



**Presbytery of Genesee Valley
STATED MEETING
January 31, 2017 – 4:00 PM**



**Irondequoit Presbyterian Church
2881 Culver Road, Rochester, NY 14622**

The Rev. Jim Renfrew, *Moderator*
Elder Hezekiah Simmons, *Moderator-Elect*
The Rev. Bronwen Boswell, *Acting Stated Clerk*
Elder Bob Mecredy, *Treasurer*

MAILED DOCKET



- 2:30 -** PRE-MEETING: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BOOK OF ORDER
- 3:30 -** ON SITE REGISTRATION OPENS
- 4:00 -** REGULAR MEETING TO BEGIN

At the January meeting:

- *Action on Amendments to the Book of Order*
- *Report of the Lakeside Administrative Commission*
- *2016 Necrology Report*
- **New Commissioners:** Please contact Cheryl Battaglia (programsecretary@pbygenval.org or 242-0080 ext 103) in the Presbytery Office to request a name badge and a *Welcome to Presbytery* resource booklet.
- **Resource Center:** The Resource Center comes to you at every Presbytery meeting. Please visit the display and check out all the great resources available for borrowing!
- **Minutes** of previous Presbytery meetings are available on the web site at www.pbygenval.org/documents. They will be mailed to presbyters who do not have e-mail access.
- **Attendance:** Since ministers and elder commissioners are required to attend presbytery meetings, presbyters who do not request excuses will be marked absent. Corrections to attendance from previous meetings will be made in the permanent record.

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To avoid distraction, please silence your cell phone when you are in the meeting. Thanks!

"Know Christ, Live Christ, Share Christ"

History of Irondequoit Presbyterian Church



The Irondequoit Presbyterian Church began as a Sunday School, started in 1856 by a group of teens. As the only religious organization in the East Irondequoit area, this group met in a one room school house for thirty years until a growing population necessitated a new building. On October 19, 1890, the cornerstone was laid for the building of the chapel, later dedicated on July 19, 1891. After a few years, preaching services were required and until 1915, the need was met by Senior students from the Baptist Seminary. The organization of the Irondequoit Presbyterian church soon followed in 1914 and Mr. Harry Bonner was installed in 1916 as the church's first resident minister. Several additions

completed in 1927 and 1956 were need to meet the needs of this growing church. For many years, the Irondequoit Presbyterian Church also served as a social and recreational center for East Irondequoit. Many clubs met at the church and the church social hall house sports leagues and even a bowling club. Today, Irondequoit Presbyterian Church remains dedicated to its Christian mission and service to the community.

Directions to Irondequoit Presbyterian Church

**2881 Culver Road
Rochester, NY 14622
(585) 266-3370**

Irondequoit Presbyterian Church is located just south of the intersection of East Ridge Road and Culver Rd.

From the South

- Take RT. 590 to RT. 104 West.
- Exit at Culver Road, go north (right) on Culver Road. Turn left on Williams Street (3rd street on the left).
- Look for volunteers guiding you to parking.

From the West

- Take the Culver Road exit off RT. 104 East.
- Turn left to head north on Culver Rd. and turn left onto Williams Street (3rd street on left).
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MAILED DOCKET**For the Meeting of the Presbytery of Genesee Valley**

Tuesday, January 31, 2017

Irondequoit Presbyterian Church

Stated Meeting

Rochester, New York

		<u>Page Reference</u>		
		<u>Mailed</u>	<u>Taken</u>	
3:55 PM				Announcements
				▪ <i>Celebration Concert for Rev. Dr. Val Fowler</i>
				▪ <i>Church Leadership Development Day</i>
				▪ <i>Greetings from the Host Church</i>
				Karen Kingsbury Gene Fowler
4:00 PM				Call to Order and Opening Prayer
				Introductory Business
				▪ <i>Approval of Docket</i>
				▪ <i>Appointment of Tellers</i>
				▪ <i>Greeting New Commissioners</i>
				▪ <i>Enrollment of Corresponding Members</i>
				▪ <i>Privilege of the Floor</i>
	4			Omnibus Motion
				▪ <i>Lifting of Motions for Discussion</i>
				Call for New Business
				Report from Presbytery Leader
				Amy Williams Fowler
	5-6			Presbytery Council
				▪ <i>Action on Amendments to the Book of Order</i>
				▪ <i>Updates from Vision & Strategy Committee</i>
				▪ <i>Update from Healthier Congregations and Neighborhoods Visioning Team</i>
				▪ <i>Extension of Agreement with the Rev. Bronwen Boswell as Acting Stated Clerk</i>
				Laura Fry Sue Tedesco/Ann Haag
	7-31			Report of the Lakeside Administrative Commission
				▪ <i>Action to Dissolve the Administrative Commission with deep thanks</i>
				George Gotcsik
5:00 PM	32			Trustees Report
				▪ <i>Approve a Grant to Trinity Emmanuel Presbyterian Church</i>
				▪ <i>Authorize Scottsville Union Presbyterian Church to Sell Manse</i>
				Ron Hansen
				Budget Development and Oversight Committee and Treasurer's Report
				▪ <i>Report on 2016 Financial Statements</i>
				Ed Orman Bob Mecredy
				Mission and Advocacy Committee Report
				▪ <i>Report from Kirkhaven</i>
				Kay VanNostrand
				Report from Presbyter for Mission and Education
				Susan Orr
				Self-Development of People Report
				▪ <i>Conkey Cruisers</i>
				▪ <i>P.O.W.E.R.</i>
				Theresa Lou Bowick Luis Torres
5:35 PM	33-34			Committee on Ministry
				▪ <i>Approve East Bethany Presbyterian Church Request to Grant Status of Pastor Emeritus to the Rev. Walter Wenhold, HR</i>
				▪ <i>Approve the Commissioning of RE Martha Mitchell to Pastoral Service with Stone Church Presbyterian Church, Bergen, NY</i>
				▪ <i>Grant Status of Honorable Retirement to the Rev. Raymond Bagnuolo</i>
				Melissa DeRosia
5:45 PM	35-37			Worship
				▪ <i>Commissioning of Ruling Elder Martha Mitchell to serve Stone Church Presbyterian Church, Bergen</i>
				▪ <i>2016 Necrology Report</i>
6:15 PM				Dinner

