of the particular church to hold its own property unfettered by civil action of a higher judicatory. The popular understanding of all local church property held "in trust" for the denomination is a falsehood. This cannot be substantiated historically from the beginnings of the UPCUSA. We believe an overture similar to that reported to the Presbytery of Boston on March 24, 1980 be adopted and included within the Book of Order.

from the Session of  
Ward Presbyterian Church  
November 10, 1980

## REFLECTION PAPER II

Possible Overtures to be written as an act of reconciliation.

I. With regard to the "freedom of conscience" issue and women in ordained positions:

What we now have:

B.O. 47:01 "Every congregation shall elect men and women from among its active members, giving fair representation of all ages and of all ethnic minorities of that congregation...in the mode most approved in use and in that congregation..."

B.O. 47:012 "Nominations shall be made by a representative nominating committee of active members of the church, which shall itself include both men and women... nominations by any eligible voter."

Analysis of what we now have:

In the election process there are five components:

1. There shall be men and women elected to the offices of elder, deacon, etc.
2. There shall be fair representation of ages and minorities.
3. The election process shall be in the mode most approved in the congregation.
4. Nominations shall be by a representative nominating committee, itself composed of both men and women.
5. There shall be opportunity for nominations from the floor, and in effect the congregation itself makes the choice of its officers at a duly called congregational meeting.

The Denomination has been accused of instituting a "quota system". Examining the text itself, one discovers no quota system exists. The term "fair representation" is not defined in specific terms, and the sentence where "fair representation" appears does not mention women: it mentions age and ethnic minorities. The sentence concludes that electing is to be done in the mode most approved in the congregation; i.e., the congregation is to define "fair representation: in its own terms. They are empowered to exercise freedom of conscience, that is to freely function in defining fair representation and achieving it.

One can question whether anything but a loose interpretation of 47:01 is consistent with 47:012 and 47:013. These latter paragraphs describe the nominating committee, the congregational meeting and the opportunity for nominations from the floor. B.O. 47:01 if interpreted to refer to a "quota system" would be unconstitutional when attempt is made to deal with it in the light of 47:012 and 47:013. A quota system would be inconsistent with the use of the "mode most approved", the task of the nominating committee to nominate, and the safeguard that there can be nominations from the floor.

The problem with 47:01, therefore, is not related to a quota system. There is no quota system, and if anyone asserted that there were, the matter could be resolved and the quota system idea dismissed through a judicial case.



The problem does reside in the first sentence of 47:01 itself, where the word "shall" is used regarding the election of men and women. In order to function with-in the Book of Order, therefore, a church would have to have at least one man and one woman on each of its boards. An all male session, or an all female session for that matter, would be unconstitutional. For most of the churches with which we are dealing this is itself a problem because they believe categorically that women should not assume these offices.

Therefore the disagreement centers about the word "shall". Alternatives available in resolving the impasse:

1. Change "shall" to "should" through an overture submitted to the 1981 General Assembly. The remainder of 47:01 ff. need not change.

The Women's movement in the Denomination should be consulted about this to determine the kind of effect the change would have elsewhere in the church. Though it is only one word, it is a significant word for many loyal members of United Presbyterian congregations.

2. Establish a procedural precedent where a session and a presbytery agree that the congregation establishes an open process its members choose not to use. Thus men and women are considered, nominated, but not elected because of unwillingness to serve. The unwillingness to serve is in effect the "mode most approved" because custom heritage lead women to refuse the office.

The minister and session in question would be taking a risk because they would be establishing an "open" system. They are placing the issue in the hands of women who could violate male "conscience" by accepting office. If indeed women accept the idea that it is Un-Biblical to be ordained, the risk would be minimal.

3. Institute a judicial process with the aim of having the first clause of 47:01 declared unconstitutional. The session would agree to implement the first clause of 47:01 and instruct the nominating committee to prepare a bi-sexual slate of nominees. (The word "instruct" is purposely chosen here). The nominating committee and/or congregation would receive the session's instructions, responding that it is unable to follow the instructions because it is inconsistent with the "mode most approved and in use in that congregation" and that it violated 47:012 and 47:013 and the provisions for nominating committees and nominations from the floor. (Marlene could be nominated annually, defeated by Herman, nominated from the floor, and the event could recur for at least 20 years). The session would thus communicate with the Presbytery that it refuses to effectually implement 47:01 because of the clash between 47:01 and 47:012 and 47:013. Collaborating with the permanent judicial commission of the Synod, the Presbytery could act to concur in the act of the session not to implement 47:01, with a minority in the Presbytery appealing Presbytery's decision to the Synod. A subsequent appeal of that Synod decision would result in a hearing and decision by the permanent judicial commission of General Assembly.

## II. With regard to the Deity of Jesus and the reception of Mansfield Kaseman et al:

One point of leverage is the ordination/installation question #1 (B.O. 50:121) which currently reads "Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledging him Lord of the world and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit?" Those with the problem should suggest the new wording. If adopted, such an overture would resolve the issue, as candidates for all ordained offices would have to give affirmative answers to the question.

Another point of entry could be the writing of a new creed. When the Book of Confessions was adopted, and the Confession of 1967 written, part of the rationale was our existence as an emergent church. The date was part of "C-67"'s title partly in order to remind the church of the passing of time and the need in a future generation to write a new creed. Also the concept of a "book of confessions" was to affirm the developmental nature of the Church's creed building. Each generation builds on the insights of previous generations. In adopting the Book of Confessions we were affirming that insights did not cut off in 1640. Therefore it would be legitimate to write the "Confession of 1982" or some appropriately pious title which would be the product of the thinking of persons with-in and departed from the United Presbyterian Church.

Not only could such a document deal with the "Deity/Kaseman" issue but the whole matter of the church facing change, relating to various empowerment and liberation movements, and the authority of Scripture. In effect the Denomination would be saying to its dissidents, "If you dislike what we have become, help us to develop something different".

### III. With regard to the "Property issue":

What we now have:

B.O. 62:11 and 62:12 state clearly the following:

- A. "When a congregation is dissolved or has become 'extinct'...the property ...shall be held, used and applied for such uses...as the Presbytery may direct..."
- B. "A particular church shall not sell, mortgage or otherwise encumber... property...without the written permission of the Presbytery..."
- C. A church shall likewise not lease its property used for worship purposes, etc. without similar written permission of the Presbytery.

The current Book of Order clearly states that the Presbytery takes over the property if the congregation ceases to function. This is not implied, but quite explicit.

What is proposed:

Overture A, 1980 calls for a new chapter on property which takes the above 3 Sections exactly as they are, and inserts them. Added to them is a declaration of principle, and two substantive new paragraphs:

1. The first paragraph says that which-ever judicatory technically owns a piece of property, it is held in trust for the "use and benefit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America".
2. The second says that when a "particular church ceases to be used by that church as a particular church of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America...such property shall be held, used, applied, transferred or sold...by the Presbytery".

This last paragraph covers the period between organization and dissolution, the kind of case where a group acts to cease being a "particular church" in our Denomination and decides to become something else.

In our conversations with Ward Church and others we hear the main objections to be:

1. The Presbytery will be able to tell us what to teach. Whomever controls the property controls the theology.

2. Dissident's position will be weakened in any contest with a Presbytery over property if Overture A passes. There is the feeling they are currently free to leave, congregational churches in the practical sense, while they would become connectional and heirarchical in the practical sense if Overture A becomes the law of the Church.

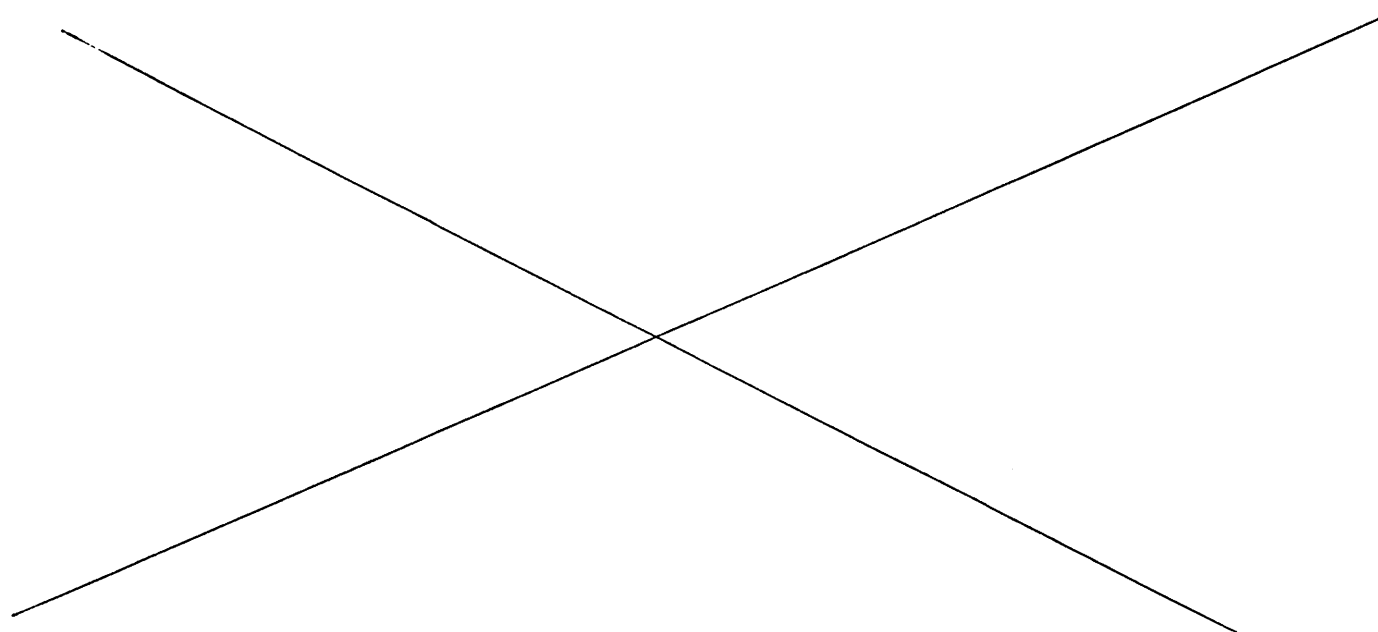
Strategy:

The Presbytery can settle the first issue easily, if dissident congregations will listen. The proposed 72:02 and 72:03 must be understood in the light of Chapter XI "Of the Session", particularly 41:06, 41:08, 41:11 and 41:16. These paragraphs explicitly describe the authority of the session in matters of process, style, content and policy in all the affairs of the particular church.

If 41:06ff describes the rights of the Session to run the church, the new 72:02, 03 must be understood in the light of those session powers. If needed a new paragraph could be added to 72:02, 03 explicitly stating that the reversion of property to the judicatory is limited to extinction of the congregation or the previous assumption by a Presbytery of the powers described in 41:15 when a session is "unwilling or unable to manage wisely the affairs of its church".

Overture "A" 1980 can be amended through a new overture which would separate the programmatic aspects of Presbytery oversight from Presbytery's interventions in extreme cases.

The remainder of "Overture A 1980" should remain as written if we wish to remain a connectional church. Of the surface issues brought up by the dissident congregations, the proposed 72:03 is the crux of the matter. It gives the Presbytery the power to perform its task in precisely the kind of situation the churches created in July, 1980 when the sessions proposed to the congregations that they withdraw. The proposed 72:03, therefore, should be considered the central bargaining point in negotiations aimed at reconciliation. The The dissident congregations must consider all of their proposed changes on the premise that 72:03,4, and 5 will be the law of the Church. The Presbyteries, on the other hand, should consider hwether abandonment of 72:03ff is a proper price to pay for reconciliation.



PRO RE NATA MEETING

Date: April 7, 1981  
Place: Detroit, Westminster Church

Moderator: Paul H. Sutton  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. held a pro re nata meeting in the Detroit, Westminster Church, 17575 Hubbell, Detroit, Michigan on April 7, 1981 at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Paul H. Sutton.

The roll was taken, and Stated Clerk, Stanley M. Taylor, announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Allen, C.	Cole	Haynes	McCreight	Tate
Baker	Colwell	Hunter	Miller	Taylor, S.
Banks	Cook	Keebler	Mitcham	Torrey
Barcus	Davies	Ihrie	Nagle	Warren
Beal	Geissinger	Irvine	Ramsey	Whitledge
Beery	Gillette	Lambert	Sherwin	
Borchardt	Gruebel	Lester	Stary	
Brasure	Harmon	Lumley	Stryker	
Brown	Hawley	McCloskey	Sutton	

ELDERS

Allen Park	McKenzie, R.	Drayton Plains	DeBarr, D.
Birmingham, Northbrook	Dellinger, W.		Hoffman, H.
Brighton	Waite, J.	Farmington	Allaben, R.
Canton, Geneva	Fanslow, C.		Johnson, D.
Dearborn			Nolte, J.
Littlefield Blvd.	Geissinger, E.	Grosse Ile	Altstetter, J.
	Leight, E.	Grosse Pointe Memorial	Sherman, A.
Detroit, First	Anderson, E.	Highland Park, Park	Darling, L.
Calvin East	Holden, A.	Livonia, St. Paul's	Wetters, G.
Ch. of the Covenant	Burnette, M.	Royal Oak, First Un.	Doty, R.
Hope	Baker, O.	St. Clair Shores	
Redford	Bennett, C.	Lake Shore	Richards, M.
	Wilcox, F.	Southfield	Hawley, H.
Southwest	Gipson, M.A.		Postiff, B.
Village	Hanson, D.	South Lyon	Heath, F.
Westminster	Gray, G.	Troy, Northminster	Spencer, A.
	White, D.	Warren, Celtic Cross	Scott, M.
		Waterford, Lakeland	Allison, W.
		Wayne	Shoemaker, W.

The Presbytery VOTED to grant the following excuses:

Ministers: Armstrong, Brand, Ellens, Geider, Hanna, Hillegonds, Milford, Orr, Palmer, Sharpless, Swinehart, Taylor, M.

Elders: Ann Arbor, First (4); Atonement (1); Auburn Heights (2); Brighton (1); Drayton Avenue (1); Grosse Ile (2); Mt. Clemens, First (2); Saline (1); Saint Thomas (1); Utica (1)

Council: Brown, F.

The Presbytery VOTED to approve the call of this meeting to be in order.

The Moderator appointed Donald White to be assistant to the Stated Clerk.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures recommended through its chairman, William Colwell, the approval of the revised overture of the Village United Presbyterian Church regarding the "Dedication or Consecration of a Child." (Paper C-12)

The Moderator ruled that a motion to adopt the recommendation was out of order, since the call for the meeting limited action on the report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures to receiving it.

The Moderator's ruling was challenged. The Presbytery VOTED to sustain the Moderator's ruling.

The Presbytery VOTED to receive the report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Trenton Administrative Commission presented a report through its chairman, William Whitlege, for a first reading. (Paper E-1) The Presbytery VOTED to receive this report.

The Oakland Avenue Administrative Commission presented a report through its chairman, Harry Geissinger, for a first reading. (Paper E-2) The Presbytery VOTED to receive this report.

The Presbytery VOTED to adjourn. The meeting was closed with prayer by the Moderator at 5:28 p.m.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
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Stated Clerk

## STATED MEETING

Date: April 28, 1981  
Place: Dearborn, First Church

Moderator: Rev. Paul H. Sutton  
Stated Clerk: Rev. Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn, 600 North Brady, Dearborn, Michigan on April 28, 1981, at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer.

A worship service was led by Rev. Michael Dunkelberger, with Oscar Remick, President of Alma College, preaching.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Allen	Colwell	Hartley	Lister	Sefcik
Andress	Conley	Haynes	Lucero	Sherwin
Antonson	Crilley	Hawley	Lumley	Sharpless
Armstrong	Curphey	Henderson	Marvin	Shoup
Bailey	Davies	Hershey	McCloskey	Simons
Banks	Dickson	Howell	McCreight	Smith, C.
Barcus	Dotson	Howie	McGowan	Smith, R.
Barger	Dunkelberger, M.	Hunter	McMellen	Sommers
Bartko	Dunkelberger, R.	Ihrie	Milford	Stryker
Beery	Dunn	Irwin	Mitcham	Stone
Blackshear	Ferry	Jones	Nagle	Sutton
Borchardt	Forsyth	Irvine	Orr	Taylor, K.
Bower	Garypie	Jansen	Palmer	Taylor, S.
Brasure	Geider	Keebler	Peterson	Taylor, T.
Brown	Geissinger	Kesler	Pierson	Todd, J.
Campbell	Gensheimer	Kiely	Ramsey	Todd, D.
Carroll	Gepford	Kirkman	Reynolds	Torrey
Carter	Gillette	Kim	Rieker	Warren
Cho	Glenn	Koster	Roberts	Whitledge
Clyde	Gruebel	Krehbiel	Russell	Wilson, R.
Cobleigh	Halsey	LeDuc	Saum	Wilson, S.
Cook	Hanna	Leverenz	Schram, J.	Woodruff
Coleman	Harmon	Lindsey	Schram, B.	Wu

ELDERS

Allen Park

Botic, S.  
Horvath, V.  
Lush, F.  
Milotz, B.  
Morton, R.  
Wagner, J.

Ann Arbor, First

Baker, D.  
Bublitz, G.  
Clyde, D.  
Krehbiel, M

Auburn Heights	Henson, T.	Southwest	Gipson, M.
Belleville	Quinn, C.		Sefcik, J.
Berkley, Greenfield	Brown, G.	Trinity	Holly, O.
Birmingham, First	Books, S.	Trumbull Ave.	Flack, G.
	McMellen, M.	Westminster	Gray, G.
	Schultz, S.		Frisch, C.
	Ferguson, L.	Woodward Ave.	Guyton, M.
	Perkins, J.	Drayton Plains	McRae, J.
	Poston, L.		Hoffman, H.
	Street, F.		DeBarr, D.
	Zimmer	East Detroit, Covenant	Wiggins, I.
Northbrook	Cottrill, D.	Ecorse	Elliott, C.
	Harrison, M.	Farmington, First	Allaben, R.
	Dellinger, W.		Johnson, D.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Brown, R.		Nolte, J.
	Garland, F.	Ferndale	Barnett, H.
	Izant, E.		Heaton, B.
	Lau, D.		Rankin, S.
	Robinson, B.	Fraser, Peace	Bacon, E.
Brighton	Arnold, M.	Garden City	Flynn, J.
	Bethea, J.		Keough, B.
	Waite, J.	Grosse Ile	Billquist, S.
Canton, Geneva	Fanslow, C.		Mauch, S.
Clarkston, Sashabaw	Stringer, W.	Grosse Pointe, Memorial	Conner, N.
Dearborn, First	Currie, R.		Adams, F.
	Hall, D.		Candler, T.
	Martini, M.		Madarasz, B.
	Garrett, R.		Sherman, A.
Cherry Hill	Curth, D.	Grosse Pointe Woods	Jones, R.
	Filiak, E.		Neuman, J.
	Hohenshil, J.	Highland Park, Park	Arnold, R.
	Morley, R.	Lincoln Park	Foster, P.
Littlefield	Schebor, R.	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	Irvine, W.
	Toth, B.		Kenyon, K.
Dearborn Woods	Ash, B.	St. Paul's	Kelly, J.
Dearborn Heights	Kieltyka, D.		Wetters, G.
Detroit, First	Thompson, C.		Whitledge, V.
Bethany	Ellenburg, J.	St. Timothy	Riddle, W.
Calvin East	Messner, R.	Milan, Peoples	Slaughter, T.
Calvin West	Watkins, P.	Milford	Wilson, N.
Covenant	Burnette, M.		Lawson, R.
Church of the Master	McKee, T.	Mt. Clemens, First	Runnels, R.
Eastminster	Westhoff, I.		Salisbury, A.
Evergreen Village	Amaimo, S.	Novi, Faith	Crawford, L.
Fort Street	Thomas, A.	Plymouth, First	Catlett, C.
	Thomas, P.		Soderholm, N.
Grandale	Crowley, E.		Wall, C.
Gratiot Ave.	Thomas, S.	Pontiac, First	Capistrant, N.
Hope	Butler, J.		Vanderhoek, L.
	Myles, T.	Atonement	Freeland, B.
Jefferson Ave.	Fuqua, J.	Joslyn Ave.	Printz, V.
Monteith	Stockwell, M.	Port Huron, First	Coffey, R.
Redford	Bennett, C.		Naylor, R.
	George, L.	Lakeshore	Walters, H.
	Wilcox, F.	Westminster	Milam, Ch.
St. James	Brennan, F.	Redford	Christinason, A.
	Hauswirth, G.	Rochester	MacDonald, D.
St. John's	Blakely, J.		Mack, M.
	Kirk, L.		

Roseville, Erin	Dezinski, D.	Southfield	Postiff, B.
	Miller, K.		Hawley, H.
	Paxton, L.	South Lyon	Heath, F.
	Powell, C.		Hansen, P.
Royal Oak, First	Patchanian, A.	Sterling Heights	Bousquette, G.
	Turner, H.	Taylor, Southminster	Staub, H.
	Doty, R.	Troy, First	Nestico, K.
	Downie, D.		Pharis, B.
	Stratton, N.	Northminster	Spencer, A.
Christ Memorial	Collins, E.	Walled Lake, Crossroads	Van Houten, J.
St. Clair Shores, Faith	Macnab, M.	Warren, First	Martin, L.
Lakeshore	Brown, C.	Celtic Cross	Scott, M.
	Walker, W.	Waterford	Allison, W.
Saline	Woehrle, P.	Wayne	Payne, J.
	Woehrle, W.	West Bloomfield	McIntosh, L.
Shelby, St. Thomas	Dryden, D.	Wyandotte	Palmer, A.
			Ring, B.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adair, M.	Dill, V.
Adams, M.G.	Higgins, J.
Dellinger, W.	Younkin, M.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: David Abbott, Carol Allen, James Anderson, Gareth Baker, Alfredo Baliad, Robert Battles, Rodney Beal, Peter Boeve, James Cannon, James Cole, Gary Douglas, David Dresser, David Eshleman, William Hillegonds, John Jeffrey, Virgil Jones, Donald Lester, Robert Linthicum, Donald MacPherson, Joseph MacDonald, William McIvor, Edward Miller, Rick Peters, John Poland, David Swinehart, Hubert Sunderman, Joan Stary, Henry Stenner, Theodore Tate.

Elders: Birmingham, First-3; Clarkston-1; Kirk of Our Savior-1; Grosse Pointe Memorial-1; Ann Arbor, Calvary-1.

Upon motion, the following persons were seated as corresponding members: Oscar Remick of the Presbytery of Lake Huron, and Yung-hua Wu of Taiwan.

Upon motion Robert McCreight was elected to serve as recording secretary pro tem.

Upon motion, the minutes of the Stated Meeting of February 24, 1981 and the minutes of the Pro Re Nata Meeting of April 7, 1981 were approved.

Upon motion, the docket for the meeting was approved with the following changes: deletion of the report of the Committee on Candidates; the report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was made the order of the day at 7:30. Upon motion, Virginia Marvin was given the privilege of the floor to speak during the report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations.

The Moderator appointed Helen Krynen, ruling elder of the host church, to serve as assistant to the Stated Clerk.



Omnibus Motion

Upon motion, the recommendations listed in the Omnibus Motion were adopted as follows:

1) It is recommended that Presbytery approve the sale of the manse of the Eastminster Church to Isaac Lawler for \$20,000.00 cash.

2) It is recommended that Presbytery grant permission to the First Church, Ypsilanti, to sell a building or to raze it. The circumstances are that the church does not have a need for the building, that it is a liability to the church in terms of cost of taxes, insurance and maintenance, that it is an historic

structure which should be preserved by sale to an interested party, that if such a sale is not possible the church is requesting permission to raze the building. It should be clear that the church is seeking to sell only the building, and that a buyer would agree to remove the building from the land on which it is presently situated.

3) It is recommended that a site loan, number 121008, in the amount of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) from the Office of Capital Resources, made to the Geneva Church of Canton, be considered as a grant mortgage, that the Presbytery repay the loan, and that when the present mortgage has been discharged a grant mortgage in the amount of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) be placed on the property of the Geneva Church. The circumstances are that the Division of Business Affairs recommended this action in April, 1978, but that for some reason the recommendation did not come to the floor of Presbytery for action. Further, it is understood that a grant mortgage is one on which there are no payments on principal and there is no interest; and the principal becomes due and payable only when the church ceases to function as a member church of the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

4) It is recommended that the Presbytery approve the consolidation of loans made to the Faith Community Church of Novi, as follows: the consolidation of swing loans in the following amounts: \$19,625.00, \$7,221.00; \$3,260.00, plus accrued interest on the swing loans, plus a new loan in the amount of \$1,875.00, for a total loan of \$31,981.00, plus the accrued interest, this loan to be repaid within eight months from the date of this meeting of Presbytery, at 9% interest. The circumstances are that the construction of the Faith Community Church was completed several months ahead of schedule, requiring swing loans to meet construction costs; the church anticipates being able to repay the consolidated loan from receipts from its building fund and from gifts from the Major Mission Fund.

A motion carried to approve the following recommendation, which was in the Omnibus Motion but which had been removed for discussion: It is recommended that approval be given to the sale of the manse of the Rosedale Gardens Church to the pastor, Gerald Cobleigh, with the following terms: price \$72,000.00; no down payment; balance financed on a land contract, with monthly payments of \$650.00, including principal and annual interest of 7%; if Mr. Cobleigh ceases to be pastor of the Rosedale Gardens Church the balance owing on the land contract shall be due within 30 days and the church shall have the first option of purchasing the manse.

A motion carried to attest to the Building Fund Committee of the Program Agency the following grant mortgages as of December 31, 1980:

Ann Arbor, Calvary	18,500	Winchester Village	10,000
Dearborn Woods	8,000	East Detroit, Covenant	12,500
Calvin West	29,050	Garden City	495
Church of the Master	20,000	Lincoln Park	3,150
Evergreen Village	6,500	St. Paul's	10,000
Grandale	10,000	Roseville, Erin	1,000
Monteith	9,000	Christ Memorial	10,000
St. John's	5,000		

A motion carried to amend the minutes of Presbytery of September 23, 1980, concerning the terms of the call of the Stated Clerk, by deleting the phrase "and housing" and inserting the phrase "which shall include a housing allowance of \$2,000.00, so that the terms will read: \$4,000.00 salary, which shall include a housing allowance of \$2,000.00, plus \$1,000.00 expenses.

A motion carried to approve the equalization list, submitted by the Stated Clerk and attached to these minutes, of elder commissioners, effective for the period May 1, 1981 to April 30, 1982. An amendment was approved, adding one elder commissioner for the University Church of Rochester.

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by Joanne Higgins.

The report of the Department of Local Church Development was presented by its chairperson, Wilma Dellinger. A motion carried to approve the appointment of an administrative commission to assist in the orderly dissolution of the Eastminster Church. The following persons were elected to the commission: Joseph MacDonald, David Abbott, David Antonson, Robert Tower, Clarence Honkanen, and Bonnie Westhoff. A motion carried to extend the docket by five minutes.

The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by its chairperson, Chris Torrey.

The report of the Department of Ministerial Relations was presented by its chairperson, Richard Milford. Peter Bower and Licentiate Scott Simons were introduced to the Presbytery.

A motion carried to concur in the dissolution of the pastoral relation between Bryce L. McGowan and the Covenant Church of East Detroit, effective June 1, 1981; approve the call of the First Church, New Brighton, Pennsylvania to Mr. McGowan, place the call in his hands and dismiss him to the Presbytery of Beaver-Butler; appoint Richard C. Smith Moderator of the session, and authorize the session, with the aid, advice and consent of the Committee On Ministerial Relations, to secure temporary supplies for the pulpit.

A motion carried to concur with the invitation of the session of St. Paul's Church, Livonia, to invite Licentiate Scott Simons to become assistant pastor upon ordination, effective May 17, 1981, with the following terms: \$11,375 salary, \$6,125 housing allowance, 20¢ per mile auto allowance, \$400 study allowance, full hospitalization, full pension, two weeks' study leave, one month vacation, moving expenses, annual review of the terms of the call. The following persons were elected to an administrative commission to ordain and install Mr. Simons: William F. Whitledge, Donald R. MacPherson, Robert Armstrong, Robert Putnam and Chris Stirling of St. Paul's, and Richard Burgess of Rosedale Gardens; the service to take place on May 17, 1981 at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. at St. Paul's Church. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government, 40.01, 57.044, 57.046 and the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.

A motion carried to concur with the congregation of the Greenfield Church of Berkley in calling Robert M. Barnes to be its pastor, with the following terms: \$14,250 salary, \$5,000 housing allowance, \$15,00 car allowance, \$400 study leave, \$385 hospitalization, full pension, moving expenses, annual review of the terms of the call; the call to become effective on June 15, 1981, and to be forwarded to the Presbytery of Western Reserve, with the request that he be dismissed to this Presbytery, that he be enrolled upon receipt of his dismissal. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government, 40.01, 57.044, 57.046 and the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.

A motion carried to concur with the congregation of the Grandale Church of Detroit in calling Clanton C. W. Dawson, Jr. to be its pastor, effective June 1, 1981 with the following terms: \$15,000 salary, \$4,200 housing allowance, \$15 00 auto allowance, \$250 study allowance, \$380 hospitalization, full pension, two weeks' study leave, one month vacation, moving expenses, annual review of the terms of the call; the call to be forwarded to the Presbytery of Lehigh, with the request that he be dismissed to this Presbytery, and that he be enrolled upon receipt of his dismissal. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of

the Form of Government, 40.01, 57.044, 57.046 and the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.

A motion carried to concur with the session of the First Church of Saline and David Krehbiel in his employment as a part-time interim pastor, effective May 4, 1981 for three months with the following terms: \$156 weekly salary, 20¢ per mile auto allowance, and that he be the moderator of the session.

A motion carried to concur with the session of the Dearborn Woods Church and James Conley in his employment as a part-time interim pastor for four months beginning May 17, 1981 with the following terms: \$160 weekly salary, \$100 monthly auto allowance, a 20 hour week, and that he be the moderator of the session.

A motion carried to concur with the session of Trinity Community Church of Detroit and Robert Craghead in his employment as an interim pastor for a period of six months beginning May 1, 1981, renewable for six months' periods, with the following terms: \$13,000 salary, \$4500 housing allowance, utilities, \$350 hospitalization, \$2,240 auto allowance, \$200 study allowance, two weeks' study leave, one month vacation, full pension

A motion carried to concur with the session of the Eastminster Church of Detroit and David Abbott in the extension of the interim pastoral relationship to June 30, 1981.

A motion carried to concur with the session of the Northville Church and Lawrence McMellen in the extension of the interim pastoral relationship to May 30, 1981.

A motion carried to concur with the session of the Drayton Plains Church and Lloyd Brasure in the extension of the interim pastoral relationship to August 1, 1981.

A motion carried to concur with the session of the Evergreen Village Church of Detroit and LeRoy Peterson in the extension of the interim pastoral relationship to September 30, 1981.

A motion carried to concur with the session of the Northbrook Church of Birmingham to invite Peter Moore to become assistant pastor upon his ordination, effective July 6, 1981, with the following terms: \$14,000 salary, manse, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, \$1200 auto allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$300 study allowance, one month vacation, moving expenses, \$1500 other expenses, annual review of the terms of the call, the call to be forwarded to the Presbytery of New York City, with the request that he be dismissed to this Presbytery, and that he be enrolled upon the receipt of his dismissal. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government, 40.01, 57.044, 57.046 and the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.

A motion carried to elect the following persons to an administrative committee to install D. William McIvor as associate pastor of First Church, Birmingham on May 10, 1981 at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.: F. Morgan Roberts, Charles Sommers, Dennis Barger, Donald Hacker and Donald Manning of First Church, Birmingham, Midge Mack of University Church, Rochester, and Donald Gordon of the Presbytery of Lake Michigan to be invited to be a corresponding member.

Recognition was given to the retirement of J. Douglas Clyde and Thomas A. Bailey. Virginia Marvin spoke in appreciation of the contribution of Betty Bailey to the life of the Presbytery. A motion carried to extend the docket for ten minutes.

A certificate of dismissal has been received from the Presbytery of San Fernando for Gene J. Terpstra. A motion carried to receive Mr. Terpstra as a member of this Presbytery during the time that he is serving as pastor of the University Reformed Church in Ann Arbor, and that this action is to be reviewed at the end of two years.

A motion carried to restore the name of Robert J. Marlow to the roll of the Presbytery, upon reaffirmation of his ordination vows, under provisions of the Book

of Order, 91.02, 91.04, 82.20, with a call to serve the Presbytery as an interim pastor. Mr. Marlow reaffirmed his ordination vows.

A motion carried to approve the following changes in terms of call:

M. Allen - \$2,010 salary increase, \$285 housing increase, \$220 car increase, \$120 hospitalization increase; Anderson - \$5,250 salary increase, \$126 hosp. increase; Armstrong, \$2,150 salary increase, 1.5¢ per mile auto increase; Baker - \$1,327 salary increase, \$400 housing increase, \$300 car increase, \$100 hospitalization increase; Barger - \$1,145 salary increase, \$100 car increase, \$67 hospitalization increase, \$400 other allowances' increase; Barcus - \$600 salary increase, \$400 housing increase, \$40 hospitalization increase; Bartko - \$1,100 salary increase; Battles - \$1,300 salary increase, \$26 hospitalization increase; Beal - \$1,000 salary increase, \$500 housing increase, \$600 car increase; Beery - \$1,790 salary increase, \$200 car increase, \$80 utilities' increase, \$38 hospitalization increase; Blackshear - \$1,900 salary increase, \$180 car increase, \$50 hospitalization increase, \$50 study increase; Brown - 1 day vacation increase; Campbell - \$1,067 salary increase, \$180 car increase; Cannon - \$1,500 salary increase, \$225 housing increase, \$330 car increase; Carroll - \$1,727 salary decrease, \$3,000 housing increase, \$480 car increase; Carter - \$1,680 salary increase, \$600 housing increase, \$320 car increase, \$90 hospitalization increase, \$100 other all. increase; Cole - \$1,596 increase, \$684 housing increase, \$354 expense increase; Colwell - \$1,130 salary increase, \$400 car increase; Curphey - \$75 salary increase, \$800 housing increase; Cook - \$1,645 salary increase, \$300 housing increase, \$200 car increase; Dickson - \$1,101 salary increase, \$300 utilities increase, \$56 hospitalization increase; Douglas - \$1,950 salary increase, \$400 housing increase, \$100 car increase, \$398 hospitalization increase; M. Dunkelberger - \$1,600 salary increase, \$1,200 housing increase, \$300 car increase; Eshleman - \$400 salary increase, \$600 housing increase, \$100 car increase, Forsyth - \$1,700 salary increase, \$2,500 housing increase, \$300 expense increase; Francis - \$1,105 salary increase; Geider - \$1,952 salary increase, \$240 car increase, \$19 hospitalization increase; Geissinger - \$1,600 salary increase; Gensheimer - \$1,353 salary increase, \$478 housing increase, \$343 hospitalization and dental increase; Gepford - \$500 salary increase; Gillette - \$1,165 salary increase, \$135 car increase, \$100 hospitalization increase; Glenn - \$1,000 salary increase, \$800 housing increase, \$150 car increase, \$100 other allowances' increase; Gruebel - \$1,440 salary increase, \$1,900 housing increase, \$67 hospitalization increase, \$200 study allowance increase; Hanna - \$1,106 salary increase, \$431 car decrease, \$100 hospitalization decrease; Haynes - \$350 salary increase, \$900 housing increase, \$450 car increase; Hillegonds - \$2,240 salary \$240 car increase, \$42 hospitalization increase; Howie - \$2,140 salary increase, \$480 car increase, \$446 hospitalization increase; Hunter - \$1,390 salary increase, \$800 car increase; Ihrie - \$630 salary increase, \$200 housing increase, \$750 car increase, \$320 FICA increase; Jansen - \$1,000 salary increase, \$582 hospitalization increase; Jeffrey - \$1,000 salary decrease, \$1,200 housing increase, \$200 car decrease, \$4 hospitalization increase; W. Jones - \$1,787 salary increase, \$200 car allowance; Keebler - \$795 housing increase; Kettlewell - \$1,200 salary increase, \$400 housing increase, \$400 utilities' increase, \$179 FICA increase; Kiely - \$2,366 salary increase; Koster - \$927 salary increase, \$437 housing increase, \$150 car increase; Lambert - \$309 salary increase;

LeDuc - \$1,552 salary increase, \$300 housing increase, \$200 car increase, \$125 utilities' increase, \$50 hospitalization decrease, \$50 expense increase, \$150 study increase; Leverenz - \$1,000 salary increase, \$300 car increase, \$46 hospitalization increase; Lindsey - \$3,750 salary increase, \$1,500 housing increase, \$500 car increase, \$105 hospitalization increase; Linthicum - \$1,850 housing increase; Lister - \$1,120 salary increase, \$300 housing increase, \$500 car increase, \$437 FICA increase; Loveless - \$377 salary increase, \$100 expense increase; Lumley - \$977 salary increase, \$310 car increase; MacDonald - \$5,760 housing increase, \$1,500 salary increase, \$31 hospitalization increase, \$500 expense increase; Magee - \$1,400 salary increase, \$600 housing increase, \$400 car increase; Mather - \$1,300 salary increase, \$120 car increase, \$439 utilities' increase, \$60 hospitalization increase; McCreight - \$1,230 salary increase, \$1,000 car decrease, \$200 study decrease; McGowan - \$345 salary increase, \$700 housing increase, \$20 hospitalization increase; Milford - \$1,500 salary increase, \$500 expense increase; Naylor - \$1,000 salary increase, \$1,000 housing increase, \$900 car increase, \$500 study increase; Pierson - \$1,555 salary increase, \$250 housing increase, \$220 car increase, \$155 hospitalization increase; Peters - \$2,750 salary decrease, \$4,400 housing increase, \$400 car increase; Orr - \$884 salary increase, \$200 car increase, \$350 expense increase, \$100 study increase; Mishler - \$650 salary, \$200 car increase, \$9 hospitalization increase; Palmer - \$1,321 salary increase, \$132 car increase, \$50 study increase; Roberts - \$1,675 salary increase, \$18 utilities' increase, \$70 hospitalization increase, \$89 expense increase, \$89 insurance increase; Saum - \$1,300 salary increase, \$420 car increase; Sharpless - \$1,235 salary increase, \$240 fuel increase; Shoup - \$2,172 salary increase, \$1,488 housing increase, \$420 expense increase; Shook - \$900 salary increase; Smith (Bethany) - \$352 salary increase, \$6 hospitalization increase; Smith (St. James) - \$352 salary increase, \$6 hospitalization increase; Sommers - \$1,026 salary increase, \$68 car increase, \$133 hospitalization increase, \$42 expense increase, \$100 other allowances' increase; Sutton - \$1,580 salary increase, \$240 car increase; Swinehart - \$1,000 salary increase; Tate - \$500 housing increase; Taylor - \$21 salary increase, \$50 car decrease, \$89 utilities' increase, \$34 hospitalization decrease, \$34 expense increase; Vernon - \$786 housing increase, \$800 utilities' increase, \$300 expense increase; R. Wilson \$343 salary increase, \$1,200 housing increase, \$480 car increase, \$394 hospitalization increase; Wingrove - \$1,094 salary increase, \$860 housing increase, \$780 car increase; Whitledge - \$2,500 salary increase, 1.5¢ per mile increase; Woodruff - \$1,076 salary increase.

The Committee on Nominations reported through its chairperson, Sally Rankin. The following slate was presented. There being no nominations from the floor a motion carried to close the nominations and to elect the slate as presented.

Recording Clerk - Robert McCreight, for one year - Belleville

Committee on Ministerial Relations, At Large - Class of 1983 - Jean Lennox - Littlefield Boulevard

Committee on Candidates, Area II - Class of 1982 - Judy Denniston - Southfield

Division of Mission Support, Area III - Barbara Gepford - Littlefield Boulevard, 1982

Personnel Department, Area II - Class of 1982 - Judy Denniston - Southfield

At Large - Class of 1983 - Jean Lennox - Littlefield Boulevard  
 Department of Presbytery Ministries, Area III - Class of 1982 - Gerald Church -  
 Grandale

Staff Services, Area I - Class of 1982 - Jane Hanson - Peace  
 Commissioners to Synod:

Ministers: James Cole (one year) David Eshleman  
 Jenny Schram Henry Stenner  
 William Schram J. Christopher Torrey  
 Ronald Naylor J. Rodney Beal  
 Alternates: William Hillegonds, Arnold Leverenz

Ruling Elders:

Daisy Washburn Lura Hughal  
 Janet Cobb Louise Hoyt  
 Jean Russell Lawrence Harman  
 Fletcher Street  
 Alternates: Jacqueline Bender, Grace Heatley

Youth Advisory Delegates:

Christine Stoner Richard LeMaster Timothy McCloskey  
 Alternate: Melora Gentzel

Synod Structure:

Mission Council - Class of 1982 - Robert McCreight - Belleville  
 Michigan Council of Churches - Class of 1984 - James Woodard - Hope

The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported through its chairperson, William Colwell. A motion carried to limit debate to three minutes per speaker.

A motion carried to concur with the recommendation for an affirmative vote on the following Overtures: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O and Q. There were 20 negative votes for Overture A. Dean Baker requested that the record show his negative vote on Overture A.

A motion carried to concur with the recommendation for a negative vote on the following Overtures: P, R, S, T and V.

A motion carried not to concur with the recommendation for an affirmative vote on the Overture from the Presbytery of Southern New England concerning the doubling of minimum representation at General Assembly, providing that it meets biennially.

A motion carried to concur in the Overture from the Presbytery of Wyoming, allowing general councils of presbyteries to be granted authority to approve property transactions.

A motion carried to concur in the Overture from the Presbytery of Wyoming allowing interim pastors laboring within the bounds of another presbytery to moderate the sessions of the churches which they are serving.

A motion carried to take no action on Overtures from the Presbyteries of Eastern Oklahoma and Indian Nations on legal aid; from the Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse on the celebration of women in ministry; from the Presbytery of Northern New York on candidates being able to serve communion; and from the Presbytery of Indian Nations on God's claims.

A motion carried to commend the Committee on Bills and Overtures for its diligent work.

The Trenton Administrative Commission reported through its chairperson, William Whitledge. A motion carried to approve the recommendations of the Commission, as follows (Thomas Kirkman requested that the record show his negative vote):

The Trenton Administrative Commission followed a pattern similar to that described by other Administrative Commissions of the Presbytery functioning between June 1980 and the present to manage the interface between the judicatory and congregations attempting to withdraw from the United Presbyterian Church. The Commission attempted to affect reconciliation between the Presbytery and the Trenton Church. When that attempt failed, and it became apparent that the congregation was not interested in transferring to a denomination in correspondence with the General Assembly, the Commission and representatives of the former Session of the Trenton Church began negotiating on the matter of adequate compensation to the Presbytery for the orderly dissolution of the church and the release of the Trenton Church properties.

The following proposal, having been voted by the Commission on March 5, 1981, is hereby presented to the Presbytery of Detroit for a first reading, to be voted at the Stated Meeting April 28, 1981.

#### PROPOSAL

1. That the Presbytery dissolve the Trenton Presbyterian Church effective April 28, 1981 (Book of Order 42:08).
2. That the Presbytery receive the properties of the Trenton Presbyterian Church and arrange for their transfer to the ecclesiastical entity which succeeds the Trenton Presbyterian Church, also known as the Trenton Presbyterian Church, subject to the following conditions:
3. That the Presbytery of Detroit agree to receive on behalf of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. the sum of \$77,500.00, to be paid to the Presbytery in a lump sum subsequent to all parties ratification of this agreement.
4. That the Presbytery instruct its legal counsel to arrange for the removal of the Presbytery of Detroit, Inc. and the United Presbyterian Church U.S.A., a corporation, from any contingent liability for any unpaid mortgages, Declarations of Trust or other financial obligations of the Trenton Presbyterian Church.
5. That the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Detroit be instructed to notify the membership of the Trenton Presbyterian Church that the congregation has been formally dissolved by the Presbytery, effective April 28, 1981, and that the rolls are technically under the oversight of the Presbytery.
6. That the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Detroit be empowered to grant letters of transfer for the former members of the Trenton Church to other United Presbyterian congregations, or bodies in correspondence with the General Assembly, and that at a point twelve months from the ratification of this agreement the Clerk delete from the rolls of the Presbytery the names of all persons who have not so acted.
7. That the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Detroit communicate with the Stated Clerk of General Assembly that this agreement in effect sells the Trenton Church to a non-Presbyterian body for less than its fair market value, and that General Assembly is asked to concur in the ratification of this proposal.

APPENDIX:

On file with the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery are copies of the minutes of the Commission and all relevant papers concerning its work.

Legal Agreement:

THIS AGREEMENT, Made and entered into on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1981, by and between the PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT, UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, whose address is 17575 Hubbell, Detroit, Michigan 48235, sometimes hereinafter referred to as "Presbytery", and the TRENTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF TRENTON, MICHIGAN, A MICHIGAN ECCLESIASTICAL CORPORATION, whose address is 2799 West Road, Trenton, Michigan 48183, sometimes hereinafter referred to as "Trenton Church".

WHEREAS, TRENTON CHURCH, has by a vote of its membership withdrawn its affiliation with the UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

and

WHEREAS, the PRESBYTERY has asserted that the assets of TRENTON CHURCH are by implication held by TRENTON CHURCH in trust for the use and purpose of the UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and

WHEREAS, the parties wish by this instrument to resolve all claims which either party hereto may have against the opposing party, now, therefore,

In consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein contained, it is agreed by and between the parties as follows:

A. PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT, UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, hereby relinquishes, releases and disclaims any interest which it may have or which it may ever have had, in and to the assets, both real and personal, of TRENTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF TRENTON, a Michigan Ecclesiastical Corporation.

B. \$77,500.00 to be paid by the TRENTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH in a lump sum following ratification of this agreement, with up to \$12,500.00 to be allocated by the Presbytery of Detroit to United Presbyterian causes previously supported by the TRENTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH in their 1979 mission budget.

C. TRENTON CHURCH warrants that it has made no representations in connection with any real estate or personal property transaction of any kind, whether in cash, credit or both, that the PRESBYTERY is a party to any such transaction, or stands behind TRENTON CHURCH'S part in any such transaction as a guarantor, indemnifier, secondarily liable party or in any way formally or informally obliged or willing to satisfy TRENTON CHURCH'S obligation in any such transaction. In the event of breach of this warrantee, TRENTON CHURCH shall fully indemnify the PRESBYTERY for all liabilities, costs, expenses and legal fees incurred thereby.

D. This agreement is intended to be a full and final settlement and release of all claims whatsoever between the parties hereto. This agreement is being executed in recordable form and it is understood by both parties that TRENTON CHURCH may at its option record this agreement.



The Oakland Avenue Administrative Commission reported through its chairperson, Harry Geissinger. A motion carried to approve the recommendations of the Commission, as follows:

The Session of the Oakland Avenue United Presbyterian Church of Pontiac, Michigan, meeting on July 2, 1980 with 14 elders present unanimously resolved to recommend to the congregation that it withdraw from the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

At a special Congregational and Corporate Meeting on July 28, 1980 the recommendation to withdraw was approved (YES - 293; NO - 10) and enabling resolutions passed.

The Presbytery of Detroit was notified by the Clerk of Session of these actions by letter dated July 29, 1980.

The Presbytery of Detroit met on August 8, 1980 and elected an Administrative Commission of: Ruling Elders Ruth Allaben, Wilma Dellinger, Verna Dill, and Thomas Prince; and Ministers David Antonson, LeRoy Haynes, Kenneth Gruebel, and Harry Geissinger who was named Chairperson to "visit the Oakland Avenue United Presbyterian Church, reported to be affected with disorder (Book of Order 60.04)" and to make specific recommendations to the Presbytery of Detroit on August 15, 1980 relating to the willingness and ability of the Session to "manage wisely the affairs of its church (Book of Order, 41:15)".

The Commission met on August 13th, first by itself, then with 16 Elders and the minister of the Oakland Avenue Church. The Commission reported its recommendations to Presbytery on August 15th. The Presbytery adopted the recommendations of the Commission that the Oakland Avenue Church was "affected with disorder" and granted the Commission broad administrative powers. The Rev. Paul Moon renounced the jurisdiction of the United Presbyterian Church and his name was removed from the roll of the Presbytery on September 23, 1980.

The Commission proceeded to follow faithfully the Presbytery's "Goals for Commissions" to work toward reconciliation, transfer to another denomination, or withdraw from the United Presbyterian Church. To this end, position papers were exchanged and discussed at length. In addition, the Commission remained in continuing conversation with the chairmen of the other Commissions, the executive staff of the Presbytery and the attorney for the Presbytery.

To the credit of both parties an excellent rapport was developed which continued throughout all discussions and negotiations. Permission was granted to the Session of the Oakland Avenue Church to administer the affairs of the church on behalf of the Commission for 90 days. This permission was later extended to April 28, 1981.

When it became apparent that the only resolution of the matter was withdrawal from the denomination, the membership of the Oakland Avenue Church was invited by letter to meet with the Commission to ascertain if there was any "faithful remnant" who wished to continue in the United Presbyterian denomination. On March 19, 1981 two women, plus an elder representing the Session, appeared and consulted with the Commission.

The Commission then worked to secure "adequate compensation" for the transfer of the Oakland Avenue property to the continuing congregation. After intense but congenial negotiations, the following schedule of compensation was endorsed for presentation to the Presbytery of Detroit and the Oakland Avenue congregation.

1. \$47,500.00 of undesignated monies to be paid to the Presbytery by December 31, 1985.
2. Oakland Avenue Church shall pay the sum of its per capita apportionments for the years 1980 and 1981 by December 31, 1982, the amount of which will be credited as payment toward settlement of the total \$47,500.00.
3. No interest is payable on any unpaid portion of the agreement through December 31, 1982. On January 1, 1983, January 1, 1984 and January 1, 1985 a ten percent (10%) interest charge will be added to the unpaid balance of this agreement. The total accrued amount (principal and interest) is due and payable in full no later than December 31, 1985.

### PROPOSAL

It is proposed that the Presbytery of Detroit receive the following motion for first reading at its Pro re nata Meeting of April 7, 1981, and that action be taken at the Stated Meeting of the Presbytery to be held at the First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn on April 28, 1981, at 6:00 P.M.

MOVED that the Presbytery of Detroit:

- A. Dissolve the Oakland Avenue United Presbyterian Church effective April 28, 1981, (Book of Order, 42:08).
- B. Receive the properties and assets of the Oakland Avenue United Presbyterian Church and direct the Trustees of the Presbytery of Detroit to arrange for their transfer to the Oakland Avenue Church of Pontiac, Michigan subject to the conditions in the following statements.
- C. That the Presbytery of Detroit agree to receive on behalf of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America the sum of \$47,500.00 payable during the years of 1981 through 1985 in accordance with the attached agreement.
- D. That the Presbytery instruct its legal counsel to arrange for the removal of the "Presbytery of Detroit, Inc." and the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America from any contingent liability for unpaid mortgages, Declarations of Trust, or other financial obligations of the Oakland Avenue United Presbyterian Church upon payment in full of this agreement.
- E. That the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Detroit be instructed to notify the membership of the Oakland Avenue United Presbyterian Church that the congregation has been formally dissolved by the Presbytery, effective April 28, 1981, and that the rolls are technically under the oversight of the Presbytery.
- F. That the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Detroit be empowered to grant letters of transfer for the former members of the Oakland Avenue United Presbyterian Church to other United Presbyterian congregations, or bodies in correspondence with the General Assembly, and that at a point twelve months from the dissolution of the Oakland Avenue United Presbyterian Church the Stated Clerk delete from the rolls of Presbytery the names of all persons who have not so acted.
- G. That during years three and five of the life of this proposal, Presbytery's Council shall initiate conversations with the Oakland Avenue Church about the possibility of the church petitioning the judicatory to become once again a United Presbyterian congregation.

- H. That Presbytery's Council, through the office of the Treasurer, monitor the payments from the Oakland Avenue Church to the Presbytery and take appropriate action in the event of default.
- I. That the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Detroit communicate with the Stated Clerk of General Assembly that this agreement in effect sells the Oakland Avenue Church to a non-Presbyterian body for less than its fair market value, and that General Assembly is asked to concur in the ratification of this proposal.

#### APPENDIX

On file with the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Detroit are copies of the minutes of the Administrative Commission and all pertinent papers concerning its work.

#### AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, Made and entered into on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1981, by and between the PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT, UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, whose address is 17575 Hubbell, Detroit, Michigan 48235, sometimes hereinafter referred to as "Presbytery", and the OAKLAND AVENUE CHURCH OF PONTIAC, MICHIGAN, A MICHIGAN ECCLESIASTICAL CORPORATION, whose address is 404 Oakland Avenue, Pontiac, Michigan 48058, sometimes hereinafter referred to as "Oakland Avenue".

WHEREAS, OAKLAND AVENUE has by a vote of its membership withdrawn its affiliation with the UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

and

WHEREAS, the PRESBYTERY has asserted that the assets of OAKLAND AVENUE are by implication held by OAKLAND AVENUE in trust for the use and purpose of the UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and

WHEREAS, the parties wish by this instrument to resolve all claims which either party hereto may have against the opposing party, now, therefore,

In consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein contained, it is agreed by and between the parties as follows:

- A. PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT, UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, hereby relinquishes, releases and disclaims any interest which it may have or which it may ever have had, in and to the assets, both real and personal, of OAKLAND AVENUE CHURCH OF PONTIAC, a Michigan Ecclesiastical Corporation.
- B. \$47,500.00 of undesignated monies to be paid to the Presbytery by December 31, 1985. Oakland Avenue Church shall pay the sum of its per capita apportionments for the years 1980 and 1981 by December 31, 1982, the amount of which will be credited as payment toward settlement of the total of \$47,500.00. No interest is payable on any unpaid portion of the agreement through December 31, 1982. On January 1, 1983, January 1, 1984 and January 1, 1985 a ten percent (10%) interest charge will be added to the unpaid balance of this agreement. The total accrued amount (principal and interest) is due and payable in full no later than December 31, 1985.

- C. OAKLAND AVENUE warrants that it has made no representations in connection with any real estate or personal property transaction of any kind, whether in cash, credit or both, that the PRESBYTERY is a party to any such transaction, or stands behind OAKLAND AVENUE'S part in any such transaction as a guarantor, indemnifier, secondarily liable party or in any way formally or informally obliged or willing to satisfy OAKLAND AVENUE'S obligation in any such transaction. In the event of breach of this warrantee, OAKLAND AVENUE shall fully indemnify the PRESBYTERY for all liabilities, costs, expenses and legal fees incurred thereby.
- D. This agreement is intended to be a full and final settlement and release of all claims whatsoever between the parties hereto. This agreement is being executed in recordable form and it is understood by both parties that OAKLAND AVENUE may at its option record this agreement.

A motion carried to extend the docket by five minutes.

The Knox Administrative Commission reported through its chairperson, James Kesler. A motion carried to receive the report as a first reading and to agree to act upon the report at an adjourned meeting of Presbytery, to be held on May 12, 1981.

A motion carried to extend the docket by five minutes.

The report of the Central Northwest Administrative Commission was presented by its chairperson, Edward Koster.

The report of the Ward Memorial Administrative Commission was presented by Larry Glenn. A motion carried to grant the following powers to the Commission:

1. To remove the Session and assume the powers thereof.
2. To dissolve the Pastoral relationship.
3. To dissolve the congregation after having taken sufficient time to allow individual members an opportunity to indicate whether they desire to remain in the United Presbyterian Church family and having offered the alternative opportunity to continue this membership in the UPCUSA.
4. To assume responsibility for the property located at 12850 Plymouth Rd., Detroit, Michigan 48227.
5. To negotiate disposition of that property in any of the following manners:
  - A. To negotiate transfer to the continuing body or fellowship of individuals who were formally members of Ward Memorial Church.
  - B. To sell on the open market.
  - C. To lease property to any group desiring to use it.
6. To secure the records and inventory of records, all financial and Sessional records and to make an inventory of the assets.
7. To negotiate the use of an alternate facility with a portion of the assets from the sale of the property in good faith to assist the continuing body of Christians to carry out their desired witness.

8. To determine whether it is possible for the continuing body of Christians of the Ward Memorial Church to engage in experimental ministry for a period of several years without formal organization within the United Presbyterian Church, with the permission of the Presbytery given to such experimentation and whatever facilitating actions were needed to assist in this exploration.
9. To have such additional powers as necessary to complete our task.

A motion carried to grant also to the Commission the authority to refer to the Committee on Ministerial Relations the name of the pastor of the church, David Dresser, for study and recommendation as to whether it is appropriate to call for the establishment of a Judicial Committee of Inquiry to consider his future relationship with the United Presbyterian Church.

A motion carried to adjourn the meeting of Presbytery until May 12, 1981, at 4:00 p.m. at Westminster Church, Detroit. The meeting was closed at 10:55 p.m. by the Moderator, with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.

#### ADJOURNED MEETING OF PRESBYTERY, May 12, 1981

The meeting of Presbytery was resumed at 4:00 p.m. on May 12, 1981 at Westminster Church, Detroit. The meeting was convened with prayer by the Moderator, Paul Sutton. The Stated Clerk, Stanley M. Taylor announced that a quorum was present. A motion carried to approve the following docket: 1) Report of the Knox Administrative Commission; 2) report of the Division of Business Affairs; 3) a request from James LeDuc to present an item under Miscellaneous Business.

The Knox Administrative Commission reported through its chairperson, James Kesler. A motion carried to grant George Woodcock, pastor of Knox Church, the privilege of the floor. A motion carried to adopt Recommendation A of the Commission's report. A motion carried to adopt Recommendation B of the report.

### I. Background

On July 14, 1980, the congregation of the Knox United Presbyterian Church, Mt. Clemens, voted 201 to 7 "to sever its affiliation with the Presbytery of Detroit, and the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America" effective July 21, 1980. The Presbytery was informed of this unilateral action in a letter dated July 22, 1980 to which was attached a copy of the resolutions made by the congregation and a one page statement "The Particulars of Knox United Presbyterian Church's Difference with the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America", subsequently distributed at the August 8, 1980 meeting of Presbytery.

On July 31, 1980, Presbytery elected an Administrative Commission "to visit the Mt. Clemens, Knox Church, reported to be affected with disorder". Disorder was found. The pastor of the church, the Rev. George Woodcock, renounced his membership in the Presbytery by letter, August 4.

On August 8, the present Administrative Commission was elected by the Presbytery of Detroit: Jean Lennox, Arthur Sherman Jr., Mary Scott, Alvin Stallworth, and four ministers: David Swinehart, Morgan Roberts, Robert Linthicum and James Kesler, who was named Chairperson. The Presbytery voted to the Commission the following powers over the Knox Church and its assets:

- A. To remove the Session and assume the duties and powers thereof.
- B. To dissolve the pastoral relationship between George W. Woodcock and the Knox Church.
- C. If necessary, to dissolve the congregation after having given the individual members an opportunity to continue membership in the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.
- D. To have additional powers necessary to complete the task.

## II. Process

The Commission retained legal counsel immediately, and then spent considerable time discussing goals and strategy to accomplish its goals. In cooperation with three other Administrative Commissions of Presbytery, this Commission developed and adopted a strategy paper for dealing with the disaffected churches, presented to the Presbytery for information on September 23, 1980.

- A. Reconciliation between the Knox Church and the United Presbyterian Church was seriously pursued by the Commission. They acted to grant the Session of the Knox Church permission to administer the church's affairs on the Commission's behalf for 90 days, and later renewed that permission.

October through December was spent exploring first the root issues of discontent in the Knox Church as expressed in the "Particulars Paper", and then exploring what possible changes might be necessary in Presbytery or General Assembly to make reconciliation possible. The Commission and Knox leaders discussed scriptural authority, pluralism in the church, and several possible overtures to General Assembly. A Committee of Six was appointed - three from the Knox Church, three from Presbytery's Commission - to develop proposals which might be acceptable and have a sense of ownership for both the Knox leaders and the Commission.

Of two possible overtures to General Assembly, one - on permissive withdrawal by dissident churches from the denomination - found no favor with the Commission. The other, a grandfather clause permitting some temporary exemption from newly added portions of the Constitution, found some favor with both Knox leaders and the Commission. It was dropped, however, when Knox leaders refused to assist as advocates for its passage.

- B. Transfer to another denomination was seriously pursued by the Commission. Knox Church has a committee studying alternative affiliation. Several avenues have been explored and continue to be explored. However, Knox leadership is not prepared at this time or in the near future to affect transfer to another denomination.
- C. Dealing with Total Withdrawal has been the primary subject of discussion and negotiation since late January, 1981, although the door to reconciliation is still open.

To contact the congregation, a letter was written and signed by both the Commission chairperson and the Knox pastor George Woodcock, inviting any members of Knox Church who wanted to remain United Presbyterian to meet with our representatives at Peace United Presbyterian Church, Fraser, February 10. No loyal remnant appeared. Only one Knox member made contact with the Commission chairperson. We perceive no loyal remnant at Knox Church.

Knox property appraisal was made by a Presbytery representative which set a fair market value for buildings and land at \$450,000.00.

Knox financial records and statements were studied showing an indebtedness of \$390,000 to Standard Federal Savings and Loan, the Program Agency of the United Presbyterian Church, and local bond holders. Ordinarily, the Program Agency loan #1-11-129909 for \$125,000 made to Knox Church in 1976 would be called due when they left the United Presbyterian Church.

In preparing a proposal to the Program Agency, re: loan #1-11-129909, the Administrative Commission is taking into account the fact that Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly agencies permitted the Knox congregation to borrow more than they should have in 1975-76. Their indebtedness exceeds General Assembly guidelines significantly. If we were to make the \$125,000.00 payable immediately in full and secure adequate compensation to the Presbytery in addition, we would "break the church's back". Therefore, we are proposing new loan terms with Presbytery guaranteeing their payment, as Knox no longer expresses any accountability to the United Presbyterian system. Our legal counsel, Mr. Bushnell, is working to assure us an uncontested, second mortgage position and providing for foreclosure should the church default.

Since the property was appraised at approximately \$450,000.00, with approximately \$390,000.00 in outstanding mortgages and bonds, the settlement of \$51,000.00 can be considered a "fair market value" price the same as the amount that would have been received by Presbytery had the property been listed on the open market. General Assembly, therefore, need not be a party to this agreement.

The Commission has attempted to safeguard the interests of any possible remnant of loyal United Presbyterians at Knox Church, as well as the interests of the Presbytery and the General Assembly. The Commission feels all these interests would be frustrated should the \$125,000.00 loan be called and the Knox Church property foreclosed upon.

The Commission has discussed the use of the name "Presbyterian" with Knox leaders and has asked them voluntarily to delete the name "Presbyterian" from their title until or unless they affiliate with another Presbyterian body. The Knox leaders feel this is unfair to ask of them, since it was not insisted upon by other negotiated settlements. The Commission feels it is an important principle that "Presbyterian" means connectional in church government and would be properly used only when a local congregation has some higher judicatory to whom it is responsible. At the request of the Knox Session, the Commission concurs in separating out the recommendation "To delete the word Presbyterian" from the rest of the negotiated agreement so that the approval or disapproval of this negotiated settlement does not rise or fall on this issue alone.

Prayerfully and carefully the Knox Commission has discussed, listened, and negotiated with the leaders from Knox Church. For their part, the Knox leaders demonstrated a continuing willingness to expend their time and energy in clarifying possibilities and positions in a friendly, positive spirit. We prayed together; we disagreed in love. We part amicably in the hope that reconciliation together as United Presbyterians may be possible at some future time. In the meantime, we are together as part of the larger Body of Christ.

### III. Proposal

That this agreement presented to Presbytery for first reading April 28, 1981, be received for information with Presbytery to adjourn to vote the proposal at second reading on Tuesday, May 12, 1981, at 4:00 P.M.

#### A.

1. That the Knox Church pay the Presbytery \$51,000.00 an adequate compensation for the transfer of assets from the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. on the following cash flow schedule:

1981	\$5,000
1982	\$5,500
1983	\$6,000
1984	\$6,500
1985	\$7,000
1986	\$7,000
1987	\$7,000
1988	\$7,000

2. That the Knox Church agree to renegotiate its \$125,000.00 loan with the Program Agency of General Assembly on the following terms:
  - a. Interest rate: 12% per year, instead of the previous 7% per year
  - b. Amortization schedule:
    - 15 year amortization schedule, as before.
    - Payback period of 8 years with a balloon payment at the end of the 8th year.

This recommendation is contingent upon written confirmation by the Program Agency of General Assembly.

3. That legal counsel assure the Presbytery that the \$125,000.00 Program Agency Loan is adequately secured, and that the Presbytery can if necessary fore-close on the property. Presbytery is to be assured an uncontested second mortgage position, with priority over the bond account.
4. That legal counsel be asked to draft agreements binding the congregation to the provisions of #1 of this agreement, releasing the Presbytery from contingent liability on the First Mortgage held by Standard Federal, the bond account, and any other of the congregation's obligations.

#### B.

1. That Knox Church agrees it will not use the word "Presbyterian" to identify itself or any of its programs, activities, books, records, personal or property unless and until it unites with another Presbyterian denomination.

The report of the Division of Business Affairs was presented by its chairperson, Dale Ihrie. A motion carried to adopt the following recommendations of the Division:

- 1) It is recommended that the IBM Copier II be purchased for the price of \$6,000.00, less purchase accruals of \$3,000.00, for a net price of \$3,000.00.
- 2) It is recommended that a loan not to exceed \$17,000.00 be made to Robert M. Barnes, pastor of the Greenfield Church of Berkley, the loan to be made from the Capital Fund, under the following terms: the loan is to be repaid within six months from May 18, 1981, with interest at 10% per annum. The purpose of the loan is to enable Mr. Barnes to purchase a house.

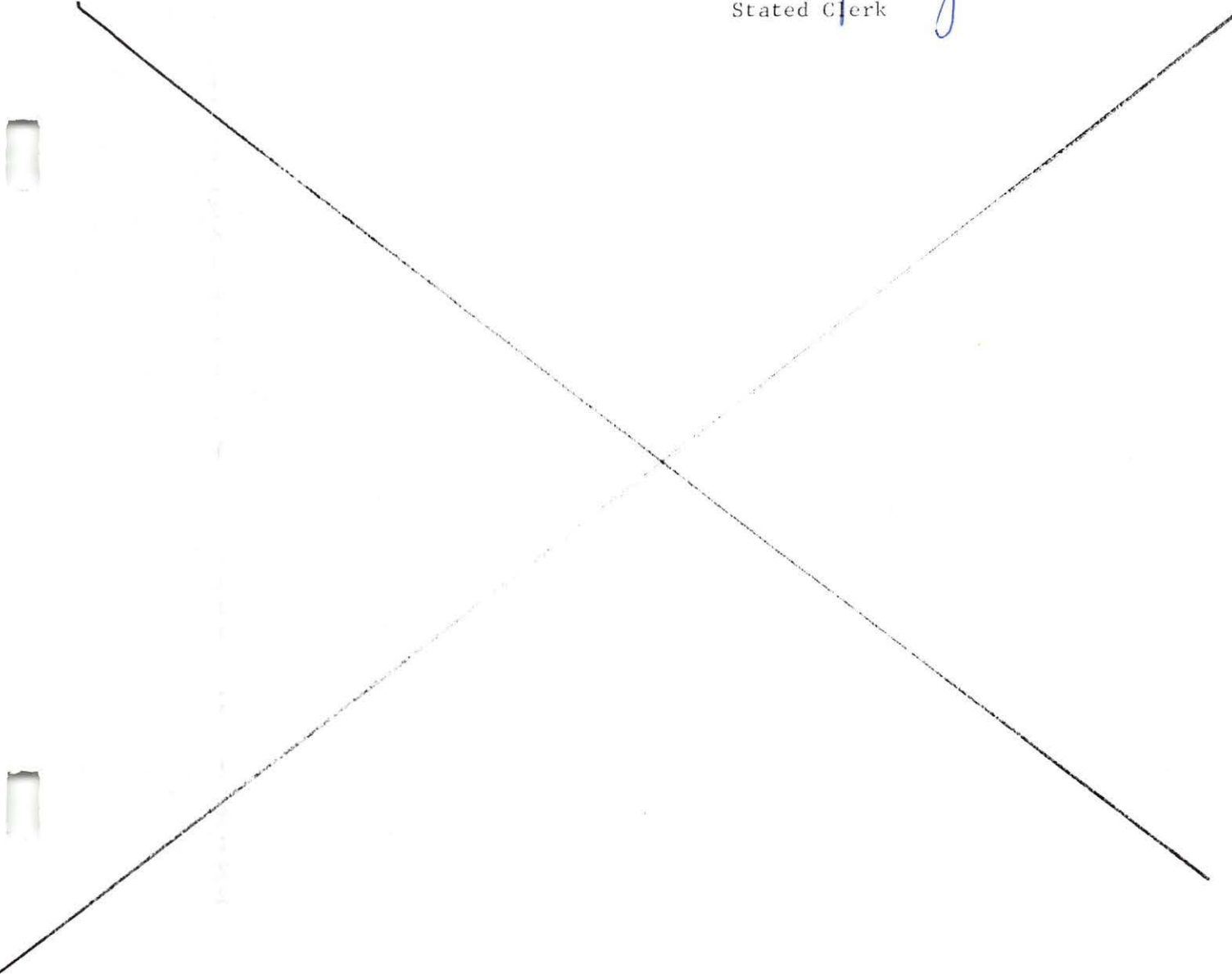


3) It is recommended that approval be given to the Drayton Avenue Church for the sale of a piece of land to John S. Hodge and Julie C. Hodge, his wife for \$4,500.00 in cash.

A motion carried to receive for first reading a report from a Small Church Caucus, to refer it to the Department of Local Church Development and to the Department of Program and Resource Development for presentation and recommendation at the June meeting of Presbytery. A motion carried to distribute the report to commissioners in advance of the June meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m. with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction, by the Vice-moderator, William Colwell.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
Stanley Taylor  
Stated Clerk



## Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance

May 1, 1981 - April 30, 1982

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	5	5	Garden City	1	1
Ann Arbor, First	4	4	Grosse Ile	2	2
Calvary	1	ex	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	5 & 1 ex
Northside	1	0	Grosse Pointe Woods	5	2
Westminster	1	0	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Auburn Heights	1	1	Howell	2	0
Belleville	1	1	Lincoln Park	1	1
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	3	2
Birmingham, First	8	5 & 3 ex	St. Paul's	4	3
Northbrook	3	3	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	5	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	2
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	1	0	Northville	2	0
Dearborn, First	5	5	Novi, Faith Community	1	1
Cherry Hill	4	4	Orchard Lake	2	0
Dearborn Woods	1	1	Plymouth	3	3
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	2	2
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Detroit, First	1	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	1	Port Huron, First	1	1
Broadstreet	1	0	Lakeshore	1	1
Calvary	1	0	Westminster	1	1
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	2	2
Calvin West	1	1	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Central Northwest	1	0	Royal Oak, First	6	2
Church of the Covenant	1	1	First United	2	2
Church of the Master	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	1
Eastminster	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Evergreen Village	1	1	Lake Shore	3	2
Fort Street	2	2	Saline	1	1
Grandale	1	1	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	Southfield, United	2	2
Hope	1	1	Korean	1	0
Jefferson Avenue	3	1	South Lyon	1	1
Leitch	1	0	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	1
Monteith	1	1	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
Redford	4	3	Troy, First	1	2
St. James	1	2	Northminster	1	1
St. John's	1	1	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Southwest Community	2	2	Warren, First	1	1
Trinity	1	1	Celtic Cross	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Village	2	1	Wayne, First	1	1
Ward Memorial	1	0	West Bloomfield, Church		
Westminster	3	3	of Our Saviour	1	1
Woodward Avenue	1	1	Westland, Kirk of Our		
Drayton Plains	1	1	Savior	1	ex
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	White Lake	1	0
Ecorse	1	1	Wyandotte	2	2
Farmington	3	3	Ypsilanti	2	0
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2			
Fraser, Peace	1	1			

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION  
DETROIT PRESBYTERY  
ON  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
TRENTON, MICHIGAN

MINUTES OF MEETING JUNE 24, 1980

The meeting of the Administrative Commission was called to order and opened with prayer by Chairperson William Whitledge at 9:05 p.m. June 24, 1980 in the Education Building of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

Regular Members Present: Whitledge, Allen, Woodard, White and Howie  
Staff: Borchardt  
Regular Members Absent: Beardmore

The Reverend Carl G. Howie was nominated and elected to serve as Clerk of the Commission.

Commission members reviewed the directive from Presbytery concerning its power and purpose. (cf. Attachment A)

Upon motion the Commission duly seconded and unanimously adopted the following schedule and voted the following authorizations:

1. Authorized Chairperson Whitledge and the Reverend Carol Allen to contact the Reverend Calvin Gray to request and suggest a meeting with the Session of the First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, Michigan prior to June 30, 1980.
2. Authorized Whitledge and Allen to request the Reverend Mr. Gray to make the Sessional and Corporate records of The First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, Michigan, available to the Commission.
3. Agreed that the Commission shall meet at Westminster Church of Detroit June 25, 1980 at 8:00 p.m. to hear the report of Whitledge and Allen, and take such action on this and other matters as may be appropriate.
4. The Commission shall inform the Reverend Mr. Gray and the Session of the First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, Michigan, through the Clerk of Session of the adjourned meeting of Detroit Presbytery scheduled for June 30, 1980 at 4:00 p.m. at Westminster Church of Detroit and advise both the Reverend Mr. Gray and elders on the Session of their report to be heard.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by common consent at 9:30 p.m. by the Reverend William Whitledge, Chairperson.

*Carl G. Howie*  
Carl G. Howie

Clerk

## ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION

DETROIT PRESBYTERY  
ON  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
TRENTON, MICHIGAN

MINUTES OF MEETING, JUNE 25, 1980

The meeting of the Administrative Commission was called to order and opened with prayer by Chairperson William Whitlege, June 25, 1980 at 8:45 p.m. in Westminster Church of Detroit.

Regular Members Present: Whitlege, Allen, Woodard, Beardmore, White and Howie.

Staff: Lester

The minutes of the Commission Meeting for June 24, 1980 were approved with one editorial correction.

Discussion of the contact with the Reverend Calvin Gray by Allen and Whitlege was informally held and the following transcript of conversation held June 25, 1980 was submitted for the record by common consent:

Notes of conversations on 6/25/80

9:00 AM Bill Whitlege and I met at the Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church. We reviewed the three points we were to cover in our phone call.

9:04 AM We called the Trenton Church.

Secretary: Hello, Trenton Presbyterian Church.

Bill: Mr. Gray, please

Secretary: Just one minute please. Who shall I say is calling?

Bill: Bill Whitlege, St. Paul's Presbyterian Church.

She was away several seconds.

Secretary: He'll be with you in a minute, sir.

Bill: Thank you very much.

Several seconds later Calvin Gray picked up the phone. Sounded to me like there was a clicking sound?

Bill explained that both of us were on the phone and members of the Administrative Commission elected by the Presbytery the night before. Cal responded that he was aware of that action. I said hello to acknowledge my presence.

Cal: I'll have to find out whether the Session want to do that or not. I would - I still consider myself a United Presbyterian Minister. I'll have to check with the clerk.

The Session as of the action on Monday night no longer recognizes the authority of the United Presbyterian Church. I think this says something significant about the congregation's position regarding their desire to have an official meeting.

Bill: We are an administrative commission of inquiry.

Cal: Yes, but let me out of courtesy explain what response you are likely to get from them - a desire only to send representatives for an informal meeting. Can you go along with that?

Bill: We would prefer to meet with the whole Session but would settle for a meeting with representatives rather than having no contact at all.

Cal: Where would this take place?

Bill: We would come to your church.

Cal: What would be a convenient time for you?

Bill: In thinking about lay people's availability, what would you think about Saturday morning?

Cal: Sounds like that would work.

Cal and Bill agreed on a tentative time of 10:00 AM.

Cal: Now, this will be either with the whole Session, as you prefer, or an informal meeting with Session representatives?

Bill: Yes.

Cal: I'll call your office around 11 today and confirm this.

Bill: Fine, thank you. We want to discuss two more items with you. Will the Session and Corporation minutes for 1979 to 80 be available to the Commission, the documents recording recent actions?

Cal: I'll check.

Bill: Do you have one set or two? One board or . . . ?

Cal: One, I think. No, I'm sorry. We have two boards - dual minutes.

Bill: We want to remind you of the adjourned meeting of Presbytery scheduled for Monday, June 30 at 4 PM at Westminster Church in Detroit. You and the Session are invited to attend and to speak if you desire.

Cal responded that he was aware of this.

Bill then asked me whether we had forgotten anything.

Carol: No, you've covered the items we wanted to share.

Cal then restated accurately the three reasons for our call, and said goodbye to each of us using our first names. We each said goodbye and thank you in turn.

Bill and I reviewed my notes for their accuracy, and he left immediately.

It had been a calm and cooperative phone conversation.

Carol J. Allen  
Recorder

A the beginning of the meeting, a telephone call to Calvin Gray was made by Whitledge who was told that an informal meeting of the Session of First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, Michigan, had been set for June 28, 1980 at 10:00 AM at the church in Trenton. No determination about the availability of Sessional and Corporate records was given by the Reverend Mr. Gray. General considerations on the approach to the Session and Pastor led to the following conclusions by common consent:

1. Ask if Sessional and Corporate records are available.
2. Inform the Session members and Pastor that under Presbyterian polity a congregation cannot withdraw from the denomination, hence First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, Michigan is still technically a Presbyterian Church despite any action taken.
3. Ask the question: Why are you attempting to withdraw from UPUSA?
4. Talk to the Pastor alone after being with the Session.
5. Possibly talk to Session members separately.

Concern was expressed by members of the Commission about preserving the integrity of the church.

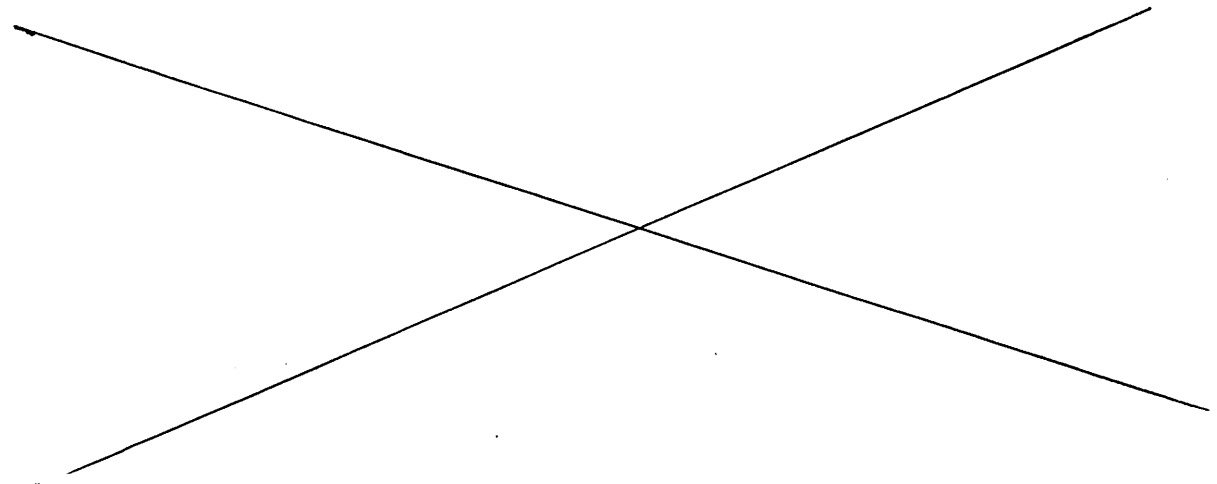
Options as to actions and positions that might be taken were discussed with general agreement that any decisions must await the Commission's meeting with the Session and Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, Michigan.

The Commission agreed to meet at the First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, Michigan, June 28, 1980 at 10:00 A.M. concluding that part of the meeting by 11:30 A.M. It was further agreed that the Commission, having recessed, would then continue its meeting at the Western Golf and Country Club at around 12:00 noon, on June 28, 1980. Dr. Donald Lester was invited to attend the later part of the Commission meeting to be held at the Western Golf and Country Club.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 P.M. with prayer by the Reverend Carl G. Howie.

*Carl G. Howie*  
 Carl G. Howie  
 Clerk

Minutes approved June 30, 1980.



## ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION

## DETROIT PRESBYTERY

ON

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, TRENTON, MICHIGAN

MINUTES OF MEETINGJUNE 28, 1980

The meeting was convened and opened with prayer at 10:08 A.M. by Chairperson William F. Whitlege at the First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, Michigan.

Regular members present: Whitlege, Allen, White, Beardmore, Woodard and Howie.

Elders and others present from First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, Michigan: Goodyear, Ritter, Kingdon, Orner, Rishaw, Siemers and the Reverend Calvin Gray.

Mr. Gray, the Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, Michigan, indicated that the Session was meeting informally because the Session does not recognize jurisdiction of the Detroit Presbytery.

A. Whitlege asked what action had been taken by First Presbyterian Church, Trenton. The elders and Pastor answered that they had acted to:

1. Withdraw from UPUSA and not recognize jurisdiction of the Detroit Presbytery. (Vote 436-5)
2. Change By-Laws deleting any reference to UPUSA.
3. Reaffirm call of Pastor, reelected elders and deacons. Agreed to adhere to Westminster Confession of Faith.
4. Elect a Study Committee of 6 persons together with the Pastor, to investigate establishing relationship to another denomination.
5. Empowered the Session to take any necessary actions relating to the above actions.

B. Whitlege: Why did you take this action?

Elders answered:

1. The congregation is out of step with liberal views of the denomination. The three critical issues in 192nd Assembly made the leadership feel that the Trenton Church should withdraw. (i.e. Overture I, property issue, Diety of Christ.) Overemphasis on social and political areas suggested that the Trenton congregation was no longer a conservative witness with UPUSA. It was felt that the time had come to "shake the dust from their feet" and get out. Gray added that the property issue revealed a lack of any confidence in the local congregation. He added that no position was taken by the Session on women as such, but he felt that the mandate took away freedom.

One elder quoted Dr. William Thompson, Stated Clerk, as saying that whoever controls the property, controls what is to be taught on that

property. So the Trenton Church thought it should have control of the property so as to follow conservative teaching.

Allen asked about how the Session and congregation saw the property issue prior to the vote by the congregation. She also asked what they meant by conservative?

Gray said that the historical issue of property use was an open question. When the Supreme Court reopened the question, Dr. William Thompson and the General Assembly moved to make the implicit view explicit, as suggested by the Court, and so to close the exits. Gray said he was active at the meeting of the 192nd General Assembly and noticed that three major issues were all referred to Bills and Overtures (i.e. Overture L, the Property issue and Bi-Annual Assembly question). He thought that, as a result, they were not given adequate discussion. Gray further said that the people in the pew feel that they own the property. The process, with respect to property, according to Gray, "infuriated many of us."

An elder felt that our Board of Trustees holds the property.

Gray explained that his view of conservative did not agree with the elder's view. He likes the word "evangelical" better than conservative meaning acceptance of fully inspired Scriptures, affirmation of the Deity of Christ, recognition of man's lostness, need to spread the Gospel and the Second Coming of Christ. Elder Goodyear said that conservative accepts absolute Scriptural authority and believes the present church should be a reflection of the early church.

Allen: Is there no support in the UPUSA for your position?

Goodyear: A matter of degree so far as the conservative position is concerned. He thought that despite the ecclesiastical judicatory action the church should have stood up to reaffirm the deity of Christ.

Allen: What are you trying to influence in the church?

Goodyear: It was Overture L that was the final factor in the whole authority issue. The people of Trenton see this as beginning development of a major authoritarian church where the higher judicatories impose their will on lower judicatories. The question arises: "Will the local church be tied down by General Assembly?" There ought to be freedom to follow a congregation's own desires.

Whitledge: How do you see this affecting the denomination?

Orner: Gives us a new freedom to make our witness. The division will call for a broader and freer witness as evangelicals across the church.

Gray: Dr. William Thompson, having heard of the Ward Presbyterian Church movement called evangelicals together. Out of that meeting a decision was reached to schedule moderatorial meetings across the country. The trauma has prompted some action in



New York Headquarters.

- White: What are the outrageous issues?
- Orner: The leftist social issues are the problem. Denominational monies supported the Rhodesian leftist political movement, the Angela Davis case, the Oklahoma defense of a man convicted of killing Girl Scouts, identification with the World Council of Churches, etc.
- Woodard: If all these things are leftist, what about our relationship to the Christ who dealt with all these issues?
- Orner: Church should not be involved in these issues.
- Goodyear: We should reach all God's children with the Gospel, not through politics. The General Assembly is using too much energy and money on social and political issues. That is just the opposite of what we should be doing.
- Beardmore: In reference to another Presbyterian group, is there any present direction?
- Goodyear: We are at ground zero on that.
- Gray: We are not at a point of picking a denomination.
- Whitledge: We find ourselves in a bind in dealing with you, guided by a polity that you no longer recognize. Individual clergy may resign and individual members may do so. A congregation may not withdraw. So the Commission and Trenton Church have a gulf between them. Give me any light that you see at this moment.
- Gray: As a Session, we looked at the alternatives available. We were not a maverick group. This seemed to us the only viable alternative available to us. We are in a dilemma but we are hopeful that it can be solved.
- Whitledge: Did you consider going to Presbytery and asking for dismissal?
- Gray: That was considered, but was not approved. The Presbytery is concerned with other churches that may go out. We feel badly that the Commission had to be involved. Denver and Lake Huron Presbyteries, as examples, left little hope that any other approach would have been accepted.
- Allen: Raised the question of trust on the part of the First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, Michigan, in the light of the precipitous action taken.
- Gray: What would have been the results?
- Allen: No way to answer that. We believe that the results could have been different.

- Whitledge: It would have been helpful if the dismissal approach had been taken.
- Gray: The actions of Presbyteries around the country did not give us reason for hope. The Commission is bound by the action of Presbyter and General Assembly. You do not have power to act freely. We were facing a time factor. It was necessary to make up our minds on getting a dismissal. We felt that a positive action on that was not promising.
- Denominations we are considering are not in correspondence with the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. He called this a reality factor in asking for dismissal to such denominations.
- Whitledge: There would have been a good chance for witness by you.
- Howie: Have you, Mr. Gray, resigned from the ministry of the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.?
- Gray: He does not see it as such.
- Howie: Having been elected by the congregation separately, is that not de facto a resignation?
- Orner: What were the chances in Presbytery of positive action?
- White: Would you be willing to bring the question de novo of approaching Presbytery in a dismissal?
- Orner: (He equivocated) What options have we really?
- White: We have heard your unrest, why not come and talk to us despite history?
- Orner: History goes against its being useful.
- whitledge: I would think there would have been hope had you followed that line. We do not want to get into bind of civil and ecclesiastical courts. This could have been done in better order.
- Gray: You are reflecting Detroit Presbytery.
- Whitledge: That is the only judicatory that can act.
- Gray: Consider what happened at General Assembly!
- Whitledge: Detroit Presbytery is loving and pastoral and open.
- Gray: Balance that against the attitude and stance of the General Assembly on property. The action makes it difficult for any church to leave. The 10 to 1 vote in General Assembly indicated that no negotiation in Presbytery could take place.

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- Allen: I see that.
- Gray: The overwhelming vote against the minority report at General Assembly Meeting was discouraging to us.
- Woodard: Reviewed the historic schisms in the past all of which were over so-called liberal issues. Brought up church union movement. All do not agree on the same thing. With respect to the Oklahoma case, after the trial the accused was declared innocent. On the matter of how the Bible speaks, there are vast differences.
- Goodyear: This is an action we took as a Session. It was not Calvin Gray's leadership.
- Beardmore: The question of availability of the Sessional and Corporate records was raised.
- Gray: They are available to you. There is nothing therein that would reflect the action. We feel that if you took them off the premises we would be saying something we do not want to say.
- Whitledge: Would they be available later?
- Gray: They could be available.

This part of the meeting was recessed by common consent, with prayer by Carol Allen.

The meeting continued with the Reverend Calvin Gray, without elders present, at 11:40 A.M.

- Gray: Surprised at attitude of colleagues. He was hopeful that he might be transferred to another Presbyterian body. He wanted to be given the privilege of being a continuing member of Detroit Presbytery. It is his desire to speak in the adjourned Presbytery meeting. Church must act on discipline, and he will respond. Every person must bear the consequence of his or her decision.
- Howie: To what body would you like to be transferred?
- Gray: Presbyterian Church of America, Reformed Presbyterian Church, or Reformed Evangelical Synod.
- Whitledge: I am not sure about the Civil Courts' position. For example, it is not clear what power you have to perform marriages.
- Gray: I am following a different tact than Ward Presbyterian Church. There was no collusion in the timing. Ward did not start a general movement outside its membership.
- White: How long have you been here?
- Gray: Since 1979.
- White: Was this idea of withdrawal here when you arrived?

Gray: This is the most conservative church in the Presbytery. There is little knowledge of Presbyterian Church polity in this congregation.

In response to Howie, Gray made it clear that he wants out of UPUSA. He also indicated that Session and congregation would not even hear a reconsideration. Leadership that he has provided has not been toward reconciliation with UPSA, especially since the meeting of the General Assembly of UPUSA.

Whitledge: Surprised at action of both Hess and Gray.

Gray: We sometimes surprise ourselves. We now pay the price. Lester thinks no good can come out of this.

White: Do you feel secure here?

Gray: Yes. I feel also that this is a stepping away from a secure umbrella of the UPUSA.

Woodard: This pains me deeply. I have sympathy for you and the congregation. What pains me is that some of the issues on social justice and human rights about which you disagree.

Gray: The dynamics at General Assembly were interesting. Reference to New York Pastor in Long Island Presbytery where a homosexual was elected to serve on Session and was elected Clerk of Session. Gray was not happy. Moderator of Long Island Presbytery, Thomas Phillips, is an avowed homosexual, although not active. Gray asked Phillips if this situation was true about the elder. Explanation was that the elder was ordained before the San Diego meeting of General Assembly. Phillips was willing to provide Gray with other examples of a avowed homosexuals. Gays, according to Phillips, need to go the judicial route. This was the catalytic agent that caused Gray to act.

He has ordained women. He thinks that the New Testament is 60-40 on ordaining women. He wonders if the church was going in the right direction. The UPUSA is still doing things that would have made headlines in the 1960's. He does not feel that church is moving to the right. The General Assembly is moving into the local church and churches with more of a congregational spirit are moving out (e.g. Overture L and the Property Issue). This is not the end of schism.

White: How does this work out?

Gray: Negotiation is a possibility. This is a fait accompli in the Trenton Church even though the Commission does not see that. We must try to negotiate for settlement. Following the General Assembly directive there may have to be civil action.

White: Will you come to the meeting on June 30, 1980 with an open spirit?

Gray: Despite the fait accompli, we do not want any civil litigation.

Whitledge: Will your elders be there?

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Gray: Some will be there. There is a difference as to how we should go with this property. The church took the position that it owns the property. How we come down ultimately I do not know .

White: I do not agree that property is primary. We are more concerned with the people. Most important is the people.

The meeting was recessed at 11:55 with prayer by Chairperson Whitledge.

The entire Commission reassembled at the Western Golf and Country Club, Livonia, Michigan at 12:50 P.M. Dr. Donald Lester joined the Commission. Several minutes of informal discussion around the table led to common consent on a report to be made to the Adjourned Meeting of Detroit Presbytery at 4:00 P.M. on June 30, 1980 at Westminster Church of Detroit. (Attachment B)

The Commission, having agreed to meet again at 2:00 P.M. June 30, 1980 at Westminster Church of Detroit, stood adjourned by common consent at 2:17 P.M.

*Carl G. Howie*  
Carl G. Howie

Clerk

Minutes approved June 30, 1980



## ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION

DETROIT PRESBYTERY

ON

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
TRENTON, MICHIGANMINUTES OF MEETING

JUNE 30, 1980

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 P.M. at Westminster Church of Detroit on June 30, 1980. The Chairperson, the Reverend William F. Whittleledge, opened the meeting with prayer.

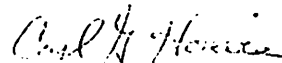
Regular members present: Whittleledge, Allen, Beardman, Howie, White and Woodard.

Staff present part of the time: The Reverend Donald Lester.

Minutes of the Commission meetings for June 25 and June 28 were read and approved with editorial changes by common consent.

The proposed report to Detroit Presbytery (Attachment B) was read and revised. As revised, (Attachment C), it was moved, seconded and unanimously approved for presentation to Presbytery. By common consent, the Chairperson was authorized to move on behalf of the Commission that the Commission be dissolved after the report to Presbytery.

The meeting of the Commission was adjourned by common consent at 3:00 P.M.

  
Carl G. Howie  
Clerk

Minutes approved June 30, 1980.

Trenton Administrative Commission  
July 10, 1980  
Minutes

Present: Whitley, Beal, Denniston, White, Woodard  
Absent: Allen, Beauchamp, Howie  
Staff: Lester, Borchardt

Meeting was convened with prayer.

Voted to appoint the Rev. Rodney Beal temporary clerk of the Commission.

Voted to remove the Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton, Michigan effective July 10, 1980, based on the findings of the Administrative Commission on Trenton Church which reported to the Presbytery on June 30, 1980 stating in effect that the session was "unwilling and/or unable to manage wisely the affairs of its Church" (Book of Order 41:15), and to assume the powers of the session effective the same date.

Voted to dissolve the pastoral relationship between the Trenton Church and the Rev. Calvin Gray effective July 10, 1980 based upon his testimony at the June 30, 1980 meeting of the Presbytery of Detroit in which he publically supported the actions of the Trenton Church attempting to leave the United Presbyterian Denomination.

Voted in the light fact that the Trenton Church has no session and the fact that the Administrative Commission has no immediate plan for managing the church, as described in Book of Order 41:07 the Administrative Commission grants the former members of the Trenton Church Session permission to use the facilities of the church for up to 60 days provided they assume responsibility for the maintenance, repairs, security, and insurance on the property and assure the Commission that they will not alter, encumber or dispose of real property.

Voted in the light of the above, to request an immediate meeting with the former session and the former pastor to negotiate a resolution of the issues affecting the future ministry of the Trenton Church. In this connection the chairperson is to inform the former clerk and pastor of the Commission's actions, and schedule a consultation on Friday July 18 at 7:30 p.m. or Saturday July 19 at 10:00 a.m.

Voted to adjourn with prayer.

Submitted: Rodney Beal, Clerk pro tem

## ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION FOR FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, TRENTON

JULY 19, 1980

Present: Whittleage, Beal, Beauchamp, White

A QUORUM NOT PRESENT

Representatives from the Trenton Church included: Pastor Calvin Gray,  
Elders James Couch, Ed Rishaw, Gary Siemers

Chairman Whittleage announced that the Commission did not have a quorum present, but since we were present, we could use the time in discussion. He led in prayer.

The following are a list of items discussed. The list is not exhaustive nor does it reflect repetition of subject matter.

The action of the Commission dissolving the Session and the pastoral relations of the pastor became effective July 10, 1980.

It is necessary to use the terms "former pastor" and "former Session members".

Current membership of the congregation is 776.