OMNIBUS MOTION

Presbytery of Genesee Valley

January 31, 2017 – Irondequoit Presbyterian Church

The purpose of an Omnibus Motion is to enable a governing body to deal with routine business expeditiously, thus freeing up time for other activities.

How to lift items for discussion or debate:

An opportunity will be given for presbyters to request that action items be lifted from the Omnibus Motion. Simply go to the microphone and when you are recognized, request the item you wish to lift out.

Items lifted out for discussion will be dealt with during the committee report associated with that particular item. The remaining items will be approved in one motion.

Omnibus Motion: Items for Presbytery Action

The Stated Clerk moves that the presbytery:

Approve the Minutes of the November 29, 2016 stated meeting of Genesee Valley Presbytery, held at Webster Presbyterian Church, Webster, NY.

Receive the Treasurer's Report

Approve TE William Wilkinson as the Presbytery of Genesee Valley's alternate to the Mission and Ministry Commission of the Synod of the Northeast.

Council Report to January Presbytery MeetingAction on Amendments to the Book of Order

To Approve or Disapprove the Amendments to the Book of Order:

Foundations of Presbyterian Polity

F-3.0202: **16-C.1.** Ministers of the Word and Sacrament

Form of Government

G-1.0304: **16-F.** The Ministry of Members

G-2.0102: **16-C.2.** Ministers of the Word and Sacrament

G-2.0301: **16-C.3.** Ministers of the Word and Sacrament

G-2.05 and G-2.0501: **16-C.4.** Ministers of Word and Sacrament

G-2.0509: **16-D.1.** On Amending G-2.0509

G-2.0701: **16-C.5.** Ministers of the Word and Sacrament

G-2.1101: **16-E.** Certified Service Requirements

G-3.0106: **16-A.** Child and Youth Protection Policy

G-3.0109: **16-B.** Parity in Committees

G-3.0307: **16-C.6.** Ministers of the Word and Sacrament and Commissioned Pastors

Directory for Worship

W-2.4011a. and b.: **16-G.** Access to the Lord's Table

W-4.4001a.: **16-C.8.** Minister of the Word and Sacrament

Ordered Ministry Titles: **16-C.5.** Ministers of the Word and Sacrament

16-C.6. Ministers of the Word and Sacrament and
Commissioned Pastors

16-C.7. Ministers of the Word and Sacrament and
Commissioned Pastors

Revised Directory for Worship

Rules of Discipline

D-10.0401: **16-D.2.** On Amending D-10.0401

Ordered Ministry Titles: **16-C.5.** Ministers of the Word and Sacrament

16-C.6. Ministers of the Word and Sacrament and
Commissioned Pastors

16-C.7. Ministers of the Word and Sacrament and
Commissioned Pastors

For Information:

Meeting Schedule

PRESBYTERY Tuesday, January 31, 2017, Irondequoit

CHURCH LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT DAY Saturday, February 11, 2017

COUNCIL Monday, February 27, 2017, 6 p.m. Third

PRESBYTERY Saturday, March 25, 2017, Pittsford

COUNCIL Monday, April 24, 2017, 6 p.m. York

PRESBYTERY Tuesday, May 23, 2017, Byron

COUNCIL Monday, June 12, 2017, Lyndonville

Formation of a Task group to write policy concerning disposition of PJC records.

The Westminster/RPH Ministry Team has been placed on hold until there is further information and guidance given.

Action Taken

Extended the contract with Bronwen Boswell through March 2017.

MOTION: The Lakeside Administrative Commission requests dismissal and submits the following report:

FINAL REPORT OF THE LAKESIDE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION

On November 18, 2014, upon the recommendation of the Board of Trustees, the Presbytery of Genesee Valley voted to appoint an Administrative Commission in order to:

“investigate and explore the missional uses and disposition of church property, including the possible continuation of the child development center presently operating in the property, and to report its recommendations as to the use and disposition to the Presbytery, the members of the Administrative Commission to be appointed by the Moderator and to include representatives to include members of the Urban Presbyterians Together, the Congregational Development Committee, the Presbytery Trustees and the Lakeside Presbyterian Church.”

Resulting from this vote, the following people were appointed to the Lakeside Administrative Commission:

Reverend Carol Anne Strawbridge (HR) – Congregation Development Committee,
Co-Chairperson

Elder Tom Swartz (Summerville) – former Lakeside Presbyterian Member,
Co-Chairperson

Reverend Ann Evinger (HR) - Congregational Development Committee

Elder George Gotcsik (Third) – Urban Presbyterians Together

Elder Karen Kingsbury (Laurelton) – Urban Presbyterians Together

Reverend Martha Moler (Dewey Avenue) – Urban Presbyterians Together

Reverend Carson Mouser (Summerville) - Trustees

Elder Susan Orr (Laurelton) – Presbyter for Mission and Education, ex-officio

The organizational meeting of the Lakeside Administrative Commission was held on June 16, 2015. At this meeting, Reverend Amy Fowler oriented the commissioners as to their charge. Thereafter, the commission met regularly to discern possible “missional uses” for the Lakeside Presbyterian building.

From June 2015 until June 2016, the above charge became the filter through which commissioners heard community and Presbytery voices. Telephone conversations were had with the YMCA, Rochester Primary Care Network, and Charles Settlement House. Face-to-face meetings were held with representatives of the Charlotte Community Association, neighbors living near the building, Creative Beginnings Child Care Center - Lakeside Daycare Director, and Abundant Grace Church.

The above discussions revealed the many needs of the Charlotte area – the northwest quadrant of the city of Rochester. They also exposed the struggle between those in

Charlotte who advocate for future community growth and development and those who embrace the traditional identity of the community. The shared conviction in the conversations was the importance of the Creative Beginnings Child Care Center - Lakeside. The center offers quality child care to the families of the community – a community that is grossly underserved. This child care center began in the Lakeside Presbyterian Church building in 1982. It has continuously served the community since that date.

In addition to the above list, after informal conversations with Cameron Community Ministries, the Lakeside Administration Commission invited representatives from Cameron Community Ministries to meet with them. Jennifer Muniga, Executive Director, Alan Newton, Executive Minister of the Rochester Genesee Region American Baptist Churches, and several Cameron Community Ministries board members were present at this meeting. This meeting explored the possibilities of expanding Cameron Community Ministries to the Lakeside Presbyterian Church building. The conversation included an explanation of the foundational relationship between Cameron Community Ministries and Rochester Genesee Region American Baptist Churches. It was hoped that this relationship could serve as a model for the Presbytery of Genesee Valley. Cameron Community Ministries is housed in a building owned by the American Genesee Region American Baptist Churches USA (RGR). Cameron has “ownership” of its building and is responsible for maintaining the building, but the deed is held by the RGR. It was eventually determined that a similar arrangement for the Lakeside property was not feasible for either party. The Board of Cameron Community Ministries questioned the feasibility of stretching personnel and finances beyond their current location. Concurrently, commissioners of the Lakeside Administrative Commission met with the Trustees of the Presbytery of Genesee Valley. The Trustees stated clearly that they did not want to own church buildings and would not consider such an arrangement.

Understanding that selling the building was the only acceptable path forward, commissioners explored ways to use the building for “missional use” while also selling it. The congregation of Abundant Grace Church offered an opportunity to do so. This congregation is presently renting space in a building in the Charlotte area. The Abundant Grace congregation provides a food pantry for the Charlotte community. They desire to expand their outreach to include a clothing cupboard. The limitations of their current space will not allow it.

After several meetings with the Lakeside Administrative Commission as a whole, Pastor Banks (their pastor) and other church leaders began meeting with representatives from the Commission. The needs of Abundant Grace, Creative Beginnings Child Care Center- Lakeside, and the Presbytery of Genesee Valley were woven together. A proposal was written by the Commission detailing the use of space as well as outlining a potential financial plan. In cooperation with Creative Beginnings Child Care Center, Abundant Grace members agreed to only use the building for church purposes after 4:00 pm. This was congruent with a Rochester’s City School District security requirement. Commissioners from the Lakeside Administrative Commission then met

with the Trustees of the Presbytery of Genesee Valley. At that meeting, the Trustees affirmed the negotiations and agreed to take a proposal to the next stated meeting of the Presbytery of Genesee Valley.

The following summarizes the negotiation: 1. The Presbytery of Genesee Valley would sell the Lakeside Presbyterian Church building to Abundant Grace for \$260,000 dollars. 2. The Presbytery would hold the deed to the building for four years while Abundant Grace made yearly payments of \$30,000 dollars (the same amount that they are currently paying for rent). 3. At the end of the four years, Abundant Grace would make a balloon payment to the Presbytery for the remaining balance. 4. A contingency of the sale was that Creative Beginnings Child Care Center would remain in the building. The child care center would pay inside and outside building maintenance expenses and utilities for up to \$25,000 annually. This was approved by the Creative Beginnings Child Care Center Board. These financial arrangements gave Abundant Grace time to launch a capital campaign for the purpose of making the final balloon payment to the Presbytery.