The Commission must have access to the church's records and membership listing with addresses so the Commission can contact the membership to ascertain if any members wish to remain in the United Presbyterian Church.

A request was made that a letter be sent to the total membership of the Trenton Church so the Commission may personally know the feelings of the entire membership.

Pastor Gray objected to the Pastoral Letter sent to all the churches of the Presbytery which included the sentence "It is considered "unethical" and a violation of the ordination vows for a minister to lead a congregation in a withdrawal movement." He felt this sentence and feeling might prejudice the members of the Trenton congregation against meeting with Presbytery's Commission members.

The Trenton representatives felt that their relationship with the Presbytery had always been good and helpful.

Pastor Gray commented that Presbytery is not aware of the number of churches in the Presbytery who are "toddering" and "fomenting" at this time.

It was agreed that the Trenton Church could address the envelopes for the letter from the Commission to its membership.

It was pointed out that the Book of Order does provide for an orderly procedure of a congregation to another denomination which is in correspondence with our General Assembly.

It was agreed that articles in the Detroit newspapers and some of the T.V. comments were not the truth and created some misunderstanding and difficulty in trust relationships.

It was agreed that we must rise above pettiness.



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The representatives of the Trenton Church requested that they have a letter from the Commission requesting access to the church records and a listing of the membership and their addresses for sending a letter to the members of the congregation ascertaining what members if any desire to continue membership in the United Presbyterian Church to present to the former Session for action. The Chairman said that such a letter would be sent.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 A.M. with prayer by Rod Beal.

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After the representatives of the Trenton Church left, the members of the Commission remained. James Woodard arrived after having gone to Trenton for this meeting.

There was general discussion and impressions of the meeting.

The Commission reaffirmed the necessity of getting the church's membership and address listing to contact the membership to determine how many members are interested in continuing a United Presbyterian Church in Trenton.

The Commission felt that the mailing should be sent out by the Presbytery from its headquarters rather than being mailed by the church. There was no objection to the church providing the addressed envelopes.

This letter will be sent to the membership of the congregation in September. The Commission had no objections to the representatives of the church seeing the letter before it was mailed.

Members of the Commission were concerned of some comments that included the "threat" to contact other churches and the reference to other churches "toddering" and "fomenting". The inference was that the Presbytery was not aware of how many congregations were in this state and which churches.

Trenton Commission  
Minutes  
August 8, 1980

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PRESENT: Whitley, Denniston, White, Howie, Allen, Woodard

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of July 10, 1980 meeting approved.

Motion to ratify actions taken earlier (July 19, 1980) requesting records, rolls and address list.

NOTE: Letter to Trenton was sent July 22, 1980 requesting rolls, records and addresses.

Phone response August 8, 1980 - rolls, records, etc. not available at this time. Therefore motion to retain legal counsel to secure rolls, records, property.

Motion to retain George Bushnell as counsel for the commission. Suggest all chairpersons of like commissions meet jointly.

Motion subject to advice of legal counsel to call a consultation with Trenton members in a neutral place, (not a UPC-USA facility) to talk about remnant's future.

Motion to adjourn.

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Present: Whitley, Beal, Denniston, Beauchamp, White, Woodard.

Excused: Allen, Howie.

Staff Guest: Borchardt.

Committee convened at 5:45 p.m. Welcomed as its guests former elders from Trenton Church plus the former pastor, Calvin Gray at 7:30 p.m. Then reconvened as a commission at 9:40 p.m. to entertain recommendations.

Voted to meet with former Session representatives on October 22, 1980 (7:30 p.m.) to discuss reconciliation and related issues.

Voted to request "Trenton leadership" to write a position paper on issues relevant to reconciliation and a proposal for resolving those issues.\*

Voted to reconvene with the "Trenton leadership" after the paper is in hand, four to six weeks hence.

Voted to grant until November 19, 1980 for receipt of the Trenton Position Paper.

Voted to adjourn.

\*Summary of the consultation with former elders and former pastor of the Trenton Church: (This was obviously an extended conversation, highlights of which are given here).

Gray: Reconciliation is probably not a fruitful topic. I would like to move beyond item one of the strategy paper to a consideration of issues beyond reconciliation. We are disturbed by communications we receive from Presbytery. Sometimes we are called the "former Session" and sometimes we have "status." We want to be on record as a group not "attempting to withdraw" but we have in fact withdrawn. We are speaking as a congregation that is not of the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.. We are not under your oversight.

Borchardt: Did you all resign from Trenton United Presbyterian Church?

Answer: No.

Whitley: So back to reconciliation. What disturbs you about UPCUSA?

Gray: We left for two major reasons:

1. A long period of pronouncements and positions we consider out of context with the Gospel as we see it.
2. Actions of General Assembly 1980:
  - a. Mandating election of women to Sessions.
  - b. Failure to declare itself clearly regarding the Deity of Christ and insure Kaseman does not become United Presbyterian minister.
  - c. Position of the Denomination regarding church property.

In effect there are the three issues at the 1980 General Assembly, plus a whole alien history proceeding it. We really have a different slant on the whole Faith.

Therefore, our main argument is with UPCUSA, not this Presbytery (although it is hard to separate Presbytery from the rest of the Denomination). I am sorry we have argued. Presbytery and Don Lester we respect. We had to be heavy with the Presbytery in order to get at General Assembly. We have doubts about reconciliation because we doubt the power of the Presbytery of Detroit to change General Assembly. Conservative overtures have failed up until now and probably will in the future.

White: We want the opportunity to try. You left without giving us much of a chance.

Elder: Didn't you hear us complaining all these years?

White and Whitledge: We didn't hear you complaining. Cal was even on Ministerial Relations participating in everything.

Elder: You have not bothered us. You are good people, but we are really angry at the heirarchy.

Whitledge: What must be done?

Elder: Many things.

Gray: We left unilaterally because of experiences churches were having in other presbyteries, particularly Denver. They told us how they were disenfranchised by their presbytery, therefore we acted in secret to avoid the possibility of Presbytery behaving that way.

Borchardt: What changes in UPCUSA do you need in order to come back in?

Gray: 1. Change 47.01 of the Book of Order to let us elect elders our own way. No more requirements laid on us about women. We may elect some some day, but don't force us.

2. Departure from proper view of Scripture seems to be coming-- what the Bible is and how it speaks to us. There is a General Assembly committee studying biblical authority. We want to know how they come out. If it departs from infallible Scripture, we would want it changed back.

We don't like UPCUSA because it has moved from a confessional church to a constitutional church. Want to change it back.

(Parenthetical note: we have always been the same. You have changed to make us outlaws with the new 47:01. Makes us mavericks who have to come to you asking exemption from rules that didn't used to be rules).

3. Clear statement needed by General Assembly on deity of Christ. We want people out of the church who are soft on deity of Christ. Ordination is a clouded issue now. We want ministers with a clean christology. Church has to speak and put teeth into deity of Christ and get tough with people like Kaseman. We want discipline and purity and we want to get on Kaseman's case.
4. If I come back, you will chain me and keep me here. (Their impression). We want an assurance that if we voluntarily come back into the Presbytery we will at a future time be able voluntarily to leave. The property issue chains us. We place principle over property and will leave the property behind us if we have to. Why did Thompson want a special meeting of General Assembly? To lock us into the church. You are holding us legal-ly rather than through love. Therefore, there has to be a substitute to the existing Bills and Overtures' provisions on property as well as the defeat of Overture A 1980. We want a "due process" spelled out for leaving if a group wants to leave--to become in the practical sense a congregational church. (Among various Presbyterian groups the UPCUSA is hardest on the property issue).

(The conversation went on between Trenton former elders and commission members at this point debating the fine points of 47:01 in the book of Confessions. Beauchamp stated a strong position on women's rights in the church, was challenged, reasserted herself, etc.)

Whitledge: If these are the four points around which reconciliation must center, what do we do next to make it happen? Will you write a proposal, specifically stating desired texts of all of this?

Gray: We are not entertaining the thought of re-entry. But if all our conditions are met it would be different.

Whitledge: Reconciliation is still our agenda.

Gray: We prayed on the way over here not to act in anger. Reconciliation is listening. We haven't been heard. We have deep seated concerns and Presbytery hasn't taken us seriously. In my debate with Carol Allen we didn't really talk to each other.

Whitledge: If you write a "white paper," adopt it, and get back to us, can we use that as a process?

Gray: Can we speak to number two in the strategy paper--transferring to another denomination? Does Cumberland Church belong on list in correspondence with General Assembly?

Borchardt: Yes.

Whitledge: Tell us what denomination you want to transfer to and we will react.

Gray: In pursuing things like this we would not admit any ownership by the Presbytery.

Whitledge: We are still on the reconciliation topic, and are talking about other things hypothetically. Can we have a Trenton paper to react to?

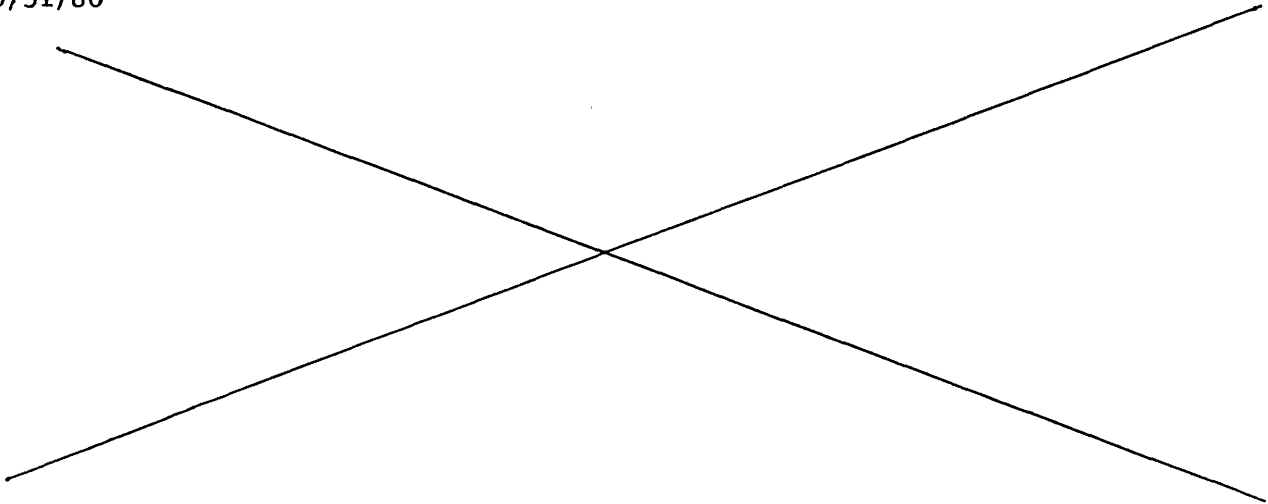
Denniston: Can you consider an "out" on some of these things, a win-win compromise? We can work something out on women, Christ and Scripture. Property may be the thing that hangs us up.

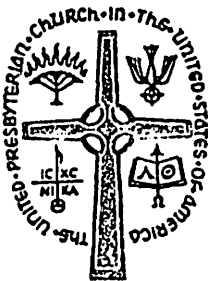
Whitledge: Can we get together in four to six weeks to read a paper?

Gray: Yes. We will put something together.

(Near the end of the meeting Gray and Borchardt got into a conversation about the "non-recognition of ownership by Presbytery." Borchardt says position paper cannot just say we don't have any claim to ownership, and have it get us anywhere. Need them to pick an option either to reconcile, transfer, or make us an offer).

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## THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U.S.A.  
17575 HUBBELL 345-6550 (area code 313) DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48235

TO: Trenton Administrative Commission  
FROM: William F. Whitley, Chairperson  
RE: Informal Meeting with Trenton Representatives (January 19, 1981)  
DATE: January 21, 1981

Commission members Whitley and Denniston met with Calvin Gray and Al Kingham from Trenton, and staff persons Borchardt and Lester.

Topic was a settlement on property so the issues between the Trenton Church and the Presbytery of Detroit would be cleared up. Mr. Gray has been apprised of a concept presented to the Ward Commission by Bartlett Hess based on a settlement proposed by a Peoria Church to the Presbytery of Great Rivers.

The Peoria idea involves a payment to the Presbytery over a period of time (in their case five years) based upon what their per capita apportionment would have been, what a completed MMF pledge would be, and a continuation of their self-allocation to United Presbyterian judicatory mission, plus a figure compensating the Presbytery for its wasted time and inconvenience in dealing with the matter.

The above mentioned persons, meeting in the Presbytery office on January 19, arrived at a proposal which all parties have agreed to advocate. The commission will discuss it on January 29, the Trenton "Session" on February 3. Following these two meetings Mr. Gray and Mr. Whitley will be in communication to share the conclusions of their respective groups.

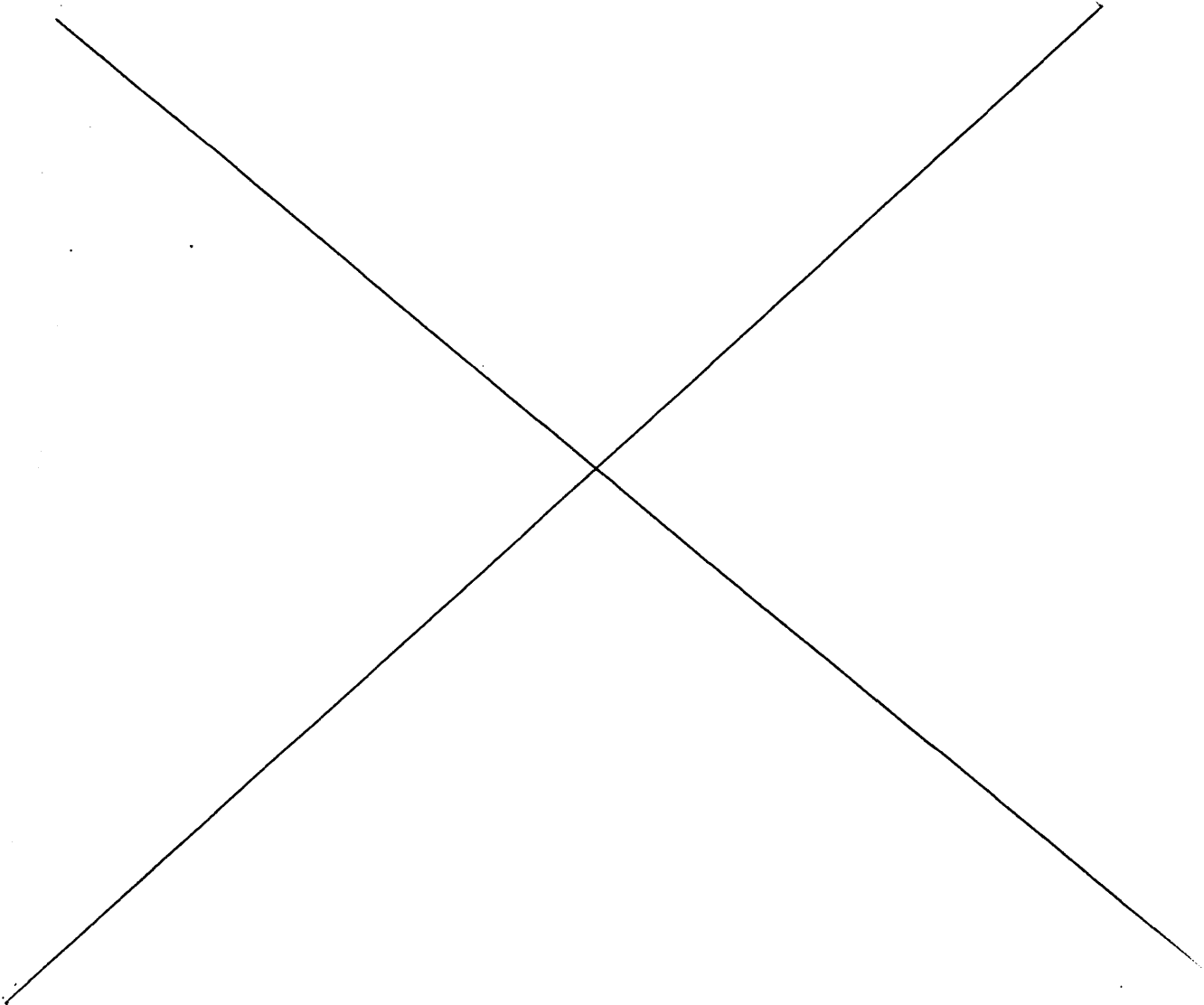
### Proposal:

1. That the Trenton Church pay the Presbytery of Detroit \$125,000 in annual installments of \$25,000 per year for a period of five years as compensation for subject church property.
2. That the Presbytery of Detroit agree to dissolve the Trenton United Presbyterian Church following Presbytery's positive action on a settlement proposal, and deed the property over to the group currently known as the "Trenton Presbyterian Church."
3. That the Trenton Presbyterian Church agree to instruct its officers to sign a promissory note for the amounts payable to the Presbytery following the initial payment.

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4. That the Trenton Presbyterian Church agree to send a mailing to its membership with the oversight of the Presbytery commission in which they offer alternative possibilities to church members who wish to stay in the United Presbyterian Denomination.
5. That the Presbytery of Detroit furnish the Trenton Presbyterian Church with interpretive information regarding the kinds of projects facilitated through the funds accruing to the Presbytery in the settlement described in #1 above.
6. That the commission consider what amount it might propose as a one-time settlement, as an alternate to the five year plan.

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## Minutes

Present: Whitledge, Allen, Beauchamp, Beal, White, Denniston.

Guest: Borchardt

Excused: Howie, Woodard.

The meeting was convened by the Chairperson with prayer.

The Commission voted to instruct Mr. Borchardt to collaborate with Presbytery's real estate broker in securing an informal appraisal on the Trenton property.

The Commission voted to adopt the following settlement on the Trenton property and recommend to Presbytery at its February meeting that it be received for first reading, and adopted at an adjourned meeting of the Presbytery in March, 1981:

1. That the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton, Michigan pay the Presbytery of Detroit a total of \$125,000, payable annually at \$25,000 per year beginning in 1981 as compensation for the release of the subject church's property from claims by the Presbytery of Detroit. That there be a 10% interest charge on the unpaid balance, payable in the annual installment, which shall apply to years 3, 4, and 5 of the payment period. There shall be no interest charge during the first two (2) years.
2. That the Presbytery of Detroit agree to dissolve the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton, Michigan following Presbyterys positive action on a settlement proposal, and deed the property to the group currently known as the "Trenton Presbyterian Church", a congregation whose membership constitutes a successor to the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton.
3. That the Trenton Presbyterian Church agree to instruct its officers to enter into a legally binding agreement with the Presbytery of Detroit for the payment of the amounts described in #1 above, and Presbyterys agreement to release the property from further claims when the terms have been satisfied.
4. That the Trenton Presbyterian Church agree to send a mailing to its membership with the oversight of Presbytery's Commission in which they offer alternative possibilities to church members who wish to stay in the United Presbyterian Denomination.
5. That the Presbytery of Detroit furnish the Trenton Presbyterian Church with interpretive information regarding the kinds of projects facilitated through the funds accruing to the Presbytery in the settlement described in #1 above.
6. That the Presbytery and the congregation instruct legal counsel to prepare an agreement to assure both parties the fulfillment of item #3 above.

The Commission voted to instruct Dr. Whitledge to write Calvin Gray, former pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton, informing them of our actions 1/29/81, asking for a response by February 9, 1981, and a joint meeting on Monday, February 16, 1981, 7:00 P.M. at the Presbytery of Detroit offices, to discuss the next steps involved in implementing the plan.

The Commission voted to adjourn with prayer by Carol Allen.



## MINUTES

PRESENT: Whitley, Chp., Beauchamp, Beal, Denniston, White.  
EXCUSED: Howie, Woodard, Allen.  
GUEST: Borchardt.

The meeting was convened at 7:00 P.M. with prayer by the Chairperson.

The Commission met with three representatives of the Trenton Church to further the negotiations on a settlement for the Trenton property and the dissolution of the Trenton Church.

Voted to recommend to the Presbytery of Detroit, that the Presbytery receive a lump sum of \$77,500 as compensation for the Trenton Church Properties, designating funds to United Presbyterian causes supported by Trenton in 1979 at their 1979 level, not to exceed \$12,500.

Voted to request a pro re nata meeting of the Presbytery for April 7, 1981, assuming affirmative action by the Session and Congregation of the Trenton Church, in order to present a proposal for first reading, to be voted at the April stated meeting of the Presbytery.

Voted to adjourn with prayer.



ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON OAKLAND AVENUE CHURCH  
MINUTES

October 23, 1980

PRESENT: Geissinger, Allaben, Dellinger, Gruebel, Haynes and Prince.  
ABSENT: Antonson, Dill.  
STAFF: DON LESTER

The meeting was opened with prayer at 7:30 P.M. by Chairperson Geissinger.

Minister Paul Moon and eleven Elders present.

Their position is - no unhappiness with Presbytery - main concern is G.A. Overtures: on property, women elders. Lack of action with reaffirmation of divinity of Christ.

However, did cancel their proposed study of ordination of women by congregation until Session had first studied issue.

Nine Elders had attended the meeting of A.E.P.C. in St. Louis as Oakland Avenue representatives.

Congregation met on October 15th - to hear the report of the proposals of A.E.P.C. Session had adopted said paper.

Paul Moon expressed concern over mandatory orders, ordination of women especially.

No consideration in Presbytery or General Assembly of Evangelicals.

Common goals of Committee's Better communication and re-examination of issues.

Point of beginning is St. Louis meeting tenets (see attached copy)

They offered to challenge Overture L in Presbytery and General Assembly.

Property issues not important only timing ("they are out whether we get property or not") - think they have a better chance now.

Oakland Avenue will form a list of important issues and concessions necessary to reconsideration.

Oakland Avenue will call next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M. with prayer.

Wilma Dellinger  
Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON OAKLAND AVENUE CHURCH

October 23, 1980

Minutes

Commission meeting after joint meeting with Oakland Avenue Elders - October 23, 1980, 9:45 P.M.

After discussion of meeting events, a motion was made and passed to meet and have a position paper ready for the next joint meeting with Oakland Avenue.

Next meeting to be October 28th at 3:30 P.M.

Meeting adjourned with prayer.

Wilma Dellinger  
Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON OAKLAND AVENUE CHURCH

October 28, 1980

MINUTES

PRESENT: Geissinger, Allaben, Dellinger, Gruebel, Haynes, Antonson, and Prince.

EXCUSED: Dill

STAFF: Borchardt

Opened with prayer by Chairperson, Geissinger.

Discussed the overarching issue of disillusion with the denomination by the Fundamentalist Evangelical churches. They feel they have been ignored and walked on. That the denomination does not hear their hurt and concern and just ignored their cries for recognition and understanding of their views.

We asked the Oakland Avenue Committee to tell us their hurts and concerns and we would be their advocates in Presbytery and General Assembly to make known hopefully with a loud voice just what and where they are hurt.

We will wait for them to notify us when they have a paper ready.

Ken Gruebel will prepare our paper for negotiation with them. We'll raise with them the possibility of exchanging worshipping persons at services.

Meeting closed at 4:45 P.M. with prayer by Ken Gruebel.

Wilma Dellinger  
Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON OAKLAND AVENUE CHURCH  
MINUTES

January 15, 1981

PRESENT: Allaben, Antonson, Dill, Geissinger, Gruebel, Haynes, and Prince.  
STAFF: Lester  
EXCUSED: Dellinger

The Commission met at 5:30 P.M. for dinner at the Beefcarver Restaurant and was convened with prayer by Haynes.

The Commission discussed the "Position Paper" which had been presented by the session of the Oakland Avenue Church. Attached.

It was agreed that we would ask the session for clarification of the statements; for any areas of possible further negotiation; and, contingent upon the answers, outlined further steps leading to withdrawal from the United Presbyterian denomination.

The Commission moved to grant the former session and the pastor the privilege of conducting worship services and providing pastoral care to the members of the church, and that the Commission requested that the former session be responsible for the care and upkeep of the facilities until April 30, 1981. The motion passed unanimously.

The Commission recessed to continue its meeting at 7:30 P.M. with the session of the Oakland Avenue Church which was opened with prayer by Gruebel.

The discussion centered on the statements in the "Position Paper". It was revealed that there was no room for negotiation and that the Oakland Avenue Church was not, at this time, interested in being dismissed to another denomination.

We moved to Step #III in the directive from Presbytery and outlined general conditions and obligations necessary for withdrawal.

It was proposed by the former minister, Paul Moon, that three people be appointed from the session and three from the Commission to negotiate terms of withdrawal to be approved by the session and the Commission and to be presented to the Presbytery of Detroit at its regular meeting on April 28, 1981. This was agreed to by the session and the Commission.

The meeting with the former session was adjourned with prayer by several elders and ministers.

The Commission continued to meet. Lester agreed to consult with Attorney Bushnell to prepare a statement to the effect that the Commission would negotiate accepting the fact that the Oakland Avenue session no longer recognizes the authority of the General Assembly.

The Commission adjourned to meet at four o'clock on January 27, 1981 in Lester's Office.

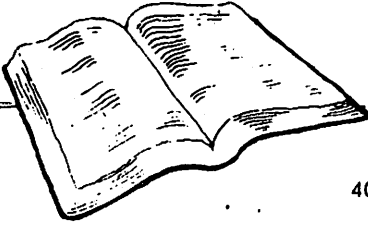
Respectfully submitted,

Harry Geissinger  
Chairperson

THE ENTRANCE OF THY WORD GIVETH LIGHT

PAUL R. MOON, Minister

AUDREY E. LIMKEMAN, Director of Christian Education



# Oakland Avenue

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

404 Oakland at Cadillac • Pontiac, Michigan, 48058 • Church Phone 858-2577

December 24, 1980

The Rev. Mr. Harry L. Geissinger  
7560 Littlefield Blvd.  
Dearborn, Mi. 48126

Dear Harry,

Please find enclosed the position paper requested by your committee. The paper states three things:

1. How the people at Oakland Avenue feel about the U.P.C.U.S.A.
2. The type of denomination that they desire to be a part of
3. The bottom line of what would be necessary for the Oakland Avenue Church to consider re-affiliation with the U.P.C.U.S.A.

The paper was drawn up by the elders of the church at two specially called meetings. I trust that it is understandable and helpful in knowing where the Oakland Avenue Church stands.

I personally feel, from my knowledge of the people's feelings, that this is a very moderate position for them.

We await to hear from you what the next step will be. I trust this has been a very happy holiday season for you.

The Lord bless you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Paul R. Moon, Pastor

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POSITION PAPER ON RECONCILIATION  
OAKLAND AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
ADOPTED DECEMBER 21, 1980

We believe the United Presbyterian Church of the United States of America, like our Federal Government, has become top heavy, exercising greater jurisdiction than the historic Presbyterian form of government will allow. We believe with its mandates, pronouncements and support (financial and otherwise) of radical revolutionary groups it has caused great embarrassment to the evangelical wing of the church as well as to many who are far more moderate.

We desire to be an integral part of a denomination wherein:

1. We can have a positive approach to our denomination and do not feel we must be apologetic, defending our Christian beliefs, in light of the actions, rulings and pronouncements of that denomination.
2. We can participate in the total program and agencies of the denomination, such as the youth activities, women's work, etc.
3. We can be strong in our evangelical approach and free to follow our conscience as it is instructed by the Holy Spirit speaking through the scriptures on matters of worship and government.

Therefore, for the Oakland Avenue Presbyterian Church to consider re-affiliation with the United Presbyterian Church U.S.A. the denomination would need to take the following actions:

1. Deity: Affirm without question or apology the deity of Jesus Christ and provide safeguards that the historic understanding of the deity of Jesus would never be called into question, and since the U.P.C.U.S.A. is a connectional church with each local church being under the authority and leadership of all ordained persons in the denomination, all ordained personnel within the denomination must affirm that historic understanding of His deity.
2. Scriptures: Affirm the authority of the scriptures as the infallible and inerrant Word of God as the only rule for our faith and life. All ordained personnel in the U.P.C.U.S.A. must also make this affirmation as with #1 above.
3. Government: Guarantee in the Book of order the right and freedom of the local congregation to worship and govern themselves in keeping with historic Presbyterianism as they are led by the teachings of scriptures, interpreted by the Holy Spirit. We find overture "L" an infringement on our fundamental rights as a part of the Church of Jesus Christ to hold to the inerrancy of the scriptures and to elect our own officers; and thus we feel this overture must not be included in the Book of Order.
4. Withdrawal: Make provisions in the Book of Order allowing for a formal, equitable withdrawal from the denomination, including the right of the local congregation to retain all its real and personal property, when the church has unreconcilable grievances against the denomination.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON OAKLAND AVENUE CHURCH  
MINUTES

February 24, 1981

PRESENT: Geissinger, Allaben, Dellinger, Dill, Gruebel and Prince.  
STAFF: Borchardt, George Bushnell Attorney for Presbytery.  
ABSENT: Antonson, Haynes

Opened with prayer by Chairperson Geissinger.

Heard the report negotiating team (see attached paper).

Paper on possible settlement alternatives prepared by Ken Gruebel was discussed and accepted. Passed.

Letter that was sent to all members of Oakland Avenue was read (see attached copy).

Moved to recommend to Presbytery that it take seriously the "bishop" roll in counseling with inactive churches in the Presbytery. Passed.

Moved items 1, 2, and 3 as presented by negotiating team in report dated February 19, 1981. Passed.

Moved to accept concept of settlement alternatives per report and empower negotiating team to reach a fair settlement with the Oakland Church for a minimum of \$50,000.00 in 1981 dollars. Passed.

Closed with prayer by Chairperson, Geissinger.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON OAKLAND AVENUE CHURCH  
MINUTES

January 27, 1981

PRESENT: Geissinger, Gruebel, Dill, Haynes, Allaben, Prince, Antonson, Dellinger.

Opened with prayer by Chairperson, Geissinger.

Motion to authorize Chairperson to send under his signature and our mane Memorandum of Understanding (Paper attached) to Oakland Avenue session and pastor dated January 27, 1981, passed.

Negotiating team for Commission will be Geissinger, Gruebel, and Allaben.

Report to Presbytery that we have exhausted all possible procedures. Will deal with any loyal remnant.

Property figure will be computed on the basis of 5 year per capita, 10% increment of mission money:

Presbytery	+10%
Synod	
General Assembly	
MMF Pledge	
addition of agony money	

Motion to authorize Commission to settle with Oakland Avenue on a figure of not less than \$125,000 and if figure offered is less than \$125,000 then must seek advice of full Commission. Passed.

Adjourned at 5:10 P.M. with prayer by Chairperson, Geissinger.

January 27, 1981

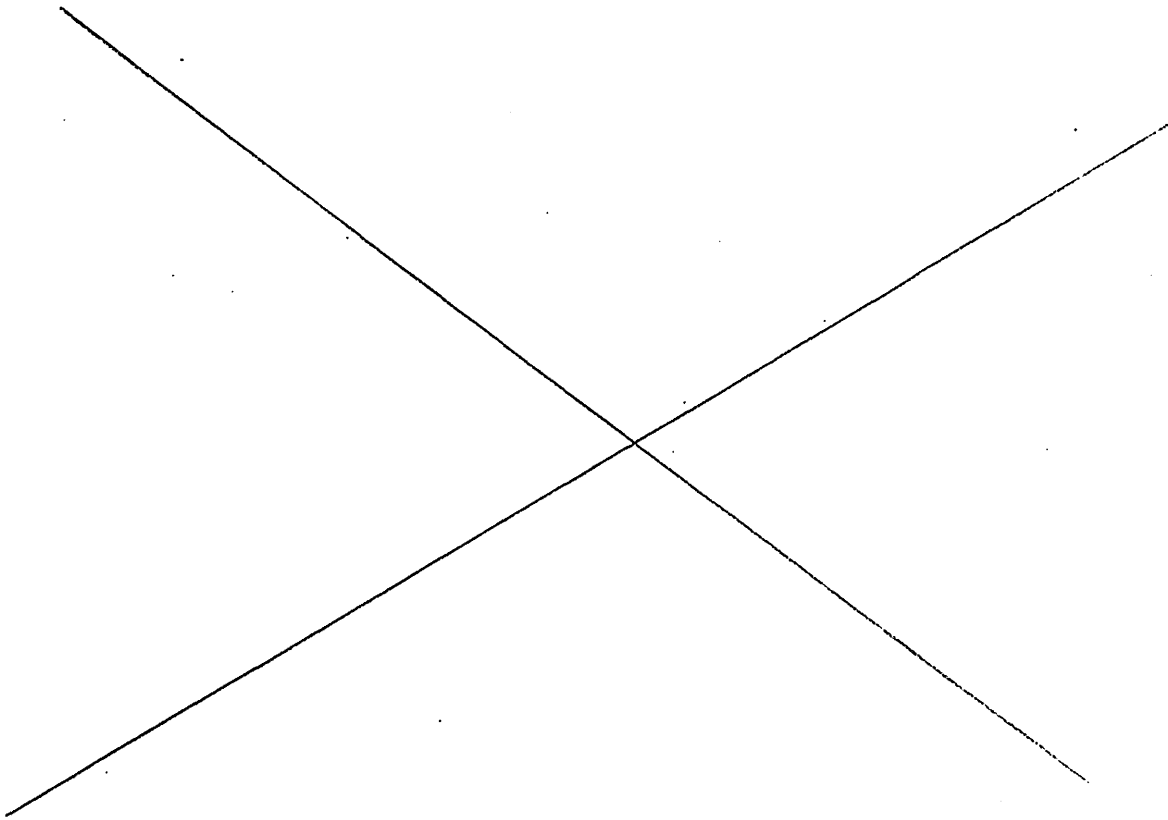
## Memorandum of Understanding:

Oakland Avenue Commission of the Presbytery of Detroit  
Pastor and members of the present Oakland Avenue Church Session

The above parties have agreed to enter into negotiations on the property presently occupied by the Oakland Avenue Church.

It is agreed that for either party to enter into such negotiations is not to be construed as a legally binding commitment acknowledging the correctness of either's position. The members of the session and pastor at Oakland Avenue are not acknowledging the position of the Presbytery that all property is held "in trust" by the individual congregation for the entire denomination. The members of the Commission are likewise not acknowledging the position of the session that the property is exclusively that of the congregation, and no other.

The spirit of these negotiations is to avoid the expense, the inconvenience, and the adversary position that entering into a legal process to resolve the differences suggested above, would bring about.





March 3, 1981

Dear Oakland Avenue Presbyterian Church Member:

As you are no doubt aware, the leadership of the Oakland Avenue Church has been pursuing an orderly separation from the denomination of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. At this time, the Session and an Administrative Commission of the Presbytery of Detroit are formulating an agreement which will complete the congregation's actions of July 28, 1980, in a manner agreeable to both the church and the Presbytery of Detroit.

The Session and the Commission agree that members of Oakland Avenue should be offered the option to remain within the United Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A. if that is their desire. A consultation is planned where such members will be free to express their interest and ask questions regarding remaining within the denomination. If you are interested in such a consultation, a meeting is being held at the First Presbyterian Church of Pontiac, March 19, 1981 starting at 7:30 P.M.

Sincerely,

*Duane C. Francis*

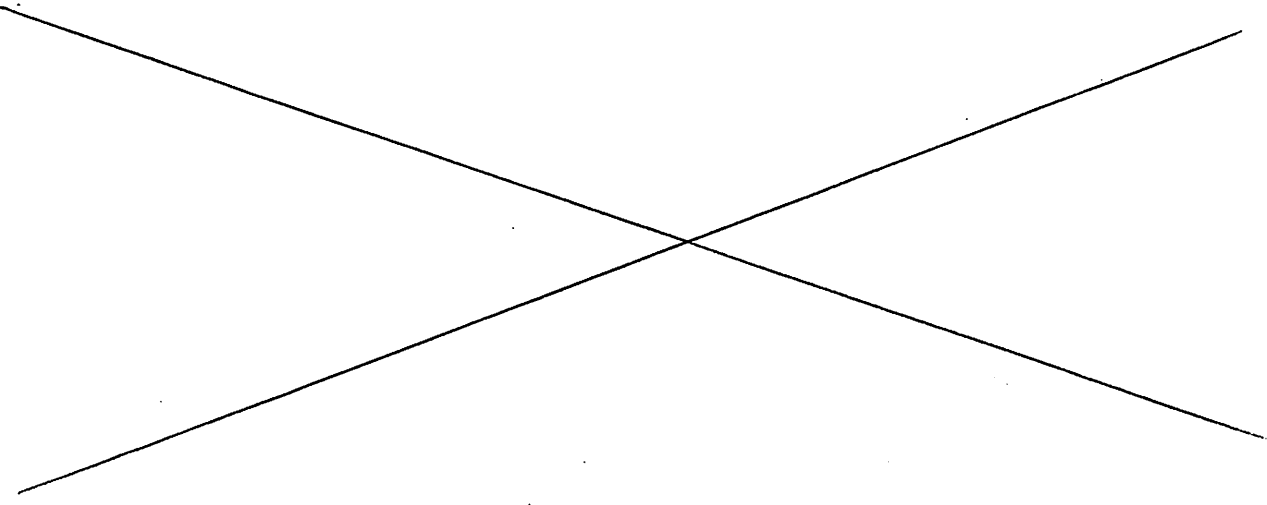
Duane Francis  
Clerk of Session

*Paul Moon*

Paul Moon  
Pastor

*Harry Geissinger*

Harry Geissinger  
Commission Chairman  
Presbytery of Detroit



ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON OAKLAND AVENUE CHURCH  
MINUTES

April 7, 1981

PRESENT: Geissinger, Allaben, Dellinger, Dill, Gruebel, Haynes and Prince.  
STAFF: Borchardt, Lester.  
ABSENT: Antonson.

Opened with prayer by Chairperson, Geissinger.

Debt of gratitude to Ken Gruebel and Ruth Allaben for the hard work on the negotiating team.

Negotiating team met with Henry Borchardt, staff member, and drafted on April 6, 1981 the report to Presbytery.

Moved to present Paper E-2 for first reading at Pro-re-nata meeting of Presbytery on April 7, 1981. Passed.

Verna Dill and Harry Geissinger were at Frist Church, Pontiac on March 19, 1981 per letter to congregation and met with two women and one elder and discussed remaining a Presbyterian faithful remnant - no commitments were made.

Negotiating team would explore report from office of church extension on a \$16,500.00 loan still on books.

Moved by Negotiating team to recommend to Presbytery that Presbytery Council cause to be reviewed periodically the extent of each church's involvement in the life of the Presbytery or lack of involvement and why. Passed.

Adjourned with prayer by Ken Gruebel at 4:40 P.M.

Presbytery of Detroit  
Commission on Oakland Avenue Church, Pontiac Mich.  
Minutes  
August 13, 1980

Present: Geissinger, Gruebel, Haynes, Allaben, Dellinger, Dill, Prince,  
Absent: Antonson  
Staff: Borchardt

Commission was convened with prayer by chairperson Geissinger at 7:05 P.M.  
at First Presbyterian Church, Pontiac.

Commission reviewed papers which had been referred to it indicating the Session had convened a congregation to entertain proposals attempting to withdraw from the United Presbyterian Church.

Commission discussed the kinds of questions relevant to a consultation with the Oakland Ave. Session later the same evening.

Commission voted to elect Wilma Dellinger clerk.

Commission voted to recess at 7:50 P.M. to reconvene at 8:00 at Oakland Ave. Church  
Commission conducted a consultation at Oakland Ave. Church with 16 elders and the pastor, Paul Moon.

Conclusions:

1. The session is unwilling to reconsider its actions.
2. Differences exist between Oakland Ave. Church and the Denomination that go back for better than 20 years.
3. The session has neither the energy nor the motivation to attempt instituting change within the Denomination to cause it to become acceptable to them.
4. Out of a communicant membership of approximately 670 there were 305 persons present at the congregation, 293 of whom voted to attempt with-drawal from the United Presbyterian Church, 10 of whom voted in the negative, with one abstention.
5. Mr Moon has renounced the jurisdiction of the United Presbyterian Church and seeks to have his name removed from the rolls of the Presbytery.

Commission voted the following recommendations to the Presbytery of Detroit meeting in Pro Renata session at Westminster Church on August 15, 1980:

1. That the Oakland Avenue United Presbyterian Church be found to be "affected with disorder."
2. That an administrative commission composed of 4 ministers and 4 elders with a quorum of 5 be elected by the Presbytery of Detroit with the following powers;
  - A. To remove the Session and assume the powers thereof.
  - B. To dissolve the congregation, if deemed necessary, after having given the individual members an opportunity to resign from membership, and having offered them the alternative opportunity to continue membership in the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.
  - C. To have additional powers necessary to complete its task. The commission shall make a full report to the Presbytery, including efforts made toward reconciliation.
3. That the following persons be elected to the above named commission
  - Harry Geissinger, chairperson
  - David Antonson
  - Kenneth Gruebel
  - Leroy Haynes
  - Ruth Allaben
  - Wilma Dellinger, Clerk
  - Verna Dill
  - Thomas Prince
4. That the name of Paul Moon be erased from the rolls of the Presbytery of Detroit effective August 15, 1980

The commission voted to adjourn with prayer by the chairperson.

Submitted: W. Dellinger, Clerk

-WD by HB

Report of the Administrative Commission on  
Oakland Avenue Church

August 15, 1980

The Commission met on August 13, first by itself, then with 16 elders and Paul Moon, the pastor from Oakland Avenue, then by itself again, to formulate its recommendations. The Commission's recommendations are based on the following information:

1. The Church furnished Presbytery with written confirmation that the Session called a congregational meeting to propose that the church disassociate itself from the United Presbyterian Church. That the meeting was held, and the congregation adopted the Session's proposal. Of 670 communicant members on the roll, 304 were present. The vote was 293 to 10 with one abstention. It was a written, secret ballot which persons were not asked to sign.
2. Mr. Moon has communicated to the Presbytery his desire that his name be deleted from the rolls of the Presbytery of Detroit. He renounces the jurisdiction of this Church.
3. In conversations with the Commission, elders stated that Oakland Avenue has never been heavily involved in the life of the Presbytery. Since the merger between the United Presbyterian Church of North America (of which they were a part) with the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. in 1958, they have been displeased with the judicatory system under which they have functioned.
4. Elders stated that conversations about leaving the Denomination have been going on for several years, and that up until June, 1980, Paul Moon has been advising them to stay and participate in the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.
5. Although there are several irritants, the major difference between the people at Oakland Avenue and the Denomination is Paragraph 47:01 of the Book of Order, specifically "the need for fair representation of women "on sessions. They categorically believe that women should not so serve.
6. Conversations with Oakland Avenue Elders and the pastor indicate that their decision is irrevocable, and that they cannot reconsider the matter. At the same time, they express willingness to work with the administrative commission to empower the loyal minority to set fair market value on the property and determine its disposition, and in exploring entry into another denomination.

Based on its consideration of the above, the Administrative Commission on Oakland Avenue Church recommends the following to the Presbytery of Detroit:

1. That the Oakland Avenue United Presbyterian Church be found to be "affected with disorder."
2. That an Administrative Commission composed of four ministers and four ruling elders, with a quorum of five, be elected by the Presbytery of Detroit with the following powers:

- a. To remove the Session and assume the power thereof.
  - b. If deemed necessary to dissolve the congregation, after having given the individual members an opportunity to resign from membership individually and having offered them the alternative opportunity to continue membership in the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.
  - c. To have additional powers necessary to complete its task. The Administrative Commission shall make a full report to Presbytery, including efforts made toward reconciliation.
3. That the following persons be elected to the above named commission:

The Rev. Harry Geissinger, Chairperson  
 The Rev. David Antonson  
 The Rev. Kenneth Gruebel  
 The Rev. LeRoy Haynes

Elders: Ruth Allaben  
 Wilma Dellinger  
 Verna Dill  
 Thomas Prince

4. That the name of Paul Moon be erased from the rolls of the Presbytery of Detroit effective August 15, 1980.

**Commission on Oakland Avenue Church, Pontiac, Michigan  
 Minutes of meeting of September 18, 1980**

**Present:** Geissinger, Gruebel, Haynes, Antonson, Dill and Prince  
**Absent:** Allaben, Dellinger  
**Staff:** Borchardt and Lester

- 1. The Commission was convened with prayer by Chairperson Geissinger at 4:30 P.M. at Westminster Presbyterian Church - Presbytery of Detroit.
- 2. After reviewing the Preliminary Draft: Proposed Goals for Administrative Commissions, Presbytery of Detroit (revised 9/4/80), it was moved and seconded that our Commission adopt this draft as a guideline for our work together. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. It was moved and seconded that we propose to the Presbytery the "taking from the table" of the motion to delete the name of the Reverend Paul Moon from the rolls of Presbytery per his request. This action to be taken at the Presbytery meeting of September 23, 1980. The motion was unanimously passed.
- 4. It was moved and seconded that the Commission, under the authority granted to it by the Presbytery, assume the power of the Session of the Oakland Avenue United Presbyterian Church. The motion passed unanimously.

5. It was moved and seconded that the Commission grant the former session and the pastor the privilege of conducting worship services and providing pastoral care to the members of the church, and that the Commission requested that the former session be responsible for the care and upkeep of the facilities until December 31, 1980. This motion passed unanimously.
6. The Commission discussed at length the steps that it would take in dealing with the Oakland Avenue Church.
7. It was moved and seconded to convene the Commission again on Thursday evening, October 23 at 6:00 P.M., at a place to be announced later.
8. There being no further business, the Commission was adjourned with prayer at 5:39 P.M. by Commissioner Gruebel.

Minutes of meeting of September 23, 1980

Present: Geissinger, Haynes, Dill, Allaben, Dellinger.  
 Absent: Gruebel, Antonson and Prince  
 Staff: Borchardt

The meeting of this Commission was convened as part of a joint meeting with the other three Commissions and opened with prayer by Kesler.

The actions of the September 18th meeting were reviewed by Haynes, Dill and Geissinger in the absence of the minutes.

The Commission reviewed the revision of the "Proposed Goals for Administrative Commissions" and endorsed, along with the other Commissions, the presenting of them to Presbytery for information.

The Commission was reminded that it had instructed the chairman to recommend to Presbytery the "taking from the table" the motion to delete the name of the Rev. Paul Moon from the rolls of Presbytery at his own request; and further to recommend that Presbytery act favorably on this request.

The Chairman was instructed to request from the Rev. Wm. Colwell and the Rev. Carol Allen copies of papers presented to the Presbytery at recent meetings. The Commission will review these documents and, perhaps, use some of their insights when dealing with the session of the Oakland Avenue Church.

The Chairman requested other members of the Commission to volunteer to meet with him and Mr. Moon for lunch early in October. Dellinger and Haynes volunteered and the date was set for Tuesday, October 7th, at noon. Mr. Moon to select the restaurant.

The date of October 23rd (Thursday) at six o'clock was confirmed for the Commission to have dinner together at a restaurant to be named by Dellinger and to meet with the session of the Oakland Avenue Church at 7:30. (It was noted that Dill will be out-of-town).

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50.

Knox Administrative Commission  
Minutes  
July 31, 1980

PRESENT: Kesler, Roberts, Swinehart, Stallworth, Lennox, Scott, Sherman

EXCUSED: R..Linthicum

STAFF Invited: Donald G. Lester

Meeting convened with prayer at 4:45 p.m. by Mr. Kesler.

On motion, Art Sherman was elected Secretary of the Commission.

Kesler reported receiving the following three documents indicating disorder at Knox United Presbyterian Church and told the commission he had spoken with Elder Palmer Heenan of Knox Church, that the documents were authentic.

1. A letter dated July 22, 1980 to Presbytery Council, Presbytery of Detroit, from the Knox United Presbyterian Church signed by Charles A. Blackstock Clerk of Session regarding withdrawal.
2. An enclosure with the above letter entitled "The Particulars of Knox United Presbyterian Church's Differences with the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.
3. Resolutions presented to the congregation at a special meeting held July 14, 1980.

Kesler advised that the Commission was charged with the responsibility of verifying whether disorder exists and reporting thereon at a pro re nata meeting of the Presbytery of Detroit called for 2:00 p.m. Friday August 8, 1980. To that end a meeting of Commission members, the minister and members of Knox Church is to be arranged by Mr. Kesler.

Subject to further verification of disorder, the commission voted the finding that disorder does exist and recommends that the Presbytery of Detroit at its pro re nata meeting of August 8, 1980:

1. Elect an Administrative Commission for the Knox United Presbyterian Church composed of 4 ministers and 4 ruling elders with 5 members constituting a quorum in accordance with the Book of Order.
2. That the commission be voted the following powers:
  - a. to remove the session and assume the duties and powers thereof.
  - b. to dissolve the pastoral relationship between George W. Woodcock and the Knox United Presbyterian Church.
  - c. if necessary, to dissolve the congregation after having given the individual members an opportunity to resign from membership and having offered them the alternative opportunity to continue membership in the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.
  - d. to have additional powers necessary to complete its task.
3. Elect the following members to the Administrative Commission described in 1 and 2 above. Ministers - James Kesler, Morgan Roberts, David Swinehart, and Robert Linthicum; Ruling Elders - Jean Lennox, Mary Scott, Arthur Sherman, Alvin Stallworth.

Following discussion it was duly voted that at the pro re nata meeting on August 8, 1980 a Judicial Commission of Inquiry be elected with the following tasks:

- a. To make a thorough inquiry into the facts and circumstances of alleged said to have been committed by The Rev. George Woodcock in connection with the attempted withdrawal of the Knox United Presbyterian Church of Mt. Clemens, Michigan from the United Presbyterian denomination.
- b. To examine all relevant papers, documents and records available to it.
- c. To ascertain all relevant witnesses and to inquire of them.
- d. To determine whether there are probable grounds or cause to believe that offenses have been committed by the alleged offender.
- e. To decide whether charges filed on the basis of the papers, documents, records, testimony or other evidence can reasonably be proved, having do regard for the character availability and credibility of the witnesses and evidence available.
- f. To report to the Presbytery its determination as to whether charges are to be filed.

and if charges are to be filed

- g. To prepare and file the same charges in accordance with the provisions of the Book of Church Discipline Chapter VII Sections 11 and 12 and
- h. To prosecute the case.

That the following six persons be elected members of the Judicial Commission of Inquiry: Ministers - Robert Crilley, Chairperson, Ralph Hawley, Vice-Chairperson, and Theodore Taylor; Ruling Elders - Sally Rankin (Ferndale, Drayton Ave.), Jo Ann Higgins (Detroit, Hope), and William Standing (Detroit, Calvin West)

Mr. Kesler agreed to arrange a meeting of commission members with George Woodcock and members of Knox Church.

Upon motion, the meeting was adjourned with prayer at 5:45.

Minutes  
August 3, 1980

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PRESENT: Linthicum, Kesler, Stallworth, Scott, Sherman

EXCUSED: Swinehart, Lennox, Roberts

STAFF: Borchardt

Meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Kesler

Minutes of July 31, 1980 were read and approved. Mr. Kesler reviewed the one and a half hour meeting just held by the Commission with George Woodcock, pastor of Knox United Presbyterian Church and Elders Calvin Fleming, Palmer Heenan, Ray Smith and Ralph Miller.

Upon motion, the Commission unanimously approved the finding of disorder at the Knox United Presbyterian Church and recommends to the Presbytery of Detroit the implementation of the Commission's actions of July 31, 1980

Meeting was adjourned with prayer at 6:45 p.m.



August 8, 1980

PRESENT: Ministers - James Kesler, Chairman; David Swinehart, Robert Linthicum  
Elders - Jean Lennox, Arthur Sherman, Jr., Alvin Stallworth

EXCUSED: Morgan Roberts, Mary Scott

INVITED STAFF: Henry Borchardt

The meeting opened with prayer by Kesler at 3:55 p.m.

Kesler advised that George Woodcock by his letter of August 4, 1980 resigned from The United Presbyterian Church and from pastorship of Knox United Presbyterian Church. This Commission, just elected by The Presbytery of Detroit, has authority over Knox United Presbyterian Church and the assests thereof.

Discussion ensued as to ultimate desires of the Commission with regard to the members of Knox United Presbyterian Church who do not desire to transfer membership to the new Knox Presbyterian Church, the real and personal property of Knox United Presbyterian Church and unchurched residents of the area around Knox United Presbyterian Church. Following discussion a concensus formed that barring fundamental change in future actions by the General Assembly there is little likelihood of reconciliation.

Upon motion duly made seconded and unanimously approved it was resolved that

1. George Bushnell be hired as counsel to the Commission.
2. George Bushnell be advised to take all necessary actions, insofar as practical, to safeguard the real and personal property rights of The Presbytery of Detroit in Knox United Presbyterian Church as such existed prior to July 21, 1980. These actions to be taken with all due urgency.
3. Henry Borchardt to be authorized to advise Bushnell of these actions and to assist in their implementation.

The meeting adjourned with prayer at 5:30 p.m. to reconvene from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. on Friday, August 15, 1980.

August 15, 1980

Present: Kesler, Linthicum, Scott, Stallworth, Sherman.  
Excused: Swinehart, Roberts, Lennox  
Staff present by invitation: Borchardt

The meeting was convened with prayer.  
Minutes of the August 8, 1980 meeting were approved as presented.  
On motion Arthur Sherman was unanimously elected secretary of the commission.  
Chairperson Kesler presented the actions of the Presbytery which give the commission its charge..

Sherman reported on the meeting he and Mary Scott attended with members of the other administrative commissions and legal counsel George Bushnell. Mr. Bushnell advises that presbytery set goals and plan for eventual desired outcomes, cautioning the commissions not to go off in four directions, but to act in a co-ordinated fashion.

It was agreed following extended discussion that Mr. Borchardt be asked to draft a plan of action permitting and encouraging reconciliation with Knox and at the same time preparing proposed actions if reconciliation is not possible.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 1:55 P.M. subject to the call of the chairperson.

September 3, 1980

Presbytery of Detroit

PRESENT: Ministers - James Kesler, Chairman, David Swinehart  
Elders - Mary Scott, Jean Lennox, Arthur Sherman, Jr.

EXCUSED: Robert Linthicum, Alvin Stallworth

ABSENT: Morgan Roberts

INVITED STAFF: Donald Lester, Henry Borchardt

The meeting opened with prayer by Jim Kesler at 10:05 a.m.

The minutes of the August 15, 1980 meeting were approved as distributed.

A draft revised September 2, 1980, Proposed Goals for Administrative Commissions, Presbytery of Detroit, was distributed as attached. Upon motion duly made, seconded the draft was approved in general with suggestion that emphasis be made on continuing United Presbyterian Church presence in the area of the leaving church and that resources under III b be used for expansion of "United Presbytery mission in the larger community.

Then followed discussion of actions which the commission might take as the Session of Knox, U.P. Church and it was decided to take no action at this time.

Draft 2 of Goals dated September 3, 1980 of the Administrative Commission of Knox United Presbyterian Church were distributed for discussion as attached. Upon motion duly made and seconded the draft was generally approved subject to deletion of "with commission support" in I B 1 and also "with commission support" in I B 2 and adding "real and personal" to modify "property" as appropriate.

Next meeting 4:00 p.m. September 23, 1980 at Presbytery of Detroit

Meeting adjourned with prayer at 11:40 a.m.

September 23, 1980

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**PRESENT:** Kesler, Sherman, Roberts, Lennox, Scott, Stallworth, Linthicum

**EXCUSED:** Swinehart

Convened with prayer by Kesler.

Approved for the table of Presbytery draft paper C-10 revised September 19, 1980.

Minutes of September 3, 1980 approved as mailed.

Report by Linthicum and Kesler of personal visit with George Woodcock on reconciliation process particularly involving overture L over a period of 3 years. With freedom to leave denomination if satisfied with Overture L on women elders at that time. Knox Church has found other fundamentalist churches are too fundamental for them.

Next meeting October 6, 1980 12:00 Noon at Presbytery of Detroit

Adjourned 4:55 p.m.

Minutes

October 6, 1980

The meeting convened with prayer at 12:22 p.m.

**Present:** Kesler, Swinehart, Linthicum, Scott, Sherman, Roberts.  
**Staff:** Borchardt, Lester.

**Excused:** Stallworth, Lennox.

Kesler: Report on meeting of Linthicum and Kesler with George Woodcock where emphasis continues on their original complaint which is very broadly based. They are willing to discuss these problems and have appointed elders to meet with the committee.

Borchardt: At Ward an appraisal of the building has been made and a public meeting called at which no members turned up. Trenton Church is close behind Ward in process. At Ward some Session members are meeting with the Ward Administrative Commission tonight.

Lester: Twenty churches met in St. Louis, Missouri, as an association of Evangelical conservative churches. Trenton and Ward were represented. Knox and Oakland Ave. were not.

Roberts: Issue is whether pluralism of scriptural interpretation is allowed or not.

Borchardt: We should consider position of women in the church and basis for support or abandonment.

Roberts: Perhaps a new Overture L could be written allowing pluralism emphasizing no compulsion to membership, but encouraging place for women and minorities.

Borchardt: There are no recommendations by Bushnell for action to be taken by this commission at this time.

Lester: There is a church which may be willing to be challenged on non-compliance with Overture L to start the judicial process. In another matter, in Lake Huron Presbytery, there is direct conflict on the property issue in the courts. The court decision will affect all future church property decisions.

Borchardt: There is submitted to the commission a broad spread sheet of past and future considerations on the connectional church which is attached to these minutes.

Lester: Reported on concern that the members of the administrative commissions maintain unbiased view on the matters under consideration and give careful thought to any publication of views or public statement.

Kesler: Concerns include:

- a. Stewardship for the future horizontal and vertical.
- b. Women in churches (elders and non-elders).
- c. The frustration of the fundamentalist church members in reading Scriptures and modern church law.

Swinehart: We can only support the right of the fundamentalist churches to press their views regardless of whether we personally agree with those views.

The commission agreed to use the Knox Particulars as a basis for discussion with the Session of the ex Knox Church at a meeting Monday, October 13 at 4:00 p.m. at Grosse Pointe Woods Memorial Church (if it can be arranged).

Swinehart: We must recognize plurality of views as the commission and the right to our views and right to speak positions.

Minutes of last meeting approved.

Adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Present: Kesler, Linthicum, Lennox, Scott, Swinehart. Staff: Borchardt.

Guests from Knox: Fleming, Heenan, Woodcock.

The meeting opened with prayer.

Introduction of three papers submitted by joint task force group of six.

- 1. Linthicum preface paper.
- 2. Overture draft.
- 3. Covenant and description of process and time-line.

The group spent considerable time discussing the preface paper, suggesting some editorial and syntactical changes that would make it clearer.

The group discussed the overtures:

(Overture "A" is the grandfather clause providing for procedures to secure exemption from newly added or changed sections of the Constitution).

(Overture "B" is a procedure through which a congregation would be permitted to leave the Denomination).

General agreements:

- 1. Overture "A" would be much easier to pass in the United Presbyterian Church than would Overture "B". Presbytery people were more critical of "B" than "A" with members occasionally suggesting to the Knox people that there might be advocacy on the commission for the passage of "A" but more difficulty with "B".
- 2. Knox people were saying they would have difficulty with passage of either overture in the congregation because mentally they have "left" with the bridge "burned behind them." But if re-entry in the Presbytery is to be achieved it would have to be in response to advocacy on both overtures. "A" alone will not result in a change of strategy at Knox.

The group discussed the covenant and time-line:

General agreement that if the overtures are acceptable, the covenant and the time-line would almost automatically follow.

Commission adjourned to reconvene Tuesday, November 23 at 3:00 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Birmingham.

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The meeting was held at the First Presbyterian Church, Birmingham, Michigan.

Present: Kesler, Linthicum, Swinehart, Roberts, Scott, and Sherman.  
 Staff: Borchardt.  
 Excused: Lennox, and Stallworth.

Kesler: The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. A report was made on status of reconciliation efforts by the other three commissions and the alternative actions under consideration. Port Huron Presbytery court action on the property issue has now been postponed to May 1980. He distributed material prepared by the committee meeting with Knox. Overtures have been prepared, which if approved by the General Assembly would provide basis for their decision to rejoin UPCUSA.

The committee then reviewed the overtures and their implications not only to the Presbytery of Detroit but the UPCUSA. The commission concluded that Kesler should advise the Knox committee that Overture "A" might be acceptable to the commission if revised to provide for a period of time, such as three years, during which Knox would be exempted from new constitutional changes effective January 1, 1980 or later. In part the commission needs interpretation of the width of the legal impact of such an overture before approving Overture "A".

The commission concluded that Overture "B" could not be supported.

The commission is to meet next at 12:00 noon on December 9, 1980 at the Presbytery office. (Bring your own lunch).

Adjourned with prayer by Kesler at 4:45 p.m.

Jan. 13, 1981

The meeting was held at the Celtic Cross Church, Warren, Michigan.

Present: Jim Kesler, Bob Linthicum, Mary Scott, David Swinehart, Arthur Sherman, Hank Borchardt.

Absent/excused: Stallworth, Lennox, Roberts.

Kesler reported on current developments and contact with a member who voted against separation and with The Rev. George Woodcock urging resolution of the problems prior to the General Assembly meeting May 17, 1981.

Borchardt reports Knox starts payment of 7% interest and principal February 1981 of \$729.16 per month over probably 15 years.

Borchardt also reported a church settlement in Illinois for 5 years:

- 1) Per capita
- 2) Benevolence
- 3) Major Mission
- 4) Wear and tear

Swinehart and the commission expressed concern for future of George Woodcock and that Kesler would discuss this personally with Woodcock.

Borchardt reports that if the Presbytery determines that the Presbytery has received "adequate compensation" for the Knox Church, then the General Assembly does not have to ratify the Presbytery action.

Question was raised as to values of Knox assets, and the names of loyal remnant and other members.

Meeting of January 20, 1981 was moved to the Presbytery of Detroit in Westminster Church. It will be held from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. Bring your own lunch.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

### Minutes

January 13, 1981

The Commission meeting on January 20 at the Presbytery Headquarters decided to resubmit the following minutes of January 13 because there were certain items the Commission wished to have included.

The meeting was held at the Celtic Cross Church, Warren, Michigan.

Present: Jim Kesler, Bob Linthicum, Mary Scott, David Swinehart, Arthur Sherman, Hank Borchardt.

Excused: Stallworth, Lennox, Roberts.

Kesler reported on current developments - especially about a contact with a member of Knox who voted against separation and a contact with The Rev. George Woodcock urging resolution of the problems prior to the General Assembly meeting May 17, 1981.

Borchardt reports that Knox Church starts payment of principal as well as interest in February 1981. This is for the \$125,000 loan from the UPUSA. The payments will be \$729.16 per month if paid over a 15 year period.

Borchardt reported a settlement made with a church in Illinois which would take place over a five year period. He offered this as an example about what might be acceptable to both Knox and Presbytery:

- 1) Per capita payments continued
- 2) Benevolence payments continued
- 3) Major Mission payments continued
- 4) Wear and tear - includes, among other things, expenses incurred on the part of Presbytery by church's withdrawal

Swinehart and the Commission expressed concern for the future of George Woodcock and it was decided that Kesler would, in behalf of the Commission, personally contact Woodcock.

Borchardt reported that if the Presbytery determines that it has received "adequate compensation" for Knox Church, then the General Assembly does not have to ratify the Presbytery action. (This observation was made for the benefit of George Woodcock, Cal Fleming, Stuart Fleming and Palmer Heenan who joined the meeting and stayed for most of the rest of the meeting.) George, especially, had high anxiety about drawing our Commission's work to a close and a settlement reached as soon as possible - certainly before the General Assembly meets in May, 1981.

The question was raised about Knox's assets, records of membership, the privilege of contacting the "loyal remnant", etc. The Commission was assured that there would be no problem in securing all required information and records and that the Knox people would be glad to send a joint letter with the Commission to all of the members of Knox Church.

We will meet again on January 20, 1981, at Westminster Church, at 12:00 through 1:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:00 p.m.

Minutes

January 20, 1981

The meeting was held at the Presbytery Offices, Westminster Church, Detroit, Michigan, and was called to order at 12:00 noon.

The meeting was convened with prayer by James Kesler, chairperson.

Present: Kesler, Lennox, Scott, Swinchart, and, by phone, Linthicum and Roberts.

Absent/excused: Sherman, Stallworth.

Staff: Lester, Borchardt.

We heard a synopsis of the work of the other three commissions from Don Lester.

Hank Borchardt made a report of the obligations of the Knox Church so far as the building was concerned:

\$125,000	Program Agency Loan - UPUSA Terms: 5 years of interest only at 7%, followed by 15 years of principle and 7% interest payments commencing in February, 1981
175,000	Standard Federal of Detroit (20 years at 9%)
115,000	In bonds held by members (8.5%) sold in 1975 (?)
<u>\$415,000</u>	Total indebtedness
<u>-20,000</u>	Recent payments to Standard Federal
<u>\$395,000</u>	

The payment schedules are such that present payments amount to \$42,000 annually and they will peak in a few years to \$57,000.

Serious questions were raised about what the Presbytery's obligations are in relation to the Standard Federal Loan and, should the church collapse or abandon building, what would the Presbytery do? Counsel will be contacted to give advice and Don Lester, as Executive Presbyter, will contact Standard Federal.

It was further announced, for the benefit of the Commission, that \$6,625 was Knox's per capita and General Mission giving in 1979.

Hank Borchardt called the Program Agency to see under what conditions Knox Church could retain its denominational loan. He came back to the meeting to report that the loan could be kept if the interest rate went to 12% from the present 7%, if it would be repaid in 10 years, and if Presbytery held title to the property. Further, if Knox Church defaulted on any payment, it would result in immediate foreclosure.



With this information and the benefit of all foregoing discussion, four plans were devised to offer to Knox Church:

PLAN A: Knox Church go along with Program Agency - 10 years for repayment of \$125,000 loan at 12%

1. The Knox Church building title be held by the Presbytery of Detroit

2. Any default on payments would result in immediate foreclosure

That Knox Church pay the Presbytery \$100,000 over a 5 year period to cover 1) benevolence obligations, 2) per capita assessment, 3) wear and tear, and 4) to meet other obligations Knox has failed to meet over past many years.

That Knox Church no longer use "Presbyterian" as part of its name.

PLAN B:

That Knox Church immediately refinance its \$125,000 denominational loan.

That Knox Church pay \$10,000 per year over a 10 year period to the Presbytery.

That Knox Church not use the name "Presbyterian."

PLAN C:

That Knox Church refinance \$125,000 owed to Program Agency immediately.

That Knox Church pay \$125,000 over a 15 year period to the Presbytery.

That Knox Church not use the name "Presbyterian."

PLAN D:

That Knox Church make a one-time payment of \$200,000 immediately.

That Knox Church not use the name "Presbyterian."

A motion was made that negotiators press for either PLAN A or PLAN D.

Negotiators for the Commission will be Kesler, Scott and Swinehart.

Further, we will request that any negotiators for Knox Church be approved by the Session of the church so they have some official standing.

Motion to adjourn was made at 2:00. Committee of 6 will meet on January 27 at 2:30 p.m. at Westminster Church, Detroit.

Meeting was closed with prayer.

Minutes

February 24, 1981

The meeting convened with prayer at 5:30 p.m. at Westminster Church, Detroit.

Present: Kesler, Swinehart, Sherman, Lennox, Scott, Roberts.

Present by invitation: Donald Lester, George Bushnell.

Excused: Stallworth, Linthicum.

Kesler reported on the meeting of the committee of six which had reached agreement tentatively restricting use of "Presbyterian" in a new Knox name unless part of a recognized Presbyterian assembly. Other positions were clarified.

Sherman reported the present value computations of various aspects of proposed financial arrangements between Knox and the Presbytery. He stressed need to get \$125,000 Program Agency loan to a higher conventional interest and to structure so that higher interest would not be required by Standard Federal or the bond holders. The additional payment and the \$125,000 mortgage to be jointly and severally guaranteed by Palmer Heenan, with Stewart and Cal Fleming.

Bushnell pointed out title and guarantee problems of the Program Agency and that church withdrawal may be an act of default triggering \$125,000 becoming due immediately. Bushnell is to explore with the Program Agency title/default questions and to study the mortgage terms.

Sherman reported discrepancies in the 1980/81 budget figures of Knox. The correct increase in budget is \$6801. He also reported that Richard Messier of Real Estate One advised the Knox property may have a market value of \$425,000 to \$475,000 to another church. Replacement cost of the building was estimated to be \$850,000 and the land worth \$150,000.

It was agreed Kesler would contact Woodcock and advise the present view that title problems and mortgage language may force foreclosure on the mortgage by Presbytery and the view that the bond holders might not receive 100 cents on the dollar settlement.

Kesler reported that he had heard from only one Knox Church member who wanted to meet with the Knox Commission, as a result of an invitation sent to all Knox members.

The next meeting of the committee of six is scheduled for March 11, 1981. The Knox Commission adjourned, subject to call, at 7:00 p.m. with prayer by Kesler.

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Kesler reports as follows:

- 1) Bushnell contacted Black and Shangler of the Program Agency and was told:
  - a) Withdrawal of Knox can be considered act of default.
  - b) Presently they feel title must be in Presbytery for any refinancing/lease program.
  - c) Policy of financing dissident churches will be discussed at General Assembly Mission Council in mid-March. "Financing" needs definition.
  - d) Black and Shangler would like to believe New York City inflated land values apply to Knox property.
  - e) Shangler recounted the three times the Knox loan request was rejected and the plea made by Lester, at Knox prompting, that ultimately got the loan approved.
- 2) Kesler and Lester have scheduled a meeting with George Woodcock on March 5, 1981 regarding above information.
- 3) The meeting of the committee of six scheduled for March 11, 1981 may be postponed until after GAMC meets.

MINUTES

Present: Swinehart, Scott, Kesler, Linthicum, Lennox, Borchardt & Lester, Staff.

The negotiating teams agree to the following proposal for the dissolution of the Knox United Presbyterian Church and the orderly transfer of its assets to the Knox Presbyterian Church, an entity not related to the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., voted by the Commission as follows:

- 1. That the Knox Church pay the Presbytery \$51,000 as adequate compensation for the transfer of assets from the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. on the following cash flow schedule:

1981	\$5,000
1982	\$5,500
1983	\$6,000
1984	\$6,500
1985	\$7,000
1986	\$7,000
1987	\$7,000
1988	\$7,000

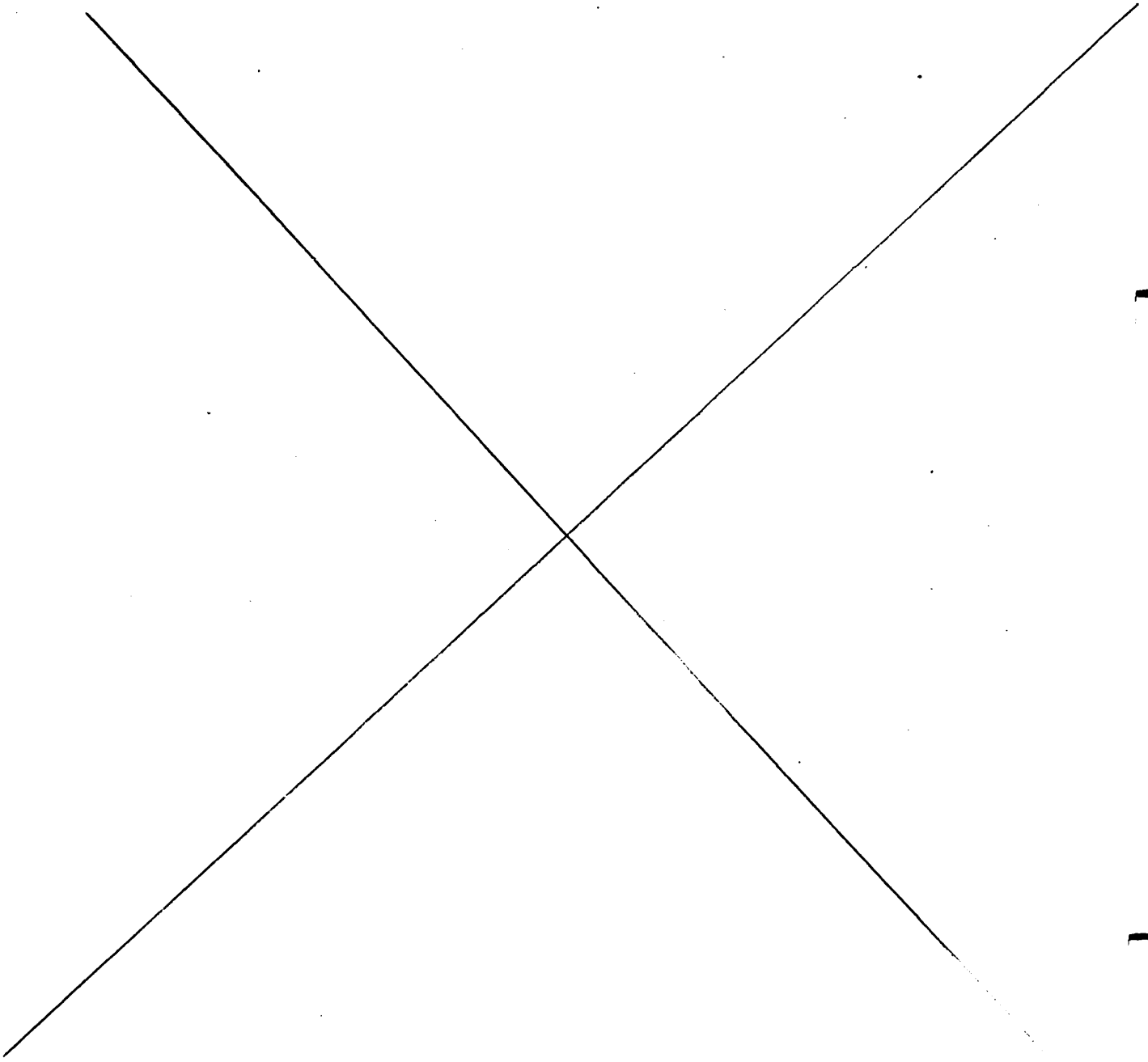
- 2. That the Knox Church agree to renegotiate its \$125,000 loan with the Program Agency of General Assembly on the following terms:
  - A. Interest rate: 12% per year
  - B. Amortization schedule:
    - 15 year amortization schedule.
    - Payback period of 8 years with a balloon payment at the end of the 8th year.
- 3. That Presbytery's legal counsel be given information by the Knox Church for review and recommendations to the Commission prior to presenting the agreement to the Presbytery, as follows:
  - A. A sample bond from the bond account.
  - B. A copy of actions taken by Knox to alter the arrangements of the bonding program in 1980.
  - C. A copy of the mortgages held by Standard Federal and the Program Agency.

Legal counsel is to assure the Presbytery that the \$125,000 Program Agency Loan is adequately secured, and that the Presbytery can if necessary fore-close on the property. Presbytery is to be assured an uncontested second mortgage position, with priority over the bond account.

- 4. That legal counsel be asked to draft agreements binding the congregation to the provisions of #1 of this agreement, releasing the Presbytery from contingent liability on the First Mortgage held by Standard Federal, the bond account, and any other of the congregation's obligations.
- 5. That Knox Church agrees it will not use the word "Presbyterian" to identify itself or any of its programs, activities, books, records, personal or property unless and until it unites with another Presbyterian denomination.

That the agreement be presented to Presbytery for first reading April 28, 1981 with Presbytery to adjourn to vote the proposal for second reading on Tuesday, May 12, 1981 at 4:00 P.M.

Since the property was appraised at approximately \$450,000, with approximately \$390,000 in outstanding mortgages and bonds, the settlement of \$51,000 can be considered a "fair market value" price the same as the amount that would have been received by Presbytery had the property been listed on the open market. General Assembly, therefore, need not be a party to this agreement.



STATED MEETING

Date: June 23, 1981  
Place: Ann Arbor, First Church

Moderator: Paul H. Sutton  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor, 1432 Washtenaw Avenue, Ann Arbor, Michigan on June 23, 1981, at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Abbott	Colwell	Hawley	Leverenz	Roberts
Allen, C.	Conley	Haynes	Linthicum	Saum
Allen, M.	Cook	Helmke	Loveless	Schram, W.
Anderson	Cross	Hillegonds	Lumley	Schram, J.
Andress	Crilley	Howell	McCreight	Sefcik
Antonson	Davies	Howie	McCloskey	Sharpless
Armstrong	Dawson	Hunter	McIvor	Sherwin
Baker	Dotson	Ihrie	McMellen	Shoup
Banks	Douglas	Irvine	MacDonald	Sommers
Barger	Dunn	Jansen	MacPherson	Stary
Bartko	Eshleman	Jeffrey	Marlow	Stone, G.
Battles	Ferry	Jerome	Marvin	Stryker
Beal	Forsyth	Jones, W.	Milford	Sutton
Beery	Geider	Jones, V.	Mitcham	Swinehart
Blackshear	Geissinger	Keebler	Orr	Tate
Boeve	Gepford	Kesler	Nagle	Taylor, K.
Borchardt	Gillette	Kettlewell	Peters	Taylor, M.
Brasure	Glenn	Kiely	Peterson	Taylor, S.
Brown	Gruebel	Kirkman	Pierson	Taylor, T.
Campbell, V.	Hanna	Krehbiel	Poland	Todd, R.
Carroll	Harmon	LeDuc	Ramsey	Whitledge
Carter	Hartley	Lester	Reynolds	Woodruff
				Terpstra

ELDERS

Allen Park	Bernard, M.	Birmingham	Kirk, H.
	Horvath, V.	Northbrook	Dellinger, W.
	Sanko, F.		Denne, D.
	Walker, L.	Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Frank, G.
Ann Arbor, First	Bublitz, G.		Mazure, C.
	Clyde, D.		Smith, D.
	Houk, N.	Brighton	Padley, L.
Calvary	Doane, C.		Walls, J.
Northside	Lewis, S.		Roy, D.
Belleville	Books	Clarkston, Sashabaw	Fnslow, C.
Greenfield, Berkley	McMellen, M.	Canton, Geneva	Cooper, M.
Birmingham, First	Harter, C.	Dearborn, First	Cobb, J.
	Kirchhofer, S.		Ling, P.
	Perkins, J.		Martini, M.
	Pruett, J.		Mniece, E.

Dearborn		Grosse Pointe Woods	Brines, R.
Cherry Hill	Wagger, S.		Gingrich, P.
Dearborn Woods	Blanding, M.		Moorhatch, S.
Dearborn, Littlefield	Geissinger, E.		Zech, C.
	Lentz, D.	Howell	Baldwin, N.
Dearborn Hts.,			MacBride, R.
St. Mark's	Kieltyka, D.	Livonia, Rosedale	Kumbier, N.
Detroit, First	Thompson, C.	St. Paul's	Alttma, J.
Bethany	Ellenburg, J.		Wetters, G.
Broadstreet	Hayes, S.	St. Timothy	Kordt, D.
Calvin East	Vollrath, V.	Miland, Peoples	Hower, B.
Calvary	Q. Jones	Milford	Wilson, N.
Calvin West	Watkins, P.	Northville	Jerome, K.
Ch. of the Covenant	Burnette, M.		Kastner, V.
Ch. of the Master	Hunt, S.	Plymouth	Beckmann, C.
Eastminster	Westhoff, I.		Catlett, C.
Fort Street	Millhench, M.		Stokes, W.
Grandale	King, D.	Pontiac	
Hope	Myles, T.	Atonement	Freeland, B.
Monteith	Smith, J.	Joslyn Avenue	Hoisington, E.
Redford	Brant, H.	Port Huron, First	Coffey, R.
	Burk, E.	Lakeshore	Balkwill, H.
	Piotrowski, R.	Westminster	Milam, C.
	Turnblom, H.	Rochester, University	Brittain, W.
St. James	Hauswirth, G.		Hayman, D.
St. John's	Kirk, L.		Mack, M.
	Perry, J.	Roseville, Erin	Bassett, J.
Southwest	Gipson, M.A.		Bassett, E.
	Sefcik, J.	Royal Oak, First	Cater, V.
Trumbull Ave.	Flack, G.	First United	Downie, D.
Village	Christianson, A.	Christ Memorial	Sell, J.
	West, J.	St. Clair Shores	
Westminster	Harp, E.	Lake Shore	Ball, K.
	Hooper, H.		Quarnstrom, T.
	Guyton, M.	Saline	Dabbs, B.
Woodward Ave.	McRae, J.	Shelby, Saint Thomas	Dryden, D.
Drayton Plains	Hazlett, J.	Southfield	Kleist, Neva
E. Detroit, Covenant	Wiggins, I.		Postiff, B.
Farmington	Cooper, A.	South Lyon	Fisher, K.
	Kinsey, S.	Ster. Hts, Utica	Bousquette, G.
Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Mitchell, B.	Taylor, Southminster	Dorotinsky, B.
	Rankin, S.	Troy, First	Pharis, B.
Fraser, Peace	Magel, J.	Northminster	Spencer, A.
Garden City	Armstrong, D.	Warren, First	Shafer, K.
Grosse Ile	Endicott, M.	Celtic Cross	Scott, M.
	Ranke, R.	Wayne	Kayganich, J.
Grosse Pte. Mem.	Warren, J.	W. Bloomfield	
	Madarasz	Ch. of Our Saviour	McIntosh, L.
	Maitland, E.	Westland, Kirk	Freeborn, G.
		White Lake	Schreiber, C.
		Ypsilanti	Grove, T.

- Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:
- Ministers: Alfredo Baliad, Robert Barcus, Peter Bower, Kenneth Brand, James Cannon, James Cole, John Curphey, Robert Dickson, Michael Dunkelberger, Raphael Francis, Charles Gensheimer, John Halsey, Richard Henderson, Roy Lambert, Robert Lindsey, Kenneth Lister, Robert Lucero, John Mather, Edward Miller, Charles Shook, Scott Simons, Richard Smith, Judy Todd, Howard Warren, Ronald Wilson, Stanton Wilson.
  - Elders: Allen Park - 1; Auburn Heights - 1; Ecorse - 1; Grosse Pointe Memorial - 3; Milford - 1; Mt. Clemens - 2; Northbrook - 1; St. Clair Shores, Faith - 1.
  - Council: Mary Grace Adams

Upon motion, the minutes of the Stated Meeting of April 28, 1981 and the Adjourned Meeting of May 12, 1981 were approved. A typographical error was noted and corrected on page seven to read that the record show the negative vote of DeaneBaker on Overture A.

Upon motion, the docket for the meeting was approved.

Upon motion, the privilege of the floor was given to Ruling Elder William Standing to speak during the report of the Department of Local Church Development.

The Moderator appointed Earl Miner, a ruling elder of the host church, to serve as assistant to the Stated Clerk.

Omnibus Motion

Upon motion, the recommendations listed in the Omnibus Motion were adopted as follows:

- 1) It is recommended that the Milford Church be given approval to borrow not more than \$67,000.00 from its members and friends, through the issuance of promissory notes at 9% interest, with a maximum payoff period of ten years. The purpose of the loan is to enable the Milford Church to have its building re-roofed.
- 2) It is recommended that the Presbytery loan the Department of Program and Resource Development the amount of \$8,000.00, for the purpose of purchasing a van. The terms of the loan are: a promissory note for \$8,000.00, payable in four years at 9.75% annual interest.

The van would be purchased through the Presbytery fleet plan, at a cost of \$12,125.00. The Department has cash on hand of \$4,200.00 available for the purchase.

A motion carried to receive Paper B-4 "Policy Regarding the Presbytery's Role in the Housing of Pastors" for a first reading at this time, with action to be taken at the September meeting of Presbytery.

A motion carried to concur with the recommendation of Business Affairs to grant a loan to the Grandale Church on a promissory note in the amount of \$8,000 for the purpose of enabling its pastor, Clanton Dawson, to purchase a home. The terms of the loan are 9% annual interest, interest only payable the first year, in monthly payments, during the next five years the loan is to be paid in full, with terms to be negotiated at the beginning of the five-year period.

A motion carried to receive the reports of Council from meetings of November 11, 1980, December 9, 1980, January 13, 1981, March 10, 1981, April 14, 1981, June 2, 1981 and June 9, 1981.

The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by James Mitcham. A motion carried to proclaim Sunday, September 27, 1981 as a Peace Sabbath among the churches of the Presbytery of Detroit; that through sermons, prayers, hymns, and other means the concern of peacemaking be lifted up in the congregations of the Presbytery; and that the Committee on Peace Education be charged with offering resources, support, advice, and encouragement to the churches in their observance of this Sunday.

Upon motion, the docket was extended by four minutes.

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by John Jeffrey. A motion carried to commend to each church the consideration of a Resource Notebook for church officers (Paper C-1).

The report of the Division of Mission Support was presented by Mary Younkin.

The report of the Committee on Structure was presented by Kenneth Kettlewell. Upon motion, the docket was extended by five minutes. A motion carried to delete "and December" from page one, lines 45 and 46 of the By-Laws of the Presbytery of Detroit, so that Chapter III, Section 1, Paragraph A will read: "The Presbytery will meet regularly as a judicatory on the fourth Tuesday of January, February, April, June, September, October and November, and/or as arranged by Presbytery Council."

The Committee presented for first reading and action in September, 1981 the following:

Chapter VI                      Presbytery Council  
Section 1                      Composition  
Paragraph A

Page 8                      line 15  
                                 line 22  
                                 line 32

Delete: "Stated Clerk"  
Add:        "Stated Clerk"  
Change: Total Voting Members to "34"

Chapter VI                      Presbytery Council  
Section 1                      Composition  
Paragraph B

Page 8                      line 39

Add:  
"The Moderator and Vice-Moderator of Presbytery shall also serve as Moderator and Vice-Moderator of Presbytery Council."

Chapter VI                      Presbytery Council  
Section 1                      Composition  
Paragraph E

Page 9                      line 10  
                                 line 10

Delete: "two"  
Add:        "four"  
Insert after Stated Clerk:  
"with voice but no vote"



Chapter XIV                      Nominating Procedure  
Section 1                      Constitutional Provisions

Page 15

line 55

Add:

"Vacancies may be filled by the Moderator until the next regular meeting of the Presbytery. Resignations or other types of vacancies shall be approved by the Council and referred to the Committee on Nominations for election by the Presbytery."

Upon motion, the report was received.

The report of the Department of Local Church Development was presented by Wilma Dellinger. Upon motion, the recommendations listed were adopted as follows:

1) It is recommended that permission be granted to the Grandale Presbyterian Church and the Presbyterian Church of the Master to merge into one surviving congregation, contingent upon a formal plan of merger to be approved by the Presbytery, with a proposed effective date of September 20, 1981. Assets of the merged church to be used at the discretion of the Session of the merged church.

2) It is recommended that the Church of the Master be given permission to sell its church property to the Kendall Gospel Church of God in Christ for \$160,000.00, \$60,000.00 of which shall be a downpayment, the remainder to be financed on a land contract for five years at 11% interest, with payments of not less than \$1,000.00 per month, with a balloon payment of not less than \$10,000.00 at the end of each year, the remaining balance payment in full at the end of five years, and that the proceeds of the sale be placed at the discretion of the merged Grandale-Church of the Master session.

William Standing, of the Department of Local Church Development, Clanton Dawson, pastor, and David King, ruling elder, of the Grandale Church, and Sam Hunt, ruling elder of the Church of the Master all spoke to the above two motions.

The report of the Synod Communique was presented by Laurel Loveless.

The report of the Executive Presbyter was presented by Donald Lester.

Upon motion, the Presbytery recessed for dinner.

At 7:00 p.m. the Moderator reconvened the Presbytery with prayer. Mr. Robert Linthicum lead the Presbytery in worship, along with a sacred dance group.

The report of the Candidates' Committee was presented by Richard Todd. The following actions were taken:

1) Mr. Barry Sweet read his statement of faith to the Presbytery. A motion carried to sustain the examination of Mr. Sweet, and that he be approved for ordination.

2) Mr. Jeffrey Brinks read his statement of influence and motivation to the Presbytery. A motion carried to sustain the examination of Mr. Brinks, and that he be enrolled as a candidate for the Gospel ministry to be taken under care of the Presbytery.

3) Mr. Peter Gabel read his statement of influence and motivation to the Presbytery. A motion carried to sustain the examination of Mr. Gabel, and that he be enrolled as a candidate for the Gospel ministry to be taken under care of the Presbytery.

4) Miss Julie Sandling read her statement of influence and motivation to the Presbytery. A motion carried to sustain the examination of Miss Sandling, and that she be enrolled as a candidate for the Gospel ministry to be taken under care of the Presbytery.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was presented by Richard Milford. Clanton Dawson, Jr., and William McIvor were introduced to the Presbytery.

1) A motion carried to concur with the congregation of the First Church, Northville in calling Lawrence A. Chamberlain to be its pastor, with the following terms: \$19,500 salary, \$10,500 housing allowance, \$3,000 car allowance, \$500 hospitalization, \$800 study allowance, two weeks' study leave, one month's vacation, full pension, annual review, and moving expenses; the call to become effective June 15, 1981, and to be forwarded to the Presbytery of Eastminster, with the request that he be dismissed to the Presbytery of Detroit; enroll Mr. Chamberlain upon receipt of his dismissal, elect the following special administrative commission: Rev. Lawrence McMellen, chairperson, Rev. John Mishler, Rev. Lloyd Brasure, Ruling Elders James Richardson, Janice Dyke, and Irving McLeod (Northville), and empower said commission to install Mr. Chamberlain at 10:00 a.m. on July 5, 1981 at First Church, Northville. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government, 40.01, 57.044, 57.046, and the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.

2) A motion carried to concur with the congregation of the Drayton Plains Community Church in calling Alfred H. Nead to be its pastor, with the following terms: \$16,500 salary, \$6,000 housing allowance, \$2,500 car allowance, \$500 study allowance, two weeks' study leave, 2% deductible hospitalization, one month's vacation, full pension, annual review and moving expenses; the call to become effective August 1, 1981, and to be forwarded to the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley with the request that he be dismissed to the Presbytery of Detroit and the call placed in his hands; enroll Mr. Nead upon receipt of his dismissal, elect the following special administrative commission: Rev. Paul Sutton, chairperson, Rev. Lloyd Brasure, Rev. J. Richard Hanna, Ruling Elders Wilfred Lobb and Gwen Hazlett (Drayton Plains), William Marvin (Orchard Lake), with Rev. Albert L. LaFollette of the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley invited to be corresponding member; and empower said commission to install Mr. Nead at 7:30 p.m. on September 13, 1981 at Drayton Plains Church. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government, 40.01, 57.044, and 57.046, and the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program has been fulfilled.

3) A motion carried to receive and approve the calls of the First Church, Harbor Beach and Bloomfield Church, Port Hope, Michigan in calling Candidate Barry Sweet to be their pastor upon ordination, effective July 15, 1981; elect the following special administrative commission: Rev. Donald MacPherson, chairperson, Rev. Kenneth Lister, Rev. A. Dale Ihrie, Ruling Elders Shirley Books (Belleville), Sharon Kemp, Charles Kulier, and Paul Mallewitz (St. Clair Shore Lake Shore), with Rev. Sandra Read Brown (PCUS) invited to be a corresponding member; and empower said commission to ordain Mr. Sweet at Lake Shore Church, St. Clair Shores on July 12 at 10:00 a.m.; place the call in Mr. Sweet's hands and dismiss him to the Presbytery of Lake Huron.

4) A motion carried to concur with the session of the Calvary Church, Detroit and James A. Mitcham in his employment as an interim pastor for a period of six months effective June 1, 1981 with the following terms: \$7,000 salary, \$2,000 housing allowance, \$750 car allowance, \$100 study allowance, two weeks vacation, one week study leave, and full pension.

5) A motion carried to concur with the session of the Jefferson Avenue Church, Detroit and John Halsey in the extension of the interim pastoral relationship to September 30, 1981.

6) A motion carried to concur in the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between Benjamin Wu and the Taiwanese New Church Development (Department of Local Church Development) effective August 31, 1981; grant Mr. Wu permission to labor outside the bounds of the Presbytery of Detroit for one year, pending action of the Presbytery of San Francisco.

7) A motion carried to elect the following persons to an administrative commission to install Robert M. Barnes as pastor of Greenfield Church, Berkley at 4:00 p.m. on June 28, 1981: Rev. Kenneth Kettlwell, chairperson, Rev. Roger Shoup, Rev. Larry McMellen, Ruling Elders Robert Arnold (Park), Carl Wahlsten (Greenfield), and Paul Rankin (Drayton Avenue).

8) A motion carried to approve the following changes in terms of call: Barcus - \$600 salary increase, \$400 housing increase; Crilley - \$600 salary increase, \$600 utilities' increase, \$440 FICA increase, \$250 other decrease, \$1,100 study increase; Davies - \$1,200 salary increase, \$300 housing increase, \$600 car increase, \$660 hospitalization increase; Haynes - \$350 salary increase, \$900 housing increase, \$450 car increase; Henderson - \$1,485 salary increase, \$505 housing increase, \$40 hospitalization increase; Kesler - \$875 salary increase; Kirkman - \$4,000 salary increase, \$600 housing increase, \$245 hospitalization increase; Lane - \$2,312 salary increase; Marvin - \$2,381 salary increase; Nagle - \$1,000 salary increase, \$500 car increase; Ramsey - \$1,195 salary increase, \$500 housing increase, \$250 car increase, \$100 conference increase; Russell - \$1,231 salary increase; Sefcik - \$1,085 salary increase, \$400 housing increase; Stryker - \$1,049 salary increase, \$736 car increase; Torrey - \$700 salary decrease, \$2,300 housing increase, \$800 car increase, \$50 conference increase.

9) A motion carried to concur in the request to grant the status of Honorably Retired to John W. Halsey as of October 31, 1981.

The report of the Local Church Development was resumed.

3) It is recommended that permission be granted to the Woodward Avenue Presbyterian Church and the Church of the Covenant to merge into one surviving congregation, contingent upon a formal plan of merger to be approved by the Presbytery, with a proposed effective date of September 1, 1981 with joint services and other activities to commence effective June 23, 1981. Assets of the merged congregation will be used at the discretion of the session of the merged church.

4) It is recommended that permission be granted to list the Covenant Church of Detroit property for sale with Real Estate One for an asking price of \$200,000. This motion is subject to the merger of Church of the Covenant and Woodward Avenue Church.

William Standing, of the Department of Local Church Development, Gary Douglas, pastor, and Mary Brown, ruling elder of the Church of the Covenant, and Mrs. Earl Wagner, ruling elder of the Woodward Avenue Church all spoke to the above two motions.

Upon motion, the docket was extended by five minutes.

Upon motion, the Presbytery concurred to express its thanks to Mr. Benjamin Wu, departing pastor of the organizing Taiwanese congregation of Livonia.

The report of the Central Northwest Administrative Commission was presented by its chairperson, Ed Koster.

The report of the Ward Memorial Administrative Commission was presented by its chairperson, Gareth Baker.

The report of the Eastminster Administrative Commission was presented by its chairperson, Joseph MacDonald. A motion carried to approve the following recommendations of the Commission.

1. That the membership roll of the Eastminster Presbyterian Church be turned over to the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Detroit immediately following the stated meeting of Presbytery on June 23, 1981, and that the clerk inform the members that they have until August 1, 1981 to request of him transfers to other churches. Members are to be informed they will become communicant members of the Grosse Pointe Woods United Presbyterian Church on August 1, 1981, if they have not communicated with him, and that the Eastminster Church will cease to function effective that date. This is in keeping with the desire of Eastminster congregation to have its members assimilated into the membership of Grosse Pointe Woods and the expressed desire of Grosse Pointe Woods Church to receive and care for them.
2. That the proceeds of the sale of the Eastminster manse and the cash assets of the Eastminster Church be held in escrow by the Division of Business Affairs of the Presbytery pending receipt of a plan adopted by both the Session of the Grosse Pointe Woods Church and the Department of Local Church Development of the Presbytery for community ministries in the Jefferson Chalmers community under the jurisdiction of the Woods' Church Session, which will have until December 1, 1981 to present a proposal. If such a proposal is not presented, the funds will be used in the manner described in point three of this proposal. (The manse sale and cash assets amount to approximately \$40,000).
3. That Presbytery accept an offer from the Original Primitive Baptist Church to purchase the property of the Eastminster Church for the price of \$100,000.00, with the following terms: a down payment of at least \$25,000.00, the balance to be financed on a land contract, payable in five years, at 10% annual interest on the unpaid balance, with monthly payment of principal and interest of at least \$750.00. The proceeds from the sale are to be invested with the Division of Business Affairs of the Presbytery of Detroit, income to be used for congregational renewal in the eastern portion of the City of Detroit, preferably Bethany, St. James, and Calvin East, under the supervision of the Department of Local Church Development, this arrangement to be negotiable after 10 years. Details of the sale arrangements for the Eastminster Church are presented to the June 23, 1981 meeting of the Presbytery of Detroit by the Division of Business Affairs.
4. That the Division of Business Affairs receive title to a property adjacent to the Eastminster Church on which Standard Federal Savings and Loan pays a ground rent, and apply the receipts from the ground rent to the congregational redevelopment ministries described in point three of this proposal.
5. That the distribution of memorial and articles not permanently attached to the Eastminster Church building be handled by this administrative commission in collaboration with Louise Scott of the Eastminster Church in a manner consistent with the Guidelines for the Dissolution of a Church.
6. That the Presbytery of Detroit declare the existence of the Eastminster Church to be terminated effective August 1, 1981, following a service of witness and celebration by the Presbytery on July 26, 1981.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m. with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator, Paul H. Sutton.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk

## Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance

May 1, 1981 - April 30, 1982

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	5	4 & 1 ex	Garden City	1	1
Ann Arbor, First	4	3	Grosse Ile	2	2
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	3 & 3ex
Northside	1	1	Grosse Pointe Woods	5	4
Westminster	1	0	Highland Park, Park	1	0
Auburn Heights	1	ex	Howell	2	2
Belleville	1	1	Lincoln Park	1	0
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	3	1
Birmingham, First	8	4	St. Paul's	4	2
Northbrook	3	2 & 1 ex	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	4	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	1 & 1ex
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2 ex
Clarkston, Sashabaw	1	1	Northville	2	2
Dearborn, First	5	5	Novi, Faith Community	1	0
Cherry Hill	4	1	Orchard Lake	2	0
Dearborn Woods	1	1	Plymouth	3	3
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	2	0
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Detroit, First	1	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	1	Port Huron, First	1	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	1
Calvary	1	1	Westminster	1	1
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	3
Calvin West	1	1	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Central Northwest	1	0	Royal Oak, First	6	1
Church of the Covenant	1	1	First United	2	2
Church of the Master	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	1
Eastminster	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	ex
Evergreen Village	1	0	Lake Shore	3	2
Fort Street	2	1	Saline	1	1
Grandale	1	1	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	0	Southfield, United	2	2
Hope	1	1	Korean	1	0
Jefferson Avenue	3	0	South Lyon	1	1
Leitch	1	0	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	1
Monteith	1	1	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
Redford	4	4	Troy, First	1	1
St. James	1	1	Northminster	1	1
St. John's	1	1	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	0
Southwest Community	2	2	Warren, First	1	1
Trinity	1	0	Celtic Cross	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	0
Village	2	2	Wayne, First	1	1
Ward Memorial	1	0	West Bloomfield, Church		1
Westminster	3	3	of Our Saviour	1	
Woodward Avenue	1	1	Westland, Kirk of Our		0
Drayton Plains	1	1	Savior	1	
L. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	White Lake	1	1
Ecorse	1	ex	Wyandotte	2	0
Farmington	3	2	Ypsilanti	2	1
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2			
Fraser, Peace	1	1			

## THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

Pro Re Nata Meeting

Date: August 17, 1981  
Place, Westminster Church, Detroit

Moderator: Paul H. Sutton  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a pro re nata meeting on August 17, 1981 at the Westminster Church in Detroit.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Paul H. Sutton, at 4:30 p.m.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Antonson	Carroll	Gillette	Loveless	Schram, W.
Banks	Davies	Halsey	Marvin	Sefcik
Beal	Dawson	Hawley	Milford	Sherwin
Beery	Douglas	Hunter	McCloskey	Stary
Borchardt	Dunkelberger, R.	Ihrle	Kiely	Sutton
Brasure	Eshleman	Irvine	Mitcham	Taylor, S.
Brown	Gillis	Lester	Nagle	Warren
			Pierson	Whitledge
			Schram, J.	

ELDERS

Berkley, Greenfield	Hughel, L.	Southwest	Sefcik, J.
Birmingham, First	Ferguson, L.	Woodward Ave.	Hush, H.
Northbrook	Dellinger, W.	E. Det., Covenant	Wickware, D.
Brighton	Waite, J.	Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Rankin, S.
Dearborn, First	Mniece, R.	Grosse Ile	Morrison, H.
Cherry Hill	Caddy, F.	Highland Park, Park	Darling, L.
Littlefield Blvd.	Leigh, E.	Lincoln Park	Nelson, K.
Detroit, Broadstreet	Adams, A.	Livonia, Rosedale Gdns	Stuart, W.
Ch. of the Master	Glover, V.		Weyer, E.
Ch. of the Cov.	Burnette, M.	Royal Oak, First Un.	Doty, R.
Evergreen Village	Jagger, F.	Southfield	Hawley, H.
Grandale	Klein, M.	South Lyon	Heath, F.
Hope	Washington, J.	Warren, Celtic Cross	Scott, M.

ELDER MEMBERS OF PRESBYTERY COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.	Dill, V.	Poston, L.
Brown, H.F.	Higgins, J.	

A motion carried to grant the following excuses:

Ministers: Robert Barcus, Robert Battles, James Cannon, William Colwell, Robert Crilley, Michael Dunkelberger, Harry Geissinger, Harold Ellens, David Harmon, Thomas Hartley, Thomas W. Kirkman, Edward Koster, Donald R. MacPherson, Edward Miller, Robert McCreight, Robert Orr, William Palmer, Larry Sharpless, Gene Stone, Henry Stenner, Theodore Tate, Theodore Taylor, Stanton Wilson;

Elders: Auburn Heights - 1, Grosse Pointe Memorial - 6, Brighton - 1, SCS, Lake Shore - 1, Mt. Clemens, First - 1, Sashabaw - 1, Ann Arbor, Calvary - 1;

Council: Mary Anne Gipson, Henry Gaston, Jean Lennox.

The Stated Clerk read the call for the meeting and a motion carried to approve the call, as follows:

A motion carried to approve the docket as presented by the Stated Clerk.

The Moderator appointed George F. Gillette to act as Recording Clerk for the meeting.

The Department of Local Church Development reported through its chairperson, Wilma Dellinger. She presented a plan of merger for the Church of the Covenant and Woodward Avenue Church and moved that it be adopted. An amendment carried to change the word "merger" to "uniting" and the word "merged" to "united." The motion as amended was adopted.

Mrs. Dellinger also presented a plan of merger for Grandale Church and Church of the Master and moved that the plan be adopted. An amendment carried to change the word "merger" to uniting" and the word "merged" to "united." The motion as amended was adopted.

A proposal from the Department of Local Church Development was presented by Henry Borchardt. He stated that, through an oversight, the Presbytery had not taken action on a request from St. Timothy Church of Livonia for permission to borrow funds from a commercial source. He presented the following resolution: "That St. Timothy United Presbyterian Church of Livonia, Michigan, be given permission to borrow up to \$60,000.00 from Colonial Federal Savings and Loan Association for five years at 13 and 1/2 % interest." The motion carried.

The report of the Division of Business Affairs was presented by its chairman, Dale Ihrle. He presented the following resolution: "That permission be given to the Presbyterian Church of the Covenant to sell its property at 740 East Grand Boulevard, Detroit, Michigan, to the Abyssinia Baptist Church on a land contract with the following terms: sale price \$150,000.00, down payment \$25,000.00, the balance of \$125,000.00 to be paid in monthly installments of \$12,00.00 or more, including principal and interest of 11% annually, with an additional payment of principal of \$25,000.00 to be made within six months from the date of closing." After some discussion a motion carried to lay the matter on the table for the present

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was presented by its chairman, Richard J. Milford. The recommendations of the Committee were adopted as follows:

A motion carried to dissolve the pastoral relation between James P. Russell and the Cherry Hill Church, Dearborn; heard a representative of the church; approved the call of the Ogden Dunes Community Church, Ogden Dunes, Indiana to James P. Russell; placed the call in Mr. Russell's hands; and dismissed him to the Presbytery of Wabash Valley, effective September 1, 1981.

A motion carried to approve the part-time interim pastor relationship between the Session of Covenant Church, East Detroit and David Abbott, effective August 1, 1981 for three months with the following terms: \$156 weekly salary, 12-hour week.

A motion carried to extend the interim arrangement between the Session of First Church, Saline and David Krehbiel to November 31, 1981.

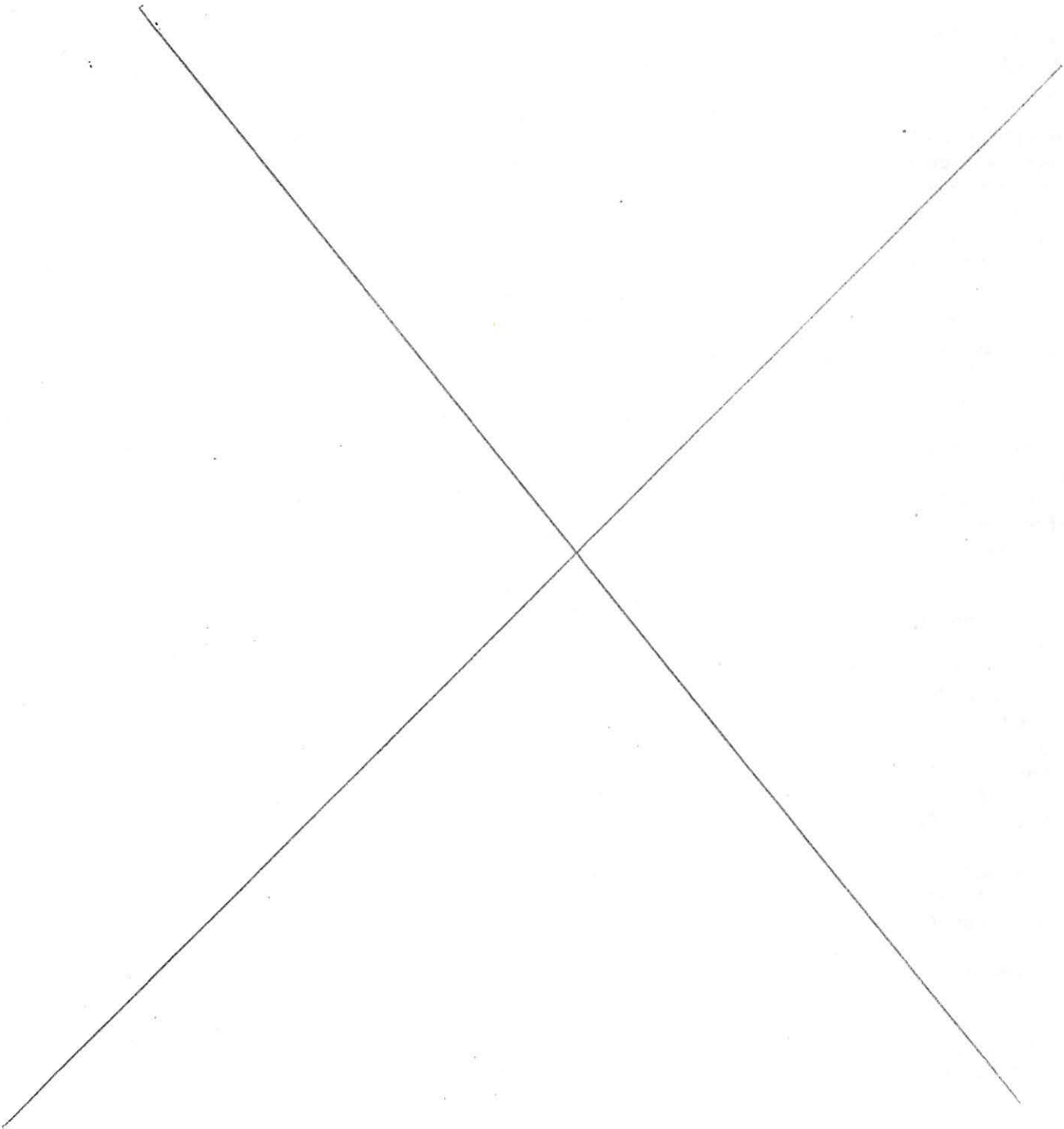
A motion carried to dismiss Roger Ring to the Presbytery of Chicago, effective August 17, 1981.

A motion carried to remove from the table the motion relating to the sale of the property of Church of the Covenant. A motion carried to adopt the resolution as presented.

A motion carried to commend the Department of Local Church Development for its work relating to the mergers which had been approved at this meeting.

A motion carried to adjourn. The meeting was closed at 5:15 p.m. with prayer and the apostolic benediction by the Moderator, Paul H. Sutton.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk





## PRO RE NATA MEETING

Date: September 2, 1981  
Place: Detroit, Westminster Church

Moderator: The Rev. Paul H. Sutton  
Stated Clerk: The Rev. Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church of the United States of America held a special meeting in the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 17567 Hubbell, Detroit, Michigan on September 2, 1981 at 4:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Beal	Halsey	McCloskey	Schram, J.	Sutton
Beery	Hawley	McCreight	Sefcik	Taylor, S.
Borchardt	Ihrle	Mitcham	Stary	Taylor, T.
Carroll	Irvine	Poland	Shoup	Whitledge
Cole, M.	Lester	Schram, W.	Stenner	Wilson, S.

ELDERS

Birmingham		Grosse Pointe Mem.	Fredericks, B.
Northbrook	LaPochette, C.	Highland Park, Park	Darling, L.
Berkley, Greenfield	Hughel, L.	Port Huron, First	Coffey, R.
Detroit, Southwest	Gipson, M.A.	SCS, Lake Shore	Richards, M.
	Sefcik, J.D.	South Lyon	Heath, F.
Trinity	Preston, E.	Southfield	Hawley, H.
Woodward/Covenant	Burnette, M.		

ELDEELDER MEMBERS OF PRESBYTERY COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.	Dellinger, W.	Poston, L.
Brown, H.F.	Higgins, J.	

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: Carol Allen, David Antonson, Robert Barcus, Kenneth Brand, James Cannon, David Eshleman, Harold Ellens, Raphael Francis, Harry Geissinger, George Gillette, Carl Howie, Dale Hunter, Ray Kiely, Edward Koster, Laurel Loveless, Donald MacPherson, Richard Milford, Edward Miller, Robert Orr, William Palmer, William Rieker, Larry Sharpless, Joan Stary, Howard Warren

Council: Verna Dill, Mary Younkin

Elders: Ann Arbor, Calvary-1; Auburn Heights-1; Celtic Cross-1; Sashabaw-1; Grosse Pointe Memorial-5.

Upon motion, The Rev. Robert Craghead of the Presbytery of Catawba was seated as a corresponding member.

The Stated Clerk presented the call of the meeting, which, upon motion, became the docket.

Division of Business Affairs

The report of the Division of Business Affairs was presented by the Stated Clerk.

A motion carried to approve the following recommendations:

1. It is recommended that the First Church of Port Huron be given permission to borrow an amount not to exceed \$100,000 from a commercial source, for the purpose of renovation and remodelling of its building and for the possible purchase of adjoining property. This recommendation is subject to the approval of specific plans and costs by the Financial Management Committee of the Department of Local Church Development.
2. It is recommended that Presbytery loan to Trinity Community Church from its Capital Fund an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00, on a promissory note at 9% interest, for five years, with principal and interest to be paid in monthly installments.

Report of the Department of Local Church Development

The report of the Department of Local Church Development was presented by the Stated Clerk. A motion carried to approve the following recommendations:

1. It is recommended that the Presbytery grant to the Southwest Community Church from its Capital Fund the amount of \$150,000.00 for the purpose of the construction of a community service building, providing additional space for church use. The total cost of the project is \$300,000.00, of which the church is able to provide \$150,000.00.

Committee on Ministerial Relations

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was presented by the Stated Clerk.

A motion carried to approve the following recommendation:

1. It is recommended that the Presbytery elect the following special administrative commission to install The Rev. Peter Moore as assistant pastor of the Northbrook Church, Birmingham at 7:30 p.m. on September 16, 1981: Ministers: Paul Sutton, chairperson, Paul Andress, Michael Dunkelberger; Elders: Carl Neppach (Northbrook), Jean Perkins (Birmingham, First), and Lewis Rose (Calvin West) with The Rev. David Cockcroft (Presbytery of New York City) invited to be a corresponding member.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m. with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
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Stated Clerk

## STATED MEETING

Date: September 22, 1981  
Place: Westminster Church, Detroit

Moderator: Paul H. Sutton  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church of the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Westminster Church, 17567 Hubbell, Detroit, Michigan on September 22, 1981 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Paul H. Sutton.

A worship service was led by James Cole.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Abbott	Cobleigh	Hartley	MacPherson	Sefcik
Allen, C.	Cole	Haynes	Marlow	Sharpless
Allen, M.	Coleman	Hershey	Marvin	Sherwin
Antonson	Colwell	Howie	Mather	Shook
Armstrong	Cook	Ihrrie	McCloskey	Simons
Baliad	Crilley	Irvine	McCreight	Smith, J.C.
Banks	Curphey	Jansen	Miller	Stary
Baker	Davies	Jeffrey	Mitcham	Stenner
Barcus	Dawson	Jones, V.	Moore	Stryker
Barger	Dickson	Jones, W.	Nagle	Sutton
Battles	Dunkelberger, M.	Keebler	Naylor	Swinehart
Barnes	Dunkelberger, R.	Kesler	Nead	Taylor, K.
Bartko	Eshleman	Kettlewell	Orr	Taylor, S.
Beal	Ferry	Kiely	Palmer	Taylor, T.
Beery	Forsyth	Kim	Peters	Terpstra
Boeve	Garypie	Kirkman	Peterson	Torrey
Borchardt	Geider	Koster	Pierson	Vernon
Brasure	Geissinger	Lambert	Poland	White, W.
Brown	Gensheimer	LeDuc	Ramsey	Whitledge
Campbell, V.	Gillette	Lester	Reynolds	Wilson, S.
Carroll	Glenn	Leverenz	Rieker	Wingrove
Cannon	Gruebel	Loveless	Roberts	Yingling
Carter	Halsey	Lucero	Saum	
Chamberlain	Hanna	Lumley	Schram, J.	
Cho	Harmon	MacDonald	Schram, W.	

ELDERS

Allen Park	Botu, S.	Ann Arbor, Calvary	Cummins, B.
	Ruehl, R.	Auburn Heights	Quinn, C.
	Wagner, J.	Belleville	Books, S.
Ann Arbor, First	Clyde, D.	Berkley, Greenfield	Hughel, L.
	Curtis, A.	Birmingham, First	Clark, M.
	Lyon, J.		Harter, C.
	Miner, E.		Perkins, J.
			Street, F.
			Thompson, D.

Birmingham	Anderson, D.	Grosse Pointe Woods	Brines, R.
Northbrook	Kirk, H.		Buell, S.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Bowden, H.		Moorhatch, S.
	Garland, F.	Highland Park, Park	Klaner, H.
	Kitchen, B.	Howell	Zech, C.
	Lowe, M.		Darling, L.
	Robinson, W.	Lincoln Park	MacBride, R.
Brighton	Wallis, P.	Livonia, Rosedale Gdns	Robers, A.
	Clixby, D.	St. Paul's	Saunders, A.
	Lyon, C.		Lloyd, W.
Canton, Geneva	Fanslow, C.		Kelly, J.
Clarkston, Sashabaw	Roy, D.	St. Timothy	Knight, J.
Dearborn, First	Brailsford, J.	Milford	Miller, J.
	Shields, K.		Wetters, G.
Cherry Hill	Durham, H.		Aumawn, R.
	Hyma, G.		Borley, D.
Dearborn Woods	Morley, R.	Northville	Wilson, N.
Littlefield Blvd.	Baker, P.	Novi, Faith	Kiplinger, D.
	Flowler, F.	Orchard Lake	Rice, W.
	Ray, P.	Plymouth	Foley, E.
Dearborn Heights		Pontiac, First	Spear, M.
St. Marks	Kieltyka, D.		Barker, E.
Detroit, First	McLeod, H.	Atonement	Waters, D.
Bethany	Harrison, H.	Joslyn Avenue	Freeland, B.
Broadstreet	Cope, D.	Port Huron, First	Vine, J.
Calvary	Wallace, D.	Rochester, University	Williams, B.
Calvin East	Kemp, E.		Stover, R.
Calvin West	Watkins, P.	Roseville, Erin	Mack, M.
Evergreen Village	Taylor, M.		Block, R.
Fort St.	Heatley, G.	Royal Oak, First	Thaar, W.
Grandale/Ch. Master	Rogers, D.		Gotch, J.
Gratiot Avenue	Shepherd, M.	First United	Johnson, C.
Hope	Walker, B.		Doty, R.
Jefferson Avenue	Sultzman, L.	Christ Memorial	Hearn, A.
	Sieder, C.	SCS, Faith	Sell, J.
Monteith	Miller, A.	Lake Shore	Morris, F.
Redford	Frisk, J.	Southfield Un.	Vincent, W.
St. James	Smith, J.	South Lyon	Martin, R.
St. John's	Cain, W.	Ster. Hts, Utica	Thorne, C.
Southwest	Gipson, M.A.	Taylor, Southminster	Hohn, D.
Westminster	Johnson, W.	Troy, First	Dorotinsky, B.
Drayton Plains	Lobb, W.	Northminster	Watts, R.
Ecorse	Elliot, C.	Walled Lake, Crossroads	Spencer, A.
Farmington	Johnson, D.	Warren, First	Von Houten, J.
	Kansman, D.	Celtic Cross	Martin, L.
	Pierson, N.	Wayne, First	Scott, M.
Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Linn, R.	Westland, Kirk	Kayganich, J.
	Rankin, S.	White Lake	Murphy, D.
Fraser, Peace	Kesler, L.	Wyandotte	Schricber, C.
Garden City	Todd, J.		Nelson, G.
Grosse Ile	Altstetter, J.		Wegst, M.
	MacCallum, I.		
Grosse Pointe Memorial	Adams, F.		
	Cobau, A.		
	Jones, K.		

ELDER MEMBERS OF PRESBYTERY COUNCIL

Adair, M.	Dellinger, W.	Lennox, J.
Adams, M.G.	Dill, V.	Poston, L.
Brown, H.F.	Higgins, J.	Younkin, M.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: James Anderson, Paul Andress, David Blackshear, Peter Bower, Ernest Dunn, Harold Ellens, William Gepford, Ralph Hawley, Richard Henderson, David Howell, Robert Lindsey, Robert Linthicum, Richard Milford, Charles Shook, Cyrus Smith, Richard Smith.

Elders: Birmingham, First - 3; Church of our Saviour - 1; East Detroit, Covenant -1; Grosse Pointe Memorial - 3.

Upon motion the following persons were enrolled as corresponding members for this meeting: Yoshitoka Toda, pastor of the United Church of Christ, Kyoto, Japan; Robert Craghead, Presbytery of Catawba; Dennis Shoemaker, Presbytery of Lake Michigan.

Upon motion the minutes of the meetings of June 23, 1981, August 17, 1981 and September 2, 1981 were approved.

Upon motion the docket was amended to include a report on hunger, and to make the report of the Ward Memorial Church Administrative Commission the order of the day at 8:00 p.m. Upon motion the docket for the meeting was approved as amended.

The Moderator appointed Donald White, a ruling elder of the host church, to serve as assistant to the Stated Clerk.

During a discussion on the need for the synod judicatory within our denominational structure, Thomas Kirkman requested the record to show his displeasure at comments that were made by several commissioners slurring his integrity.

The report of the meeting of Council of September 8, 1981 was received. Upon motion approval was given for the observance of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, to be held at a Presbyterian Men's Breakfast on November 14, 1981 or some other suitable date.

Upon motion the recommendation of the Synod Assembly was approved that the Synod Assembly and the Synod Mission Council be merged into one body, that the new Assembly have three meetings a year, that at least two of these meetings provide for a negotiating arena for programming, staffing and funding, that commissioners to the new Assembly be elected by presbyteries according to the following formula:

Up to 15,000 members	- 2 commissioners
15,000 to 30,000 members	- 4 commissioners
30,000 to 45,000 members	- 6 commissioners
Over 45,000 members	- 8 commissioners

A report of Presbytery Council on hunger was presented by Theodore Taylor.

The report of the Division of Mission Support was presented by Mary Younkin.

The report of the Division of Business Affairs was presented by the Stated Clerk. A motion carried to approve Paper B-4 "Policy Regarding the Presbytery's Role in the Housing of Pastors." Upon motion the Department of Local Church Development was requested to draw up guidelines for churches providing a manse.

The report of Synod "Communique" was presented by Dennis Shoemaker.

The report of the Committee on Structure was presented by Dale Ihrie. Upon motion the following recommendations for changes in the Presbytery By-Laws were approved:

Chapter VI                      Presbytery Council

Section 1                      Composition

Paragraph A

Page 8

line 15

line 22

line 32

Delete: "Stated Clerk"

Add: "Stated Clerk"

Change: Total Voting Members to "34"

Chapter VI                      Presbytery Council

Section 1                      Composition

Paragraph B

Page 8

line 39

Add:

"The Moderator and Vice-Moderator of Presbytery shall also serve as Moderator and Vice-Moderator of Presbytery Council."

Chapter VI                      Presbytery Council

Section 1                      Composition

Paragraph E

Page 9

line 10

Delete: "two"

Add: "four"

line 10

Insert after "Stated Clerk"

"with voice but no vote"

Chapter XIV                      Nominating Procedure

Section 1                      Constitutional Provisions

Page 15

line 55

Add:

"Vacancies may be filled by the Moderator until the next regular meeting of the Presbytery. Resignations or other types of vacancies shall be approved by the Council and referred to the Committee on Nominations for election by the Presbytery."

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by John Jeffrey.

The report of the Committee on Candidates was presented by Richard Todd. Paper C-3, "Approved Changes in the Handbook" was presented for a first reading.

The report of the Ward Memorial Administrative Commission was presented by its chairperson, Gareth Baker. (Paper E-5) A motion was made that the following recommendations of the Administrative Commission be approved:

- 1) That the Session of the Ward Memorial Presbyterian Church be removed effective September 22, 1981. (Book of Order 41.15)
- 2) That this Administrative Commission be given the full powers of the Ward Memorial Church Session effective September 22, 1981. (Book of Order 41.15)
- 3) That the pastoral relationship between Ward Memorial Church and the Rev. David R. Dresser be dissolved effective September 22, 1981 and that his future relationship to the Presbytery of Detroit and his financial compensation be referred to the Committee on Ministerial Relations.
- 4) That the Commission be empowered to expend funds of the Presbytery needed to accomplish its task.

A substitute motion, to request the Commission to resume dialogue with the leaders of the Ward Memorial Church with an attempt at mutual reconciliation, became the main motion and carried. Gareth Baker then moved that the present Ward Memorial Administrative Commission be dismissed and a new commission be elected. A motion carried to table Mr. Baker's motion. A motion carried to reconsider the substitute motion and upon a second vote the motion failed. The original motion, that the recommendations of the Administrative Commission be approved, carried.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was presented by Eldon Beery. Richard Peters introduced the following new pastors to the Presbytery: Robert Barnes, Peter Moore, Alfred Nead and Gene Terpstra. A memorial tribute to Platte Amstutz, who died in June, 1981, was given.

- 1) A motion carried to concur with the congregation of the Evergreen Village Church in calling John Phillip Yingling to be its pastor, with the following terms: \$15,000 salary, manse, \$2,000 utilities, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, \$1,500 car allowance, \$500 study allowance, one month vacation, two week study leave, annual review, reasonable moving expenses, an amount equal to one-half FICA; the call to become effective October 26, 1981 and to be forwarded to the Presbytery of John Knox with the request that it be placed in Mr. Yingling's hands and that he be dismissed to the Presbytery of Detroit; enroll Mr. Yingling upon receipt of his dismissal.
- 2) A motion carried to concur with the session of the Dearborn Woods Church and James Conley to extend Mr. Conley's part-time interim pastor relationship through December 31, 1981.
- 3) A motion carried to concur with the session of Evergreen Village Church and L. J. Peterson to extend Mr. Peterson's part-time interim pastor relationship through October 25, 1981
- 4) A motion carried to approve the assignment of the Synod of the Covenant to Theodore Taylor to become their consultant for a feasibility study for Community College Ministry, a project to be funded by a Major Mission Fund grant.
- 5) A motion carried to dismiss Thomas A. Bailey to the Presbytery of West Florida.
- 6) A motion carried to appoint David Abbott as moderator of the Covenant Church, East Detroit.
- 7) A motion carried to concur with the session of the Howell Church and Robert Way to extend the part-time assistant pastor relationship on a non-renewable basis through November 30, 1981.
- 8) A motion carried to concur with the session of the Jefferson Avenue Church, Detroit and John Halsey to extend the interim pastor relationship through October 31, 1981.
- 9) A motion carried to approve the minimum salary/housing compensation for clergy for 1982, which provides for an 8% increase:
  - When a manse is furnished, salary shall be \$15,120.
  - When a housing allowance is furnished, salary and housing combined shall be \$18,900.
  - Full pension
  - One month vacation
  - Two weeks study leave
  - \$200 study allowance
  - Auto allowance as approved by the IRS (1982 rate per mile) negotiated between session and pastor.
  - Allowance for payment of the 2% deductible under Major Medical.

Existing calls shall not be below the provisions for new calls. In situations where an 8% increase would be a hardship, it is recommended that a minimum 5% increase be required for the salary/housing compensation package.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by Sally Rankin.

Upon motion the following persons were elected:

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELATIONS (Part of Personnel Department)

Area I	1982	James Kesler	Peace
Area IV	1982	Elder William Stokes	Plymouth

LOCAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

Area III	1982	Elder Sam Hunt	Grandale Church of the Master
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PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

Area I	1982	James Kesler	(Transferred from At Large)
Area IV	1982	Elder William Stokes	Plymouth
Area IV	1982	Dorothy Schroeder	Village

PRESBYTERY MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

Area II	1982	Robert Crilley	Fort Street
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PROGRAM AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Area IV	1981	Eleanor Price	St. Timothy
Area III	1982	Elder Andrew Strachan	Redford
Area IV	1982	Elder Joanne Waite	Brighton
Area I	1982	Elder Robert Tower	Celtic Cross

The report of the Department of Local Church Development was presented by Wilma Dellinger. (Paper C-7) A motion carried to approve the recommendation that the Presbytery of Detroit expect no payment of the per capita apportionment for 1979 and 1980 from the Woodward Avenue Church. In the discussion of the report of the Small Church Caucus an amendment carried to change the phrase "on a priority basis" in recommendation #4 to read "in concert with other needs of the presbytery on a merit basis." A motion carried to approve the recommendations of the Small Church Caucus as follows:

- 1) That Presbytery, through the Department of Local Church Development, serve as advocate for proposals from the sessions of churches of fewer than 400 members when they request moratoriums on repayment of capital loans, applications to be prepared by the churches and treated on an individual basis when received.
- 2) That the Department of Local Church Development serve as advocate for churches of fewer than 400 members seeking energy incentive loans from the General Assembly and that such churches be encouraged by the Presbytery to develop proposals and apply for these loans.
- 3) That the Department of Local Church Development publicly offer to meet with any church with fewer than 400 members which is experiencing financial difficulty; collaborating with them in dealing with the problems involved.
- 4) That Presbytery, when the 1982 budget is adopted, assure the availability of the "new project contingency" funding under the oversight of Presbytery Council, in concert with other needs of the Presbytery on a merit basis, to redevelopment proposals from churches with fewer than 400 members, providing that those churches have numerical growth goals, objectives and programs adopted by the session and in effect.
- 5) That the Department of Local Church Development develop and present strategies for the staffing of small churches which provide alternatives to the one church/one pastor type of arrangement (e.g. yoked field, area co-operative ministries, use of lay preachers, employment of seminary and post-seminary interns).

The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by Christopher Torrey.



A motion carried to refer the following resolution to the Committee on Bills and Overtures:

Be it resolved, that the Presbytery of Detroit overture the 1982 General Assembly meeting in Hartford, Connecticut, to establish a blue ribbon committee to study our denomination's position in regard to public education in light of the realities of public education in our day.

Be it resolved, that this committee be composed of educators, laypeople and clergy and that this committee be instructed to collect data, assess our historic positions and to recommend future positions and strategies regarding public education.

Be it further resolved, that this committee be instructed to report to the General Assembly meeting in 1983.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Vice-Moderator, William Colwell.

  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk



Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance  
May 1, 1981 - April 30, 1982

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	5	3	Garden City	1	1
Ann Arbor, First	4	4	Grosse Ile	2	2
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	3 & 3 ex
Northside	1	0	Grosse Pointe Woods	5	5
Westminster	1	0	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Auburn Heights	1	1	Howell	2	2
Belleville	1	1	Lincoln Park	1	1
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	3	1
Birmingham, First	8	5 & 3 ex	St. Paul's	4	4
Northbrook	3	2	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	6	Milan, Peoples	1	0
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	2
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	1	1	Northville	2	1
Dearborn, First	5	2	Novi, Faith Community	1	1
Cherry Hill	4	3	Orchard Lake	2	1
Dearborn Woods	1	1	Plymouth	3	1
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	2	2
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Detroit, First	1	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	1	Port Huron, First	1	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	0
Calvary	1	1	Westminster	1	0
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	1
Calvin West	1	1	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Central Northwest	1	0	Royal Oak, First	6	3
Evergreen Village	1	1	First United	2	2
Fort Street	2	2	Christ Memorial	1	1
Grandale Ch. of the Master	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	Lake Shore	3	1
Hope	1	1	Saline	1	0
Jefferson Avenue	3	2	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	0
Leitch	1	1	Southfield, United	2	1
Monteith	1	1	Korean	1	0
Redford	4	1	South Lyon	1	1
St. James	1	1	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	1
St. John's	1	1	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
Southwest Community	2	1	Troy, First	1	1
Trinity	1	0	Northminster	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	0	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Village	2	0	Warren, First	1	1
Ward Memorial	1	0	Celtic Cross	1	1
Westminster	3	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	0
Woodward Ave. Ch. of the Cov.	1	0	Wayne, First	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	West Bloomfield, Church		ex
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	ex	of Our Saviour	1	
Ecorse	1	1	Westland, Kirk of Our		1
Farmington	3	3	Savior	1	
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	White Lake	1	1
Fraser, Peace	1	1	Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	0

## STATED MEETING

Date: October 27, 1981  
Place: Allen Park Church

Moderator: Paul H. Sutton  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Allen Park United Presbyterian Church, 7101 Park Ave., Allen Park, Michigan on October 27, 1981 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer.

A worship service was held with William Saum preaching.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Abbott	Davies	Howie	McCreight	Stryker
Allen, M.	Dawson	Hunter	Milford	Sutton
Anderson	Dickson	Ihrie	Miller	Swinehart
Andress	Dotson	Irvine	Mitcham	Tate
Antonson	Dunkelberger, M.	Irwin	Moore	Taylor, K.
Armstrong	Dunn	Jansen	Nagle	Taylor, S.
Baker	Ellens	Jeffrey	Nagy	Taylor, T.
Baliad	Eshleman	Jones, V.	Naylor	Thompson
Barcus	Ferry	Keebler	Nead	Todd, J.
Barger	Francis	Kesler	Orr	Todd, R.
Barnes	Geissinger	Kettlewell	Peters	Torrey
Battles	Gensheimer	Kiely	Peterson	Warren
Bartko	Gepford	Kim	Pierson	Wilson, R.
Beal	Gillette	Kind	Poland	Wilson, S.
Blackshear	Glenn	Kirkman	Ramsey	Woodruff
Borchardt	Gruebel	Koster	Saum	Yingling
Bower	Halsey	Lambert	Schram, J.	
Brasure	Hanna	Lester	Schram, W.	
Brown	Harmon	Leverenz	Sefcik	
Carroll	Hartley	Lister	Sharpless	
Campbell, V.	Hawley	Loveless	Sherwin	
Chamberlain	Haynes	MacPherson	Simons	
Cole	Helmke	Marlow	Smith, C.	
Coleman	Henderson	Mather	Stary	
Colwell	Hillegonds	McCloskey	Stenner	

ELDERS

Allen Park	Bohmhauer, R.	Auburn Heights	Quinn, C.
	Harris, G.	Belleville	Books, S.
	Horvath, V.	Berkley, Greenfield	Jessop, M.
	McGarrity, D.	Birmingham, First	Clark, M.
	McKenzie, R.		Street, F.
Ann Arbor, First	Clyde, D.	Northbrook	Zimmer, D.
	Estes, H.		Kirk, H.
	Miner, E.		Liapcheff, C.
	Santinga, R.	Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Block, D.
Calvary	Cummins, B.		Garland, F.
			Kelly, R.
			Smith, D.

Brighton	Manns, D.	Highland Park, Park	Darling, L.
Canton, Geneva	Vanhaaften, J.	Howell	Rogers, A.
Clarkston, Sashabaw	Fanslow, C.	Livonia, Rosedale Gdns	Burke, C.
Dearborn, First	Roy, D.		Easdon, H.
	Clippert, J.		Hamilton, J.
	Cooper, M.	St. Paul's	Kelly, J.
Cherry Hill	Ecclestone, J.		Veramay, D.
	Kilmer, N.	St. Timothy	Wetters, G.
	Madden, D.	Milan, Peoples	Davis, G.
	Morley, R.	Milford	Flint, G.
Littlefield Blvd.	Oke, A.	Mt. Clemens, First	Thompson, J.
	Geissinger, E.		Leslie, R.
	Leigh, E.	Novi, Faith	Runnells, R.
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	Kieltyka, D.	Orchard Lake	Patton, K.
Detroit, First	Thompson, C.		Chynoweth, D.
Broadstreet	Cope, D.	Plymouth	Crater, E.
Calvary	McSwain, D.		Chesney, J.
Calvin East	Messner, R.	Pontiac, Joslyn Ave.	Stokes, W.
Evergreen Village	Taylor, M.	Port Huron, First	Whittaker, M.
Fort Street	Townsend, L.	Lakeshore	Hamilton, J.
Grandale Ch. Master	Hunt, S.	Rochester, University	Randall, A.
Jefferson Ave.	Billings, L.		Anthony, R.
	Palmer, R.	Royal Oak, First United	Miller, M.
Leitch	Elston, N.		Tomlinson, A.
Redford	Ball, E.	Christ Memorial	Angeles, N.
	Cotton, J.	St. Clair Shores, Faith	Bondy, K.
	George, L.	Lake Shore	Sell, J.
St. John's	Wheeler, K.	Saline	Cheek, Mary
Southwest	Cain, W.	Shelby, Saint Thomas	Walker, W.
	Gipson, M.A.	Southfield United	Boyd, R.
	Sefcik, J.		Dryden, D.
Trumbull Ave.	Flack, G.	South Lyon	McKenney, C.
Village	Moffet, S.	Sterling Heights, Utica	Moir, L.
	Veach, J.	Taylor, Southminster	Donley, E.
Westminster	White, D.		Bousquette, G.
Woodward Ch. Cov.	Burnette, M.	Troy, First	Dorotinsky, B.
Drayton Plains	DeWilde, A.	Northminster	Leith, P.
Ecorse	Ballheim, C.	Warren, First	Watts, R.
Farmington	Johnson, D.	Celtic Cross	Spencer, A.
	Madany, I.	Waterford, Lakeland	Martin, L.
Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Rankin, S.	Wayne, First	Scott, M.
	Smith, M.	W. Bloomfield,	Currin, L.
Fraser, Peace	Magel, J.	Ch. of Our Saviour	Kayganich, J.
Garden City	Matsuoka, A.	Wyandotte	
Grosse Ile	Altstetter, J.		McIntosh, L.
	Endicott, M.		McPhail, W.
Grosse Pointe Mem.	Anderson, C.		Simpson, H.
	Hoyt, L.		
	Pattee, P.		
	Thomas, A.		
	Warren, J.		
Grosse Pointe Woods	Brines, R.		
	Brouwer, K.		
	Knoblauch, V.		

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.  
Adair, M.  
Brown, H.F.

Craley, D.  
Higgins, J.  
Lennox, J.

Poston, L.  
Younkin, M.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: Kenneth Brand, Eldon Beery, Peter Boeve, James Cannon, Douglas Carter, Robert Crilley, John Curphey, Gary Douglas, Dickson Forsyth, David Howell, William LeDuc, Robert Linthicum, Raymond Lumley, Frank Marvin, John Mishler, Donald Muench, William Palmer, Roger Shoup, Richard Smith, Gene Terpstra, Harold Vernon, William Whitledge.

Elders: Birmingham, First-8

Upon motion, Robert Craghead is to be seated as a corresponding member of this Presbytery as long as he serves as the interim pastor of the Trinity Church, Detroit, and when he is in attendance at the meeting.

Upon motion, the minutes of the Stated Meeting of September 22, 1981 were approved.

Upon motion, the docket for the meeting was approved with the following change: the Nominating Committee will not report at this meeting, but in its place there will be a report of the Committee on Structure.

The Moderator appointed Ruth McKenzie, clerk of session of the host church, to serve as assistant to the Stated Clerk.

Omnibus Motion (Paper B-1)

Upon motion, the first item in the omnibus motion was laid on the table until later in the meeting.

Upon motion, the following recommendations listed in the omnibus motion were adopted:

- 1) It is recommended that the Presbytery Bylaw setting the dates for scheduled meetings be suspended with respect to the June, 1982 meeting, and that Presbytery meet on June 15, 1982 instead of on June 22.
- 2) It is recommended that the Northville Church be granted exemption from the requirement that church property be listed for sale on the open market, and that it be given permission to sell its manse to the pastor, Lawrence Chamberlain, for \$80,000. cash.
- 3) It is recommended that Fort Street Church be given permission to place its Clear Lake Camp property for sale on the open market for an asking price of \$300,000.

A motion carried to approve the report of Presbytery Council including its recommendation that the per capita apportionment for 1982 be \$1.55. (Paper B-2)

The Stated Clerk reported that he had received an opinion from the law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock, and Stone, stating that a review of pertinent IRS rulings and acts of Congress indicated that Presbyterian ministers are self-employed for tax purposes. A motion carried to refer the matter to Council for report and recommendation.

The report of the Division of Mission Support was presented by Mary Younkin.

The report of the 1982 Budget Committee was presented by David Sherwin. A motion carried to extend the docket until the conclusion of his report. A motion carried to receive the proposed budget for action at the November Presbytery meeting.

A motion carried to recess until 7:35p.m. for the purpose of holding Area meetings.

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by John Jeffrey.

The report of the Committee on Candidates was presented by Richard Todd. (Paper C-3)  
 A motion carried to revise the wording of 5.3 section 3e. by adding the words "with the presbytery's approval". A further motion carried to adopt all the proposed revisions to the Committee's Handbook as follows:

- p.5 2.1(2) will now read:  
 "You will be required to draft a "Statement of Influence and Motivation" concerning your desire to pursue a ministerial career. In writing this statement you should consider the following questions:  
 -When and under what circumstances did you decide to enter the ministry?  
 -What persons and religious experiences motivated and reenforced this decision?  
 -What has been your history in the church?  
 -What is your current relationship with God?  
 This statement is neither a formal, theological statement of faith nor an exact description of what your ministry will be. The statement should be approximately two double-spaced pages in length and should be forwarded to the Presbytery office, so that it might be duplicated for use by the Committee.
- p.5 2.1(4) will now read:  
 "A member (or members) of the Candidates' Committee will be appointed to meet informally with you prior to your appearance before the Committee, in order to answer your questions and to discuss with you your interest in a career in ministry. At this time the Committee member(s) will also discuss with you the overall process leading to ordination, especially your future relations with the Committee and your plans for education including seminary selection. (B.O. 48.051, 48.053 & 54).
- p.6 3.2 will be deleted  
 3.3 is renumbered 3.2  
 3.4 is renumbered 3.3  
 The following will be added as a new 3.4:  
 At this time the committee will also discuss with you your future relations with the committee and your educational plans. If you have already selected a seminary, you will present a concise paper describing your seminary selection (See Step V below).
- p.8 The first sections of Step V will now read as follows:  
 5.1 The two most important phases of your candidacy to the ordained ministry are the time at which you come under the care of the Presbytery and the time during which you are examined for ordination. Despite the focal importance of these two events, there are some very important things going on in the interim.  
 5.2 First of all there are some educational requirements that you need to meet throughout your seminary career. Ordination requires that you, as a candidate, complete a prescribed course of study in a recognized United Presbyterian theological seminary, or that you offer an educational equivalent previously approved by Presbytery (49.01). Because of this requirement we would like to work with you and your pastor as you go about the process of selecting a seminary.

5.3 In any case we will require the following:

1. Before the beginning of each semester you must have your courses approved by the presbytery's Candidates' Committee. If there are any changes they must be approved before being finalized.
2. We will require a brief statement from you describing the rationale by which you selected a seminary. If you have not yet selected a seminary we will receive the paper when you do.
3. The following is the presbytery's approved Seminary Selection Policy:

The Candidates' Committee affirms its belief that preparation for the gospel ministry in the UPCUSA can best be achieved by attending a seminary in the United Presbyterian Church.

- a. Attending an approved A.A.T.S. school is the directive given to the Candidates Committee in the Book of Order (48.053 & 49.01).
  - b. All Candidates must submit a seminary selection paper to the committee prior to attending any theological school, or at the time of the under care interview with the committee.
  - c. If the school selected is a UPCUSA institution, the paper should state why the Candidate chose that particular theological school.
  - d. If the school selected is a non-UPCUSA seminary, the paper should include:
    - (1) The following rationale for selection when appropriate:
      - financial
      - theological
      - geographical
      - familial
      - home church/pastor influence
    - (2) A proposal stating the candidate's expectation for receiving an equivalent education which should include but not be limited to:
      - field education expectations
      - UPCUSA polity and program
      - Reformed theology
      - Reformed worship, including sacraments
  - e. The committee may exercise its right (with the presbytery's approval) to require any candidate to attend a UPCUSA seminary for one or more years.
4. You must have your field work assignments approved by the Presbytery's committee each year or before you engage in them.

5.4 (as in current handbook)

5.5 delete

5.6 will be renumbered to 5.5

5.7 will be renumbered to 5.6 and read

Please note: You must be under the care of the Presbytery no less than 2 years prior to your ordination. There is no provision for exception. (B.O. 49.01).

A motion carried to appoint Ruth Kirkman as reader of the ordination exams from this Presbytery in March, 1982, with Robert Armstrong and William Saum serving as alternates.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was presented by Richard Milford. Lawrence Chamberlain and John Yingling were introduced to the presbytery.

Upon motion, Presbytery set aside the six-month time lapse in calling a stated supply to become pastor, per Book of Order 57.041 and 57.042. This exception is made in the interest of supporting this church through what is hoped to be a period of reaching out to the community and redeveloping its strategy. A motion carried to hear Mr. McSwain, a representative of the congregation, and to approve in the call of James A. Mitcham, Jr. to become the pastor of the Calvary Church, Detroit effective November 1, 1981 with the following terms: \$14,700 salary, \$4,200 housing allowance, full pension, \$600 hospitalization, \$1,500 car allowance, \$200 study allowance, \$200 book allowance, two weeks' study leave, one month vacation, annual review; place the call in Mr. Mitcham's hands; elect the following special administrative commission: Ministers - the Moderator or his designee, chairperson, James Cannon, Lawrence Glenn; Elders - Esther Benjamin (Calvary, Detroit), Willa Nicoll (Hope), Robert Lewis (Broadstreet), and empower said commission to install Mr. Mitcham at 7:00 p.m. November 15, 1981 at Calvary Church, Detroit.

A motion carried to extend the interim pastor contract, up to three months, between Trinity Church and Robert Craghead with the following terms: \$4,450 salary, \$1,125 housing allowance, \$390 utilities allowance, full pension, one week study leave, \$100 study allowance and one week vacation.

A motion carried to hear Rodney Beal, a representative of the congregation, and to approve the call of Licentiate Catherine McCloskey-Turner to become half-time assistant pastor upon ordination with the following terms: \$7,000 salary, \$1,750 housing allowance, \$600 car allowance, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, one week study leave, two weeks' vacation, \$100 study allowance. The following persons were elected to a special administrative commission to ordain Mrs. McCloskey-Turner at Rosedale Gardens Church at 3:00 p.m. on November 8, 1981: Ministers - Paul Sutton, chairperson, Philip Magee, Carol Allen; Elders - Peter Niemi (Royal Oak, First United), Barbara Birmingham (Rosedale Gardens), Franklin Heath (South Lyon). The following persons were elected to a special administrative commission to install Mr. McCloskey-Turner at the First United Presbyterian Church, Royal Oak, at 7:00 p.m. on November 22, 1981: Ministers - Donald Lester, chairperson, Rodney Beal, Charles McCloskey; Elders - Karen Bondy (Royal Oak, First United), William Trisch (Rosedale Gardens), Mary Spear (Plymouth).

A motion carried to elect the following special administrative commission to install John P. Yingling as pastor of the Evergreen Village Church: Ministers - Paul Sutton, chairperson, William Schram, Richard Peters; Elders - William Stokes (Plymouth), Darlene Delezene (Wyandotte), Richard Shaffner (Evergreen Village), and empower said commission to install Mr. Yingling at 6:30 p.m. on November 1, 1981 at the Evergreen Village Church.

A motion carried to confer the status of Pastor Emeritus of the Jefferson Avenue Church on Allan A. Zaun, effective October 27, 1981. Lois Billings, a representative of the congregation, spoke.

A motion carried to grant permission to David Dresser to labor outside the bounds of the Presbytery of Detroit for a period of six months.

A motion carried to approve the changes in the terms of call for the following persons: Antonson - \$1,260 salary increase; Harmon - \$165 salary increase, \$590 housing allowance increase.

The report of the Local Church Personnel Practices Committee was presented by Beach Hall (Paper C-5).



The report of the Department of Local Church Development was presented by William Standing. A motion carried to approve the application currently in process between the Synod of the Covenant and the Program Agency of the General Assembly for their funding of transitional ministries at the Woodward Avenue Church of the Covenant, and the Grandale Church of the Master for the years 1982-1986.

The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by James Mitcham.

The report of the Committee on Presbytery Structure was presented by Kenneth Kettlewell. A motion carried to receive the report of recommended revisions in the Presbytery Bylaws for a first reading, with action to be taken at the November meeting of the Presbytery.

The report of the Executive Presbyter was presented by Donald Lester.

The Ward Memorial Administrative Commission reported through its chairperson, Gareth Baker. Mr. Baker reported that the members of the Administrative Commission have replaced the session of that church; the keys to the building and the financial assets have been turned over to the Presbytery. The Presbytery has assumed financial management and has placed Lloyd Brasure as interim pastor to that congregation. A motion carried to reconvene at the close of this meeting at an adjourned meeting of the Presbytery on November 3, 1981 at 5:00 p.m. at Westminster Church, Detroit to hear the recommendations of the Administrative Commission.

The Ward United Administrative Commission reported through its chairperson, Paul Sutton. Upon motion, the following recommendations were adopted:

- 1) It is recommended that the responsibility of monitoring the financial terms of the settlement with the Ward Church be lodged with the Division of Business Affairs.
- 2) It is recommended that Presbytery Council assume the responsibility for meeting with representatives of the Ward Church in 1983 and 1985 to explore the possibility of reconciliation and reunion as arranged in the settlement agreement.
- 3) It is recommended that the Commission be discharged.

Upon motion, the first item of the omnibus motion was removed from the table. A motion carried to adopt the following motion: It is recommended that the Presbytery Bylaw which requires the Areas to consider overtures at their March meetings be suspended with respect to overtures coming down from the 1981 General Assembly in order that Presbytery be able to consider and act on overtures at its November, January, and February meetings.

A motion carried to instruct the Stated Clerk to include a listing of which overtures will be considered at a particular meeting with the call of that meeting.

A motion carried to adjourn the meeting of Presbytery until November 3, 1981 at 5:00 p.m. at Westminster Church, Detroit. The meeting was closed at 9:15 p.m. by the Moderator with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.

#### ADJOURNED MEETING OF PRESBYTERY, November 3, 1981

The meeting of Presbytery was resumed at 5:00 p.m. on November 3, 1981 at Westminster Church, Detroit. The meeting was convened with prayer by the Moderator, Paul Sutton. The Stated Clerk, Stanley M. Taylor, announced that a quorum was present.

The report of the Ward Memorial Administrative Commission was presented by its chairperson, Gareth Baker. Upon motion, the following recommendations were adopted:

- 1) It is recommended that the Presbytery of Detroit authorize the sale of the Ward Memorial Church building and adjacent grounds to the Greater Faith Cathedral with the following terms: sale price, \$450,000.00; down payment, \$100,000.00; balanced to be financed on a land contract at 11% annual interest, with monthly payments on principal and interest of \$3,500.00, with additional payments of \$50,000.00 on March 15, 1982 and March 15, 1983, with the entire balance of principal on land contract to be paid within five years from the date of closing.
- 2) It is recommended that the funds of the Ward Memorial Church be placed in escrow under the management of the Division of Business Affairs pending future recommendations of the Ward Memorial Administrative Commission, with the exception of expenses incurred and vouchered by the Commission in the process of administering the affairs of the Church.

The Stated Clerk presented a report on behalf of the Division of Business Affairs. A motion carried to recommend that the title to the property of the former Outer Drive Presbyterian Church be transferred to the corporation of the Trinity Community Presbyterian Church in a manner which is consistent with the provisions in the Form of Government of the United Presbyterian Church. U.S.A.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator, Paul H. Sutton, at 5:10 p.m.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk

Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance  
May 1, 1981 - April 30, 1982

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	5	5	Garden City	1	1
Ann Arbor, First	4	4	Grosse Ile	2	2
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	5
Northside	1	0	Grosse Pointe Woods	5	4
Westminster	1	0	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Auburn Heights	1	1	Howell	2	1
Belleville	1	1	Lincoln Park	1	0
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	3	3
Birmingham, First	8	5 ex	St. Paul's	4	3
Northbrook	3	2	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	4	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	1
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	1	1	Northville	2	2
Dearborn, First	5	3	Novi, Faith Community	1	1
Cherry Hill	4	4	Orchard Lake	2	2
Dearborn Woods	1	0	Plymouth	3	3
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	2	0
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	0
Detroit, First	1	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	0	Port Huron, First	1	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	1
Calvary	1	1	Westminster	1	0
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	2
Calvin West	1	1	Roseville, Erin	2	0
Central Northwest	1	0	Royal Oak, First	6	0
Evergreen Village	1	1	First United	2	2
Fort Street	2	1	Christ Memorial	1	1
Grandale Ch. of the Master	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	0	Lake Shore	3	1
Hope	1	0	Saline	1	1
Jefferson Avenue	3	2	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	1
Leitch	1	1	Southfield, United	2	2
Monteith	1	0	Korean	1	0
Redford	4	4	South Lyon	1	1
St. James	1	0	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	1
St. John's	1	1	Taylor, Southminster	2	2
Southwest Community	2	2	Troy, First	1	1
Trinity	1	0	Northminster	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	0
Village	2	2	Warren, First	1	1
Ward Memorial	1	0	Celtic Cross	1	1
Westminster	3	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Woodward Ave. Ch. of the Cov.	1	1	Wayne, First	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	West Bloomfield, Church		
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	0	of Our Saviour	1	1
Ecorse	1	1	Westland, Kirk of Our		
Birmingham	3	2	Savior	1	0
Grandale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	White Lake	1	0
Hawthorne, Peace	1	1	Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	0

## STATED MEETING

Date: November 24, 1981  
Place: Detroit, Westminster Church

Moderator: Paul H. Sutton  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Westminster Church of Detroit, 17567 Hubbell, on November 24, 1981, at 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer.

A worship service was led by Shirley Lewis with Stanton Wilson preaching.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Abbott	Cobleigh	Hanna	Leverenz	Peterson
Anderson	Cole	Harmon	Lindsey	Roberts
Andress	Coleman	Hartley	Linthicum	Saum
Armstrong	Colwell	Hawley	Lister	Schram, J.
Baker	Cook	Haynes	Lumley	Schram, W.
Baliad	Crilley	Henderson	MacDonald	Sefcik
Banks	Davies	Hershey	MacPherson	Sharpless
Barcus	Dawson	Howell	Marlow	Sherwin
Barger	Cotson	Howie	Marvin	Simons
Barnes	Douglas	Ihrrie	Mather	Smith, J.C.
Bartko	Dunkelberger, M.	Irvine	McCloskey	Smith, R.
Battles	Dunkelberger, R.	Irwin	McCloskey-	Sommers
Beal	Dunn	Jansen	Turner	Stary
Beery	Eshleman	Jeffrey	McCreight	Stenner
Blackshear	Ferry	Jones, V.	McIvor	Stone, G.
Borchardt	Francis	Keebler	Milford	Stryker
Bower	Geider	Kesler	Miller	Sutton
Brasure	Geissinger	Kiely	Mishler	Swinehart
Brown	Gepford	Kim	Mitcham	Taylor, K.
Campbell, V.	Gillette	Koster	Moore	Taylor, S.
Carroll	Glenn	Krehbiel	Muench	Taylor, T.
Carter	Grubel	Lambert	Nagle	Terpstra
Chamberlain	Halsey	Lester	Nead	Torrey
				Vernon
				White, W.
				Whitledge
				Wilson, S.
				Wingrove
				Yingling

ELDERS

Allen Park	Botu, S.	Ann Arbor, Calvary	Cummins, B.
	Geiselman, B.	Northside	Lewis, S.
	Lush, F.	Auburn Heights	Quinn, C.
	McKenzie, R.	Belleville	Boyd, B.
	Wagner, J.	Berkley, Greenfield	Hamlin, S.
Ann Arbor, First	Brock, K.	Birmingham, First	Ferguson, L.
	Miner, E.		Street, F.
	Sargent, C.		

Birmingham, Northbrook	Dellinger, W. Kirk, H. McManus, A.	Grosse Pointe Woods	Honkanen, C. Jackman, R. Larner, H. Zech, C.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Garland, F. Harris, C. Robinson, W. Stewart, D. Dever, Wm. Walls, J. Fanslow, C. Mniece, E. Madden, D. Morley, R. Oke, A. Seyfarth, N. Fowler, F. Marble, J.	Highland Park, Park Howell Livonia, Rosedale	Darling, L. Rogers, A. Culler, D. Hughes, R. Shoemaker, K. Simmons, D. Velis, C. Matson, J. Wilson, N. Carpenter, P. Wheaton, D. Jerome, K. Spigarelli, R. Stahr, J. Judd, E. Kendall, S. Rightmire, D. Hoisington, E. Sheldon, D. Brittain, W. Mack, M. Rausch, A. Rausch, H. Bitzer, E. Bitzer, H. Bondy, K. Hearn, A. Campion, R. Morris, F. Woehrle, W. Dryden, D. Drake, D. Jones, E. Thorne, C. Bousquette, G. Dorotinsky, B. Dekay, A. Spencer, A.
Brighton		St. Paul's	
Canton, Geneva		Milford	
Dearborn, First Cherry Hill		Mt. Clemens, First	
Littlefield Blvd.		Northville	
Dearborn Heights, St. Mark's	Kieltyka, D. Thompson, C. Ellenburg, J. Cope, D. Jewett, W. Wylie, S. Manos, S. Rogers, D. Shepherd, M. Baker, O. Sultzman, C. Elston, N. Smith, J. Sturman, J. Brennan, F. McPherson, R. Gipson, M.A. Sefcik, J. Shanks, M. Flack, G. Torgl, H. Weber, M. Mullas, B. Burnette, M. King, A. Johnson, D. Mortin, A. Rankin, S. Peterson, G. Bogen, J. Billquist, S. Adams, F. Bushnell, G. Candler, T. Purdy, R.	Novi, Faith Plymouth	
Detroit, First Bethany Broadstreet Calvin East Evergreen Village Fort Street Grandale Ch/Master Gratiot Avenue Hope Jefferson Avenue Leitch Monteith Redford St. James St. John's Southwest		Pontiac, First Joslyn Avenue Port Huron, Lakeshore Rochester, University	
Trinity Trumbull Avenue Village		Roseville, Erin	
Westminster Woodward/Covenant Drayton Plains Farmington Ferndale, Drayton Ave.		Royal Oak, First  First United  Christ Memorial St. Clair Shores, Faith Saline Shelby, Saint Thomas Southfield	
Garden City Grosse Ile		South Lyon Sterling Hts., Utica Taylor, Southminster Troy, First Northminster Walled Lake Crossroads Warren, First Celtic Cross Waterford, Lakeland West Bloomfield Ch. of Our Saviour Wyandotte	
Grosse Pointe Mem.			VanHouten, J. Howe, G. Scott, M. Johnson, L.  McIntosh, L. Delezenne, D. Zakroczymski

ELDER MEMBERS OF PRESBYTERY COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.	Dill, V.	Lennox, J.
Dellinger, W.	Higgins, J.	Poston, L.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: Carol Allen, Mark Allen, David Antonson, Peter Boeve, Kenneth Brand, John Curphey, Robert Dickson, Dickson Forsyth, William Hillegonds, William Jones, Thomas Kirkman, James LeDuc, Laurel Loveless, Ronald Naylor, Robert Orr, Richard Peters, William Palmer, John Poland, Roger Shoup, Louis Thompson, Judy Todd, Richard Todd, Howard Warren.

Elders: Kirk of Our Savior-1; Grosse Pointe Memorial-2; Ecorse-1; Lincoln Park-1; Wayne, First-1; East Detroit, Covenant-1; St. Paul's, Livonia-1.

A motion carried to amend the minutes of the Adjourned Meeting of November 3, 1981 as follows: "Upon motion, Presbytery granted permission for the Trustees of the Presbytery to sell the house located at 16631 Princeton Street, Detroit, Michigan, and formerly occupied by the Reverend Frank duCille, to Leonardo and Joann Foustina for \$35,000.00 cash." A motion carried to approve the minutes of the meetings of October 27 and November 3 with the following correction: on page four, the special administrative commission to install John Yingling should include the name of William Saum in the place of William Schram.

A motion carried to approve the docket for this meeting with the following changes: the Division of Business Affairs will make a report, and the Department of Local Church Development will not be reporting at this meeting.

The Moderator appointed Betty Mullas, an elder of the host church, to serve as assistant to the Stated Clerk.

Omnibus Motion (Paper B-1)

Upon motion, the following recommendations listed in the omnibus motion were adopted:

- 1) It is recommended that approval be given to an application from Kirk of Our Savior of Westland to the Program Agency of General Assembly for an energy-efficient loan of \$6,345.00 for 10 years at 3% annual interest.
- 2) It is recommended that Presbytery approve the revision of the land contract on the Shelby Township property with Peter Caruso and Norman Radebaugh, by adding the condition that, in addition to a principal payment of \$6,500.00 if a lot is sold, that there also be a payment of interest on that amount, and that the land contract be extended for 18 months.
- 3) It is recommended that a promissory note of \$12,000.00 made to Trinity Church, Detroit be cancelled, and that the Division of Business Affairs assume the obligation of paying the note from proceeds of the sale of the former St. Andrew's Church. These proceeds would have been available to the session of Trinity Church for the repayment of the loan, but the session is requesting that it be relieved entirely of responsibility for repayment.

The report of the Division of Business Affairs was presented by Dale Thrie. A motion carried to approve the recommendation of the sale of the Covenant Church and property (with the exception of the pipe organ) to the Trinity Deliverance Church for the purchase price of \$115,000.00 with the following terms of sale: \$10,000.00 down payment at the closing, monthly payments on a land contract basis of at least \$1,000.00 including 10% interest over a ten-year period, and a balloon payment of the balanced owed on the principal after ten years.

A motion carried to approve the report of the Presbytery Council with the following changes: item eight was deleted; item nine should include the discharge of the special administrative commission to install Catherine McCloskey-Turner at Royal Oak, First United Church on November 22, 1981.

The report of the Division of Mission Support was presented by Robert Arnold.

The report of the 1982 Budget Committee was presented by David Sherwin. A motion carried to approve the budget as presented.

The report of the Division of Staff Services was presented by David Swinehart. A motion carried to approve the following financial terms for Presbytery Staff for 1982: Donald G. Lester - \$20,580 salary; \$13,700 housing; Edward M. Miller - \$16,742 salary, \$11,500 housing; Donald R. MacPherson - \$17,342 salary, \$10,900 housing; Henry C. Borchardt - \$19,770 salary, \$8,472 housing; Stanley M. Taylor - \$2,200 salary, \$2,200 housing.

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by John Jeffrey.

The report of the Committee on Candidates was presented by Edward Pierson. Jennifer McLaren was introduced to the Presbytery, and she read her statement of motivation and influence. A motion carried to arrest her examination. Ruling elders Kathi Jerome and Ralph Spigerelli of the Northville Church spoke in support of Jennifer McLaren. A motion carried to sustain the examination and enroll Jennifer McLaren as a candidate of the Presbytery of Detroit.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was presented by Richard Milford.

- 1) A motion carried to concur with the congregation of the Jefferson Avenue Church in calling Peter Smith to be its pastor, effective January 15, 1982, with the following terms: \$22,000 salary, \$5,000 housing allowance, \$1,850 utilities, full pension, 2% medical escrow, \$3,600 car allowance, two weeks study leave, \$250 study allowance, one month vacation, \$375 pastor's fund, annual review, and moving expenses; forward the call to the Presbytery of Chicago, with the request that it be placed in Mr. Smith's hands and that he be dismissed to the Presbytery of Detroit; and enroll Mr. Smith upon receipt of his dismissal. Ruling elder Lee Allen spoke in support of Mr. Smith. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government, 40.01, 57.044, 57.046, and the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.
- 2) A motion carried to concur with the congregation of the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church in calling Stanton R. Wilson to be its associate pastor, effective December 13, 1981, with the following terms: \$20,000 salary, manse, all utilities, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, \$2,000 car allowance, two weeks study leave, \$450 conference/study allowance, one month vacation, term life insurance, personal property insurance, disability insurance, annual review; place the call in Mr. Wilson's hands; elect the following special administrative commission: Ministers - Donald G. Lester, Ray H. Kiely, Allan M. Frew; Elders - George E. Bushnell, Jr., chairperson (Grosse Pointe Memorial), Lois Billings (Jefferson Ave.), Clarence Honkanen (Grosse Pointe Woods), and empower said commission to install Mr. Wilson at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church on December 13, 1981 at 9:30 A.M. Mr. Kiely spoke in support of Mr. Wilson.
- 3) A motion carried to concur in the request to dissolve the associate pastoral relation between Theodore Tate and the First Church, Brighton, effective November 1, 1981; salary and housing and pension/hospitalization are to be continued through June 30, 1982, salary to be reduced by income received from any alternate employment secured.

- 4) A motion carried to concur in the request to dissolve the pastoral relation between Paul Address and the Lakeshore Church, Port Huron, effective December 31, 1981, salary and housing and pension to continue through March 31, 1982 or such earlier time as Mr. Address secures other employment. Ruling elder David Sheldon spoke in support of Mr. Address.
- 5) A motion carried to reappoint the following ministers as stated supplies for 1982: Peter Boeve (Northside), Richard Reynolds (White Lake), William and Jenny Schram (Sashabaw).
- 6) A motion carried to reappoint Joan Stary (Leitch Memorial) part-time stated supply for 1982.
- 7) A motion carried to reappoint Raphael Francis (Park) stated supply for three months, through March 31, 1982.
- 8) A motion carried to approve extension of the interim pastoral relationship between David Krehbiel and First Church, Saline to February 28, 1982; and the interim pastoral relationship between David Abbott and East Detroit, Covenant to January 31, 1982.

The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by Christopher Torrey.

The report of the Committee on Peace Education was presented by William Saum, William and Jenny Schram.

The report of the Nominations Committee was presented by Sally Rankin. There was a nomination from the floor for elder John Sefcik to Business Affairs. A motion carried to elect the following persons:

#### OFFICERS OF PRESBYTERY

Moderator	The Rev. William Colwell	Allen Park
Vice-Moderator	The Rev. William Saum	Church of Our Saviour
Recording Clerk	The Rev. Robert McCreight	Belleville

#### COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELATIONS (Part of Personnel Department)

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. Richard Milford	Grosse Ile
Area III	1983	Elder Eva Crowley	Grandale Church of the Master
Area I	1984	Elder Keith Balcom	Utica
Area IV	1984	The Rev. William Brown	Brighton
Area V	1984	Elder Nora Wilson	Milford
At Large	1984	The Rev. Eldon Beery	Celtic Cross
At Large	1984	The Rev. J. William LeDuc	Kirk of Our Savior

#### COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATES

(Part of Personnel Department)

Chairperson	1 yr.	Ruth Kirkman	Royal Oak, First
Area III	1984	Elder John Fowler	Littlefield Blvd
Area V	1984	Elder Elston Colvert	Saint Thomas
At Large	1984	Elder Franklin Heath	South Lyon
At Large	1984	The Rev. James Mitcham	Detroit, Calvary
At Large	1984	The Rev. Robert Orr	Grosse Ile

#### PRESBYTERY COUNCIL

Area II	1984	Elder Denton Craley	Detroit, First
Area III	1984	Elder Jean Lennox	Littlefield Blvd.
Area IV	1984	The Rev. Gerald Cobleigh	Rosedale Gardens
Area V	1984	Elder Wilma Dellinger	Northbrook



BUSINESS AFFAIRS DIVISION

Chairperson 1 yr.  
 Area III 1984  
 Area V 1984  
 At Large 1984

Elder Eleanor Leigh  
 Elder Keith Nolan  
 The Rev. Arnold Leverenz  
 Elder John D. Sefcik

Littlefield Blvd.  
 Allen Park  
 Joslyn Avenue  
 Southwest

MISSION SUPPORT DIVISION

Chairperson 1 yr.  
 Area I 1984  
 At Large 1984  
 At Large 1984

Elder Mary Younkin Grandale Church of the Master  
 The Rev. Stanton Wilson Grosse Pointe Memorial  
 The Rev. Alfred Nead Drayton Plains  
 Elder Donald Hill Grosse Ile

PLANNING DIVISION

Chairperson 1 yr.  
 Area I 1983  
 Area II 1984  
 Area IV 1984  
 At Large 1984  
 At Large 1984

The Rev. Robert Battles  
 Elder William Vermet  
 Elder Carole Thompson  
 Elder William Storters  
 Elder Al Rice

Mt. Clemens, First  
 Grosse Pointe Memorial  
 Detroit, First  
 Plymouth  
 St. Paul's

STAFF SERVICES DIVISION

Chairperson 1 yr.  
 Area I 1984  
 Area III 1984

The Rev. David Swinehart  
 The Rev. Ronald Naylor  
 The Rev. Carl Howie

Allen Park  
 Port Huron, First  
 Dearborn, First

LOCAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Chairperson 1 yr.  
 Area I 1982  
 Area IV 1982  
 Area I 1984  
 Area I 1984  
 Area II 1984  
 Area II 1984  
 Area III 1984  
 Area III 1984  
 Area IV 1984  
 Area IV 1984  
 Area V 1984

The Rev. David Eshleman  
 Elder Richard Joyner  
 Elder Bonnie Westhoff  
 Elder Roy Geer  
 The Rev. James Mitcham  
 Elder Kenneth Hollowell  
 Janet Beers  
 Elder James Brainerd  
 The Rev. Edward Koster  
 Elder Clay Perry  
 Elder Dale Johnson

Grosse Pointe Woods  
 Rosedale Gardens  
 Grosse Pointe Woods  
 SCS, Lake Shore  
 Detroit, Calvary  
 Broadstreet  
 Dearborn, First  
 Grosse Ile  
 Ann Arbor, Calvary  
 Novi, Faith  
 Farmington, First

LOCAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (continued)

Area V 1984  
 At Large 1984  
 At Large 1984  
 At Large 1984  
 At Large 1984  
 At Large 1984  
 At Large 1984  
 At Large 1984

Elder Leland Ferguson  
 The Rev. Paul Andress  
 Elder Jesse Bacalis  
 Elder Sangyeon Lee  
 Elder Sid Newhouse  
 The Rev. Edward Pierson  
 Elder Mary Ritzenthaler

Birmingham, First  
 Port Huron, Lakeshore  
 Grosse Ile  
 Korean  
 Grosse Pointe Memorial  
 Orchard Lake  
 Southfield

PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

Chairperson	1 yr.	Elder Harry Kirk	Northbrook
At Large	1982	The Rev. Raymond Lumley	Monteith
At Large	1982	The Rev. Frank Marvin	Cherry Hill
At Large	1982	The Rev. Charles Sommers	Birmingham, First
Area III	1983	Elder Eva Crowley	Grandale Church of the Master
Area I	1984	Elder Keith Balcom	Utica
Area I	1984	Elder Alfred Taylor	Jefferson Avenue
Area II	1984	Elder Kenneth Lee	Royal Oak, First United
Area II	1984	Elder Ella Worrell	Detroit, First
Area III	1984	Elder John Fowler	Littlefield Blvd.
Area III	1984	Elder Alex Marshall	Southminster
Area IV	1984	The Rev. William Brown	Brighton
Area IV	1984	Elder Anna Marie Austin	Ann Arbor, First
Area V	1984	Elder Nora Wilson	Milford
Area V	1984	Elder Elston Colvert	Saint Thomas
At Large	1984	The Rev. Eldon Beery	Celtic Cross
At Large	1984	Elder Paul Elsenheimer	Dearborn, First
At Large	1984	The Rev. William Gepford	Littlefield Blvd.
At Large	1984	Elder Franklin Heath	South Lyon
At Large	1984	The Rev. J. William LeDuc	Kirk of Our Savior
At Large	1984	The Rev. James Mitcham	Detroit, Calvary
At Large	1984	The Rev. Robert Orr	Grosse Ile

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. MacKay Taylor	Northminster
At Large	1982	The Rev. Charles Sommers	Birmingham, First
Area I	1984	Elder Alfred Taylor	Jefferson Avenue
Area II	1984	Elder Kenneth Lee	Royal Oak, First United
Area III	1984	Elder Alex Marshall	Southminster

PRESBYTERY MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

Chairperson	1 yr.	Elder Susan Carlson	St. Timothy
Area I	1982	Elder Mary Scott	Celtic Cross
Area IV	1982		
Area I	1983	The Rev. David Harmon	St. John's
Area III	1983	Elder Alan Henry	Littlefield Blvd.
Area IV	1983		
Area I	1984	Elder Maureen Arnold	Celtic Cross
Area I	1984	Elder James Gibson	Jefferson Avenue
Area II	1984	The Rev. Peter Bower	Drayton Avenue
Area II	1984	Elder Thelma Myles	Hope
Area III	1984	The Rev. Clanton Dawson	Grandale Ch. of the Master
Area III	1984	Elder Shirley Botu	Allen Park
Area IV	1984	The Rev. Carol Allen	Rosedale Gardens
Area IV	1984	Elder Lawrence Harman	Northside
Area V	1984	Elder Jean McAllister	Church of Our Saviour
Area V	1984	Elder Gerald Stephens	Orchard Lake
At Large	1984	Elder Edward Bacon	Peace
At Large	1984	Elder Erman Fisher	St. John's
At Large	1984	Elder Helen Middleton	Woodward Ave. Ch. of Coven.
At Large	1984	Elder Anita Mobbs	Calvin West
At Large	1984	Elder James Payne	Wayne, First
At Large	1984	Elder Frances Pitts	St. John's
At Large	1984	Elder Walter Thome	Southfield

PROGRAM AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. John Jeffrey	St. Mark's
Area I	1982	Elder Robert Tower	Celtic Cross
Area IV	1982	The Rev. Thomas Cook	Plymouth
Area I	1984	Elder Thomas Easton	Port Huron, First
Area I	1984	Elder Douglas Vartanian	Utica
Area II	1984	Elder Oliver Baker	Hope
Area II	1984	The Rev. Robert Barnes	Greenfield
Area III	1984	Melinda Younkin	Grandale Ch. of the Master
Area III	1984	Elder Virginia Glover	Grandale Ch. of the Master
Area IV	1984	Elder Anne Rogers	Howell
Area IV	1984	The Rev. William Stryker	Cherry Hill
Area V	1984	Elder Verna Dill	Milford
Area V	1984	Elder Fletcher Street	Birmingham, First
At Large	1984	The Rev. John Curphey	Grosse Pointe Woods
At Large	1984	Elder Alvin Ellwood	Grandale Ch. of the Master
At Large	1984	Elder Donald Glover	Jefferson Avenue
At Large	1984	Elder Joanne Higgins	Hope
At Large	1984	The Rev. John Mishler	Northville
At Large	1984	The Rev. Larry Sharpless	Calvin East
At Large	1984	Elder Dorothy Thompson	Birmingham, First

UMHE, WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

1982

(Detroit representative on local board)

Marisa Keeney

Ann Arbor, First

The report of the Committee on Structure was presented by James Cole (Paper C-10).  
A motion carried to approve the following revisions in the Presbytery Bylaws:

A. Chapter IV Officers of Presbytery  
Section 1: Moderator and Vice-Moderator  
Paragraph A

Page 2 lines 49 and 50 Delete:

Delete: "and shall take office at the next succeeding January meeting of Presbytery."

Add: "under provisions of these Bylaws. Recognition of office shall take place at the next succeeding January meeting of Presbytery."

So that the revised lines shall read:

"The Moderator and Vice-Moderator shall be elected at the November meeting of Presbytery under the provisions of these Bylaws. Recognition of office shall take place at the next succeeding January meeting of Presbytery."

B. Chapter XIV Nominating Procedure  
 Section 2: General Guidelines  
 Paragraph C

Page 16 lines 11 and 12

Delete: "for three year terms,"

Add: "no later than the November stated meeting and shall serve on a calendar year basis. Terms shall be for three years"

So that the revised lines shall read:

"All Presbytery personnel shall be elected no later than the November stated meeting and shall serve on a calendar year basis. Terms shall be for three years arranged in classes on a rotating basis,"

C. Chapter X Geographical Areas  
 Section 1  
 Paragraph I.

Page 13 lines 32 and 33

Delete: "plan and carry out the Area Assembly meeting and other events of the Area."

Add: "plan or coordinate and oversee the responsibilities of the Area."

So that the revised lines shall read:

"...the function of the Area Cabinet shall be to plan or coordinate and oversee all the responsibilities of the Area."

The report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures was presented by William Colwell. A motion carried to concur in their recommendations and Overtures A, B, G, J, and O were approved on separate motions.

The report of the Executive Presbyter was presented by Donald G. Lester.

The report of the Central Northwest Administrative Commission was presented by its chairperson, Edward Koster. A motion carried to give the privilege of the floor to Mr. Donald VanDyke. The Commission presented a motion containing a blank, as follows: That the Presbytery of Detroit settle with Central Northwest United Presbyterian Church by \_\_\_\_\_. The purpose of the blank was to allow the Presbytery to consider two options presented by the Commission and any additional options which might be presented from the floor. There were an additional two options to fill the blank. The first option prevailed, with a majority of 94 votes out of a total of 174 possible votes. Therefore, the motion carried that the Presbytery of Detroit dissolve the Central Northwest United Presbyterian Church, in accordance with Chapter XII, Section 8 (42.08) of The Form of Government and institute legal proceedings to retrieve control of the property and records of Central Northwest United Presbyterian Church, now controlled by the congregation calling itself "Central Northwest Presbyterian Church" or "Scotch Presbyterian Church".

The report of the Ward Memorial Administrative Commission was presented by its chairperson Gareth Baker.

The report of the Oakland Avenue Administrative Commission was presented by its chairperson Harry Geissinger. A motion carried to approve the following:

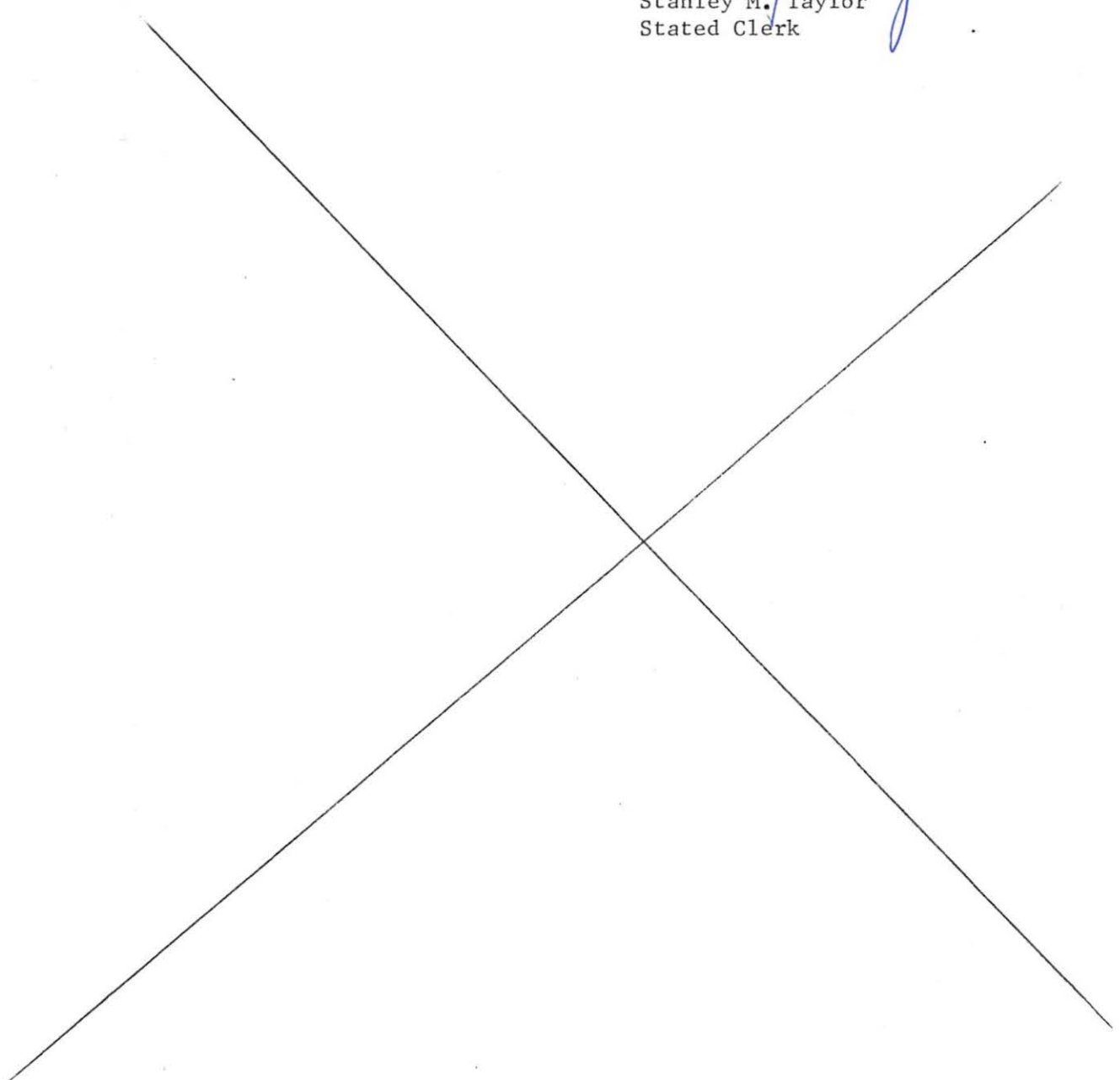
- 1) It is recommended that the responsibility of monitoring the financial terms

of the settlement with the Oakland Avenue Church be lodged with the Division of Business Affairs.

- 2) It is recommended that Presbytery Council assume the responsibility for meeting with representatives of the Oakland Avenue Church in 1984 and 1986 to explore the possibility of reconciliation and reunion as arranged in the settlement agreement.
- 3) It is recommended that the Commission be discharged.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk



Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance

May 1, 1981 - April 30, 1982

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	5	5	Garden City	1	1
Ann Arbor, First	4	3	Grosse Ile	2	2
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	4 & 2ex
Northside	1	1	Grosse Pointe Woods	5	4
Westminster	1	0	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Auburn Heights	1	1	Howell	2	1
Belleville	1	1	Lincoln Park	1	ex
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	3	2
Birmingham, First	8	2	St. Paul's	4	3 & 1ex
Northbrook	3	3	St. Timothy	1	0
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	4	Milan, Peoples	1	0
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	2
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	1	0	Northville	2	2
Dearborn, First	5	1	Novi, Faith Community	1	1
Cherry Hill	4	4	Orchard Lake	2	0
Dearborn Woods	1	0	Plymouth	3	2
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	2	1
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	0
Detroit, First	1	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	1	Port Huron, First	1	0
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	1
Calvary	1	0	Westminster	1	0
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	2
Calvin West	1	0	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Central Northwest	1	0	Royal Oak, First	6	2
Evergreen Village	1	1	First United	2	2
Fort Street	2	1	Christ Memorial	1	1
Grandale Ch. of the Master	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	Lake Shore	3	0
Hope	1	1	Saline	1	1
Jefferson Avenue	3	3	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	1
Leitch	1	1	Southfield, United	2	2
Monteith	1	2	Korean	1	0
Redford	4	1	South Lyon	1	1
St. James	1	1	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	1
St. John's	1	1	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
Southwest Community	2	2	Troy, First	1	1
Trinity	1	1	Northminster	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Village	2	2	Warren, First	1	1
Ward Memorial	1	0	Celtic Cross	1	1
Westminster	3	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Woodward Ave. Ch. of the Cov.	1	1	Wayne, First	1	ex
Drayton Plains	1	1	West Bloomfield, Church		1
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	ex	of Our Saviour	1	
Ecorse	1	ex	Westland, Kirk of Our		ex
Farmington	3	1	Savior	1	
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	White Lake	1	0
Fraser, Peace	1	0	Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	0

TENTATIVE  
INCOME PROJECTION FOR 1982

	<u>Proposed</u> <u>1981</u>	<u>Tentative</u> <u>1982</u>
	\$	\$
<u>PRESBYTERY GENERAL MISSION</u>		
Undesignated		
Designated and Special Gifts	308,000	312,000
<u>ENDOWMENTS</u>	121,000	128,000
<u>INTEREST INCOME</u>	13,000	17,000
<u>PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL RECEIPTS</u>	20,600	16,320
<u>PRESBYTERIAL ASSOCIATION</u>	13,133	13,133
<u>PROJECT GRANTS FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS*</u>		
<u>From General Assembly</u>		
15603 Woodward Avenue Church of the Covenant		15,000
15605 Trinity	10,000	8,000
15607 Littlefield Blvd. - Arab Outreach	12,150	11,850
15651 Urban Ministry	10,000	5,000
15664 Grandale Church of the Master		5,000
15706 Hunger Program	7,500	8,000
15818 Summer Service Project	3,000	3,000
<u>From Synod of the Covenant</u>		
15603 Woodward Avenue Church of the Covenant		5,000
15605 Trinity	6,000	4,000
15607 Littlefield Blvd. - Arab Outreach	6,500	5,800
15651 Urban Ministry	11,000	1,333
15664 Grandale Church of the Master		5,000
<u>From Presbytery Major Mission Fund</u>		
15508 Minority Professional Recruitment	1,000	1,000
15509 Professional Growth & Development	3,000	1,000
15602 Sashabaw	5,000	5,000
15605 Trinity	8,000	10,000
15606 Faith, Novi	13,000	10,000
15607 Littlefield Blvd. - Arab Outreach	4,200	3,700
15608 Taiwanese Fellowship	2,020	5,000
15610 Southwest Community	10,000	10,000
15651 Urban Ministry	20,000	20,000
15805 Evangelism		3,000
15900 Capital Main. and Improvement	7,000	7,000
<u>STAFF AND SUPPORTING SERVICES</u>		
From General Assembly through Synod of the Covenant	57,227	57,227
<u>PER CAPITA</u>	86,800	95,480
<u>PRIOR YEAR'S SALVAGE</u>	-0-	526
 TOTAL UNIFIED PROGRAM BUDGET INCOME (estimated)	 \$795,770	 \$792,369
		\$ -886

\*--Some '81' projects not listed, since they are not receiving grants in '82.

## Proposed

## 1982 Budget

Presbytery of Detroit

<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dept. Div.</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>Includes</u>
15201	All Department Expenses	PC	\$ 12,000	\$ 9,646	
15202	Office of the Stated Clerk	PC	1,300	1,500	
15203	New Project Contingency	PC	5,000	5,000	
15204	Presbytery Directory	PC	1,200	1,200	
				<u>17,346</u>	
15301	Bookkeeping	BA	23,000	23,000	
15302	Audit	BA	12,500	12,500	
15303	Equipment and Equipment Res.	BA	4,000	4,120	
15304	Legal Counsel	BA	3,500	3,500	
				<u>43,120</u>	
15401	Stewardship Training	MS	200	200	
15402	Mission Interpretation Materials	MS	700	388	
15403	Mission Interpretation - AV	MS	600	600	
15404	REJOICE	MS	2,300	2,300	
15405	Month of Mission	MS	800	1,000	
15406	Mission Advance Program	MS	1,500	1,000	
				<u>5,488</u>	
15501	Convocation of Synod/GA Comm.	PER	75	50	
15502	Data Bank	PER	3,000	2,100	
15503	Theological Aid Fund	PER	600	600	
15504	Candidates' Psych. Evaluation	PER	1,000	1,000	
15505	Candidates' Annual Consultation	PER	1,000	900	
15506	Support System for Candidates	PER	300	300	
15507	Clergy Career Evaluation	PER	600	500	
15508	Minority Professional Recruitment	PER	1,000	1,000	1,000 MMF
15509	Professional Growth & Development	PER	4,000	3,000	1,000 MMF
15510	Orientation of New Ministers	PER	75	50	
15511	Psychological Studies & Services	PER	9,200	9,000	
15512	Emergency Grants	PER	2,000	1,850	
15513	Special Assistance	PER	1,500	1,350	
15514	Ministers' Support System	PER	100	50	
15515	Face to Face	PER	300	200	
15516	Youth Advisory Delegates	PER	400	200	
15517	Training Local Church Personnel	PER	75	50	
				<u>22,200</u>	



Project Number	Title	Dept. Div.	1981	1982	Includes
			\$	\$	
15 1	Interest Support	LCD	5,000	500	
15602	Sashabaw	LCD	5,000	5,000	5,000 MMF
15603	Woodward/Covenant Redevelopment	LCD	7,000	30,000	20,000 S/GA
15604	Broadstreet Outreach	LCD	10,000	8,000	
15605	Trinity	LCD	28,000	25,000	22,000 S/GA/MMF
15606	Faith, Novi	LCD	13,000	10,000	10,000 MMF
15607	Littlefield Blvd. - Arab Outreach	LCD	22,850	26,350	21,350 S/GA/MMF
15608	Taiwanese NCD	LCD	12,349	5,000	5,000 MMF
15610	Southwest Community Outreach	LCD	6,000	10,000	10,000 MMF
15651	Urban Ministry	LCD	75,000	76,333	26,333 S/GA/MMF
15664	Grandale/Ch. of the Master Redevel.	LCD	9,000	15,000	10,000 S/GA
				<u>211,183</u>	<u>129,683</u>
15701	Christian Communication Council	PM	1,000	1,000	
15704	Women's Resource Package	PM	150	950	
15706	Hunger	PM	9,500	9,000	8,000 GA
15707	Interfaith Centr/Racial Justice	PM	2,000	2,000	
15709	Human Concerns' Education	PM	1,500	1,750	
15710	Metropolitan Jail Ministry	PM	9,500	10,500	
15711	Campus Ministry	PM	13,000	19,500	
15 2	Youth Living Centers	PM	2,000	2,000	
15 4	Committee on Aging	PM	2,000	2,500	
15715	Minority Scholarships	PM	5,000	5,000	
15717	Middle East Education	PM	200	700	
15718	Corporate Social Responsibility	PM	1,500	1,400	
15719	Women's JusticeCenter	PM	3,000	3,000	
15720	Westside Mothers	PM	2,900	2,900	
15721	Michigan Housing Coalition	PM	5,000	1,500	
15722	Women's Survival Center	PM	4,500	4,500	
15723	Project SAVE	PM	1,000	1,000	
15724	Northwest Lahser Comm. Org.	PM	1,500	1,500	
15725	Open Door Direct Food Relief	PM	5,000	2,000	
15726	Peace Education	PM	-0-	2,200	
15727	Energy and Environment	PM	-0-	500	
				<u>75,400</u>	

Project Number	Title	Dept. Div.	1981	1982	Includes
			\$	\$	
15802	Department/Unit Training	PRD	500	500	
15803	Resource Center Booklet	PRD	300	100	
15804	Presbytery Worship	PRD	150	150	
15805	Evangelism	PRD	3,500	3,250	3,000 MMF
15806	Special Needs	PRD	500	450	
15807	Summer Camps	PRD	11,000	10,000	
15808	Administration & Communication	PRD	250	100	
15809	Youth Covenant Core	PRD	3,000	2,000	
15810	Consultant Services	PRD	300	300	
15811	Mariners	PRD	100	100	
15812	Youth Mix	PRD	1,500	1,300	
15814	Teaching Process Skills Workshop	PRD	400	400	
15815	Senior High Leadership Training	PRD	1,000	500	
15816	Teacher Ed. Scholarships	PRD	300	300	
15817	Camperships	PRD	5,000	5,000	
15818	Summer Service Task Force	PRD	14,000	9,000	3,000 GA
15819	Junior Hi Leadership Training	PRD	300	300	
15820	Worship Through the Arts Workshop	PRD	200	100	
15821	Christian Ed.: Shared Approaches	PRD	300	250	
15822	Major Teacher Ed. Events	PRD	500	400	
15823	Teacher/Leader Workshops	PRD	300	300	
15824	Church Officer Development	PRD	400	400	
15825	Church Camperships	PRD	500	400	
15826	Youth Scholarships	PRD	400	400	
15827	Adult Special Events	PRD	150	150	
15828	Workshop Seminar	PRD	100	100	
15829	Camp Maxi Use	PRD	800	800	
15830	Adult Education Workshops	PRD	300	300	
15831	Relationships and Publicity	PRD	3,300	3,300	
15832	Worship Resource Materials	PRD	75	100	
15833	Youth Workshops	PRD	500	375	
15850	Resource Center Operations	PRD	4,700	4,700	
15901-61	Capital Main. and Improvement	PRD	51,000	53,250	7,000 MMF
	Misc. Income from Programs				16,320 Sp
				99,075	29,320
15100	Support Staff: Salaries, FICA Pensions, etc.	SS	84,931	93,205	
15101	Executive Staff: Salaries, Pensions, Hospitalization	SS	140,062	145,420	
15110	Executive Staff: Travel, Cars, Miscellaneous expenses	SS	22,500	23,000	
15120	Insurance (including liability)	SS	2,800	3,000	
15121	Rent to Westminster Church	SS	19,160	20,118	
15130	Office Operations: Copier, Equipment, Literature, Postage, Publications, Services, Supplies,				
15140	Telephone, Computer, Misc.	SS	32,000	34,700	
				319,443	
Grand Total				\$793,255	

## STATED MEETING

Date: January 26, 1982  
Place: Detroit, Westminster Church

Moderator: William Colwell  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Westminster Church of Detroit, 17567 Hubbell, on January 26, 1982, at 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer.