On May 24, 2016, the Trustees presented the following proposal to the Presbytery of Genesee Valley at their stated meeting:

“The Trustees having reviewed and concurred with the report of the Administrative Commission for Lakeside Presbyterian, makes the following proposal to Presbytery:

The Presbytery of Genesee Valley approve the recommendations of the Administrative Commission regarding the disposition of the property, contingent upon the preparation of a written contract to be approved by the Board of Trustees and the Presbytery.”

The details of the sale of the Lakeside Presbyterian Church building to Abundant Grace were in the Presbytery docket as well as explained on the floor of Presbytery. The proposal passed without dissent. Reverend Judy Hay then proposed, from the floor of Presbytery, that the money from the sale of the Lakeside Presbyterian Church building go into the Grace Fund of the Presbytery of Genesee Valley. This was passed as well.

Per the actions of Presbytery at the May meeting, the Trustees were to negotiate a contract with Abundant Grace based upon the approved recommendations. The final contract would be presented to the Presbytery at a future meeting. The following things happened during the summer months. 1. The pastor of Zion Dominion appeared at the Lakeside Presbyterian Church building having learned that the building was for sale and could be toured. As a result, Zion Dominion suggested to the Trustees a possible cash offer. 2. Abundant Grace was unable to use their denomination’s lawyer as he was from out-of-state. They had to obtain a local attorney who understood and practiced New York State real estate law. Trustees were uncomfortable with Abundant Grace’s delay in doing this. Once obtained, the attorney for Abundant Grace was remiss in consistent communication with the attorney for the Presbytery. 3. Abundant Grace worked toward the sale, acquiring needed documentation and obtaining information

necessary to complete the sale. They petitioned the state for accreditation as a not-for-profit organization. They also conducted detailed engineering studies of both the interior and exterior of the building, including the roof. These studies identified a number of maintenance items that needed correcting. The child care center responded quickly with repairs to exterior security lighting, repair and repainting of the handicap ramp, and the sealing and striping of the parking lot.

At the end of the summer, Abundant Grace's lawyer was informed that a \$20,000 down payment was necessary in order to purchase the building. This was not part of the original negotiation. When members of Trustees were questioned about this by the Lakeside Administrative Commission, the Trustees agreed to drop the required deposit. Abundant Grace's lawyer then responded with "Terms for Purchase." In summary, the terms described "purchase of real property through a lease with option to purchase." Controversial in their terms was the statement: "maintenance to the roof, HVAC, foundation, and other parts of the property, shall be provided by the seller excepting the lawn and snow removal which shall be provided by the child care center." The Trustees responded with the following terms:

"Presbytery will list and actively market the property for sale and buyer will cooperate with reasonable request for access to the property to show to interested purchases. The Lease shall contain provisions requiring the Presbytery to give written notice to the Buyer in the event that a purchase offer is received, and Buyer shall then have 15 days within which to respond to Presbytery, affirming that it will close on the purchase of the property within 60 days, on the terms otherwise set forth in the Option to Purchase, or that it will vacate the property within 60 days."

This was problematic for Abundant Grace. The attorney for Abundant Grace advised the congregation not to buy the building. As the negotiations unraveled, the Trustees agreed with the Lakeside Administrative Commission's request to meet face-to-face with members of the Abundant Grace congregation. Abundant Grace members did not agree to the meeting and pulled out of the negotiations. The Lakeside Administrative Commission believes the offer from the Trustees was very different from the original recommendations approved by the Presbytery.

This was a discouraging and disappointing conclusion. As the Trustees move forward, the Lakeside Administrative Commissioners urge them to consider the preservation of the Creative Beginnings Day Care Center - Lakeside in future negotiations. It was the essence of their recommendation to Trustees, the vote of the Presbytery, and an essential service to the community.

**Presbytery Administrative Commission for Lakeside
Meeting Minutes
June 16, 2015**

Present: Carol Anne Strawbridge, Tom Swartz, Ann Evinger, Karen Kingsbury, Susan Orr, Martha Moler, Carson Mouser, Amy Fowler

1. Carol Ann Strawbridge opened us in prayer.
2. Introductions of the members of the Commission were made.
3. What is an Administrative Commission and its scope of work? Amy Fowler. The task of the AC is to explore missional uses of the building, and make a recommendation to the Presbytery concerning the future use of the building/site. The reserved funds remaining from the dissolution of the church are being held by the Presbytery Trustees, pending the work of the AC and the recommendation may include the use of these funds for ministries that may be located there. The Lakeside Child and Family Center continues its work in the building, and the license is being transferred to Creative Beginnings Childcare Center (a 501c3 organization).
4. Susan Orr, Presbyter for Mission and Education will serve as a Presbytery staff to the AC.
5. What Resources may be available for the future use of the property for mission? Tom Swartz will share the New Beginnings material from Lakeside Church. Tom reviewed some of the local history including Charlotte High School, the other local churches, the Day Care, the Historical Society, and the Development Corp., and the Neighborhood Association (Charlotte Association), the Lighthouse Historical Society, and the Highrise apartments. Tom also shared the assessed value of the building and property is \$450,000. There has also been some interest by Cameron Community Ministries to looking at the building for use.
6. Carol Anne Strawbridge and Tom Swartz will Co-Chair the AC and Karen Kingsbury will take meeting minutes.
7. A meeting plan and process was discussed as well as sharing of the emails to form a listserv for communicating.