A worship service and the celebration of the Lord's Supper was led by Paul H. Sutton, assisted by William Colwell and Stanley M. Taylor.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Allen, C.	Cook	Hawley	Lester	Ramsey
Allan, M.	Crilley	Haynes	Lindsey	Reynolds
Armstrong	Curphey	Henderson	Linthicum	Roberts
Antonson	Davies	Hershey	Lister	Saum
Baker	Dawson	Howell	Loveless	Schram, J.
Baliad	Dickson	Hunter	Lumley	Schram, W.
Banks	Dotson	Ihrle	MacDonald	Sefcik
Barcus	Douglas	Irvine	MacPherson	Sharpless
Barger	Dresser	Irwin	Marvin	Sherwin
Barnes	Dunkelberger, M.	Jansen	Marther	Simons
Battles	Dunkelberger, R.	Jeffrey	McCloskey	Sommers
Beal	Dunn	Jerome	McCloskey-	Stary
Beery	Eshleman	Jones, V.	Turner	Stenner
Boeve	Forsyth	Jones, W.	McCreight	Stone, G.
Borchardt	Francis	Keebler	McIvor	Sunderman
Bower	Garypie	Kesler	Milford	Sutton
Brasure	Geider	Kettlewell	Miller	Swinehart
Brown	Gepford	Kim	Mishler	Taylor, K.
Carter	Gillette	Kind	Mitcham	Taylor, M.
Cho	Glenn	Kirkman	Moore	Taylor, S.
Cobleigh	Gruebel	Krehbiel	Nagle	Taylor, T.
Cole, J.	Hanna	Kuckuk	Nead	Terpstra
Coleman	Harmon	Lambert	Orr	Todd, R.
Colwell	Hartley	LeDuc	Peters	Torrey
			Poland	White

ELDERS

Allen Park	Horvath, V.	Ann Arbor, First	Hauser, K.
	Jones, P.		Johnson, B.
	McKenzie, R.		Laird, J.
	Salisbury, D.		Miner, E.
	Vos, G.		

Auburn Heights	Quinn, C.	Grosse Pointe Mem.	Adams, F.
Berkley, Greenfield	Curtis, H.		Candler, T.
Birmingham, First	Clark, M.		Caulkins, P.
	Perkins, J.		Dodds, J.
	Thompson, D.		Madarasz, B.
	White, A.		Warren, J.
Northbrook	Anderson, D.	Grosse Pointe Woods	Brines, R.
	Dellinger, W.		Gompers, J.
	Kirk, H.		Spencer, J.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Bowden, H.		Zech, C.
	Garland, F.	Highland Park, Park	Pettis, J.
	Izant, E.	Howell	MacBride, R.
	Robinson, W.	Lincoln Park	Nelson, K.
Brighton	Holdren, S.	Livonia, Rosedale	Culler, D.
	Smith, G.		Hughes, R.
Canton, Geneva	Fanslow, C.	St. Paul's	Casebere, V.
Clarkston, Sashabaw	Roy, D.		Whitledge, V.
Dearborn, First	Shield, K.		Wetters, G.
Cherry Hill	Gale, C.	Milford	Nave, L.
	Hardin, W.		Wilson, N.
	Herndon, M.	Mt. Clemens, First	Glassford, K.
	Hyma, G.	Northville	Dyke, J.
Littlefield	Fowler, F.		Meyer, P.
	Fowler, J.	Novi, Faith	Ernst, L.
Dearborn Heights		Orchard Lake	Crater, E.
St. Mark's	Kieltyka, D.		Rynders, B.
Detroit, First	Thompson, C.	Plymouth	Leach, L.
Broadstreet	Cope, D.		Stokes, W.
Calvin West	Holden, A.	Pontiac, First	Fisher, R.
Evergreen Village	Jagger, F.		Sweedyk, R.
Fort Street	Heatley, G.	Atonement	Freeland, B.
	Morgan, J.	Joslyn Avenue	Dewey, E.
Grandale/Master	Crowley, E.	Port Huron, Lakeshore	Fearnside, T.
Hope	Baker, O.	Rochester, University	Curry, J.
Leitch	Elson, N.		Hipple, H.
Monteith	Warren, B.	Roseville, Erin	Ishmael, G.
Redford	Bennett, C.		Fleming, G.
	Davison, M.	Royal Oak, First	Schwenk, B.
	Glass, F.	First United	Cater, V.
Southwest	Strachan, A.		Hickman, E.
Village	Sefcik, D.	Christ Memorial	Weaver, H.
	Washburh, D.	SCS., Faith	Sell, J.
Westminster	Piggott, J.	Lake Shore	Morris, F.
Woodward/Covenant	White, D.	Saline	Hoyt, H.
Drayton Plains	Burnette, M.	Saint Thomas	Barnich, M.
E. Det., Covenant	Lobb, W.	Southfield	Dryden, R.
Ecorse	Collins, R.		Drake, D.
Farmington	Ballheim	South Lyon	Jones, E.
	Allaben, R.	Sterling Heights, Utica	Doane, B.
	Case, E.	Taylor, Southminster	Bousquette, G.
Ferndale, Drayton	Doherty, D.		Dorotinsky, B.
	Barnett, H.	Troy, First	Weiss, R.
	Russell, J.	Northminster	Parkins, N.
Fraser, Peace	Magel, J.	Walled Lake, Crossroads	KirkPatrick, J.
Garden City	Matsuoka, A.	Warren, First	Van Houten, J.
Grosse Ile	Jones, B.	Celtic Cross	Taylor, A.
	Morrison, H.	Waterford, Lakeland	Snyder, D.
			Currin, L.

Wayne, First  
Westland, Kirk  
White Lake  
Wyandotte

Kayganich, J.  
Murphy, D.  
Shreiber, C.W.  
Dailing, M.  
Nelson, G.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adair, M.  
Adams, M.G.  
Carlson, S.

Dellinger, W.  
Lennox, J.  
Lee, K.

Poston, L.  
Younkin, M.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: James Anderson, John Bartko, David Blackshear, Vern Campbell, James Cannon, Lawrence Chamberlain, John Carroll, Harold Ellens, Donald Flowers, Harry Geissinger, Richard Henderson, William Hillegonds, Carl Howie, Ray Kiely, Edward Koster, Arnold Leverenz, Robert Marlow, Ronald Naylor, William Palmer, Roger Shoup, Cyrus Smith, Peter Smith, Richard Smith, Kemper Taylor, Harold Vernon, William Whitledge, Ronald Wilson

Elders: Belleville-1; Birmingham, First-1; Calvary, Ann Arbor-1; Howell, First-1; Port Huron, Westminster-1

Council: Mary Anne Gipson, Eleanor Leigh

A motion carried to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 24, 1981. A motion carried to approve the docket for this meeting with the deletion of the reports of the Committee on Bills and Overtures and the Central Northwest Administrative Commission.

The Moderator appointed Donald White, an elder of the host church, to serve as assistant to the Stated Clerk.

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by John Jeffrey.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was presented by Richard Milford. Catherine McCloskey-Turner was introduced to the Presbytery. A motion carried to adopt the report and approve the following recommendations:

- 1) It is recommended to concur with the congregation of the Wyandotte Church in calling Myron J. Kaufman, Jr. to be its pastor, effective May 2, 1982, with the following terms: \$20,000 salary, manse, \$1600 utilities, full pension, \$512 hospitalization, \$2400 car allowance, two weeks study leave, \$300 study allowance, one month vacation, annual review, moving expenses; forward the call to the Presbytery of Genesee Valley with the request that it be place in Mr. Kaufman's hands and that he be dismissed to the Presbytery of Detroit; and enroll Mr. Kaufman upon receipt of his dismissal. Ruling elder Gretchen Nelson spoke in support of Mr. Kaufman. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government, 40.01, 57.044, 57.046, and the provisions of the Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.
- 2) It is recommended to concur with the session of the First Church, Howell in calling Margaret G. Zedan to be its assistant pastor, effective March 1, 1982, with the following terms: \$14,100 salary, \$4800 housing allowance, full pension, 2% deductible medical, \$1350 car allowance, two weeks study leave, \$200 study allowance, one month vacation, annual review, moving expenses; forward the call

to the Presbytery of Great Rivers with the request that it be placed in Miss Zedan's hands and that she be dismissed to the Presbytery of Detroit; and enroll Miss Zedan upon receipt of her dismissal. Ruling elder Robert McBride spoke in support of Miss Zedan. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government, 40.01, 57.044, 57.046, and the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.

- 3) It is recommended to concur with the congregation of the Allen Park Church in calling Charles Harwood Shook, Jr. to become its associate pastor, effective January 1, 1982, with the following terms: \$15,300 salary, manse, utilities, including phone allowance of \$10 per month, full pension, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, \$1200 car allowance, two weeks study leave, \$200 study allowance, one month vacation, annual review; place the call in Mr. Shook's hands; elect the following special administrative commission: Ministers - William Colwell, chairperson, William Schram, Charles Sommers, David Swinehart; Elders - Joanne Higgins (Hope), Teddy Hinkamp (Birmingham, First), Gail Vos (Allen Park); and empower said commission to install Mr. Shook at the Allen Park Church on March 14, 1982 at 9 and 11 A.M. Ruling elder Stella Migliore spoke in support of Mr. Shook.
- 4) It is recommended to concur with the session of the Lakeshore Church, Port Huron in the establishment of a part-time interim pastoral relationship with Lloyd G. Brasure, effective January 10, 1982, for a period of three months with the following monthly terms: \$400 salary, \$400 housing allowance, \$400 car allowance; that Mr. Brasure be appointed moderator of the session.
- 5) It is recommended that Presbytery approve an extension of part-time interim contracts to April 30, 1982 for the following: David Abbott - Covenant, East Detroit, Robert Craghead - Trinity, Detroit, and James Conley - Dearborn Woods.
- 6) It is recommended to approve a change in terms for Ernest W. Dunn at Westminster, Port Huron to \$165 per week.
- 7) It is recommended by the Ministerial Relations Committee and the Committee on Candidates to receive Coleman Gilchrist, a member in good standing of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., in the Presbytery of Detroit and to enroll Mr. Gilchrist in this Presbytery. It was reported that this approval is in accordance with the Book of Order 42.17 and 42.181. Mr. Gilchrist answered affirmatively to the questions of installation in 50.121 through 50.129. It is further recommended to approve the call of the Grace United Church, Toledo, Ohio, to Coleman Gilchrist to become its pastor, and to dismiss Mr. Gilchrist to the Presbytery of Maumee Valley, effective January 26, 1982.
- 8) It is recommended to dismiss Paul Andress to the Presbytery of Lake Michigan, effective February 1, 1982.
- 9) It is recommended to remove Doris A. Yocum and Manuelito Feria from the roll of commissioned church workers of the Presbytery of Detroit in accordance with the Book of Order 53.03.
- 10) It is recommended to dismiss licentiate Dwight Lewis to Genessee Valley Presbytery retroactive to November, 1980.

The report of the Committee on Professional Growth and Development was presented by William Gepford.

The report of the Nominations Committee was presented by Mackay Taylor. A motion carried to elect the following persons:

COMMITTEE ON STRUCTURE

Chairperson	1 year	Rev. Kenneth Kettlewell	Detroit, First
At Large	1982	Rev. James Cole	Detroit, Westminster
At Large	1982	Elder Dale Johnson	Farmington
At Large	1982	Rev. Richard Smith	SCS, Faith
At Large	1982	Elder Ruth Will	Grandale/Ch. Master

COMMITTEE ON SELF-DEVELOPMENT

At Large	1982	Rev. Peter Bower	Drayton Ave, Ferndale
At Large	1984	Rev. Raphael Francis	Park
At Large	1984	Rev. David Harmon	St. John's
At Large	1984	Elder James Payne	Wayne, First
At Large	1984	Elder Sandy Smith	Detroit, Westminster

The report of the Department of Local Church Development was presented by William Standing. A motion carried to release \$12,000 from the sale of the Eastminster manse and liquid assets available at the time of the dissolution of that church to the session of the Grosse Pointe Woods Church for a youth ministry to be conducted at Faith Lutheran Church in the Jefferson Chalmers Community as specified in the session's proposal dated December 1, 1981. A motion carried to approve the report of the Record and Review Committee with the exception of Lakeland, Waterford, which is being checked for accuracy. (See Pages 212-215)

The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by Susan Carlson.

Omnibus Motion

Upon motion, the following recommendations were adopted:

- 1) It is recommended that the First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn be given permission to sell the property known as Les Cheneaux Park Cottages, located at Cedarville, Michigan to Paul E. Nelson and Associates, for the following terms: sale price \$150,000; down payment \$20,000; balance to be financed on a land contract at 9% interest; with annual payments of \$13,000; entire balance to be paid within ten years from date of sale, and that this permission be retroactive to September 15, 1979.
- 2) It is recommended that approval be given to an amendment to the lease with Westminster Church for the rental of Presbytery office space, in which the monthly rent from May 1, 1981 to May 1, 1982 will be \$1,647.
- 3) It is recommended that the Sashabaw Church be given permission to offer for sale on the open market two lots for a total asking price of \$31,000.

With an amendment changing "six months" to "twenty-four months," the following motion carried: It is recommended that the Geneva Church of Canton be granted a moratorium on the payment of principal on its loans from Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly for a period of twenty-four months, beginning November, 1981.

A motion carried to correct the minutes of the meeting of October 27, 1981 with the inclusion of the following two actions taken during that meeting but inadvertently omitted from the record:

- 1) It is recommended to concur with the session of the Port Huron, Westminster Church to establish a part-time interim pastoral relationship with Ernest W. Dunn, effective October 27, 1981 for a period of six months with the following terms: \$150 per week for two days per week, with additional days as necessary at the rate of \$75 per day, 20 cents per mile travel allowance, motel and meal expenses in Port Huron; further that Mr. Dunn be appointed moderator of the session.
- 2) It is recommended that the status of Honorable Retirement be granted to William McLeister, effective October 27, 1981.

The report of the Division of Business Affairs was presented by Stated Clerk, Stanley M. Taylor. A motion carried to concur in the purchase of the house at 4965 Lakeshore Rd., Fort Gratiot Township, St. Clair County, Michigan from Paul Andress for the amount of \$52,333.33.

A motion carried to adopt the report of Presbytery Council (see Paper B-2) and to approve the following recommendations:

- 1) That the per capita apportionment be defined as follows: The per capita apportionment of The Presbytery of Detroit is for administrative expenses of the Presbytery and for ecclesiastical expenses for responsibilities of the Presbytery as they are defined in the Form of Government.
- 2) That the Structure Committee prepare amendments to the Bylaws of Presbytery to establish a special Budget Committee.
- 3) That Council appoint a special 1983 Budget Committee to begin immediately the budget process which has been approved by the Council and adopted by Presbytery in this report.

A motion to limit the legal costs of the Central Northwest Administrative Commission to \$2.50 was referred to that Administrative Commission.

A report of the Division of Mission Support was presented by Mary Younkin.

The report of the Ward Memorial Administrative Commission was presented by Gareth Baker. A motion carried to receive its report and to adopt its recommendations as follows:

- 1) It is recommended to approve the following terms of settlement mutually-agreed upon with the Community Fellowship Church as of January 26, 1982:
  - a) That the Presbytery of Detroit deed to the Community Fellowship a residence at 22526 Kendall Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, appraised at Real Estate One at a fair market value of \$32,000.
  - b) That the Presbytery of Detroit give to the Community Fellowship a number of items of furniture, and equipment including a 1973 Ford van, all of which were physically in the possession of the members of the Community Fellowship on December 15, 1981.
  - c) That the Presbytery of Detroit underwrite the expense of retiring a mortgage in the amount of \$6,000 on the property known as 22526 Kendall Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.
  - d) That the Presbytery of Detroit pay the incorporated group known as the Community Fellowship a sum of \$39,000, payable annually on the date of this proposal according to the following schedule: Year 1 - \$9,000; Year 2 - \$15,000; Year 3 - 10,000; Year 4 - \$5,000.
- 2) It is recommended to monitor and implement the agreement with the Community Fellowship Church and all other assets of the Ward Memorial Church through the Division of Business Affairs.
- 3) It is recommended to approve that all expenses of the Ward Memorial Administrative Commission be paid out of the funds of the proceeds and assets from the dissolution of the Ward Memorial Church.
- 4) It is recommended that after expenses of the Ward Memorial Administrative Commission have been paid, and any other expenses relative to the dissolution of the Ward Memorial Church have been paid, that all other funds and assets be placed in the Presbytery reserves to be used for a revolving loan fund to assist all churches or clergy in the presbytery as needed at low interest rates.
- 5) It is recommended to keep on file for a period of two years the names of any members of the Ward Memorial Church who have not yet been transferred to another church until such time as they are transferred by the Presbytery, or two years are up. It is further recommended that the Presbytery of Detroit contact any persons who are still valid members of the Ward Memorial Church and urge them to transfer to another congregation. This should be done again for any who have not transferred after one year, and again after two years.



6) It is recommended to dissolve the Ward Memorial Church as of January 26, 1982.

7) It is recommended to dismiss the Ward Memorial Administrative Commission.

A motion carried to extend the docket by fifteen minutes, and again by ten minutes.  
A motion carried to record the thanks of the Presbytery to the members of the Ward Memorial Administrative Commission for their hard, conscientious work.

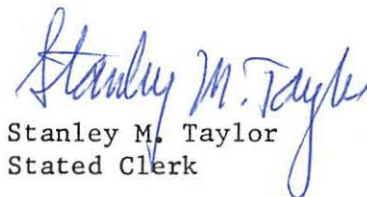
The report of the Executive Presbyter was presented by Donald Lester.

The report of the Detroit Presbyterial Association was presented by Lois Poston.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator.

Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk

Robert G. McCreight  
Recording Clerk

  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk

## Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance

May 1, 1981 - April 30, 1982

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	5	5	Garden City	1	1
Ann Arbor, First	4	4	Grosse Ile	2	2
Calvary	1	0	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	6
Northside	1	0	Grosse Pointe Woods	5	4
Westminster	1	0	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Auburn Heights	1	1	Howell	2	1 & lex
Belleville	1	ex	Lincoln Park	1	1
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	3	2
Birmingham, First	8	4 & lex	St. Paul's	4	3
Northbrook	3	3	St. Timothy	1	0
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	4	Milan, Peoples	1	0
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	2
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	1
Clarkston, Sashabaw	1	1	Northville	2	2
Dearborn, First	5	1	Novi, Faith Community	1	1
Cherry Hill	4	4	Orchard Lake	2	2
Dearborn Woods	1	0	Plymouth	3	2
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	2	2
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Detroit, First	1	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	0	Port Huron, First	1	0
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	1
Calvary	1	ex	Westminster	1	ex
Calvin East	1	0	Rochester, University	3	3
Calvin West	1	1	Roseville, Erin	2	2
			Royal Oak, First	6	1
Evergreen Village	1	1	First United	2	2
Fort Street	2	2	Christ Memorial	1	1
Grandale Ch. of the Master	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	0	Lake Shore	3	1
Hope	1	1	Saline	1	1
Jefferson Avenue	3	0	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	1
Leitch	1	1	Southfield, United	2	2
Monteith	1	1	Korean	1	0
Redford	4	4	South Lyon	1	1
St. James	1	0	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	1
St. John's	1	0	Taylor, Southminster	2	2
Southwest Community	2	2	Troy, First	1	1
Trinity	1	0	Northminster	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	0	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Village	2	2	Warren, First	1	1
			Celtic Cross	1	1
Westminster	3	0	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Woodward Ave. Ch. of the Cov.	1	1	Wayne, First	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	West Bloomfield, Church		0
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	of Our Saviour	1	1
Ecorse	1	1	Westland, Kirk of Our		1
Farmington	3	3	Savior	1	
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	White Lake	1	1
Fraser, Peace	1	1	Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	0

## STATED MEETING

Date: February 23, 1982  
Place: Detroit, Westminster Church

Moderator: William N. Colwell  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

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The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

A worship service was led by Ann Bowersox and Anne Schaefer.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Abbott	Coleman	Hershey	MacPherson	Sharpless
Allen, C.	Colwell	Hunter	Marlow	Shook
Allen, M.	Cook	Ihrie	Marvin	Shoup
Anderson	Crilley	Irvine	Mather	Simons
Antonson	Curphey	Irwin	McCloskey	Smith, P.
Armstrong	Dickson	Jansen	McCloskey-	Sommers
Baker	Dotson	Jeffrey	Turner	Stary
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Beery	Garypie	Kirkman	Nagle	Taylor, T.
Blackshear	Geider	Koster	Naylor	Terpstra
Borchardt	Geissinger	Krehbiel	Nead	Todd, R.
Bower	Gensheimer	Lambert	Peters	Torrey
Brasure	Gepford	Lester	Poland	White
Brown	Gillette	Leverenz	Ramsey	Whitledge
Campbell, V.	Glenn	Lindsey	Reynolds	Wilson, R.
Carter	Gruebel	Linthicum	Rieker	Wilson, S.
Cater	Hanna	Lister	Saum	Yingling
Cho	Harmon	Loveless	Schram, J.	
Cobleigh	Hartley	Lumley	Schram, W.	
Cole	Hawley	MacDonald	Sefcik	

ELDERS

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	McKee, D.	Berkley, Greenfield	Hamlin, S.
	Miklos, J.	Birmingham, First	Culp, W.
	Rykwald, D.		Nyberg, B.
	Wagner, J.		Perkins, J.
Ann Arbor, First	Gingles, S.		Robertson, A.
	Mathaway, M.		Robertson, W.
	Hauser, K.		Thompson, D.
	Krehbiel, M.		

Birmingham	Anderson, D.	Fraser, Peace	Magel, J.
Northbrook	Dorer, S.	Garden City	Matsuoka, A.
	Marsh, C.	Grosse Ile	Follbaum, G.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Bowden, H.	Grosse Pointe Memorial	Jones, B.
	Harris, C.		Adams, F.
	Robinson, W.	Grosse Pointe Woods	Jacobus, W.
	Shaw, F.		Peterson, R.
	Smith, D.		Brines, R.
Brighton	Holdren, S.		Moorhatch, S.
	Waite, J.		Morton, K.
Canton, Geneva	Fanslow, C.	Highland Park, Park	Zech, C.
Clarkston, Sashabaw	Roy, D.	Howell	Pettis, J.
Dearborn, First	Cobb, J.		MacBridge, R.
	Garrett, R.	Lincoln Park	Rogers, A.
	Ling, P.	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	Nelson, K.
Cherry Hill	Hyma, G.		Elam, D.
	Kerr, W.	St. Paul's	McKinley, D.
	Manson, R.		Weyer, E.
	Riley, L.		Miller, J.
Dearborn Woods	Berry, J.		Millson, V.
Littlefield Blvd.	Schebor, R.		Putnam, R.
	Toth, B.	St. Timothy	Knight, J.
Dearborn, St. Mark's	Kieltyka, D.	Milan, Peoples	Riddle, W.
Hts.		Milford	Speer, W.
Detroit, First	Thompson, C.	Mt. Clemens, First	Wilson, N.
Bethany	Dunning, C.		Eveningred, F.
Broadstreet	Cope, D.	Northville	Thompson, M.
Calvary	Harden, J.		June, J.
Calvin East	Edmundson, T.	Novi, Faith	Meyer, P.
Evergreen Village	Wylie, S.	Orchard Lake	Crawford, L.
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	Thompson, P.		Farrow, J.
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Monteith	Warren, B.	Rochester, University	Faulkner, R.
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	Bennett, C.	Roseville, Erin	Rose, E.
	McKay, E.		Rausch, A.
St. James	Devinney, I.	Royal Oak, First	Rausch, H.
Southwest	Ferguson, H.		Bauerle, R.
	Sefcik, J.	First United	Calder, D.
Village	Albright, D.		Cater, V.
	Hartley, W.	Christ Memorial	Hickman, E.
Westminster	Smith, P.	St. Clair Shores, Faith	Weaver, H.
	Spriggs, T.	Saline	Sell, J.
	White, D.	Southfield	Marino, R.
Woodward/Covenant	Douglas, S.		McKenney, R.
Drayton Plains	McQuinn, A.	South Lyon	Drake, D.
E. Det., Covenant	Campbell, L.	Sterling Heights, Utica	Jones, E.
Farmington	Allaben, R.	Taylor, Southminster	Riekkers, C.
	Kansman, D.	Troy, First	Bousquette, G.
	Pappas, P.	Northminster	Dorotinsky, B.
Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Rajala, N.	Walled Lake, Crossroads	Smith, T.
	Russell, J.		Kirkpatrick, J.
			Van Houten, J.

Warren, First	Howe, J.	Wayne	Kayganich, J.
Celtic Cross	Snyder, D.	White Lake	Shreiber, C.
Waterford, Lakeland	Walt, H.	Wyandotte	Delezenne, D.
West Bloomfield			Ward, G.
Church of Our Sav.	McIntosh, L.		

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adair, M.	Dellinger, E.	Morris, F.
Adams, M.G.	Kirk, H.	Poston, L.
Carlson, S.	Lee, K.	Younkin, M.
Craley, D.	Leigh, E.	

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

**Ministers:** Dennis Barger, John Carroll, Lawrence Chamberlain, Craig Davies, David Eshleman, LeRoy Haynes, William Hillegonds, Carl Howie, James LeDuc, Robert Orr, William Palmer, L.J. Peterson, Edward Pierson, Morgan Roberts, David Sherwin, Cyrus Smith, William Stryker, Judy Todd, Harold Vernon

**Elders:** Ann Arbor, Calvary-1; Birmingham, First-2; Ecorse-1; Grosse Pointe Memorial-1; Grosse Pointe Woods-1

**Council:** Wilma Dellinger, Mary Anne Gipson, Jean Lennox

**Guests:** Jose B. Chipenda, a minister of the People's Republic of Angola, and two visiting communicants classes

A motion carried to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 26, 1982, with an addition to the report of the Session Records Review Committee by noting that the minutes of Christ Memorial Church, Royal Oak are approved without exception. A motion carried to approve the docket for this meeting with the deletion of the reports of the Division of Staff Services and the Department of Local Church Development.

The Moderator appointed Donald White, an elder of the host church, to serve as assistant to the Stated Clerk.

A motion carried to excuse the members of the Administrative Commission for the Central Northwest Church for twenty minutes.

Omnibus Motion

Upon motion, the following recommendations were adopted:

- 1) It is recommended that up to \$20,000 be made available to the Woodward Avenue Church of the Covenant from anticipated income from the sale of the former Covenant Church; that the disbursement of the \$20,000 be made by the Treasurer of the Presbytery upon receipt of vouchers and statements from the Treasurer and Clerk of Session of the church; and that title of the former Covenant Church be transferred to the Presbytery of Detroit until all obligations and liens on it have been satisfied.
- 2) It is recommended that the Presbytery approve the following plan of the Celtic Cross Church to erect an addition to its present church building and to remodel its present structure: total cost of the project is \$200,000, which is to be financed as follows:
  - \$20,000. loan from Synod for 5 years at 9% interest
  - 50,000. loan from Presbytery
  - 65,000. loan from a commercial bank for 5 years, which includes a request to the Program Agency of the General Assembly for an interest support loan
  - 65,000. cash on hand, or as needed, or already spent

It is recommended that Presbytery loan to the Celtic Cross Church from its capital fund the amount of \$50,000 as it is vouchered by the church, that the loan be for four years at 9% interest (annual), that no payments be made on principal or interest during the first year, that at least one-third of the annual amount of interest be paid during the second year, that at least two-thirds of the annual amount of interest be paid during the third year, that all of the amount of annual interest be paid during the fourth year, that the principal amount and accrued interest be due at the end of the fourth year, or upon the proposed sale of adjacent land, whichever comes first, and that an extension of this loan be negotiable at the end of the four-year period.

- 3) It is recommended that the communicant membership of the Port Huron, Westminster Church as of December 31, 1980 be adjusted from 210 to 189, and that the per capita apportionment in the amount of \$892.08 be received by the Presbytery on the basis of the adjusted figure.

The report of the Division of Mission Support was presented by Mary Younkin.

The report of the Committee on the Plan of Reunion was presented by David Antonson.

The report of the Executive Presbyter was presented by Donald Lester.

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented by MacKay Taylor. A motion carried to elect the following persons:

Commissioners to General Assembly

<u>Ministers</u> - William Colwell	Allen Park
Charles McCloskey	Alma College
Gene Stone	Redford
Joan Stary	Southwest
Raphael Francis	Park
Stanton Wilson	Grosse Pointe Memorial
LeRoy Haynes	Saint Thomas
Kenneth Kettlewell	Detroit, First
Alternate - Geroge Ramsey	Farmington

<u>Elders</u> - Corenna Aldrich	Pontiac, First
Frances Hoisington	Joslyn Avenue
Clarence Honkanen	Grosse Pointe Woods
Gordon Robertson	Kirk in the Hills
Virginia Whitledge	St. Paul's
Ruth Allaben	Farmington
Norma Parkins	Troy, First
David Kieltyka	St. Mark's
Alternates Hiram Hubbard	Broadstreet
Lucille McIntosh	Church of Our Saviour

<u>Youth Advisory Delegate</u> - Lisa Monteiro	Broadstreet
Alternate - Heather Winchel	Brighton, First

Commissioner to Synod

Class of 1982 - Elder Doris Campbell Peoples Church

Department of Presbytery Ministries

Class of 1983 - At Large Elder Eunice Bagley Park Church

A motion carried to adopt the report of Council (Paper B - 2).

The report of the Structure Committee was presented by Kenneth Kettlewell (Paper C-10).

The report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures was presented by Henry Stenner. A motion carried to adopt the recommendations of the Bills and Overtures Committee and vote affirmatively on Overtures C, D, E, I, and L; but to cast a negative vote on Overture N. The voting was on each overture seriatim.

The report of the Committee on Self-Development was presented by Frances Pitts.

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by John Jeffrey.

The report of the Committee on Candidates was presented by Ruth Kirkman. Grace Carol Bauer was introduced to the Presbytery, and she read her statement of motivation and influence. A motion carried to arrest her examination. A motion carried to sustain the examination and enroll Grace Bauer as a candidate of the Presbytery of Detroit. The Moderator proceeded to receive her as a candidate under the care of the Presbytery.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was presented by Richard Milford. Peter C. Smith was introduced to the Presbytery. A motion carried to adopt the report and approve the following recommendations:

- 1) It is recommended to elect the following administrative commission to install Margaret G. Zedan as assistant pastor of the First Church, Howell: Ministers - William Colwell, chairperson, Harry Geissinger, William Jones, Laurel Loveless; Elders - Jean Lennox (Littlefield), Robert McBride (Howell), Ruth Will (Grandale Church of the Master), and empower said commission to install Margaret Zedan on March 28, 1982, at 3:00 P.M. at First Church, Howell.
- 2) It is recommended to concur in the extension of the part-time interim pastoral relationship between Mr. Krehbiel and the Saline Church through May 31, 1982.
- 3) It is recommended to grant permission to Theodore Tate to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery to enable him to work in the Presbytery of Lake Huron.

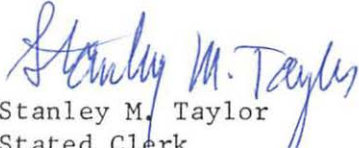
The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by Susan Carlson. A motion carried to limit speeches of debate on the issue of the nuclear arms race to three minutes. A unanimous motion carried to endorse the "Call to Halt the Nuclear Arms Race."

The report of the Central Northwest Administrative Commission was presented by Edward Koster.

The report of the Trenton Administrative Commission was presented by the Stated Clerk. A motion carried to discharge the commission, with the understanding that any remaining responsibilities of their work would be assumed by Presbytery Council.

A motion carried to commend the staff of Communique, especially for the issues on peacemaking and on alcohol abuse. A further motion carried to extend to Dennis Shoemaker and the other Communique and synod staff our sympathy at the recent death of Mary Shoemaker.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator.

  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk

## Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance

May 1, 1981 - April 30, 1982

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	5	5	Garden City	1	1
Ann Arbor, First	4	4	Grosse Ile	2	2
Calvary	1	ex	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	3 & lex
Northside	1	0	Grosse Pointe Woods	5	4 & lex
Westminster	1	0	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Auburn Heights	1	1	Howell	2	2
Belleville	1	0	Lincoln Park	1	1
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	3	3
Birmingham, First	8	6 & 2ex	St. Paul's	4	4
Northbrook	3	3	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	5	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	1
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	1	1	Northville	2	2
Dearborn, First	5	3	Novi, Faith Community	1	1
Cherry Hill	4	4	Orchard Lake	2	1
Dearborn Woods	1	1	Plymouth	3	2
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	2	1
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Detroit, First	1	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	1	Port Huron, First	1	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	1
Calvary	1	1	Westminster	1	1
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	2
Calvin West	1	0	Roseville, Erin	2	2
			Royal Oak, First	6	3
Evergreen Village	1	1	First United	2	2
Fort Street	2	2	Christ Memorial	1	1
Grandale Ch. of the Master	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	Lake Shore	3	0
Hope	1	1	Saline	1	1
Jefferson Avenue	3	2	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	1
Leitch	1	1	Southfield, United	2	2
Monteith	1	1	Korean	1	0
Redford	4	3	South Lyon	1	1
St. James	1	1	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	1
St. John's	1	0	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
Southwest Community	2	2	Troy, First	1	1
Trinity	1	0	Northminster	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	0	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Village	2	2	Warren, First	1	1
			Celtic Cross	1	1
Westminster	3	3	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Woodward Ave. Ch. of the Cov.	1	1	Wayne, First	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	West Bloomfield, Church		
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	of Our Saviour	1	1
Ecorse	1	ex	Westland, Kirk of Our		
Farmington	3	3	Savior	1	0
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	White Lake	1	1
Fraser, Peace	1	1	Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	0



**MINUTES APPROVED BY  
THE SYNOD OF THE COVENANT**

**DATE** May 13, 1982

**SIGNED** Martha P. Martin

**STATED CLERK**

*with Exceptions*

## PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

## Treasurer's Report for Fiscal Year 1980

June 23, 1981

The Treasurer of the Presbytery is herewith presenting a narrative summary of the auditors' report for the fiscal year 1980. The Trustees of the Presbytery engaged a new firm of auditors: McEndarffer, Hoke and Bernhard. The auditors presented their report to the Trustees on March 20, 1981, and have certified that the statements in their report present accurately the financial transactions of the Presbytery for the year 1980 and the financial position of the various funds of the Presbytery as of December 31, 1980.

The report consists of 1) the balance sheet, 2) the statement of income and disbursements, 3) the statement of changes in fund balances, and 4) the statement of changes in financial position.

The accounting system of the Presbytery is set up in four funds: the Program Fund, the Capital Fund, the Special Fund and the Trustees Fund.

The income for the Program Fund is primarily from the General Mission giving of our churches (\$286,732, up \$33,563 from 1979); from the Per Capita Apportionment (86,672, up \$24,679 from 1979); grants from Synod and General Assembly (\$164,531, up \$13,921 from 1979). Expenses of the Program Fund are essentially for Presbytery staff and supporting services (\$305,630), for the Council and its Divisions (\$47,288) and for the Departments of the Presbytery (\$454,106). Total income for the Program Fund was \$1,012,397; total expenses were \$1,173,197, leaving a deficit for the year of \$160,800. Offsetting this deficit the Program Fund had transfers of \$46,817 from the Major Mission Fund and \$133,071 from the Trustees Fund, for a total of \$179,888. The Fund balance on December 31, 1980 was \$94,934, up \$19,088 from 1979.

The Capital Fund consists entirely of income and disbursements used for capital purposes. The Fund does not have income in the ordinary sense. Revenues in 1980 were received from interest income (\$112,865) and income from the sale of property (\$172,299). Several loans were made to churches during 1980 from the Capital Fund and appear in the Balance Sheet under Notes Receivable. The balance in the Fund on December 31, 1980 was \$1,415,201. The Fund had assets of \$4,580,834 and liabilities of \$3,165,633. The assets were up \$341,821 from 1979 and the liabilities were up \$103,268. The Fund balance was up \$238,553. The actual cash in the Capital Fund, in terms of checking and savings accounts, on December 31, 1980 was \$6,157, down \$120,769. Most of the balance in the Fund consists of Notes Receivable from churches.

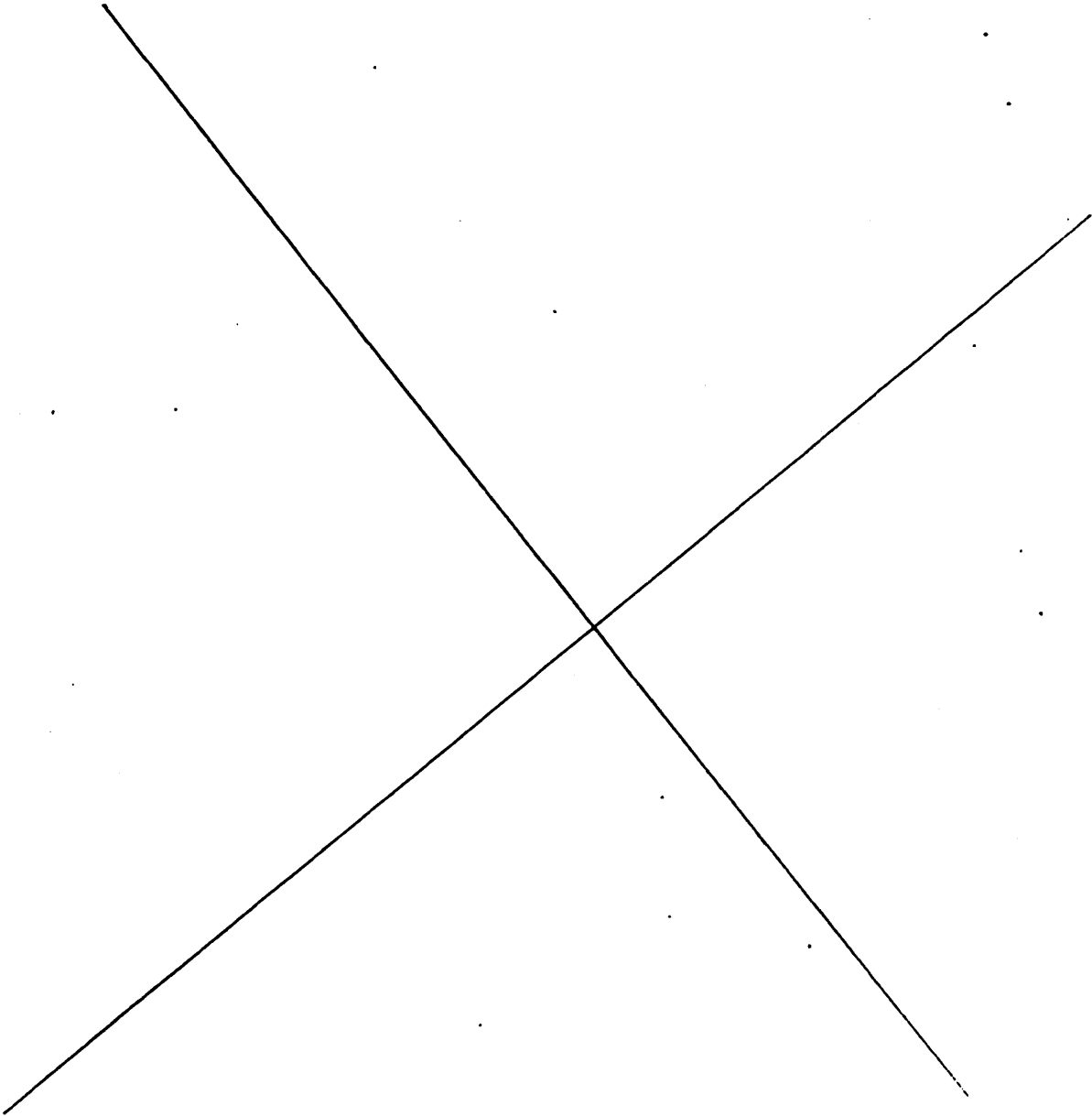
The Special Fund has a few designated items (for example, income from the sale of St. Andrew's Church, which is designated for use of capital projects at Trinity Community Church) and is the Fund in which accounting is kept of the Major Mission Fund. The balance in the Special Fund on December 31, 1980 was \$204,626, down \$26,377 from 1979.

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The Trustees Fund consists entirely of investments of funds which are specially designated in bequests: the James Joy Fund, the Ranney-Balch Fund, the Connor Fund and the McKay Fund. For some of these funds the Trustees act as a fiduciary agent for entities other than the Presbytery. For example, the Trustees disburse funds regularly to Fort Street Church, to the YMCA and the YWCA and to the other presbyteries in Michigan. As of December 31, 1980 the Trustees had cash investments of \$166,397 and stocks and bonds with a value of \$3,854,302. The auditors value stocks at their cash price or at market value, whichever is lower. The Trustees had liabilities of \$70,958, for a fund balance of \$4,083,656, down \$17,738 from 1979.

Stanley M. Taylor, Treasurer



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REPORT OF RECORD AND REVIEW COMMITTEE  
 Local Church Development Department  
 Presbytery of Detroit  
 December 1981

Paper C - 7

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The Record and Review Committee recommends the following actions on the Session Minutes and Church Records of each church as indicated.

Rule on Exception and Suggestion:

Exception - Is something the clerk must correct

Suggestion - Is something we feel would be helpful and suggest be done.

AREA I

Detroit, Bethany: Exceptions--Clerk's signature required from 11/10/80 through 6/31/81. No report of Lord's Supper 7/1/80 until Maundy Thursday 1981. Marriage page 358 not recorded. Removals and placement on Inactive Roll not recorded from page 369.

Detroit, Calvin East: A great improvement, very well done.

Detroit, Church of the Covenant:

Detroit, Eastminster: Exceptions--Persons transferred on page 325, 368, and 375 need older register to check, book missing. Administrative Commission minutes are loose in the book. Page 371 Clerk's report indicated persons transferred but don't indicate who.

Detroit, Gratiot Ave:

Detroit, Jefferson Avenue: Excellent records.

Detroit, St. James: Very good records.

Detroit, St Johns: Exception--Chronological Roll not up to date.

East Detroit, Covenant: Excellent records.

Fraser, Peace: Excellent records.

Grosse Pointe Memorial: Exception--March 2, 1981 meeting not opened with prayer. No review of Pastor's salary.

Grosse Pointe Woods: Exception--Not opened and/or closed with prayer June 7th, June 16th, Sept. 15th, Nov. 8th, and Nov. 17th. Records are other wise good.

Mt. Clemens, First: Exception--Time of meeting not recorded. Page 111 didn't close with prayer.

Port Huron, First: Exception--Page 1 meeting not opened with prayer. Very good records.

Port Huron, Lakeshore: Exception--Adult Baptism needs parent name and birth date. Good minutes.

Port Huron, Westminster: Exception--Annual Statistical Report not recorded. Minutes improved from last year.

St. Clair Shores, Faith: Exception--No closing prayer page 39 and 41.

St. Clair Shores, Lake Shore: Exception--No audit in accordance with 41:114 Book of Order. Books very well kept.

Roseville, Erin: Exception--No record of Review of Pastor's salary. Very good records.

Sterling Heights, Utica: Good records.

Warren, Celtic Cross: Excellent records.

AREA II

Berkley, Greenfield: Exception--Annual Statistical Report not in minutes.

Detroit, First: Minutes approved; register is being redone.

Detroit, Broadstreet:

Detroit, Calvary:

Detroit, Central Northwest:

Detroit, Fort St.: Exception--Annual Statistical Report not recorded. Good minutes.

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**AREA II (Continued)**

Detroit, Hope: Excellent set of records.  
Detroit, Monteith Memorial:  
Detroit, Trumbull Avenue: Very good concise Session Minutes.  
Detroit, Trinity Community:  
Detroit, Ward Memorial:  
Detroit, Westminster: Clear well organized minutes.  
Detroit, Woodward Avenue:  
Farmdale, Drayton Avenue: Records very well done.  
Highland Park, Park:  
Royal Oak, First: A fine set of books.  
Royal Oak, First United: Well kept, accurate records.  
Royal Oak, Christ Memorial: Exception--No record of review of Pastor's salary.  
 Excellent minutes.  
Southfield, Korean:  
Southfield, Southfield United: An excellent set of records.  
Warren, First: Very neat, well done set of books.

**AREA III**

Allen Park: Records very well done.  
Dearborn, First: Exception--No Statistical Report in minutes. No annual audit per Book of Order 41:114. Books very well done.  
Dearborn, Dearborn Woods: Exception--No Statistical Report in minutes. Page 228 action of re-organization of the Session should have given how re-organized. Books are very well done.  
Dearborn, Littlefield Blvd.: Exception-- Session filled an unexpired term of an Elder page 975 and 893 last year against Book of Order 47:012. Statistical Report not in minutes this year. Records are well organized.  
Detroit, Calvin West: Exception--Statistical Report not in minutes. Records very well done.  
Detroit, Church of the Master: Exceptions--1981 officers need to be put in register. Death of Margaret Dudley and transfer of #900 John Roberts need to be put in register. Records well done.  
Detroit, Evergreen Village: Exception--Statistical Report not in minutes. Records very well done.  
Detroit, Grandale: Exceptions--Baptism on page 235 and 238 not recorded in register. Transfers of #3006, 3069, and 1737 not exceptable. Death of Robert Czaykowski not in Chronological Roll. No Statistical Report in minutes. Books well kept.  
Detroit, Leitch Memorial: Exception--Transfer of Mr. & Mrs. Edward Reghetti out of order, removed 12/9/79; must reinstate to transfer. Page 171 Mrs. Alberta Lanser put church transferred to in Chronological Roll. Election of Clerk of Session, on March 1st not recorded. Death of Beatrice Campau not in Chronological Roll. Books well kept.  
Detroit, Redford: Exceptions--Persons received by letter should indicate name of church. Clerks signature needed June and July minutes. No Statistical Report in minutes. Books well kept.  
Detroit, Southwest: Exception--Member #669 listed in Chronological Roll but not in Adult Baptismal Roll. Excellent numerical reference system.  
Ecorse: Good minutes, clear and concise.  
Grosse Ile: Exceptions--Recording of Lord's Supper at the next regular meeting. Some dates of births needed in Baptismal Roll. Annual Congregational minutes not in book.

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AREA III (Continued)

Lincoln Park: Exception--No Statistical Report in the Minutes. Minutes are well kept.  
Southminster: Clear and concise minutes.  
Wyandotte: Exceptions--Difficulty with transfer of information from Session minutes to Church Register. Commissioner to Presbytery should be elected by Session at a Session meeting. Books are much improved.

AREA IV

Ann Arbor, First: Exceptions--No appointment of Temporary Clerk and no indication of closing prayer on pages 140 and 164. Statistical Report an inserted sheet. Page 157 members #9884, 3831, and 4824 not recorded in Inactive Roll.  
Ann Arbor, Calvary: Exceptions--No appointment of Temporary Clerk. Financial Statement should be part of Annual Report. No audit of books as per 41:114 Book of Order.  
Ann Arbor, Northside: Exceptions--No closing prayer indicated pages 465, 471, 476. No indication of audit 41:114 Book of Order. No Statistical Report. Minutes of January 18th meeting not approved.  
Ann Arbor, Westminster: Exceptions--No indication of audit, Book of Order 41:114. No record of report of Elder Commissioner to Presbytery. Dates of transfer should be date of Session action. Page 107 and 108 adult and children baptism not recorded; also date of birth missing. Chronological roll numbers jump from 1099 to 2000. No Statistical Report shown. Suggested using Book of Order numbers for removals, found on yellow sheet.  
Belleville: Minutes are well done.  
Brighton, First: Exceptions--Page 298 no action appointing Temporary Clerk. Date of transfers should be date of Session action. Changes to Inactive Roll not recorded. No Session action on three transfers.  
Canton, Geneva: Exception--Persons put on Inactive Roll not recorded in register. Suggest using Book of Order numbers for dismissals.  
Dearborn, Cherry Hill: Exception--Changes in rolls should be date of Session action. Suggested using Book of Order numbers on dismissals. Give some indication reports from committees are received or approved. Records are excellent.  
Dearborn Heights, St. Mark's: Exception--No indication of election of Clerk of Session. Page 224 no action appointing Temporary Clerk. No indication in Congregational Meeting on change of Pastor's call. Transfers should be date of Session Meeting.  
Detroit, Village United: Suggested--Annual Review of Pastor should be action of Session recommending to the congregation. Records well done.  
Garden City, First: Exceptions--No indication committee reports acted on by the Session. No report of financial audit in accordance Book of Order 41:114.  
Howell, First: Exception--No action appointing Temporary Clerk. For dismissals use date of Session action and Book of Order numbers. No report of Presbytery meetings.  
Livonia, Rosedale Gardens: Exceptions--Some restorations and/or transfers not recorded. Annual Statistical Report missing.  
Livonia, St. Paul's: Suggestion--Annual Statistical Report have all information contained on printed form.  
Livonia, St. Timothy: Exceptions--Some marriage and baptismal dates in Session record not the same as register. No indication of audit of finances Book of Order 41:114. No indication of annual review of pastor or action by the congregation.  
Milan, People's: Exceptions--No record of audit as per Book of Order 41:114. Need to add financial report to annual tabular report.  
Northville, First: Exceptions--Pages 466 and 470 no closing prayer. Suggested using roll numbers and Book of Order numbers for all dismissals.  
Novi, Faith Community: Exceptions--Place and time of meetings not indicated in every instant. Review of Pastor's salary not indicated. No audit of Treasurer's Report indicated. Use date of Session action on all transfers.

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AREA IV (Continued)

- Plymouth, First: Exceptions--Dismissals and transfers to be dated as of Session action. Some transfers and moves to Inactive Roll not recorded.
- Saline, First: Exceptions--No Statistical Report in minutes. No election of a clerk indicated. No report of Commissioners of 9/7 and 12/24/80. No audit of Treasurer's report indicated. All transfers and dismissals should be date of Session action. Suggest using Book of Order numbers on all dismissals.
- South Lyon: Exceptions--No Session action noted approving celebration of Lord's Supper. Nominating committee must have majority from the congregation. Very good minutes.
- Wayne, First: Minutes and Records are excellent and informative.
- Westland, Kirk of our Savior: Exception--No indication who was elected Commissioner to Presbytery. Excellent records.
- Ypsilanti, First: Exceptions--In most cases time meetings began and ended is missing. Clerk has not signed minutes for the year. Suggested using Book of Order numbers for dismissals.

AREA V

- Auburn Heights, First: Excellent set of minutes.
- Birmingham, First: Exceptions--Page 150 delete from roll should be transfer, Page 154 members #8451 and #8491 can't be found in register. Page 156 member #8964 has not been deleted. Elder Commissioner to Presbytery not always given.
- Birmingham, Northbrook: Generally very well done minutes.
- Birmingham Kirk in the Hills: Exception--Congregation did not approve changes to Pastor's call. Suggest you document election of Trustees. Well written minutes.
- Clarkston-Sashabaw: Records very good.
- Drayton Plains, Community: Exception--Clerks signature missing from Dec. 1980. Suggest member numbers be used in minutes.
- Farmington, First: Exceptions--Signature of Clerk missing for entire year. Five new members listed in register not mentioned in minutes. Very clear concise records.
- Milford, First: Exceptions--Minutes approved as corrected but corrections not mentioned. Names of commissioners to Presbytery not always given. April 21, 1980 meeting conducted without moderator.
- Orchard Lake, Community: Exception--No mention of Pastor's review or Congregational approval of terms of call. No audit as per Book of Order 41:114.
- Pontiac, First: Exceptions--Inserted sheets of paper in register. No audit as per Book of Order 41:114.
- Pontiac, Church of the Atonement: Exception--Review of Pastor's salary not mentioned in minutes.
- Pontiac, Joslyn Avenue: Exceptions--Page 318 marriage not in register. Page 322 number 273 transfer not in register. Page 327 new members not in register.
- Rochester, University: Excellent minutes.
- Shelby, Saint Thomas: Exceptions--Communion should be reported at the next regular meeting of the Session. Membership actions on March 2, 1981 not in register.
- Troy, First:
- Troy, Northminster: Exceptions--Statistical Report not in minutes. No audit 41:114 Book of Order. Suggest using roll numbers on dismissals. Minutes are clear and concise generally.
- Walled Lake, Cross Roads: Exception--No audit Book of Order 41:114.
- Waterford, Lakeland: Exceptions--Roll of Adult Baptism is not maintained. Session meetings must have a moderator present.
- West Bloomfield, Church of our Savior: Exception--No audit of financial records 41:114 Book of Order Records very well done.
- White Lake: Exception--Elder Commissioner to Presbytery not always shown in register. Good recording.

## STATED MEETING

Date: April 27, 1982

Moderator: William N. Colwell

Place: Detroit, Calvin United Presbyterian Church

Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Calvin United Presbyterian Church, 14221 Southfield, Detroit, on April 27, 1982, at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

A worship service was led by Edward Koster and Richard Henderson.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present:

MINISTERS

Abbott	Cook	Henderson	Marvin	Smith, P.
Allen	Crilley	Hershey	Mather	Smith, R.
Anderson	Davies	Hillegonds	McCloskey	Sommers
Antonson	Dawson	Howie	McIvor	Stary
Armstrong	Dickson	Ihrle	Milford	Stenner
Baliad	Dotson	Jansen	Mishler	Stone, G.
Baker	Douglas	Jeffrey	Mitcham	Stryker
Banks	Dunkelberger, M.	Keebler	Moore	Sutton
Barcus	Dunkelberger, R.	Kesler	Nagle	Taylor, K.
Barger	Dunn	Kettlewell	Nead	Taylor, M.
Barnes	Ellens	Kiely	Orr	Taylor, S.
Bartko	Ferry	Kim	Pierson	Taylor, T.
Battles	Forsyth	Kirkman	Poland	Terpstra
Beal	Garypie	Koster	Ramsey	Todd, R.
Beery	Geider	Krehbiel	Reynolds	Todd, J.
Blackshear	Geissinger	Lambert	Rieker	Torrey
Boeve	Gepford	Lester	Roberts	Wilson, R.
Brown	Gillette	Leverenz	Saum	Wilson, S.
Campbell	Glenn	Lindsey	Schram, W.	Woodruff
Carroll	Grubel	Linthicum	Schram, J.	Yingling
Carter	Gunersen	Lister	Sefcik	Zedan
Cater	Hanna	Loveless	Sharpless	
Chamberlain	Harmon	Lumley	Sherwin	McCloskey-
Cobleigh	Hartley	MacDonald	Shoup	Turner
Cole	Hawley	MacPherson	Simons	
Colwell	Haynes	Marlow	Smith, C.	

ABSENCES

Cannon	Francis	Muench	Shook	Wingrove
Cho	Gensheimer	Tate	Way	
Coleman	Jones, V.	Thompson	White	



ELDERS

Allen Park	Botu, S. Grassie, W. Jones, P. McKenzie, D. Mikos, J.	Monteith Redford	Warren, B. Cotton, J. Fuller, V. Provonche, G. Wheeler, K.
Ann Arbor, First	Curtis, A. Hauser, K. Miner, E. Santinga, R. Quinn, C. Boyd, B. Reedy, J. Fischer, C. Istock, J. Perkins, J. Pruett, J. Sloan, J. Thompson, D. Zimmer	Southwest  Trinity Trumbull Avenue Village Westminster	Gipson, M. Sefcik, J. Buford, C. Rohrer, E. Wiliford, M. Smith, S. Thompson, A. White, D. Burnette, M. Hazlett, G. Duff, E. Huffman, L. Johnson, D. Kansman, D. Griffo, L. Russell, J. Bacon, E. Peterson, G. Millikin, N. Morrison, H. Adams, F. Anderson, C. Brown, P. Conner, N. Dodds, J. Brines, R. Craig, Peg Drummond, K. Ryan, R. Doll, K. MacBride, R. Wilber, G. Kumbion, N. Runyan, G. Miller, J. Millson, V. Velis, C. Munro, C. Barnes, H. Dill, V. McLeod, J. Fleming, J. Henning, R. June, J. Meyer, P. Crawford, L. Ernst, L. Chesney, J. Field, D.
Auburn Heights Belleville Berkley, Greenfield Birmingham, First	Harrison, M. Howard, R. Kirk, H. North, J. Dressler, J. Goodman Jr., H. Mazure, C. Robinson, W. Grant, J. Holdren, H. Fanslow, C. Lyles, J. Hyma, G. Manson, R. Morley, R. Riley, L. Cobb, J. Currie, R. Daykin, T. Fowler, J. Schebor, R.	Woodward/Covenant Drayton Plains East Detroit Farmington	
Northbrook		Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk		Fraser, Peace Garden City Grosse Ile	
Brighton		Grosse Pointe Memorial	
Canton, Geneva Clarkston, Sashabaw Dearborn, Cherry Hill		Grosse Pointe Woods	
First		Highland Park, Park Howell Lincoln Park Livonia, Rosedale Gard.	
Littlefield Blvd.		St. Paul's	
Dearborn Heights St. Mark's Detroit, Broadstreet Calvary Calvin East Calvin West	Kieltyka, D. Cole, D. Harden, J. Kempt, E. DeVries, D. Holden, A. Taylor, G. Kettlewell, J. Cameron, J. Jones, B. Crowley, E. Rogers, D. Shepherd, M. Higgins, J. Caulkins, B. Palmer, R. Chiz, N.	St. Timothy Milan Milford	
Evergreen Village First Fort Street		Mt. Clemens, First  Northville	
Grandale		Novi, Faith	
Gratiot Avenue Hope Jefferson Avenue		Plymouth	
Leitch Memorial			

Shelby, St. Thomas	Dryden, R.	Pontiac, Atonement	Freeland, B.
Southfield, Korean	Kim, Jung	First	Irwin, J.
Southfield United	Drake, D.		Neipling, B.
	Jones, E.	Joslyn Avenue	Miller, M.
South Lyon	Beckstein, S.	Port Huron, Lakeshore	Anthony, R.
	Heath, F.	Westminster	Bragg, R.
Sterling Hgts. Utica	Bousquette, G.	Rochester, University	Curry, J.
Taylor, Southminster	Anderson, L.		Haddad, M.
	Dorotinsky, B.		Miller, M.
Troy, First	Telfer, George	Roseville, Erin	MacDonald, E.
Norminster	Kirkpatrick, J.	Royal Oak,	
Walled Lake	Van Houten, J.	Christ Memorial	Sell, J.
Warren, Celtic Cross	Snyder, D.	First	Calder, D.
First	Shafer, A.		Cater, V.
Waterford, Lakeland	Johnson, L.	First United	Kirkman, R.
Wayne	Kayganich, J.		Angeles, N.
West Bloomfield			Hickman, E.
Ch. of our Saviour	McIntosh, L.		Weaver, H.
White Lake	Schreiber, C.	SCS, Faith	Preston, D.
Wyandotte	Hartz, F.	Lake Shore	Nesbitt, M.
	Hunter, B.	Saline	Traver, D.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.	Crawford, L.	Lennox, J.
Brown, F.	Dellinger, W.	Morris, F.
Carlson, B.	Lee, K.	Poston, L.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: Carol Allen, Henry Borchardt, Peter Bower, Kenneth Brand, Lloyd Brasure, John Curphey, David Eshleman, Donald Flowers, Gordon Irvine, Dale Hunter, William Jones, James LeDuc, Edward Miller, Ronald Naylor, William Palmer, Richard Peters, L. J. Peterson, David Swinehart, Harold Vernon, William Whitledge

Elders: Howell, First - 1

Council: Eleanor Leigh

Guests: Communicant classes of First Church of Dearborn and Drayton Plains Community Church

A motion carried to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 23, 1982, as distributed. A motion carried to approve the docket for this meeting with the addition of a five minute report by Kenneth Kettlewell on his recent visit to the White House and the deletion of the report of the Department of Local Church Development.

The Moderator appointed Alvin Holden, an elder of the host church, to serve as assistant to the Stated Clerk.

Omnibus Motion

Upon motion, the following recommendations were adopted:

- 1) It is recommended that approval be given to the application of the Geneva Church of Canton for an Energy/Handicap Loan from the Program Agency of \$15,000 for ten years at 7% interest, and that the Geneva Church be given permission to borrow from a commercial source an amount not to exceed \$10,000 at 13% interest.

- 2) It is recommended that Presbytery concur in the request of the Southminster Church of Taylor for a three year moratorium of the payment of principal and interest on Program Agency Loan No. 1375. Balance due on the loan is \$46,175.00 with accrued interest of \$4,868.00 and past due principal of \$4,758.00
- 3) It is recommended that Presbytery concur in the request of the Lakeshore Church of Port Huron for a one year moratorium on the payment of principal on Program Agency Loans Nos. 1-11-085105, 1-11-086703 and 1-25-004502. The balances on these loans are, respectively, \$8,815.00, \$19,093.00 and \$25,000.00.
- 4) It is recommended that the Presbytery concur in the request of the Crossroads Church of Walled Lake for a three year moratorium on the payment of principal on Program Agency Loan No. 1-11-122, on which the balance is \$24,784.00
- 5) It is recommended that the Presbytery seek an agreement with the Synod of the Covenant concerning a 50 Million Fund loan made to the Crossroads Church, as follows: it is agreed that the amount of the loan is \$25,000.00; it is agreed that the intent of the First Church of Pontiac to contribute \$5,000.00 toward payment of the loan be honored; it is agreed that there be a three year moratorium on payment of principal of the loan; it is agreed that during the three years the church will pay 3% interest on the loan; it is agreed that at the end of the three year period an amortization schedule for repayment of the loan will be negotiated.
- 6) It is recommended that the Presbytery loan to the Lincoln Park Church from its Capital Fund, the amount of \$8,000.00 for five years at 9% interest. The purpose of the loan is for major roof repair and for some miscellaneous improvements.
- 7) It is recommended that the Westminster Church of Detroit be given permission to sell a piece of property located in the Township of Bois Blanc in Mackinaw County to Patricia Egan for \$20,000.00, and that this permission be retroactive to October 19, 1981.
- 8) It is recommended that the Drayton Plains Church be given permission to sell or raze a building adjacent to the church, formerly used as a manse, it being understood that no land is being sold and that the purchaser will move the house to another site or dismantle it.
- 9) It is recommended that the Redford Church be given permission to sell 100 burial spaces at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy.
- 10) It is recommended that the Presbytery attest to the Building Fund Committee of the Program Agency the following grant mortgages, as of December 31, 1981:

Ann Arbor, Calvary	6,000	St. John's	5,000
Dearborn Woods	8,000	East Detroit, Covenant	12,500
Calvin West	29,050	Garden City	495
Evergreen Village	6,500	Winchester Village	10,000
Grandale Church of the Master	30,000	Livonia, St. Paul's	10,000
Monteith	9,000	Royal Oak, Christ Memorial	10,000

Upon motion, the Erin Church of Roseville was removed from the list.

A motion carried to adopt the report of the Presbytery Council as follows:  
 At its meeting on April 13, 1982, the Council of the Presbytery of Detroit took the following actions:

- 1) Coopted Gordon Irvine and Theodore Taylor as members of the Council.
- 2) Approved publication of the Bylaws of Presbytery in the 1983 edition of the Presbytery Directory.
- 3) Approved the appointment of Jean Lennox to fill the vacancy on the Synod Mission Council caused by the resignation of Robert McCreight.
- 4) Dissolved the associate pastoral relationship between Howard Warren and the First Church of Pontiac and dismissed Mr. Warren to the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley, effective May 1, 1982.
- 5) Elected the following administrative commission to install Peter Smith as pastor of the Jefferson Avenue Church: ministers--William Colwell, Gordon Irvine, Drew Nagle; elders--Edward Rosella (Jefferson Avenue), Barbara Madarasz (Grosse Pointe Memorial), Peggy Lee (St. John's); and Herbert Anderson (Presbytery of New York City) and John Bellingham (Presbytery of Chicago) as corresponding members of the commission.

- 6) Authorized the Division of Business Affairs to make its April report directly to the Presbytery.
- 7) Dissolved the Administrative Commission to install Charles Shook, Jr. as associate pastor of the Allen Park Church.
- 8) Changed the date of the June meeting of Council from June 8 to June 1, 1982.
- 9) Dissolved the Administrative Commission to install Peter Smith as pastor of the Jefferson Avenue Church, Detroit.

The report of the Division of Mission Support was presented by Theodore Taylor.

The report of the Committee on the Plan of Reunion was presented by Stanley M. Taylor.

The Annual Report of the Stated Clerk was presented in written form by Stanley M. Taylor (see Paper F-1 attached).

A motion carried to adopt the Equalization of Elder Commissioners as set forth on Paper F-1 (attached).

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by John Jeffrey.

The report of the Committee on Candidates was presented by Ruth Kirkman. Lee Pruett was introduced to the Presbytery and she read her statement of motivation and influence. A motion carried to arrest her examination. A motion carried to sustain the examination and to enroll Lee Pruett as a candidate for the gospel ministry of the Presbytery of Detroit. Craig Jonathan Lindsey was introduced to the Presbytery, and he read his statement of motivation and influence. A motion carried to arrest his examination. A motion carried to sustain the examination and enroll Craig Lidsey as a candidate for the gospel ministry of the Presbytery of Detroit. The Moderator proceeded to receive Lee Pruett and Craig Lindsey as candidates under the care of the Presbytery.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was presented by Richard Milford. Margaret Zedan was introduced to the Presbytery by Jean Lennox. A motion carried to receive the report and to adopt the following recommendations:

- 1) It is recommended to concur with the congregation of the Faith Church, St. Clair Shores to dissolve the pastoral relationship with Richard C. Smith; approve the call of the First Presbyterian Church, Marion, Indiana to Richard C. Smith; dismiss Mr. Smith to the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley, effective May 1, 1982; appoint Joseph MacDonald as moderator of the Session; and authorize the Session with the aid, advice and consent of the Committee on Ministerial Relations to secure temporary supplies for its pulpit. Ruling elders Donald Preston and Frances Morris spoke in appreciation of Mr. Smith, and the call was placed in his hands.
- 2) It is recommended to concur with the congregation of the First Church, Northville in calling John L. Mishler to become its associate pastor, effective May 1, 1982, with the following terms: \$13,800 salary, \$5,535 housing allowance, full pension, \$386.70 hospitalization, \$2,200 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$200 study allowance, one month's vacation, annual review; elect the following special administrative commission: Ministers - Lawrence Chamberlain, chairperson, George Jerome, Lawrence McMellen; Elders - Linda Crawford (Novi, Faith), Peggy Meyer (Northville), Mary Sawyer (Plymouth), and empower said commission to install Mr. Mishler, May 2, 1982, 11 a.m. at First Church, Northville. Ruling elder Peggy Meyer spoke in support of Mr. Mishler, and the call was placed in his hands.
- 3) It is recommended to concur with the congregation of the First Church, Plymouth in calling Thomas H. Cook to become its associate pastor, effective May 1, 1982, with the following terms: \$11,960 salary, \$7,000 housing allowance, full pension, \$1,742.40 hospitalization, \$2,200 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$325 study allowance, one month's vacation, and annual review; and to place the call in Mr. Cook's hands. Ruling elder William Stokes spoke in support of Mr. Cook.

- 4) It is recommended that Presbytery approve extension of part-time interim contracts to July 31, 1982, for the following: James Conley - Dearborn Woods, Robert Craghead - Trinity, David Abbott - Covenant, East Detroit, Lloyd Brasure - Lakeshore, Port Huron, Ernest Dunn - Westminster. Port Huron.
- 5) It is recommended to elect the following administrative commission to install Myron J. Kaufman, Jr. as pastor of the United Presbyterian Church of Wyandotte: Ministers - William Colwell, chairperson, Donald G. Lester, Richard J. Milford, William Wingrove, William Gepford; Elders - Helen Morrison (Grosse Ile), Gretchen Nelson (Wyandotte), Katherine Nelson (Lincoln Park) with Donald McFerren (Lake Huron Presbytery) invited to be a corresponding member and empower said commission to install Myron J. Kaufman, Jr., May 2, 1982, 3 p.m. at Wyandotte Church.
- 6) It is recommended that changes in terms of call be approved as follows:
- C. Allen - \$150 salary increase, \$1,100 housing increase, \$200 car increase, \$64 hospitalization decrease; M. Allen - \$915 salary increase, \$495 housing increase, \$830 car increase; Anderson - \$3,465 salary increase; Antonson - \$1,348 salary increase; Armstrong - \$2,000 salary increase, \$200 study increase; Barcus - \$1,250 salary increase, \$500 housing increase, \$300 car increase, \$35 hospitalization increase, \$100 study increase; Barger - \$750 housing increase, \$150 car increase, \$26 hospitalization increase, \$200 other increase, \$7 FICA increase; Bartko - \$1,000 salary increase; Battles - \$1,980 salary increase; Beal - \$1,800 salary increase, \$1,500 housing increase, \$200 study increase; Beery - \$1,792 salary increase, \$600 car increase, \$320 utilities' increase, \$42 hospitalization increase; Blackshear - \$2,300 salary increase, \$205 car increase; Bower - \$500 salary increase, \$700 housing increase, \$50 car increase, \$500 utilities' increase, \$34 hospitalization increase, \$200 study increase; Brown - \$331 salary increase, \$2,715 housing increase, \$950 car increase, 1 day vacation increase; Campbell - \$893 salary increase, \$100 car increase, \$200 study increase; Carroll - \$2,005 salary increase; Carter - \$1,120 salary increase, \$400 housing increase, \$300 hospitalization increase, \$500 other increase; Cobleigh - \$2,000 housing increase, \$36 hospitalization increase; Colwell - \$1,370 salary increase, \$1,173 housing decrease; Cook - \$710 salary increase, \$200 housing increase, \$100 car increase, \$1,202 hospitalization increase; Crilley - \$1,022 salary increase, \$750 FICA increase; Curphey - \$1,263 salary increase, \$580 housing increase, \$180 car increase, \$30 study increase; Davies - \$700 salary increase, \$600 housing increase, \$600 car increase, \$270 hospitalization increase; M. Dunkelberger - \$600 housing increase, \$700 car increase; Eshleman - \$1,700 salary increase, \$840 housing increase, \$200 car increase, \$30 study increase; Forsyth - \$500 housing increase, \$450 expense increase, \$100 hospitalization increase; Geider - \$1,278 salary increase, \$281 hospitalization increase; Geissinger - \$2,000 salary increase; Gepford, \$1,500 salary increase; Glenn - \$620 salary increase, \$600 housing decrease, \$220 car decrease; Gruebel - \$1,000 salary decrease, \$1,000 housing increase, \$980 hospitalization increase, \$300 study increase; Hanna - \$1,975 salary increase, \$291 car increase, \$120 utilities increase, \$300 hospitalization increase; Hartley - \$10 salary decrease, \$1,715 housing increase, \$240 car increase, \$34 hospitalization increase; Haynes - \$605 salary increase, \$495 housing increase, \$150 car increase; Hillegonds - \$412 salary increase, \$1,300 housing increase, \$376 hospitalization increase; Howie - \$2,783 salary increase; Hunter - \$1,020 salary increase; \$280 car decrease; Jansen - \$1,500 salary increase; Jeffrey - \$3,715 salary decrease, \$5,100 housing increase, \$200 car increase; Keebler - \$796 salary increase, \$2 utilities' increase; Kesler - \$3,200 salary increase, \$120 hospitalization; Kettlewell - \$1,300 salary increase,

\$108 car increase, \$228 hospitalization increase, \$200 study decrease, \$385 FICA increase; Kirkman - \$23,000 salary decrease, \$254 hospitalization increase; Koster - \$1,331 salary increase, \$823 housing increase, \$250 car increase, \$40 study increase; Lambert - \$900 salary increase, \$190 housing increase; LeDuc - \$1,044 salary increase, \$1,300 housing increase, \$100 car increase, \$275 utilities' increase, \$52 hospitalization increase, \$100 study increase; Leverenz - \$1,000 salary increase, \$300 car increase, \$500 utilities' increase, \$164 hospitalization increase, \$100 study increase; Lindsey - \$1,603 salary increase, \$700 housing \$140 car increase; Linthicum - \$1,570 salary increase, \$637 housing increase, \$200 study increase; Lister - \$1,056 salary increase, \$21 hospitalization increase, \$112 hospitalization increase; Loveless - \$377 salary increase, \$109 housing increase, \$100 car increase; Lumley - \$1,866 salary increase, \$1,000 housing increase; Magee - \$1,060 salary increase, \$400 housing, \$100 car increase, \$392 hospitalization increase; Marvin - \$3,496 salary increase, \$156 housing increase, \$15 hospitalization increase; Mather - \$2,200 salary increase, \$45 hospitalization increase; McIvor, \$1,000 salary increase, \$100 car increase, \$36 hospitalization increase, \$200 other increase; Milford - \$2,056 salary increase, \$1,200 housing increase; Nagle - \$700 salary increase; Naylor - \$1,400 salary increase, \$1,000 housing increase, \$600 car increase, \$45 hospitalization increase; Nead - \$1,000 salary decrease, \$1,000 housing increase; Orr - \$1,250 salary increase, \$100 expense increase, \$100 study decrease; Palmer - \$1,372 salary increase, \$137 car increase, \$10 hospitalization increase, \$101 FICA increase; Peters - \$1,160 salary increase, \$1,000 housing increase; Pierson - \$505 salary increase, \$455 housing increase, \$830 car increase; Poland - \$750 salary increase, \$200 utilities' increase, \$39 hospitalization increase; Roberts - \$1,200 salary increase, \$41 hospitalization increase, \$200 other increase, \$464 FICA increase; Saum - \$2,200 salary increase, \$250 car increase, \$50 study increase; Sefcik - \$766.75 salary increase, one week vacation increase; Sharpless - \$1,500 expense increase; Sherwin - \$1,800 salary increase, \$600 housing increase, \$500 car increase, \$48 hospitalization increase, \$50 study increase; Shook - \$1,390 salary increase; Sommers - \$1,200 salary increase, \$200 car increase, \$30 hospitalization increase, \$200 other increase, \$123 FICA increase; Stryker - \$1,605 salary increase; Stryker - \$3,308 salary increase, \$307 housing increase, \$739 car decrease; Sutton - \$1,860 salary increase; Swinehart - \$1,400 salary increase; Smith (Bethany) - \$485 salary decrease, \$300 housing increase, \$225 utilities' increase, \$1 hospitalization increase; Smith (St. James) - \$485 salary decrease, \$300 housing increase, \$225 utilities' increase, \$1 hospitalization increase; Taylor - \$1,600 salary increase, \$800 housing increase, \$200 utilities' increase, \$260 utilities' increase, \$114 hospitalization increase, \$168 expense increase; J. Todd - \$2,223.50 salary increase, \$1,350 housing increase, \$340 car increase, \$25 hospital decrease; R. Todd - \$2,223.50 salary increase, \$1,353 housing increase, \$340 car increase, \$25 hospitalization decrease; Simons - \$1,400 salary increase; Whitledge - \$2,600 salary increase, \$300 study increase; R. Wilson - \$805 salary increase, \$1,200 housing increase; S. Wilson - \$1,401.01 salary increase; Wingrove - \$1,120 salary increase, \$280 housing increase, \$1,120 car increase, \$378 hospitalization increase; Woodruff - \$1,000 salary increase, \$328 study increase.

The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by Susan Carlson. A motion carried to endorse the celebration of the Children's Sabbath, June 12 and 13, 1982. A motion carried to grant privilege of the floor to David Bower, a representative of CROP, Church World Service, who presented a slide program concerning his work.

The report of the Special Committee on Presbytery Structure was presented by Kenneth Kettlewell. A motion carried to amend the Bylaws and structure of the Presbytery of Detroit to create a new Department of Mission Support (Paper C-10). A motion carried to amend the Bylaws of the Presbytery of Detroit to implement the establishment of a Budget Committee (Paper C-10).

The report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by MacKay Taylor. Following a call for nominations from the floor, a motion carried to elect the following persons:

Presbytery Council

Area IV 1983 The Rev. Gareth Baker

Staff Services Division

Area IV 1982 The Rev. Charles McCloskey

Judicial Commission

1987 The Rev. Donald Muench

1987 Elder Jean Sweet

Northminster

Local Church Development Department

At Large 1982 The Rev. Robert Johnson

At Large 1983 The Rev. William Schram

At Large 1984 Elder Julie Arnold

Detroit, Westminster

At Large 1984 Elder Gerald Miller

Geneva

Program and Resource Development Department

Area IV 1982 Rex Ryckman

Belleville

At Large 1983 The Rev. Margaret Zedan

At Large 1984 Kris McConnell

Cherry Hill

Mission Support Department

Chairperson 1 year Elder Mary Younkin

Grandale/Master

Area III 1982 Elder Barbara Gepford

Littlefield

Area III 1982 The Rev. Gene Stone

Area IV 1982 Elder Joseph Flynn

Garden City

At Large 1982 Elder Lois Poston

Birmingham, First

At Large 1982 The Rev. L. J. Peterson

Area IV 1983 The Rev. Laurence Woodruff

Area V 1983 Elder Marianne Hall

University

At Large 1983 Elder Robert Arnold

Park

At Large 1983 Evelyn Baker

Garden City

At Large 1983 The Rev. Robert Dickson

At Large 1983 Elder Jean June

Northville

At Large 1983 The Rev. Francis Nagy

At Large 1983 Elder Patrick Thompson

Fort Street

At Large 1983 The Rev. John Yingling

Area I 1984 The Rev. Stanton Wilson

At Large 1984 The Rev. Mark Allen

At Large 1984 Elder Francile Anderson

Drayton Plains

At Large 1984 The Rev. Clanton Dawson

At Large 1984 Elder Donald Hill

Grosse Ile

At Large 1984 The Rev. Alfred Nead

At Large 1984 The Rev. J. Cyrus Smith

It was noted that the names of the Rev. Stanton Wilson and Elder Norman Parkins have been removed from the list of elected commissioners of the Presbytery of Detroit to the 194th General Assembly. After a call for nominations from the floor, a motion carried to elect Elder Ruth Allaben as Recording Clerk of the Presbytery of Detroit.

The report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures was presented by Henry Stenner. A motion carried to adopt the recommendations of the Bills and Overtures Committee and vote affirmatively on Overtures F, H, K, and P, and to cast a negative vote on Overture M. The voting was on each overture seriatim. A motion carried to overture the 194th General Assembly to adopt a position that all United Presbyterian pastors, associate pastors and assistant pastors are considered to be self-employed for the purpose of filing Federal income tax reports and to urge its agencies and boards to observe that position. A motion carried to overture the 194th General Assembly to establish a special committee of the Mission Council or of an agency of the General Assembly to study our denomination's position regarding public education in light of the realities of our day; that this committee be composed of educators, laypeople and clergy and that this committee be instructed to collect data, to assess our historic positions and to recommend future positions regarding elementary and secondary education; and further, that this committee be instructed to report to the General Assembly meeting in 1983. A motion carried to overture the 194th General Assembly to direct that presbyteries in high areas of employment shall establish committees on relocation composed of knowledgeable persons to publish basic resource information about economic opportunities and relocation information and to encourage and organize host churches or host families to provide Christian care and support for families or single adults seeking relocation; and presbyteries in high areas of unemployment shall establish similar corresponding committees to assist individuals or families considering relocation, this committee to maintain resource information and provide appropriate vocational and supportive counseling in order to enable those who wish to relocate, opportunity to make a smooth transition; and further, the Program Agency of the General Assembly be instructed to put into motion the aforementioned program for relocation and to assist presbyteries in their development of it (see Paper C-12 attached).

The report of the Executive Presbyter was presented by Donald G. Lester.

A report recognizing the 300th anniversary of the ordination of Francis Makemie was presented by Frank Marvin.

A report on the April 13, 1982 White House luncheon for church and community leaders was presented by Kenneth Kettlewell.

The report of the Central Northwest Administrative Commission was presented by Edward Koster. Upon its recommendation, the Moderator ruled out of order the motion of January 26, 1982, limiting the legal costs of the Central Northwest Administrative Commission to \$2.50.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
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Stated Clerk



## Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance

May 1, 1981 - April 30, 1982

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	5	5	Garden City	1	1
Ann Arbor, First	4	4	Grosse Ile	2	2
Calvary	1	ex	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	5
Northside	1	0	Grosse Pointe Woods	5	4
Westminster	1	0	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Auburn Heights	1	1	Howell	2	1 & lex
Belleville	1	1	Lincoln Park	1	1
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	3	2
Birmingham, First	8	7	St. Paul's	4	3
Northbrook	3	3	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	4	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	2
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	1	1	Northville	2	2
Dearborn, First	5	3	Novi, Faith Community	1	1
Cherry Hill	4	4	Orchard Lake	2	0
Dearborn Woods	1	0	Plymouth	3	2
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	2	2
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Detroit, First	1	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	0	Port Huron, First	1	0
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	1
Calvary	1	1	Westminster	1	1
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	3
Calvin West	1	2	Roseville, Erin	2	1
			Royal Oak, First	6	3
Evergreen Village	1	1	First United	2	2
Fort Street	2	2	Christ Memorial	1	1
Grandale Ch. of the Master	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	Lake Shore	3	1
Hope	1	1	Saline	1	1
Jefferson Avenue	3	2	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	1
Leitch	1	1	Southfield, United	2	2
Monteith	1	1	Korean	1	1
Redford	4	4	South Lyon	1	1
St. James	1	0	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	1
St. John's	1	0	Taylor, Southminster	2	2
Southwest Community	2	2	Troy, First	1	1
Trinity	1	1	Northminster	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Village	2	1	Warren, First	1	1
			Celtic Cross	1	1
Westminster	3	3	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Woodward Ave. Ch. of the Cov.	1	1	Wayne, First	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	West Bloomfield, Church		
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	of Our Saviour	1	1
Forse	1	0	Westland, Kirk of Our		
Farmington	3	3	Savior	1	1
Grandale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	White Lake	1	1
Fraser, Peace	1	1	Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	0

## THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

## Annual Report of the Stated Clerk

Based on the Statistical Report to General Assembly

April 27, 1982

The following statistical summary of the annual report of the Presbytery of Detroit to the General Assembly is presented in fulfillment of the requirement that the Stated Clerk report annually on the spiritual health of the Presbytery. The only objective diagnosis of presbyterian health is contained in the statistics which the churches present.

Statistics, of course, do not tell the human story of a congregation, the quality of lay leadership, the devotion of volunteers, the joys, successes, traumas and disappointments that are the flesh and spirit which clothe the figures. But no one person knows the full living-color story of all our congregations; perhaps no one really knows the whole story of even one church.

Therefore, the safest and most reliable approach to an annual assessment of our spiritual health is to analyze the statistical report, which has been submitted to the Office of the General Assembly, to be published with the reports of all the other presbyteries of our great denomination. That wonderful volume, labelled "General Assembly Minutes, Part II," contains a record of our pulse, our heart beat, our blood count. What follows is an attempt to make sense of the laboratory report for the year ending December 31, 1981.

I have isolated seven elements of our spiritual health. The first is gains and losses in membership. We are declining, becoming weaker year by year. Our loss was 7,402 members. A significant part of this loss was due to our withdrawing churches. These accounted for a total of 5,221 persons. Of our 97 churches, 57 had a net loss and only 40 had a net gain. The largest recorded loss was that of the Jefferson Avenue Church--509 members--and the largest gain was made by the Grosse Pointe Woods Church--61 members. Ann Arbor, First and Warren, First each gained 57 members. The Jefferson Avenue loss was due to a "cleaning of the rolls." This indication of ill health is dealt with under element no. 3. The obvious conclusion is that unless we can convert the Presbytery net loss into a net gain we will diminish into extinction. We need to give the highest priority to church growth. We need to resolve that our Lord is not honored by these losses to his Body. Efforts are now under way in our Presbytery to seek from our sessions commitments to church growth. But the illness is acute and the remedy is not easily ingested.

Gains in membership by profession of faith is an important measure of spiritual health. Receiving members by letters of transfer is not unimportant, but it does not add to the total strength of the Church. Only conversion can add new members to the Body of Christ. In this second test of health or illness, I have shown for each congregation the per centage of gains in profession of faith to the total membership of the church. The congregations with the best lab report in this area are St. Timothy's in Livonia, 13.3%, First Church of Warren, 11.6%

and White Lake Church, 11%. The following churches received no one into membership by profession of faith: Northside, Ann Arbor; Broadstreet, Trumbull Avenue; Westminster, Port Huron; and the First Church of Wayne.

The third measure is losses in membership other than by transfer of membership or by death. These "other" losses are usually a "cleaning of the rolls." Unfortunately, this needs to be done on a more or less regular basis. When large numbers are removed it can be an indication that not very good care has been taken of the church roll for some period of time. Most losses by "others" are comparable to losses by death. The persons who have been removed from the roll have "died to Christ." They are an absolute loss, a sort of surgical removal. The Jefferson Avenue Church reported the largest number --478. Redford lost 311. The congregations which reported no losses in this column are the Sashabaw Church, Broadstreet, Calvary, Trinity, Woodward Avenue Church of the Covenant, Lincoln Park, Northville, Atonement, Pontiac, First and Lakeshore in Port Huron, Christ Memorial in Royal Oak, Faith in St. Clair Shores and Church of our Savior in West Bloomfield.

Adult baptisms are an important measure of spiritual health. They are professions of faith. An adult conversion is the conscious winning of a new person to the Body. The First Church of Ann Arbor and the Southfield Korean Church both reported 20 adult baptisms. First Church of Detroit reported 15 and First Church of Royal Oak had 14. Thirty-one congregations recorded no adult baptisms.

The fifth measure of spiritual health is an accounting of stewardship. It is a lab report on how well the session of that church did in encouraging its members to give of their substance to the Lord. Column 5 in this report shows giving from living sources (column 16 in the General Assembly Minutes) on a per capita basis for each church. The churches which reported the healthiest records are Trumbull Avenue, 534.91; Northside of Ann Arbor, 498.73; Belleville, 441.36; Leitch Memorial, 416.31; First of Wayne, 413.63; and Calvin East, 401.27. Congregations which reported giving from living donors at less than 150.00 per member per year are: Ypsilanti, First--146.54, Lincoln Park--132.21 and Erin of Roseville--104.40. The Presbytery per capita was 237.46.

There is an important index of spiritual health which measures the commitment of a congregation to mission. What is the strength of support for the mission program carried on by the Church at large? The most effective way to measure this health statistic is to take the total giving to mission of the congregation as a proportion of its regular contributions. What per centage of its income did the church give to mission: These figures are shown in column 6 of this report. It adds the data in the General Assembly Statistics in columns 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 and divides the total by the amount in column 16. The highest per centages are reported by Southfield United--31.0, First Church of Detroit--28.9 and Drayton Plains--26.4. Less than 3% was reported by these congregations: Kirk of our Savior, Westland--2.9, Church of our Saviour, West Bloomfield--2.1, Erin of Roseville--2.1, St. Johns and Southminster of Taylor--1.6, Dearborn Woods--1.5, Lakeshore of Port Huron--1.3, Leitch Memorial--.4 and Woodward/Covenant--0. The per centage for the Presbytery was 14.1.

The seventh, and last, measure of spiritual health is the one which is likely to call out the stoutest defense. It is the amount which a congregation gives to non-Presbyterian mission as compared with Presbyterian mission. Let us grant two things: that giving to any Christian mission program is meritorious and that mission giving is voluntary. But do we not have the right to assume that a session should

give serious consideration to the mission program of its own United Presbyterian Church? Should not Presbyterians give first priority to Presbyterian mission? Sessions may favor programs other than those which are sponsored by Presbytery, Synod or General Assembly, but should they not give attention to the fact that Presbyterian programs are planned and approved and monitored and reported upon by Presbyterians? The Presbytery mission budget is adopted by commissioners representing all of our congregations; the Synod and General Assembly budgets are approved by persons elected by the presbyteries. It seems reasonable to consider the ratio of non-Presbyterian giving to Presbyterian giving as a measure of the health of our whole Church Body. Column 7 in our report is the amount in column 30 (non-related UPCUSA mission giving) divided by the total of columns 26, 27, 28 and 29 (UPCUSA mission giving). First, there are thirty-nine of our congregations which give only to Presbyterian mission. There are four churches which give more to non-Presbyterian mission than to Presbyterian mission: Westminster Church of Port Huron gives almost eight times as much to non-Presbyterian mission. Westminster of Ann Arbor gives 109.7%, Sterling Heights gives 145.5% and First Church of Troy gives 126.8%. The Presbytery as a whole gives about one-fourth of its mission funds to non-Presbyterian programs.

This overview of the spiritual health of the Presbytery will have value to the extent that it leads us to seek prescriptions and actions which will strengthen our tissues and organs at their weak points and increase our health at our strong points, and to the extent that it leads us to make full use of the means for growth which are already at hand.

Column 1 - Gains and losses in membership, 1980 - 1981

Column 2 - Gains by profession of faith as a percentage of membership

Column 3 - Losses by "other"

Column 4 - Adult baptisms

Column 5 - Regular contributions per capita

Column 6 - Total mission giving as a percentage of regular contributions:  
Columns 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 divided by Column 16

Column 7 - Total of non-related UPCUSA mission giving to UPCUSA mission giving:  
Column 30 divided by Columns 26, 27, 28, 29

	Gain or Loss in Membership	Evangelism Index	Other Losses	Adult Baptisms	Per Capita Giving	Mission Giving Index	Non-UPC Giving
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Allen Park . . . . .	-10	2.7	47	5	154.23	11.6	0
Ann Arbor, First . . . . .	57	3.8	66	20	331.22	20.9	66.1
Calvary . . . . .	-4	2.3	6	0	362.42	12.2	31.8
Northside . . . . .	-9	0	7	0	498.73	23.5	109.7
Westminster . . . . .	15	4.2	6	4	261.76	14.0	0
Auburn Heights . . . . .	8	3.4	12	4	232.44	11.5	36.9
Belleville . . . . .	-4	7.9	18	2	441.36	7.6	0
Berkley, Greenfield . . . . .	-8	.8	2	0	186.93	6.4	48.1
Birmingham, First . . . . .	-76	1.5	144	14	216.62	18.8	41.6
Northbrook . . . . .	1	5.9	56	0	272.48	14.0	0
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk . . . . .	-30	2.3	126	6	336.21	11.0	13.1
Brighton . . . . .	6	1.2	7	1	236.75	8.9	29.2
Canton, Geneva . . . . .	-75	4.3	94	0	216.86	4.0	0
Clarkston, Sashabaw . . . . .	13	6.0	0	5	322.34	5.0	4.7
Dearborn, First . . . . .	-27	.9	23	10	210.47	19.0	23.3
Cherry Hill . . . . .	-63	2.6	100	3	194.34	0	0
Dearborn Woods . . . . .	-7	.3	2	1	337.47	1.5	0
Littlefield Blvd. . . . .	-14	.2	4	0	200.17	10.0	22.1
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's . . . . .	-27	.4	25	0	250.71	7.7	8.8
Detroit, First . . . . .	-84	5.3	104	15	202.50	28.9	10.5
Bethany . . . . .	-7	1.5	1	0	268.94	13.1	0
Broadstreet . . . . .	1	0	0	0	205.72	4.1	0
Calvary . . . . .	10	2.8	0	4	236.93	3.8	0
Calvin East . . . . .	-20	4.2	28	3	401.27	12.1	0
Calvin West . . . . .	-7	4.6	23	0	292.28	9.1	97.5
Evergreen Village . . . . .	-67	.3	51	1	246.15	4.1	7.2
Fort Street . . . . .	-8	3.7	18	6	215.52	14.1	0
Grandale/Master . . . . .	-113	2.2	141	0	203.18	11.1	2.3
Gratiot Avenue . . . . .	0	2.4	1	0	202.76	3.0	0
Hope . . . . .	2	1.8	1	6	331.72	16.1	4.9
Jefferson Avenue . . . . .	-509	1.7	478	0	228.91	10.9	14.4
Leitch . . . . .	1	6.7	2	4	416.31	.4	0
Monteith . . . . .	-18	2.6	21	3	226.99	7.7	0
Redford . . . . .	-353	1.0	311	1	233.17	6.8	16.4
St. James . . . . .	-11	2.8	6	0	323.78	8.4	0
St. John's . . . . .	-7	2.8	14	0	290.43	1.6	11.2
Southwest Community . . . . .	2	2.2	3	4	229.27	5.9	24.1
Trinity Community . . . . .	-2	.3	0	1	167.84	8.7	0
Trumbull Avenue . . . . .	-8	0	2	0	534.91	4.1	11.1
Village United . . . . .	-11	.2	5	0	255.65	7.2	0
Westminster . . . . .	-15	.8	23	1	308.79	12.7	.4
Woodward/Covenant . . . . .	6	4.1	0	4	187.63	0	0
Drayton Plains . . . . .	-34	5.1	48	2	296.87	26.4	3.4
East Detroit, Covenant . . . . .	-1	2.1	1	0	246.46	6.3	.8
Ecorse . . . . .	-3	.4	1	0	291.06	6.8	25.5
Farmington . . . . .	-13	2.2	15	0	201.86	13.5	14.9
Grandale, Drayton Avenue . . . . .	-34	.1	8	4	247.37	9.2	0

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Fraser, Peace . . . . .	12	1.6	1	1	226.59	9.4	14.5
Garden City . . . . .	-13	5.9	45	9	234.95	8.3	0
Grosse Isle . . . . .	13	3.4	2	8	396.92	23.2	7.6
Grosse Pointe Memorial . . .	11	3.0	38	7	282.23	18.8	33.7
Grosse Pointe Woods . . . .	61	4.0	31	5	238.49	9.6	52.9
Highland Park, Park United	-6	4.8	8	1	233.51	3.7	3.5
Howell . . . . .	2	1.6	26	3	207.94	13.9	9.1
Lincoln Park . . . . .	7	1.3	0	0	132.21	6.9	0
Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	-125	1.7	141	2	198.02	6.8	67.3
St. Paul's . . . . .	8	3.0	11	2	191.56	16.8	0
St. Timothy . . . . .	12	13.3	26	5	308.65	3.2	3.5
Milan, Peoples . . . . .	3	2.9	2	3	205.88	11.1	0
Milford . . . . .	-5	1.4	10	1	158.12	16.9	1.5
Mt. Clemens, First . . . .	-62	4.7	81	0	286.56	23.3	10.9
Northville . . . . .	46	4.7	0	6	170.32	9.5	0
Novi, Faith Community . . .	32	5.4	27	6	222.44	12.8	0
Orchard Lake . . . . .	-9	5.8	58	1	282.44	19.5	23.5
Plymouth . . . . .	7	4.4	48	2	173.22	9.0	0
Pontiac, First . . . . .	-17	1.4	25	3	185.06	12.1	2.9
Atonement . . . . .	9	4.3	0	0	232.85	3.3	0
Joslyn Avenue . . . . .	17	3.7	5	1	291.80	6.7	12.6
Port Huron, First . . . . .	24	4.8	0	2	286.56	18.1	30.4
Lakeshore . . . . .	4	9.7	0	10	357.15	1.3	0
Westminster . . . . .	-98	0	85	0	368.88	19.4	789.3
Rochester, University . . .	-16	3.0	91	4	273.31	14.7	67.8
Roseville, Erin . . . . .	1	1.8	4	3	104.40	2.1	0
Royal Oak, First . . . . .	-4	3.4	40	14	170.20	15.5	10.3
First United . . . . .	1	4.2	18	8	243.58	15.9	58.7
Christ Memorial . . . . .	-4	.3	0	1	211.75	12.2	0
St. Clair Shores, Faith . . .	8	6.6	0	0	306.24	10.0	81.6
Lake Shore . . . . .	48	2.0	2	5	193.97	22.9	5.2
Saline . . . . .	2	2.1	2	0	184.37	9.5	0
Shelby, St. Thomas . . . .	19	7.0	8	4	--	--	--
Southfield United . . . . .	-55	2.5	54	2	278.19	31.0	3.5
Korean . . . . .	9	6.5	40	20			
South Lyon . . . . .	-57	1.8	65	0	276.97	16.5	10.6
Sterling Heights, Utica . . .	-7	2.6	23	3	217.97	8.7	145.5
Taylor, Southminster . . . .	-34	3.8	73	8	171.82	1.6	0
Troy, First . . . . .	-52	7.6	83	1	301.72	13.3	126.8
Northminster . . . . .	1	1.1	4	0	312.05	8.4	0
Walled Lake, Crossroads . . .	-13	1.9	20	2	241.27	16.5	0
Warren, First . . . . .	57	11.6	2	2	194.29	18.0	2.6
Celtic Cross . . . . .	-2	2.0	2	1	271.23	22.4	.9
Waterford, Lakeland . . . .	-10	1.1	2	1	213.97	9.9	1.3
Wayne, First . . . . .	-11	0	10	0	413.63	10.9	54.8
W. Blmfld., Ch. of Our Sav.	12	3.9	0	0	308.48	2.1	0
Westland, Kirk of Our Sav.	-12	3.0	35	0	181.18	2.9	0
White Lake . . . . .	19	11.0	2	2	149.09	10.9	0
Wyandotte . . . . .	-25	.4	27	0	255.24	13.8	0
Ypsilanti . . . . .	-10	1.0	18	2	146.54	12.9	1.3
Presbytery . . . . .	7,402	2.8	8980	297	237.46	14.1	27.7

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Allen Park	3	3	345	Fraser, Peace	1	256
Ann Arbor, First	2	2	383	Garden City	1	255
Calvary	1		174	Grosse Ile	2	320
Northside	1		71	Grosse Pointe Memorial	3	4 363
Westminster	1	1	236	Grosse Pointe Woods	3	379
Auburn Heights	1	1	208	Highland Park, Park United	1	229
Belleville	1		151	Howell	2	312
Berkley, Greenfield	1		235	Lincoln Park	1	385
Birmingham, First	4	5	376	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	2	1 389
Northbrook	2	1	323	St. Paul's	3	1 370
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	2	4	389	St. Timothy	1	210
Brighton	1	1	248	Milan, Peoples	1	309
Canton, Geneva	1		281	Milford	1	1 314
Clarkston, Sashabaw	2		116	Mt. Clemens, First	1	1 338
Dearborn, First	3	2	394	Northville	2	1 155
Cherry Hill	2	3	343	Novi, Faith Community	1	260
Dearborn Woods	1		295	Orchard Lake	2	1 300
Littlefield Blvd.	2		277	Plymouth	2	1 391
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1		225	Pontiac, First	1	2 292
Detroit, First	1	1	206	Atonement	1	164
Bethany	1		137	Joslyn Avenue	1	164
Broadstreet	1		215	Port Huron, First	1	1 311
Calvary	1		251	Lakeshore	1	144
Calvin East	1		287	Westminster	1	112
Calvin West	1	1	215	Rochester, University	3	329
Evergreen Village	1		307	Roseville, Erin	1	1 303
Fort Street	2		272	Royal Oak, First	2	4 406
Grandale Church of				First United	1	1 288
the Master	1		314	Christ Memorial	1	336
Gratiot Avenue	1		85	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	183
Hope	1		336	Lake Shore	2	1 390
Jefferson Avenue	1	1	239	Saline	1	238
Leitch	1		45	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	300
Monteith	1		313	Southfield, United	1	1 297
Redford	2	2	348	Korean	1	338
St. James	1		139	South Lyon	1	341
St. John's	1	1	217	Sterling Heights, Utica	1	1 212
Southwest Community	2		114	Taylor, Southminster	1	1 266
Trinity Community	1		318	Troy, First	1	382
Trumbull Avenue	1		91	Northminster	1	279
Village United	1	1	320	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	259
Westminster	2	1	407	Warren, First	1	406
Woodward Ave. Church				Celtic Cross	1	350
of the Covenant	1	1	242	Waterford, Lakeland	1	186
Drayton Plains	1		396	Wayne, First	1	109
E. Detroit, Covenant	1		194	W. Blmfld., Ch. of Our Sav.	1	231
Ecorse	1		239	Westland, Kirk of our Sav	1	236
Farmington	2	1	304	White Lake	1	146
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	1	1	386	Wyandotte	2	278
				Ypsilanti	1	1 287

Number of elder commissioners before equalization = 132

Number of resident ministers = 192

## THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

## Special Committee on Presbytery Structure

Proposal to Create a New Department of Mission Support

Amend Bylaws and Structure of the Presbytery of Detroit in the following ways:

On page 7, add the following new Section 5: Department of Mission Support [the new section will actually appear on page 8, beginning with line 1]:

"Section 5: Department of Mission Support

- A. The Department of Mission Support shall be composed of the following persons elected by Presbytery:

Chairperson, nominated by Presbytery	1
At-large members nominated by Presbytery	21
Area members (six from each area) nominated by the Areas	30
Total number of members of the Department	<u>52</u>

- B. The Department of Mission Support shall be responsible for interpretation and support of the total mission of the Church and for its promotion to the churches in the Presbytery.

- C. The Department of Mission Support shall be responsible for the following specific duties: (1) to coordinate efforts of communication about all mission; (2) to interpret and promote study of mission materials and resources; (3) to coordinate mission funding efforts; (4) to work with the United Presbyterian Foundation; promote deferred giving; (5) to assign, coordinate and promote mission speakers and mission support events."

On page 8, Chapter VI - Presbytery Council; Section 1: Composition; change line 19 - "Department Chairpersons (with vote" from 4 to 5; change line 20 - "Division Chairpersons (with vote)" from 4 to 3.

On page 10, Chapter VII - Divisions of Presbytery Council  
Delete: "Section 3: Division of Mission Support"; lines 35 to 49  
and renumber two succeeding sections on "Division of Staff Services" and "Division of Business Affairs" from 4 and 5 to 3 and 4.

On page 16, Chapter XIV - Nominating Procedure, Section 2, paragraph E, on offices and positions to be elected by Presbytery, on Line 43, "The chairpersons of each of the four Presbytery Departments," change "four" to "five."  
Line 48 - Division chairpersons: delete "Mission Support."

On page 17, Section F - nomination of persons by Area Assemblies: Add new line 30: "Mission Support Department" and renumber succeeding lines.

Presented to the Presbytery on February 23, 1982  
for first reading by the Special Committee on Structure

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THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

Report of Special Committee on Presbytery Structure

Proposed amendment of Bylaws to implement proposal for a new Budget Committee:

Chapter IX - Delete present title and substitute the following title:  
"Special Committees"

Line 8 - Amend as follows: "Section 1 - Committee on Presbytery Bylaws and Structure"

Lines 10 and 14: Delete "Special Committee on Presbytery Structure" and substitute the following: "A Committee on Presbytery Bylaws and Structure"

Lines 16 and 18: Delete "and/or" and substitute "or"

Add a new Section 2, as follows:

"Section 2 - Budget Committee

"There shall be a Budget Committee consisting of six persons, who shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee and elected annually for three year terms by the Presbytery, in such a way that there shall be three classes of two persons each, with one class to be elected each year, except that in the first year six persons shall be elected, two for one year, two for two years and two for three years. No person may serve on the Budget Committee for more than six consecutive years.

"The chairperson of the Budget Committee shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee and elected by Presbytery annually and may not serve as chairperson for more than three consecutive years.

"A. The Budget Committee shall be responsible for implementing a complete budget process, which has been approved by Council and which shall continue in effect until and unless amended by action of the Council. The budget process shall be presented for information at each January meeting of the Presbytery.

"B. The Budget Committee shall report regularly to Council and directly to Presbytery, either for purposes of information or for recommendations for action."

Amend Chapter XIV - Nominating Procedure, Section 2, paragraph E, subsection (10), as follows: "(10) A Committee on Presbytery Bylaws and Structure consisting of five persons."

Insert a new subsection (11), as follows:

"(11) Members and chairperson of Budget Committee, as provided in Chapter IX."

Renumber present subsection (11) and subsection (12).

THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT MEETING AT CALVIN WEST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, DETROIT, MICHIGAN, APRIL 27, 1982, RESPECTFULLY OVERTURES THE 194th GENERAL ASSEMBLY, OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, MEETING IN HARTFORD, CONNETICUT.

Whereas public encouragement and support for public education has declined in recent years; and

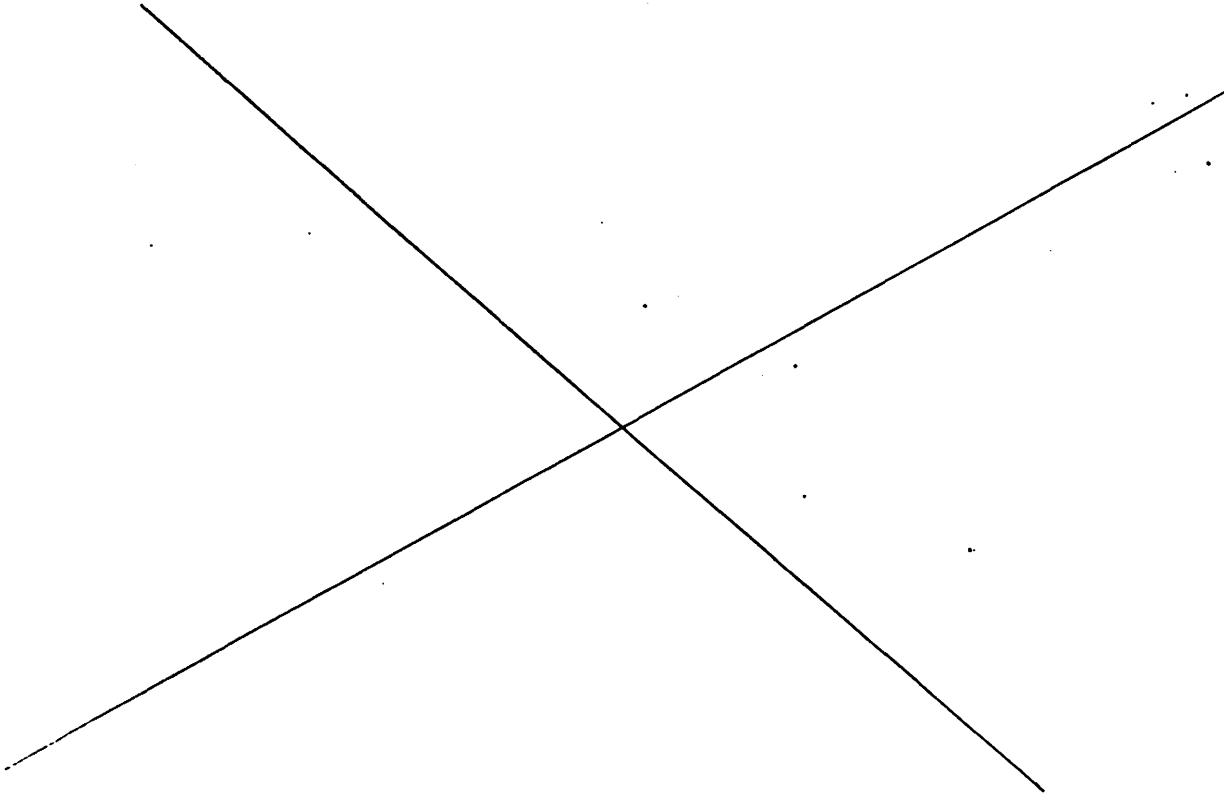
Whereas property taxes are used in part to support the public educational system and that taxation is often the last opportunity many communities have to voice disapproval of the increase in taxes; and

Whereas the quality of education has suffered markedly and drastically in recent years:

Be it resolved that the Presbytery of Detroit respectfully overtures the 194th General Assembly to establish a special committee of the Mission Council or of an agency of the General Assembly to study our denomination's position regarding public education in light of the realities of our day.

Be it further resolved, that this committee be composed of educators, lay-people and clergy and that this committee be instructed to collect data, to assess our historic positions and to recommend future positions regarding elementary and secondary education;

Be it further resolved, that this committee be instructed to report to the General Assembly meeting in 1983.



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Whereas the Internal Revenue Service has issued a ruling, referred to as Revenue Ruling 80-110, which has caused a great deal of confusion among ministers and tax consultants as to whether ministers are considered to be employed or are self-employed for the purpose of filing Federal income tax reports; and

Whereas the Internal Revenue Service's ruling is ambiguous, and, we think, intentionally so, since it can be read in two different ways: 1) that all ministers are employees of their churches and not self-employed, 2) that some ministers are employed and some are self-employed; and

Whereas The Presbytery of Detroit has made considerable effort to determine the meaning and effect of Revenue Ruling 80-110, including recourse to the following persons or companies: a lawyer who specializes in income taxes for a highly respected Detroit legal firm, the firm which audits the financial records of The Presbytery of Detroit, and the firm of Price Waterhouse & Co.; and

Whereas all of these sources agree that Revenue Ruling 80-110 should be interpreted to mean that some ministers may be employed by their churches and others may be self-employed, and

Whereas the Internal Revenue Service does not have the authority to define "employment" and "self-employment", only Congress has that authority; and

Whereas "employment" and "self-employment" are defined in the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, Section 31.3401 (c) - 1 (b) and Internal Revenue Ruling 80-110 does not in any way change those definitions; and

Whereas The Presbytery of Detroit, after careful deliberation, has adopted a position that all of its pastors, associate pastors and assistant pastors are considered to be self-employed persons and are urged to file their federal income tax reports as such; and

Whereas, since all United Presbyterian pastors, associate pastors and assistant pastors are called and serve under the same conditions, and it is important to have a consistent Church-wide position in such an important matter,

Therefore The Presbytery of Detroit overtures the 194th General Assembly to adopt a position that all United Presbyterian pastors, associate pastors and assistant pastors are considered to be self-employed for the purpose of filing Federal income tax reports and to urge its agencies and boards to observe that position.

THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT MEETING AT CALVIN WEST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, DETROIT, MICHIGAN, APRIL 27, 1982, RESPECTFULLY OVERTURES THE 194th GENERAL ASSEMBLY, OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, MEETING IN HARTFORD, CONNETICUT.

Whereas we have been explicitly taught to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit those in prison, etc.; and

Whereas our own worshipbook includes a prayer for the unemployed with the words "May we never neglect the unemployed" and "May we shape a world in which no child goes hungry, and every man contributes to the good of all."; and

Whereas the unemployment rate is approximately twice that of the national average in some states, such as Michigan, and very low in other states; and

Whereas workers in states with high unemployment are facing or have already faced layoffs, expiration of unemployment compensation, forced early retirement and lack of work opportunities at their present locations; and

Whereas The United Presbyterian Church is a connectional church and already has a communication system that is nation wide in scope; and

Whereas The United Presbyterian Church has the means with which to assist unemployed people in the relocation process; and

Whereas there is a need to utilize the skills of those who are knowledgeable about employment opportunities and economics in high employment areas; and

Whereas Presbyterian congregations reflect a constituency that includes representatives of business and industry, local institutions of higher learning, government workers involved with state employment security commissions and vocational rehabilitation, social workers, etc

Whereas the United Presbyterian Church has experienced a process of relocation in the placing of refugees throughout the country (i.e. "boat people") through which has been provided Christian care and support, assisting families in the location of employment, housing and church support:

Be it resolved that the Presbytery of Detroit respectfully overtures the General Assembly to direct that

Presbyteries in high areas of employment shall establish committees on relocation composed of knowledgeable persons to publish basic resource information about economic opportunities and relocation information and to encourage and organize host churches and/or host families to provide Christian care and support for families or single adults seeking relocation;

and

Presbyteries in high areas of unemployment shall establish similar corresponding committees to assist individuals and or families considering relocation. This committee to maintain resource information and provide appropriate vocational and supportive counseling in order to enable those who wish to relocate, opportunity to make a smooth transition;

and

The Program Agency of the General Assembly be instructed to put into motion the aforementioned program for relocation and to assist Presbyteries in their development of it.

STATED MEETING

Date: June 15, 1982  
Place: Grosse Pointe Memorial Church

Moderator: William N. Colwell  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lake Shore, Grosse Pointe Farms, on June 15, 1982, at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

A worship service was led by John Poland and John Yingling.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Abbott	Colwell	Hawley	MacDonald	Sherwin
Allen	Cook	Haynes	MacPherson	Shoup
Anderson	Crilley	Henderson	Marlow	Simons
Antonson	Davies	Hershey	Marvin	Smith, C.
Armstrong	Dawson	Hillegonds	Mather	Smith, P.
Baliad	Dickson	Howie	McCloskey	Smith, R.
Baker	Dotson	Ihrie	McIvor	Sommers
Banks	Douglas	Jansen	Milford	Stary
Barcus	Dunkelberger, M.	Jeffrey	Mishler	Stenner
Barger	Dunkelberger, R.	Keebler	Mitcham	Stone
Barnes	Dunn	Kesler	Moore	Stryker
Bartko	Ellens	Kettlewell	Nagle	Sutton
Battles	Ferry	Kiely	Nead	Taylor, K.
Beal	Forsyth	Kim	Orr	Taylor, M.
Beery	Garypie	Kirkman	Pierson	Taylor, S.
Blackshear	Geider	Kosten	Poland	Taylor, T.
Boeve	Geissinger	Krehbiel	Ramsey	Terpstra
Brown	Gepford	Lambert	Reynolds	Todd, R.
Campbell	Gillette	Lester	Rieker	Todd, J.
Carroll	Glenn	Leverenz	Roberts	Torrey
Carter	Gruebel	Lindsey	Saum	Turner
Cater	Gundersen	Linthicum	Schram, W.	Wilson, R.
Chamberlain	Hanna	Lister	Schram, J.	Wilson, S.
Cobleigh	Harmon	Loveless	Sefcik	Woodruff
Cole	Hartley	Lumley	Sharpless	Yingling
				Zedan

ABSENCES

Banks	Francis	MacDonald	Roberts	Way
Boeve	Gensheimer	Marlow	Smith, P.	Wingrove
Cannon	Gundersen	McIvor	Tate	
Cater	Kim	Reynolds	Thompson	
Eshleman	Krehbiel	Rieker		

ELDERS

Allen Park	Botu, S.	Trumbull Avenue	Klein, M.
	Butler, J.	Village	Rayburn, R.
	Geiselman, B.	V	White, M.
	Miklos, J.	Westminster	Stoner, M.
Ann Arbor, Calvary	Cummins, B.		White, D.
First	Black, D.	Drayton Plains	Galbreath, S.
	Hauser, K.	East Detroit, Covenant	Duff, E.
	Miner, E.		Pflaum, R.
	Saunders, M.	Ecorse	Nagy, L.
	Stuber, E.	Farmington	Allaben, R.
Belleville	Butler, F.		Cross, J.
Birmingham, First	Perkins, J.		Johnson, D.
	Thompson, D.	Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	Horning, B.
North brook	Dorek, S.		Mortin, A.
	Mock, R.	Fraser, Peace	Magel, J.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Brown, B.	Garden City	Flynn, J.
	Lowe, M.	Grosse Ile	Billquist, S.
	Robinson, W.		Napier, D.
	VanVurst, E.	Grosse Pointe Memorial	Dodds, J.
Brighton	Chambers, R.		Madarasz, B.
	Wells, J.		Petersen, R.
Canton, Geneva	Fanslow, C.		Warren, J.
Clarkston, Sashabaw	Lyles, J.	Grosse Pointe Woods	Brines, R.
Dearborn, Cherry Hill	Barney, B.		Gingrich, P.
	Clingerman, J.		Zech, C.
	Hyna, G.	Highland Park, Park	Arnold, R.
	Shewchuck, T.	Howell	Rogers, A.
First	Brailsford, Y.	Lincoln Park	Sutton, A.
	Cobb, J.	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	Hughes, Ron
	Currie, R.		Irvine, W.
	Daykin, T.		Kenyon, K.
Littlefield Boulevard	Moore, P.	Milford	Dill, V.
	Ray, P.	Mt. Clemens, First	Fleming, J.
		Northville	Jerome, K.
Dearborn Heights,	Kieltyka, D.		Meyer, P.
St. Mark's	Langrill, Harold		Willoughby, D.
Detroit, Bethany	Glenn, V.	Novi, Faith	Mathers, B.
Broadstreet	Harden, J.	Plymouth	Catlett, C.
Calvary	Jewett, W.		Hurtik, L.
Calvin East	Holden, A.		Stokes, W.
Calvin West	Wylie, S.	Pontiac, Atonement	Freeland, B.
Evergreen Village	Johnson, M.	Joslyn Avenue	Roy, George
First	Thompson, C.	Port Huron, First	Gleichauf, R.
	Greene, J.	Westminster	Dudley, A.
Fort Street	Thompson, P.	Rochester, University	Tomlinson, A.
	Hunt, S.	Roseville, Erin	Bassett, E.
Grandale	Thomas, S.		Bassett, J.
Gratiot	Rairigh, S.	Royal Oak,	
Monteith	Hauswirth, G.	Christ Memorial	Sell, J.
St. James	Lewis, F.	First	Bauerle, R.
St. Johns	Ferguson, H.		Calder, D.
Southwest	Sefcik, J.		Van Dyke, R.
	Edwards, L.	First United	Hickman, E.
Trinity	Wade, A.		Weaver, H.
	Wilson, T.		

St. Clair Shores, Faith Lakeshore	Preston, D. Behrens, C. Quarnstrom, T.	Walled Lake, Crossroads Warren, Celtic Cross First Wayne	Van Houten, J. Snyder, D. Cooper, N. Kayganich, J.
Southfield United	Hawley, H. Willoughby, V.	West Bloomfield, Ch. of our Savior	Scleel, B.
South Lyon	Beckstein, S. Heath, Frank	Westland, Kirk of our Savior	DiBacco, M. Schreiber, C.
Sterling Heights, Utica Taylor, Southminster	Bousquette, G. Aue, S. Fink, P.	White Lake Wyandotte	Allen, C. Wegst, M.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.	Gipson, M.A.	Leigh, E.
Carlson, B.	Kirk, H.	Poston, L.
Dellinger, W.	Lee, K.	

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

**Ministers:** Mark Allen, James Anderson, Robert Armstrong, Gary Baker, Fred Baliad, Robert Battles, Peter Bower, Ken Brand, William Brown, Henry Borchardt, Vern Campbell, Larry Chamberlain, John Curphey, Craig Davies, Michael Dunkelberger, Richard Dunkelberger, Harold Ellens, Donald Flowers, LeRoy Haynes, Galen Hershey, William Jones, James Kesler, Kenneth Kettlewell, Robert Linthicum, Ray Lumley, John Mishler, Judith Todd, Richard Todd, Peter Moore, William Palmer, George Ramsey, William Saum, Charles Shook, Roger Shoup, Paul Sutton, Scott Simons, David Swinehart, Kemper Taylor, Theodore Taylor, Gene Terpstra, Harold Vernon, William Whitledge.

**Elders:** Birmingham, First - 7; Farmington, First - 1; Livonia, St. Paul's - 4; Livonia, St. Timothy - 1; Milan, Peoples - 1; Pontiac, First - 1; Port Huron, Westminster - 1; Sashabaw - 1.

**Council:** Jean Lennox, Frances Morris, Mary Younkin.

A motion carried to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 27, 1982, as distributed. A motion carried to approve the docket for this meeting with the following changes: addition of the Audit Report to the Report of the Council; addition of five minutes to the report of the Executive Presbyter; and deletion of the reports of the Budget Committee, the Structure Committee, and the Central Northwest Administrative Commission.

The Moderator appointed Barbara Madarasz, an elder of the host church, to serve as assistant to the Stated Clerk.

The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by Susan Carlson. The annual report of the Presbyterian Village, Inc. was presented by Leroy J. Peterson.

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by John Jeffrey. A motion carried to receive the "Manual for Church Treasurers."

The report of the Ministerial Relations Committee was presented by Richard Milford. Myron Kaufman was introduced to the Presbytery by Richard Peters. Motions carried to adopt the following recommendations:

- 1) It is recommended to concur with the congregation of the Trinity Community Church in calling DeWitt McIntyre as pastor, effective August 1, 1982, with the following terms: \$13,320 salary, \$5,670 housing allowance, \$1,716 utilities, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, \$2,240 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$300 study allowance, one month's vacation, annual review, moving expenses; to forward the call to the Presbytery of Northeast Florida with the request that it be placed in Mr. McIntyre's hands and that he be dismissed to the Presbytery of Detroit; and to enroll Mr. McIntyre upon receipt of his dismissal. Elder Argyle P. Wade spoke in support of the recommendation.  
The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government, 40.01, 57.044, 57.046, and the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.
- 2) It is recommended to concur with the call of Blue Ball Presbyterian Church, Franklin, Ohio to Craig S. Aue to become its pastor upon his ordination, effective July 15, 1982; to elect the following administrative commission: Ministers - William Colwell, chairperson, Francis R. Nagy, Jr., C. Robert Jansen; Elders - Donald Frabutt (Allen Park), Margaret Day (Southminster), Franklin Heath (South Lyon); to empower said commission to ordain Mr. Aue at 11 a.m., July 11, 1982 at Southminster Church, Taylor; to place the call in Mr. Aue's hands; and to dismiss Mr. Aue to the Presbytery of Miami.
- 3) It is recommended to concur with the proposal of the Session of the Belleville Church and Robert E. Way in the establishment of a part-time interim pastor relationship, effective June 20, 1982, for a period of three months with the following weekly terms: \$100 salary and \$25 car allowance.
- 4) It is recommended to approve the extension of the part-time interim pastor relationship between First Church, Saline and David Krehbiel to August 31, 1982.
- 5) It is recommended to reappoint Hubert Sunderman part-time stated supply of the Gratiot Avenue Church, Detroit to December 31, 1982 with the following monthly terms: \$480 salary.
- 6) It is recommended to receive and enroll Kenneth W. Eimer upon receipt of his dismissal from the Presbytery of Lake Erie.
- 7) It is recommended to concur with the congregation of the Rosedale Gardens Church, Livonia to dissolve the associate pastor relationship with Carol Allen; to approve the call of McCormick Seminary to Miss Allen to become Assistant Professor of Ministry and Director of Field-Based Programs; and to dismiss Miss Allen to the Presbytery of Chicago, effective August 15, 1982. Elder Ron Hughes and Gerald Cobleigh spoke in appreciation of Miss Allen.
- 8) It is recommended to concur with the Session of the Celtic Cross Church, Warren to dissolve the assistant pastor relationship with Laurel Loveless, effective June 27, 1982. Eldon Beery spoke in appreciation of Mrs. Loveless.
- 9) It is recommended to concur with the congregation of First Church, Dearborn to dissolve the associate pastor relationship with John Carroll effective September 5, 1982; and further, to grant permission to Mr. Carroll to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery to enable him to take further studies at Princeton Theological Seminary. Elders Robert Curry, Ted Dakin, and Janet Cobb spoke in appreciation of Mr. Carroll.
- 10) It is recommended to elect the following administrative commission to install Thomas H. Cook as associate pastor of First Church, Plymouth: Ministers - Philip R. Magee, chairperson, Donald R. MacPherson, James D. Cole; Elders - Peggy Meyer (Northville), Linda Crawford (Novi, Faith), David Provost (Plymouth); and to empower said commission to install Mr. Cook on June 20, 1982, 10 a.m., at First Church, Plymouth.
- 11) It is recommended to approve the changes in terms of call of the following: Cannon - \$3,250 salary increase, \$800 housing increase, \$228 car increase, \$300 utilities' decrease, \$100 hospitalization increase; Henderson - \$960 salary increase, \$800 housing increase, \$65 hospitalization increase; Mishler - \$1,050 salary increase, \$684 housing increase, \$68 hospitalization increase; MacDonald - \$2,100 salary increase, \$590 housing increase, \$200 car increase, \$64 hospitalization increase.



- 12) It is recommended to grant permission to Willis Tabor, a member of San Francisco Presbytery, to labor within the bounds of the Detroit Presbytery pending request from his presbytery.
- 13) It is recommended to approve the part-time interim pastor relationship between Faith Church, St. Clair Shores, and Robert B. Johnson for a period of three months, effective June 13, 1982, with the following provisions: Mr. Johnson to provide pastoral care beyond pulpit supply not to exceed 12 hours per week at \$125 per week and all expenses incurred; the contract may be terminated by either party upon one month's written notice and may be extended beyond the three month period by mutual agreement and the concurrence of the Presbytery.

The report of the Committee on Candidates was presented by Ruth Kirkman. Craig S. Aue was introduced to the Presbytery and read his statement of faith. A motion carried to arrest his examination. A motion carried to sustain the examination and to approve Craig Aue as a candidate for ordination. Carol M. Gregg was introduced to the Presbytery and read her statement of motivation and influence. A motion carried to arrest her examination. A motion carried to sustain the examination and to enroll Carol Gregg as a candidate for the gospel ministry under care of the Presbytery of Detroit. Lois Colon was introduced to the Presbytery and read her statement of motivation and influence. A motion carried to arrest her examination. A motion carried to sustain the examination and to enroll Lois Colon as a candidate for the gospel ministry under care of the Presbytery of Detroit. Jan E. Amaimo was introduced to the Presbytery and read her statement of motivation and influence. A motion carried to arrest her examination. A motion carried to sustain the examination and to enroll Jan Amaimo as a candidate for the gospel ministry under care of the Presbytery of Detroit. The Moderator proceeded to receive Carol Gregg, Lois Colon, and Jan Amaimo as candidates for the ordained ministry under the care of the Presbytery.

The report of the Department of Mission Support was presented by Alfred Nead.

#### Omnibus Motion

Upon motion, the following recommendations were adopted:

- 1) It is recommended that twelve acres of the property on Drahner Road, Oxford, be rented to Vernon Scott for the balance of the year for the sum of \$60.00, for the purpose of raising a crop.
- 2) It is recommended that the house on the Drahner Road property be rented to Fred MacDonald, under the following terms: rental at \$150.00 per month, with Mr. MacDonald to be responsible for maintenance of the property and the payment of utilities; the Presbytery to be responsible for insurance on the property and the payment of taxes.
- 3) It is recommended that the Presbytery loan to the Peace Church of Fraser the amount of \$6,000.00 at 9% interest for 18 months, the purpose of the loan to enable the church to provide an addition to its parking lot.
- 4) It is recommended that the name of the corporation of the Presbytery be The Presbytery of Detroit, and that incorporation papers be amended accordingly.
- 5) There is a Synod loan on the property of the former St. Luke's Church of Warren of \$20,000.00. The accrued interest on the loan is \$6,450.00. It is recommended that the Presbytery make quarterly payments of \$500.00 on the loan and accrued interest and pay the full balance, plus interest, when the buyer has completed payment on his land contract, which may occur before the end of this year.
- 6) It is recommended that the Presbytery loan the Geneva Church of Canton the sum of \$5,000.00 at 9% interest, with monthly payments of \$100.00 on principal and a final balloon payment on the balance of principal and interest not later than December 31, 1983. The purpose of the loan is to enable the church to make improvements to its educational building.
- 7) It is recommended that the Presbytery loan Christ Memorial Church of Royal Oak the sum of \$14,000.00 for five years at 9% interest. The purpose of the loan is to enable the church to make major repairs to its roof. Monthly payments on principal and interest will be \$290.62.
- 8) It is recommended that the First United Church of Royal Oak be given permission

to borrow \$20,000 from the Program Agency of General Assembly for 10 years at 9% interest and to borrow \$5,000.00 from a commercial source for 15 years at 16% interest. The purpose of the loan is to enable the church to install an elevator and a ramp for the handicapped.

- 9) A lot in Florida was left jointly to the former Ward Memorial Church and to the Masonic Home of Michigan. The lot is valued at between \$1,000.00 and \$2,000.00. The Masonic Home has offered to purchase the Presbytery's interest in the lot. It is recommended that the Presbytery sell to the Masonic Home of Michigan its interest in Lot 11 in Orange Blossom Estates, located in Highlands County, Florida for the sum of \$500.00 less expenses.
- 10) It is recommended that full payment of all pension dues for all persons in the Presbytery who are members of the pension plan be guaranteed (see attached resolution).
- 11) It is recommended that the report be received from the Synod Presbytery Development Department, which reviewed the minutes of Presbytery for the period from February 24, 1981 through February 23, 1982. The minutes were approved with the following exceptions: 1) absences of ministers were not recorded; 2) action on session records was not recorded; 3) financial reports and the auditor's report were not recorded.

A motion carried to approve the reports of Council as follows:

At its meeting on March 9, 1982, the Council of the Presbytery took the following action:

- 1) Agreed to have the Synod biennial review of Presbytery at its regular May meeting and appointed Robert Battles and Jean Lennox to assist Synod staff in the review.
- 2) Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Robert McCreight from the Council, the Committee on Bills and Overtures and the position of Recording Clerk.
- 3) Referred to the Structure Committee the suggestion that the Bylaws be amended so that the immediate past moderator would serve as chairperson of the Council.
- 4) Adopted a motion to recommend to Presbytery that the invitations of the Drayton Plains Church to meet there in October, 1983 and of Fort Street Church to meet there in April, 1984 be accepted.
- 5) Received the report of the Treasurer for the period ending December 31, 1981.
- 6) Approved a recommendation of the Department of Presbytery Ministries to refer to the Budget Committee the inclusion of a Validated Special Opportunity for three new community college ministries in the metropolitan area.
- 7) Approved a recommendation of the Department of Local Church Development that \$1,000.00 be allocated from the Contingency Fund for the purpose of making computer data on the 1980 census available to churches.
- 8) Accepted the resignation of Gene Link from the Department of Program and Resource Development.
- 9) Adopted a recommendation of the Committee on Ministerial Relations that the relationship between Robert McCreight and the Belleville Church be dissolved, that the call of the Covenant United Presbyterian Church of Toledo, Ohio to Mr. McCreight be approved and placed in his hands, that he be dismissed to the Presbytery of Maumee Valley effective March 27, 1982, that Robert Jansen be appointed moderator of the session and that the session, with the aid, advice and consent of the Committee on Ministerial Relations secure temporary supplies for its pulpit.
- 10) Adopted a recommendation of the Committee on Ministerial Relations that the call of the Westminster Church of Amherst, Ohio to David Howell be approved, that the call be placed in his hands and that he be dismissed to the Presbytery of Western Reserve effective March 29, 1982.

- 11) Adopted a recommendation of the Committee on Ministerial Relations to concur in the request of the Session of the Park United Church to extend the appointment of Raphael Francis through December 31, 1982.
- 12) Welcomed to the meeting of the Council Mr. and Mrs. Ray Downs and received a report from Mr. Downs of their work in Thailand.
- 13) Approved the recommendation of the Division of Staff Services that the call to Theodore Taylor II to serve as Mission Funding Counselor for the Presbyteries of Detroit, Mackinac and Lake Huron be approved, with the following terms: salary, \$16,373.00, housing allowance, \$7,000.00, car allowance up to \$6,000.00, travel expense, \$1,000.00, full pension, one month's vacation, two weeks' study leave, and professional expenses, effective April 1, 1982 for a period of two years.

At its meeting on May 11, 1982, the Council of the Presbytery took the following action:

- 1) Participated in the Synod biennial review of Presbytery, conducted by Larry Wickliff, Robert Battles, James Breckenridge, Thomas Johnston and Jean Lennox.
- 2) Adopted the principle that funds from withdrawing churches would be invested and only interest used for allocations by Council.
- 3) Called a special meeting of the Council for Tuesday, August 31, 1982, for the purpose of considering participation in Phase II of the Synod-Presbytery Self-study Program.
- 4) Ratified all of the agreements negotiated by the Synod Trilevel Negotiation process.
- 5) Recommended that the Worship Committee urge all persons who conduct worship at Presbytery meetings to observe copyright laws and requested the Committee to research copyright laws as they pertain to the use of copyright materials by churches.
- 6) Authorized a Crisis Response Committee and designated Donald Lester as the Crisis Response Coordinator; approved a special offering to be taken in June in churches where affirmative action has been taken by sessions, for the purpose of providing funds to meet human needs, disbursement of the funds to be under the authority of the Crisis Response Committee.
- 7) In the event that the Plan for Reunion is sent down by the General Assembly, approved the holding of three or four luncheons in September for pastors, for the purpose of encouraging them and helping them in the task of informing their sessions about the Plan for Reunion; approved the holding of a pre-Presbytery meeting in January, 1983, at which the topic will be the Plan for Reunion.
- 8) Received the report of the Treasurer for the period ending March 31, 1982.
- 9) Received the resignation of Thomas Easton from the Department of Program and Resource Development.
- 10) Approved the recommendation of the Division of Business Affairs that the Presbytery attorney be requested to proceed to foreclose on the land contract with Patricia Essary.

At its meeting on June 1, 1982, the Council of the Presbytery took the following action:

- 1) Approved for funding by Synod and General Assembly a program submitted by the Department of Program and Resource Development to be called Youth and Others for Knowledge, Evangelism and Service (YOKES).
- 2) Accepted the resignation of Carol Allen from Presbytery Ministries Department.
- 3) Approved a plan by the Department of Mission Support to hold a Stewardship Workshop for Pastors on October 4 and 5, at the Columbiere Retreat Center, and endorsed its request that sessions release pastors to attend the event, without

counting it as part of their study leave or vacation, and to request sessions to contribute to the cost of their attendance.

- 4) Approved the request of the Division of Business Affairs to report recommendations from its meeting on June 8 directly to Presbytery.
- 5) Approved the change in the name of the Crisis Response Committee to the Economic Emergency Response Committee.
- 6) Granted ten minutes on the October docket of Presbytery to Alex Nemeth, regional representative of the Board of Pensions and permitted him to conduct a pre-Presbytery seminar on that day for members of the Pension Plan.
- 7) Received a report from the Administrative Commission to install John Mishler as associate pastor of the First Church of Northville on May 2, 1982 and dismissed the Commission.
- 8) Adopted a motion to recommend to Presbytery that full payment of all pension dues for all persons in the Presbytery who are members of the pension plan be guaranteed (see attached resolution).
- 9) Adopted a motion to recommend to Presbytery that the report be received from the Synod Presbytery Development Department, which reviewed the minutes of Presbytery for the period from February 24, 1981 through February 23, 1982. The minutes were approved with the following exceptions: 1) absences of ministers were not recorded, 2) action on session records was not recorded, 3) financial reports and the auditor's report were not recorded. A motion carried to recommend that the Stated Clerk be authorized to make suitable corrections.
- 10) The Treasurer's report for the period ending April 30, 1982 was received.

The report of the Treasurer for Fiscal Year 1981 was presented by Stanley M. Taylor (see Paper F-1 attached).

The report of the Division of Planning was presented by Donald Lester.

The report of the Executive Presbyter was presented by Donald Lester.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by MacKay Taylor. Following a call for nominations from the floor, a motion carried to elect the following persons:

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELATIONS

Area I 1982 Elder Thomas Andison Port Huron, First

BUSINESS AFFAIRS DIVISION

Area IV 1982 Elder Stanley King St.. Timothy

PLANNING DIVISION

At Large 1984 The Rev. D. William McIvor

LOCAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

At Large 1982 Elder Dorothy Weiner Church of Our Saviour

MISSION SUPPORT DEPARTMENT

Area I 1982 Mary Bell Taylor Jefferson Avenue

Area IV 1982 The Rev. Lawrence Chamberlain

Area I 1983 The Rev. John Foster

Area IV 1984 Elder Richard Boyd Saline

PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

Area I 1984 Elder Thomas Andison Port Huron, First

PRESBYTERY MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

Area IV 1982 Elder Maralyn Papenfuse Geneva

Area IV 1983 The Rev. Carl Gendersen

PROGRAM AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

At Large 1982 Mary Ann Evans Grosse Pointe Memorial

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m. with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator.

*Stanley M. Taylor*

Stanley M. Taylor, Stated Clerk

Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance  
May 1, 1982 - April 30, 1983

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	6	4	Grosse Ile	2	2
Ann Arbor, First	4	4	Grosse Pointe Memorial	7	4
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Woods	3	3
Northside	1	0	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Westminster	2	0	Howell	2	1
Auburn Heights	2	0	Lincoln Park	1	1
Belleville	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale		3
Berkley, Greenfield	1	0	Gardens	3	3
Birmingham, First	9	2 & 7 ex	St. Paul's	4	ex 4
Northbrook	3	2	St. Timothy	1	ex
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	4	Milan, Peoples	1	ex
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	1
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	1
Clarkston, Sashabaw	2	1 & 1 ex	Northville	3	3
Dearborn, First	5	4	Novi, Faith Comm.	1	1
Cherry Hill	5	4	Orchard Lake	3	0
Dearborn Woods	1	0	Plymouth	3	3
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	3	ex 1
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Detroit, First	2	2	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	1	Port Huron, First	2	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	0
Calvary	1	1	Westminster	1	1 & 1 ex
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	1
Calvin West	2	1	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Evergreen Village	1	1	Royal Oak, First	6	3
Fort Street	2	2	First United	2	2
Grandale/Master	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Hope	1	0	Lake Shore	3	2
Jefferson Avenue	2	0	Saline	1	0
Leitch	1	0	Shelby Saint Thomas	1	0
Monteith	1	1	Southfield, Korean	1	0
Redford	4	0	United	2	2
St. James	1	1	South Lyon	1	1
St. John's	2	1	Sterling Hts., Utica	2	1
Southwest Community	2	2	Taylor, Southminster	2	2
Trinity	1	1	Troy, First	1	0
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Northminster	1	0
Village	2	2	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Westminster	3	2	Warren, First	1	1
Woodward/Covenant	2	0	Celtic Cross	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	0
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	Wayne, First	1	1
Ecorse	1	1	West Bloomfield, Church		
Farmington	3	2 & 1 ex	of Our Saviour	1	1
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	Westland, Kirk of Our		
Fraser, Peace	1	1	Savior	1	1
Garden City	2	1	White Lake	1	1
			Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	0

## THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

Pro Re Nata Meeting

Date: August 17, 1982

Place: Westminster Church, Detroit

Moderator: William N. Colwell

Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a pro re nata meeting on August 17, 1982, at the Westminster Church of Detroit, 17575 Hubbell, Detroit.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Vice-moderator, William P. Saum, at 1:00 p.m.

The Stated Clerk read the call for the meeting as follows:

- 1) To act upon the following recommendations from the Division of Business Affairs:
  - a) That the sum of \$13,500.00 be loaned to the Session of Trinity Community Church.
  - b) That the First Church Plymouth be given permission to sell an old manse to Mr. and Mrs. Greg Ash for one dollar.
  - c) That the Presbytery enter upon a Second Renewal Lease with Standard Federal Savings and Loan Association on land formerly owned by the Eastminster Church.
  - d) That the land contract with Greater Faith Cathedral, purchaser of the former Ward Memorial Church be amended.
  - e) That the First Church of Ann Arbor be given permission to offer certain property for sale.
  - f) That the proposal from the Session of the Faith Community Church of Novi for the repayment of a Presbytery loan be accepted.
- 2) To act upon a request from Black Presbyterians United to invite the Moderator of General Assembly to the November meeting of Presbytery.
- 3) To act upon a recommendation from the Division of Staff Services concerning the employment of Virgil Jones in the part-time position of Coordinator of a Community College Ministry.

A motion carried that the call be approved.

The Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present, and a motion carried to grant the following requests to be excused:

Ministers: Robert Barnes, Rodney Beal, David Blackshear, Lloyd Brasure, Harold Ellens, Donald Flowers, Thomas Hartley, Gordon Irvine, Myron Kaufman, Roland Keebler, Kenneth Kettlewell, Donald Lester, Donald MacPherson, Edward Miller, Drew Nagle, Alfred Nead, Jenny Schram, William Schram, John Sefcik, Larry Sharpless, David Sherwin, Joan Stary, Paul Sutton, Theodore Taylor, Judy Todd, Richard Todd.

Elders: University - 3, Sashabaw - 2, Brighton - 2, Milford - 2, Wyandotte - 2.

Council: Franklin Brown, Mary Anne Gipson.

MINISTERS PRESENT

Barcus  
Borchardt  
Brown

Carroll  
Cook  
Davies

Hawley  
Henderson  
Jones

Loveless  
McCloskey  
McCloskey-  
Turner

McIntyre  
Saum  
Swinehart  
Taylor, S.  
Whitledge

ELDERS

Allen Park	McKee, D.	Farmington, First	Allaben, R.
	Sweets, K.		Johnson, D.
Berkley, Greenfield	Hamlin, S.	Novi, Faith	Crawford, L.
Birmingham		Royal Oak	
Northbrook	Dellinger, W.	Christ Memorial	Redhead, M.
Detroit		South Lyon	Heath, F.
Woodward/Cov.	Burnette, M.		

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.	Leigh, E.
Crawford, L.	Morse, F.
Craley, D.	

The report of the Division of Business Affairs was presented by Eleanor Leigh.

1) A motion carried that the Presbytery loan to the Session of Trinity Community Church in the sum of \$13,500.00 for eight years at 9% interest be approved.

2) A motion carried granting permission to the First Church of Plymouth to sell its old manse for one dollar to Mr. and Mrs. Greg Ash, who have agreed to move the house from its present site to a site of their choosing and to pay all expenses in connection with the removal.

3) A motion carried that the Presbytery enter into a Second Renewal Lease with Standard Federal Savings and Loan Association on land formerly owned by the Eastminster Church for a period of ten years, from September, 1982 to August, 1992, at an annual rental of \$3,000.00.

4) A motion carried to amend the land contract with Greater Faith Cathedral, purchaser of the former Ward Memorial Church, so that a balloon payment in the amount of \$50,000.00, which was due on June 15, 1982, shall be paid in the following manner: \$25,000.00 to be paid not later than August 15, 1982, an additional payment of \$2,500.00 a month from September, 1982 through February, 1983, and a payment of \$10,000.00 not later than January 10, 1983.

5) A motion carried granting permission to First Church, Ann Arbor, to offer for sale a church-owned house and land at 1421 Hill Street, Ann Arbor, for an asking price of \$200,000.00.

6) A motion carried to accept the proposal of the Session of Faith Community Church of Novi to repay its loan due to Presbytery. The terms of the proposal are as follows: amount of loan, \$31,264.58; annual interest, 9%, quarterly payments of \$1,517.12 to be made for seven years, beginning September, 1982.

A copy of the recommendations of the Division of Business Affairs is attached to these minutes.

A motion carried to approve the request from Black Presbyterians United to invite the Moderator of General Assembly to the November meeting of Presbytery.

A motion carried to table until the September meeting of Presbytery the recommendation concerning the employment of Virgil Jones in the part-time position of Coordinator of a Community College Ministry.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:17 p.m. with prayer and the Apostolic benediction by the Vice-moderator, William P. Saum.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk

## THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

Pro Re Nata Meeting

Date: August 24, 1982  
Place: Westminster Church, Detroit

Moderator: William N. Colwell  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a pro re nata meeting on August 24, 1982, at the Westminster Church of Detroit, 17575 Hubbell, Detroit.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator, William N. Colwell, at 1:00 p.m.

The Stated Clerk read the call for the meeting as follows:

The Reverend Kenneth Kettlewell, the Reverend Raymond Lumley, Elder Bernard Love of Trinity Community Church and Elder Eunice Bagley of Park Church have requested the Moderator of Presbytery to call a pro re nata meeting of the Presbytery of Detroit on August 24, 1982, at 1:00 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Detroit. The purpose of the meeting is to act upon a request from the Session and the Congregation of Calvary Church, Detroit for permission to sell a parcel of land to the Trail Medical Clinic for \$5,500.00 in cash.

MINISTERS PRESENT

Barnes	Colwell	Jeffrey	McIntyre	Saum
Borchardt	Hawley	Irvine	Mitcham	Taylor, S.
				Taylor, T.

ELDERS

Birmingham, Northbrook	Dellinger, W.	Detroit, Calvary	Harden, J.
Dearborn Heights		Trinity	Holly, O.
St. Mark's	Kieltyka, D.	Farmington, First	Allaben, R.
		South Lyon	Heath, F.

A motion carried to approve the call.

The Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present, and a motion carried to grant the following requests to be excused:

Ministers: Robert Armstrong, Rodney Beal, William Brown, Roland Keebler, Arnold Leverenz, Donald MacPherson, Edward Miller, Drew Nagle, Larry Sharpless, Jenny Schram, William Schram, Scott Simons, Joan Stary, William Whitledge.

Elders: Brighton - 2, Mt. Clemens, First - 1, Sashabaw - 2.

Council: Mary Anne Gipson, Susan Carlson, Frances Morris.

The report of the Division of Business Affairs was presented by Eleanor Leigh. A motion carried to grant permission to Calvary Presbyterian Church to sell a parcel of land to the Trail Medical Clinic for \$5,500.00 in cash, with the understanding that the Clinic is granting permission to the Calvary congregation to use the lot for parking after 6:00 in the evening and all day on Saturdays and Sundays.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:12 p.m. with prayer and the Apostolic benediction by the Moderator, William N. Colwell.

*Stanley M. Taylor*

Stanley M. Taylor, Stated Clerk



## STATED MEETING

Date: September 28, 1982  
Place: Westminster Church of Detroit

Moderator: William N. Colwell  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Westminster Church of Detroit, 17575 Hubbell, Detroit, on September 28, 1982, at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

A worship service was led by Raymond W. Lumley and LeRoy S. Haynes.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Allen	Cook	Hunter	Marlow	Sefcik
Anderson	Cotter	Ihrle	Marvin	Sharpless
Antonson	Crilley	Irvine	Mather	Shook
Armstrong	Curphey	Irwin	McCloskey	Shoup
Baker	Davies	Jansen	McCloskey-	Simons
Baliad	Dotson	Jeffrey	Turner	Smith, C.
Banks	Dunkelberger, M.	Jones, V.	McIntyre	Smith, P.
Barcus	Eimer	Kaufman	McIvor	Sommers
Barger	Ellens	Keebler	McMellen	Stary
Barnes	Eshleman	Kesler	Miller	Stenner
Bartko	Forsyth	Kettlewell	Mitcham	Stone, G.
Battles	Francis	Kiely	Moore	Stone, J.
Beal	Garypie	Kim	Muench	Stryker
Beery	Geissinger	Kirkman	Nagle	Sutton
Boeve	Gensheimer	Koster	Naylor	Taylor, K.
Borchardt	Gepford	Krehbiel	Nead	Taylor, M.
Brand	Gillette	LeDuc	Orr	Taylor, S.
Brown	Glenn	Lester	Peters	Terpstra
Campbell	Gruebel	Leverenz	Peterson	Todd, J.
Carter	Hanna	Lindsey	Pierson	Todd, R.
Chamberlain	Harmon	Linthicum	Poland	Torrey
Cho	Hartley	Lister	Rieker	Vernon
Cobleigh	Hawley	Loveless	Roberts	Wilde
Cole	Haynes	Lumley	Saum	Wilson, R.
Coleman	Henderson	MacDonald	Schram, J.	Wilson, S.
Colwell	Howie	MacPherson	Schram, W.	Zedan

ABSENCES

Abbott	Dawson	Lambert	Mecouch	Way
Cater	Douglas	MacInnes	Reynolds	Woodruff
Conley	Hershey	Magee	Thompson	

Allen Park	Fezzey, T.	Detroit, Hope	Baker, O.
	Hall, M.	Monteith	Warren, B.
	Jones, P.	Redford	Bennett, C.
	Lush, F.		Davison, M.
	Ruehl, R.		George, L.
Ann Arbor, First	Ostrander, L.		Moseley, P.
	Santinga, R.	St. James	Hauswirth, G.
	Stuber, E.	Southwest	Ferguson, H.
Calvary	Cummins, B.		Sefcik, J.
Northside	Lewis, S.	Trinity	Wardell, T.
Auburn Heights	Leighton, D.	Trumbull Avenue	Bearns, R.
	Quinn, C.	Village	Shocke, W.
Belleville	Jarrett, E.	Westminster	Simonetta, D.
Berkley, Greenfield	Mirk, D.		Steward, W.
Birmingham, First	Brinkman, T.	Woodward/Covenant	Burnette, M.
	Erhart, C.	Drayton Plains	Thompson, N.
	Erhart, D.	Ecorse	Fleming, C.
	Istock, J.	Farmington	Allaben, R.
	Perkins, J.		Johnson, D.
	Thompson, D.	Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Neilson, H.
	Zimmer, D.		Russell, J.
Northbrook	Anderson, D.	Fraser, Peace	Bacon, E.
	Dellinger, W.	Garden City	Dillon, A.
	Fleser, J.	Grosse Ile	Altstetter, J.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Anderson, G.		Napier, D.
	Brown, Mrs. R.	Grosse Pointe Mem.	Brown, P.
	Davis, B.		Fredericks, B.
	Kitchen, B.		Pattee, P.
	Smith, D.		Purdy, R.
Brighton	Dever, W.	Grosse Pointe Woods	Clark, T.
	Gordon, P.		Honkanen, C.
Canton, Geneva	Fanslow, C.		Zech, C.
Clarkston, Sashabaw	Lyles, J.	Highland Park, Park	Pettis, J.
	Roy, D.	Howell	Rogers, A.
Dearborn, First	Was, W.	Lincoln Park	Goodell, B.
Cherry Hill	Binder, S.	Livonia, Rosedale Gdns	Mayle, T.
	Curth, D.		Runyan, G.
	Gordon, D.	St. Paul's	Harp, P.
	Hafer, K.		Miller, J.
	Seyfarth, N.		Millson, V.
Littlefield Blvd.	Jaefer, H.	St. Timothy	Belaire, K.
	Schebor, R.	Milan, Peoples	Sinclair, B.
Dearborn Heights,	Kieltyka, D.	Milford	Wilson, N.
St. Mark's			Hoffman, R.
Detroit, First	McLeod, H.	Mt. Clemens, First	Kennedy, S.
	Thompson, C.		LeRoy, H.
Bethany	Dunning, C.	Northville	June, J.
Broadstreet	Glenn, V.		Meyer, P.
Calvin East	Waring, A.		Van Soest, M.
Calvin West	Holden, A.	Novi, Faith	Crawford, L.
	Standing, M.A.	Orchard Lake	Cobb, G.
Evergreen Village	Forhan, J.		Rynders, B.
Fort Street	Heatley, G.	Plymouth	Hinks, T.
	Jones, B.		Stokes, W.
Grandale/Master	Glover, V.	Pontiac, First	Aldrich, C.
Gratiot Avenue	Shepherd, M.	Atonement	Freeland, B.

Pontiac, Joslyn Ave.	Vine, J.	Southfield, Un.	Denniston, D.
Port Huron, First	Vincent, B.		Drake, D.
Westminster	Randall, B.	South Lyon	Heath, F.
Rochester, University	Brittain, W.	Sterling Hts, Utica	Bousquette, G.
	Hipple, H.		Plaster, D.
	Mercade, P.	Taylor, Southminster	Dorotinsky, B.
Roseville, Erin	McLeod, M.	Troy, First	Huntley, J.
	Tjaar, T.		Roger, L.
Royal Oak, First	Rusk, A.	Northminster	Kirkpatrick, J.
Christ Memorial	Sell, J.	Walled Lake, Crossroads	Van Houten, J.
First United	Doty, F.	Warren, First	Cooper, J.
	Hickman, E.	Celtic Cross	Snyder, D.
SCS, Faith	MacNab, M.	Waterford, Lakeland	Currin, L.
Lake Shore	Vincent, W.	Wayne, First	Peters, C.
Shelby, Saint Thomas	Dryden, D.	W. Bloomfield	
Southfield, Korean	Yoo, Jim	Ch. of Our Saviour	Scheel, B.
		Westland, Kirk	DiBacco, M.
		White Lake	Schreiber, C.
		Wyandotte	McCauley, R.
			Nelson, G.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams	Dellinger	Lennox
Carlson	Gipson	Poston
Craley	Lee	Younkin
Crawford	Leigh	

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

**Ministers:** David Blackshear, Peter Bower, Lloyd Brasure, James Cannon, Robert Dickson, Ernest Dunn, William Ferry, Donald Flowers, Carl Geider, William Hillegonds, Richard Milford, William Palmer, George Ramsey, David Sherwin, David Swinehart, Theodore Taylor, William Whitledge.

**Council:** Frances Morris

The Presbytery of Detroit received as a guest Mrs. Fiona Hulbert, European Secretary of the Student Christian Movement, who is serving as Ecumenical Parish Associate at the First Church of Warren.

Motions carried to grant privilege of the floor to: David Groff, Director of Admissions at Alma College; and Ron Wilson of the Palmer Drug Abuse Program.

A motion carried to approve the minutes of the meetings of June 15, 1982, August 17, 1982, and August 24, 1982, as distributed. A motion carried to adopt the docket for this meeting with the following changes: deletion of the report of the Division of Staff Services; and a 15 minute extension for the report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries.

Omnibus Motion

Upon motion, the following recommendations were adopted:

- 1) It is recommended that the lease with Standard Federal Savings and Loan Association of land formerly owned by the Eastminster Church be amended by providing for four five-year renewal leases at an annual rental of \$3,300.00, instead of two ten-year renewal leases at an annual rental of \$3,000.00.

- 2) It is recommended that the Session of the Faith Church of St. Clair Shores be given permission to place its manse for sale on the open market, under the following conditions: a) that the sale price is not less than the average of three appraisals; b) that the property is sold for cash; c) that the proceeds are placed in a restricted fund to be used for a pastor's housing allowance.
- 3) It is recommended that the agreement to loan funds to the Peace Church of Fraser be amended by increasing the amount from \$6,000.00 to \$8,500.00 and the period of repayment from 18 months to 24 months, the interest to remain at 9%.
- 4) It is recommended that a loan in the amount of \$9,000.00 from the Capital Fund be made to the Faith Church of Novi, with annual interest of 9% and monthly payments of \$240.00, beginning November 1, 1982, so that the loan will be repaid in three years and ten months. The purpose of the loan is to provide funds for the paving of a parking lot.

A motion carried to approve the following recommendations:

- 1) That the price of dinner at Presbytery meetings be increased to \$4.00.
- 2) That the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper be celebrated at the Youth Hunger Fast at Calvin West Church on December 12, 1982.
- 3) "Be it resolved that the Presbytery of Detroit recognize Carol Gore for her work and ministry within the Presbytery of Detroit. Well done, good and faithful servant."
- 4) That the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper be celebrated at the Presbyterian Men's breakfast to be held on December 4, 1982.

A motion carried to approve the reports of Council as follows:

At its meeting on July 20, 1982 the Council took the following actions:

- 1) Approved the call to Lee M. Cotter from the Saline Church to become pastor.
- 2) Extended to October 31, 1982 the part-time interim contracts with the following persons: James Conley, Lloyd Brasure, Ernest Dunn and David Abbott.
- 3) Dismissed Robert Rives to the Presbytery of Grace Union.
- 4) Approved changes in terms of call for the following persons: Clanton Dawson, Charles Gensheimer and Henry Stenner.
- 5) Approved recommendations from the Division of Business Affairs which were acted upon by Presbytery on August 17, 1982.
- 6) Approved a recommendation from the Division of Business Affairs that the Session of the Garden City Church be granted permission to borrow funds from a member.
- 7) Referred to the Committee on Local Church Personnel Practice the matter of the recognition of service to the Church by volunteers.
- 8) Referred to the Department of Local Church Development a request for a grant from St. Timothy Church, Livonia.
- 9) Referred to the Division of Staff Services the matter of a commuter college ministry.

At its meeting on August 31, 1982 the Council took the following actions:

- 1) Received Kent Holmes from Riverside Presbytery as a Commissioned Church Worker and approved his installation on September 12, 1982 at the Cherry Hill Church.
- 2) Granted permission to Theodore Tate to labor outside the bounds of the Presbytery, pending permission of the Presbytery of Northern New York.
- 3) Received a paper from Donald Lester titled "Summary of Self-Study for the Presbytery of Detroit," referred it to the Executive Committee for action by the Council at its next meeting.
- 4) Authorized the moderator to appoint five persons to represent the Presbytery at the Series II A Consultation to be held on September 29 and 30, 1982.

At its meeting on September 14, 1982 the Council took the following actions:

- 1) Approved a revision of "Summary of Self-Study for the Presbytery of Detroit" as a working paper for the Series II A Consultation.
- 2) Approved the appointment of Susan Carlson, John Jeffrey, Kurt Lenz, David Swinehart and Mary Younkin as representatives of the Presbytery to the Consultation.
- 3) Endorsed William Whitlege for consideration by the Nominating Committee of General Assembly.
- 4) Arranged to have the business papers of Presbytery ready to be picked up by commissioners by noon on the Friday before the meeting of Presbytery.
- 5) Approved the designation of Donald Lester and William Saum to represent staff and officers of the Presbytery for participation in a Latin-American Study Trip.
- 6) Approved the appointment of Eldon Beery as acting chairman of the Committee on Ministerial Relations for the balance of the year.
- 7) Referred to the Committee on the Plan for Reunion the paper by William Colwell.
- 8) Approved the continuation and expansion of the session consultation program.
- 9) Accepted the resignation of William Wingrove from the Department of Program and Resource Development.
- 10) Approved the taking of an offering at ordinations and installations for the Theological Aid Fund.
- 11) Approved the establishment of a Committee on Enlistment.
- 12) Accepted the resignation of John Carroll and Carol Allen from the Department of Presbytery Ministries and referred to the Nominating Committee the vacancy caused by the death of Thelma Myles.
- 13) Approved the recommendations from the Division of Business Affairs which appear in the Omnibus Motion.
- 14) Accepted the resignation of Stanley King from the Division of Business Affairs.
- 15) Referred to the Committee on Peace Education a communication on the Call to Halt the Nuclear Arms Race from the Session of Christ Memorial Church of Royal Oak.
- 16) Received a report from the Administrative Commission to ordain Craig Aue and dismissed the Commission.

The report of the Division on Planning was presented by Robert Battles.

The report of Commissioners to the 194th General Assembly was presented by: William Colwell, Clarence Honkanen, David Kieltyka, Joan Stary, Gordon Robertson, Raphael Francis, and Corenna Aldrich.

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by John Jeffrey.

The report of the Committee on Candidates was presented by Ruth Kirkman. A motion carried to name the following individuals as representatives of the Presbytery at the reading of the 1983 Ordination Exams: Robert Armstrong, Robert Orr, and William Schram. Motions carried to enroll Kent Holmes, formerly of Riverside Presbytery of California, as a Commissioned Church Worker in the Presbytery of Detroit; and as a candidate for the office of Certified Christian Educator. A letter of transfer has been received from Riverside Presbytery and Mr. Holmes has become a member of Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church. Carlotta H. Sommers was introduced to the Presbytery and read her statement of motivation and influence. A motion carried to arrest her examination. A motion carried to sustain the examination and to enroll Charlotte Sommers as a candidate for the gospel ministry under care of the Presbytery of Detroit. The Moderator proceeded to conduct the service of reception.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was presented by Eldon Beery. Motions carried to adopt the following recommendations:

- 1) It is recommended to concur with the congregation of the Dearborn Woods Church in calling John A. Wilde as pastor, effective September 15, 1982, with the following terms: \$16,000 salary, manse, utilities, full pension, 2% hospitalization allowance, one month's vacation, annual review, moving expenses; to forward the call to the Presbytery of Palisades with the request that he be dismissed to the Presbytery of Detroit; and to enroll Mr. Wilde upon receipt of his dismissal. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of the Form of Government 40.01, 57.044, 57.046, and the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.
- 2) That the part-time interim relationship between Belleville Church and Robert Way be extended to December 31, 1982.
- 3) That the contract between First Church, Dearborn and John Musgrave to become part-time assistant interim for a period of three months at \$600 salary per month be approved.
- 4) That John Mecouch be reapproved as parish associate at Westminster Church, Ann Arbor, for a period of one year.
- 5) That the assistant pastoral relation between William Wingrove and Wyandotte Church be dissolved, that the call of the Lincoln Place Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to William Wingrove be approved; that the call be placed in Mr. Wingrove's hands; and that Mr. Wingrove be dismissed to the Presbytery of Pittsburgh, effective October 1, 1982.
- 6) That Richard Meske be dismissed to the Seattle Presbytery at his request and theirs.
- 7) That the following administrative commission be elected to install Lee M. Cotter as pastor of First Church, Saline: Ministers - Henry Borchardt, chairperson, Vern Campbell, David Krehbiel; Elders - Judith Lundell (Church of Our Saviour), Helen Timmons (First, Ann Arbor), James Steward Robinson (First, Saline); and to empower said commission to install Mr. Cotter on October 3, 1982, 7:30 p.m., at First Church, Saline.
- 8) That the following administrative commission be elected to install DeWitt T. McIntyre as pastor of Trinity Church, Detroit: Ministers - William Saum (chairperson), James A. Mitcham, Donald G. Lester, Henry C. Borchardt, Edward M. Miller, David Harmon, James Cannon, David Eshleman; Elders - Mary Shanks (Trinity), Marie Guyton (Westminster, Detroit), Barbara Vaughn (Trinity), Eva Crowley (Grandale Church of the Master), with James C. Berg (Episcopal Church) and Samuel Tatem (United Methodist Church) invited to be corresponding members; and to empower said commission to install Mr. McIntyre on October 24, 1982, 5 p.m., at Trinity Church, Detroit.
- 9) That the status of Pastor Emeritus of the Northville Church be conferred on Lloyd G. Brasure, effective August 15, 1982:
- 10) That the status of Honorable Retirement be approved for Albert Ratcliffe, effective September 28, 1982.
- 11) That Robert Lucero be granted permission to labor outside the bounds of the Presbytery, pending permission of the Presbytery of de Cristo.

A memorial minute in remembrance of Samuel C. Weir, H.M. was presented by Harry L. Geissinger.

Richard Peters introduced the following new ministers: Lee Cotter, Kent Eimer, DeWitt McIntyre, and John Wilde.

A motion carried to approve the changes in terms of call of the following:  
 Baker - \$1,149 salary increase, \$700 car increase, \$22 hospitalization increase;  
 Barnes - \$31 hospitalization increase; Cook - \$1,196 salary increase, \$700 housing increase; Dickson - \$1,370 salary increase, \$200 utilities' increase, \$100 hospitalization increase; Gillette - \$960 salary increase; Ramsey - \$200 car increase, \$85 expense increase; Schram, W. & J. - \$1,500 salary increase, \$84 utilities' increase; Torrey - \$1,250 salary increase, \$420 housing increase, \$175 car increase, \$65 expense increase; Vernon - \$200 utilities' increase, \$100 expense increase, \$200 study increase.

A motion carried to approve the minimum beginning compensation standards for ministers in 1983 in two categories (see Paper A, attached).

The report of the Committee on Professional Growth and Development was presented by William Gapford.

The report of the Department of Local Church Development was presented by David Eshleman. A motion carried to approve the Session records of the following churches with exceptions as noted:

Allen Park

Calvary, Ann Arbor: P 17, 23, 25, 26, 30 information on baptism not complete

P 17 date of baptism is incorrect

P 13, 17, 25 marriage information incomplete

Appointment of temporary clerk not indicated

First, Ann Arbor: Church register incorrect in some places

No annual statistical report

Northside, Ann Arbor: No record of audit or annual statistical report approval.

Only one report of an elder commissioner given

N.A.M. records have no signatures of clerk PP 186, 187, 188, 189, 191

Westminster, Ann Arbor: P 110, 128 minutes missing. When added indicate cross reference.

Church Register has some incorrections

Temporary clerk - record should indicate appointment of one and minutes should be signed by temporary clerk

P 120 elders present not recorded

P 125 call of congregational meeting not recorded

P 128 annual statistical report not recorded

P 128 date elders installed and ordained not indicated

Belleville: Church register is incorrect in some places.

Inactive roll should be brought up to date

Part of minutes of 3/7/82 congregation meeting omitted

Purpose for call of congregational meeting by Session not noted

Report of elder commissioners to Presbytery not always noted

First, Birmingham: Annual statistical report inserted

Attendance at Session meetings unclear

Information in Session minutes not indicated in Church Register in some instances.

Brighton: Date of Session action should be used for transfer of members

Church Register and minutes do not correspond P 30, 65

Temporary clerk's appointment not indicated.

Geneva, Canton: P 53 member transferred to Plymouth. Later action indicates to inactive

No indication of Session approval of committee reports

No indication of audit

No indication of quorum at congregational meeting

Sashabaw, Clarkston: Minutes not signed in some instances

Cherry Hill, Dearborn: Amendment of minutes of annual meeting is not indicated; How

they were amended p 374. So also special meeting p 363.

Session minutes and Church Register do not correspond in a few instances

Clerk's signature missing from some of the minutes.

St. Mark's, Dearborn: Reception dates for members is incorrect pp 254; 682, 683 and

p 254; 684, 686, 687, 688.

Election/appointment of clerk pro-tem not indicated

Motion of pastor's salary should be recommended to congregation

Quorum for congregational meeting not indicated

No audit indicated

CalvinWest, Detroit: No reference to an audit

No election of clerk noted

Grandale Church of the Master, Detroit: Inactive members being transferred to other churches are not to be subtracted from the active church member's roll

Elder who assisted in communion for the sick not indicated by name.

Village United, Detroit: Some actions of the Session not yet recorded in Church Register  
Nothing specific in minutes about review of pastor's salary

Drayton Plains: 140A inserted

It is not necessary to restore members to delete them

Ecorse: No exceptions

First, Farmington: Annual statistical report inserted instead of being written on page used for Session minutes.

Garden City: P 381 baptism birthdate in church register does not correspond with Session minutes. Excellent records.

Grosse Ile: No exceptions

Park United, Highland Park: No record of an audit

Howell: Date of Session action should be used for transfer of members

Some information in minutes does not correspond with that in church register

Inactive roll names should be acted on after two years

Lincoln Park: Church Register not up to date

Rosedale Gardens, Livonia: No specific reference to review of pastor's salary

No reference to an audit

Information in Session minutes is not always the same as that in Church Register in a few instances

St. Paul's, Livonia: Church Register and Session minutes do not correspond in a few instances

St. Timothy, Livonia: Action on deletion and record of marriage (p 633 & 635) not recorded in Church Register

Minutes of congregational meeting 1/17 missing

People's, Milan: Some items in Church Register not correct

Northville: P 489 what minutes were approved/corrected are not indicated

No approval of congregational meeting minutes of 3/8 and 5/3

Date of Session action should be date of transfer or date of reception by Session

Spring congregational meeting's call not noted

January 31st congregational minutes missing

Faith Community, Novi: Place and time of meetings is often omitted

Clerk's signature missing after some meetings minutes

No report indicated from elder commissioner to Presbytery

No quorum was indicated for congregational meetings

No indication of audit

Marriages and baptisms not indicated in Session minutes

Plymouth: No exceptions

Church of the Atonement, Pontiac: Good coverage of activities

Elder commissioners to Presbytery not indicated

Saline: Appointment of temporary clerk not indicated

Clerk's signature missing on some minutes

Church Register not correct in some areas

Inactive roll not up to date

Date of Session action should be used for transfer of members

Saint Thomas, Shelby: Part of annual statistical report included, rest omitted

Review of pastor's salary accomplished by corporation, not by congregation

Congregational meeting minutes not approved in one instance

Some dates of baptism on roll of baptized infants are incorrect

South Lyon: Church Register and Session records do not correspond in some instances

Southminster, Taylor: No exceptions

Crossroads, Walled Lake: Elder commissioners to Presbytery not always recorded and reports of commissioners not indicated

P 158, special meeting 3/15/81 not opened with prayer and moderator's name not indicated



First, Wayne: Clerk pro-tem signature missing p 115

No quorum indicated for congregational meeting

Church of Our Saviour, West Bloomfield: No exceptions

Suggest you add elder's first name initial to list of names to avoid confusion.

Kirk of Our Savior, Westland: Name, city, and state of church to which a person is transferred should be noted

P 225 reception of members in Session minutes not the same date noted in Church Register

Wyandotte: Records are now in good order. Well done!

Ypsilanti: Inactive roll should be brought up to date

Temporary clerk's appointment not indicated

Church Register does not correspond with minutes in a few places

The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by Susan Carlson. It was moved that the Presbytery approve the following resolution:

"In light of the continuing cycle of violence in the Middle East, bringing with it untold human suffering, the creation of hundreds of thousands of new refugees in Lebanon and the destruction of that country's autonomy, we are sobered by our ineffectiveness to bring about peace in that part of the world. Peace between Israel and her Arab neighbors, including addressing the question of full rights for the Palestinian people, is of major interest to the United States.

"In this context the Presbytery of Detroit calls upon its member churches:

- 1) To join in sponsoring acts of confession for the continued responsibility we share in the suffering of all those caught up in this recent round of hostilities; and in intercessory prayer for those who have lost family members, or those otherwise affected by the continuing tragedy.
- 2) To support all negotiated efforts on the part of the United States to bring about a quick and permanent withdrawal of all armed groups in Lebanon, together with efforts to secure a permanent home for the Palestinians, to enable Lebanon once again to become a sovereign state.
- 3) To bring influence to bear upon all those in national leadership not to resort to the use of military means in resolving the very complex issues besetting Lebanon and the whole of the Middle East.
- 4) To exercise understanding, support and concern for Arab Americans of all faiths, living in neighborhoods where member churches are located."

A motion carried to amend the resolution by substituting the word "Lebanese" for the word "Arab" in 4). A motion carried to approve the resolution as amended.

It was moved that the Presbytery adopt the following resolution:

"Whereas the United Presbyterian Church U.S.A. has historically affirmed the importance of education as a means of combating ignorance and superstition and as an essential ingredient for a free society; and

"Whereas the Presbytery of Detroit recognizes the serious and conflicting interest in the Detroit school strike between the school board's concern to operate a system that has suffered serious cutbacks in state funding and the Detroit Federation of Teachers' concern for adequate teacher salaries and benefits; and

"Whereas it is therefore recognized by the Presbytery of Detroit that the real losers in this conflict are the 200,000 school-age children of Detroit;

"Be it therefore resolved that the Presbytery of Detroit urge an immediate settlement to the Detroit School District strike.

"Be it therefore further resolved that the Presbytery encourage its leaders and personnel to provide a reconciling voice on our behalf where appropriate and do all they can to bring about a fair resolution of the Detroit School District strike.

"Be it therefore further resolved that the Presbytery commend the creative leadership of those churches which have taken the initiative to provide interim tutoring and educational opportunities for the school children in their areas."

A motion carried to amend the resolution by substituting the phrase "resumption of school while a new contract is being negotiated" for the phrase "settlement to the Detroit School District strike" in the fourth paragraph. A motion carried to adopt the resolution as amended.

A report on the Palmer Drug Abuse Program was presented by Ron Wilson.

The report of the Department of Mission Support was presented by Mary Younkin.

A report on Alma College was presented by David Groff, Director of Admissions.

The report of Detroit Presbyterial was presented by Lois Poston.

The report of the Executive Presbyter was presented by Donald Lester.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by MacKay Taylor.  
A motion carried to nominate the following commissioners to Synod Assembly, election to take place October 26, 1982:

Ministers

David Antonson	Grosse Pointe Memorial
Virgil Jones	Wayne State University
James Kesler	Peace, Fraser
Jenny Schram	Sashabaw, Clarkston
<u>Alternate</u>	
James LeDuc	Kirk of Our Savior, Westland

Elders

H. Franklin Brown	St. John's, Detroit
Doris Campbell	Peoples, Milan
Jean Lennox	Littlefield Blvd., Dearborn
Donald White	Westminster, Detroit
<u>Alternate</u>	
Wilma Dellinger	Northbrook, Birmingham

A progress report on the work of the Central Northwest Administrative Commission was presented by Edward Koster.

A motion carried that the identification badges provided to female commissioners to Presbytery meetings be designed with a pin or some other means of affixing the badge to female clothing.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m. with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
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Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance  
May 1, 1982 - April 30, 1983

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Ann Arbor, First	4	3	Grosse Pointe Memorial	7	4
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Woods	3	3
Northside	1	1	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Westminster	2	0	Howell	2	1
Auburn Heights	2	2	Lincoln Park	1	1
Belleville	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale		
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Gardens	3	2
Birmingham, First	9	7	St. Paul's	4	3 & lex
Northbrook	3	3	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	5	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	2
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	2	2	Northville	3	3
Dearborn, First	5	1	Novi, Faith Comm.	1	1
Cherry Hill	5	5	Orchard Lake	3	2
Dearborn Woods	1	0	Plymouth	3	2
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	3	1
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
<del>Detroit, First</del>	2	2	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	1	Port Huron, First	2	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	0
Calvary	1	0	Westminster	1	1
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	3
Calvin West	2	2	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Evergreen Village	1	1	Royal Oak, First	6	1
Fort Street	2	2	First United	2	1
Grandale/Master	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	2
Griiot Avenue	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Hope	1	1	Lake Shore	3	1
Jefferson Avenue	2	0	Saline	1	0
Leitch	1	0	Shelby Saint Thomas	1	1
Monteith	1	1	Southfield, Korean	1	1
Redford	4	4	United	2	2
St. James	1	1	South Lyon	1	1
St. John's	2	0	Sterling Hts., Utica	2	2
Southwest Community	2	2	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
Trinity	1	1	Troy, First	1	2
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Northminster	1	1
Village	2	1	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Westminster	3	2	Warren, First	1	1
Woodward/Covenant	2	1	Celtic Cross	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	0	Wayne, First	1	1
<del>corse</del>	1	1	West Bloomfield, Church		
armington	3	2	of Our Saviour	1	1
erndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	Westland, Kirk of Our		
Fraser, Peace	1	1	Savior	1	1
Garden City	2	1	White Lake	1	1
			Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	0

MINISTERS' COMPENSATION FOR 1983

Recognizing that young clergy have had their opportunities to enter the ministry sharply reduced by the inability of churches to continue to meet minimum salary requirements for beginning clergy; the Committee on Ministerial Relations is recommending minimum beginning compensation standards for ministers in 1983 in two categories.

<u>Item</u>	<u>For Asst. Pastors</u>		<u>For Pastors and Assoc. Pastors</u>			
	<u>1983</u>		<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>		
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>I. <u>Compensation</u></b>						
A. Salary & Housing Allowance (inc. utilities)	15,000		18,900		20,000	
B. Salary & Utilities when manse is furnished		12,500	15,120		16,667	
C. Assumed Value of Manse		<u>2,500</u>		<u>3,780</u>		<u>3,333</u>
	15,000	15,000	18,900	18,900	20,000	20,000
<b>II. <u>Fringe Benefits</u></b>						
A. Pension (Major Medical)	(19% of I)	2,850	(18% of I)	3,402	(19% of I)	3,800
B. Medical Deductible Allowance	(2% of I)	300	(2% of I)	378	(2% of I)	400
		3,150		3,780		4,200
<b>III. <u>Business Expenses</u></b>						
A. Auto Allowance		1,800	(20¢/mi.)	2,400	(assumed)	2,400
B. Study/Conference Allowance		<u>200</u>		<u>200</u>		<u>200</u>
		2,000		2,600		2,600
<b>Cost to Church</b>		\$20,150		\$25,280		\$26,800

In view of the existing economic climate in southeastern Michigan, the Committee recommends that--where existing calls are at the above minimums, and have been regularly updated in recent years--churches and ministers consider a moratorium on salary increases for the year 1983 only.

STATED MEETING

Date: October 26, 1982  
 Place: Redford Presbyterian Church

Moderator: William N. Colwell  
 Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Redford Presbyterian Church on October 26, 1982 at 5:45 p.m.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The meeting was recessed for meetings of the Areas.

The Presbytery meeting resumed at 6:20 p.m. with the worship service, led by Dale Hunter and David Buttrick.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Abbott	Cole	Gruebel	Marlow	Sefcik
Allen	Coleman	Gundersen	Mather	Sharpless
Armstrong	Colwell	Hanna	McCloskey	Sherwin
Baker	Cotter	Harmon	McCloskey-	Shoup
Baliad	Crilley	Hartley	Turner	Simons
Banks	Davies	Hawley	McIntyre	Smith, C.
Barcus	Dickson	Haynes	McMellen	Sommers
Barnes	Dotson	Henderson	Miller	Stary
Bartko	Dresser	Hunter	Mishler	S <sup>1</sup> enner
Battles	Dunkelberger, M.	Ihrie	Mitcham	Stone, G.
Beal	Dunn	Jansen	Moore	Stone, J.
Beery	Eshleman	Jeffrey	Muench	Stryker
Blackshear	Ferry	Jones, V.	Nagle	Sutton
Boeve	Forsyth	Kaufman	Nead	Swinehart
Borchardt	Francis	Kesler	Orr	Taylor, K.
Bower	Garypie	Kiely	Palmer	Taylor, M.
Brasure	Geider	Kirkman	Peterson	Taylor, S.
Brown	Geissinger	Krehbiel	Pierson	Terpstra
Campbell	Gensheimer	Lambert	Poland	Torrey
Carter	Gepford	Leverenz	Purvis-Smith	Whitledge
Chamberlain	Gillette	Lister	Rieker	Wilde
Cho	Gillis	Lumley	Saum	Wilson, S.
Cobleigh	Glenn	MacPherson	Schram, W.	Yingling
				Zedan

ABSENCES

Antonson	Douglas	Kettlewell	Magee	Shook
Barger	Hershey	Kim	McIvor	Smith, P.
Curphey	Hillegonds	LeDuc	Reynolds	Way
				Woodruff

ELDERS

Allen Park	S. Botu	Detroit, Redford	Ball, E.
	B. Geiselman		Maus, L.
	D. Gettemy		Mollon, L.
	V. Horvath	St. James	Hauswirth, G.
	D. McKenzie	Southwest	Sefcik, J.
Ann Arbor, First	Beierwaltes, M.	Trinity	Richardson, E.
	Holmes, Q.	Trumbull Avenue	Bearns, R.
Northside	Lewis, S.	Village	Brooks, D.
Westminster	Deal, H.		Simon, H.
Auburn Heights	Leighton, D.	Westminster	Petrak, H.
	Quinn, C.		Rosensteel, R.
Belleville	Ryckman, C.	Woodward/Covenant	Burnette, M.
Berkley, Greenfield	Page, M.	Drayton Plains	King, A.
Birmingham, First	Clark, M.	Farmington	Barley, C.
	Ferguson, L.		Zimmerman, W.
	Fischer, C.	Ferndale, Drayton	Russell, J.
	Sloan, J.		Whalen, S.
Northbrook	Kirk, H.	Fraser, Peace	Hughes, D.
	Wells, J.	Garden City	Flynn, J.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Izant, E.		Matsuoka, A.
	Robinson, W.	Grosse Ile	Bogen, J.
	Shaw, F.		Endicott, M.
Brighton	Grant, J.	Grosse Pointe Mem.	Brown, P.
	Padley, L.		Caulkins, P.
Canton, Geneva	Fanslow, C.		Thomas, A.
Clarkston, Sashabaw	Roy, D.	Howell	MacBride, R.
Dearborn, First	Garrett, R.		Rogers, A.
	Mniece, B.	Livonia, Rosedale	Benton, C.
Cherry Hill	Gordon, D.		Hamilton, J.
	Hough, C.		Kiemenschneider, K.
	Hyma, G.	St. Paul's	Harp, P.
	Jones, R.		Liebertz, R.
	Weston, D.		Miller, J.
Dearborn Woods	Blanding, M.	St. Timothy	Namel, M.
Littlefield Blvd.	Schebor, R.	Milan, Peoples	Slaughter, R.
	Tovinitti, J.	Milford	Cahn, J.
Dearborn Heights			Woelke, J.
St. Marks	Kieltyka, D.	Mt. Clemens, First	Runnels, R.
Detroit, First	Craley, D.		Zimmerman, D.
	McCuaig, V.	Northville	June, J.
Bethany	Dunning, C.		Lipa, C.
Broadstreet	Cope, D.		Meyer, P.
Calvary	Harden, J.	Novi, Faith	Crawford, L.
Calvin East	Brower, M.	Orchard Lake	Cobb, G.
Calvin West	Standing, M.A.	Plymouth	Schryer, R.
Evergreen Village	Cameron, J.		Stokes, W.
Fort Street	Thompson, P.		Zumbrunnen, R.
	Williams, C.	Pontiac, Atonement	Freeland, B.
Grandale/Master	Glover, V.	Joslyn Avenue	Hoisington, E.
Gratiot Avenue	Thomas, S.	Port Huron, First	Gleichauf, R.
Hope	Griggs, Y.	Rochester, University	Haller, R.
Leitch	Kremin, M.		Mercade, P.
Monteith	Warren, B.		Quick, R.

Royal Oak, First First United	Kirkman, R. Hickman, E. Waver, H.	Taylor, Southminster Troy, First	Fink, P. Radabaugh, M. Huntley, J.
Christ Memorial St. Clair Shores, Faith Lake Shore	Passage, F. MacNab, M. Firestone, J.	Warren, First Celtic Cross Waterford, Lakeland	Shafer, A. Scott, M. Watt, H.
Shelby, Saint Thomas Southfield	Dryden, D. Drake, D. Jones, E.	Wayne, First West Bloomfield Church of Our Saviour	Peters, C. McIntosh, L. DiBacco, M.
South Lyon Sterling Heights, Utica	Heath, F. Bousquette, G. Plaster, D.	Westland, Kirk Wyandotte	Delezenne, D. Ward, G.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Carlson, S.	Leigh, E.	Poston, L.
Dellinger, W.	Lennox, J.	Younkin, M.
Lee, K.	Morris, F.	

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

- Ministers: James Anderson, Kenneth Brand, James Cannon, Thomas Cook, Donald Flowers, Carl Howie, Gordon Irvine, William Jones, Edward Koster, Donald Lester, Robert Lindsey, Robert Linthicum, Laurel Loveless, Frank Marvin, Richard Milford, Ronald Naylor, Richard Peters, George Ramsey, Morgan Roberts, Jenny Schram, Ted Taylor, Judy Todd, Richard Todd, Ronald Wilson.
- Elders: Ann Arbor, Calvary, Ecorse, Grosse Pointe Woods (2), Port Huron, Westminster, Crossroads, Sashabaw.
- Council: Mary Grace Adams, Mary Anne Gipson

Upon motion, Alex Nemeth of the Presbytery of Chicago and David Buttrick of the Presbytery of Ohio Valley were enrolled as corresponding members of the Presbytery.

The Moderator recognized the Confirmation Class from St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Livonia, as guests of the Presbytery.

The minutes of the September 28, 1982 meeting were approved as distributed.

Upon motion, the docket for this meeting was approved with the following deletions: deletion of the report of the Presbytery Executive and the report of the Department of Local Church Development.

The Moderator appointed Ruling Elder Les Mollon (Redford) as Assistant to the Stated Clerk for this meeting.

Linda Crawford was introduced as the Recording Clerk for this meeting, substituting for Ruth Allaben, who is ill.

A report from the Board of Pensions was presented by Alex Nemeth. Upon motion, the report was accepted.

The Peace Education Committee of the Presbytery Ministries Department reported. William Saum introduced Richard Butler, director of the Middle East Division of the National Council of Churches, who spoke on the situation in Lebanon.

Mary Younkin and Lois Poston presented the Mission Support Department report. The report was approved.

The report of the Committee on Candidates was presented by Ruth Kirkman. The Committee reported that it recommended to the Ministerial Relations Committee Terryl A. Purvis-Smith, a minister in the American Baptist Church and the Chaplain at Children's Hospital, as having the qualifications for Presbyterian ministry.

Mrs. Kirkman recognized the interns serving in churches in the Presbytery of Detroit: Randy Ross (First Church, Port Huron), George Wilcox (First Church, Mt. Clemens), Steven McConnell (Southfield).

Kent Holmes, Director of Christian Education at Cherry Hill Church, was introduced to the Presbytery. Mr. Holmes read his statement of faith. Upon motion, the examination was arrested. Upon motion, the Presbytery sustained the examination and the Moderator proceeded to install Mr. Holmes as a Certified Christian Educator. Upon motion, Kent Holmes was enrolled as a Certified Christian Educator in the rolls of the Presbytery.

Upon motion, the report of the Committee on Candidates was approved.

Eldon Beery presented the report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations. Upon motion, the part-time contract relationship between the Session of Calvin West Church, Detroit and Laurel Loveless, effective October 3, 1982, for a period of three months with a total compensation of \$2,018 at approximately one-third time was approved.

Upon motion, the extension of the part-time interim contracts between Lloyd Brasure, Port Huron, Lakeshore and Ernest Dunn, Port Huron, Westminster, were extended to December 31, 1982.

Upon motion, Robert Way was appointed the Moderator of the Belleville Church.

Upon motion, William Schram was appointed Moderator of the Trumbull Avenue Church, Detroit.

Jean Lennox introduced Terryl A. Purvis-Smith. Mr. Smith read his statement of faith. Questions were asked from the floor of Presbytery. Upon motion, the examination was sustained. Upon motion, the testimony of Mr. Purvis-Smith and his credentials were approved, pending receipt of his statement of good standing from the American Baptist Churches in the U.S.A. and dismissal from membership in the First Presbyterian Church, Dearborn, the clerk is instructed to enroll Mr. Purvis-Smith as an ordained minister in the Presbytery. The Moderator conducted a service of recognition of the previous ordination of Mr. Purvis-Smith.

Upon motion, the relationship between Kent Holmes and the Cherry Hill Church was approved with the following terms: Mr. Holmes is the Director of Christian Education, effective August 1, 1982, with the following terms of call: \$17,500 salary, manse, \$2,400 utilities, 20¢ per mile car expense, full pension, \$500 medical insurance, two weeks' study leave, one month's vacation, annual review, \$750 moving expenses.



Upon motion, the following administrative commission was elected to install John A. Wilde as pastor of Dearborn Woods Church: Ministers - William Colwell, chairperson, James Conley, W. James LeDuc, Henry Borchardt, Carl Howie, Harry Geissinger; Elders - Evelyn Scott (Dearborn Woods), Richard Smith (Dearborn, First), Jean Lennox (Littlefield Boulevard); and empower said commission to install Mr. Wilde on November 28, 1982 at 4 p.m. at Dearborn Woods Church.

Upon motion, the docket was extended for 15 minutes.

Memorial Minutes were presented by Ray Kiely for Frank Fitt and MacKay Taylor for James M. Campbell.

Upon motion, the change in terms of call for Ben Lane, \$2,450 salary increase, was approved.

Upon motion, David Dresser's continued participation in UPCUSA Pension Plan on an unemployed basis to December 31, 1982 was approved, that by December 31, 1982, Mr. Dresser will submit certification as to his ability to subscribe to the standards of the UPCUSA: further that failing such certification, validation of his participation in the Pension Plan will be terminated.

Upon motion, the report was received.

MacKay Taylor presented the report of the Committee on Nominations. Upon motion, the following were elected as commissioners to the Synod Assembly: Ministers - David Antonson, Virgil Jones, James Kesler, Jenny Schram, James LeDuc (Alternate); Elders - H. Franklin Brown (St. John's), Doris Campbell (Peoples), Jean Lennox (Littlefield Boulevard), Donald White (Westminster, Detroit), Wilma Dellinger (Northbrook) (Alternate).

John Jeffrey presented the report of the Department of Program and Resource Development. Reports were heard from John Mather on the Evangelism Workshop, Dick Grant on the activities of the camps, Scott Simons reporting on the Alma College Youth Mix.

Upon motion, the following recommendations were approved in the Omnibus Motion:

1. Requests be made to the Synod of the Covenant and to the Office of the General Assembly that the per capita apportionment for 1983 be paid in four equal installments on March 15, June 15, September 15 and December.
2. That a loan be made from the Capital Fund of \$20,000 to Park United Church, contingent upon the following: (a) that funds are available, (b) that the Session successfully complete a building fund campaign which will raise at least \$20,000 in three years. The terms of the loan shall be 9% annual interest, the loan to be fully paid within five years.
3. That Broadstreet Church be loaned up to \$8,000 at 9% annual interest for six months, the loan to be made from the Capital Fund.

Upon motion, the Report of Council was approved as follows. The Presbytery Council adopted the following recommendations:

1. To recommend that the Presbytery approve the "Resolution on Proposed Standing Rules and Equitable Representation," which would amend the Standing Rules of Synod to provide for a required representation of women and members of ethnic groups in the election of commissioners to Synod.

2. To recommend that the per capita apportionment for Presbytery be \$1.80.

The Presbytery approved the Report of the Council as follows:

1. To urge sessions to provide for the attendance at the pre-Presbytery meeting in January of those persons who will be commissioners at the February meeting.
2. Authorized the carryover from the 1982 Program Budget to 1983 of the amount of \$7,800 which had been allocated to the Woodward Avenue Church of the Covenant.

Chris Torrey presented the report of the Committee on Budget. The 1983 Budget was presented for first reading, to be acted upon in November. Upon motion, the report was received for first reading.

James Cole reported for the Committee on Bylaws and Structure. Upon motion, the docket was extended five minutes. William Whitley moved that the Committee on Bylaws be instructed to present for first reading at the next meeting of Presbytery, amendments to the Bylaws of the Presbytery which would abolish the Areas. A motion carried to table the motion until the next meeting of Presbytery.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m. with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator.

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Westminster	2	1	Howell	2	2
Auburn Heights	2	2	Lincoln Park	1	0
Belleville	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale		3
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Gardens	3	
Birmingham, First	9	4	St. Paul's	4	3
Northbrook	3	2	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	3	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	2
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	2	1 & 1 ex	Northville	3	3
Dearborn, First	5	2	Novi, Faith Comm.	1	1
Cherry Hill	5	5	Orchard Lake	3	1
Dearborn Woods	1	1	Plymouth	3	3
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	3	0
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Detroit, First	2	2	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	1	Port Huron, First	2	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	0
Calvary	1	1	Westminster	1	ex
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	3
Calvin West	2	1	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Evergreen Village	1	1	Royal Oak, First	6	1
Fort Street	2	2	First United	2	2
Grandale/Master	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Hope	1	1	Lake Shore	3	1
Jefferson Avenue	2	0	Saline	1	0
Leitch	1	1	Shelby Saint Thomas	1	1
Monteith	1	1	Southfield, Korean	1	2
Redford	4	3	United	2	0
St. James	1	1	South Lyon	1	1
St. John's	2		Sterling Hts., Utica	2	2
Southwest Community	2	1	Taylor, Southminster	2	2
Trinity	1	1	Troy, First	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Northminster	1	0
Village	2	2	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	ex
Westminster	3	2	Warren, First	1	1
Woodward/Covenant	2	1	Celtic Cross	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Detroit, Covenant	1	0	Wayne, First	1	1
course	1	ex	West Bloomfield, Church		
Farmington	3	2	of Our Saviour	1	1
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	Westland, Kirk of Our		
Fraser, Peace	1	1	Savior	1	1
Garden City	2	2	White Lake	1	1
			Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	

## STATED MEETING

Date: November 23, 1982  
Place: Westminster Church of Detroit

Moderator: William N. Colwell  
Stated Clerk: Stanley M. Taylor

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Westminster Church of Detroit, 17575 Hubbell, Detroit, on November 23, 1982, at 5:45 p.m.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present:

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: Robert Barnes, Rodney Beal, Henry Borchardt, Peter Bower, James Cannon, Ernest Dunn, Donald Flowers, Dickson Forsyth, Galen Hershey, Myron Kaufman, James Kesler, William LeDuc, Robert Lindsey, Robert Linthicum, Lawrence McMellen, Richard Milford, William Palmer, George Ramsey, Kemper Taylor, Lewis Thompson, Jenny Schram, William Schram, Charles Sommers, David Swinehart, William Whitledge, Ronald Wilson and John Yingling.