Presbytery Administrative Commission Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 14, 2015 – 5:00 pm

1. Introductions – Tom Swartz, George Gotcsik, Susan Orr, Karen Kingsbury, Martha Moler Carol Anne Strawbridge, Karen Kingsbury, Carson Mouser

2. Devotions

Carol Anne led us through a history of the Charlotte Lighthouse which opened our eyes to the wonderful history that this neighborhood embodies.

3. Gifts & Challenges

Gifts (with which we have to work)

- Building – good condition and good parking
- Location
- Endowments – LPC
- Dewey Avenue Presbyterian's commitment to Child & Family Center (\$500/month)
- Child Care Center
- Landmark Society resources – for example of alternative use
- Experience
- Cameron Community Ministries interest
- Presbytery's support
- New Beginnings process
- Openess to purpose or re-purpose
- History
- Community connections
- Congregation desire/dedication to use the facility for Christian/benevolent purpose

Challenges (with which we have to work)

- Future financial support
- Determine community needs
- 60% catholic neighborhood (majority)
- Changing community – new vs. old; railroad bridge is dividing line
- Politics
- Presbytery not set up to be property managers
- Positive cash flow – sustain LCFC services
- Resources – who will do the potential work;
- Two constituencies – visible & invisible
 - Visible – Homeowners (Denise Leadership or Association Businesses on Lake Ave.)
 - Invisible – low income residents in high rises (including disabled & seniors) and those that live above businesses; minorities (diverse moderate to low income)

4. New Beginnings Report –

We looked at the new beginnings report and Tom led us through some statistical analysis that resulted

Boundaries of Charlotte neighborhood where LUPC resides: Cemetery north to lake, east to O'Rourke Bridge; west to ½ mile up Lake Ave.; other side of Greenleaf Meadow; Denise Rd. in Greece

What are some dreams/visions for future of the building

- Open for services – walk-ins
- Vitality, vibrancy for building
- Be supportive of child care center
- Services that support and supplement child care center
- Place of gathering – missional outpost, church without walls
- Place of outreach as well as places to go to
- New worshipping community – community center
- Hybrid community – component for profit for cash flow
- Urgent care center

5. How to proceed for future meetings

Speakers – possibly Jennifer Muniga from Cameron Community Ministries

Tom Swartz will gather a list of organizations that were interested originally

Would a shurette be possible/consult with Deb Swift as South Presbyterian went through that process; \$40,00 needed to do it

President of Charlotte Association

Molly Clifford – on Board and Chair of Farmer's Market initiative

Respectfully submitted

Karen Kingsbury

Elder, Laurelton United Presbyterian Church

**Presbytery Administrative Commission for Lakeside
Meeting Minutes
August 11, 2015**

Present: Carol Anne Strawbridge, Carson Mouser, Tom Swartz, Ann Evinger, Karen Kingsbury, Susan Orr, Martha Moler, George Gotcsik

Opened with a reflection from Tom Swartz and he opened us with prayer

Introduced ourselves

Review and approve minutes.

Reflections from last meeting:

Carson –

1. Snug Harbor residents/situation; feeling that there will be repairs made; feeling it is in the city's best interest to make repairs; located south of Pattonwood Dr.; off of Denise rd.; 75 townhouses; there have been kids in the daycare from there; some identified drug trafficking and gang activity; all subsidized housing residents have been moved out
2. gentrification in future; Pattonwood is dividing line; north is "developable" –more commercial; general agreement that that is okay
3. Charlotte H.S. being a boy's academy; what happens to the families where children may have gone there before it changed? Only ½ of school is occupied by academy. Only about 25% of School #42 children are from Charlotte; 75% come from southwest and Joseph Ave. Schools would not be open if there was not busing. Has been true for quite a while. Change in RTS policy changes in downtown

Tom –

1. Lakeside's endowment is now in the Presbytery's hands. \$150,000. Endowment if not used will go to 4 different charities or initiatives. In separate fund (?)

Carol Anne –

1. What is our end charge? Make a recommendation for action by Presbytery. Would benefit from a specific proposal. Serve entire community. Service oriented (by what is needed) i.e. WIC site, out-patient dental. Want compatibility with day care
2. How much responsibility does presbytery want? Does not want to be landlords. Giving or selling building.

Molly Clifford, Member, CCA/Clare Stortini, President CCA – Charlotte Community Association
Vision for neighborhood – safe, accessible, welcoming community; mixed ages, family friendly community; more recreational opportunities for kids that is close; senior citizens (get isolated; struggling with homeless population especially in summer (they are long-timers-they have been reached out to)
Monroe County parks has good relationship with area.