Elders: Clarkston, Sashabaw - 1; Dearborn, First - 1; Grosse Pointe Memorial - 1; St. Clair Shores, Faith - 1.

Council: Linda Crawford, Eleanor Leigh and Mary Younkin.

MINISTERS

Allen	Crilley	Hunter	Mather	Schram, W.
Anderson	Davies	Ihrle	McCloskey	Sefcik
Antonson	Dickson	Irvine	McCloskey-	Sharpless
Armstrong	Dotson	Jansen	Turner	Sherwin
Baker	Douglas	Jeffrey	McIntyre	Shook
Baliad	Dunkelberger, M.	Jerome	McMellen	Shoup
Banks	Dunkelberger, R.	Jones, V.	Milford	Simons
Barcus	Ellens	Jones, W.	Miller	Smith, C.
Barger	Eshleman	Keebler	Mitcham	Smith, P.
Bartko	Geider	Kettlewell	Moore	Stary
Battles	Geissinger	Kiely	Nagle	Stenner
Beery	Gepford	Kirkman	Nagy	Stone, G.
Blackshear	Gillette	Koster	Naylor	Stryker
Boeve	Glenn	Krehbiel	Nead	Sutton
Brand	Gruebel	Lambert	Peters	Taylor, M.
Brown	Gundersen	Lester	Peterson	Taylor, S.
Campbell	Hanna	Leverenz	Pierson	Terpstra
Carter	Harmon	Lister	Poland	Todd, J.
Cho	Hartley	Loveless	Purvis-	Todd, R.
Cobleigh	Hawley	Lumley	Smith	Torrey
Cole	Henderson	MacDonald	Reynolds	Wilde
Coleman	Hillegonds	MacPherson	Rieker	Wilson, S.
Colwell	Howie	Marlow	Roberts	Zedan
Cook		Marvin	Saum	

ABSENCES

Chamberlain	Foster	Gundersen	MacInnes	McIvor
Dresser	Freedman	Kim	Magee	Mishler
				Way
				Woodruff

ELDERS

Allen Park	Butler, J.	Detroit, Trumbull Ave.	Bearns, R.
	Geiselman, B.	Village	Piggott, J.
	Ottinger, W.		Wyatt, L.
	Petty, R.	Westminster	McKenzie, W.
	Wagner, J.		White, D.
Ann Arbor, First	Krehbiel, M.	Drayton Plains	DeWilde, A.
	Timmons, H.	E. Detroit, Covenant	Duff, E.
Northside	Hockett, R.	Ecorse	Nagy, L.
Calvary	Cummins, B.	Farmington	Davis, N.
Auburn Heights	Leighton, D.		Johnson, D.
	Quinn, C.	Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Martin, A.
Belleville	Paris, B.		Russell, J.
Berkley, Greenfield	Hansen, H.	Garden City	Dillon, A.
Birmingham, First	Harter, C.	Grosse Ile	Bogen, J.
	Perkins, J.		Follbaum, G.
	Thompson, D.	Grosse Pointe Mem.	Coomes, J.
Northbrook	Marsh, C.		Johnson, L.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Bowden, H.	Grosse Pointe Woods	Trowern, H.
	Davis, B.		Brines, R.
	Dressler, J.		Honkanen, C.
	Harris, C.		Neuman, J.
	Lau, D.	Howell	Rogers, A.
	Robinson, B.	Lincoln Park	Wilber, G.
Brighton	Clixby, D.	Livonia, Rosedale Gdns.	Pardonnet, K.
	Lyon, C.		Riemenschneider, K.
	Fanslow, C.	St. Paul's	Luoma, D.
Canton, Geneva	Brailsford, J.		MacLennan, J.
Dearborn, First	Raymond, J.		Miller, J.
	Davies, G.		Petzold, D.
Cherry Hill	Dunham, H.	Mt. Clemens, First	Eveningred, F.
	Hyma, G.		Fleming, J.
	Jones, R.	Novi, Faith	Simanceh, M.
	Webster, C.	Orchard Lake	Cobb, G.
	Hess, V.	Plymouth	Azelhorn, N.
Littlefield Blvd.	Schebor, R.		Stokes, W.
			Sweedyk, R.
Dearborn Heights,	Kieltyka, D.	Pontiac, First	Cochran, C.
St. Mark's	Anderson, E.	Atonement	Miller, M.
Detroit, First	Thompson, C.	Joslyn Avenue	Biessel, F.
	Cope, D.	Port Huron, First	Tisdell, S.
Broadstreet	Harden, J.	Rochester, University	Ferguson, C.
Calvary	Holden, A.	Roseville, Erin	Lawrence, J.
Calvin West	LeForge, G.		Gotch, J.
Evergreen Village	Crowley, E.	Royal Oak, First	Rusk, A.
Grandale/Master	Shepherd, M.		Caughey, S.
Gratiot Avenue	Higgins, J.	First United	Hickman, E.
Hope	Fuqua, J.		Sell, J.
Jefferson Avenue	Warren, B.	Christ Memorial	Dryden, D.
Monteith	Davison, M.	Shelby, Saint Thomas	Johnson, M.
Redford	Fuller, V.	Southfield United	Jones, E.
	Link, E.		Rhiew, H.
	Overly, E.	Korean	Heath, F.
	Hauswirth, G.	South Lyon	Bousquette, G.
St. James	Ferguson, J.	Sterling Hts., Utica	Aue, S.
Southwest	Sefcik, J.	Taylor, Southminster	Dorotinsky, B.
	Wardell, T.		Kirkpatrick, J.
Trinity		Troy, Northminster	

Walled Lake, Crossroads	Van Houten, J.	W. Bloomfield, Ch/Saviour	Scheel, B.
Warren, First	Shafer, A.	Westland, Kirk	DiBacco, M.
Celtic Cross	Scott, M.	White Lake	Schreiber, W.
Waterford, Lakeland	Vaughn, S.	Wyandotte	McDonald, S.
Wayne, First	Peters, C.		Orr, S.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.	Craley, D.	Lee, K.	Poston, L.
Brown, H.	Dellinger, W.	Lennox, J.	
Carlson, C.	Gipson, M.A.	Morris, F.	

Upon motion, James Costen of the Presbytery of Georgia and Charles H. McCracken of the Maumee Valley Presbytery were enrolled as corresponding members of the Presbytery.

Upon motion, the minutes of the meeting of October 26, 1982 were approved as distributed. Upon motion, the docket for this meeting was approved with the following changes: the report of the Department of Mission Support to be heard following the report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries; the report of the Committee on Nominations to be heard after the report of the Executive Presbyter; and the addition of the report of the Committee on the Plan for Reunion to the report of Council. The Moderator appointed Elder Donald White (Westminster) as Assistant to the Stated Clerk for this meeting.

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by John Jeffrey, Alice McCloskey and Gareth Baker.

The worship service, planned by Black Presbyterians United in celebration of 175 years of Black Presbyterianism, included the following participants: Virgil Jones; Odessa Trotter; William Colwell; Edward Miller; the Talmadge Turner Chorale; and James Costen, Moderator of the 194th General Assembly, as guest preacher.

The report of the Committee on Candidtaes was presented by Ruth Kirkman. A motion carried to appoint Lawrence Cater and Nita Cater as Resource Associates to the Council of Theological Seminaries. David Good was introduced to the Presbytery and read his statement of faith. Questions were posed and a motion carried to arrest the examination. A motion carried to sustain the examination and to approve Mr. Good for licensure. The Moderator proceeded to conduct the service of licensure.

Mark Engstrom was introduced and read his statement of motivation. A motion carried to arrest his examination. Elder Ken Morton spoke on behalf of the Session of the Grosse Pointe Woods Church, and a motion carried to sustain the examination and to enroll Mark Engstrom as a candidate for the gospel ministry under care of the Presbytery of Detroit. The Moderator proceeded to conduct the service of reception.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations was presented by Eldon Beery. Motions carried to adopt the following recommendations:

1) It is recommended that Presbytery approve the request of the Session of Faith Church, St. Clair Shores and Licentiate Ann Bowersox in the establishment of a part-time interim relationship, effective November 20, 1982, for a period of three months with the following monthly terms: December - \$750 salary; January and February - \$1,000 salary.

2) It is recommended that Presbytery reappoint the following ministers as stated supplies for the year 1983: Peter Boeve (Northside), Jenny and William Schram (Sashabaw).

3) It is recommended that Presbytery approve the request to dissolve the pastoral relationship between James Cannon and Hope Church, Detroit, effective December 31, 1982; appoint Virgil Jones moderator of the Session; and authorize the Session, with the aid, advice and consent of the Committee on Ministerial Relations, to fill the pulpit during the vacancy. It is further recommended that Presbytery approve the action taken at Hope Church, Detroit in granting James Cannon medical retirement and confer the status of Pastor Emeritus on James Cannon, effective December 31, 1982 with an annual stipend of \$1,200. Elder Joanne Higgins spoke on behalf of the Session of Hope Church.

4) It is recommended that George Gillette be appointed moderator of Covenant Church, East Detroit, effective January 1, 1983.

5) It is recommended that the Presbytery find that the ministry of the following persons qualifies them for continuing membership for the next year:

Honorably retired: Lloyd Brasure, Wanzer Brunelle, J. Douglas Clyde, J. Alton Cressman, Ernest W. Dunn, William Ferry, Allan Frew, Rudolph Garypie, Paul Gillis, W. Glen Harris, Ralph J. Hawley, Keith Irwin, Andrew L. Janssen, Walter Jenkins, George Jerome, Charles Kennedy, George Kind, Willard Lampe, Manson Lowe, Robert Lucero, Wilson Moore, Kenneth Neigh, Einar Oftedahl, Norman Riedesel, Ernest Schroeder, Gene Stone, John Stone, Hubert Sunderman, Goerge Sweet, Kemper Taylor, Stanley M. Taylor, John A. Visser, Richard Williams, Allan Zaun.

Specialized Ministries' Clergy: David Abbott, Alfredo Baliad, Ivan Benedict, Peter Boeve, Henry Borchardt, J. Kenneth Brand, Lawrence Cater, Sun Gul Cho, A. Donald Coleman, Paul Cross, Ellis Deibler, Paul Dotson, William Dunifon, Richard Dunkelberger, Craig Dykstra, J. Harold Ellens, Donald Flowers, John Foster, David Freedman, Carl Gundersen, Thomson Heinrichs, Benjamin Helmke, Chase Hunt, Gordon Irvine, Robert Johnson, Thomas Johnson, Virgil Jones, David Krehbiel, John Kuckuk, W. Benjamin Lane, Donald G. Lester, John MacInnes, Donald MacPherson, Robert Marlow, Charles McCloskey, William McLeister, Lawrence McMellen, John Mecouch, Edward M. Miller, Donald Muench, Francis Nagy, L. J. Peterson, William Rieker, Ralph Stribe, Theodore Tate, Theodore Taylor, Gene Terpstra, Louis Thompson, Hendrik van Sluijs, Robert von Oeyen, Jon Voskuil, Robert Way, Walter White, Benjamin Wu.

5) It is recommended that Charles Rassi be placed on the Presbytery's Inactive Roll. This action is taken in accordance with the Book of Order as follows: 1981-82 edition - 82.19; 1982-83 edition - 42.033, 42.38.

6) It is recommended that the following persons be removed from the Inactive Roll and that they be released from the exercise of the ordained office of Minister of the Word: Theodore Allebach, James Coombes, Deirn Geard, David Van Winkle and James Whitehead. This action is taken in accordance with the Book of Order as follows: 1981-82 edition - 82.19; 1982-83 edition - 42.35, 42.37. A motion carried to table for one month action on James Whitehead.

7) It is recommended that David M. Byers of the Presbytery of Riverside (California) be enrolled as a member of the Presbytery of Detroit upon receipt of his credentials.

Richard Dunkelberger presented a memorial tribute in remembrance of Henry Walch.

Leroy J. Peterson presented a memorial tribute in remembrance of Harold Vernon. A motion carried to receive the report.

The report of the Committee on Local Church Personnel Practices was presented by Beach Hall.

The report of the Department of Local Church Development was presented by David Eshleman. A motion carried to approve the Session records of the following churches with exceptions as noted:

Detroit, Bethany: Session minutes not completed after June 14, 1982.

Detroit, Calvin East: Charges for the trial do not state offense or specifications.

Detroit, Gratiot Avenue: Signature of clerk omitted a number of times; no church register offered for review.

- Detroit, Jefferson Avenue: Pastor's salary review not indicated in records.
- Detroit, St. James: Roll of deceased and Alphabetical Roll of members is not up to date.
- Detroit, St. John's
- East Detroit, Covenant: Some meetings not closed with prayer.
- Grosse Pointe Memorial: Pastor's salary review not indicated in records.
- Grosse Pointe Woods
- Mt. Clemens, First: Time of meeting not indicated sometimes; p. 135, 136 not numbered; p. 152, names of elders at special meeting not named; p. 144 an elder cannot call a special meeting of the Session.
- Port Huron, First: Church register needs work to be brought up to date.
- Port Huron, Lakeshore
- Port Huron, Westminster: Correction to minutes of October 15 congregational meeting not recorded; no annual statistical report; church register not presented for review.
- St. Clair Shores, Faith
- St. Clair Shores, Lakeshore: Church register p. 5, item 25 and 27 have wrong year. It would help to consolidate the two church registers.
- Sterling Heights, Utica
- Warren, Celtic Cross: Excellent minutes.
- Berkley, Greenfield
- Detroit, Fort Street
- Detroit, Hope: Information on some infant baptisms not recorded; p. 306 dismissal not recorded; minutes of December 6, 1981 mission.
- Detroit, Trumbull Avenue: Church Register needs to be brought up to date; Moderator of Session cannot appoint the Nominating Committee; No record of audit.
- Ferndale, Drayton Avenue: No record of audit; one page inserted.
- Royal Oak, First: No action taken on terms of call of pastor at congregational meeting; amendment to By-laws should be reported verbatim; no annual statistical report in records.
- Royal Oak, First United: Names of elders, deacons and trustees should be listed in minutes of congregational meeting at which they are elected; page numbers should continue consecutively.
- Royal Oak, Christ Memorial: By-law amendment should be shown in minutes verbatim.
- Southfield, United: Baptisms should be recorded in Session minutes also; Session disciplines should include paragraph number of Book of Order.
- Warren, First United: Session disciplines should include paragraph number of Book of Order; terms of call of pastor should be approved by congregation.
- Dearborn, First: List name of church and city in letters of transfer; annual statistical report not recorded. Excellent minutes.
- Dearborn, Littlefield Boulevard: Inactive roll not changed since 1974; assisting elder's name not recorded for communion to shut-ins; annual statistical report not recorded.
- Dearborn Woods, First: No annual statistical report recorded.
- Detroit, Evergreen Village
- Detroit, Leitch Memorial: Annual statistical report not recorded.
- Detroit, Southwest
- Detroit, Redford: Nominating committee elections are for one year periods; some entries in church register need correction.
- Auburn Heights, First: Closing prayer not recorded several times; many erasures; Session records not up to date; last minutes recorded were November, 1981; review of pastor's salary not indicated.
- Birmingham, Northbrook: Annual statistical report not recorded; review of pastor's salary not indicated; pastor or Session cannot fill vacancy on Session, only congregation can.
- Bloomfield Hills, Kirk in the Hills: Session dismissals should bear date of Session meeting at which the action was taken; annual statistical report not indicated; rolls of elders and deacons not up to date.
- Milford, First: Transfers of members requires action by the Session, so also church disciplines.



Orchard Lake, Community: Annual statistical report not recorded; no record of review of pastor's salary by Session. These items reported as exceptions in 1981 also.

Pontiac, First: Signature of clerk missing sometimes; no record of audit; no record of review of pastor's salary.

Pontiac, Joslyn Avenue: No record of audit; some entries in Church Register are incorrect.

Rochester, University: Very good minutes.

Troy, First: Do not record defeated motions; place of meeting not recorded; erasures on February 21, 1982 minutes; no annual statistical report recorded.

Troy, Northminster: Place of meetings not indicated; p. 85 two baptisms not recorded; p. 88 no Session action indicated on reception into membership; annual statistical report recorded.

Waterford, Lakeland: Marriages and deaths not recorded in Session minutes.

White Lake, United: Place of monthly meetings not recorded.

The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by Susan Carlson.

The report of the Department of Mission Support was presented by Alfred Nead, Donald Hill, Barbara Gepford and Theodore Taylor.

The report of the Executive Presbyter was presented by Donald G. Lester.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by MacKay Taylor. A motion carried to suspend the Bylaws to permit Kay Spence who has been a member of the Department of Program and Resource Development for four years to serve an additional three year term. Motions carried to elect the following persons to the positions indicated:

Officers of Presbytery

Moderator		The Rev. William Saum	Church of Our Saviour
Vice-Moderator		Elder Jean Lennox	Littlefield Blvd.
<u>Committee on Ministerial Relations (Part of Personnel Department)</u>			
Chairperson	1 year	Elder Jean Perkins	Birmingham, First
Area V	1984	Elder Jean Perkins	Birmingham, First
Area I	1985	The Rev. James Kesler	Peace
Area IV	1985	Elder William Stokes	Plymouth
Area V	1985	The Rev. Michael Dunkelberger	Northbrook
At Large	1985	The Rev. Dale Ihrie	SCS, Lake Shore

Committee on Candidates (Part of Personnel Department)

Chairperson	1 year	Elder Ruth Kirkman	Royal Oak, First
Area IV	1983	Elder Milt Snider	St. Mark's
Area I	1985	Elder Deborah Plaster	Utica
Area II	1985	The Rev. Lawrence Cater	
Area II	1985	Elder Judy Denniston	Southfield
Area III	1985	The Rev. Joan Stary	Southwest
At Large	1985	Elder Ruth Kirkman	Royal Oak, First

Presbytery Council

Area I	1985	Elder Walter Cavanagh	Utica
Area II	1985	The Rev. J. Rodney Beal	Royal Oak, First Un.
Area III	1985	The Rev. Gene Stone	Redford
At Large	1985	Elder Mary Grace Adams	Grosse Pointe Memorial

Business Affairs Division

Chairperson	1 year	Elder Eleanor Leigh	Littlefield Blvd.
Area II	1985	Elder John Bingham	Broadstreet
Area IV	1985	The Rev. Richard Henderson	Novi, Faith
At Large	1985	Elder Robert Benton	Kirk in the Hills
At Large	1985	The Rev. Roland Keebler	Christ Memorial

Planning Division

Area IV	1984	The Rev. Lee Cotter	Saline
At Large	1984	Elder Doris Campbell	Peoples
Area III	1985	Elder Harold Harrison	Allen Park
At Large	1985	The Rev. Richard Milford	Grosse Ile

Staff Services Division

Chairperson	1 year	Elder Donald White	Detroit, Westminster
Area II	1983	The Rev. Robert Crilley	Fort Street
Area IV	1985	The Rev. Charles McCloskey	Alma College
At Large	1985	Elder Jane Hansen	Peace

Local Church Development Department

Chairperson	1 year	The Rev. David Eshleman	Grosse Pointe Woods
Area I	1985	Elder George Bousquette	Utica
Area II	1985	The Rev. Gary Douglas	Woodward/Covenant
Area II	1985	Elder Sammie Solomon	Broadstreet
Area III	1985	Elder Andrew Strachan	Redford
Area IV	1985	The Rev. Thomas Cook	Plymouth
Area V	1985	The Rev. Roy Lambert	Lakeland
At Large	1985	Elder James Berry	Dearborn Woods
At Large	1985	The Rev. James Conley	
At Large	1985	The Rev. Robert Johnson	
At Large	1985	Elder Kurt Lenz	Peace
At Large	1985	Elder Jeffrey Nolte	Farmington
At Large	1985	Elder Dorothy Weiner	Church of Our Saviour

Mission Support Department

Chairperson	1 year	The Rev. Alfred Nead	Drayton Plains
Area I	1983	Mary Bell Taylor	Jefferson Avenue
Area II	1983	Elder Mary Ritzenthaler	Southfield
Area II	1983	The Rev. George Gillette	Warren, First
Area III	1983	The Rev. John Sefcik	Southwest
Area IV	1983	Elder Sterling Shephard	Plymouth
Area IV	1983	Elder Joseph Flynn	Garden City
Area V	1983	Elder Donald Denne	Birmingham, First
Area II	1984	The Rev. Sung Gul Cho	
Area II	1984	Elder Mamie White	Broadstreet
Area III	1984	Elder Barbara Gepford	Littlefield Blvd.
Area III	1984	Elder Mary Engle	Grandale/Master
Area IV	1984	Dr. John Santiga	Ann Arbor, First
Area V	1984	The Rev. Peter Moore	Northbrook
At Large	1984	Elder Helen Middleton	Woodward/Covenant
Area I	1985	Elder Timothy Gingrich	P.H., Westminster
Area II	1985	Elder Thomas Prince	Woodward/Covenant
Area II	1985	The Rev. James A. Mitcham	Detroit, Calvary
Area III	1985	Elder Grace Ward	Wyandotte
Area IV	1985	Elder Robert Bailey	Geneva
Area V	1985	Elder Harry Kirk	Northbrook
At Large	1985	The Rev. E. Dickson Forsyth	St. Timothy
At Large	1985	Elder Tom Fox	Detroit, Westminster
At Large	1985	Elder Midge Mack	University
At Large	1985	The Rev. L. J. Peterson	Presbyterian Village
At Large	1985	Elder Lois Poston	Birmingham, First

Personnel Department

Chairperson	1 year	The Rev. Lawrence Glenn	Broadstreet
Area IV	1983	Elder Nilt Snider	St. Mark's
At Large	1983	Elder Odessa Trotter	St. John's
Area V	1984	Elder Jean Perkins	Birmingham, First
Area I	1985	Elder Deborah Plaster	Utica
Area I	1985	The Rev. James Kesler	Peace
Area II	1985	The Rev. Lawrence Cater	
Area II	1985	Elder Judy Kenniston	Southfield
Area III	1985	The Rev. Joan Stary	Southwest
Area IV	1985	Elder William Stokes	Plymouth
Area IV	1985	Joy Barcus	Village
Area V	1985	The Rev. Michael Dunkelberger	Northbrook
At Large	1985	The Rev. Dale Ihrle	SCS, Lake Shore
At Large	1985	Elder Ruth Kirkman	Royal Oak, First
At Large	1985	The Rev. Raymond Lumley	Monteith
At Large	1985	The Rev. Frank Marvin	Cherry Hill
At Large	1985	The Rev. Charles Sommers	Birmingham, First

Committee on Nominations

Chairperson	1 year	The Rev. Mackay Taylor	Northminster
At Large	1983	Elder Odessa Trotter	St. John's
Area IV	1985	Joy Barcus	Village
At Large	1985	The Rev. Charles Sommers	Birmingham, First

Presbytery Ministries Department

Chairperson	1 year	Elder Susan Carlson	St. Timothy
Area IV	1984	The Rev. Carl Geider	Ann Arbor, First
Area I	1985	Elder Mary Scott	Celtic Cross
Area II	1985	The Rev. James Cole	Detroit, Westminster
Area II	1985	Elder Thelma Wardell	Trinity
Area III	1985	Elder Shary McCauley	Wyandotte
Area III	1985	Elder Mary Younkin	Grandale/Master
Area IV	1985	The Rev. Robert Marlow	
Area IV	1985	Elder Shirley Lewis	Northside
Area V	1985	The Rev. J. Richard Hanna	Atonement
At Large	1985	The Rev. Alfredo Baliad	
At Large	1985	Elder Jocelyn Glass	Birmingham, First
At Large	1985	The Rev. DeWitt McIntyre	Trinity
At Large	1985	Elder Sandy Smith	Detroit, Westminster
At Large	1985	The Rev. Richard Todd	University

Program and Resource Development Department

Chairperson	1 year	The Rev. John Jeffrey	St. Mark's
Area II	1983	Elder Beverly Hill	Wyandotte
Area I	1984	Elder Edward Rosella	Jefferson Avenue
Area I	1985	Elder Robert Tower	Celtic Cross
Area I	1985	Elder Dorothy Seabrooks	St. John's
Area II	1985	The Rev. Catherine McCloskey-Turner	R.O. First U.
Area II	1985	Elder William Hayden	Detroit, Calvary
Area III	1985	The Rev. John Wilde	Dearborn Woods
Area III	1985	The Rev. Ronald Wilson	Dearborn, First
Area IV	1985	Elder Rex Ryckman	Belleville
Area IV	1985	Kent Holmes	Cherry Hill
Area V	1985	The Rev. William Rieker	
Area V	1985	Elder John Courson	Birmingham, First
At Large	1985	Elder Jessie Davies	Grosse Pointe Memorial
At Large	1985	The Rev. Craig Davies	Royal Oak, First
At Large	1985	Elder Madge Blanding	Dearborn Woods
At Large	1985	Elder George Mack	University
At Large	1985	Elder Evelyn Rigby	Calvin East
At Large	1985	Kay Spence	Troy, First

A motion carried to receive the report.

Omnibus Motion

Upon motion, the following recommendations from the Division of Business Affairs were adopted:

- 1) It is recommended that approval be given to the First Church of Birmingham to sell a manse to its pastor and his wife for \$110,070.00, with \$11,070.00 down payment, the balance to be financed on a land contract at 4½ percent annual interest and monthly payments on principal and interest of \$800.00.
- 2) It is recommended that approval be given to St. Timothy's Church of Livonia to amend payments on its mortgages in the following manner: that it continue regular payments on the General Assembly loan incurred in 1980, that it pay interest on three loans incurred in 1968 and make payments on principals of these loans as funds are available, particularly payment of the balance of \$1,613.00 of one of the loans, and that this arrangement be reviewed in October, 1983.

The report of the Presbytery Council was presented by Stanley M. Taylor. A motion carried to approve the recommendation that the Bylaws be suspended so that the immediate past moderator may serve as chairman of the Council for the calendar year 1983.

A motion carried to approve the report of Council as follows:

At its regular meeting on Tuesday, November 9, 1982 the Council took the following actions:

- 1) Approved the report of the Division of Business Affairs and its recommendations to Presbytery.
- 2) Heard a report from Dr. Oscar Remick, President of Alma College, of long-range strategy and plans for the celebration of its centennial in 1986.
- 3) Approved the report of the Department of Local Church Development and adopted its recommendation that a 1982 budget adjustment of up to \$6,000.00 be made from proceeds from the sale of Eastminster Church for the continuation of an internship at Jefferson Avenue Church for the final quarter of 1982.
- 4) Approved the report of the Department of Program and Resource Development and adopted its recommendations that a) \$1,500.00 from undisbursed funds be carried over to 1983 for purchase of the New Media Bible; b) \$1,500.00 from undisbursed funds be carried over to 1983 for the Youth Triennium.
- 5) Approved the report of the Executive Committee and adopted its recommendations, as follows:
  - a) that departments, divisions and committees be reminded to use sexually inclusive language wherever possible;
  - b) that Council affirm the traditional Presbyterian understanding of the freedom of the pulpit, recognizing that speakers at Presbytery meeting speak to and not for the Presbytery;
  - c) that Alex Nemeth, representative of the Board of Pensions, be invited to the October, 1983 meeting of Presbytery;
  - d) that a survey dealing with the scheduling of Presbytery meetings be distributed at the November meeting of Presbytery;
  - e) that the Worship Unit of the Department of Program and Resource Development be requested to plan the worship services of Presbytery for the calendar year 1983, with the exception of the January meeting, at which time the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed and the service will be planned and led by the officers of Presbytery.
- 6) Received the Treasurer's report for the period ending September 30, 1982.

Thomas Kirkman requested that the record note his objection to the response of Council relative to his communication concerning speakers at Presbytery meetings (see item 5b of Council report).

The report of the Committee on the Plan for Reunion was presented by David Antonson.

A motion carried approving the following salaries and housing allowances for the Presbytery staff for 1983:

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Housing</u>
Donald G. Lester	\$20,580	\$13,700
Edward M. Miller	16,742	11,500
Donald R. MacPherson	17,342	10,900
Henry C. Borchardt	19,770	8,472
Stanley M. Taylor	2,200	2,200

The report of the Budget Committee was presented by Christopher Torrey. A motion carried to approve the 1983 Budget as presented (see attached Paper B-7).

The report of the Committee on Bylaws and Structure was presented by James Cole. A motion carried to grant permission to withdraw the proposed amendment to the Bylaws of the Presbytery of Detroit, and further, that the amendment be represented at a future meeting of the Presbytery.

A motion carried extending the appreciation of Presbytery to the Budget Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk

INCOME FORECAST FOR 1983

	<u>1983</u>
PRESBYTERY GENERAL MISSION	
Undesignated and Designated	335,000
Special Gifts	25,000
ENDOWMENTS	125,000
INTEREST INCOME	16,000
PROGRAM AND SPECIAL RECEIPTS	55,770
PRESBYTERIAL ASSOCIATION	13,133
GRANTS FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS	
From General Assembly	107,056
From the Synod of the Covenant	75,050
From Presbytery Major Mission Fund	30,350
From Miscellaneous Specific Sources	30,300
STAFF AND SUPPORTING SERVICES	
From General Assembly and Synod of the Covenant	58,944
PER CAPITA	105,028
PRIOR YEAR'S SALVAGE (Over Expenditure)*	(25,265)

BUDGET INCOME ESTIMATE	<u>\$951,366</u>
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Abbreviations Used in Budget Listings:

- EAST: Eastminster Church Funds
- WCF: Interest from Withdrawing Churches Fund
- SD: Self Development of People Funds
- EEE: Extended Educational Experience
- GA: General Assembly Funds

\*According to Presbytery By-Laws, the salvage or deficit is included in the budget two years later. Thus, the 1983 budget includes the 1981 deficit.

PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 1983

The 1983 Program Budget is displayed according to Mission Direction Categories.

MISSION DIRECTION: "PARTNERSHIP IN MISSION"

1983: \$189,440

MISSION DIRECTION: "CITY CHURCHES"

1983: \$193,500

MISSION DIRECTION: "CHURCH GROWTH"

1983: \$ 39,500

MISSION DIRECTION: "HUMAN NEED"

1983: \$ 90,456

MISSION DIRECTION: "LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT"

1983: \$ 48,225

MISSION DIRECTION: "MISSION FACILITATION"

1983: \$391,030

<u>TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET:</u>	
1983:	<u>\$952,151</u>

NOTE: The 1982 Budget was not designed to fit Mission Directions, but is listed here that way in order to make comparisons.

MISSION DIRECTION: "PARTNERSHIP IN MISSION":

To bring about a partnership in mission, with a commitment to increased interdependence, sharing, and mutual learning among the congregations of the Presbytery of Detroit.

Project Number & Dept./Div.	TITLE	1982 Total	1983 Total	1983 Income Source	
				Presbytery Funds	Other Funds
15401 MS	Stewardship Training	\$ 200	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	-0-
15402 MS	Mission Interpretation Materials	388	750	750	-0-
15403 MS	Mission Interpretation - AV	600	750	750	-0-
15404 MS	REJOICE	2,300	2,500	2,500	-0-
15405 MS	Month of Mission	1,000	1,300	1,300	-0-
15406 MS	Mission Advance Program	1,000	3,000	3,000	-0-
15501 PER	Convocation of Comm. G.A./Synod	50	50	50	-0-
15502 PER	Data Bank	2,100	2,300	2,300	-0-
15608 LCD	Taiwanese Christian Fellowship	5,000	4,000	4,000	-0-
15701 PM	Christian Communication Council	1,000	1,000	1,000	-0-
15711 PM	Campus Ministry	60,500	60,075	12,825	\$ 47,250 Synod
15718 PM	Corporate Social Responsibility	1,500	400	400	-0-
15726 PM	Peace Education	2,200	2,200	1,000	1,200 Offering
15727 PM	Energy and Environment	500	200	200	-0-
15807 PRD	Summer Camps	10,000	11,000	11,000	-0-
15818 PRD	Summer Service	23,500	29,500	7,500	22,000 GA/Other
15831 PRD	Relationship & PR	3,300	4,000	4,000	-0-
15900 PRD	Capital Maintenance & Improvements	47,350	51,445	41,445	10,000 EEE
15951 PRD	Resources and Camp Management	4,500	6,000	6,000	-0-
159 1 PRD	Outdoor Education	6,000	7,970	1,400	6,570 School Fees
TOTALS -	Partnership in Mission	\$174,488	\$189,440	\$102,420	\$ 87,020

MISSION DIRECTION: "CITY CHURCHES":

To strengthen urban churches in order that they might provide an effective and vital witness, reach disadvantaged, disenchanting and unrelated persons with the good news of the gospel.

Project Number & Dept./Div.	TITLE	1982 Total	1983 Total	1983 Income Source	
				Presbytery Funds	Other Funds
15603 LCD	Woodward/Covenant Redevelopment	\$ 30,000	\$ 28,500	\$ 11,000	\$ 17,500 Synod/GA
15605 LCD	Trinity	25,000	18,000	10,000	8,000 Synod/GA
15610 LCD	Southwest/Leitch	10,000	12,000	2,000	10,000 Major Mission Fund
15651 LCD	Urban Ministry	76,333	120,000	60,000	60,000 Synod/GA/Fees
15664 LCD	Grandale Church of the Master	15,000	15,000	5,000	10,000 Synod/GA
	Discontinued Project (Bethany/St. James)	5,000			
TOTALS -	City Churches	\$161,333	\$193,500	\$ 88,000	\$105,500

MISSION DIRECTION: "CHURCH GROWTH":

To encourage and assist all its churches to grow numerically, provide relevant ministries to the unchurched, the formerly churched, the disenfranchised, and to develop an attitude of openness to church growth in the congregations.

Project Number & Dept./Div.	TITLE	1982 Total	1983 Total	1983 Income Source	
				Presbytery Funds	Other Funds
15602 LCD	Sashabaw	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -0-
15606 LCD	Faith, Novi	10,000	7,000	7,000	-0-
15613 LCD	Calvin East: Project Church Growth	4,000	4,000		4,000 EAST
15614 LCD	Caring System: Mt. Clemens & Fraser Chs.	-0-	4,000	-0-	4,000 WCF
15615 LCD	Geneva/Westland Christian Ed.	-0-	7,250	-0-	7,250 WCF
15616 LCD	St. Timothy, Livonia	-0-	7,250	-0-	7,250 WCF
15805 PRD	Evangelism	3,200	5,000	2,000	3,000 Major Mission Fund
TOTALS -	Church Growth	\$ 22,000	\$ 39,500	\$ 14,000	\$ 25,500



NOVEMBER 23, 1982

MISSION DIRECTION: "HUMAN NEED":

To challenge and assist churches to meet the needs of the unemployed, the poor, the elderly, and deprived persons.

Project Number & Dept./Div.	TITLE	1982 Total	1983 Total	1983 Income Presbytery Funds	Source Other Funds
15512 PER	Emergency Grants	\$ 1,850	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	-0-
15513 PER	Special Assistance	1,350	1,500	1,500	-0-
15604 LCD	Broadstreet Outreach	8,000	6,000	6,000	-0-
15607 LCD	Littlefield Blvd. - Arab Outreach	26,350	26,356	5,000	21,356 Synod/GA
15706 PM	Hunger	9,000	10,000	-0-	10,000 GA
15707 PM	Interfaith Center/Racial Justice	2,000	1,500	1,500	-0-
15710 PM	Metropolitan Jail Ministry	10,500	7,500	5,500	2,000 Major Mission Fund
15712 PM	Youth Living Centers	2,000	2,000	2,000	-0-
15714 PM	Committee on Aging	2,500	2,700	2,700	-0-
15715 PM	Minority Scholarships	5,000	5,000	5,000	-0-
15717 PM	Middle East Education	700	400	400	-0-
15719 PM	Women's Justice Center	3,000	1,750	1,750	-0-
15720 PM	Westside Mothers	2,900	3,000	3,000	-0-
15722 PM	Women's Survival Center	4,500	2,500	2,500	-0-
15724 PM	Northwest Lahser Comm. Org.	1,500	1,250	1,250	-0-
15725 PM	Direct Food Relief (Hunger)	2,000	10,000	2,000	8,000 Local Churches
15729 PM	Cranbrook Hospice Care	-0-	1,000	1,000	-0-
15817 PRD	Camperships - Summer	5,000	6,000	6,000	-0-
TOTALS -	Human Need	\$ 88,150	\$ 90,456	\$ 49,100	\$ 41,356

MISSION DIRECTION: "LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT":

To help churches increase their effectiveness in ministry, by discovering creative styles of leadership, stimulating theological reflection, continuing education, skills training, leadership in worship, and resourcing of laity.

Project Number & Dept./Div.	TITLE	1983 Income Source			
		1982 Total	1983 Total	Presbytery Funds	Other Funds
15503 PER	Theological Aid Fund	\$ 600	\$ 700	\$ 700	\$ -0-
15504 PER	Candidates' Psychological Evaluation	1,000	1,500	1,500	-0-
15505 PER	Candidates' Annual Consult.	900	1,300	1,300	-0-
15506 PER	Support System for Candidates	300	300	300	-0-
15507 PER	Clergy Career Evaluation	500	500	500	-0-
15508 PER	Minority Professional Recruitment	1,000	1,000	-0-	1,000 Major Mission Fund
15509 PER	Professional Growth & Development	3,000	4,000	4,000	-0-
15510 PER	Orientation for New Ministers	50	50	50	-0-
15511 PER	Psychological Studies & Services	9,000	9,000	9,000	-0-
15514 PER	Ministers' Support System	50	50	50	-0-
15515 PER	Face-To-Face	200	200	200	-0-
15517 PER	Training Local Church Personnel	50	50	50	-0-
15704 PM	Women's Resource Package	950	1,000	1,000	-0-
15709 PM	Human Concern's Education	1,750	2,000	2,000	-0-
15802 PRD	Department/Units/Administration/PR	600	900	900	-0-
15804 PRD	Worship-Workshops/Resources/Services	350	1,000	1,000	-0-
15809 PRD	Youth Covenant Core	2,000	2,000	2,000	-0-
15810 PRD	Consultant Services	300	150	150	-0-
15812 PRD	Youth Mix	1,200	1,300	1,300	-0-
15814 PRD	Teacher/Leader Workshops	1,100	1,200	1,200	-0-
15815 PRD	Senior High Leadership Training	500	800	800	-0-
15816 PRD	Teacher Ed. Scholarships	300	300	300	-0-
15819 PRD	Junior Hi Leadership Training	300	300	300	-0-
15821 PRD	Christian Ed.: Shared Approaches	250	250	250	-0-
15824 PRD	Church Officer Development	400	800	800	-0-
15825 PRD	Church Camperships	400	500	500	-0-
15826 PRD	Youth Scholarships	400	3,000	3,000	-0-
15827 PRD	Adult Special Events	250	300	300	-0-
15829 PRD	Seminars, Events, Workshops	800	1,000	1,000	-0-
15830 PRD	Adult Needs-Singles/Workshops	750	1,400	1,400	-0-
15833 PRD	Youth Workshops	375	375	375	-0-
15840 PRD	Training Wheels	3,000	4,000	-0-	4,000 Major Mission Fund
15850 PRD	Resource Center	4,900	7,000	7,000	-0-
<b>TOTALS - Leadership Development</b>		<b>\$37,525</b>	<b>\$48,225</b>	<b>\$43,225</b>	<b>\$ 5,000</b>

MISSION DIRECTION: "MISSION FACILITATION":

To provide the Presbytery office, Departments, Divisions, and Committees with the necessary operating support and adequate resources to carry out effective work.

Project Number & Dept./Div.	TITLE	1982 Total	1983 Total	1983 Income Presbytery Funds	Source Other Funds
15201 PC	All Department Expenses	\$ 9,646	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -0-
15202 PC	Office of the Stated Clerk	1,500	1,600	1,600	-0-
15203 PC	New Project Contingency	5,000	5,000	5,000	-0-
15204 PC	Presbytery Directory	1,200	1,200	1,200	-0-
15301 BA	Bookkeeping	23,000	24,000	24,000	-0-
15302 BA	Audit	12,500	12,500	12,500	-0-
15303 BA	Equipment and Equipment Res.	4,120	1,880	1,880	-0-
15304 BA	Legal Counsel	3,500	3,500	3,500	-0-
TOTALS		\$ 60,466	\$ 59,680	\$ 59,680	\$ -0-
15100 SS	Support Staff: Salaries, FICA Pensions, etc.	93,205	100,406	100,406	-0-
15101 SS	Executive Staff: Salaries, Pensions Hospitalization	145,420	146,920	87,976	58,944 Synod/GA
15110 SS	Executive Staff: Travel, Cars, Miscellaneous Expenses	23,000	23,000	23,000	-0-
15120 SS	Insurance (including Liability)	3,000	3,000	3,000	-0-
15121 SS	Rent to Westminster	20,118	21,124	21,124	-0-
15130 SS	Office Operations: Copier, Equipment Literature, Postage, Publications Services, Supplies, Telephone, Computer, Miscellaneous	34,700	36,900	36,900	-0-
TOTALS		\$319,443	\$331,350	\$272,406	\$ 58,944
GRAND TOTAL		\$863,405	\$952,151	\$628,831	\$323,320

Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance  
 May 1, 1982 - April 30, 1983

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Atten</u>
Allen Park	6	5	Grosse Ile	2	2
Ann Arbor, First	4	2	Grosse Pointe Memorial	7	3 & 1 ex
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Woods	3	3
Northside	1	1	Highland Park, Park	1	0
Westminster	2	0	Howell	2	1
Auburn Heights	2	2	Lincoln Park	1	1
Belleville	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale		
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Gardens	3	2
Birmingham, First	9	3	St. Paul's	4	4
Northbrook	3	1	St. Timothy	1	0
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	6	Milan, Peoples	1	0
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	0
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	2	1 ex	Northville	3	0
Dearborn, First	5	5 & 1 ex	Novi, Faith Comm.	1	1
Cherry Hill	5	5	Orchard Lake	3	1
Dearborn Woods	1	0	Plymouth	3	2
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	3	1
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Detroit, First	2	2	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	0	Port Huron, First	2	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	0
Calvary	1	1	Westminster	1	0
Calvin East	1	0	Rochester, University	3	2
Calvin West	2	1	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Evergreen Village	1	1	Royal Oak, First	6	2
Fort Street	2	2	First United	2	2
Grandale/Master	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	ex
Hope	1	1	Lake Shore	3	0
Jefferson Avenue	2	1	Saline	1	0
Leitch	1	1	Shelby Saint Thomas	1	1
Monteith	1	1	Southfield, Korean	1	1
Redford	4	4	United	2	2
St. James	1	1	South Lyon	1	1
St. John's	2	0	Sterling Hts., Utica	2	1
Southwest Community	2	2	Taylor, Southminster	2	2
Trinity	1	1	Troy, First	1	0
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Northminster	1	1
Village	2	2	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Westminster	3	2	Warren, First	1	1
Woodward/Covenant	2	0	Celtic Cross	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	Wayne, First	1	1
Ecorse	1	1	West Bloomfield, Church		
Farmington	3	2	of Our Saviour	1	1
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	Westland, Kirk of Our		
Fraser, Peace	1	0	Savior	1	1
Garden City	2	1	White Lake	1	1
			Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	0

## PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

## STATED MEETING

January 25, 1983

## M I N U T E S

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Westminster Church of Detroit, 17575 Hubbell, Detroit, Michigan, on January 25, 1983.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the outgoing moderator, William Colwell, at 5:45 p.m.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: Anderson, Baker, Borchardt, Brand, Geissinger, Flowers,  
Haynes, Howie, Irvine, Kiely, Koster, Krehibiell,  
Linthicum, MacPherson, McIntyre, Naylor, Poland, Rieker,  
J. Schram, Sommers, T. Taylor, Yingling, Forsyth

Council: Adams.

MINISTERS

Abbott	Cotter	Hunter	McCloskey	Shook
Allen	Curphey	Ihrle	McCloskey-	Shoup
Antonson	Dawson	Irwin	Turner	Simons
Armstrong	Dickson	Jansen	McMellen	Smith, C.
Baliad	Dotson	Jeffrey	Milford	Smith, P.
Banks	Dresser	Jerome	Miller	Stary
Barcus	Dunkelberger, M.	Jones, V.	Mishler	Stenner
Barger	Dunkelberger, R.	Kaufman	Mitcham	Stone, G.
Barnes	Dunn	Keebler	Moore	Stryker
Bartko	Eshleman	Kesler	Nagle	Sunderman
Battles	Ferry	Kettlewell	Nead	Sutton
Beal	Francis	Kim	Orr	Swinehart
Beery	Garypie	Kirkman	Palmer	Taylor, K.
Blackshear	Geider	Lambert	Peters	Taylor, M.
Boeve	Gepford	LeDuc	Peterson	Taylor, S.
Bower	Gillette	Lester	Pierson	Terpstra
Brasure	Glenn	Leverenz	Purvis-	Todd, J.
Brown	Good	Lindsey	Smith	Todd, R.
Campbell	Gruebel	Lister	Ramsey	Torrey
Carter	Hanna	Loveless	Reynolds	Tull
Cho	Harmon	Lumley	Saum	Whitledge
Cobleigh	Hartley	MacDonald	Schram, W.	Wilde
Coleman	Hawley	Marlow	Sefcik	Wilson, S.
Colwell	Henderson	Marvin	Sharpless	Woodruff
Cook	Hillegonds	Mather	Sherwin	Zedan

ABSENCES

Crilley	Foster	Hershey	McIvor	Roberts
Douglas	Gundersen	Jones, W.	Mecouch	Way
				Wilson, R.

ELDERS

Allen Park	Allmen, A. Butler, J. Jones, P. Kateff, G. Miklos, J. Petty, R.	Detroit, Hope Jefferson Avenue Monteith Redford	Baker, E. Colwell, V. Stark, D. Bennett, C. McKay, E. Strachan, A. Wheeler, K. Moore, J. Muldrow, M. Ferguson, H. Sefcik, J. Bearn, S. Christianson, A. Frisk, J. Arnold, J. Thompson, A. Wyatt, J. Burnette, M. Nordquist, R. Duff, E. Nagy, L. Allaben, R. Horne, J. Johnston, C. Russell, J. Williamson, M. Bacon, D. Dillon, A. Matsuoka, A. Bogen, J. Endicott, D. Conner, N. Hempstead, D. Pattee, P. Purdy, R. Brines, R. Buell, S. Honkanen, C. Arnold, R. MacBride, R. Rogers, A. Nelson, K. McKinley, D. Pardonnet, K. Riemenschneider, K. MacLennan, J. Miller, J. Millson, V. Okonkowski, E. Munro, C.L. Matson, J. Nave, L. Ball, S. Henning, B.
Ann Arbor, First	Calewell, B. Hauser, K. Cummins, B. Leighton, D. Quinn, C.	St. John's  Southwest	
Calvary Auburn Heights	Jessop, M. Boyd, M. McGarrity, B. Perkins, J. Poston, L. Street, B. Street, F. White, A.	Trumbull Avenue Village  Westminster	
Berkley, Greenfield Birmingham, First	Howard, R. Marsh, C. Wells, J. Anderson, G. Lau, D. Robinson, W. Shaw, F.	Woodward/Covenant Drayton Plains E. Detroit, Covenant Ecorse Farmington	
Northbrook	Michaels, J. Schmitigal, D. Fanslow, C. Wessels, W. Clough, E. Kissick, L. Was, W. Barney, B. Grady, M. Oke, A. Madden, D. Seyfarth, N.	Ferndale, Drayton Ave.  Fraser, Peace Garden City  Grosse Ile  Grosse Pointe Memorial  Grosse Pointe Woods	
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Hess, V. Hylkema, C.  Kieltyka, D. Kettlewell, J. McCuaig, V. White, M. Harden, J. Gordon, M. Holden, A. Reed, St. LeForge, G. Boyce, R. Thompson, P. Engles, M. Shepherd, M.	Highland Park, Park Howell  Lincoln Park Livonia, Rosedale Gdns.  St. Paul's  St. Timothy Milford  Mt. Clemens, First	
Brighton			
Canton, Geneva Clarkston, Sashabaw Dearborn, First			
Cherry Hill			
Littlefield Blvd.			
Dearborn Heights, St. Marks Detroit, First			
Broadstreet Calvary Calvin East Calvin West			
Evergreen Village Fort Street			
Grandale/Master Gratiot Avenue			

Northville	Heaton, T.	SCS, Lake Shore	Barr, R.
	Townsend, G.		Hext, H.
Novi, Faith	Roaden, C.	Southfield United	Drake, D.
Orchard Lake	Cobb, G.		Jones, E.
Plymouth	McKinley, C.	South Lyon	Heath, F.
	Stokes, W.	Sterling Heights, Utica	Cooley, C.
Pontiac, Atonement	Freeland, B.		Plaster, D.
Joslyn Avenue	Meador, F.	Taylor, Southminster	Koehler, L.
Port Huron, Westmin.	Cooper, O.	Troy, Northminster	Kirkpatrick, J.
	Milam, C.	Walled Lake, Crossroads	Van Houten, J.
Rochester, University	Haller, R.	Warren, First	Dryer, P.
	Nissen, T.	Celtic Cross	Snyder, D.
	Tisdell, S.	Waterford, Lakeland	Johnson, L.
Roseville, Erin	Ferguson, D.	Wayne, First	Shoemaker, W.
	MacDonald, E.	W. Bloomfield, Ch/Saviour	Scheel, B.
Royal Oak, First Un.	Bondy, K.	Westland, Kirk	DiBacco, M.
	Hickman, E.	White Lake	Schreiber, C.
Christ Memorial	Sell, J.	Wyandotte	Ring, B.
SCS, Faith	MacNab, M.		Zakroczyński, A.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Brown, H.	Dellinger, W.	Leigh, E.
Carlson, S.	Gipson, M.A.	Lennox, J.
Craley, D.	Lee, K.	White, D.

Upon motion, the minutes of the November, 1982 Presbytery meeting were corrected by substituting the figure of \$11,500 rather than the \$10,500 listed for the housing allowance of Edward Miller, page 8 of the minutes. Upon motion, the minutes of the November, 1982, meeting of Presbytery were approved as corrected.

Upon motion the docket was approved with the following change: no report from the Committee on Candidates.

The Moderator appointed Donald White as Assistant to the Stated Clerk.

Upon motion, the following were enrolled as corresponding members of the Presbytery of Detroit: Antonio Welty, Presbytery of National Capital Union, Dr. Lois Wilson, Former Moderator of the United Church of Canada and Robert W. Tull, Presbytery of Eastern Oklahoma.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and the installation of William Saum as the Moderator of the Presbytery of Detroit for the calendar year, 1983, were led by members of the Presbytery.

The new Moderator expressed the appreciation of the Presbytery for the energy, commitment, fairness, dispatch in leading the meetings and the words of wisdom of the outgoing Moderator, William Colwell.

The outgoing Moderator presented his report for 1982. The report was approved.

Stanley Taylor presented the report of the meetings of Council on December 14, 1982 and January 11, 1983. Upon motion, the reports of Council were received.

Upon motion, the proposed Mission Directions, 1983-84, as listed below, were approved as presented:

The Presbytery of Detroit is called to function as a judicatory of the United Presbyterian Church. It is to fulfill the provisions of the Book of Order of the Denomination, particularly Chapter XII, "Of the Presbytery". The Presbytery serves the geographical area of Southeastern Michigan. In order to achieve and maintain an effective Christian witness as a Presbytery in the middle 1980's, and to reach out to all of God's people, the judicatory affirms the following Mission Directions.

- . . . Partnership in Mission: To bring about a Partnership in Mission with a commitment to increase interdependence, sharing, and mutual learning among the congregations of the Presbytery of Detroit, other judicatories, and the church around the world.

Rationale: Although the Presbytery carries out mission in its own right it is called to enable congregations to communicate with each other, help each other, learn from each other, and find ways to become effective partners in mission with the Presbytery, the Synod, the General Assembly and churches throughout the world.

- . . . Churches in Urban Areas: To strengthen urban churches in order that they might provide an effective and vital witness, reach the disadvantaged, disenchanting, and unchurched persons with the good news of the gospel.

Rationale: Urban areas of the Presbytery of Detroit have neighborhoods in need of revitalization. There are significant numbers of people who live in these areas who need to be reached by the church.

- . . . Growing Churches: To encourage and assist the churches of the Presbytery to grow numerically, provide relevant ministries to the unchurched, formerly churched, the disenfranchised, and to develop an attitude of openness to church growth in the congregation.

Rationale: The Presbytery of Detroit contains communities where population growth has stopped or has reversed. In spite of this, there are a large number of persons surrounding each of our congregations who are without the gospel, including those who have drifted away from the fellowship of the church who were once a part of its life.

- . . . Human Need: To challenge and assist churches of the Presbytery to meet the needs of the unemployed, the poor, the elderly, the disadvantaged, and other deprived persons. The Presbytery shall engage in a mission of compassion and service not neglecting concern for the root causes of our hurt and hunger.



**Rationale:** Southeast Michigan is in a recession of unusual proportions, and with government policies changing, human hurt, heartache and disruption are on the increase. The Presbytery is called to a mission of compassion and service of unusual proportions.

- . . . **Skilled Leadership Development:** To help the people of the churches of the Presbytery to increase their skills in leadership and improve their effectiveness in ministry.

**Rationale:** It is the role of the Presbytery to assist in the accomplishment of the great mission of the church through its congregations. To accomplish this we need committed and skilled people moving into positions of leadership in every area.

Donald White, chairperson of Staff Services, reported for the Division. Upon motion, Donald Lester was nominated to the office of Executive Presbyter of the Presbytery of Detroit for an indefinite period, in accord with Section 69.054 of the Form of Government, effective September 1, 1983. Voting was by secret ballot. Dr. Lester was elected by a vote of 246 to 16.

Lois Poston, outgoing Presbyterial President, presented the annual report of the Detroit Presbyterial Association. The report was received.

Donald Lester, Presbytery Executive, reported and his report was received.

John Jeffrey reported for the Department of Program and Resource Development. The report was received.

Jean Perkins reported for the Committee on Ministerial Relations.

Upon motion, the call of the Reverend Kurt W. Freund to the Belleville Church was received; a representative of the Belleville Church was heard and the call forwarded to the Presbytery of Eastminster with the request that Mr. Freund be dismissed from that Presbytery and enrolled in the Presbytery of Detroit upon receipt of that dismissal with the following terms of call: \$16,000 salary, manse, utilities, full pension, 2% hospitalization deductible, \$2,000 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$300 study allowance, one month's vacation, annual review, moving expenses.

Upon motion, the call of Robert W. Tull was received to become the pastor of the Westminster Church, Port Huron, effective January 15, 1983; a representative of the church was heard; the call was approved with the following terms: \$20,000 salary (includes housing and utility allowance), full pension, \$400 hospitalization deductible, \$2,400 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$200 study allowance, one month's vacation, annual review, moving expenses; forward the call to the Presbytery of Eastern Oklahoma enroll Mr. Tull upon receipt of his dismissal; elect the following special administrative commission: Ministers - Donald G. Lester, chp., Ernest Dunn, Ronald Naylor; Elders - Thomas Andison (Port Huron, First), Allen Carlisle (Port Huron, Lakeshore), Ross Faulkner (Port Huron, Westminster); empower said commission to install Mr. Tull at 7:00 p.m., January 30, 1983 at Westminster Church.

Upon motion, the contract between First Church, Northville and David Byers for Mr. Byers to become part-time minister of visitation, effective October 1, 1982, was approved with the following terms: \$666.66/month salary, housing and car, 20 hours per week.

Upon motion, the contract between Covenant Church, East Detroit and Lawrence Cater to become part-time interim, effective January 9, 1983, for a period of three months was approved with the following terms: \$160/Sunday; and further Mr. Cater was appointed moderator of the Session of Covenant Church.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the reappointment of Joan Stary as part-time stated supply at Leitch Memorial Church, Detroit, for the calendar year, 1983.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the extension of interim contracts for John Musgrave (First, Dearborn) to March 31, 1983 and Laurel Loveless (Calvin West) to May 31, 1983.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the dissolution of the associate pastoral relation between Craig Davies and First Church, Royal Oak, heard a representative of First Church, Royal Oak, approved the call of First Church, Littleton, Colorado, to become its pastor, and placed the call in Mr. Davies' hands and dismissed Mr. Davies to the Presbytery of Denver, effective February 1, 1983.

Upon motion, the request of Dennis Barger to dissolve his assistant pastoral relation with First Church, Birmingham, was approved.

Upon motion, the request of John Kuckuk for dismissal to the Presbytery of Scioto Valley was approved.

Upon motion, the request of Benjamin Wu for dismissal to the Presbytery of San Francisco was approved.

Upon motion, the action concerning James Whitehead was removed from the table. Upon motion, the Presbytery removed James Whitehead from the Inactive Roll and released him from the exercise of the ordained office of Minister of the Word.

Upon motion, the report of the Ministerial Relations Committee was approved.

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented by Mackay Taylor.

Upon motion, the following persons were elected:

Elder Linda Crawford

Officer of the Presbytery  
Recording Clerk

The Rev. Carl Howie  
Elder Helen Morrison

Committee on Ministerial  
Relations  

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Area III      Class of 1985  
At Large      Class of 1985

Arthur Schmidt  
 Elder Edward Rosella  
 Elder Richard Joyner  
 The Rev. Thomas Banks

Local Church Development

Area I Class of 1984  
 Area I Class of 1985  
 Area IV Class of 1985  
 At Large Class of 1985

Elder Katherine Vernon

Mission Support Department  
 At Large Class of 1985

The Rev. Carl Howie  
 Elder Helen Morrison

Personnel Department  
 Area III Class of 1985  
 At Large Class of 1985

The Rev. Roy Lambert  
 Elder Lillie Strong  
 Elder Denton Craley  
 Elder Mary Anne Gipson  
 Mary Pinder  
 Brenda Vaughn Williams  
 Carol Marsh

Presbytery Ministries Department

Area V Class of 1983  
 At Large Class of 1983  
 Area II Class of 1984  
 Area III Class of 1984  
 At Large Class of 1985  
 At Large Class of 1985  
 At Large Class of 1985

Elder Jean Russell  
 Mary Ann Evans

Program and Resource Development  
 At Large Class of 1985  
 At Large Class of 1985

Elder William Alston  
 The Rev. Peter Bower  
 Elder Diane Jones

Committee on Self-Development  
 At Large Class of 1985  
 At Large Class of 1985  
 At Large Class of 1985

The Rev. James Cole  
 Elder Dale Johnson  
 Elder Ruth Will

Committee in Structure  
 Chairperson One Year  
 At Large Class of 1983  
 At Large Class of 1983

Upon motion, the following are nominated as commissioners to General Assembly:

Ministers: William P. Saum  
 Stanton Wilson  
 James A. Mitchum  
 David Eshleman  
 Richard Todd  
 Donald Coleman  
 Joseph MacDonald

Alternate: James LeDuc

Elders: Brady Freeland  
 Joanne Higgins  
 Carol Hylkema  
 Jean Loup

Elders, cont: Norman Parkins  
Hiram Hubbard  
Susanne Rose

Alternate: William Stokes

The report of the Committee on Nominations was approved.

David Eshleman reported for the Department of Local Church Development. Upon motion, the Session records of the following churches were approved with the exceptions as noted:

Area I

Fraser, Peace: Exceptions -- February, 1982, person restored and transferred was not in roll of communicants.

Area II

Detroit, First: Exceptions -- two blank sheets inserted; two persons dismissed are not recorded (p. 434); annual statistical report to G. A. not recorded; Church register still is woefully incomplete, but new actions are being recorded; roll numbers would help; action on Pastor's salary review should be in minutes; pages should be numbered, blank areas on sheets should have line drawn through them.

Detroit, Broadstreet: Exceptions -- elders absent, present and excused should be noted for each meeting; annual statistical report to G.A. not recorded; some items in church register need correction; quorum for Corporate meeting can be found in Religious Corporation Law or Bylaws; Quorum for a Congregation meeting can be found in Book of Order or by-laws; Meeting with less than quorum is illegal.

Detroit, Monteith -- Exceptions -- pages should not be inserted; applicants and dismissions of church members should have date of Session action in both the Session minutes and church register; a few corrections need to be made in the church register.

Detroit, Westminster: Exceptions -- Elders absent, present and excused should be noted for each meeting; audit and review of pastor's salary should be indicated in Session minutes. Records are in exceptionally good order.

Detroit, Woodward/Church of the Covenant: Exceptions -- Elders absent, present and excused should be noted for all meetings; minutes of 12/22/80 are missing; clerk's signature missing from some minutes; annual statistical report to G.A. should be recorded after December Session minutes; church register is acceptable, but would be an easier tool to use by the clerk if there were a new book; number each side of a sheet; Woodward Avenue original books need to be returned to the Presbytery.

The report of the Local Church Development Department was approved as presented.

Sue Carlson reported for the Department of Presbytery Ministries. The Hunger Enabler, Artheillia Thompson was introduced to the Presbytery. Donald Coleman reported for the Committee on the Status of Women. The report was received.

Alfred Nead reported for the Mission Support Department. He introduced the Reverend Lois Wilson, the ecumenical visitor serving on the staff of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, the former moderator of the United Church of Canada. Dr. Wilson addressed the Presbytery. The report of the Mission Support Department was approved.

Upon motion, the following action concerning Areas was lifted from the table: "That the Committee on Bylaws be instructed to present for first reading at the next meeting of Presbytery, amendments to the Bylaws of the Presbytery which would abolish the Areas." Upon motion, this action was referred to the Committee on Bylaws and Structure.

The Meeting of Presbytery was adjourned with the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator, William Saum.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk

Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance  
May 1, 1982 - April 30, 1983

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	6	6	Grosse Ile	2	2
Ann Arbor, First	4	2	Grosse Pointe Memorial	7	4
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Woods	3	3
Northside	1	0	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Westminster	2	0	Howell	2	2
Auburn Heights	2	2	Lincoln Park	1	1
Belleville	1	0	Livonia, Rosedale		
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Gardens	3	3
Birmingham, First	9	7	St. Paul's	4	4
Northbrook	3	3	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	4	Milan, Peoples	1	0
Brighton	2	2	Milford	2	2
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	2	1	Northville	3	2
Dearborn, First	5	3	Novi, Faith Comm.	1	1
Cherry Hill	5	5	Orchard Lake	3	1
Dearborn Woods	1	0	Plymouth	3	2
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	3	0
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Detroit, First	2	2	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	0	Port Huron, First	2	0
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	0
Calvary	1	1	Westminster	1	1
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	3
Calvin West	2	2	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Evergreen Village	1	1	Royal Oak, First	6	0
Fort Street	2	2	First United	2	2
Grandale/Master	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	1
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Hope	1	1	Lake Shore	3	2
Jefferson Avenue	2	1	Saline	1	0
Leitch	1	0	Shelby Saint Thomas	1	0
Monteith	1	1	Southfield, Korean	1	0
Redford	4	4	United	2	2
St. James	1	0	South Lyon	1	1
St. John's	2	2	Sterling Hts., Utica	2	2
Southwest Community	2	2	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
Trinity	1	0	Troy, First	1	0
Trumbull Avenue	1	1	Northminster	1	1
Village	2	2	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Westminster	3	3	Warren, First	1	1
Woodward/Covenant	2	1	Celtic Cross	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	Wayne, First	1	1
Ecorse	1	1	West Bloomfield, Church		
Farmington	3	3	of Our Saviour	1	1
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	Westland, Kirk of Our		
Fraser, Peace	1	1	Savior	1	1
Garden City	2	2	White Lake	1	1
			Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	0

## PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

## STATED MEETING

February 22, 1983

## M I N U T E S

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Westminster Church of Detroit, 17575 Hubbell, Detroit, Michigan, on February 22, 1983.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Vice-Moderator, Jean Lennox, at 5:45 p.m.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: Bower, Brasure, W. Brown, Byers, Chamberlain, Curphey, Eshelman, Flowers, Harmon, Hershey, Hillegonds, Howie, Kiely, Marlow, E. Miller, Mishler, Naylor, Palmer, Rieker, Sefcik.

Elders: Brighton (2), Ecorse (1), Port Huron, First (1)

MINISTERS

Abbott	Colwell	Irvine	McCloskey	Smith, P.
Allen	Cook	Jansen	McCloskey-	Sommers
Anderson	Crilley	Jeffrey	Turner	Stone, G.
Antonson	Dawson	Jones, V.	McIntyre	Stone, J.
Armstrong	Dickson	Jones, W.	McMellen	Stryker
Baker	Dotson	Kaufman	Milford	Sunderman
Baliad	Dunkelberger, M.	Keebler	Moore	Sutton
Banks	Dunkelberger, R.	Kesler	Muench	Swinehart
Barcus	Dunn	Kettlewell	Nagle	Taylor, K.
Barger	Eimer	Kim	Nead	Taylor, M.
Barnes	Ferry	Kirkman	Orr	Taylor, S.
Bartko	Francis	Koster	Peters	Taylor, T.
Rattles	Freund	Krehbiel	Peterson	Terpstra
Beal	Garypie	Lambert	Pierson	Todd, J.
Beery	Geider	LeDuc	Poland	Todd, R.
Blackshear	Geissinger	Lester	Purvis-	Torrey
Boeve	Gepford	Leverenz	Smith	Tull
Borchardt	Gillette	Lindsey	Ramsey	Whitledge
Brand	Glenn	Linthicum	Reynolds	Wilde
Brunelle	Good	Lister	Roberts	Wilson, R.
Campbell	Gruebel	Loveless	Schram, J.	Wilson, S.
Cannon	Hanna	Lumley	Schram, W.	Woodruff
Carter	Hartley	MacDonald	Sharpless	Yingling
Cater	Hawley	MacPherson	Sherwin	Zedan
Cho	Haynes	Magee	Shook	
Cobleigh	Hunter	Marvin	Shoup	
Coleman	Ihrle	Mather	Simons	

ABSENCESCotter  
DouglasForsyth  
GundersenHenderson  
McIvorSmith, C.  
Stenner  
WayELDERS

Allen Park

Allmen, A.  
Botu, S.  
Butler, J.  
Hutchison, L.Dearborn Hts.  
St. Mark's  
Detroit, FirstKieltyka, D.  
McCuaig, V.  
Thompson, C.

Ann Arbor, First

Jones, P.  
Kateff, G.  
Hauser, K.  
Holmes, Q.  
Miner, E.  
Santinga, R.Broadstreet  
Calvary  
Calvin East  
Calvin WestBlack, L.  
Harden, J.  
Kemp, E.  
Dege, R.Calvary  
Northside  
Auburn HeightsCummins, B.  
Evans, C.  
Leighton, D.  
Quinn, C.

Fort Street

Holden, A.  
Jagger, F.  
Boyce, R.  
Thompson, P.Belleville  
Berkley, Greenfield  
Birmingham, FirstMurray, G.  
Hughel, T.  
Boyd, M.  
Cogsdill, F.  
Cogsdill, M.Grandale/Master  
Gratiot Avenue  
Hope  
Jefferson Avenue  
Leitch  
Monteith  
RedfordRogers, D.  
Shepherd, M.  
Baker, E.  
Colwell, V.

Northbrook

Cosner, M.  
Defebaugh, J.  
Dugger, J.  
Sloan, J.  
Street, B.St. James  
St. John'sKremin, M.  
Stark, D.  
Burk, W.  
Fuller, V.

Bloomfield Hills, Kirk

Turner, V.  
Howard, R.  
Marsh, C.  
Wells, J.

Southwest

George, L.  
Hauswirth, G.  
Reid, J.  
Richmond, C.Canton, Geneva  
Clarkston, SashabawBryant, R.  
Goodman, H.  
Lau, D.

Village

Ferguson, H.  
Sefcik, J.  
Christianson, A.  
Obsniuk, G.

Dearborn, First

Robinson, B.  
Shaw, F.  
Fanslow, C.

Westminster

Arnold, J.  
Donaldson, W.  
Graham, W.  
Burnette, M.

Cherry Hill

Planck, P.  
Wessels, W.  
Cobb, J.  
Currie, M.Woodward/Covenant  
Drayton Plains  
FarmingtonMontney, R.  
Allaben, R.  
Johnson, D.  
Kinney, W.

Littlefield Blvd.

Garrett, D.  
Leslie, W.  
Barney, B.  
Binder, S.

Drayton Plaons

Russell, J.  
Williamson, M.  
Bacon, E.  
Dillon, A.Gordon, D.  
Grady, M.  
Madden, D.  
Hess, V.  
Schebor, R.Fraser, Peace  
Garden CityMatsuoka, A.  
Korb, L.  
Morrison, H.  
Conner, N.

Grosse Ile

Grosse Pointe Memorial

Datlee, P.  
Purdy, R.



Grosse Pointe Woods	Brines, R.	Royal Oak, First	Barton, R.
	Honkanen, C.		Bitzer, E.
Highland Park, Park	Arnold, R.		Bitzer, H.
Howell	Rogers, A.		Brown, D.
Lincoln Park	Nelson, K.		Cater, N.
Livonia, Rosedale	McKinley, D.		Gardiner, D.
	Pardonnet, K.	First United	Bondy, K.
	Shipe, E.		Potter, T.
St. Paul's	MacLennan, J.		Sell, J.
	Miller, J.	SCS, Faith	Weil, R.
	Millson, V.	Lake Shore	Sinsbury, H.
	Okonkowski, E.	Saline	Carmichael, R.
Milan, Peoples	Carbeck, T.	Shelby, Saint Thomas	Dryden, R.
Milford	Burley, M.	Southfield United	Drake, D.
	Nave, L.		Jones, E.
Mt. Clemens, First	Cochrane, D.	Korean	Cho, K.
	Thomas, R.	South Lyon	Heath, F.
Northville	Jerome, K.	Sterling Heights, Utica	Plaster, D.
	June, J.		Reichel, L.
	Willoughby, D.	Taylor, Southminster	Aue, S.
Novi, Faith	Holiday, D.	Troy, First	Carter, D.
Orchard Lake	Ayres, P.	Northminster	Kirkpatrick, J.
Plymouth	Evans, S.	Walled Lake, Crossroads	Baird, R.
	Stearns, R.	Warren, First	Dryer, P.
	Stokes, W.	Celtic Cross	Snyder, D.
Pontiac, First	Barker, E.	Waterford, Lakeland	Watt, H.
Atonement	Freeland, B.	Wayne, First	Shoemaker, W.
Joslyn Avenue	Meador, F.	W. Bloomfield, Ch/Saviour	Scheel, B.
Port Huron, Westminster	Bragg, R.	Westland, Kirk	DiBacco, M.
Rochester, University	Haller, R.	White Lake	Schreiber, C.
	Nissen, T.	Wyandotte	Ring, B.
	Tisdell, S.		
Roseville, Erin	Ferguson, D.		
	MacDonald, E.		

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.	Craley, D.	Gipson, M.A.	Lennox, J.
Brown, F.	Crawford, L.	Lee, K.	White, D.
Carlson, S.	Dellinger, W.	Leigh, E.	

Communicants' Classes from Trumbull Avenue, Broadstreet and Littlefield Boulevard were recognized by the Presbytery.

The minutes of the January 25, 1983, meeting were approved as distributed.

The docket for the meeting was approved with the following changes: Personnel plus five minutes, Presbytery Ministries, plus five minutes, Miscellaneous Business, plus five minutes with a report by Lawrence Cater on seminaries. Upon motion, William Standing was granted privilege of the floor to make the Local Church Development report.

The Vice Moderator appointed Donald White as Assistant to the Stated Clerk.

The Worship Service was led by Roy Lambert, assisted by Richard Hanna and Lillie Strong.

Alfred Nead reported for the Mission Support Department.

John Jeffrey reported for the Department of Program and Resource Development.

Jean Perkins reported for the Ministerial Relations Committee.

Upon motion, the contract between Faith Church, St. Clair Shores, and Licentiate Ann Bowersox was extended to May 31, 1983, with the following terms: three-fourths' time, salary increase from \$1000 to \$1500 per month.

Upon motion, the contract between First Church, Mt. Clemens and Peace Church and William Schram for part-time staffing of the two congregations was approved to December 31, 1983, with the following terms: 100 days' service during the year, \$45 per diem to cover five hours' work and one hour transportation.

Upon motion, the parish associate relationship without remuneration between David Krehbiel and First Church, Ann Arbor, was approved.

Upon motion, the Presbytery, at the request of the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Pontiac and Galen Hershey, dissolved the pastoral relationship between them, effective June 30, 1983. Earl Barker, a representative from First Church spoke to this dissolution. Upon motion, the status of Honorable Retirement will be granted Galen Hershey, effective June 30, 1983.

Upon motion, the Presbytery, at the request of the congregation of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and Ray H. Kiely, dissolved the pastoral relationship between them, effective September 6, 1983. Remington J. Purday, Jr. spoke to the dissolution for the church. Upon motion, the status of Honorable Retirement will be granted Ray H. Kiely, effective September 6, 1983.

Virgil Jones recognized the retirement of James Cannon.

Upon motion, David Dresser was placed on the Presbytery's inactive roll.

Michael Dunkelberger introduced three ministers new to the Presbytery: David Good, assistant pastor, Rosedale Gardens; Robert Tull, pastor, Westminster Church, Port Huron; and Kurt Freund, pastor, Belleville Church.

Upon motion, the following administrative commission to install Kurt Freund as pastor of Belleville Church was elected: Ministers: Peter Boeve, Donald R. MacPherson, Lawrence Woodruff; Elders: Jean Lennox, Chairperson (Littlefield Boulevard), Fonie Butler (Belleville), Kim Carlson, (University); Robert McCreight (Presbytery of Maumee Valley) invited to be a corresponding member. The Commission is empowered to install Mr. Freund on March 20, 1983, at 4:00 p.m. at the Belleville Church.

MacKay Taylor reported for the Nominating Committee.

Upon motion, the following were elected:

Treasurer	Wilma Dellinger	Northbrook
Mission Support Department		
Area V	1984	Elder Carolyn Quinn Auburn Heights
Area V	1985	Elder Dorothy Leighton Auburn Heights

**Committee On Structure**

At Large 1983  
At Large 1983

Elder Jesse Racalis  
Elder Erman Fisher

Grosse Isle  
St. John's

**Local Church Development**

Area V 1985

Robert Brown, Jr.

Kirk in the Hills

**Planning Division**

Area V 1985

Rosemary McDaneld

Church of our Saviour

**Program and Resource Development**

Area V 1985

William Wessels

Sashabaw

Upon motion, the following were elected Commissioners to General Assembly:

<b>Ministers:</b>	William Saum Stanton Wilson James A. Mitcham David Eshleman Richard Todd Donald Coleman Joseph MacDonald	Church of our Saviour Grosse Pointe Memorial Detroit, Calvary Grosse Pointe Woods University MHE Erin
<b>Alternates:</b>	James LeDuc Ralph Hawley	Kirk of our Savior H.R.
<b>Elders:</b>	Brady Freeland Joanne Higgins Carol Hylkema Jean Loup Norman Parkins Hiram Hubbard Susanne Rose	Atonement Hope Littlefield Boulevard Northside Troy, First Broadstreet Cherry Hill
<b>Alternates:</b>	William Stokes Dorothy Thirey	Plymouth Saline
<b>Youth Advisory</b>	Ian Shepherd	Plymouth
<b>Alternate</b>	Harvey Huddleston	Detroit, Westminster

Upon motion, Stephanf Bose, Belleville, was elected Youth Advisory Delegate to Synod Assembly. Jill Ferguson, St. Marks, will be the Alternate.

The report from the Nominating Committee was received.

Upon motion, the Department of Local Church Development was authorized to prepare a covenant between the Korean congregation which meets at the First United Church of Royal Oak and the Presbytery, and to negotiate funding with the Synod and the Program Agency of General Assembly.

Sue Carlson reported for the Department of Presbytery Ministries. Richard Dunkelberger presented the annual report of Presbyterian Village.

Donald Lester presented the report of the Presbytery Executive.

Edward Koster reported for the Administrative Commission on Central Northwest Church. Upon motion, Central Northwest Church will pay to Presbytery of Detroit, \$12,500 cash. This sum is for the sole and exclusive use of the Presbytery of Detroit and is not to be designated in any way.

Upon motion, Central Northwest Church shall return to the Presbytery of Detroit, all of the minutes of Session and the Church Register for copying or microfilming for the period of Central Northwest's membership in the Presbytery of Detroit; which membership was terminated on November 24, 1981.

Upon motion, Central Northwest Church shall not use any word or phrase in the future identification of that congregation which in any way suggests any affiliation with the United Presbyterian Church, United States of America.

Upon motion, the Administrative Commission on Central Northwest was dismissed without further action by the Presbytery upon compliance by Central Northwest Church with the articles of the settlement.

Gerald Cobligh reported for the Committee on Bills and Overtures. The Committee recommended that the Presbytery vote in the affirmative for Overture E, approving the reunion between the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. and the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.

James LeDuc moved that the Presbytery take no action on Overture E. The Vice-Moderator ruled the motion out of order. Upon motion, the Presbytery upheld the decision of the Vice-Moderator. Mr. LeDuc voiced his intention to appeal the ruling to the next highest judicatory.

Upon motion, the Presbytery affirmed the recommendation of the Bills and Overtures Committee to approve Overture E, affirming the reunion of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S. and the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. The vote count was 237 yes and 40 no.

James Cole reported for the Bylaws and Structure Committee.

Upon motion, the Structure Committee was instructed to report back to Presbytery at its next meeting, in regard to the motion made at the January, 1983, Presbytery meeting, with regard to the dissolution of the Areas.

William Colwell reported for Presbytery Council. Upon motion, the following actions were approved.

1. The Session of Leitch Memorial Church be given permission to sell a house for \$1,200 in cash, with the provision that the buyer agrees to purchase the house as it.

2. That the Property Committee rent 12 acres of land on Drahner Road, for one year, for agricultural purposes, to Vernon Scott, for a price of \$10 an acre.
3. That the Department of Program and Resource Development be given authority to negotiate with the proper persons for the construction of a manager's residence at Camp Howell, that the cost not exceed \$80,000 and that the matter of financing the construction be referred to a special committee.
4. Adopted a motion to extend its gratitude to the young people who participated in the fast to aid United Presbyterian hunger programs.
5. Adopted recommendations of the Executive Committee as follows:
  - a. That if there is more than one pre-Presbytery meeting, they be scheduled in such a way that interested persons can attend both.
  - b. That the Committee on Bills and Overtures be requested to make recommendations on all of the remaining overtures at the April meeting of Presbytery.
  - c. That the report of Council to Presbytery at the January meeting be amended by deleting the following wording in item 16(a): "That the Stated Clerk reply to a letter from Thomas Kirkman, in opposition to the sermon preached by David Buttrick at the November meeting of Presbytery" and substituting the following wording: "That the Stated Clerk reply to a letter from Thomas Kirkman, in which he objected to remarks in David Buttrick's sermon which he felt reflected negatively on suburban churches."
  - d. That "Policies and Procedures of the Presbytery of Detroit", as amended, be presented to the Presbytery as a report of policies and procedures which have been approved by Council or Presbytery.
  - e. That Council schedule an all-day retreat at Camp Howell on March 29.
  - f. That the invitation of the Drayton Avenue Church, Ferndale, to Presbytery to hold the October, 1984 meeting at Drayton Avenue Church be accepted.
6. Agreed to commend the Stated Clerk of General Assembly for his response to the articles in Reader's Digest concerning the World Council of Churches and the National Council of Churches.
7. Adopted a motion to request Donald Lester to draft a brief reply to the "60 Minutes" program concerning the National Council of Churches and to compile a list of material available to pastors concerning this issue.

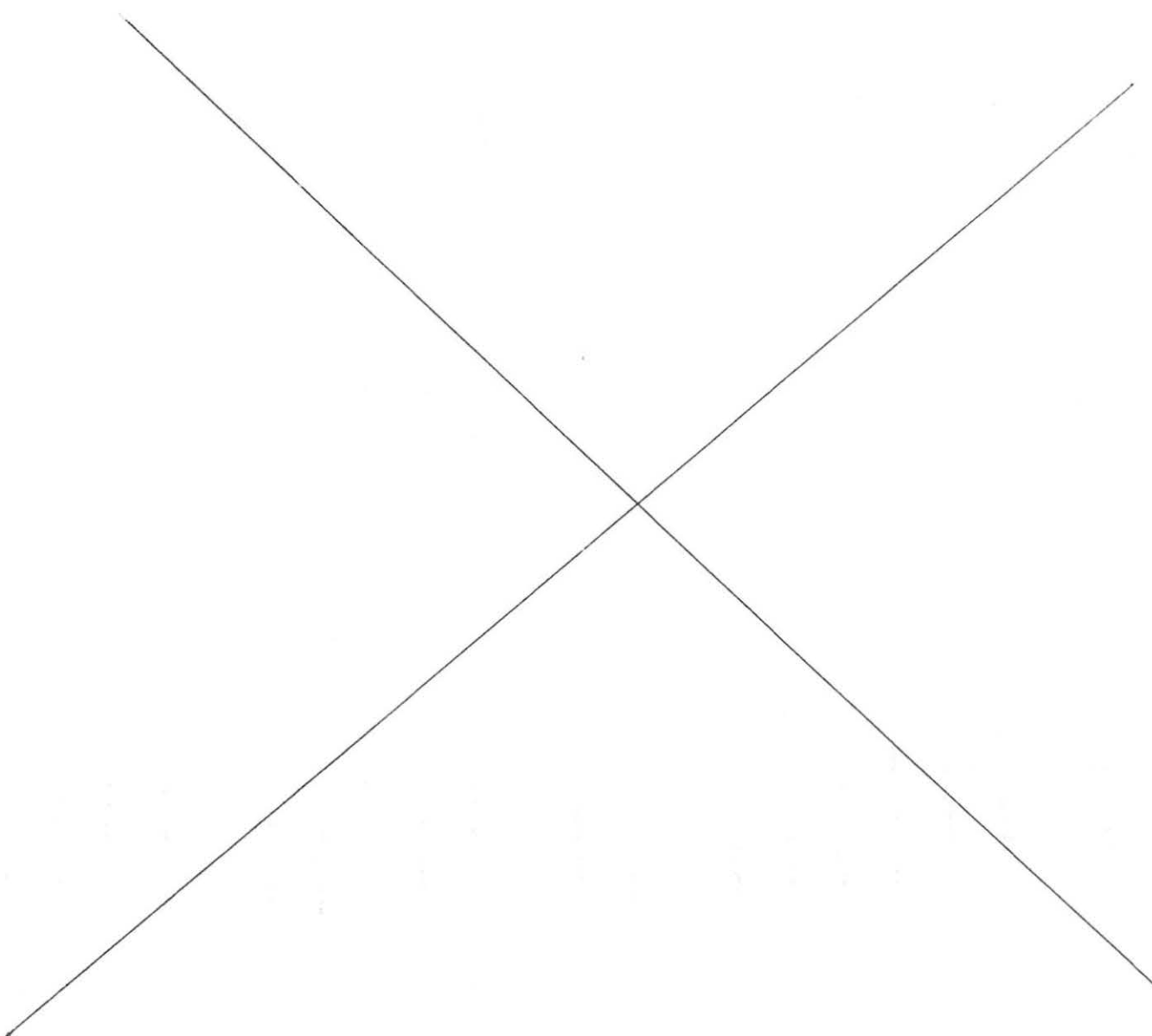
- 8. Upon the request of William Colwell, adopted a motion to withdraw his paper on the Plan for Reunion from consideration by the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

Lawrence Cater reported on Seminary Sunday.

Upon motion, the meeting of the Presbytery was adjourned and closed with the Apostolic Benediction by the Vice Moderator, Jean Lennox.

MINUTES APPROVED BY  
THE SYNOD OF THE COVENANT  
DATE April 28, 1983  
SIGNED Martha B. Martin  
STATED CLERK

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk



Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance  
May 1, 1982 - April 30, 1983

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Ailen Park	6	6	Grosse Ile	2	2
Ann Arbor, First	4	4	Grosse Pointe Memorial	7	3
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Woods	3	2
Northside	1	1	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Westminster	2	0	Howell	2	1
Auburn Heights	2	2	Lincoln Park	1	1
Belleville	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale		
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Gardens	3	3
Birmingham, First	9	9	St. Paul's	4	4
Northbrook	3	3	St. Timothy	1	0
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	5	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Brighton	2	ex 2	Milford	2	2
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	2	2	Northville	3	3
Dearborn, First	5	4	Novi, Faith Comm.	1	1
Cherry Hill	5	5	Orchard Lake	3	1
Dearborn Woods	1	0	Plymouth	3	3
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	3	1
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Detroit, First	2	2	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	0	Port Huron, First	2	ex 2
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	0
Calvary	1	1	Westminster	1	1
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	3
Calvin West	2	2	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Evergreen Village	1	1	Royal Oak, First	6	6
Fort Street	2	2	First United	2	2
Grandale/Master	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	1
Griiot Avenue	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Hope	1	1	Lake Shore	3	1
Jefferson Avenue	2	1	Saline	1	1
Leitch	1	1	Shelby Saint Thomas	1	1
Monteith	1	1	Southfield, Korean	1	1
Redford	4	3	United	2	2
St. James	1	1	South Lyon	1	1
St. John's	2	2	Sterling Hts., Utica	2	2
Southwest Community	2	2	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
Trinity	1	0	Troy, First	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	0	Northminster	1	1
Village	2	2	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Westminster	3	3	Warren, First	1	1
Woodward/Covenant	2	1	Celtic Cross	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	0	Wayne, First	1	1
Ecorse	1	ex	West Bloomfield, Church		
Farmington	3	3	of Our Saviour	1	1
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	Westland, Kirk of Our		
Fraser, Peace	1	1	Savior	1	1
Garden City	2	2	White Lake	1	1
			Wyandotte	2	1
			Ypsilanti	2	1

## PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

## STATED MEETING

April 26, 1983

## M I N U T E S

The Presbytery of Detroit of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held a stated meeting in the Fort Street Presbyterian Church, 631 Fort Street, Detroit, Michigan, on April 26, 1983.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator William Saum, at 4:00 p.m.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

MINISTERS

Abbott	Colwell	Hillegonds	Marvin	Schram, W.
Allen	Cook	Howie	Mather	Sefcik
Anderson	Cotter	Hunter	McCloskey	Sharpless
Antonson	Crilley	Ihrle	McCloskey-	Sherwin
Baker, G.	Curphey	Irvine	Turner	Shoup
Baliad	Dawson	Irwin	McIntyre	Smith, C.
Barcus	Dickson	Jansen	Milford	Sommers
Barnes	Dotson	Jeffrey	Miller	Stone, G.
Bartko	Dunkelberger, M.	Jones, V.	Mishler	Stryker
Battles	Dunkelberger, R.	Jones, W.	Mitcham	Sutton
Beal	Eimer	Kaufman	Moore	Taylor, K.
Beery	Ellens	Keebler	Muench	Taylor, M.
Blackshear	Eshleman	Kesler	Nagle	Taylor, S.
Boeve	Freund	Kettlewell	Nead	Terpstra
Bower	Garypie	Kim	Orr	Todd, J.
Brasure	Geider	Kirkman	Peters	Todd, R.
Brown	Geissinger	Koster	Peterson	Wilde
Byers	Gillette	Lambert	Pierson	Wilson
Campbell	Glenn	Leverenz	Poland	Woodruff
Carter	Good	Lindsey	Purvis-Smith	Yingling
Cater	Hanna	Lister	Reynolds	Zedan
Chamberlain	Harmon	Lumley	Rieker	
Cho	Hawley	MacDonald	Roberts	
Cobleigh	Haynes	MacPherson	Saum	
Coleman	Henderson	Marlow	Schram, J.	

ABSENCES

Banks	Forsyth	Magee	Naylor	Sutton
Conley	Francis	McIvor	Shook	Way
Douglas	Krehbiel			



ELDERS

Allen Park	Botu, S.	St. John's	Snowden, S.
	Egland, C.		Wheeler, L.
	Gettemy, D.	Southwest	Ferguson, H.
	Grassie, W.	Trinity	Wardell, T.
	Yohdes, J.	Westminster	Arnold, J.
Ann Arbourn, First	Kauser, K.		Hooper, H.
	Timmons, G.	Woodward/Covenant	Thompson, A.
	Timmons, H.	Drayton Plains	Burnette, M.
Calvary	Cummins, B.	E. Detroit, Covenant	Oakes, M.
Northside	Lewis, S.	Farmington	Duff, E.
Westminster	Anderson, C.	Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Johnson, D.
Auburn Heights	Leighton, D.		Moriconi, P.
	Quinn, C.	Garden City	Rajala, N.
Belleville	Books, S.		Flynn, J.
Berkley, Greenfield	Reedy, J.	Grosse Ile	Peterson, G.
Birmingham, First	Fischer, C.	Grosse Pointe Memorial	Napier, D.
	Muir, S.		Godds, J.
	Perkins, J.		Goodwyn, L.
	Raar, E.		Johnson, L.
	Sloan, J.		Warren, J.
	Thompson, D.	Grosse Pointe Woods	Evans, G.
	Zimmer, D.		Weamer, E.
Northbrook	Dixon, R.	Highland Park, Park	Arnold, R.
	Jones, R.	Howell	MacBride, R.
	North, J.		Rogers, A.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Robinson, W.	Lincoln Park	Goodell, B.
	Shely, A.	Livonia, Rosedale Gdns	Braisted, W.
	Fanslow		McKinley, D.
Canton, Geneva	Lyles, J.		Riemenschneider, K.
Clarkston, Sashabaw	Kuhlman, R.	St. Pauls	Cameron, D.
Dearborn, First	Raymond, J.		Knight, J.
	Shields, K.		Millson, G.
	Gordon, D.		Miller, J.
Cherry Hill	Jones, R.	St. Timothy	Munro, M.
	Oke, A.	Milan, Peoples	Cullip, J.
	Rose, S.	Milford	Dill, V.
Littlefield Blvd.	Fowler, J.	Mt. Clemens, First	Fleming, J.
	Schebor, R.		Leech, H.
Dbn. Hts., St. Mark's	Kieltyka, D.	Northville	Fisher, P.
Detroit, First	Egloff, R.		Russell, R.
	Thompson, C.	Novi, Faith	Molloy, L.
Broadstreet	Glenn, V.	Orchard Lake	Friedl, S.
Calvary	Harden, J.	Plymouth	Hurtik, T.
Calvin E.	Kemp, E.		Stokes, W.
Calvin W.	Holden, A.	Pontiac, First	Wallis, T.
	Montgomery, G.		Barker, E.
Evergreen Village	Wylie, S.	Joslyn Avenue	Hoisington, G.
Fort Street	Huthwaite, WEC	Port Huron, First	Dilworth, M.
Grandale/Master	Engle, M.	Redford	Frisk, J.
Gratiot Avenue	Shepherd, M.		Shockey, W.
Hope	Smith, M.	Rochester, University	Curry, J.
Monteith	Stark, D.		Tisdell, S.
Redford	Moseley, P.	Roseville, Erin	Ferguson, C.
	Neilson, G.		Miller, W.
	Overly, E.	Royal Oak, First	Barton, R.
	Provonche, G.		Bitzer, E.
St. James	Hauswith, G.		Bitzer, H.
			Cater, V.
			Gardiner, D.
			Kirkman, R.

SCS, Lake Shore	McKee, B.	Sterling Hts., Utica	Plaster, D.
	Nesbitt, M.		Sharp, W.
Saline	Bishop, C.	Taylor, Southminster	Aue, S.
Shelby, St. Thomas	Dryden, R.	Walled Lake, Crossroads	Van Houten, J.
Southfield	Jones, E.	Warren, First	Dryer, P.
	Petrak, D.	Celtic Cross	Scott, M.
Korean	Rhiew, H.	Waterford, Lakeland	Knott, D.
South Lyon	Heath, F.	Wayne, First	Shoemaker, W.
		W. Blmfld., Ch/Saviour	Scheel, B.
		White Lake	Schrieber, C.W.
		Wyandotte	Efaw, S.
			McPhail, W.
		Ypsilanti	Minzey, E.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Baker, E.	Carlson, S.	Gipson, M.A.	White, D.
Craley, D.	Dellinger, W.	Lennox, J.	Crawford, L.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: Armstrong, Brand, Dunn, Flowers, Gensheimer, Gepford, Gruebel, LeDuc, Lester, Linthicum, Hartley, Palmer, Ramsey, Simons, Peter Smith, Stenner, Swinehart, Ted Taylor, Tull, Whitley and Wilson.

Council: Adams, Leigh

Elders: Fraser, Peace and Port Huron, Westminster

The minutes of the February 22, 1983 Presbytery meeting were approved as distributed.

The docket for the April 26, 1983, meeting was approved as amended.

Henry Reeves was appointed Assistant to the Stated Clerk.

John Sefcik introduced Clara McMahon, who reported on the Mobile Health Fair.

Dale Johnson reported for the Committee on Bylaws and Structure. Upon motion, all provisions in the Bylaws of the Presbytery of Detroit related to Areas are suspended, effective April 26, 1983, pending the revision of the Bylaws to conform to the Plan for Reunion, with the understanding that it is the intention of the Bylaws and Structure Committee to recommend at the October, 1983 meeting of Presbytery to abolish the current Area structure. Also upon motion, the Bylaws and Structure Committee is directed to propose to Presbytery, not later than the October, 1983 meeting, an interim revision of the Bylaws of the Presbytery which will consider a more effective functioning of the departments and of Council. And also upon motion, persons who are presently representing the Areas in any part of the structure of Presbytery shall retain their positions, pending future action by Presbytery.

Stanley Taylor presented the equalization of clergy and ruling elders for the year 1983. Upon motion, the following churches will be represented by additional elders: Allen Park (2), Ann Arbor, First (2), Westminster Ann Arbor (1), Birmingham, First (4), Birmingham, Northbrook (1), Bloomfield Hills, Kirk (4), Brighton (1), Dearborn, First (2), Dearborn Cherry Hill (2), Jefferson Avenue (1), Redford (2), Village United (1), Westminster Detroit (1), Farmington (1), Ferndale, Drayton Avenue (1), Garden City (1), Grosse Pointe Memorial (3), Livonia, Rosedale Gardens (1), Livonia, St. Paul's (1), Milford (1), Mt. Clemens, First (1), Northville (1), Orchard Lake (1), Plymouth (1), Pontiac, First (1), Port Huron, First (1), Roseville, Erin (1), Royal Oak, First (4), St. Clair Shores, Lake Shore (1), Southfield, United Korean (1), Sterling Heights, Utica (1), Taylor, Southminster (1), Ypsilanti (1).