History is a big piece of role; Claire would like to build on day care and it's foundation and history; engaged with Community Design Center of Rochester (architects) – goal to preserve history and revitalize; Claire likes the idea of a senior center and/or community center

Issues – safety, homelessness; happy with RPD with reorganization of the department; feel they are on the cusp of positive change; Rochester Marathon will be coming through (as water stop) on Sept. 20th; looking to strengthen association

Question –

Community Center model – what does community feel about homeless; would like a soup kitchen in Charlotte; mix of bars in neighborhood adds to; how would center be monitored; would it mean more homeless come here(?); parents of daycare might mind; “not in my backyard”

George: Is there a strategic plan (like when the bridge was built)? Claire not aware of plan – point of design center engagement; port of charlotte by different group;

Charette process – probably a couple of years; looking to form steering committee; Port of charlotte

Port of Rochester started movement.

Edgewater Development – all up in the air; CCA has communicated that developer has not answered questions; leader out of Michigan; when he attends mtgs. There are a lot of questions ; Edgewater development – Phase I; Phase II is expansion of Marina

CCA Newsletter will be shared;

George – Charlotte is community of transitions; if city is going forward with development; city may fund shurette – cost is \$20,000 to \$40,000; original planning was old port; identify needs of community that don't effect design or etc.

Martha – sure we looking for Christian use or civic use;

Susan – presbytery is not in position to run the mission; gifting the building

Tom Swartz handed out list of Organizations that were interviewed during discernment process of Lakeside closing. Group reviewed list.

Next meeting – Jennifer Muniga, Cameron Community Ministries

Next steps/ideas

Creative beginnings merger – interested in taking over rest of building??

Next speakers:

Pat O'Neil/Pam Postgate – history

Creative Beginnings Day Care Director

George – who might manage the bldg.? buffalo church that moved to LLC; made church profitable; independent board; would presbytery give over running to someone using endowment; would we consider LLC with board of Directors ; Landmark Society of Western NY;

Carson – would funds be made available? George funds are held until changes made – manage a trust fund?

**Presbytery Administrative Commission for Lakeside
Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2015**

Present: Carol Anne Strawbridge, Tom Swartz, Ann Evinger, Karen Kingsbury, Susan Orr, Martha Moler,
Absent: Carson Mouser, George Gotcsik

Guests: Jennifer Muniga, Executive Director, Cameron Community Ministries, and Board Members

1. Carol Anne opened us in prayer and read the parable of Jesus and the boat; where is our faith?
2. Reviewed and approved minutes

Discussion started by Jennifer Muniga talking about Cameron. Service to the community including meals, services to children, clothing closet, neighbor drop-in, job training, school supply; They believe in strengthening neighborhoods. 40 kids in the afterschool program which is their maximum capacity and they have a waiting list every year; neighborhood school has 700 children; they do not have a day care as there is no room for one. They are licensed for 4 sites; teachers are employed by Cameron. They have maximized their current space.

Cameron's questions to Lakeside: They are not familiar with the neighborhood; is there a soup kitchen nearby; do they have services for children- Cameron helps with academics; prenatal and parenting and GED help?; Cameron does not have experience with Seniors

Tom Swartz comment is there is a wide open door for seniors; the kitchen could be shared; daycare currently uses it

Comments:

No new assessments from New Beginnings

CCA wants to do a Shurette

Senior High Rises have 200-40 in each building with many needs by occupants

There is no senior center

Do they have Meals on Wheels program at center – undure

They do bring food in from Foodlink to seel

CCA – passion and excitement for DayCare with Senior Center and/or youth center

Carol Anne asked what would appeal most to Cameron – Ownership or Lease? There are pros and cons to both

The American Baptist organization that underwrites Cameron as part of the National Neighborhood Project of the denomination

They make sure they perpetuate the ministry

They do not mortgage or lease – they donate the rent – their contribution \$50,000 is on Cameron's revenue line

Cameron is funded by grants, personal contributions and the American Baptist organization has a seat on the board

The American Baptist funding ties into the national funds of grants from denomination

Cameron's next step to discern and due diligence; there are 11 Board members at Cameron.

The Lakeside Commission as well as the Cameron guests took a tour of the building.

**Presbytery Administrative Commission for Lakeside
Meeting Minutes
October 8, 2015**

Present:, Tom Swartz, Ann Evinger, Karen Kingsbury, George Gotcsik, Carson Mouser

Absent: Carol Anne Strawbridge , Susan Orr, Martha Moler

Guests: Cristin Cook, Director and Jennifer McGrath, Pre-K Lead Teacher, Lakeside Child & Family Center
Patrick O'Neill & Pam Postgate, neighbors and supporters of Lakeside property

1. Tom Swartz opened us in prayer and read a meditation on "What this World Needs"
2. Reviewed and approved minutes
3. Cristin & Jennifer gave us an overview and history of the Lakeside Child & Family Center

Notable items:

- Small family based day care
 - They are a Universal Pre-School (part of Rochester City School District); get \$87.07 per child with 18 children limit; means before and after school care
 - They advertise in CCA newsletter – their events and dinners – Harvest Dinner, Holiday dinner, Thanksgiving lunch
 - They have an additional program starting for 3-year olds – the City school district finds the kids; 14 kids based on lottery; will start in January; \$9,000/child; they will be hiring a new teacher
 - Have a Summer Leap program; funded by the Greater Rochester Health Foundation and City School District; 6 week program – extension of Universal Pre-K (UPK); for those going into Kindergarten; 2X per week
 - They have a moving up ceremony in June
 - They have a Wrap Around Program – parents pay for; Before and After School program
 - They shared their budget and other written information about their program
4. Pat O'Neill and Pam Postgate visited the Lakeside Commission because of their history and concern about the Charlotte neighborhood and their dedication to helping with the Lakeside property since it is no longer a church
Pat's main idea (which he handed out a sheet on) was that it should be promoted as a space for low cost weddings or other special events of a spiritual nature. Events would be self-service in that Lakeside would provide the facility but all else would be brought in by the groups and/or families using the space including the kitchen and possibly the sanctuary.
This came from his view that he thought the sanctuary was an important piece of the church to remain on site. See handout.

Other notes about conversation with Pat & Pam about the Charlotte neighborhood at large:
Both had resigned from the Board of CCA

Pat has a job at the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration); Pam works in investments at RBC
They came to Charlotte 8 years ago – for their desire to acquire a nice older home
Bought 2 original homes – both had been vacant for 5 years – bought another home (out of defense); bought another home next to Lakeside

Their investments created an interest in what will happen to Lakeside and the Charlotte area

Pam brought up other organizations that may be models of something that Lakeside could undertake – Saints Place – which has a tutoring program; Mary's Place at Edgerton; Rochester Children's Nursery – which is a 10 family day care Center for refugees.

Lakeside Administrative Commission**Meeting Minutes****November 10, 2015**

Present: Carol Anne Strawbridge, Tom Swartz, Susan Orr, Martha Moler, Anne Evinger, Karen Kingsbury, George Gotcsik

Absent: Carson Mouser

Carol Anne led us in prayer to open the meeting.

Reviewed the minutes, motion to approve and seconded. Correction of \$8,707 instead of \$87.07 per child.

Reviewed the conversations and guest proposals to bring everyone up to speed that weren't at the meeting.

Started the conversations about the draft of vision statement

Questions/Comments/Concerns:

Daycare was actually and has been managing the building for last 12+ years. So could another entity come in and use the bldg. with the daycare managing the bldg.?

Will the trustees sell to daycare ?

Maximize the assets of this property to benefit the other missions of the Presbytery; usually the viewpoint is to sell the property not for the Presbytery via the Trustees to be landlords.

Can't find "umbrella" organization if you don't know what you have to offer them. If the trustees won't agree to "hand over" property. Can we sell to other not for profit organization?

At one time there was a thought that it could be used by UPT as an operational center for offices and mission.

Challenge to sell to not for profit as they usually don't have the funds. So could it be a long term lease? But who is property manager? Trustees are not property managers.

An LLC or Benefit Corporation can be set up. Day care is a Not for Profit LLC.

If trustees said no to any relationship then the only other option is to put it up for sale. Could be another church (?).

Need clear statement and clarification from trustees. Then decision is made.

Tom Swartz commented about "Abundance Grace" church. Growing congregation. Meet in bank building up the street. Looking for sanctuary, food cupboard, tutoring (other services). They do not have the \$\$ to purchase. They have a national organization. Interested in long term lease. Do not want to manage the bldg. Rev. Banks is coming to tour the building on 11/22 at Noon.

George Gotcski added that lets not discount a sale to Abundance Grace – in his experience things happens when a negotiation is started

If the scenario of keeping the assets of Lakeside under the Presbytery of Genesee Valley works – if there was a major building repair – could the endowment be put into a fund used for repairs and use towards the bldg.

1) would have to formalize who manages the bldg.

2) do we want to put funds into capital maintenance fund but then who manages the fund – what is relationship between trustees and LLC. Trustees don't serve forever. So how is the historical agreement kept going? Who insures the building? How does the use of the building get managed between the 2 entities?

Lots of questions were brought up that only the Trustees could answer. Carson Mouser sits on the Trustee Board and will try to get time on an agenda for discussion and possible answers to questions.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Next Meeting: January 19, 2016

Lakeside Administrative Commission**Meeting Minutes****January 19, 2016**

Present: Carol Anne Strawbridge, Tom Swartz, Susan Orr, Martha Moler, Anne Evinger, Karen Kingsbury, George Gotcsik, Carson Mouser

Absent: None

Meeting started at 5:05 p.m. and began with prayer.

Reviewed the minutes, motion to approve and seconded.

Tom Swartz, Carol Anne Strawbridge and Susan Orr attended Trustees Meeting.

Meeting was challenging, discouraging and not what was expected. Hoped to obtain some advice but came away without helpful guidance and re-affirmation that the Presbytery does not want to be landlords.

Amy Fowler's advice (through Susan Orr) is that this Commission needs to be direct and to develop proposal to put "best foot forward".