Robert Jansen reported for the Committee on Bills and Overtures. Upon motion, the Presbytery votes in the affirmative for Overture A - 42.09.

Upon motion, the Presbytery voted in the affirmative for Overture B - 86.05.

Upon motion, the Presbytery voted in the affirmative for Overture C - 71.04.

Upon motion, the Presbytery voted in the affirmative for Overture D - 59.04.

Upon motion, the Presbytery voted in the affirmative for Overture F - 44.13 and 59.04.

Upon motion, the Presbytery voted in the affirmative for Overture G - 43.01, 44.04, 57.02 and 57.044.

Upon motion, the Presbytery voted in the affirmative for Overture H - 41.04, 57.042.

Upon motion, the Presbytery voted in the affirmative for Overture I - 48.08, 49.10.

Upon motion, the Presbytery voted in the affirmative for Overture J - 49.01.

Upon motion, the Presbytery voted in the affirmative for Overture K - 55.03.

Upon motion, the Presbytery voted in the affirmative for Overture L - 42.05.

Upon motion, the Presbytery cast a negative vote for Overture M - 49.023.

Upon motion, the Presbytery cast a negative vote for Overture N - 49.023.

Upon motion, the following overture will be sent to the 195th General Assembly, to meet in Atlanta, Georgia:

THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT, MEETING AT THE FORT STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, DETROIT, MICHIGAN, ON APRIL 26, 1983, RESPECTFULLY OVERTURES THE 195TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY (1983) OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, MEETING IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Whereas the Evangelical Presbyterian Church was formed in part by local churches which withdrew from the UPC USA; and

Whereas there is no correspondence between the UPC USA and the Evangelical Presbyterian Church; and

Whereas the ordinary rule to govern Sessions is to receive or transfer members by letter only to churches in "correspondence" with our denomination; and

Whereas Sessions should not therefore ordinarily transfer or receive members from the EPC without violating the UPC USA covenant; and

Whereas the Lord God reached out in loving forgiveness to bridge the separation of humanity and himself; and

Whereas in the light of this grace of God, there is no reason why this denomination should not be willing to extend the hand of fellowship to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Stated Clerk of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, enter into negotiations with the Stated Clerk of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church to determine whether the two denominations can and should enter into correspondence with one another.

Upon motion, the following overture will be sent to the 195th General Assembly to meet in Atlanta, Georgia:

Whereas, the 194th General Assembly (1982) took action to enable the United Presbyterian Church to respond in a positive way to the economic crisis currently facing our nation; and

Whereas the response mandated by the 194th General Assembly was planned and funded only through 1983, and

Whereas, the current economic crisis involves systemic issues in the U.S. economy which indicate that the crisis will last well beyond 1983; and

Whereas, the Gospel imperative for justice calls for a sustained ministry in the face of persistent problems; and

Whereas, good stewardship of economic crisis response efforts begun in 1982 and 1983 demands that these efforts not be aborted prematurely;

THEREFORE THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT, MEETING AT FORT STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, DETROIT, MICHIGAN ON APRIL 26, 1983, OVERTURES THE 195th GENERAL ASSEMBLY (1983):

1. To continue the economic crisis response program through 1985.
2. To continue the Economic Crisis Fund in 1984 and 1985 at appropriate levels not less than the 1983 fund, with funding coming from the One Great Hour of Sharing or other appropriate source(s);
3. To assure that the Presbyterian economic crisis response gives attention to the root cause and public policy issues involved, while affirming commitment to the safety net issues and to ecumenical and regional approaches;

- 4. To charge the Program Agency to report to the 197th General Assembly (1985) its recommendations regarding continuation of the economic crisis response and Economic Crisis Fund beyond 1985.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures requested that its report be recessed to be continued following dinner.

William Colwell, chairperson of Council, reported for Council. Upon motion, the following items from the March 8, 1983 Council meeting were approved:

- 1. Approved the invitation of the Session of First Church, Ypsilanti to Anne Fuhrmeister to become assistant pastor, effective April 15, 1983, with the following terms: \$14,100 salary, \$4,800 housing, full pension, 20¢ per mile car allowance, 2% hospitalization deductible, two weeks' study leave, \$200 study allowance, one month vacation, moving expenses, annual review of the terms of the call. Upon receipt of her dismissal from the Presbytery of Maumee Valley she will be enrolled as a member of the Presbytery of Detroit. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.
- 2. Approved the establishment of a part-time interim pastor relationship between Hope Church and James H. Conley, effective March 1, 1983, for a period of three months, with the following terms: \$600 salary, \$200 housing allowance, \$200 car allowance.
- 3. Approved the establishment of a part-time contract between the Wyandotte Church and Robert B. Johnson, effective March 1, 1983, with the following monthly terms: \$416 salary, \$84 car allowance, four weeks unpaid vacation, semi-annual review of the terms of the contract, 12 hours of work per week plus Sunday worship.
- 4. Dissolved the assistant pastor relationship between Joan Stary and the Southwest Church and the stated supply relationship between Joan and Leitch Memorial Church, approved the call to her from the First Federated Church of Clayton, Illinois, and dismissed her to the Presbytery of Great Rivers, effective April 1, 1983.
- 5. Approved the call of the First Church, Escanaba, to Dennis Barger, and dismissed him to the Presbytery of Mackinac, effective March 27, 1983.
- 6. Agreed to update at least annually the Policies and Procedures of the Presbytery.
- 7. Designated William Saum to be the convenor of the commissioners to General Assembly. Designated Donald White to be the convenor of the commissioners to Synod for the balance of this year and requested the Nominating Committee to designate in future years, the convenor of Synod commissioners.
- 8. Referred to Ministerial Relations Committee, with instructions to report directly to ministers, a recommendation concerning a recent IRS ruling that ministers can no longer claim a deduction and exclusion for mortgage payments.

Upon motion, the following items from the April 12, 1983, Council meeting were approved by Presbytery:

1. Recommended to Presbytery the approval of a loan, not to exceed \$80,000.00, to the Program and Resource Development Department, for the purpose of constructing a residence for the manager of the Howell Center, that the terms of the loan are an annual interest of 8%, that interest payments be guaranteed, and that the total amount of the loan be repaid within 21 years.
2. Recommended to Presbytery that permission be granted to the Session of First Church, Birmingham, to purchase the home of Dennis Barger for \$75,000 and to place the house for sale on the open market for the same price.
3. Approved the study of computers, for the purpose of advising sessions on their purchase and their compatibility with the computer owned by Presbytery.
4. Dissolved the associate pastor relationship between John Mishler and the First Church of Northville, effective April 24, 1983, approved the invitation of the Session of Covenant Church, East Detroit, to Mr. Mishler to become Stated Supply, from April 24, 1983 to December 31, 1983, under the following terms: \$15,000 salary, \$5,000 housing allowance, full pension, \$400 hospitalization, \$2,400 car allowance, \$200 study allowance, two weeks' study leave and one month vacation.
5. Referred to the Bylaws and Structure Committee a request from Presbyterians for Lesbian and Gay Concerns to have a representative on Council.
6. Requested the Committee on the Plan for Reunion to act as a consultant to the Stated Clerk in the preparation for sessions of changes in the Form of Government due to reunion, and to plan for a celebration of reunion at the June meeting of Presbytery.
7. Concurred with and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures a proposed overture to be sent to General Assembly, concerning a study of synods.
8. Granted permission to United Presbyterian Men to observe the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at its annual meeting in April, 1984.
9. Agreed that an overture from the Presbytery of Huntingdon, concerning the location of national headquarters, should be made available to Presbytery's commissioners to General Assembly.
10. Concurred in the appointment of Jeffrey Nolte to be chairperson of the Division of Planning.
11. Received the resignation of James Cole from the Bylaws and Structure Committee and referred the vacancy to the Nominating Committee.

- 12. Received, amended and recommended to Presbytery a report from the Bylaws and Structure Committee concerning the Area structure of Presbytery.
- 13. Received reports from and dissolved the following Administrative Commissions: the Commission to install Robert Tull at Westminster Church, Port Huron; the Commission to install David Good at Rosedale Gardens, and the Commission to install Kurt Freund at Belleville.

Upon motion, the report of Council was approved and the recommendations adopted.

The meeting was recessed for dinner.

The worship service with the theme "Ministry with Ethnic Persons" was led by Paul Dotson, Anne Deason Dayanandan and P. Dayanandan.

The meeting of Presbytery was reconvened at 6:05 p.m.

Susan Carlson reported for the Department of Presbytery Ministries. A slide presentation was presented highlighting the Presbytery Hunger Outlets.

The Middle East Committee of the Department of Presbytery Ministries reported. Upon motion, the Presbytery of Detroit expresses its continued concern and offers its prayers for all in Lebanon who have suffered and continue to suffer the results of the violence in 1982 and continuing to this time:

Also upon motion, the Presbytery expresses great appreciation to all who have responded to the suffering and the immense needs for relief, reconstruction and renewed efforts at reconciliation. And that in particular, Presbytery expresses great appreciation to those individuals and those churches who have contributed to healing ministry in Lebanon, and specifically to the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA, the World Council of Churches and the Middle East Council of Churches for their splendid efforts to express the love of the people of the churches of the USA through their coordinated efforts to relieve the suffering, rebuild schools, hospitals, and homes and to assist the rebuilding of the structures that will make a life of peace more possible in that nation. And that Presbytery will send copies of this affirmation of concern and appreciation to all appropriate persons in churches and the National, World and Middle East Councils of Churches who, on our behalf, are engaged in this ministry of compassion and reconciliation.

John Jeffrey reported for the Department of Program and Resource Development.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures continued its report, presented by Robert Jansen. Upon motion, the Presbytery Overtures the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church (1983) on the following matter:

Whereas, in many cases the work of synods represents a duplication of effort that is being made by a presbytery;

Whereas, presbyteries vary greatly in their need of help and support from a synod;

Whereas, funds expended at the synod level could be more efficiently disbursed at the presbytery level;

Whereas the anticipated reunion with the Presbyterian Church, U.S., confronts us with some concepts of synod which are different from our own;

Whereas, our synods vary considerably in structure and program;

Whereas, no one presbytery or synod can solve problems which belong to the whole;

Therefore, the Presbytery of Detroit, meeting at the Fort Street Presbyterian Church, Detroit, Michigan, on April 26, 1983, overtures the 195th General Assembly (1983) to undertake a study of the role and work of synods, leading to such steps as may be needed to provide for the wisest use of time and resources, avoiding duplication of effort and establishing a pattern of uniformity across the new Church.

Also upon motion, the Presbytery requests that the 195th General Assembly take no action on the policy paper entitled "The Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea (North Korea) and Christians in the United States of America: The Meaning of the Present Realities for the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A." on the ground of the need to have further documentation of universally acceptable evidences of new realities in the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea (North Korea) in relation to Christian faith, furthermore the 195th General Assembly is requested to refer this vital matter to Korean-American congregations and the National Korean Presbyterian Caucus (NKPC).

Also upon motion, the Stated Clerk will have editorial privilege in sending the above mentioned overture (North Korea) to General Assembly.

David Eshleman reported for the Department of Local Church Development. William Standing reported for the Ethnic Church Development Committee. Upon motion, the following administrative commission is elected to act on Presbytery's behalf in organizing the First Korean Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak as a United Presbyterian Church, and that the commission be given the power enumerated in the Form of Government 34:021 through 34:024: Ministers: Rodney Beal, Andrew Kim, Stanton Wilson, Donald Lester; Elders: Thomas Lecureaux, Royal Oak First United, Dr. Young Mo Lee, Southfield Korean, Dr. Stephen S. Rhew, Royal Oak Korean and William Standing, Calvin West.

Ruth Kirkman reported for the Candidates Committee. Judith Lundell presented her statement of influence and motivation. Upon motion, the examination was arrested, Barb Scheel from Church of our Saviour, West Bloomfield was heard, the examination was sustained and Judith Lundell was taken under care of the Presbytery of Detroit.

Mark Anderson presented his statement of influence and motivation. The examination was arrested, Karen Bondy of the Session of First United, Royal Oak was heard, the examination was sustained and Mark Anderson was received under care as a candidate for the professional ministry.



Ann Robertson presented her statement of influence and motivation. The examination was arrested, Carol Erhart of the First Church, Birmingham was heard, the examination was sustained and the Presbytery received Ann Robertson as a candidate under the care of the Presbytery.

William Robertson presented his statement of influence and motivation. The examination was arrested. Carol Erhart of First Church, Birmingham was heard, the examination was sustained. The Presbytery received William Robertson as a candidate for the professional ministry under the care of the Presbytery of Detroit.

Alfred Nead reported for the Mission Support Department.

Jean Perkins reported for the Ministerial Relations Committee.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the call of the First Church, Howell, to Margaret G. Zedan to become its associate pastor, effective March 20, 1983, heard a representative of the church and approved the following terms: \$10,000 salary, \$10,000 housing allowance, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, \$2,400 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$200 study allowance, one month vacation, annual review; placed the call in Miss Zedan's hands; elected the following special administrative commission: Ministers - William Jones, chp., Donald R. MacPherson, Catherine McCloskey-Turner; Elders - Irene Gough (Grandale Church of the Master), Janet Green (Howell), Victor Hess (Littlefield), Robert MacBride (Howell), empowered said commission to install Miss Zedan May 1, 1983, 10:30 a.m. at First Church, Howell.

Upon motion, the call of the Session of First Church, Birmingham to Candidate Darryl L. Baker to become assistant pastor upon ordination, was approved, effective September 1, 1983. A representative of the First Church, Birmingham, was heard and the following terms were approved: \$12,500 salary, \$7,200 housing allowance, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, utilities, \$1,800 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$200 study allowance, FICA allowance, one month vacation, moving expenses, annual review. Mr. Baker will be enrolled in the Presbytery of Detroit upon ordination.

The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.

Upon motion, the call of the Session of First Church, Birmingham to Candidate Stuart D. Broberg to become assistant pastor upon ordination, was approved, effective July 1, 1983. A representative of the First Church, Birmingham, was heard and the following terms were approved: \$12,500 salary, \$7,200 housing allowance, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, utilities, \$1,800 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$200 study allowance, FICA allowance, one month vacation, moving expenses, annual review; and enroll Mr. Broberg in the Presbytery of Detroit upon his ordination. The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.

Upon motion, the call of the Session of First Church, Royal Oak, to Candidate James Duncan Boyd, III, to become assistant pastor upon ordination, was approved, effective July 1, 1983. A representative of the church was heard and the following terms approved: \$20,000 salary and housing, full pension, \$1,930 hospitalization, \$2,000 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$200 study allowance, one month's vacation, annual review, moving expenses. Mr. Boyd will be enrolled in the Presbytery of Detroit upon ordination.

The Committee on Ministerial Relations reported that the provisions of Presbytery's affirmative action and equal employment opportunity program have been fulfilled.

Upon motion, the establishment of a part-time pastor of visitation relationship between Ernest W. Dunn and Jefferson Avenue Church, effective April 1, 1983, was approved with the following monthly terms: \$500 salary, 20¢ per mile car allowance.

Upon motion, the following interim contracts were approved to June 30, 1983: Lloyd Brasure (Port Huron, Lakeshore), John Musgrave (Dearborn, First), Richard Reynolds (White Lake).

Upon motion, the following moderator appointments were approved: James Conley (Hope Church, Detroit) and John Mishler (Covenant Church, East Detroit).

Upon motion, the Presbytery approves the dissolution of the associate pastoral relation between James D. Cole and Westminster Church, Detroit, effective April 30, 1983. The Presbytery also approves the call of the Westfield Presbyterian Church, Westfield, New Jersey to Mr. Cole to become associate pastor, heard a representative of Westminster Church, Detroit, and placed the call in Mr. Cole's hands; and dismissed Mr. Cole to the Presbytery of Elizabeth, effective May 1, 1983.

Michael Dunkelberger introduced Anne Fuhrmeister (First, Ypsilanti) and David Byers (First, Northville), ministers new to the Presbytery.

Upon motion, Kemper Taylor was granted permission to labor outside the bounds of the Presbytery, in Europe, for the period of June 8 - July 22, 1983.

Upon motion, the following changes in terms of call were approved: Anderson - \$1,854 salary increase; Armstrong - \$7,350 salary decrease, \$7,350 housing increase, \$200/year study increase; Banks - \$1,500 salary increase; Barcus - \$1,180 salary increase, \$500 housing increase, \$300 car increase, \$35 hospitalization increase; Bartko - \$600 car increase; Battles - \$1,000 salary increase; Blackshear - \$1,215 salary increase, \$115 car increase, \$250 hospitalization increase; Brown - \$1,360 salary increase, \$790 housing increase, one additional vacation day; Campbell - \$860 salary increase; Chamberlain - \$500 salary increase, \$1,500 housing increase, \$600 car increase, \$60 hospitalization increase, \$880 other increase; Cobleigh - \$350 car increase, \$350 expense decrease; Cook - \$242 hospitalization increase; Crilley - \$125 utilities increase, \$140 FICA increase, \$750 study decrease; Curphey - \$320 car allowance; Dickson - \$50 hospitalization decrease; Dunkelberger - \$750 salary increase, \$200 housing increase; Geider - \$957 salary decrease, \$2,300 housing increase; Gepford - \$500 salary increase; Hartley - \$540 salary decrease, \$540 housing increase, 2/3 week vacation increase; Haynes - \$1,025 salary increase, \$1,255 housing increase, \$400 car increase, \$750 hospitalization increase, \$100 study increase, \$60 expense decrease, \$350 other increase; Henderson - \$740 salary increase, \$1,200 housing increase, \$29 hospitalization increase \$300 study increase, Hillegonds - \$502 salary decrease, \$2,300 housing increase; Howie - \$224 salary decrease, \$2,000 housing increase, \$35 hospitalization increase; Jansen - \$500 car increase, \$500 utilities increase; Jeffrey - \$235 salary increase, \$604 car increase, \$96 hospitalization increase, \$500 expense increase; Jones, W. - \$1,472 salary increase, \$81 utilities increase; Keebler - \$562 salary increase, \$300 car increase; Kesler - \$4,500 salary decrease, \$4,900 housing increase, \$415 hospitalization decrease, Kim - \$1,600 salary increase, \$290 housing increase, \$480 car increase, \$150 study increase; LeDuc - \$1,904 salary increase, \$1,200 housing increase, \$532 utilities increase, \$73 hospitalization increase; Lindsey - \$1,553 salary increase, \$676 housing increase, \$134 car increase; Lumley - one week vacation increase; MacDonald - \$900 salary increase, \$610 housing increase; Magee - \$242 hospitalization increase; Marvin - \$90 hospitalization increase; Mather - \$1,000 salary increase, \$595 hospitalization increase; McIntyre - \$980 salary increase, \$500 car increase, \$484 utilities increase, \$31 hospitalization increase; McIvor - \$2,700 salary decrease, \$3,900 housing increase, \$900 car increase; Moore - \$480 salary increase, \$3,000 housing

increase, \$500 car increase; Nagle - \$275 housing increase, \$100 study increase; Naylor - one additional Sunday increase; Nead - \$1,000 salary increase, \$680 housing increase, \$34 hospitalization increase; Orr - \$800 car decrease; Palmer - \$448 salary increase, \$7 hospitalization increase; Peters - \$1,500 salary increase, \$834 housing increase; Ramsey - \$1,025 salary increase, \$600 housing increase \$200 car increase, \$50 increase in expense; Roberts - \$4,400 salary decrease, \$14,600 housing (from manse); Saum - \$1,712 salary increase, 2 weeks' vacation increase (1983 only); Sefcik - \$200 car increase, \$382 hospitalization increase, one week vacation increase; Shoup - \$1,620 salary increase, \$2,202 housing increase; Sherwin - \$600 salary decrease, \$600 housing increase, 2/3 week vacation increase; Simons - \$6,615 salary decrease, \$6,615 housing increase \$200/week study increase; Smith, P. - \$1,320 salary increase; Sommers - \$4,562 salary decrease, \$5,462 housing increase; Stryker \$90 hospitalization increase; Sutton - \$100 study increase; Todd, J. - \$1,019 salary increase, \$474 housing increase, \$80 car increase, \$30 hospitalization increase; Whitledge - \$200/week study increase; Wilde - \$100 car increase, \$24 hospitalization increase; Wilson, R. - \$1,280 salary increase, \$25 hospitalization increase; Woodruff - \$1,200 salary increase, \$2,000 housing increase; Zedan - \$3,140 salary decrease, \$5,200 housing increase, \$1,050 car increase, \$960 utilities decrease, \$118 hospitalization increase, Gruebel - \$1,816 salary increase \$5,500 housing decrease, supplemental housing increase \$6,000, pension decrease, \$690, education increase \$200; Kirkman, \$10,000 salary increase.

The report of the Ministerial Relations Committee was approved as presented.

MacKay Taylor reported for the Nominating Committee after asking for nominations from the floor. Upon motion, Elder Jeffrey Nolte (Farmington, First) was elected as Chairperson of the Planning Division. Elder Lawrence Currin (Lakeland) was elected an alternate commissioner to General Assembly. Ministers James A. Mitcham, J. Rodney Beal and Kurt Freund and Elders, Lois Poston (Birmingham, First), Odessa Trotter (St. John's) and Mary Grace Adams (Grosse Pointe Memorial) were elected alternate commissioners to Synod Assembly.

Upon motion, the meeting of the Presbytery was adjourned and closed with the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator, William Saum.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
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Stated Clerk

Equalization of Elder Commissioner Attendance  
May 1, 1982 - April 30, 1983

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attende</u>
Allen Park	6	5	Grosse Ile	2	1
Ann Arbor, First	4	3	Grosse Pointe Memorial	7	4
Calvary	1	1	Grosse Pointe Woods	3	2
Northside	1	1	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Westminster	2	1	Howell	2	2
Auburn Heights	2	2	Lincoln Park	1	1
Belleville	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale		
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	Gardens	3	3
Birmingham, First	9	7	St. Paul's	4	4
Northbrook	3	3	St. Timothy	1	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	2	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Brighton	2	0	Milford	2	1
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Clarkston, Sashabaw	2	1	Northville	3	2
Dearborn, First	5	3	Novi, Faith Comm.	1	1
Cherry Hill	5	4	Orchard Lake	3	1
Dearborn Woods	1	0	Plymouth	3	2
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Pontiac, First	3	2
Dearborn Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Atonement	1	0
Detroit, First	2	2	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Bethany	1	0	Port Huron, First	2	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Lakeshore	1	0
Calvary	1	1	Westminster	1	ex
Calvin East	1	1	Rochester, University	3	2
Calvin West	2	2	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Evergreen Village	1	1	Royal Oak, First	6	6
Fort Street	2	2	First United	2	2
Grandale/Master	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	0
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	0
Hope	1	1	Lake Shore	3	2
Jefferson Avenue	2	0	Saline	1	1
Leitch	1	0	Shelby Saint Thomas	1	1
Monteith	1	1	Southfield, Korean	1	1
Redford	4	4	United	2	2
St. James	1	1	South Lyon	1	1
St. John's	2	2	Sterling Hts., Utica	2	2
Southwest Community	2	2	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
Trinity	1	1	Troy, First	1	0
Trumbull Avenue	1	0	Northminster	1	0
Village	2	2	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Westminster	3	3	Warren, First	1	1
Woodward/Covenant	2	1	Celtic Cross	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	Wayne, First	1	1
Ecorse	1	1	West Bloomfield, Church		
Farmington	3	1	of Our Saviour	1	1
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	Westland, Kirk of Our		
Fraser, Peace	1	ex	Savior	1	0
Garden City	2	2	White Lake	1	1
			Wyandotte	2	2
			Ypsilanti	2	1

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Presbytery Council  
April 12, 1983

M I N U T E S

The Presbytery Council met on Tuesday, April 12, 1983, at the office of the Presbytery of Detroit. The meeting was called to order by the chairperson, Past Moderator William Colwell, at 1:30.

Present: Adams, E. Baker, G. Baker, Beal, Borchardt, Brown, Carlson, Cavanagh, Colwell, Craley, Crawford, Dellinger, Gipson, Glenn, Hanna, Haynes, Hunter, Irvine, Jeffrey, Lee, Leigh, Lester, Linthicum, MacPherson, Nead, Nolte, Saum, Smith, Stone, Stryker, T. Taylor, S. Taylor.

Excused: Adams, Eshleman, Gaston, Miller, Lennox.

Absent: Brown, Cobleigh, White.

Upon motion, the following changes were made in the minutes of the March meeting: include in the motion concerning Joan Stary the following: to approve the call of First Federated Church of Clayton, Illinois to become pastor and dismiss Ms. Stary to the Presbytery of Great Rivers, effective April 1, 1983. To refer to the Ministerial Relations Committee the action relating to the Wyandotte Church and Robert B. Johnson approving a "staff relationship" between the two parties. The Form of Government does not provide for that kind of category. Ministerial Relations is asked to reword the action and report to the next meeting of Council as to how the motion is to be amended. Upon motion, the minutes of the March 8, 1983, meeting were approved as amended.

Upon motion, the agenda for the Council meeting was approved as presented.

Eleanor Leigh reported for the Division of Business Affairs. Upon motion, the Council will recommend to Presbytery the approval of a loan to EEE Unit of the Program and Resource Development Department, not to exceed \$80,000, including \$12,000 site improvement and allowances from the Capital Fund for the purpose of constructing a residence on the Howell Center property for the Property Site Manager and that a Trustee of the Presbytery be authorized to sign the building contract with Gordon ReBresh Builders of Brighton now, and that we pay \$2,500 for the drawing, permit, etc., pending final approval of the entire process by the Presbytery on April 26, 1983. The maximum period for repayment will be just over 20 years. It is understood that any designated capital gifts received in the interim will be used to reduce the principal.

Also upon motion the Council will recommend to Presbytery that permission be granted to the Session of First Church, Birmingham to purchase the home of the Reverend Dennis Barger, former Assistant Pastor of that Church for the figure of \$75,000 and to place the same for sale on the open market immediately for the same price.

Jeff Nolte was introduced to the Council, new chairperson of Planning.

The reports of the Council Divisions were approved.

Alfred Nead reported for the Mission Support Department.

Susan Carlson reported for the Presbytery Ministries Department.

Henry Borchardt reported for the Local Church Development Department.

Dale Hunter reported for the Evangelism Coordinating Council.

John Jeffrey reported for the Program and Resource Development Department. Upon motion, the Council directs that a study be undertaken of computers so that helps, direction, suggestions, can be given to local churches in their purchase of a computer and its compatibility with the Presbytery computer.

Larry Glenn reported for the Ministerial Relations Committee. Upon motion, the request of the First Presbyterian Church, Northville and John L. Mishler to dissolve the associate pastoral relation between them was approved, effective April 24, 1983, pending congregational action. Also upon motion, the Council approves the invitation of the Session of the Covenant Church, East Detroit, to John L. Mishler to become stated supply, effective April 24, 1983, through December 31, 1983, renewable annually, pending Session and M.R. action, with the following terms: \$15,000 salary, \$5,000 housing allowance, full pension, \$400 hospitalization, \$2,400 car allowance, \$200 study allowance, two weeks study leave and one month vacation.

The reports of the Council Departments were approved.

Upon motion, the docket for the April Presbytery meeting was approved to begin at 4:00, with the Stated Clerk making the necessary adjustments in the docket.

The Council reflected on the state of the Presbytery.

Reactions were solicited from the Council on the Retreat of the Council.

Stanley Taylor reported for the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee recommends that:

The request of the Presbyterians for Lesbian and Gay Concerns to have a representative on Council was referred to Bylaws and Structure.

The Committee on the Plan for Reunion shall continue and that it will serve as a consultant to the Stated Clerk in preparation for changes in the Plan for Reunion as they affect sessions and Presbytery, and that the Committee be requested to prepare, in consultation with General Assembly Commissioners and the Worship Committee, a service of recognition of Reunion at the June meeting of Presbytery and following that meeting it be discharged.

That the Council concurs with the following recommendation from the Special Committee to Study Synods:

Because no one presbytery or synod can solve these problems unilaterally, we recommend that the Presbytery of Detroit overture the General Assembly to undertake a study of the role and work of synods, leading to such steps as may be needed to provide for the wisest use of time and resources, avoiding all duplication of effort and establishing some pattern of uniformity across the new Church.

and refers the overture to the Committee on Bills and Overtures for recommendation at the April meeting of Presbytery. And the Council also receives the balance of the Report of the Special Committee to Study Synods for first reading with action to be taken at the May meeting of Council.

That the report of the Synod review of the Presbytery be received and referred to Departments for feedback.

That the United Presbyterian Men be granted permission to observe the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at its national conference to be held at the West Ann Arbor Holiday Inn in April, 1984.

That Donald Lester be the resource person for the Presbytery at General Assembly.

That an overture from the Presbytery of Huntingdon to the General Assembly on the location of the national headquarters of the church be made available to Presbytery's commissioners to General Assembly.

That the trilevel negotiations of March, 1983, be received for first reading and that Jean Lennox be requested to make recommendations to Council concerning the agreements.

The Council concurs in the appointment by the Moderator of Jeff Nolte as the Chairman of the Division of Planning.

Upon motion, the resignation of James Cole from the Bylaws and Structure Committee was received and referred to the Nominating Committee.

Upon motion, an omnibus motion was approved to concur with the above mentioned items in the Executive Committee report.

Upon motion, the following amended report of the Bylaws and Structure Committee was approved.

That all provisions in the Bylaws of the Presbytery of Detroit related to Areas be suspended, effective April 26, 1983, pending revision of the Bylaws to conform to the Plan for Reunion, with the understanding that it is the intention of the Bylaws and Structure Committee to recommend at the October, 1983 meeting of that the current Area structure be abolished.

That the Bylaws and Structure Committee be directed to propose to Presbytery, not later than the October, 1983 meeting, an interim revision of the Bylaws of the Presbytery which will consider a more effective functioning of the Departments and Council.

That persons who are presently representing the Areas in any part of the structure of Presbytery shall retain their positions, pending future action by Presbytery.

Upon motion, the Nominating Committee will be alerted to the implications involved in the report of the Bylaws and Structure Committee in its task for nomination for 1984.

Upon motion, the report of the Bylaws and Structure Committee, as amended by Council, will be presented to Presbytery at the April meeting.

The report of the Executive Committee was approved as presented.

The motions presented to Council by Gareth Baker were referred, upon motion, to a special committee of Council, appointed by the Moderator. The motion as follows:

1. The meeting shall begin at 4:00 p.m. and shall recess for dinner promptly at 6:00 p.m.; reconvening again at 7:00 p.m. (Unless of course, the meeting has already adjourned due to its being completed before dinner).
2. The docket shall be so arraigned that no vote on what may be deemed as a controversial or crucial issue shall be scheduled until the evening portion of the meeting. In fact, it may well be advisable for such matters to have the discussion begin before dinner so that commissioners may have the opportunity around the tables to continue that discussion in an informal way so that in the long run those voting may be better prepared for such a vote when the time comes.
3. The meetings shall be held around tables in a similar manner to that of many of the past meetings of the General Assembly. Commissioners need space to place the working papers and to write upon them. For example, the meetings could be held in the Fellowship Hall at the Westminster Church, Detroit. Everything for dinner can be picked up cafeteria style beginning at 6:00 p.m. Tables can be cleared prior to the evening session.

The Chairpersons of the areas reported.

Donald Lester, Donald MacPherson, Gordon Irvine, Ted Taylor and Henry Borchartd presented staff reports.

Upon motion, the Administrative Commissions elected to install Robert Tull, Port Huron, Westminster, David Good, Rosedale Gardens and Kurt Freund, Belleville, were dismissed having completed their duties and reported to the Presbytery.

Upon motion, the meeting of Council was adjourned and closed with prayer by the chairperson, William Colwell.

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
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Stated Clerk

Linda Crawford  
Recording Clerk



## STATED MEETING

June 28, 1983

## M I N U T E S

The Presbytery of Detroit of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) held a stated meeting in the First Presbyterian Church, 529 Hendrie, Royal Oak, Michigan, on June 28, 1983.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator, William Saum, at 5:45 p.m.

The worship service, with the theme "Ministry with Youth," was presented by the Rev. Scott Simons and Elder David Kieltyka.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

**Ministers:** Allen, Anderson, Antonson, Barnes, Bower, Brown, Cobleigh, Coleman, Cook, Curphey, Eimer, Ferry, Flowers, Gensheimer, Gillette, Good, Hawley, Henderson, Hillegonds, Hunter, Irwin, Jansen, Jones, Kesler, Kim, LeDuc, Lindsey, Lumley, MacInnnes, Magee, Milford, Mishler, Orr, Palmer, Purvis-Smith, Ramsey, Reynolds, Rieker, Sefcik, Sharpless, Sherwin, Shook, Smith, Swinehart, Sommers, K.Taylor, M.Taylor, T.Taylor, R.Wilson, S.Wilson, Whitledge, and Yingling.

**Council:** Gipson

**Elders:** Ecorse; Kirk in the Hills - 2; Calvin East; Auburn Heights; Covenant, East Detroit; Kirk of Our Savior; and Sashabaw - 2.

MINISTERS

Abbott	Colwell	Irvine	McCloskey	Smith, P.
Allen	Cook	Jansen	McCloskey-	Sommers
Anderson	Crilley	Jeffrey	Turner	Stone, G.
Antonson	Dawson	Jones, V.	McIntyre	Stone, J.
Armstrong	Dickson	Jones, W.	McMellen	Stryker
Baker	Dotson	Kaufman	Milford	Sunderman
Baliad	Dunkelberger, M.	Keebler	Moore	Sutton
Banks	Dunkelberger, R.	Kesler	Muench	Swinehart
Barcus	Dunn	Kettlewell	Nagle	Taylor, K.
Barger	Eimer	Kim	Nead	Taylor, M.
Barnes	Ferry	Kirkman	Orr	Taylor, S.
Bartko	Francis	Koster	Peters	Taylor, T.
Battles	Freund	Krehbiel	Peterson	Terpstra
Beal	Garypie	Lambert	Pierson	Tood, J.
Beery	Geider	LeDuc	Poland	Todd, R.
Blackshear	Geissinger	Lester	Purvis-	Torrey
Boeve	Gepford	Leverenz	Smith	Tull
Borchardt	Gillette	Lindsey	Ramsey	Whitledge
Brand	Glenn	Linthicum	Reynolds	Wilde
Brunelle	Good	Lister	Roberts	Wilson, R.
Campbell	Gruebel	Loveless	Schram, J.	Wilson, S.
Cannon	Hanna	Lumley	Schram, W.	Woodruff

ABSENCES

Cotter  
Douglas

Forsyth  
Gundersen

Henderson  
McIvor

Smith, C.  
Stenner  
Way

ELDERS

Allen Park  
  
  
  
  
Ann Arbor, First  
  
Calvary  
Northside  
Auburn Heights  
  
Belleville  
Berkley, Greenfield  
Birmingham, First  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
Northbrook  
  
  
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk  
  
  
  
Canton, Geneva  
Clarkston, Sashabaw  
  
Dearborn, First  
  
  
  
Cherry Hill  
  
  
  
  
  
  
Littlefield Boulevard

Allmen, A.  
Botu, S.  
Butler, J.  
Hutchison, L.  
Jones, P.  
Kateff, G.  
Hauser, K.  
Holmes, Q.  
Miner, E.  
Santinga, R.  
Cummins, B.  
Evans, C.  
Leighton, D.  
Quinn, C.  
Murray, G.  
Hughel, T.  
Boyd, M.  
Cogsdill, F.  
Cogsdill, M.  
Cosner, M.  
Defebaugh, J.  
Dugger, J.  
Sloan, J.  
Street, B.  
Turner, V.  
Howard R.  
Marsh, C.  
Wells, J.  
Bryant, R.  
Goodman, H.  
Lau, D.  
Robinson, B.  
Shaw, F.  
Fanslow, C.  
Planck, P.  
Wessels, W.  
Cobb, J.  
Currie, M.  
Garrett, D.  
Leslie, W.  
Barney, B.  
Binder, S.  
Gordon, D.  
Grady, M.  
Madden, D.  
Hess, V.  
Schebor, R.

Dearborn Hts  
St. Mark's  
Detroit, First  
  
Broadstreet  
Calvary  
Calvin East  
Calvin (West)  
  
Fort Street  
  
Grandale/Master  
Gratiot Avenue  
Hope  
Jefferson Avenue  
Leitch  
Monteith  
Redford  
  
St. James  
St. John's  
  
Southwest  
  
Village  
  
Westminster  
  
Woodward/Covenant  
Drayton Plains  
Farmington  
  
Drayton Plains  
  
Fraser, Peace  
Garden City  
  
Grosse Ile  
  
Grosse Pointe Memorial

Kieltyka, D.  
McCuaig, V.  
Thompson, C.  
Black, L.  
Harden, J.  
Kemp, E.  
Dege, R.  
Holden, A.  
Jagger, F.  
Boyce, R.  
Thompson, P.  
Rogers, D.  
Shepherd, M.  
Baker, E.  
Colwell, V.  
Kremin, M.  
Stark, D.  
Burk, W.  
Fuller, V.  
George, L.  
Hauswirth, G.  
Reid, J.  
Richmond, C.  
Ferguson, H.  
Sefcik, J.  
Christianson, A.  
Obsniuk, G.  
Arnold, J.  
Donaldson, W.  
Graham, W.  
Burnette, M.  
Montney, R.  
Allaben R.  
Johnson, D.  
Kinney, W.  
Russell, J.  
Williamson, M.  
Bacon, E.  
Dillon, A.  
Matsuoka, A.  
Korb, L.  
Morrison, H.  
Conner, N.  
Datlee, P.  
Purdy, R.

Livonia, St. Paul's	MacLennan, J. Miller, J. Millson, V. Okonkowski, E.	St. Clair Shores, Faith Lake Shore Saline	Sell, J. Weil, R. Sinsbury, H. Carmichael, R.
Milan, Peoples Milford	Carbeck, T. Burley, M. Nave, L.	Shelby, St. Thomas Southfield United	Dryden, R. Drake, B. Jones, E.
Mt. Clemens, First	Cochrane, D. Thomas R.	Korean South Lyon	Cho, K. Heath, F.
Northville	Jerome, K. June, J. Willoughby, D.	Sterling Heights, Utica Taylor, Southminster	Plaster, D. Reichel, L. Aue, S.
Novi, Faith Orchard Lake Plymouth	Holiday, D. Ayres, P. Evans, S. Stearns, R. Stokes, W.	Troy, First Northminster Walled Lake, Crossroads Warren, First Celtic Cross	Carter, D. Kirkpatrick J. Baird, R. Dryer, P. Snyder, D.
Pontiac, First Atonement Joslyn Avenue Port Huron, Westminster Rochester University	Barker, E. Freeland, B. Meador, F. Bragg, R. Haller, R. Nissen, T. Tisdell, S.	Waterford, Lakeland Wayne, First W. Bloomfield, Ch/Saviour Westland, Kirk White Lake Wyandotte	Watt, H. Shoemaker, W. Scheel, B. DiBacco, M. Schreiber, C. Ring, B.
Roseville, Erin	Ferguson, D. MacDonald, E.		

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams, M.G.	Craley, D.	Gipson, M.A.	Lennox, J.
Brown, F.	Crawford, L.	Lee, K.	White, D.
Carlson, S.	Dellinger, W.	Leight, E.	

Upon motion, the minutes of the April 26, 1983 Presbytery meeting were approved as distributed.

The docket was approved with the following amendments:

- 1) addition of the report of the Committee on Nominations;
- 2) deletion of the report of the Department of Local Church Development; and
- 3) deletion of the report of the Bylaws and Structure Committee.

Elder Roger VanDyke of the host church was appointed Assistant to the Stated Clerk.

Elder Ruth Allaben was elected to act as Recording Clerk in the absence of Linda Crawford.

Upon motion, it was resolved that the provisions of the Bylaws of the Presbytery of Detroit, dated December 27, 1979, together with subsequent amendments, continue to be observed as the Bylaws of the Presbytery, except for any provisions which may be contrary to the Form of Government of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and until the Presbytery has adopted further amendments or a new set of bylaws.

The report of the Committee on Candidates was presented by Ruth Kirkman. Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the proposed changes of "A Handbook with Requirements for Candidates Under the Care of the Presbytery of Detroit." See paper C-3, attached.

Julie Sandling was presented to the Presbytery and read her statement of faith. A motion carried to arrest Miss Sandling's examination. Upon motion, the Presbytery sustained the examination of Julie Sandling and approved her for ordination. Elder Merle Williamson of Drayton Avenue Presbyterian Church spoke in support of Miss Sandling.

Andrew McLaughlin was introduced to the Presbytery and read his statement of influence and motivation. A motion carried to arrest Mr. McLaughlin's examination. Elder Betty Cummings of Calvary Presbyterian Church, Ann Arbor, spoke in support of Mr. McLaughlin. Upon motion, the examination of Andrew McLaughlin was sustained and he was received under care of the Presbytery as a candidate for the professional ministry. A service of reception was held recognizing Andrew McLaughlin as a candidate for ordination as a minister of the word.

The report of the Committee on Ministry was presented by Jean Perkins.

Upon motion, the Presbytery received the credentials of John L. Musgrave from the American Baptist Churches USA and enrolled him in the Presbytery of Detroit, effective July 1, 1983 (G14.0508). The Committee on Ministry reported that the provisions of this presbytery's affirmative action equal employment opportunity program for calling a pastor have been fulfilled thus meeting the requirements of the Churchwide Plan for EEO.. The Presbytery heard Elder Theodore Daykin, and upon further motion, approved the invitation of the Session of First Church, Dearborn to John Musgrave to become assistant pastor, effective July 1, 1983, with the following terms: \$13,800 salary, \$11,000 housing allowance, full pension, \$2,880 auto allowance, \$596 hospitalization, two weeks' study leave, \$400 study allowance, one month's vacation, and annual review; elected the following administrative commission: Ministers - Carl G. Howie, chairperson, William Gepford, David Swinehart; Elders - Dale Madden (Cherry Hill), Helen Morrison (Grosse Ile), Theodore Daykin (First, Dearborn); and empowered said commission to install Mr. Musgrave at 10:30 a.m., July 10, 1983 at First Church, Dearborn.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the invitation of Presbyterian Saint Luke's Medical Center, Denver, Colorado to Candidate Julie Sandling to undertake a year's study in basic and advanced clinical pastoral education; elected the following special administrative commission: Ministers - Peter C. Bower, chairperson, Gene Stone, Peter Moore; Elders - Norma Baldwin (First, Howell), Ruth Kirkman (First, Royal Oak), Paul Rankin (Drayton Avenue) with the Rev. Gail Faithfull (Presbytery of Southern New England) invited to be a corresponding member; empowered said commission to ordain Miss Sandling at 4 p.m., July 24, 1983, at Drayton Avenue Church, Ferndale; and dismissed Miss Sandling to the Presbytery of Denver.

Upon motion, the Presbytery concurred with the proposal of the Session of the United Presbyterian Church of Wyandotte and Kenneth L. Keubler (United Church of Christ) to establish a part-time interim assistant pastor relation, effective September 1, 1983 with the following annual terms: \$5,000 salary, \$1,000 auto allowance, four week's unpaid vacation, semi-annual review, 1/4 time.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the extension of the following interim contracts: Anne Bowersox (Faith, St. Clair Shores) to August 31, 1983; James Conley (Hope, Detroit) to August 31, 1983.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved a change in the stated supply contract of Peter Boeve (Northside, Ann Arbor) as follows: \$1,037 salary increase, \$2,666 Housing allowance increase, \$500 car allowance increase, additional six hours per week, effective July 1, 1983.

Upon motion, the Presbytery dissolved the associate pastoral relation between J. Christopher Torrey and First Church, Farmington; heard Elder Dale Johnson representing the church; approved the call of Foothill Presbyterian Church, San Jose, California to Mr. Torrey to become pastor; and dismissed Mr. Torrey to the Presbytery of San Jose, effective July 1, 1983.

Upon motion, the Presbytery appointed the following moderators: John Poland (Leitch Memorial); L. J. Peterson (Trumbull Avenue); Alfred Nead (First, Pontiac); and Stanton Wilson (Grosse Pointe Memorial).

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the request of Thomas Johnson that he be released from the exercise of the ordained ministry and deleted his name from the roll of Presbytery (G-11.0414).

Upon motion, the Presbytery conferred the status of Pastor Emeritus of Dearborn Woods Church on Thomas A. Bailey, effective June 19, 1983.

The retirement of Galen Hershey was recognized by Thomas Kirkman and Elder Lane VanderHoek.

The retirement of Ray Kiely was recognized by Donald Lester.

Richard Dunkelberger presented a memorial minute in remembrance of Manson Lowe.

Stanley M. Taylor reviewed the new Revenue Rule 83-3 and the Social Security Law approved by Congress on March 24, 1983 with reference to clergy salaries.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the paper entitled 1984 Minimum New Call Guidelines and Existing Call Recommendations. See Paper C-4, attached.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was presented by John Bartko. The Moderator asked for nominations from the floor; there being none, the Presbytery elected the following individuals to the positions indicated:

Department of Presbytery Ministries

Area V	1985	The Rev. Judy Todd	University
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Department of Program and Resource Development

Area I	1984	Elder Grace Crone	Jefferson Avenue
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Bylaws and Structure Committee

Chairperson	1 yr.	The Rev. William Whitledge	St. Paul's
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The report of the Department of Presbytery Ministries was presented by Susan Carlson.

The report of the Department of Program and Resource Development was presented by John Jeffrey.

The report of the Department of Mission Support was presented by Alfred Nead. Upon motion, the Presbytery endorsed and recommended to the sessions and congregations of the Presbytery the Peacemaking Offering to be received on World Communion Sunday, October 2, 1983, and the use of materials for peacemaking received recently from the Support Agency of the denomination.

William Colwell, chairperson of Council, reported for the Council. Upon motion, the following items from the May 10, 1983 Council meeting were approved:

- 1) Susan Carlson, Alfred Nead, Franklin Brown, Donald Coleman and Donald Lester were elected to draft a statement of concern regarding the sentencing of the two men who were convicted in the death of Vincent Chin.
- 2) Endorsed the grant proposal entitled the "Barnabas Project."
- 3) Approved an overnight retreat meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday and Tuesday, August 29-30, at St. Basil's Center of Christian Renewal in Pontiac. The theme of the retreat will be "To What is God Calling Us?"
- 4) Approved sections of the Trilevel Synod Negotiations, as follows: Section A, Section B, parts one and two.
- 5) Completed arrangements for the simultaneous satellite broadcast of the Reunion Communion service to be held at General Assembly.
- 6) Agreed that the worship service at the June meeting of Presbytery would be related to the upcoming Youth Triennium, and that the worship service in September would center around the celebration of Reunion.
- 7) Approved the use of a Prospectus for Special Gifts, as prepared by the Special Gifts Committee.
- 8) Approved the date of a study leave for Donald MacPherson, from May 19 through May 29.
- 9) Approved the sale of a property located at 16109 East Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan, by the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, for \$127,000.00, effective August, 1981.
- 10) Agreed to distribute to the Presbytery's commissioners an overture to General Assembly from the Presbytery of Elijah Parish Lovejoy.

Upon motion, the following items from the May 31, 1983 Council meeting were approved:

- 1) Gave permission to the Division of Business Affairs to present directly to Presbytery any matters which might arise at its meeting to be held on June 7.

2) Nominated to the Synod Assembly the following persons: William Robinson to Leadership Development, Class of 1986; Shirley Lewis, Synod Ministries, Class of 1986; Jean Lennox, Administration, Class of 1986.

3) Hazel Allen, St. John's Church, was elected to the Department of Mission Support, Class of 1985.

4) Approved the invitation of the Session of Kirk in the Hills, to Candidate Steven Hamilton to become assistant pastor, effective July 1, 1983, with the following terms: salary and housing, \$24,500; full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization; car allowance, \$1,800; two weeks' study leave; study allowance, \$200; one month vacation; moving expenses; annual review of the terms of call.

5) Approved the call of the East Side Church, Astabula, Ohio to Lawrence McMellen and dismissed him to the Presbytery of the Western Reserve, effective June 1, 1983.

6) Dismissed William Dunifon to the Presbytery of Great Rivers, effective May 31, 1983.

7) Elected the following administrative commission to install Anne Fuhrmeister as assistant pastor of First Church, Ypsilanti: Elders - Jean Lennox, Moderator (Littlefield Boulevard), William Cornish (First, Ypsilanti), William Stokes (First, Plymouth); Ministers - John Fuhrmeister (Presbytery of Southern New England), elected a corresponding member, William Jones, Donald Lester, Laurence Woodruff. Miss Fuhrmeister is to be installed on Sunday, June 26, 1983 at 7:00 p.m. at First Church, Ypsilanti.

8) Designated Robert Johnson as part-time interim assistant pastor at the Wyandotte Church.

9) Received the paper on the Vincent Chin case as a working draft and authorized the Moderator, the Stated Clerk and the Presbytery Executive to edit it for presentation to the Presbytery.

10) Designated Roger Shoup and William Colwell to administer the communion service at the satellite Reunion broadcast and Donald MacPherson to act as master of ceremonies.

11) Agreed to transmit to the Stated Clerk of Synod the report of the Special Committee to Study Synods. The Council neither approved nor disapproved the recommendations which were made in the report.

12) Directed the Stated Clerk to send "Changes in the Form of Government" to pastors and clerks of sessions.

13) Instructed the Worship Committee to be in communication with the session and pastor of the church where Presbytery is to meet next, at least six weeks before the date of the meeting.

14) Received, with appreciation, a contribution of \$2,500.00 from Palo Duro Presbytery for economic relief.

15) Approved a pre-Presbytery meeting in September, to be sponsored by the Committee on Ministerial Relations, on the subject of Social Security, taxes and financial planning for ministers.

- 16) Agreed to pay one-half the cost of the Council Retreat, to be held in August.
- 17) Discharged the Administrative Commission to install Margaret Zedan.
- 18) Received a report from Synod that the minutes of Presbytery had been approved without exception.
- 19) Elected the following persons to the Barnabas Project Steering Committee: Carol Bartley, James Opferman, Carol Scott Cook, Margaret Reinecker, Stanley Edwards, Sandy Smith, Avon McDaniels, Gary Baker and Robert Barcus.

Wilma Dellinger, Treasurer of the Presbytery, presented a summary of the auditor's report for the period ending December 31, 1982, as performed by the firm of McEndarffer, Hoke and Bernhard. On December 31, 1982 there were total assets in all funds of \$9,715,444 and total liabilities of \$3,771,015, for a balance of \$5,944,429. This compares with total fund balances of December 31, 1981 of \$5,680,624. The major budgeted fund for Presbytery operations is the Program Fund. The income for this fund in 1982 was \$946,114, and total program budgeted expenses were \$800,738. This compares with a 1981 income of \$802,149 and budgeted expenses of \$773,754. A motion carried to approve the report.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the following resolution:

Whereas the threat of nuclear war imperils all of God's Creation;  
and

Whereas God has commanded us to care for the earth and its people,  
and pray for their continued safety and welfare; and

Whereas the Presbytery of Detroit has endorsed the Nuclear Arms  
Freeze and recommends it to congregations for prayer and study;  
and

Whereas August 6th, 1983 will be the thirty-eighth anniversary of  
the detonation of the first nuclear device in warfare, as a  
result of which 92,000 people lost their lives;

Be it therefore resolved that the Presbytery declare August 6th, 1983  
as a day of prayer for peace; and

Be it further resolved that the Presbytery of Detroit urge all its  
member congregations to toll the bells of the churches 38 times  
at noon on August 6th, to proclaim our concern for peace; and

Be it further resolved that this resolution be communicated to the  
appropriate local news media so this witness and concern may be  
understood by the community.

The report of the Division of Staff Services was presented by Donald White. Upon motion, the Presbytery concurred with the wish of Henry C. Borchardt, Associate



Executive for Parish Development, to sever his relationship with the Presbytery of Detroit, effective July 15, 1983; and dismissed Dr. Borchardt to the Presbytery of Lake Erie so that he may accept a call as Executive Presbyter of the Presbytery of Lake Erie.

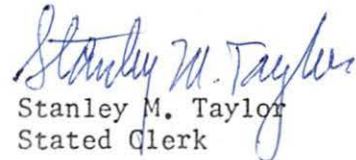
Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the request of the First United Presbyterian Church, Royal Oak, to change its name to the Starr Presbyterian Church.

Donald G. Lester presented the report of the Executive Presbyter.

The Moderator, William Saum, reported on his recent visit to Russia.

Upon motion, the Presbytery was recessed at 9:45 p.m., to meet again on Thursday, August 4, 1983, at 4 p.m. at the Westminster Church, Detroit.

Ruth Allaben  
Acting Recording Clerk

  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk

## PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

## ADJOURNED MEETING

August 4, 1983

The meeting of the Presbytery of Detroit of June 28, 1983, was reconvened on August 4, 1983. The Moderator, William Saum, called the meeting to order and opened the meeting with prayer.

Stanley Taylor reported for the Administrative Commission to organize the Korean First Presbyterian Church, Royal Oak. Mr. Taylor stated that the Commission was convened with prayer by the Moderator, Donald G. Lester with the purpose of organizing and chartering the Korean First Presbyterian Church, Royal Oak. The Moderator reported the resignations of Stanton Wilson and William Standing due to inability to attend. It was declared that a quorum was present and the chartering could proceed. The Reverend J. Rodney Beal was appointed Clerk. The ordination and installation of the Elders and Deacons was completed and the Commission adjourned with the completion of its work at the benediction of the Worship Service.

Jean Perkins reported for the Committee on Ministry. Upon motion, the call of Anne N. Schaefer to the White Lake Church was approved subject to the approval of her ordination. A representative of the church was heard. The following terms were approved: \$13,100 salary, \$6,900 housing allowance, full pension, \$400 hospitalization, \$3,000 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$200 study allowance, one month's vacation, annual review. The following administrative commission was elected to install Anne N. Schaefer: Ministers - Douglas Carter, Chairperson, Steven J. Hamilton, Judy Todd; Elders - Wayne Goeman (Troy, First), Franklin Heath (South Lyon), Sue Schreiber (White Lake), and empowered to install Anne N. Schaefer at 10 a.m. August 28, 1983, at the White Lake Church.

The report of the Committee on Ministry was interrupted to hear the report of the Committee on Candidates. Ruth Kirkman, Chairperson, introduced Anne N. Schaefer. Mrs. Schaefer presented her statement of faith. The floor was opened to questions. Upon motion, the examination was arrested. Mrs. Kirkman reported that Mrs. Schaefer had been declared a fit candidate for the ministry and had met the requirements for ordination set forth by the Form of Government. Upon motion, the examination was sustained and the ordination of Anne N. Schaefer was approved. The following persons were elected to the administrative commission which is empowered to ordain Anne Schaefer at Kirk in the Hills on August 14, 1983 at 7:30 p.m.: Ministers - William Saum, Chairperson, Douglas Carter, Robert Lindsey; Elders - Catherine Baumgarten (Grosse Pointe Memorial), Norman Parkins (First, Troy), and Sue Schreiber (White Lake). Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the starting date of August 7, 1983 for Mrs. Schaefer's work at White Lake and granted permission for Mrs. Schaefer to moderate the Session meeting of August 15 at the White Lake Church. The call was placed in Mrs. Schaefer's hands.

The report of the Committee on Candidates was approved.

The report of the Committee on Ministry was resumed. Upon motion, the interim pastor relationship between First Church, Pontiac and Lloyd G. Brasure was approved, effective August 1, 1983 with the following terms: 4 days per week, for a period of six months, \$500 salary, \$600 housing allowance, \$500 car allowance; it was further approved that Mr. Brasure be appointed moderator of the session.

Upon motion, the establishment of an interim pastor relationship between Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and William R. Phillippee (Presbytery of Pittsburgh) was approved, effective September 1, 1983, for a period of six months with the following terms: (to be prorated for services rendered if the terms of the relationship should be less than one year): \$32,000 salary, manse, utilities, full pension, \$2,000 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$250 study allowance, one month's vacation, car/personal property/disability insurance, \$200 conference expense, \$500 expense allowance, moving expenses. Upon motion, Stanton Wilson will moderate the Session of the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church until Mr. Phillippee becomes a member of the Presbytery of Detroit.

Upon motion, the change in contract terms between David Byers and First Church, Northville was approved with the terms as follows: full-time, effective June 12, 1983, \$13,200 salary, \$1,000 housing, \$1,00 hospitalization, \$3,000 car allowance, \$1,200 study allowance, \$1,000 expense allowance, \$5,600 annuity.

Upon motion, the resignation of Gordon P. Irvine as Director of Urban Ministry was received and the Presbytery concurred in his request to be released from his call. Mr. Irvine was dismissed to the Presbytery of Chicago, effective July 31, 1983, to accept a call as pastor of Second Church, Chicago. Upon motion, the clerk was directed to send Mr. Irvine a letter of appreciation for his service to the Presbytery of Detroit.

Upon motion, Ray H. Kiely was granted permission to labor in a validated ministry in another country, effective October 1, 1983, for a period of one year. Dr. Kiely will be engaged in a ministerial calling within a non-denominational religious organization in which this church has no official participation (G-11.0411).

Upon motion, Andrew Kim was appointed the moderator of the Royal Oak, Korean First Church.

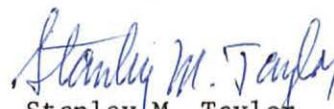
Upon motion, the contracts between Ann Bowersox and St. Clair Shores, Faith Church and James Conley and Hope Church were extended from August 31, 1983 through November 31, 1983.

The report of the Committee on Ministry was received.

Upon motion, the Presbytery will be informed of the cost of the legal expenses for Central Northwest Church if and when it becomes known.

The meeting was adjourned with the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator, William Saum.

Linda Crawford  
Recording Clerk

  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk

## PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

Presbytery Council  
May 10, 1983

## M I N U T E S

The Presbytery Council met on Tuesday, May 10, 1983, at the office of the Presbytery of Detroit. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Moderator, Jean Lennox, at 1:30.

Present: Beal, Borchardt, Brown, Carlson, Cavanagh, Craley, Crawford, Dellinger, Eshleman, Gaston, Gipson, Glenn, Hanna, Hunter, Irvine, Jeffrey, Lee, Leigh, Lennox, Lester, Linthicum, MacPherson, Miller, Nead, Nolte, Stone, S. Taylor, T. Taylor, White.

Excused: Cobleigh, Colwell, Baker, E., Baker, G., Stryker, Trotter, Saum, Haynes, Smith, Adams.

Upon motion, the minutes of the April 12, 1983, meeting were approved as presented.

The Agenda was approved as presented.

The treasurer's reports were received for approval at the June meeting of Council.

Alfred Nead reported for Mission Support Department.

Susan Carlson reported for the Department of Presbytery Ministries. Upon motion, Susan Carlson, Alfred Nead, Franklin Brown, Donald Coleman and Donald Lester were requested to draft a statement of concern regarding the sentencing of the two men convicted in the death of Vincent Chin. The Moderator appointed Susan Carlson to convene the Committee.

David Eshleman reported for the Department of Local Church Development.

Dale Hunter reported for the Evangelism Coordinating Council.

John Jeffrey reported for the Program and Resource Development Department.

Upon motion, the Council Department reports were received.

Donald Lester reported as Presbytery Executive. Upon motion, the Grant Proposal Outline entitled the "Barnabas Project" was endorsed by the Council.

Chris Torrey reported for the Budget Committee.

Henry Borchardt, Donald MacPherson, Gordon Irvine and Theodore Taylor gave staff reports.

Stanley Taylor reported for the Executive Committee. Upon motion, the proposal presented to Council for a Monday, August 29 through Tuesday, August 30 Council Retreat with the theme "To What is God Calling Us?" at St. Basil's Center of Christian Renewal, Pontiac, was approved. Upon motion, a Council Task Force will be appointed by the Moderator to plan and implement the retreat and report back to Council with recommendations.

Upon motion, Section A of the Trilevel Synod Negotiations was approved. Upon motion, Section B, numbers 1 and 2 were approved. Upon motion, Section B, number 3, items entitled Korean Church consultation, Midwest Career Development Service, Ministerial Relations Training Workshop and Mid-Career Seminars received no action. Upon motion, Section B, number 3, items entitled Evangelism, Christian Education, Youth Ministries, Synod School, Leadership Development and Church Officer Development were not approved. The papers involved are attached.

Upon motion, the simultaneous satellite broadcast of the Reunion Communion service to be held at General Assembly, Friday evening, June 10, 1983, will be provided at Westminster Church, Detroit. Also upon motion, the Executive Committee will have the authority to decide on further details and the Communications Committee will help with the publicity for the event.

Upon motion, the next regular meeting of the Council will be held on May 31, 1983, at 1:30.

Upon motion, the worship service at the June Presbytery meeting will deal with the Youth Triennium as scheduled. Also upon motion, the September Presbytery worship will center around the celebration of Reunion.

Upon motion, the Prospectus for Special Gifts will be used as prepared by the Special Gifts Committee with all gifts being reported to and approved by Council.

Jeffrey Nolte reported for the Planning Division.

Donald White reported for the Division of Staff Services. Upon motion, the study leave for Donald MacPherson was approved, dates being May 19 through May 29.

Eleanor Leigh reported for the Division of Business Affairs. Upon motion, the Council approves the sale of a property located at 16109 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan, by the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church for \$127,000, effective August, 1983.

Upon motion, the Division reports were approved as presented.

Upon motion, the overtures to General Assembly from the Presbytery of Elijah Parish Lovejoy will be passed on to the Commissioners of the Detroit Presbytery to General Assembly.

The Council reflected on the state of the Presbytery.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Alfred Nead.

Linda Crawford  
Recording Clerk

PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

Presbytery Council  
 May 31, 1983

M I N U T E S

The Presbytery Council met on Tuesday, May 31, 1983, at the office of the Presbytery of Detroit. The meeting was called to order by the chairperson, Past Moderator William Colwell, at 1:30.

Present: Adams, Borchardt, Carlson, Cabanagh, Colwell, Craley, Crawford, Dellinger, Eshleman, Gaston, Glenn, Hanna, Irvine, Jeffrey, Lee, Leigh, MacPherson, Miller, Nead, Nolte, Saum, Smith, Haynes, Stone, S. Taylor.

Excused: E. Baker, G. Baker, Gipson, Hunter, T. Taylor, White, Lennox and Lester.

Absent: Beal, Brown Linthicum.

Upon motion, the minutes of the May 10, 1983 meeting were approved as amended. Upon motion, paragraph 2, page 2 of the May 10, 1983 minutes should read:

Upon motion, Section A of the Trilevel Synod Negotiations was approved. Upon motion, Section B, numbers 1 and 2 were approved. Upon motion, Section B, number 3 was acted on as follows:

Korean Church Consultation	No Action
Evangelism	Not approved
Midwest Career Development Service	No Action
Ministerial Relations Training	
Workshop	No action
Mid Career Seminars	No action
Christian Education	Not approved
Youth Ministries	Not approved
Synod School	Not approved
Leadership Development	Not approved
Church Officer Development	Not approved

The Report of the Trilevel Negotiation is attached.

The Agenda for the May 31, 1983 Council meeting was approved as presented.

The Treasurer's reports dated April 30, 1983, were received.

The Presbytery docket for the June, 1983, meeting was approved as amended.

Eleanor Leigh reported for the Division of Business Affairs. Upon motion The Division of Business Affairs was authorized to present matters to the June Presbytery which arise from the Business Affairs meeting to be held June 7, 1983.

Jeff Nolte reported for the Planning Division.

The reports of the Council Divisions were approved.

John Jeffrey reported for the Department of Program and Resource Development.

Larry Glen reported for the Personnel Department. Upon motion, the following persons were nominated for the Synod of the Covenant structure:

William Robinson	Leadership Development (86)	Kirk in the Hills
Shirley Lewis	Synod Ministries (86)	Northside
Jean Lennox	Administration (86)	Littlefield Boulevard

Upon motion, Hazel Allen was elected to the Mission Support Department of the Presbytery, class of 1985, at large (St. John's).

Mr. Glenn reported for the Ministerial Relations Committee. Upon motion, the call of the Session of Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills, to Candidate Steven J. Hamilton to become assistant pastor upon ordination, effective July 1, 1983, was approved with the following terms: \$24,500 salary and housing, full pension, 2% deductible hospitalization, \$1,800 car allowance, two weeks' study leave, \$200 study allowance, one month vacation, moving expenses, annual review. Mr. Hamilton will be enrolled upon ordination.

Upon motion, the call of the East Side Presbyterian Church, Ashtabula, Ohio, to Lawrence W. McMellen to become pastor was approved. The call was placed in Mr. McMellen's hands and he was dismissed to the Presbytery of the Western Reserve, effective June 1, 1983.

Upon motion, the request of William Dunifon and the Presbytery of Great Rivers for Mr. Dunifon's dismissal to the Presbytery of Great Rivers, was approved, effective May 31, 1983.

Upon motion, the following administrative commission was elected to install Anne E. Fuhrmeister as assistant pastor of First Church, Ypsilanti: Ministers: William Jones, Donald G. Lester, Laurence Woodruff; Elders: Jean Lennox (moderator), (Littlefield Boulevard), William Cornish (First, Ypsilanti), William Stokes (First, Plymouth) with the Reverend John C. Fuhrmeister (Presbytery of Southern New England) invited to be a corresponding member. The commission was empowered to install Miss Fuhrmeister on Sunday, June 26, 1983, 7:00 p.m., at First Church, Ypsilanti.

Upon motion, the title for Robert Johnson, Wyandotte Church was corrected to be part-time interim assistant pastor.

Alfred Nead reported for the Department of Mission Support.

Susan Carlson reported for the Department of Presbytery Ministries. Upon motion, the paper presented on the Vincent Chin Case was submitted to the Council as a working draft. A revised draft reflecting suggestions from the Council and the special committee working on the paper will be submitted to the Moderator, Executive Presbyter and the Stated Clerk for their approval and for distribution at the June Presbytery meeting. The Council assumes that the paper will be made available to the press at the pleasure of the aforementioned.

David Eschelmann reported for the Department of Local Church Development.

The reports of the Departments were approved as presented.

Stanley Taylor reported for Executive Committee. The Committee recommends that William Colwell and Roger Shoup will administer the communion service during the satellite broadcast of the Reunion Communion service on June 10. Donald MacPherson will act as the master of ceremonies for the event.

Upon motion, the Synod of the Covenant will be informed that the Council has received the report from the Committee to Study Synods and the report will be transmitted to the Stated Clerk of the Synod for consideration. Copies of the report will be made available to the Presbytery's Synod commissioners. The communication to the Synod will make clear that Council is neither approving or disapproving the report.

The Council received the "Changes in the Form of Government" and directed that the paper be sent to pastors and churches by the Stated Clerk.

The Executive Committee recommends that the Worship Committee be instructed to be in communication with sessions of local churches where Presbytery meetings are to be held, six weeks before the scheduled meeting of Presbytery to ascertain the items needed for the conduction of the worship service.

Upon motion the resolution that follows was approved by Council, to be sent to Presbytery for approval. The resolution will be sent to the Peace Education Committee for consideration, to churches and to the Christian Communication Council.

The Session of St. Paul's United Presbyterian Church, Livonia, Michigan respectfully overtures the Council of the Presbytery of Detroit, to recommend to the Presbytery the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the threat of nuclear war imperils all of God's Creation;  
and

Whereas God has commanded us to care for the earth and its people,  
and pray for their continued safety and welfare; and

Whereas the Presbytery of Detroit has endorsed the Nuclear Arms  
Freeze and recommends it to congregation for prayer and study; and

Whereas August 6th, 1983 will be the thirty-eighth anniversary of  
the detonation of the first nuclear device in warfare, as a  
result of which 92,000 people lost their lives.

Be it therefore resolved that the Presbytery declares August 6th, 1983,  
as a day of prayer for peace; and

Be it further resolved that the Presbytery of Detroit urge all its  
member congregations to toll the bells of the churches 38 times  
at noon on August 6th, to proclaim our concern for peace; and

Be it further resolved that this resolution be communicated to the  
appropriate local news media so this witness and concern may be  
understood by the community.



The Council received with appreciation, a check in the amount of \$2,500 for Economic Disaster Assistance from the Presbytery of Palo Duro and directed the Stated Clerk to communicate the appreciation of the Presbytery to the Presbytery of Palo Duro.

Upon motion, Ministerial Relations' plans for a pre-Presbytery meeting in September centering around Social Security, taxes and financial planning for pastors was approved.

Upon motion, the Presbytery will assume responsibility for one-half of the cost of the per person expense of the August 29-30 Council Retreat, and each individual person will assume responsibility for the other half. The cost per person would range between \$15 and \$21. The Presbytery will assume full responsibility for the cost of the retreat for any Council member who cannot afford the expense or who is convictionally opposed to an individual paying for a Presbytery function.

The Stated Clerk reported that the four overtures sent to General Assembly by the Presbytery of Detroit were not received in time to be considered by the General Assembly.

The Administrative Commission to install Margaret Zedan reported. The Commission met at the Frist Presbyterian Church in Howell, on May 1, 1983. A worship service was conducted at 10:30 a.m. Present were, ministers: Donald MacPherson, Catherine McCloskey-Turner, and William Jones; elders, Janet Green from First Church, Howell; Irene Gough from Grandale-Church of the Master; Victor Hess from Littlefield Boulevard; and Robert MacBride from First Church, Howell. Mr. Jones acted as Moderator and Mr. MacBride was the clerk. The Commission installed Margaret Zedan as associate pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Howell. A motion carried to receive the report of the Commission and to discharge the Commission.

The Stated Clerk reported that the Synod had approved the Presbytery minutes without exception. The Council commended the recording clerk and the executive secretary for a job well done.

The report of the Executive Committee was approved as presented.

Henry Borchardt, Associate Executive for Local Church Development reported that pending Presbytery action at its June meeting, he would be leaving effective July 1, 1983 to assume the position of Executive Presbyter of the Presbytery of Lake Erie. Upon motion, the Council extended their appreciation to Hank for all he has accomplished in his years with the Presbytery of Detroit.

Donald MacPherson and Edward Miller presented staff reports.

Gordon Irvine reported that he also would be leaving the Presbytery of Detroit to accept a pastoral position in a city church in Chicago. Upon motion, the Council extended to Mr. Irvine, their appreciation for the service that he has rendered to the Presbytery.

The Staff reports were approved.

Upon motion, the following persons were elected to the Barnabas Project Steering Committee: Carol Bartley, James Opferman, Carol Scott Cook, Margaret Reinecker, Stanley Edwards, Sandy Smith, Avon McDaniels, Gary Baker and Robert Barcus.

The Council reflected on the state of the Presbytery.

Wilma Dellinger reported for Synod Agencies.

The Council was requested to hold open July 12 and August 9 as tentative dates for Council meetings if the need should arise.

The meeting was closed with prayer by William Colwell, chairperson.

Linda Crawford  
Recording Clerk

## THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

Council - Minutes, June 28, 1983

The Council of the Presbytery of Detroit met on Tuesday, June 28, 1983 at the First Presbyterian Church, Royal Oak. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM by the Chairman, William Colwell.

Present: Mary Grace Adams, Susan Carlson, Walter Cavanagh, William Colwell, Denton Craley, Rodney Beal, David Eshleman, Wilma Dellinger, Jean Lennox, Donald Lester, Alfred Nead, William Saum, Gene Stone, Stanley M. Taylor, Donald White.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Colwell.

A motion carried to recommend that Presbytery approve the dissolution of the relationship between Henry Borchardt and the Presbytery of Detroit, effective July 15, 1983, so that he may accept the call of the Presbytery of Lake Erie to become its Executive Presbyter.

A motion carried to approve the recommendation of the Division of Staff Services, that Helen Morrison be appointed Acting Associate Executive for Parish Development, effective on a half-time basis from July 1, 1983 to August 31, 1983, and on a full-time basis from September 1, 1983 to December 31, 1983, at an annual full-time salary of \$26,000.00, with FICA, business expenses and car mileage, the full-time salary to be pro-rated for the period of half-time service.

A motion carried to authorize the Division of Staff Services to initiate the process of filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Henry Borchardt.

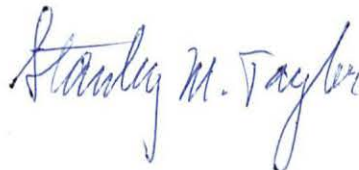
The Moderator announced that the following committee had been appointed to consider the recommendations of Gareth Baker for the conduct of Presbytery meetings: Mary Grace Adams, Chairperson, Walter Cavanagh and Robert Linthicum.

A motion carried to invite the Moderator of the General Assembly, the Reverend J. Randolph Taylor, to visit the Presbytery of Detroit during his term of office.

A motion carried to concur in the request of the congregation of the First United Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak to change its name to the Starr Presbyterian Church.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 PM, with prayer by the Chairperson.

Stanley M. Taylor, Stated Clerk



## STATED MEETING

September 27, 1983

## M I N U T E S

The Presbytery of Detroit of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) held a stated meeting in the Westminster Church, Detroit, Michigan, on September 27, 1983.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator William Saum, at 5:45 p.m.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted.

Ministers: Barnes, Brand, Cook, Crilley, Dawson, Forsyth, Good, Magee, Hillegonds, Haynes, Jones, LeDuc, Kaufman, Krehbiel, Miller, Palmer, Ramsey, Rieker, Sharpless, Taylor, Stryker, Zedan.

Churches: Auburn Heights, 1; Grosse Pointe Memorial, 1; Kirk of our Savior, 1.

Council Gipson

MINISTERS

Allen	Colwell	Henderson	McIntyre	Shoup
Anderson	Curphey	Howie	Mecouch	Simons
Antonson	Dickson	Ihrie	Milford	Smith, J.
Armstrong	Dunkelberger, M.	Jansen	Mishler	Smith, P.
Baker, D.	Dunkelberger, R.	Jeffrey	Mitcham	Sommers
Baker, G.	Dunn	Jones, V.	Moore	Stenner
Baliad	Eimer	Keebler	Musgrave	Stone
Banks	Eshleman	Kesler	Nagle	Sunderman
Barcus	Ferry	Kettlewell	Naylor	Sutton
Bartko	Francis	Kim	Nead	Swinehart
Battles	Freund	Kirkman	Orr	Taylor, K.
Beal	Fuhrmeister	Lambert	Peters	Taylor, T.
Beery	Geider	Lester	Peterson	Terpstra
Blackshear	Geissinger	Leverenz	Pierson	Todd, J.
Boeve	Gepford	Lindsey	Poland	Todd, R.
Boyd	Gillette	Linthicum	Pervis-	Tull
Bower	Gillis	Lister	Smith	Whitledge
Brasure	Glenn	Lumley	Roberts	Wilde
Broberg	Grubel	MacDonald	Saum	Wilson, R.
Brown	Gundersen	MacPherson	Schaefer	Wilson, S.
Campbell	Hanna	Marlow	Schram, J.	Yingling
Carter	Hamilton	Marvin	Schram, W.	
Chamberlain	Harmon	Mather	Sefcik	
Cobleigh	Hartley	McCloskey	Sherwin	
Coleman	Hawley	McCloskey-	Shook	
		Turner		

ABSENCES

Abbott	Dotson	Jerome	Ratcliffe
Benedict	Douglas	Johnson	Stone, J.
Cannon	Ellens	Kind	Stribe
Cater	Flowers	Koster	Thompson
Clyde	Foster	Lampe	Way
Conley	Freedman	MacInnes	White
Cotter	Heinrichs	McIvor	Woodruff
Dempsey	Hunter	Muench	

ELDERS

Allen Park	Shirley Botu	Dearborn Heights	Carol Smith
	B. Geiselman	St. Mark's	Carole Mae Thompson
	Winifred Grassie	Detroit, First	Henry H. Harrison, Jr.
	Thalman-Marvin	Bethany	Vivian Glenn
Ann Arbor, First	John Yodhes	Broadstreet	John M. Harden
	Anna Marie Austin	Calvary	Archie Waring
	Earl Miner	Calvin East	Alvin Holden
	Edwina Wilkinson	Calvin (West)	Virginia Gomoll
Calvary	Bettie Cummins	Evergreen Village	Steve Manos
Northside	Jean Loup	Fort Street	Virginia Glover
Westminster	Cliff Anderson	Grandale/Master	Mildred Shepherd
Auburn Heights	Doris Leighton	Gratiot Avenue	William Gardner
	Rick Swartz	Hope	Rosy M. Latimore
Belleville	Betty Paris	Jefferson Avenue	Leslie Breitmeyer
Berkley, Greenfield	Helen Curtis	Monteith	Clifford Harris
Birmingham, First	Maxine Boyd	Redford	David Stark
	Mary Clark		Lloyd George
	William Culp		Lucille Maus
	Jean Perkins		Andrew Strachan
	Lois Poston	St. James	G. Hauswirth
	F. Street	Southwest	James Lockerby
	Dorothy Thompson		John D. Sefcik
Northbrook	Joyce Wells	Westminster	Julie Arnold
Bloomfield Hills,			Dave Bunch
Kirk	Barbara Brown	Woodward/Covenant	Mary Burnette
	David F. Lau	Drayton Plains	John McKee
	Richard F. Lee	East Detroit Covenant	Jim Kuszmaul
	Albert W. Maas	Ecorse	Clifford Ballheim
	Frederick Shaw	Farmington	Mary Avery
Brighton	Linda Padley		John W. Cross
	Harriet Sue Holdren		Dale Johnson
Canton, Geneva	Ron Frey	Ferndale,	
Clarkston, Sashabaw	Jim Lyles	Drayton Avenue	Lorene Griffio
Dearborn, First	Elsia Clough		Merle Williamson
	Lloyd Kissick	Fraser, Peace	Edward W. Bacon
	William Leslie	Garden City	Gerry Peterson
	John Little		Charles H. Skinner
Cherry Hill	Haver Alspach	Grosse Ile	John R. Kill
	Brian Barney		Helen Morrison
	Florence Funkhouser	Grosse Pte. Memorial	Fred Adams
	Gary R. Gazella		Lucie Johnson
	Dale A. Weston		R. E. Kennel
Dearborn Woods	William Brough		Marrison Scott
Littlefield Blvd.	Roger Schebor		
	Dorothy Sellen		

Grosse Pointe Woods	Tom Clark Kay Drummond Charlotte Kirkpatrick Anne Rogers	Atonement Port Huron, First Redford, Village Rochester, University	Brady Freeland Nell McLeod Ellen Pettis Shirley Moffet Randall Haller Sara Tisdell Jack Lawrence Maxine McLeod Robert E. Barton Stephen L. Weber Roger Van Dyke Byong Yun Song Kare Bondy Shirley Caughley Eva Hickman Frances Morris Dick Bryden Dave Drake Barbara Postiff Russ Reynolds Frank Heath Don Plaster Shirley Aue John Huntley Jim Van Houten Bob Forster David F. Snyder Lawrence Currin Dennis Purdie
Howell Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	Dorothy McKinley Merrill Thomas Runyan	Roseville, Erin	
St. Paul's	Bill Harp Betsy Harp Jack Miller Dale L. Petzold Mike Munro Helen Barnes Mary Hoffman Richard Hoffman	Royal Oak, First  Korean First Starr	
St. Timothy Milan, Peoples Milford			
Mt. Clemens First	Sandra Kennedy Ruth Thomas Phillip A. Fisher Robert W. Russell Alan Somershoe	St. Clair Shores, Faith Shelby, Saint Thomas Southfield United	
Northville			
Novi, Faith Com. Orchard Lake	Dale Freels Dee Chandler Scott Friedl	South Lyon Sterling Hts. Utica Taylor, Southminster Troy, First	
Plymouth	John Farrow William Stokes Fred Sartell	Walled Lake, Crossroads Warren, First Celtic Cross Waterford, Lakeland Wayne, First West Bloomfield, Ch. of our Saviour White Lake Wyandotte	
Pontiac, First			Barbara Scheel Bill Schreiber Adam Zakroczymski

Worship, with the theme "Celebration of Reunion" was led by David Eshleman.

The docket for the September meeting was approved as amended.

Two guests, Sebouh Sarkissian and William R. Phillippe were introduced and enrolled as corresponding members of the Presbytery.

Donald White was appointed assistant to the Stated Clerk.

Upon motion, the report of an alleged offense against a member of the Presbytery as reported by the Clerk was received by the Presbytery. Upon motion, the following Special Disciplinary Committee was elected to investigate the alleged offense and report back to Presbytery: Paul Sutton, chairperson; Morgan Roberts; Richard Milford; Mary Younkin; and Frances Pitts.

Donald Lester, Presbytery Executive reported.

David Eshleman reported for the Department of Local Church Development. Mr. Eshleman introduced Helen Morrison, Interim Presbytery Executive for Parish Development.

Ruth Kirkman reported for the Candidates Committee. Upon motion, the following were appointed to represent the Presbytery in the reading of the Cooperative Examinations in Chicago: Robert Orr, William Schram, and Ruth Kirkman.

Upon motion, the name of Lee Pruitt was dropped from the list of candidates under care of the Detroit Presbytery.

Martha Ann Bowersox read her statement of faith to begin her examination for ordination. Questions were asked from the floor. Upon motion, the examination was arrested and the Presbytery sustained the examination and approved Martha Ann Bowersox for ordination.

Jean Perkins reported for the Committee on Ministry.

Upon motion, a representative of the Faith Church, St. Clair Shores was heard and the call approved to Martha Ann Bowersox to become pastor of that church upon ordination with the following terms: \$14,000 salary, \$6,000 housing allowance, \$2,400 auto allowance, \$400 medical insurance, \$200 study allowance, full pension, one month's vacation, two weeks' study leave, annual review. The following administrative commission was appointed to install and ordain Martha Ann Bowersox at 4:00 p.m., October 16, 1983, at Faith Church, St. Clair Shores: Ministers: Michael Dunkelberger, chairperson, Joseph MacDonald, William P. Saum, William Schram; Elders: Joseph Sokoly (Faith, St. Clair Shores), Margery Tyler (Faith, St. Clair Shores), Josephine Williams, St. James), with the Reverend Arthur Smith (Presbytery of Chicago) invited to be a corresponding member. The call was placed in Miss Bowersox' hands.

Upon motion, a representative of the Redford Church was heard and the call approved to Thomas C. Hartley to become associate pastor of that church, effective October 1, 1983, with the following terms: \$11,700 salary, \$8,100 housing allowance, \$2,400 car allowance, 2% hospitalization deductible, \$250 study allowance, one month's vacation, two weeks' study leave, annual review. The call was placed in Mr. Hartley's hands and the following administrative commission was elected to install Mr. Hartley at the Redford Church on Sunday, October 9, 1983 at 10:00 a.m.: Ministers: Carl Gundersen, David Sherwin, Gene Stone; Elders: Jean Lennox, chairperson (Littlefield Boulevard), Les Mollon (Redford), Lillie Strong (Woodward Avenue Church of the Covenant).

Upon motion, the Presbytery concurs in the establishment of a temporary supply relationship between the Lakeshore Church, Port Huron and Candidate Jennifer McLaren-Saad, effective September 1, 1983, three-fourth's time, for a period of three months with the following annual terms: \$11,400 salary, \$3,600 housing allowance or free use of the manse, \$1,800 auto allowance, \$200 study allowance, one month's vacation and two weeks' study leave.

Upon motion, the Presbytery concurs with the establishment of a temporary supply relationship between Leitch Memorial Church, Detroit and Kenneth Eimer, effective October 1, 1983, 8 1/2 hours per week, for a period of three months with the following annual terms: \$956 salary, \$2,580 housing allowance, 20¢ per mile car allowance, full pension. The Presbytery also concurs with the appointment of Mr. Eimer as moderator of the session of Leitch Memorial Church.

Upon motion, the Presbytery concurs in the establishment of a temporary supply relationship between the First Church, Northville and Kenneth Eimer,

effective October 1, 1983, for a period of three months, with the following monthly terms: \$800 salary, \$200 car allowance, \$333.33 housing allowance and full pension; 40-hour week.

Upon motion, the certificate of dismissal of William R. Phillippe from the Presbytery of Pittsburgh was received and Mr. Phillippe was enrolled in the Presbytery of Detroit, effective September 1, 1983, and appointed moderator of the session of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

Upon motion, the temporary supply relationship between the First Church, Farmington and Larry Austin (Presbytery of Grand Canyon) was approved, effective October 1, 1983, 35 hours per week, for a period of three months with the following monthly terms: \$1,400 salary and full pension.

John Mecouch presented a memorial minute in remembrance of Charles Gensheimer.

Upon motion, the organizing pastoral relation between Sung Gul Cho and the Korean First Church, Royal Oak was dissolved; the call to Mr. Cho was approved to Community Presbyterian Church, Tacoma Washington to become assistant pastor, and dismiss Mr. Cho to the Presbytery of Olympia, effective August 1, 1983.

Upon motion, the following changes in terms of call were approved to allow Robert Linthicum to serve as acting administrator of People in Faith United, Inc., effective October 3, 1983 until January 31, 1984: Robert C. Linthicum's monthly remuneration will be reduced to \$422 as long as he heads PIFU, all other benefits (housing allowance, pension, annuity, study allowance) to remain the same; David Eshleman - \$650 monthly honorarium during the interim period; John Curphey - \$350 monthly honorarium during the interim period. The Presbytery approved the request that Mr. Linthicum be permitted to labor outside the ecclesiastical bounds of the Presbytery during this time.

Michael Dunkelberger introduced the ministers new to the Presbytery.

Susan Carlson, chairperson, reported for Presbytery Ministries.

John Jeffrey reported for Program and Resource Development.

Alfred Nead reported for Mission Support.

The reports of the Departments were received.

William Colwell reported for the Council. Upon motion, the report (as follows) was approved with the removal of item 14 and item 4 of the September 27 report for discussion later in the Presbytery meeting.

#### Report of Council - September 27, 1983

1. Received reports of the Treasurer for May, June and July, 1983.
2. Approved a request from the Department of Program and Resource Development to place a bequest of \$1,100 in the Camp Memorial Fund, to be used over the next year.



3. Elected the following Administrative Commission to install James Boyd as Assistant pastor of First Church, Royal Oak, on September 25, 1983: Ministers - Thomas W. Kirkman and L.J. Peterson; Elders - Robert Guymer (First Church, Royal Oak), Mary Lou McCabe (First Church, Royal Oak) and Jean Perkins (First Church, Birmingham).
5. Agreed to schedule at least 30 minutes at its October meeting for a discussion of the Council Retreat.
6. Continued the committee to study the Gareth Baker proposal concerning changes in the meetings of Presbytery.
7. Directed the Committee on Bills and Overtures to review the overture from the Presbytery to General Assembly, requesting the Stated Clerk of General Assembly to enter into conversation with the Stated Clerk of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, for the purpose of considering possible formal communication between the two denominations.
8. Adopted a motion to request Presbytery to inform its churches that it is appropriate to delete the word "United" from the name of churches.
9. Received the annual report of the Lay Committee.
10. Agreed that the Special Gifts' Program should have a top priority and that the Presbytery Executive should give the program priority in his schedule for the balance of 1983.
11. Concurred with the session of the Community United Presbyterian Church of Drayton Plains and recommends to Presbytery that the church be given permission to change its name to Community Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) of Drayton Plains.
12. Received a communication from the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of San Francisco stating that the name of Willis Tabor had been removed from its list of ordained ministers.
13. Directed the Moderator to appoint a Reception Committee to host the Moderator of General Assembly upon his visit to this Presbytery on January 24, 1984.
15. Expressed to Lillian MacLean its appreciation for her services to Council and to the Presbytery as a whole and wished her God's richest blessings in her retirement which will begin on October 1, 1983.
16. Concurred with the Division of Business Affairs in requesting Presbytery to give permission to the First Church, Birmingham to sell a house at 2071 Daintree, West Bloomfield, to Gary and Jennifer Rigby for \$64,000.00 cash.
17. Concurred with the Division of Business Affairs to request Presbytery to give the Orchard Lake Church permission to borrow \$18,000 on a 20 year, 8% mortgage from West Bloomfield Township, and \$20,000 on a 5 year 12 or 13% mortgage from the Michigan National Bank, the purpose of the mortgages to provide funds for a sewer connection.

18. Received reports from administrative commissions to install Margaret Zedan, Anne Fuhrmeister, John Musgrave and Anne Schaefer and to ordain Anne Schaefer and dissolved the commissions.

Report of Council - August 16, 1983

1. Received a progress report from William Whitley, Chairman of the Bylaws Committee, on the revision of the Bylaws of Presbytery, for the purpose of bringing them into conformity with the new Form of Government.
2. Approved final plans for the Council Retreat.
3. Approved the appointment of David Sherwin as Chairman of the Budget Committee.
4. Approved a plan for funding the "Be a Barnabas" television documentary, in the amount of \$10,500.
5. Elected an Administrative Commission to install Darryl Baker and Stuart Broberg as assistant pastors of the First Church, Birmingham.
6. Received news of the death of Charles Gensheimer, pastor of Westminster Church, Ann Arbor, and elected John Mecouch moderator of the Session of that church.
7. Approved an allotment of 40 minutes for the worship services at the September meeting of Presbytery with the understanding that the service will include reports from commissioners to General Assembly.
8. Welcomed Helen Morrison, Interim Associate Executive for Parish Development.

Upon motion, the Presbytery condemns the barbaric action of the Soviet Union in the destruction of Korean Airlines 007 and protests this action as immoral and foreign to Christian morality. The division of the house resulted in a vote of : 114 yes and 74 no. Richard Milford requested that his no vote be recorded in the minutes of the Presbytery.

Upon motion, the Presbytery directed the Peace Committee to come back to the Presbytery with a recommendation on the action sent to it from Council at its September 13, 1983 meeting regarding the shooting down of the Korean Airlines plane.

A motion was made to communicate to the World Council of Churches the action of Presbytery condemning the destruction of the Korean plane and to request the World Council to take an appropriate and similar action.

A motion carried to table the above motion, pending a further recommendation from the Peace Committee.

Donald White reported for the Division of Staff Services. The Presbytery recognized the years of service of Lillian MacLean and expressed its gratitude for all that she has meant to the members of the Presbytery in the time she has served as the Executive Secretary.

Upon motion, Item 14 from the Council Report of September 27 concerning salary recommendations for office staff and executive staff was referred to the Committee on Ministry and the Division of Staff Services.

The vote on the preceeding motion was 114 for and 51 against.

William Whitledge reported for the Committee on Bylaws. The report was received.

The meeting was adjourned with the apostolic benediction by the Moderator, William Saum.

Linda Crawford  
Recording Clerk

*Stanley M. Taylor*  
Stanley Taylor  
Stated Clerk

## Equalization of Clergy and Ruling Elder Commissioners

May 1, 1983 - April 30, 1984

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	5	5	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	4
Ann Arbor, First	4	3	Grosse Pointe Woods	3	3
Calvary	1	1	Highland Park, Park	1	0
Northside	1	1	Howell	2	1
Westminster	2	1	Lincoln Park	1	0
Auburn Heights	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	3	3
Belleville	1	1	St. Paul's	4	4
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	St. Timothy	1	1
Birmingham, First	8	7	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Northbrook	3	1	Milford	2	2
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	5	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Brighton	2	2	Northville	3	3
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Novi, Faith Community	1	1
Clarkston, Sashabaw	2	1	Orchard Lake	3	2
Dearborn, First	5	4	Plymouth	3	2
Cherry Hill	4	4	Pontiac, First	2	1
Dearborn Woods	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Joslyn Avenue	1	0
Dbn. Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Port Huron, First	2	2
Detroit, First	1	1	Lakeshore	1	0
Bethany	1	1	Westminster	1	0
Broadstreet	1	1	Redford, Village	2	1
Calvary	1	1	Rochester, University	3	2
Calvin East	1	1	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Calvin West	1	1	Royal Oak, First	6	3
Evergreen Village	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	0
Fort Street	2	1	Korean First	1	1
Grandale/Master	1	1	Starr	2	2
Griiot Avenue	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Hope	1	1	Lake Shore	3	0
Jefferson Avenue	2	1	Saline	1	0
Leitch Memorial	1	0	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	1
Monteith	1	1	Southfield Un.	2	2
Redford	4	3	Korean	1	0
St. James	1	1	South Lyon	1	1
St. John's	1	0	Sterling Heights, Utica	2	1
Southwest	2	2	Taylor, Southminster	2	1
Trinity	1	0	Troy, First	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	0	Northminster	1	0
Westminster	3	2	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	1
Woodward/Covenant	1	1	Warren, First	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	Celtic Cross	1	1
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Ecorse	1	1	Wayne, First	1	1
Farmington	3	3	W. Blmfld., Ch/Saviour	1	1
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	Westland, Kirk of Our Savior	1	0
Fraser, Peace	1	1	White Lake	1	1
Garden City	2	2	Wyandotte	2	1
Grosse Ile	2	2	Ypsilanti	2	0

## PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

## MEETING OF COUNCIL

## M I N U T E S

September 13, 1983

The Presbytery Council met on Tuesday, September 13, 1983, at the office of the Presbytery of Detroit. The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer by the chairperson, Past Moderator William Colwell at 1:30 p.m.

Present: Lester, Miller, MacPherson, T. Taylor, S. Taylor, Morrison, Saum, Lennox, Colwell, Crawford, Lee, Gipson, Hanna, Nead, Glenn, Carlson, Jeffrey, Linthicum, Baker, G., Haynes, Brown, Craley, Cobleigh, Dellinger, Cavanagh, Beal, Stone, Adams, Leigh, White, Gaston, Baker, E.

Excused: Smith, Stryker, Hunter Eshleman

The minutes of the August 16 meeting were approved as amended, including the names of Gareth and Evelyn Baker on the excused list.

The agenda for the Council meeting was approved as amended.

Upon motion, the Treasurer's Reports for May, June and July were accepted.

Upon motion, the docket for the September Presbytery meeting was approved as amended.

Donald Lester, Donald MacPherson, Edward Miller, Ted Taylor, and Helen Morrison presented staff reports. Upon motion, the staff reports were received.

John Jeffrey reported for the Evangelism Coordinating Council.

John Jeffrey reported for the Program and Resource Development Department. Upon motion, a \$1,100 bequest received by the Presbytery will be placed in the Camp Memorial Fund to be used over the next year.

Larry Glenn reported for the Personnel Department. Upon motion, the following were elected to serve on the administrative commission to install James Duncan Boyd as assistant pastor of First Church, Royal Oak:

Ministers:	Thomas W. Kirkman, Chairperson
	L. J. Peterson

Elders:	Robert Guymer (First, Royal Oak)
	Mary Lou McCabe (First, Royal Oak)
	Jean Perkins (First, Birmingham)

The commission was empowered to install Mr. Boyd on Sunday, September 25, 1983, at First Church, Royal Oak.

September 13, 1983

Susan Carlson reported for the Department of Presbytery Ministries. Upon motion, the following resolution was referred to the Peace Committee for recommendation to Presbytery:

Being aware of the shooting down of Korean Airlines flight #007, we

Deplore the waste of life in the shooting down of flight #007;

Commend the President of the United States for his measured response and;

Urge continued pursuit of the reduction of armaments among nuclear powers in view of the fact that we are all passengers on Airliner Earth.

Upon motion, the reports of the Departments were received.

Stanley Taylor reported for the Executive Committee.

Upon motion, 30 minutes to an hour will be scheduled for the October meeting of Council for discussion of "Notes from the Council Retreat." The Council received the Notes. The meeting of Council in October will begin at 1:00 p.m.

Upon motion the committee formed to study the Gareth Baker proposal was continued to carry on with some of its own recommendations concerning the quality of Presbytery meetings, that it also consider the impact of the revision of Presbytery bylaws on Presbytery meetings, and that in the light of these matters it make a further report and recommendation to Council.

Upon motion, the Committee on Bills and Overtures will be directed to renew the overture to General Assembly dealing with a possible reconciliation with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

Upon motion the Council will request Presbytery to approve a communication to the churches that it is appropriate to drop the word "United" from their names, with Council serving as a clearing house for all name changes.

Upon motion the Council received the report of the Lay Committee.

The report of the Executive Committee was arrested to hear the report of the Mission Support Department's Special Gifts Committee. Alfred Nead introduced Larry Chamberlain who reported for the Committee. Upon motion, the Council endorsed the Special Gifts Program granting Mission Support a priority on Donald Lester's time during the balance of 1983 so that he can work with the Special Gifts Committee. Also upon motion, permission was granted to communicate the action of Council to the churches.

The report of the Mission Support Department was received.

The report of the Executive Committee was resumed by Mr. Taylor.

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Upon motion, the Council concurs with the request from Community United Presbyterian Church of Drayton Plains to change its name to Community Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) of Drayton Plains.

Correspondence received by the Stated Clerk was reviewed.

Upon motion, the Moderator was asked to appoint a reception Committee to welcome the Moderator of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. when he visits the Presbytery of Detroit in January.

Upon motion, the report of the Executive Committee was received.

Donald White reported for the Division of Staff Services. Upon motion, the Division's recommendations for salary increases for the Presbytery Staff were approved. The recommendations are as follows: 5% increase for the office staff and 12% increase for the executive staff.

Upon motion, the Council expressed its appreciation to Lillian McLean for her services to the Council and to the Presbytery as a whole, in light of her retirement on September 30, 1983.

Eleanor Leigh reported for Business Affairs. Upon motion, permission was granted to First Church, Birmingham, to sell the manse formerly used by Dennis Barger for \$64,000.

Upon motion, Orchard Lake Community Presbyterian Church was granted permission to borrow in order to connect with West Bloomfield sewers as follows:

\$18,000 on a 20 year mortgage from West Bloomfield Township for the sewer hook-up fee. That mortgage at 8%.

and a \$20,000 mortgage from a commercial lender (Michigan National Bank) at 12 - 13% (depending on the rate the day the loan is secured) for five years. This loan is for construction costs. The total is \$38,000.

Donald Lester reported for the Planning Division.

The reports of the Divisions were received.

The reports of the Synod Agencies were received and approved.

The Council reflected on the State of the Presbytery.

The Administrative Commission to install Margaret G. Zedan reported. The Commission met at the First Presbyterian Church in Howell, on May 1, 1983. A worship service was conducted at 10:30 a.m. Present were, ministers: Donald MacPherson, Catherine McCloskey-Turner and William Jones; elders Janet Greet from First Church, Howell; Irene Gough from Grandale-Church of the Master; Victor Hess from Littlefield Boulevard; and Robert MacBride from First Church, Howell. Mr. Jones acted as Moderator and Mr. MacBride was the clerk. The Commission installed Margaret Zedan as associate pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Howell. A motion carried to receive the report of the Commission and to discharge the Commission.

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The Administrative Commission to install Anne E. Fuhrmeister reported. The Commission met on June 26, 1983, at First Church, Ypsilanti. A worship service was conducted at 10:00 a.m. Present were: Ministers: Donald G. Lester, William Jones, and Laurence Woodruff; Elders: William Cornich (First, Ypsilanti), William Stokes (First, Plymouth), and Jean Lennox (Littlefield Boulevard). John C. Fuhrmeister was enrolled as a corresponding member (Presbytery of Southern New England). Mrs. Lennox acted as the Moderator and William Stokes presided as the Clerk. The Commission installed Anne E. Fuhrmeister as assistant pastor of First Church, Ypsilanti. Upon motion, the report of the Commission was received and the Commission discharged.

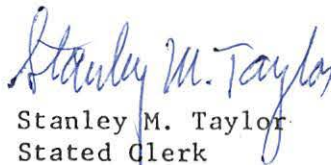
The Administrative Commission to install John L. Musgrave reported. The Commission met on July 10, 1983, at First Church, Dearborn. A worship service was conducted at 10:30 a.m. Present were: Ministers: Carl G. Howie, William Gepford and David Swinehart, Elders: Dale Madden (Cherry Hill), Helen Morrison (Grosse Ile) and Theodore Daykin (St. Mark's). Mr. Howie served as Moderator and Mrs. Morrison as Clerk of the Commission. The Commission installed John L. Musgrave as assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Dearborn. Upon motion, the report of the Commission was received and the Commission dissolved.

The Administrative Commission to ordain Anne Schaefer reported. The Commission met on August 14, 1983, at 7:30 p.m. at Kirk in the Hills. Present were: William P. Saum, Doug Carter and Robert Lindsey, ministers and Catherine Baumgarten, Norman Parkins and Sue Schreiber, elders. Mr. Saum served as the Moderator and Mrs. Schreiber as the Clerk of the Commission. The Commission acted to ordain Anne Schaefer as a minister of the word. Upon motion, the report of the Commission was received and the Commission dissolved.

The Administrative Commission to install Anne Schaefer reported. The Commission met on August 28, 1983, at White Lake Church. A worship service was conducted at 10:00 a.m. Members present were: Ministers: Douglas Carter, Judy Todd and Steve Hamilton; Elders: Wayne Goeman, Sue Schreiber and Frank Heath. Mr. Carter served as Moderator and Mrs. Schreiber as Clerk of the Commission. The Commission installed Anne Schaefer as pastor of the White Lake Presbyterian Church. Upon motion, the report of the Commission was received and the Commission dissolved.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the chairperson, William Colwell.

Linda Crawford  
Recording Clerk

  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk



STATED MEETING

October 25, 1983

MINUTES

The Presbytery of Detroit of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) held a stated meeting in the Community Presbyterian Church, Drayton Plains, Michigan, on October 25, 1983.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator, William Saum, at 5:45 p.m.

The worship leadership was provided by The Reverend Judy Todd, University Presbyterian Church, Rochester and The Reverend Ron Wilson, First Presbyterian Church, Dearborn.

The roll was taken and the Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: Anderson, Barcus, Blackshear, Broberg, Curphey, Dickson, Dunn, Eimer, Flowers, Forsyth, Gepford, Gillette, Hamilton, Howie, Hunter, Ihrie, Jones, V., Jones, W., Kettlewell, Linthicum, Magee, McIntyre, Musgrave, Muench, Naylor, Palmer, Peters, Peterson, Ramsey, Shoup, Simons, Taylor, Terpstra

Elders: Brighton, First, 1; Fraser, Peace, 1; Howell, First, 1; White Lake, 1; Utica, 1.

Council: Eleanor Leigh

MINISTERS

Abbott	Campbell	Gruebel	LeDuc	Nead	Swinehart
Allen	Carter	Hanna	Leverenz	Orr	Taylor, K.
Antonson	Chamberlain	Harmon	Lindsey	Pierson	Taylor, S.
Armstrong	Cobleigh	Hartley	Lister	Poland	Taylor, T.
Baker	Conley	Hawley	Lumley	Purvis-Smith	Terpstra
Baliad	Cook	Haynes	MacDonald	Roberts	Todd, J.
Banks	Crilley	Hillegonds	MacPherson	Saum	Todd, R.
Barnes	Dawson	Hunter	Marlow	Schaefer	Tull
Bartko	Dotson	Jansen	Marvin	Schram, J.	Wilson, R.
Battles	Dunkelberger, M.	Jeffrey	Mather	Schram, W.	Wilson, S.
Beal	Dunkelberger, R.	Kaufman	McCloskey	Sefcik	Yingling
Beery	Eshleman	Keebler	McCloskey-Turner	Sharpless	
Boeve	Freund	Kesler	Milford	Sherwin	
Boyd	Fuhrmeister	Kim	Miller	Smith, P.	
Bower	Geider	Kirkman	Mishler	Stenner	
Bowersox	Geissinger	Koster	Mitcham	Stone	
Brasure	Glenn		Moore	Stryker	
Brown	Good	Lambert	Nagle	Sunderman	

ABSENCES

Baker, G.	Ellens	Henderson	Smith, C.	Whitledge
Brand	Ferry	Krehbiel	Sommers	Wilde
Coleman	Francis	McIvor	Stone, J.	Woodruff
Colwell	Gillis	Rieker	Sutton	Zedan
Cotter	Gundersen	Shook	Thompson	

ELDERS

Allen Park	Grassie, W.	Detroit	
	Hutchison, L.	Redford	
	McKenzie, D.		Piotrowsk, R.
	Vanderhorst, A.	St. James	Strachan, A.
Ann Arbor, First	Downs, J.	St. John's	Hauswirth, G.
	Hauser, K.	Westminster	Washburn, D.
	Miner, E.		Thompson, A.
	Santinga, R.	Woodward/Covenant	White, D.
Calvary	Cummins, B.	Drayton Plains	Burnette, M.
Northside	Lewis, S.	E. Detroit, Covenant	Ritter, R.
Westminster	Quinn, C.	Ecorse	Kuszmaul, J.
Auburn Heights	Quinn, C.	Farmington	Nagy, L.
Belleville	Paris, B.		Creighton, D.
Berkley, Greenfield	Hansen, H.		Glide, K.
Birmingham, First	Boyd, M.	Ferndale, Drayton Ave.	Johnson, D.
	Poston, L.		Williamson, M.
	Cosner, M.	Grosse Ile	Laughlin, R.
	Manning, D.	Grosse Pointe Memorial	Napier, D.
	Street, B.		Morrison, H.
	Thompson, D.		Caulkins, P.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Dressler, J.		Adams, F.
	Robinson, B.		Brake, R.
	Shely, A.		Hathway, E.
Brighton	Schmitigar, D.	Woods	Parcells, A.
Canton, Geneva	Frey, R.		Craig, S.
Clarkston, Sashabaw	Reed, C.	Highland Park, Park	Zech, C.
	Stringer, W.	Lincoln Park	Arnold, R.
Dearborn, First	Shields, K.	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	Sutton, A.
	Ebi, B.		Mayle, T.
	Garrett, R.	St. Paul's	Shipe, E.
Cherry Hill	FunkHouser, F.		Liebertz, R.
	Robison, D.		Miller, J.
	Wright, J.	Milford	Petzold, D.
Dearborn Woods	Blanding, M.		Dill, V.
Littlefield Blvd.	Schebor, R.	Mt. Clemens, First	Thompson, J.
	Tovinitti, J.		Runnels, R.
Dearborn Hts.		Northville	Zimmerman, D.
St. Mark's	Balog, H.	Novi, Faith Community	June, J.
Detroit, First	Thompson, C.	Orchard Lake	Campbell, V.
Broadstreet	Lewis, R.		Hicks, H.
Calvary	Harden, J.	Plymouth	Rynders, B.
Calvin East	Clinkscales, J.		Leach, L.
Calvin West	Holden, A.		Provost, D.
Evergreen Village	Wright, A.	Pontiac, First	Stokes, W.
Fort Street	Huthwaite, W.		Neff, D.
	Taylor, C.	Atonement	Pritchett, B.
Grandale/Master	Glover, V.	Joslyn Avenue	Freeland, B.
Gratiot Avenue	Thomas, S.	Port Huron, Lakeshore	Hamilton, J.
Hope	Gardner, W.	Redford, Village	Smith, J.
Monteith	Stark, D.	Rochester, University	Malpress, S.
			Combs, N.
			Dean, C.
			Tisdell, S.

ELDERS

Roseville, Erin	Fera, R.
Royal Oak, First	VanRosenberg, W.
Starr	Kirkman, R.
St. Clair Shores	Lee, K.
Faith	Bondy, K.
Lake Shore	Hickman, E.
Southfield, Korean	Morris, F.
United	Miles, W.
South Lyon	Walker, W.
Sterling Heights	Lee, Y.
Utica	Drake, D.
Taylor, Southminster	Jones, E.
Troy, First	Munzer, H.
Warren, First	Plaster, D.
Warren, Celtic Cross	Aue, S.
Waterford, Lakeland	Pratt, S.
West Bloomfield	Goeman, W.
Ch. of Our Saviour	Dryer, P.
Westland, Kirk/Saviour	Snyder, D.
Ypsilanti	Knott, D.
	Scheel, B.
	Keyes, R.
	Minzey, E.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams, M.	Brown, F.	Carlson, S.	Craley, D.
Crawford, L.	Gipson, M.	Lennox, J.	

The minutes of the September 27 meeting of Presbytery were approved as distributed.

Upon motion, Ken Hollenbaugh of the Support Agency, James Shannon of Twin Cities Presbytery and Jan Shannon of Susquehanna Presbytery were enrolled as corresponding members.

James Young of Community Presbyterian Church, Drayton Plains, was appointed assistant to the Stated Clerk.

The Committee on Bylaws representative, Dale Johnson, presented for first reading, the revised Bylaws of the Presbytery of Detroit.

Presbytery Executive, Donald Lester, reported.

Mission Support Department Chairperson, Alfred Nead reported. Upon motion, communion will be observed at the Mission Advocates Training Event on November 6, 1983.

Local Church Development chairperson, David Eshleman, reported for the committee. Dale Johnson presented the Session Record Review report. Upon motion, the report,

as follows, was approved.

The Session Records (minutes and registers) of the following churches have been reviewed by the Session Records Committee with the following results:

- Ann Arbor - Calvary: No exceptions.
- Ann Arbor - First: Minor inconsistencies.
- Ann Arbor - Northside: No indication of financial audit.
- Ann Arbor - Westminster: Annual statistical report not included; no report of review of pastor's compensation; no report on communion; no reports of commissioners to Presbytery; other minor inconsistencies.
- Belleville: No financial audit recorded; approval of minutes of congregational meetings not indicated.
- Berkley - Greenfield: No exceptions.
- Birmingham - First: Several inconsistencies in registers
- Brighton - First: No financial audit recorded; annual statistical report not included; election of clerk of session not indicated; several inconsistencies in registers.
- Dearborn - Cherry Hill: Number of errors in registers.
- Dearborn Heights - St. Mark's : No financial audit recorded
- Detroit - Fort Street: No exceptions.
- Detroit - Hope: No exceptions.
- Ecorse: Annual statistical report not included
- Garden City: Marriages not reported.
- Grosse Ile: No exceptions
- Highland Park - Park United: Unnecessary details and recording.
- Howell - First: No exceptions.
- Milan - Peoples: No exceptions.
- Milford: Financial audit not mentioned.
- Plymouth - First: Number of inconsistencies in registers.
- Pontiac - Atonement: No exceptions.
- Saline - First: No session action recorded in calling congregational meetings; no reports indicated from commissioners to Presbytery; minor inconsistencies in registers.
- South Lyon: Minor register omission.
- Walled Lake - Crossroads: Minor register inconsistencies
- Ypsilanti - First: No financial audit recorded.

Ruth Kirkman, chairperson, reported for the Committee on Candidates. Upon motion, the credentials of Mark Engstrom, Candidate under care of the Presbytery of Detroit, were transferred to the Great Rivers Presbytery.

Anna Marie Austin presented her statement of intent. Questions of Mrs. Austin were requested from the floor. Upon motion the examination was arrested. Upon motion, Anna Marie Austin was taken under care of the Presbytery as a candidate for the professional ministry. Mrs. Austin's proposed course of study was also approved. The Moderator, William Saum, proceeded with the service of reception of the candidate.

Committee on Ministry chairperson, Jean Perkins reported for the committee. Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the extension of the contract between Ernest W. Dunn and the Session of Jefferson Avenue Church, Detroit, for part time pastor of visitation from October 1, 1983 through December 31, 1983 with the following monthly terms: \$500 salary, 20 cents per mile car allowance.

Upon motion, the Presbytery dismissed John Halsey, H.R., to the Presbytery of Southwest Florida.

Upon motion, the Presbytery dismissed D. Keith Irwin, H.R., to the Presbytery of East Iowa.

Upon motion, the Presbytery dismissed Robert Lucero, H.R., to the Presbytery de Cristo.

Upon motion, the following were elected moderators of the churches listed following their names: Eldon Beery (Trumbull Avenue, Detroit); Ivan Benedict (Lakeshore, Port Huron); Richard Dempsey (Westminster, Ann Arbor); Stanton Wilson (Korean First, Royal Oak).

Michael Dunkelberger, in brief presentations, recognized the ministries of Roy Lambert and Rodney Beal, both of whom have been members of the Presbytery of Detroit for nearly thirty years.

Harry L. Geissinger presented a memorial minute for Rudolph S. Garypie and Gene Stone presented a memorial minute for Walter L. Jenkins.

Susan Carlson, chairperson, reported for the Committee on Ministries.

Vern Campbell reported for the Peace Education Committee. Upon motion, the following resolution was adopted, by a unanimous vote.

WHEREAS:

1. Our responses to world situations must be guided by our Christian morality
  2. Our task as Christians is sharing the reconciling work of God in Christ and being peacemakers
  3. There is more mercy in God than there is sin in people
  4. Accepting God's mercy requires honesty by each side about its own sinfulness
  5. The difficulty of following Jesus' call to love our enemies in today's world makes the effort more imperative
  6. The life of the world's nations has become so interdependent that loving one's enemies can no longer be seen as an unrealistic ideal
  7. As long as the superpowers are engulfed in an escalating arms spiral, innocent victims will continue to suffer
  8. There will always be responses that are emotionally satisfying and spiritually devastating
  9. The most consistent Christian response and most fruitful world response would lead to breaking down the barriers of tension, fear and paranoia that make such events possible
- Legitimate questions remain - such as why the plane was 300 miles off course, why it did not respond to warnings, who authorized

- the Soviet action
11. The Presbytery of Detroit has gone on record decrying the tragic loss of life in the Korean Airlines 007 incident

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1. The Presbytery of Detroit reaffirms its sorrow at the loss of innocent life in the destruction of KAL 007 and shares the grief of those who had family and friends aboard the flight.
2. The Presbytery decries the unwillingness of the Soviet leadership either to apologize for the incident or to express regrets about the loss of life
3. The Presbytery commends the U.S. administration for continuing arms control talks as one way of reducing tensions that lead to such tragedies but laments the use of this incident to promote increased weapons production and deployment
4. The Presbytery maintains that emotional and inflammatory responses (typified by the immediate accusations that KAL 007 was a spy plane or that the Soviets knowingly shot down a civilian plane) compound the tragedy and run counter to the goal of promoting international peace by reducing international tension.
5. The Presbytery calls upon its members to be guided by the Holy Spirit into the practice of Christian belief in the redeemability of all people as they respond to the incident
6. The Presbytery encourages all Christians around the world to do likewise
7. The Presbytery calls upon the leaders of the Soviet Union and the United States to let this tragedy move them from dependency on military solutions to paths of diplomacy, leading to greater stability, improved communication and reduction of tension around the world
8. The Presbytery communicates this to appropriate bodies including the White House, the Soviet Embassy, the Office of the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly and the World Council of Churches.

Upon motion, the following motion, made and tabled at the September 27, 1983 Presbytery meeting was removed from the table and placed on the floor: "To communicate to the World Council of Churches the action of Presbytery condemning the destruction of the Korean plane and to request the World Council to take an appropriate and similar action." (The action of Presbytery referred to is the motion made on that same evening and passed that evening as follows: "The Presbytery condemns the barbaric action of the Soviet Union in the destruction of Korean Airlines 007 and protests this action as immoral and foreign to Christian morality.")

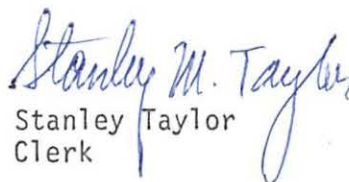
Upon motion, the previous question was called. The motion was defeated.

John Jeffrey reported for the Department of Program and Resource Development. As a part of that report, the delegates to the Youth Forum and Youth Triennium reported.

William Colwell, past moderator, reported for Presbytery Council. Upon motion, the actions of the Council on October 11 (attached) were approved.

The meeting was adjourned with the apostolic benediction by the Moderator, William Saum.

Linda S. Crawford  
Recording Clerk

  
Stanley Taylor  
Clerk

## Equalization of Clergy and Ruling Elder Commissioners

May 1, 1983 - April 30, 1984

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	5	4	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	5
Ann Arbor, First	4	4	Grosse Pointe Woods	3	2
Calvary	1	1	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Northside	1	1	Howell	2	0
Westminster	2	1	Lincoln Park	1	1
Auburn Heights	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	3	2
Belleville	1	1	St. Paul's	4	3
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	St. Timothy	1	0
Birmingham, First	8	6	Milan, Peoples	1	0
Northbrook	3	0	Milford	2	2
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	3	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Brighton	2	1	Northville	3	1
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Novi, Faith Community	1	1
Clarkston, Sashabaw	2	2	Orchard Lake	3	2
Dearborn, First	5	3	Plymouth	3	3
Cherry Hill	4	3	Pontiac, First	2	2
Dearborn Woods	1	1	Atonement	1	1
Littlefield Blvd.	2	2	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Dbn. Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Port Huron, First	2	0
Detroit, First	1	1	Lakeshore	1	1
Bethany	1	0	Westminster	1	0
Broadstreet	1	1	Redford, Village	2	1
Calvary	1	1	Rochester, University	3	3
Calvin East	1	1	Roseville, Erin	2	2
Calvin West	1	1	Royal Oak, First	6	2
Evergreen Village	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	0
Fort Street	2	2	Korean First	1	0
Grandale/Master	1	1	Starr	2	2
Gratiot Avenue	1	1	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Hope	1	1	Lake Shore	3	2
Jefferson Avenue	2	0	Saline	1	0
Leitch Memorial	1	0	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	0
Monteith	1	1	Southfield Un.	2	2
Redford	4	2	Korean	1	1
St. James	1	1	South Lyon	1	1
St. John's	1	1	Sterling Heights, Utica	2	1
Southwest	2	0	Taylor, Southminster	2	2
Trinity	1	0	Troy, First	1	1
Trumbull Avenue	1	0	Northminster	1	0
Westminster	3	2	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	0
Woodward/Covenant	1	1	Warren, First	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	Celtic Cross	1	1
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Ecorse	1	1	Wayne, First	1	0
Farmington	3	3	W. Blmfld., Ch/Saviour	1	1
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	Westland, Kirk of Our Savior	1	1
Fraser, Peace	1	0	White Lake	1	0
Garden City	2	0	Wyandotte	2	0
Grosse Ile	2	2	Ypsilanti	2	1



## PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

## Council

## MINUTES

October 11, 1983

The meeting of the Council of the Presbytery of Detroit was opened with prayer by the Chairperson, Past Moderator, William Colwell, at the office of the Presbytery.

Present: Cobleigh, Linthicum, White, Glenn, Beal, Miller, Brown, Gaston, Craley, Nead, Smith, MacPherson, Baker, Baker, Morrison, Leigh, Lennox, Haynes, Lester, Saum, Colwell, S. Taylor, Eschelman, Stone, Nolte, Dellinger, Carlson.

Excused: Adams, Lee, Jeffrey, Stryker, T. Taylor, Cavanaugh, Hunter, Gipson.

Absent:

The minutes of the September 13, 1983, meeting of Council were approved as presented.

The agenda for the Council meeting was approved as amended.

The Council offered feedback and suggestions arising from the two Council Retreats that took place during 1983. The Executive Committee will look at the information derived from the discussion and come back to the Council with recommendations.

The Treasurer's report dated August 31, 1983, was accepted as presented.

The Presbytery docket for the October 25, 1983 meeting was approved as amended.

Jeff Nolte reported for the Division of Planning.

Donald White reported for the Division of Staff Services. He reported that Mary Ann Standing is acting Executive Secretary during the time that that position is being analyzed.

Eleanor Leigh reported for the Division of Business Affairs. Upon motion, the Council approved the recommendation that all units institute immediate cut backs for the balance of 1983 and all restraints be under the direction of the Executive Presbyter.

Upon motion, the Mission Support Department was directed to give urgent attention to the diminished rate of income of general mission funds for 1983.

Upon motion, the approval of the request of the Redford Church for a General Assembly Energy Conservation loan from the Program Agency for \$10,000, 8% interest, for up to 10 years, contingent upon the approval of the Local Church Development Department was granted.

Upon motion, the reports of the Divisions were approved.

Donald Lester, Helen Morrison, Donald MacPherson and Edward Miller gave staff reports.

Alfred Nead reported for the Mission Support Department.

Donald MacPherson reported for the Program and Resource Development Department.

Larry Glenn reported for the Personnel Department. Upon motion, the Council recommends that Presbytery approve the invitation of the Session of Westminster Church, Ann Arbor to Richard A. Dempsey to become interim pastor, effective October 15, 1983, for a period of six months, with the following terms: \$550 salary, \$600 housing allowance, \$350 car allowance, vacation and study leave on a prorated basis. The Council further recommends that Mr. Dempsey be enrolled as a member of the Presbytery of Detroit and elected Moderator of the Session of Westminster Church, Ann Arbor.

Upon motion, the Council will request that Larry Austin be dismissed from the Presbytery of Grand Canyon to the Presbytery of Detroit.

Upon motion, the call from the Limestone Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, Delaware to Laurel Loveless was approved; the call to be placed in Mrs. Loveless' hands and dismiss her to the Presbytery of New Castle, effective September 1, 1983.

Susan Carlson reported for the Department of Presbytery Ministries.

David Eshleman reported for the Department of Local Church Development.

Upon motion, the Department reports were received.

Al Weirheim, acting chairperson for the Budget Committee, gave a brief progress report. Upon motion, the Presbytery will be asked to suspend the rules, due to the inability of the Budget Committee to produce a balanced budget by the October Presbytery meeting, allowing the mailing of the budget prior to the November Presbytery meeting to serve as first reading of the budget, with discussion and approval taking place at the November Presbytery meeting.

Donald Lester reported on the Helping Hand Program. Upon motion, the report (attached) was approved.

Stanley Taylor reported for the Executive Committee. Upon motion, the Executive Committee was given authority, if it deems it appropriate, to include in the report of the Council to Presbytery, the recommendations of the Division of Staff Services and the Committee on Ministry, concerning the referral of Presbytery of the previous Council action on salaries of the executive staff and the office staff.

Upon motion, the invitations of the Grosse Pointe Woods Church and the Starr Church, Royal Oak, to host the March and May, 1984 meetings of Presbytery, respectively, were accepted contingent upon the adoption of the new bylaws by Presbytery.

Upon motion, the communication from General Assembly concerning the establishment of an ombuds team was referred to the Council on Women and the Church and the Committee on Ministry for suggestions.

The Moderator appointed Stanton Wilson (chairperson), Carol Hylkema and Jean Perkins to be the reception committee for the visit of the Moderator of the General Assembly.

Upon motion, the Worship Unit of P.R.D. was requested to be responsible for the Worship Services of Presbytery for January and February, 1984, and that beginning with the March meeting the Council will be responsible for Presbytery worship and that the Council may seek consultation with the Worship Unit for services for the balance of 1984.

Upon motion, it is recommended that the Worship Unit review its practice of not allowing latecomers into the sanctuary during the worship service of Presbytery and to allow for some discretion on the part of the attendants in seating latecomers at other than the designated times for such seating.

Upon motion, the Information for Commissioners to Presbytery information bulletin presented to Council was approved and referred to the Stated Clerk for some editorial revisions before it is distributed. The paper will be presented as a part of the Council report to Presbytery at the October meeting.

Upon motion, the report of the Executive Committee was approved.

The Administrative Commissions for James Duncan Boyd, Darryl L. Baker and Stuart D. Broberg were received. Upon motion, the reports (as follows) were received and the Administrative Commissions dismissed.

The Administrative Commission to install Darryl L. Baker and Stuart D. Broberg Assistant pastors at First Church, Birmingham, met on September 11, 1983, at 10:00 a.m. Present were ministers: Donald G. Lester, F. Morgan Roberts, Charles A. Sommers, D. William McIvon; elders: Carol Erhart, Helen Morrison (clerk) and David Laer. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Moderator, F. Morgan Roberts and the above mentioned were installed.

The Administrative Commission to install James Duncan Boyd as Assistant Pastor of First Church, Royal Oak, met on September 24, 1983. The meeting was opened with prayer by the moderator, Thomas W. Kirkman. Present were: Thomas W. Kirkman, LeRoy Peterson, Robert Guymmer, ministers and Jean Perkins and Mary Lou McCabe, elders. The Reverend James Duncan Boyd was duly installed as assistant minister of the First Presbyterian Church, Royal Oak.

The meeting of Council was closed with prayer by the chairperson, William Colwell.

Linda Crawford  
Recording Clerk

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Stated Clerk

## STATED MEETING

November 22, 1983

## M I N U T E S

The Presbytery of Detroit of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) held a stated meeting in Westminster Church, Detroit, Michigan on November 22, 1983.

The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator, William Saum, at 5:45 p.m.

The worship service was led by Scott Simons and William Rieker.

The Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

Upon motion, the following requests to be excused were granted:

Ministers: Armstrong, Baker, Broberg, Francis, Haynes, Henderson, Jones, LeDuc, Linthicum, MacDonald, Magee, McCloskey-Turner, McIvor, Nagle, Palmer, Peters, Roberts, Smith, Sommers, Todd, J., Todd, R., Zedan.

Elders: Allen Park (1), Birmingham (4), Brighton, First (1), Clarkston, Sashabaw (2), Ecorse (1), Howell (1), Kirk of our Savior (1), Southwest (1), Walled Lake, Crossroads, (1), Woodward Avenue (1).

MINISTERS

Abbott	Cobleigh	Hanna	Marvin	Sefcik
Allen	Coleman	Hamilton	Mather	Sharpless
Anderson	Colwell	Harmon	McCloskey	Sherwin
Antonson	Cook	Hawley	McIntyre	Shook
Baker, G.	Crilley	Howie	Milford	Shoup
Baliad	Curphey	Hunter	Miller	Simons
Banks	Dickson	Ihrle	Mishler	Stenner
Barcus	Dotson	Jansen	Mitcham	Stone, G.
Barnes	Dunkelberger, M.	Jeffrey	Moore, P.	Stone, J.
Bartko	Dunn	Jones, V.	Musgrave	Stryker
Battles	Eimer	Keebler	Nead	Sutton
Beal	Eshleman	Kesler	Orr	Swinehart
Beery	Ferry	Kim	Peterson	Taylor, K.
Blackshear	Forsyth	Kirkman	Phillippe	Taylor, M.
Boeve	Freund	Koster	Pierson	Taylor, S.
Boyd	Fuhrmeister	Krehbiel	Poland	Taylor, T.
Bower	Geider	Lambert	Purvis-Smith	Terpstra
Bowersox	Geissinger	Lester	Ramsey	Tull
Brand	Gepford	Leverenz	Rieker	Whitledge
Brown	Gillette	Lindsey	Saum	Wilde
Campbell	Glenn	Lister	Schaefer	Wilson, R.
Carter	Good	MacPherson	Schram, J.	Wilson, S.
Chamberlain	Gruebel	Marlow	Schram, W.	Yingling

ABSENCES

Cater	Dunkelberger, R.	Gundersen	Kettlewell	Sunderman
Cotter	Ellens	Hartley	Lumley	Thompson
Dawson	Flowers	Hillegonds	Naylor	Woodruff
Douglas	Gillis	Kaufman	Smith, P.	

ELDERS

Allen Park	Geiselman, B.	Detroit	Arnold, J.
	Grassie, W.	Westminster	Tashnick, J.
Ann Arbor, First	Yodhes, J.	Drayton Plains	Hazlett, G.
	Downs, J.	E. Detroit, Covenant	Wiggins, I.
	Hauser, K.	Farmington	Huffman, L.
Calvary	Miner, E.		Johnson, D.
Northside	Cummins, B.		Kansmaw, D.
Westminster	Loup, J.	Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	Macaulay, M.
Auburn Heights	Leslie, R.		Russell, J.
Belleville	Quinn, C.	Fraser, Peace	Magel, J.
Berkley, Greenfield	Bricks, R.	Grosse Ile	McConnell, M.
Birmingham, First	Hansen, H.		Morrison, H.
	Boyd, M.	Grosse Pointe Memorial	Adams, F.
	Perkins, J.		Brake, R.
	Street, B.		Goodwyn, L.
	Thompson, D.		Meyering, H.
Northbrook	Nelson, L.		Miquel, J.
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	Lee, R.		Thomas, B.
	Maas, A.	Woods	Weed, D.
	Robinson, B.	Highland Park, Park	Doll, K.
	Shaw, F.	Lincoln Park	Wilson, P.
	Tallinger, C.	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	McKinley, D.
Brighton	Wells, J.		Riemenschneider, K.
Canton, Geneva	Frey, R.	St. Paul's	Kelly, J.
Dearborn, First	Kohlman, R.		MacLean, J.
	Raymond, J.		Miller, J.
	Was, W.		Auman, R.
Cherry Hill	Barney, B.	St. Timothy	Carbeck, T.
	Binder, S.	Milan, Peoples	Dill, V.
	Glass, B.	Milford	Ball, S.
	Rose, S.	Mt. Clemens, First	Cochrane, D.
Dearborn Woods	Blanding, M.		Cobb, G.
Littlefield Blvd.	Schebor, R.	Orchard Lake	Lacy, L.
Dearborn Hts.		Plymouth	Harsha, H.
St. Mark's	Balog, H.		Schryer, R.
Detroit			Stokes, W.
Broadstreet	White, M.	Pontiac, First	Aldrich, C.
Calvary	Harden, J.		Neipling, B.
Calvin East	Harris, S.	Joslyn Avenue	Meador, F.
Calvin West	Holden, A.	Port Huron, First	Mabee, L.
Evergreen Village	LeForce, G.		Vincent, F.
Grandale/Master	Rogers, D.	Westminster	Brag, R.
Hope	Smith, M.	Redford, Village	Brooks, D.
Monteith	Stark, D.		Simon, H.
Redford	Hnizdil, A.	Rochester, University	Nissen, T.
	Mac Rae, E.	Roseville, Erin	Block, R.
St. James	Mollon, L.		Thaar, W.
St. John's	Hauswirth, G.	Royal Oak, First	Calder, D.
Southwest	Allen, H.		Clime, J.
	Sefcik, J.		Gotch, J.
			Kirkman, R.
			Lee, K.
			McCabe, M.

Royal Oak	Passage, F.
Christ Memorial	Song, B.
Korean First	Bondy, K.
Starr	Hickman, E.
St. Clair Shores	
Faith	Morris, F.
Lake Shore	Nesbitt, M.
Southfield, United	Drake, D.
	Roberts, H.
South Lyon	Heath, F.
Sterling Heights	
Utica	Sherk, B.
Taylor, Southminster	Anderson, L.
	Staub, H.
Warren, First	Dryer, P.
Celtic Cross	Scott, M.
Waterford, Lakeland	Curriu, L.
Wayne, First	Kayganich, J.
West Bloomfield	
Ch. of Our Saviour	Scheel, B.
White Lake	Schreiber, C.
Wyandotte	Dailing, M.
	Nelson, G.
Ypsilanti	Minzey, E.

ELDER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Adams, M.	Carlson, S.	Cavangh, W.	Craley, D.
Crawford, L.	Dellinger, W.	Gipson, M.	White, D.

Upon motion, the minutes of the October 25, 1983 meeting of Presbytery were approved as corrected.

Upon motion, the docket for the November 22, 1983 meeting was approved as amended.

Upon motion, Alex Nemeth, area representative for the Board of Pensions, Presbytery of Chicago, James Shannon, Twin Cities Presbytery and Jan Shannon, Susquehanna Presbytery, were enrolled as corresponding members.

The Moderator appointed Donald White as assistant to the Stated Clerk.

William Colwell, Chairperson, reported for Presbytery Council. Upon motion, the following recommendations of Council were approved:

1. Received the report of the Treasurer for the period ending September 30, 1983.
2. Approved a request to the Synod for an extension of the position of the Mission Funding Counselor through March, 1985.
3. Elected an Administrative Commission to install Steven Hamilton as assistant pastor at Kirk in the Hills on November 13, 1983.
4. Approved plans for a retreat of the Council to be held January 30-31, 1984.

5. Requested host churches for meetings of Presbytery to reserve the last two or three rows in the sanctuary for the purpose of seating latecomers.
6. Referred a request from the Chiang May Mission Board to the Department of Mission Support, the Budget Committee and to the executive staff of the Presbytery.
7. Invited George Morgan, Synod Executive, to the March meeting of Presbytery.
8. Concurred in the request of the Broadstreet United Presbyterian Church to change its name to the Broadstreet Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and in the request of the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth to change its name to the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, Michigan.
9. Adopted the recommendation of the Division of Business Affairs to approve the request of the First Church of Brighton that the Synod and General Assembly grant a two-year moratorium until November 1, 1985 on the principal of a loan and a one-year moratorium on interest payments until November 1, 1984.
10. Adopted the recommendation of the Division of Business Affairs to approve the request of the First Church, Port Huron to borrow \$15,000 at 11 1/4% interest from the People's Bank of Port Huron for the purpose of purchasing property at 1011 Eighth Street for additional parking space.

Donald White reported for the Division of Staff Services on staff salaries. Upon motion, the Presbytery received and accepted the report and adopted the following recommendation:

Salaries for the Executive Staff will be increased in 1984 as follows:			
Executive Presbytery	1714 (5%)	Associate Presbyters	1418 (5%)
FICA	1000	FICA	1000
Catch-up factor	1372 (4%)	Catch-up factor	810 (3.5%)
Total	4086	Total	3228

A motion carried to approve salaries as follows:

	Salary	Housing
Donald G. Lester	23,466.00	14,900.00
Donald R. MacPherson	20,570.00	10,900.00
Edward M. Miller	24,470.00	7,000.00
Stanley M. Taylor	1,620.00	3,000.00

David Sherwin reported for the Budget Committee. Upon motion, the 1984 budget (attached) was approved.

William Whitlege reported for the Committee on Bylaws. Upon motion, the Bylaws were adopted as presented (Bylaws attached). Upon motion, the Committee on Bylaws was continued through January, 1984 so that it may present the Manual of Operations to the Presbytery for approval.

Alex Nemeth, representative from the Board of Pensions, reported to Presbytery.

Donald Lester, Presbytery Executive, reported to Presbytery.

John Jeffrey, Chairperson, Program and Resource Development Department, reported. The report included a report from the Summer Service Plus program.

David Eshleman reported for the Local Church Development Department.

Upon motion, the report of the Session Records Review Committee was approved. The report is attached.

Ruth Kirkman reported as chairperson, for the Committee on Candidates. Mrs. Kirkman presented David Weber, requesting to be taken under care of the Presbytery. Mr. Weber stated his reasons for the request. The floor was opened to questions. There being none, the exam was arrested and Steve Weber an elder of First Presbyterian Church, Royal Oak, spoke for the church. Upon motion, the examination was sustained and David Weber was received as a candidate under care for the professional ministry.

David Devries presented his reasons for desiring to be taken under care of the Presbytery. The floor was opened to questions. There being none, the exam was arrested and Al Holder, elder from Calvin (West) spoke for the church. Upon motion, the examination was sustained and David Devries was received as a candidate under care for the professional ministry.

Moderator William Saum proceeded with the service taking Mr. Weber and Mr. Devries under care of the Presbytery of Detroit.

Alfred Nead reported for the Mission Support Department.

Jean Perkins reported for the Committee on Ministry. Upon motion, the pastoral relationship between Kurt W. Freund and the Belleville Church was dissolved with the following terms of separation:

1. November 13, 1983 to May 13, 1984 - salary, furniture allowance, pension, medical insurance, use of the manse, utilities (less long distance phone calls), no car allowance, minus earned income as reported to the Committee on Ministry.
2. From May 13, 1984 to June 15, 1984, use of the manse, utilities (less long distance phone calls), pension and medical insurance.
3. The agreement will terminate if relocation and full time employment are found prior to the length of this agreement.

Upon motion, Peter Boeve was elected Moderator of the Belleville Church.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the call of the First Church, Farmington, to Larry Austin as Assistant Pastor effective December 1, 1983, heard Dale Johnson, representative from the church and approved the following terms: \$12,000 salary, \$9,000 housing, one month vacation, full pension, \$2,500 car allowance, \$500 study leave, books, expenses.



Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the call of the First Presbyterian Church (Walkerton, Indiana) to Richard J. Reynolds to become pastor, placed the call in Mr. Reynolds' hands and dismissed Mr. Reynolds to the Presbytery of Wabash Valley, effective November 15, 1983.

Upon motion, the contracts of Peter Boeve (Ann Arbor, Northside), Hubert Sunderman, (Detroit, Gratiot Avenue), John Mischler (East Detroit, Covenant) and Raphael Francis (Park United, Highland Park) as stated supplies were extended to December 31, 1984.

Upon motion, temporary supply relationships between Kenneth Eimer (Northville), James Conley (Hope, Detroit) and Jennifer McLaren-Saad (Port Huron, Lakeshore) were extended to March 31, 1984.

Mike Dunkelberger continued with the introductions of the ministers who have been in the Presbytery the longest number of years. Introduced at this meeting were: MacKay Taylor, Thomas Kirkman and Larry Glenn.

Upon motion, the Presbytery established the policy of publishing the new totals involved each time changes in terms of call are presented to the Presbytery for approval.

MacKay Taylor reported for the Committee on Nominations. Upon motion, Jean Lennox was elected Moderator of the Presbytery of Detroit for 1984, by a unanimous ballot. Upon motion, Robert Crilley was elected Vice Moderator of the Presbytery of Detroit for 1984, by a unanimous ballot.

Upon motion, the remainder of the report of the Committee on Nominations (report attached) was approved with the following exceptions:

1. Those persons who are considered inactive members of the Presbytery shall be excluded from election.
2. The Committee on Nominations section of the report was deleted.

Susan Carlson reported for the Department of Presbytery Ministries.

William Gepford reported for the Middle East Committee. Upon motion, the Presbytery of Detroit, in response to the continuing conflict in the Middle East involving directly the occupied nation of Lebanon and also the Nations of Syria and Israel, both of which are occupying parts of Lebanon, and the multinational peacekeeping forces from the U.S.A., France, Italy and England, vote the following:

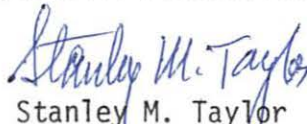
1. Presbytery recommends that all Presbyters share the materials provided tonight from the Middle East Committee with their parishioners,
2. Presbytery recommends that each church alone or in concert with other churches hold at least one major session to discuss the conflicts in the Middle East with particular attention to the possible role of churches in a ministry of justice and peace and to learn specifically about the ministry of churches to which the Presbyterian Church is related in Lebanon, Syria and Israel, and

3. All clergy be urged to include prayers in regular services of worship for all persons and people suffering from the continued conflict including specifically Lebanese, Palestinians, Israelis, Syrians and members of the multinational peace keeping forces from England, France, Italy and the U.S.A.

Upon motion, the Presbytery of Detroit enthusiastically endorsed the nomination of Presbytery Executive Donald Lester as a candidate for the Moderator of the General Assembly. Moderator William Saum in consultation with Dr. Lester will appoint a committee to begin plans for the election process.

The meeting was adjourned with the apostolic benediction by the Moderator, William Saum.

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Stated Clerk

## Equalization of Clergy and Ruling Elder Commissioners

May 1, 1983 - April 30, 1984

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>		<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Attended</u>
Allen Park	5	3	Grosse Pointe Memorial	6	5
Ann Arbor, First	4	3	Grosse Pointe Woods	3	2
Calvary	1	1	Highland Park, Park	1	1
Northside	1	1	Howell	2	0
Westminster	2	1	Lincoln Park	1	1
Auburn Heights	1	1	Livonia, Rosedale Gardens	3	2
Belleville	1	1	St. Paul's	4	3
Berkley, Greenfield	1	1	St. Timothy	1	1
Birmingham, First	8	4	Milan, Peoples	1	1
Northbrook	3	1	Milford	2	1
Bloomfield Hills, Kirk	6	5	Mt. Clemens, First	2	2
Brighton	2	1	Northville	3	0
Canton, Geneva	1	1	Novi, Faith Community	1	0
Clarkston, Sashabaw	2	0	Orchard Lake	3	2
Dearborn, First	5	3	Plymouth	3	3
Cherry Hill	4	4	Pontiac, First	2	2
Dearborn Woods	1	1	Atonement	1	0
Littlefield Blvd.	2	1	Joslyn Avenue	1	1
Dbn. Hts., St. Mark's	1	1	Port Huron, First	2	2
Detroit, First	1	0	Lakeshore	1	0
Bethany	1	0	Westminster	1	1
Broadstreet	1	1	Redford, Village	2	2
Calvary	1	1	Rochester, University	3	1
Calvin East	1	1	Roseville, Erin	1	1
Calvin West	1	1	Royal Oak, First	6	6
Evergreen Village	1	1	Christ Memorial	1	1
Fort Street	2	0	Korean First	1	1
Grandale/Master	1	1	Starr	2	2
Gratiot Avenue	1	0	St. Clair Shores, Faith	1	1
Hope	1	1	Lake Shore	3	1
Jefferson Avenue	2	0	Saline	1	0
Leitch Memorial	1	0	Shelby, Saint Thomas	1	0
Monteith	1	1	Southfield Un.	2	2
Redford	4	3	Korean	1	0
St. James	1	1	South Lyon	1	1
St. John's	1	1	Sterling Heights, Utica	2	1
Southwest	2	1	Taylor, Southminster	2	2
Trinity	1	0	Troy, First	1	0
Trumbull Avenue	1	0	Northminster	1	0
Westminster	3	2	Walled Lake, Crossroads	1	0
Woodward/Covenant	1	0	Warren, First	1	1
Drayton Plains	1	1	Celtic Cross	1	1
E. Detroit, Covenant	1	1	Waterford, Lakeland	1	1
Ecorse	1	0	Wayne, First	1	1
Farmington	3	3	W. Blmfld., Ch/Saviour	1	1
Ferndale, Drayton Avenue	2	2	Westland, Kirk of Our Savior	1	0
Fraser, Peace	1	1	White Lake	1	1
Garden City	2	0	Wyandotte	2	2
Grosse Ile	2	2	Ypsilanti	2	1

## PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

## PRESBYTERY COUNCIL

## MINUTES

November 8, 1983

The Council of the Presbytery of Detroit met on November 8, 1983 at the office of the Presbytery at 1:30 PM.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the chairperson, Past Moderator, William Colwell.

Present: D. Lester, R. Linthicum, W. Dellinger, J. Nolte, G. Stone, G. Baker, E. Baker, M. Gipson, H. Gaston, D. Craley, K. Lee, R. Hanna, A. Nead, P. Smith, T. Taylor, E. Miller, S. Carlson, D. MacPherson, J. Jeffrey, W. Cavanagh, E. Leigh, D. White, L. Glenn, L. Haynes, D. Eshleman, H. Morrison, W. Saum, W. Colwell, S. Taylor, G. Cobleigh

Excused: M. Adams

The minutes of the October 11, 1983 Council meeting were approved as presented.

The agenda for the November 8, 1983 council meeting was approved as presented.

The treasurer's report, dated September 30, 1983, was approved as presented.

The Presbytery Docket for the November 22, 1983 meeting was approved as amended.

Alfred Nead reported for the Mission Support Department. Upon motion, the request for an extension of the Mission Funding Counselor position through March, 1985 will be sent to the Synod of the Covenant, under the signature of the Stated Clerk (paper attached).

Larry Glenn reported for the Personnel Department. Upon motion, the following administrative commission was elected to install Steven J. Hamilton as Assistant Pastor of Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills:

Ministers: James F. Anderson (chairperson)

Stuart D. Broberg

Robert L. Lindsey

Elders: Patricia Anne Dienst (First, Birmingham)

Paul Drothler (Northbrook, Birmingham)

David Lau (Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills)

and that Frederick B. Speakman, member of the Presbytery of Pittsburgh, be seated as a corresponding member, and said commission was empowered to install Mr. Hamilton on Sunday, November 13, 1983 at both the 9:30 and 11:30 AM worship services at Kirk in the Hills.

Susan Carlson reported for the Department of Presbytery Ministries.

David Eshleman reported for the Department of Local Church Development.

Stanley Taylor reported for the Executive Committee. Jean Lennox reported for the committee on the Council Retreat. Dates have been set: January 30-31 at St. Basil's with the theme "What is God Up to Now?".

Upon motion, the Council recommends that the Retreat Committee be given authority to implement plans for the retreat, including securing retreat leaders, and that the committee be authorized to spend an amount not to exceed \$500.

Upon motion, the Council recommends that one half of the room and board (up to a maximum of \$15) be paid for those who attend the retreat.

Upon motion, the Council recommends that the host church of Presbytery meetings reserve the last 2 or 3 rows in the sanctuary for the seating of late comers and that the Worship Unit be instructed to use these rows in seating late comers at any time during the worship service.

Upon motion, the Council recommends that the request from the Chiang Mai Mission Board be referred for their recommendations to the Department of Mission Support, the Budget Committee, and the Executive Staff to obtain pertinent data.

Upon motion, the Council recommends that George Morgan, Synod Executive, be invited to the March meeting of Presbytery and be given 20 minutes on the docket.

The report of correspondence to the Stated Clerk was received. Upon motion, the request of the Broadstreet United Presbyterian Church to change its name to Broadstreet Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and from the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth to change its name to First Presbyterian Church, (U.S.A.), Plymouth were approved.

The letter from Michael Dunkelberger, Northbrook, was discussed. The Stated Clerk will correspond with Mr. Dunkelberger concerning the prior action of the Presbytery relating to the distribution of funds collected as offering during an installation service. That action indicates that funds collected during an afternoon or evening service shall be transmitted to the Committee on Candidates for their use in education. Funds collected during a regular Sunday worship service shall be distributed as follows: pledged funds to the church where the service is held, loose offering to the Committee on Candidates.

Eleanor Leigh reported for the Business Affairs Division. Upon motion, the Council approved the request of the First Presbyterian Church, Brighton, for a two year moratorium until 11/1/85 on principal; and a one year moratorium on interest payments until 11/1/84, to the General Assembly and the Synod of the Covenant. Past due and current interest payments will resume on Loan #271708 from the Office of Capital Resources and on Synod loan date 4/81 as of 11/1/84.

Upon motion, the Council approved the request of First Presbyterian Church, Port Huron, to borrow \$15,000 at 11½% interest from the Peoples Bank of Port Huron. Funds will be used to purchase property located at 1011 Eighth Street, Port Huron to provide additional parking space for the church.

Jeff Nolte reported for the Planning Division. Upon motion, the report of the Planning Division was received with commendation for first reading by Council.

David Sherwin reported for the Budget Committee. Upon motion, the Council recommends to Presbytery:

1. That 1984 per capita will be \$2.05
2. That the 1984 budget as presented be adopted.

Don White reported for the Division of Staff Services. Upon motion, the Council concurs with the recommendations as follows:

1. 5% increase to reflect cost of living over past two years. (This is consistent with the June recommendations of the COM).
2. Increase to equal one half of FICA (social security) cost for 1984. (This is consistent with the June recommendations of the COM).
3. An additional amount to seek to compensate (partially) for the disparity between increases in pastor's salaries over a 10 year period and the increases given to executive staff.

Upon motion, the reports of the Council Divisions were approved.

Staff reports were made by Donald Lester, Edward Miller, Theodore Taylor, Helen Morrison, Donald MacPherson.

The Council reflected on the state of the Presbytery.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the chairperson, William Colwell.

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LOCAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT  
REPORT OF SESSION RECORDS COMMITTEE

The Session Records (minutes and registers) of the following churches have been reviewed by the Session Records Committee with the following results:

- ALLEN PARK: No exceptions
- AUBURN HEIGHTS: Exceptions: Budget improperly "adopted" by congregation.  
Transfers in register predate Session approval.
- BIRMINGHAM, NORTHBROOK: Exceptions: Annual Statistical Report not included.  
New members should be received by Session prior to public recognition.
- CANTON, GENEVA: Exceptions: Minor inconsistencies between registers and Session Minutes.
- CLARKSTON, SASHABAW: Exception: A few register inconsistencies.
- DEARBORN, FIRST: Exception: Annual Statistical Report not included.
- DEARBORN, LITTLEFIELD BLVD.: Exception: Annual Statistical Report not included.
- DEARBORN, DEARBORN WOODS: Exceptions: No reports of elder commissioners to Presbytery recorded. Annual Statistical Report not included.
- DETROIT, BETHANY: No exceptions.
- DETROIT, BROADSTREET: Exception: No financial audit reported.
- DETROIT, CALVARY: Exceptions: No record of review of pastor's compensation.  
No record of financial audit.
- DETROIT, CALVIN EAST: No exceptions.
- DETROIT, CALVIN WEST: No exceptions.
- DETROIT, EVERGREEN: No exceptions.
- DETROIT, FIRST: Exceptions: Register of membership rolls not up to date. Annual Statistical Report not included.
- DETROIT, GRANDALE/MASTER: Exception: Session improperly appointed elder to fill vacancy on Session.
- DETROIT, JEFFERSON AVE: Exception: No record of review of pastor's compensation.
- DETROIT, LEITCH MEMORIAL: Exceptions: Records regarding sale of property incomplete. Annual Statistical Report not included. No record of financial audits. Few inconsistencies in registers.
- DETROIT, MONTEITH MEMORIAL: No exceptions.
- DETROIT, REDFORD: Exception: No report of elder commissioners to Presbytery.
- DETROIT, ST. JAMES: No exceptions.
- DETROIT, ST. JOHN'S: No exceptions.
- DETROIT, SOUTHWEST: No exceptions.
- DETROIT, TRUMBULL AVE.: Exceptions: No record of financial audits. No record of election of nominating committee. Corporate status has not been maintained. Elected clerk of congregation for 1983 instead of clerk of session.
- DETROIT, VILLAGE UNITED: Exceptions: Minor discrepancies in registers.
- DETROIT, WESTMINSTER: Exceptions: Annual Statistical Report not included in full.
- DETROIT, WOODWARD/COVENANT: Exceptions: Corporate status has been allowed to lapse. Ruling elder improperly appointed as Moderator pro-tem of Session and congregation. Incomplete registers (third citation).
- DRAYTON PLAINS, COMMUNITY: Exceptions: Some baptisms, marriages and deaths not recorded in minutes.
- EAST DETROIT, COVENANT: No exceptions.
- FARMINGTON, FIRST: No exceptions.
- FERNDAL, DRAYTON AVE.: Exceptions: Annual Statistical Report not included. No record of financial audits.
- FRASER, PEACE: Exception: Using out of date Book of Order in Session references.
- GROSSE POINTE MEMORIAL: No exceptions.
- GROSSE POINTE WOODS: No exceptions.
- LINCOLN PARK: No exceptions.
- LIVONIA, ROSEDALE GARDENS: No exceptions.
- LIVONIA, ST. PAUL'S: Exceptions: A number of minor inconsistencies between registers and session minutes.

- LIVONIA, ST. TIMOTHY: Exceptions: No record of review of pastor's compensation. Inconsistencies between session minutes and registers. Minutes of congregational meeting not included.
- MT. CLEMENS, FIRST: No exceptions.
- NOVI, FAITH COMMUNITY: Exceptions: No record of financial audits. Minor inconsistencies in registers.
- NORTHVILLE, FIRST: Exceptions: No record of annual review of pastor's compensation. No record of financial audits. No session actions recorded for calling of congregational meetings. Session records mission for acceptance of new members. Discrepancies in registers.
- ORCHARD LAKE, COMMUNITY: Exception: Budget "adopted" by congregation rather than Session.
- PONTIAC, FIRST: Exception: No record of financial audits. Minutes of one special session meeting missing. Few inconsistencies between session minutes and registers.
- PONTIAC, JOSLYN AVE.: Exception: A few inconsistencies between session minutes and registers.
- PORT HURON, FIRST: No exceptions.
- PORT HURON, LAKESHORE: No exceptions.
- PORT HURON, WESTMINSTER: Exception: Annual Statistical Report not included.
- ROCHESTER, UNIVERSITY: Exceptions: No record of financial audits. Annual Statistical Report not included. No record of congregational review of pastors' compensations.
- ROSEVILLE, ERIN: Exception: Registers being consolidated, unable to review.
- ROYAL OAK, CHRIST MEMORIAL: No exceptions.
- ROYAL OAK, FIRST: Exceptions: Annual Statistical Report not included. No record of review of pastors' compensation in congregation meeting minutes (second year).
- ROYAL OAK, STARR: No exceptions.
- SOUTHFIELD, KOREAN: Exceptions: No record of session review of pastor's compensation. Minutes of two session meetings missing. Alphabetical membership roll not up to date.
- SOUTHFIELD, UNITED: Exception: No record of financial audits.
- ST. CLAIR SHORES, FAITH: No exceptions.
- ST. CLAIR SHORES, LAKESHORE: Exception: Unnecessary recording.
- STERLING HEIGHTS, UTICA: No exceptions.
- TAYLOR, SOUTHMINSTER: No exceptions.
- TROY, FIRST: Exceptions: Annual Statistical Report not included. Inconsistencies between session minutes and registers.
- TROY, NORTHMINSTER: Exceptions: Annual Statistical Report not included. No record of financial audits. Congregation taking budget actions which are responsibility of session. Discrepancies between session minutes and registers.
- WARREN, FIRST: No exceptions.
- WARREN, CELTIC CROSS: No exceptions.
- WATERFORD, LAKELAND: Exception: Minor discrepancies between session minutes and registers.
- WAYNE, FIRST: Exception: Minor inconsistencies between session minutes and registers.
- WEST BLOOMFIELD, CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR: Exception: No record of financial audits.
- WESTLAND, KIRK OF OUR SAVIOR: Exceptions: Annual Statistical Report not included. Session minutes of three meetings missing. No indication of appointment of elder commissioners of Presbytery and no reports from elder commissioners.
- WHITE LAKE: Exception: Annual Statistical Report not included.
- WYANDOTTE: No exception.

It is recommended that the records of the churches listed above be approved with the exceptions noted.



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## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

November 22, 1983

OFFICERS OF PRESBYTERYModerator  
Vice-ModeratorElder Jean Lennox  
The Rev. Robert CrilleyLittlefield Blvd.  
Fort Street, DetroitCOMMITTEE ON MINISTRYChairperson  
Class of 1984  
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Class of 1986Elder Jean Perkins ('84)  
The Rev. Gareth Baker  
Pending  
Pending  
Jimmy Harvin  
Pending  
Pending  
Eva Crowley  
David Drake  
Earl Minor  
Al Christianson  
The Rev. William Whitledge  
The Rev. Richard Peters  
The Rev. William Saum  
  
The Rev. James MitchamBirmingham, First  
Garden City  
  
St. John's, Detroit  
  
Grandale Ch/Master, Det.  
Southfield United  
Ann Arbor, First  
Redford, Village  
St. Paul's, Livonia  
Crossroads, Walled Lake  
Ch. of Our Saviour,  
West Bloomfield  
Calvary, DetroitCOMMITTEE ON CANDIDATESClass of 1984  
  
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ChairpersonThe Rev. James Anderson  
  
The Rev. David Good  
The Rev. Mark Allen  
The Rev. Thomas Cook  
The Rev. Robert Armstrong  
The Rev. Clanton Dawson Jr.  
Elder Shirley Books  
Elder Marie Guyton  
Elder Vivian Glenn  
PendingKirk In The Hills,  
Bloomfield Hills  
Rosedale Gardens, Livonia  
Orchard Lake Community  
Plymouth, First  
St. Paul's, Livonia  
Grandale, Ch/Master, Det.  
Belleville  
Westminster, Detroit  
Broadstreet, DetroitPRESBYTERY COUNCILClass of 1984  
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Class of 1985The Rev. Gerald Cobleigh  
The Rev. Virgil Jones  
The Rev. Paul Sutton  
Walter Cavanagh  
The Rev. Henry Stenner  
PendingRosedale Gardens, Livonia  
Wayne State University  
Southfield United  
Utica, Sterling Hts.  
Milford

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PRESBYTERY COUNCIL (CONT.)

Class of 1986	The Rev. LeRoy Haynes	Saint Thomas, Shelby Twp
Class of 1986	Walter Greene	Westminster, Detroit
Class of 1986	The Rev. Peter Smith	Jefferson Ave., Detroit

BUSINESS AFFAIRS DIVISION

Class of 1986	The Rev. Richard Henderson	Faith Community, Novi
Class of 1986	Stewart Edgerton	Northminster, Troy
Class of 1986	Ben Wells	Northbrook, Birmingham
Chairperson	Pending	

PLANNING DIVISION

Class of 1986	The Rev. Lee Cotter	Saline, First
Class of 1986	The Rev. J. Rodney Beal	Royal Oak, Starr
Class of 1986	Pending	
Chairperson	Jeffrey Nolte	Farmington, First

STAFF SERVICES DIVISION

Class of 1985	Pending	
Class of 1986	Pending	
Class of 1986	The Rev. Robert Lindsey	Kirk In The Hills, Bloomfield Hills
Class of 1986	George Ryckman	Jefferson Ave., Detroit
Chairperson	Mary Grace Adams	Grosse Pointe Memorial

DIVISION OF BUDGET

Class of 1985	Franklin Brown	St. John's, Detroit
Class of 1985	The Rev. Robert Barcus	Village United, Redford
Class of 1985	Pending	
Class of 1986	The Rev. David Antonson	Grosse Pointe Memorial
Class of 1986	Pending	
Class of 1986	The Rev. Anne Shaeffer	White Lake
Chairperson	The Rev. David Sherwin	Detroit, Redford

LOCAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Class of 1985	Ken Hollowell	
Class of 1985	James Shirley	St. John's, Detroit
Class of 1986	Donald Flowers	
Class of 1986	The Rev. William Schram	Clarkston, Sashabaw
Class of 1986	The Rev. Ralph Hawley	Retired
Class of 1986	Elder Carol Hylkema	Littlefield Blvd.
Class of 1986	Donn Denniston	Southfield United
Class of 1986	Dale Johnson	Farmington, First
Class of 1986	Gerald Miller	Canton, Geneva
Class of 1986	Marianne Hall	Rochester, University
Class of 1986	The Rev. Ann Bowersox	SCS, Faith

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MISSION SUPPORT DEPARTMENT

Class of 1984	Kathleen Nelson	
Class of 1984	Walter Thome	Southfield United
Class of 1984	The Rev. Robert Tull	Port Huron, Westminster
Class of 1985	Pending	
Class of 1986	Pending	
Class of 1986	? Mary Ritzenthaler	
Class of 1986	? The Rev. George Gillette	Warren, First
Class of 1986	? Donald Denne	
Class of 1986	Mary Ann Gideon	
Class of 1986	Pending	
Class of 1986	? Jean June	
Class of 1986	? The Rev. Francis Nagy	
Class of 1986	? Bernard Walker	

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Class of 1984	Pending	
Class of 1984	The Rev. Anne Fuhrmeister	Ypsilanti, First
Class of 1985	Joy Barcus	Redford, Village United
Class of 1985	The Rev. Charles Sommers	Birmingham, First
Class of 1985	Pending	
Class of 1985	Pending	
Class of 1986	Odessa Trotter	
Class of 1986	The Rev. MacKay Taylor	Troy, Northminster
Class of 1986	The Rev. Lawrence Glenn	Detroit, Broadstreet
Class of 1986	Pending	

DEPARTMENT OF PRESBYTERY MINISTRIES

Class of 1984	The Rev. Raphael Francis	Highland Park, Park
Class of 1985	James Mirk	Berkley, Greenfield
Class of 1986	Mary Shanks	Detroit, Trinity
Class of 1986	Eunice Bagley	Highland Park, Park
Class of 1986	The Rev. James Conley	Detroit, Hope

PROGRAM & RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Class of 1984	Vacancy	
Class of 1984	Bill Robinson	
Class of 1984	Jesse Perry	
Class of 1985	The Rev. Margaret Zedan	Howell, First
Class of 1986	G. Collins	
Class of 1986	Elison Seaver	
Class of 1986	S. Semons	

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JUDICIAL COMMISSION

Class of 1989	The Rev. John Foster
Class of 1989	Pending
Class of 1989	Jesse Bacalis

COMMITTEE ON SELF-DEVELOPMENT

Class of 1984	The Rev. Peter Bower	Ferndale, Drayton Ave.
Class of 1984	Diana Jones	
Chairperson	William Alston	
Class of 1985	Nuka Aranki	Arab Community Center,
Class of 1985	Emily Love	Dearborn
Class of 1985	Lethia Vass	Detroit, Woodward Ave.
Class of 1986	The Rev. DeWitt McIntyre	Detroit, Trinity
Class of 1986	Jacqueline Bender	
Class of 1986	Harry Command	

PROJECTEDINCOME FORECAST FOR 1984

	<u>REVISED 1983</u>	<u>PROJECTED 1984</u>	
<u>PRESBYTERY GENERAL MISSION</u>			
Undesignated and Designated	\$ 335,000	\$ 360,000	
Special Gifts	25,000	5,000	
<u>ENDOWMENTS</u>	125,000	140,000	
<u>INTEREST INCOME</u>	16,000	10,000	
<u>PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL RECEIPTS</u>	25,770	15,400	
<u>PRESBYTERIAL ASSOCIATION</u>	13,133	13,133	543,533
<u>PROJECT GRANTS FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS</u>			
<u>From General Assembly</u>			
15603 Woodward Avenue Church of the Covenant	12,500	8,000	
15607 Littlefield Blvd. Arab Ministry		15,000	
15617 Korean New Church Development		5,000	
15618 Trumbull Avenue		10,000	
15611 Grandale Church of the Master	5,000	5,000	
15706 Hunger Action Enabler	10,000	10,000	
15725 Direct Food Relief (Hunger)	8,000	15,000	68,000
<u>From the Synod of the Covenant</u>			
15603 Woodward Avenue Church of the Covenant	5,000	7,000	
15617 Korean New Church Development		5,000	
15618 Trumbull Avenue		7,000	
15611 Grandale Church of the Master	5,000	5,000	
15711 Campus Ministry	47,250	40,050	64,050
<u>From Presbytery Major Mission Fund</u>			
15651 Urban Ministry	10,350	9,500	
15710 Wayne County Jail Ministry	2,000	1,000	
15805 Evangelism	3,000	2,500	
15840 Training Wheels	4,000	3,000	16,000
<u>Miscellaneous Sources</u>			
15613 Calvin East (Eastminster)	4,000	4,000	
15614 Mt. Clemens & Fraser (Withdrawing Church Fund)	4,000	4,500	
15615 Geneva/Westland (Withdrawing Church Fund)	7,250	8,500	
15616 St. Timothy (Withdrawing Church Fund)	7,250	6,000	
15619 Covenant, East Detroit (Eastminster)		8,500	
15726 Peacemaking (Offering)	1,200	1,200	
15818 Summer Service (Churches)	4,000	7,000	
15651 Urban Ministry (1983 Salvage - Vacancy)		7,000	
15961 Outdoor Education (School Fees)	6,570	7,200	53,900
<u>STAFF AND SUPPORTING SERVICES</u>			
From General Assembly through Synod of the Covenant	58,944	62,422	
<u>PER CAPITA @ 2.05</u>	105,028	115,308	
<u>PRIOR YEAR'S SALVAGE (Over Expenditure)</u>	-25,265	+ 4,736	
TOTAL UNIFIED PROGRAM BUDGET INCOME (estimated)	878,516 ***	927,949	
TOTAL 1984 PROGRAM BUDGET EXPENSES		936,395	

\*\*\*NOTE: Prior year totals include some projects not in 1984 requests and not listed.

ABBREVIATIONS:

SY = Synod                      WC = Withdrawing Church Funds  
 GA = General Assembly        O = Offering  
 MMF = Major Mission Fund    EA = Eastminster  
 F = Fees                        CH = Churches

\*\*\*NOTE: Prior year totals include some projects not in 1984 Requests and not listed.

\* Request Pending

MISSION DIRECTION: "PARTNERSHIP IN MISSION":

To bring about a partnership in mission, with a commitment to increased interdependence, sharing and mutual learning among the congregations of the Presbytery of Detroit.

PROJECT NUMBER & DEPT./DIV.	TITLE	1983 REVISED	1984 REQUESTED	INCLUDES OTHER SOURCES
15401 MS	Stewardship Training	\$ 1,000	\$ 800	-0-
15402 MS	Mission Interpretation Materials	750	700	-0-
15403 MS	Mission Interpretation - AV	750	7,535	-0-
15404 MS	REJOICE	2,500	2,800	-0-
15405 MS	Month of Mission	1,300	700	500 F
15406 MS	Mission Advance Program	3,000	5,000	-0-
15502 PER	Data Bank	2,300	2,300	-0-
15608 LCD	Taiwanese Christian Fellowship	4,000	5,000	-0-
15701 PM	Christian Communication Council	1,000	1,500	-0-
15711 PM	Campus Ministry	60,075	57,585	\$ 40,050 SY
15718 PM	Corporate Social Responsibility	400	500	-0-
15726 PM	Peace Education	2,200	2,200	1,200 O
15727 PM	Energy and Environment	200	200	-0-
15807 PRD	Summer Camps	11,000	10,000	-0-
15818 PRD	Summer Service	7,500	11,500	7,000 CH
15831 PRD	Relationships and Public Relations	4,000	4,500	-0-
15900 PRD	Capital Maintenance & Improvements	51,445	53,466	5,000 F
15951 PRD	Resources and Camp Management	6,000	7,000	-0-
15961 PRD	Outdoor Education	7,970	7,600	7,200 F
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>Partnership in Mission</b>	<b>\$ 167,390</b>	<b>\$ 180,886</b>	<b>\$ 60,950</b>

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MISSION DIRECTION: "CITY CHURCHES":

To strengthen urban churches in order that they might provide an effective and vital witness, reach disadvantaged, disenfranchised and unrelated persons with the good news of the gospel.

PROJECT NUMBER & DEPT./DIV.	TITLE	1983 REVISED	1984 REQUESTED	INCLUDES OTHER SOURCES
15603 LCD	Woodward/Covenant Redevelopment	\$ 28,500	\$ 25,000 *	\$ 15,000 SY/GA
15605 LCD	Trinity	18,000	11,500	-0-
15610 LCD	Southwest United	12,000	6,500	-0-
15611 LCD	Grandale Church of the Master	15,000	15,000 *	10,000 SY/GA
15651 LCD	Urban Ministry	67,000	65,500	9,500 MMF
TOTALS	City Churches	\$140,500	\$ 123,500	\$ 34,500

MISSION DIRECTION: "CHURCH GROWTH":

To encourage and assist all its churches to grow numerically, provide relevant ministries to the unchurched, the formerly church, the disenfranchised, and to develop an attitude of openness to church growth in the congregations.

PROJECT NUMBER & DEPT./DIV.	TITLE	1983 REVISED	1984 REQUESTED	INCLUDES OTHER SOURCES
15602 LCD	Sashabaw	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,000	\$ -0-
15606 LCD	Faith, Novi	7,000	5,000	-0-
15613 LCD	Calvin East: Project Church Growth	4,000	4,000	4,000 EA
15614 LCD	Caring System: Mt. Clemens & Fraser	4,000	4,500	4,500 WC
15615 LCD	Geneva/Westland Christian Ed.	7,250	8,500	8,500 WC
15616 LCD	St. Timothy, Livonia	7,250	6,000	6,000 WC
15617 LCD	Korean New Church Development	-0-	15,000	10,000 SY/GA
15618 LCD	Trumbull Ave. Church Redevelopment	-0-	22,000 *	17,000 SY/GA
15619 LCD	East Detroit Covenant	-0-	8,500	8,500 EA
15805 PRD	Evangelism	5,000	5,500	2,500 MMF
TOTALS	Church Growth	\$ 39,500	\$ 83,000	\$ 61,000

MISSION DIRECTION: "HUMAN NEED":

To challenge and assist churches to meet the needs of the unemployed, the poor, the elderly, and deprived persons.

PROJECT NUMBER & DEPT./DIV.	TITLE	1983 REVISED	1984 REQUESTED	INCLUDES OTHER SOURCES
15512 PER	Emergency Grants	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,800	-0-
15513 PER	Special Assistance	1,500	1,500	-0-
15604 LCD	Broadstreet Outreach	6,000	3,000	-0-
15607 LCD	Littlefield Blvd. - Arab Outreach	22,656	20,000	15,000 SY/GA
15706 PM	Hunger Action Enabler	10,000	10,000	10,000 GA
15707 PM	Interfaith Center/Racial Justice	1,500	2,000	-0-
15710 PM	Metropolitan Jail Ministry	7,500	5,000	1,000 MMF
15712 PM	Youth Living Centers	2,000	2,000	-0-
15714 PM	Committee on Aging	2,700	2,700	-0-
15715 PM	Minority Scholarships	5,000	6,000	-0-
15717 PM	Middle East Education	400	400	-0-
15719 PM	Women's Justice Center	1,750	3,000	-0-
15720 PM	Westside Mothers	3,000	3,000	-0-
15722 PM	Women's Survival Center	2,500	3,000	-0-
15724 PM	Northwest Lahser Comm. Org.	1,250	1,000	-0-
15725 PM	Direct Food Relief (Hunger)	10,000	20,000	20,000 GA/CH
15817 PRD	Camperships - Summer	6,000	7,500	-0-
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>Human Need</b>	<b>\$ 86,756***</b>	<b>\$ 91,900</b>	<b>\$ 46,000</b>



MISSION DIRECTION: "LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT":

To help churches increase their effectiveness in ministry, by discovering creative styles of leadership, stimulating theological reflection, continuing education, skills training, leadership in worship, and resourcing of laity.

PROJECT NUMBER & DEPT./DIV.	TITLE	1983 REVISED	1984 REQUESTED	INCLUDES OTHER SOURCES
15503 PER	Theological Aid Fund	\$ 700	\$ 700	\$ -0-
15504 PER	Candidates' Psychological Eval.	1,500	1,500	-0-
15505 PER	Candidates' Annual Consultation	1,300	1,500	-0-
15506 PER	Support System for Candidates	300	300	-0-
15507 PER	Clergy Career Evaluation	500	500	-0-
15508 PER	Minority Professional Recruitment	1,000	500	-0-
15509 PER	Professional Growth & Development	4,000	4,000	-0-
15511 PER	Psychological Studies & Services	9,000	9,000	-0-
15515 PER	Face-To-Face	200	200	-0-
15704 PM	Committee on Women And The Church	1,000	1,000	-0-
15709 PM	Human Concern's Education	2,000	2,000	-0-
15802 PRD	Department/Units/Admn./PR	900	1,000	-0-
15804 PRD	Worship-Workshops/Resources/Svcs.	1,000	500	1,000 F
15809 PRD	Youth Covenant Core	2,000	1,500	-0-
15810 PRD	Consultant Services	150	200	-0-
15812 PRD	Youth Mix	1,300	1,300	-0-
15814 PRD	Teacher/Leader Workshops	1,200	1,000	-0-
15815 PRD	Senior High Leadership Training	800	800	-0-
15816 PRD	Teacher Ed. Scholarships	300	300	-0-
15819 PRD	Junior Hi Leadership Training	300	300	-0-
15821 PRD	Christian Ed.: Shared Approaches	250	-0-	-0-
15824 PRD	Church Officer Development	800	1,000	1,500 F
15825 PRD	Church Camperships	500	500	-0-
15826 PRD	Youth Scholarships	3,000	400	-0-
15827 PRD	Adult Special Events	300	1,000	-0-
15829 PRD	Seminars, Events, Workshops	1,000	800	-0-
15830 PRD	Adult Needs - Singles/Workshops	1,400	800	-0-
15833 PRD	Youth Workshops	375	375	-0-
15834 PRD	Family Ministry	-0-	650	-0-
15840 PRD	Training Wheels	4,000	3,000	3,000 MMF
15850 PRD	Resource Center	7,000	5,600	-0-
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>Leadership Development</b>	<b>\$ 48,125***</b>	<b>\$ 42,225</b>	<b>\$ 5,500</b>

MISSION DIRECTION: "MISSION FACILITATION":

To provide the Presbytery Office, Departments, Divisions, and Committees with the necessary operating support and adequate resources to carry out effective work.

PROJECT NUMBER & DEPT./DIV.	TITLE	1983 REVISED	1984 REQUESTED	INCLUDES OTHER SOURCES
15201 PC	All Department Expenses	\$ 10,000	\$ 8,000	\$ -0-
15202 PC	Office of the Stated Clerk	1,600	1,600	-0-
15203 PC	New Project Contingency	5,000	4,500	-0-
15204 PC	Presbytery Directory	1,200	1,200	-0-
15301 BA	Bookkeeping	24,000	25,200	-0-
15302 BA	Audit	12,500	12,500	-0-
15303 BA	Equipment and Equipment Res.	1,880	1,000	-0-
15304 BA	Legal Counsel	3,500	3,500	-0-
TOTALS		59,680	57,500	-0-
15100 SS	Support Staff: Salaries, FICA Pensions, etc.	100,406	110,446	-0-
15101 SS	Executive Staff: Salaries, Pensions Hospitalization	139,412	157,612	63,922
15110 SS	Executive Staff: Travel, Cars, Miscellaneous Expenses	30,508	23,500	-0-
15120 BA	Insurance (including Liability)	3,000	3,000	-0-
15121 BA	Rent to Westminster	21,124	23,236	-0-
15130 BA	Office Operations: Copy, Equipment, Literature, Postage, Publications, Services, Supplies, Telephone, Computer, Miscellaneous	36,900	39,590	-0-
TOTALS		\$331,350	\$357,384	\$63,922
GRAND TOTALS		\$873,301***	\$936,395	\$271,872

BYLAWS OF THE PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT

(Presented for Adoption, November 22, 1983)

Chapter I - Authority of These Bylaws

The Bylaws of the Presbytery of Detroit shall be in accordance with the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Meetings of the Presbytery shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised. Procedures of the Presbytery are set forth in the Manual of Operations, which accompanies these Bylaws and is required by the Form of Government, G-9.0405.

Chapter II - Membership

Section 1: Membership in the Presbytery of Detroit shall be determined in accordance with provisions in the Form of Government, G-11.0101; G-11.0401-.0416.

Section 2: If chairpersons of departments, committees, divisions or of Council, are not members of Presbytery, they shall be granted the privilege of the floor for the purpose of presenting reports of their units.

Section 3: Privilege of the floor may be granted to anyone, at any time, at the discretion of the Presbytery.

Chapter III - Meetings

Section 1: Stated meetings

- A. The Presbytery shall meet regularly as a governing body on the fourth Tuesday of January, February, March, April, May, June, September, October and November.
- B. The January meeting shall be the annual meeting.
- C. Places and times of meeting shall be determined by the Council.

Section 2: Special meetings may be called in accordance with the Form of Government, G-11:0201.

Section 3: The quorum at a meeting of Presbytery shall be any three ministers, and elders from at least three churches.

Section 4: Worship

- A. Each meeting of Presbytery shall have a devotional service under the direction of the Council.
- B. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be observed at least annually.

Section 5: Ministers without pastoral charge shall make an annual report to Presbytery, on a form provided by the Stated Clerk.

## Chapter IV - Officers

### Section 1: Moderator and Vicemoderator

- A. A Moderator and Vicemoderator shall be elected in November for one-year terms and installed at the next January meeting.
- B. The duties of the Moderator shall be those prescribed in G-9.0202 and G-9.0301. It shall be the duty of the Vicemoderator to preside at the request of or in the absence of the Moderator.

### Section 2: Stated Clerk

- A. The Stated Clerk shall be elected at a November meeting of Presbytery for a term of three years, and may be re-elected for an indefinite number of terms. The Stated Clerk shall take office at the January meeting following his or her election. Presbytery may fill a vacancy in the office at any stated meeting. The person elected shall become Acting Stated Clerk and shall serve until a regularly elected Stated Clerk has taken office.
- B. The duties of the Stated Clerk shall be those prescribed in G-9.0203.
- C. The Stated Clerk shall receive an annual salary to be determined by the Presbytery and shall be reimbursed for all expenses incurred in the proper discharge of duties.

### Section 3: Treasurer

- A. The Treasurer shall be elected at a November meeting of the Presbytery for a three year term and may be re-elected for an indefinite number of terms. The Treasurer shall take office at the January meeting following his or her election. Presbytery may fill a vacancy in the office at any stated meeting. The person elected shall become Acting Treasurer and shall serve until a regularly elected Treasurer has taken office.
- B. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer:
  - (1) to receive all funds belonging to the Presbytery, to deposit them under the direction of the Trustees, and to disburse them according to its orders;
  - (2) to keep proper books of account of all receipts and disbursements, together with supporting vouchers.

### Section 4: Recording Clerk

- A. The Recording Clerk shall be elected at the November meeting of Presbytery for a term of one year, and may be re-elected for an indefinite number of terms, and shall take office at the next succeeding January meeting following election.

- B. It shall be the duty of the Recording Clerk:**
- (1) to keep minutes of all proceedings of Presbytery and to deliver them promptly to the Stated Clerk, together with all papers and documents upon which action has been taken or is pending;
  - (2) to render such assistance to the Stated Clerk as may be determined by the Council.
- C. The Recording Clerk shall receive an annual salary to be determined by the Presbytery and shall be reimbursed for all expenses incurred in the proper discharge of duties.**
- D. The Stated Clerk shall nominate at each meeting of Presbytery a person to be appointed by the Moderator as Assistant Clerk. The duties of the Assistant Clerk are to render assistance to the Stated Clerk and Recording Clerk during meetings.**

#### Chapter V - Departments

**Section 1:** The Presbytery shall have the following departments: a Department of Local Church Development (thirty members), a Department of Program and Resource Development (thirty members), a Department of Presbytery Ministries (thirty members) and a Department of Mission Support (thirty members). The members of the departments shall be elected by the Presbytery. The chairperson of each department shall be elected by the Presbytery for a one-year term. A chairperson shall not serve for more than three consecutive terms.

#### **Section 2: The Department of Local Church Development**

- A. The Department of Local Church Development shall focus on the development of the churches of the Presbytery and shall bring the concerns of the Presbytery to the churches. It shall help make the resources of the Presbytery available to its churches.**
- B. It shall be responsible for the following specific duties:**
- (1) to review session records;
  - (2) to review and share mission concerns with both new and existing churches;
  - (3) to assist churches in strategy;
  - (4) to assist churches in development;
  - (5) to plan and develop new churches.

#### **Section 3: Department of Program and Resource Development**

- A. The Department of Program and Resource Development shall focus on the leadership and program resource needs of local churches and of the Pres-**

bytery. It shall be responsible for drawing together and distributing the material and personnel resources for traditional and new programming by and in the churches of the Presbytery.

B. It shall be responsible for the following specific duties;

- (1) to coordinate programs and resources for leadership development;
- (2) to coordinate programs and resources for worship;
- (3) to coordinate programs and resources for extended experience education;
- (4) to coordinate programs and resources for evangelism.

#### Section 4: Department of Presbytery Ministries

A. The Department of Presbytery Ministries shall focus on that mission of the Church which is best expressed by the Presbytery as a whole.

B. It shall be responsible for the following specific duties:

- (1) to develop and support ministries to meet the needs of people served by the churches of Presbytery;
- (2) to encourage ecumenical and interchurch auxiliary organizations, and to develop communications among the Presbytery and these organizations;
- (3) to be a liaison between Presbytery and community organizations which minister to human needs;
- (4) to maintain a standing advisory committee on human concerns, which shall advise, through the Department, the Council and the Presbytery regarding human concerns.

#### Section 5: Department of Mission Support

A. The Department of Mission Support shall focus on the interpretation and support of the total mission of the Church and its promotion to the churches in the Presbytery.

B. It shall be responsible for the following specific duties:

- (1) to coordinate efforts of communication about all missions;
- (2) to interpret and promote study of mission materials and resources;
- (3) to coordinate mission funding efforts;
- (4) to work with the United Presbyterian Foundation; promote deferred giving;
- (5) to assign, coordinate and promote mission speakers and mission

support events.

## Chapter VI - Committees

Section 1: The Presbytery shall have the following committees: a Committee on Ministry (twenty-four members), a Committee on Candidates (eighteen members), a Committee on Representation (ten members), a Committee on Nominations (twelve members), a Committee on Bills and Overtures (six members), and a Committee on Bylaws (six members). The members of the committees shall be elected by the Presbytery. The chairperson of each committee shall be elected by the Presbytery for a one year term and shall be a person who is a member of the committee. A chairperson shall not serve for more than three consecutive terms.

### Section 2: Committee on Ministry

- A. The Committee on Ministry shall be elected in accordance with G-11.0501.
- B. Its duties shall be those listed in G-11.0502.
- C. A quorum shall be two-thirds of its membership.

### Section 3: Committee on Candidates

- A. The Committee on Candidates shall be responsible for implementing the provisions of G-14.0302 (paragraphs a-c) and G-14.0402 (paragraph d).

### Section 4: Committee on Representation

- A. The Committee on Representation shall include in its membership persons enumerated in G-9.0105. Nominations shall be made through the Council.
- B. Its responsibilities shall be those listed in G-9.0105.

### Section 5: Committee on Nominations

- A. One third of the Committee on Nominations shall be ministers, one third shall be male elders and one third shall be female elders.
- B. It shall nominate persons to fill all vacancies requiring election by Presbytery (with the exception of the executive staff).
- C. It shall observe the provisions listed in G-9.0801.

### Section 6: Committee on Bills and Overtures

- A. The Committee on Bills and Overtures shall be elected in such a way that the terms of members shall run from June first to May 31st.
- B. It shall receive all bills and overtures from other governing bodies, including sessions.
- C. It shall make recommendations to Presbytery concerning all matters referred to it.

Section 7: Committee on Bylaws

A. The Committee on Bylaws shall have the following specific duties:

- (1) to receive requests, recommendations and proposals for changes in the structure of Presbytery or its Bylaws;
- (2) to evaluate said requests, recommendations and proposals and to make recommendations to Presbytery concerning them;
- (3) to be able to initiate its own proposals for amending the Bylaws.

Chapter VII - Council

Section 1: The Council shall be composed of seventeen members, as follows: the Moderator of Presbytery, the Vicemoderator, the immediate past Moderator, the Stated Clerk, the chairpersons of the Committees on Ministry, Candidates, and Nominations, the President of the Detroit Presbyterial Association and nine members elected at large for three-year terms. The chairperson of the Council shall be the immediate past Moderator. The secretary of the Council shall be the Stated Clerk. The Presbytery Executive shall be a member ex officio, without vote.

Section 2: Members-at-large shall be appointed by the chairperson to serve as liaison to the departments and divisions.

Section 3: The Council shall focus on 1) the coordination of the programs of the Presbytery, its administrative services and the work of its departments and committees; 2) and on how effectively these various programs and services undergird the mission of its member churches.

Section 4: It shall be responsible for proposing any matters which it considers to be for the welfare of the Presbytery.

Section 5: It shall have the following specific duties:

- A. to receive from the Stated Clerk, and approve or amend, the docket for a meeting of Presbytery;
- B. to direct the work of administrative personnel;
- C. to review the work of Presbytery and to recommend appropriate actions for program and mission;
- D. to receive reports of the departments.

Section 6: It shall have the following divisions: a Division of Planning (ten members), a Division of Staff Services (ten members), a Division of Business Affairs (ten members), and a Budget Division (ten members). The members of the divisions shall be elected by the Presbytery. The chairperson of each division shall be elected by the Presbytery for a one-year term and may be a person who is a member of the division or is from outside the membership.



**A. The Division of Planning shall:**

- (1) focus on the planning process for the Presbytery as a whole;
- (2) prepare annually the Mission Directions, to be adopted by the Presbytery;
- (3) coordinate the session visitation program.

**B. The Division of Staff Services shall:**

- (1) nominate to Presbytery persons to be elected to the executive staff;
- (2) formulate and review personnel policies for the employees of Presbytery;
- (3) carry out performance reviews of the Presbytery staff.

**C. The Division of Business Affairs shall be the Trustees of the Presbytery of Detroit, Inc. It shall elect the following officers, who shall also be the officers of the Presbytery of Detroit, Inc.: President, Vicepresident, Secretary, Treasurer. The Division of Business Affairs shall:**

- (1) manage the property of the Presbytery, its insurance program, its investment portfolio, its funds, and shall monitor its budget.
- (2) be responsible for seeing that all loans and property encumbrances of the Presbytery and its member churches are in accord with sound business practices and with the mission program of the Presbytery;
- (3) supervise the operation of the Presbytery office.

**D. The Budget Division shall:**

- (1) be responsible for implementing a complete budget process, which has been approved by Council, and which shall continue in effect until and unless amended by action of the Council; the budget process shall be presented for information at each January meeting of the Presbytery;
- (2) report regularly to Council and directly to Presbytery, either for purposes of information or for recommendations for action;
- (3) present to Presbytery, not later than the September meeting a Program Budget for the following year.

**Chapter VIII - Permanent Judicial Commission**

**Section 1:** A Permanent Judicial Commission shall be elected by the Presbytery, in accordance with provisions in the Rules of Discipline, D-4.0100, consisting of seven persons, four ministers and three elders or three ministers and four elders.

**Section 2:** It shall have the powers and duties described in D-4.0200, and shall conduct its business in accordance with the relevant provisions of The Rules of

Discipline.

Chapter IX - Agencies

Section 1: Agencies of Presbytery

- A. The Presbytery may establish agencies to carry out its work, and in doing so may establish and elect boards of directors.
- B. Such agencies may incorporate, subject to approval by the Presbytery.
- C. If an agency obtains property it shall do so under the provisions of Chapter VIII of the Form of Government of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Section 2: Ecumenical and Community Agencies

- A. Presbytery may initiate or take part in community and ecumenical agencies.
- B. If an agency in which the Presbytery is a member obtains property and, later is dissolved, a portion of the property, determined by the Presbytery's share in the operation of the agency, shall revert to the Presbytery, in accordance with Chapter VIII of the Form of Government.
- C. Ecumenical relations shall be governed by the provisions of G-15.0100-.0105.

Chapter X - Amendments

Section 1: These Bylaws may be amended at any stated meeting of the Presbytery, by a two-thirds vote, provided that written notice of the proposed amendment has been presented at a previous stated meeting. The vote, unless it is unanimous, must be counted and reported in the minutes of Presbytery.

Section 2: These Bylaws may be suspended by a three-fourths vote, except that Chapter X, Section 1, cannot be suspended. The vote, unless it is unanimous, must be counted and reported in the minutes of Presbytery.

PRO RE NATA MEETING

December 27, 1983

The Presbytery of Detroit of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) held a Pro Re Nata Meeting for the purpose of acting upon a request of Fort Street Presbyterian Church for permission to sell the property known as Clear Lake Camp, located on Drahner Road in Oxford Township, Oakland County.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Moderator, William Saum.

The Clerk reported that a quorum was present.

Upon motion, the following were excused from the meeting: Ministers: Barcus, G. Baker, D. Baker, Blackshear, Bowersox, Brand, Broberg, Brown, Eshleman, Francis, Henderson, Kaufman, Keebler, Lester, Leverenz, McCloskey Turner, Milford, Miller, Orr, Palmer, Sharpless, Sherwin, Shook, Shoup, Stryker, T. Taylor, R. Todd, J. Todd, Wilson; Elders: Village (2), Brighton (2), Auburn Heights (1), Grosse Ile (1); Council: Leigh, Adams.

MINISTERS

Austin	Crilley	MacPherson	Mitcham	Simons
Beal	Hawley	Marvin	Nagle	Sutton
Beery	LeDuc	McCloskey	Saum	Taylor, S.

ABSENCES

Abbott	Curphey	Hanna	Magee	Smith, P.
Allen	Dawson	Hamilton	Marlow	Sommers
Anderson	Dickson	Harmon	Mather	Stenner
Antonson	Dotson	Hartley	McIntyre	Stone, G.
Armstrong	Douglas	Haynes	McIvor	Stone, J.
Baliad	Dunkelberger, M.	Hillegonds	Mishler	Sunderman
Banks	Dunkelberger, R.	Howie	Moore	Swinehart
Barnes	Dunn	Ihrie	Musgrave	Taylor, K.
Bartko	Eimer	Jansen	Naylor	Taylor, M.
Battles	Ellens	Jeffrey	Nead	Terpstra
Boeve	Ferry	Jones, V.	Peters	Thompson
Boyd	Flowers	Jones, W.	Peterson	Tull
Bower	Forsyth	Kesler	Phillippe	Whitledge
Brasure	Freund	Kettlewell	Pierson	Wilde
Campbell	Fuhrmeister	Kim	Poland	Wilson, R.
Carter	Geider	Kirkman	Purvis-Smith	Wilson, S.
Cater	Geissinger	Koster	Ramsey	Woodruff
Chamberlain	Gepford	Krehbiel	Rieker	Yingling
Cobleigh	Gillette	Lambert	Roberts	Zedan
Coleman	Gillis	Lindsey	Schaefer	
Colwell	Glenn	Linthicum	Schram, J.	
Conley	Good	Lister	Schram, W.	
Cook	Gruebel	Lumley	Sefcik	
Cotter	Gundersen	MacDonald	Smith, C.	

ELDERS

Birmingham, First  
Detroit, Fort Street

White, A.  
Manos, S.  
Taylor, C.

Grosse Ile.  
South Lyon  
Taylor, Southminster

Morrison, H.  
Heath, F.  
Dorotinsky, B.

Upon motion, the call for the Pro Re Nata Meeting, requested by Robert H. Crilley, pastor and Carl R. Taylor, elder of Fort Street Presbyterian Church and Frank C. Marvin, pastor, and Mildred Nelson, Elder of Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church, for the above mentioned reason, with the addition of items from Presbytery Council was declared in order.

Upon motion, permission was given to Fort Street Presbyterian Church, Detroit, to sell the property known as Clear Lake Camp, located on Drahner Road, in Oxford Township, Oakland County, for the sum of \$239,000.00 cash to Jack I. Winshall of Huntington Woods.

Upon motion, Stephanie Sauve was dismissed to Genesee Valley Presbytery as a candidate under care.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the ordination of Stephanie Sauve. The Administration Commission for ordination will be requested and elected at the regular January meeting of Presbytery, pending approval of Genesee Valley Presbytery.

Upon motion, the following Administrative Commission was elected to install Larry Austin on January 29, 1984, at 10:30, First Presbyterian Church, Farmington: Ministers: Roland Keebler, Carl Howie, George Ramsey and Elders: Eleanor Case, Edward Hazlett and William Zimmerman (First Farmington).

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the election of Hubert Sunderman as Pastor Emeritus of Lake Shore Presbyterian Church, Port Huron.

Upon motion, the Presbytery approved the request of St. Timothy United Presbyterian Church to change its name to St. Timothy Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Upon motion, permission was granted to Kirk of our Savior, Westland, to borrow from Presbytery's Capital Loan Fund, the sum of \$15,000, for three years at 8% interest for the purpose of repairing the church roof. Payment will be interest only beginning January, 1984 through April, 1984; principal and interest will begin May 1, 1984 through December 31, 1986.

The meeting was adjourned with the apostolic benediction by the Moderator, William Saum.

Linda Crawford  
Recording Clerk

  
Stanley M. Taylor  
Stated Clerk