Carol Anne thought some of the background of what is happening in the current "climate" of a number of churches closing or potentially closing was setting in at the Presbytery and an overall feeling of "panic" about this situation was setting the tone. Susan concurred with reaffirming with examples like East Rochester that was closed and sold, the current challenging situation at Brighton Presbyterian and ongoing conversations about PMIC.

Reiteration of our findings that childcare is crucial to the community and we need to preserve the childcare center.

We distilled down discussion to the following options:

1. Give building to the Childcare Center. Endowment goes to the Presbyter (~\$125,000; negotiate funds to stay with center for maintenance.
2. Put building up for sale; stipulate the childcare center as a tenant; endowment funds stay with center
3. Consider selling/leasing the building to an entity like Abundant Grace Church and/or Catholic Family Center

Tom talked to the United Way; both LifeSpan (Anne Marie Cook) and the Catholic Family Center (Scott Barbo-facilities manager). Charlotte community is certainly on their "radar screen" as a concern. And they want to be "kept in mind" as things move forward.

Abundant Grace Church –

- Very interested as they are outgrowing the old Marine Midland Bank; they do 2-3 services on Sunday and the bank only holds about 50 people
- Looking for Sunday school rooms – a couple of day care rooms might be available

- Looking for “clothing closet” type space
- They are in their current building until May 2016
- They would need handicapped accessibility
- Interested in leasing to start
- Unclear if they have a national body for their denomination

George Gotcsik –

- Thinks we should enter into a negotiation with Abundant Grace church.
- Abundant Grace is willing to talk to us
- We could fall back to searching for another organization but Trustees/Presbytery needs a proposal
- We could list the property also; see who appears making sure to include the caveats for the tenant (childcare center)
- The Option 1 of giving it to the Childcare center – they won’t use the space up front so would they lease it?

Tom Swartz

The opinion of the Childcare consultant – Chris – they would prefer if another entity owned the property and they were the tenant; it is a daunting task to take care of the building.

Motion was presented, seconded and passed that George Gotcski and Tom Swartz would meet with Abundance Grace Church personnel to begin a negotiation conversation. Carson Mouser would be a backup replacement if Tom Swartz could not make a scheduled meeting.

Appraisal of property was discussed. Motion was presented, seconded and passed for an independent appraisal be done on the property funded by the leftover budget (available funds).

Next scheduled meeting: March 22nd 5:00 p.m.; No February meeting to give time for a potential meeting with Abundance Grace Church

Meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Lakeside Administrative Commission**Meeting Minutes****March 22, 2016**

Present: Carol Anne Strawbridge, Tom Swartz, Susan Orr, Martha Moler, Anne Evinger, Karen Kingsbury, George Gotcsik, Carson Mouser

Absent: None

Meeting started at 5:05 p.m. and began with prayer.

Appraisal Results:

Appraisal is \$415,000 as of May 2014 which is the building and the property. Trustees want to use this figure. Most churches do not sell for their appraised value.

Abundant Grace Church conversation:

Have met with Abundant Grace church staff twice since the last meeting. Meeting consisted of 2 parts – 1 – discussed building and room use with tour; 2 – discussion of finances and money need to raise and possible funding sources for the church.

End of 2nd part of meeting George gave them information regarding capital campaigns.

They were going to deliberate on all the information they received. They feel their going to their denomination/national body is not a viable option as the denomination rarely gives loans for building purchases.

Building use discussion:

- Sanctuary would be used by AG (Abundant Grace)
- Downstairs and playground – used by Day Care
- Eastside of building would be used by AG for Sunday School – 2 rooms
- Fellowship Hall – the northend would be used by the Day Care and the southend would be used by AG – they are thinking a clothing closet
- Day Care will move partition so that the bathrooms can be accessed
- Kitchen – used Monday through Friday for Day Care; Sunday AG would use kitchen if needed
- Ferguson Lounge (room w/ Furnishings) – AG would like to use for bible study or Sunday School; weekdays Day Care could use
- Meeting Room – AG would like to use; Day Care uses for music instruction and staff use
- 3rd Floor offices – AG (Rev. Banks) would like to use the front room near sanctuary for offices. It is now used by the Day Care; this would need to be worked out.
- The other part that is viewed as a “hanging thread” something up for discussion and unknown impact – is the City School District wants a 2nd class of 3-year olds (14 of them) and that will mean the Day Care will need the meeting room to be a classroom.
- The Sanctuary holds 200+
- Thoughts from Board of Day Care – they feel it would be a change in overall culture of the building; they do know AG; they are glad that it is this organization that has approached the Commission. They will miss the use of fellowship hall for active play.

- AG rarely has needs to use the building during the evening. They were thinking a possible food pantry in the summer but that is on a wish list at this time.

Financial Discussion:

- Handicapped access is a challenge; there are only steps into the sanctuary. A lift would need to be built or installed from the other entrance; cost would be incurred.
- There is a contract for the ongoing use of the building by the Day Care which is renewable; specifics would now need to be included if there is a different owner or an additional organization sharing the building.
- The sale would need to include a negotiation regarding the use of the building by the Day Care.
- George provided capital campaign information to AG. The organization is Church Financial Services. Third church used them for their capital campaign.
- George went to AG's denomination website. It does have info on loans and does also have info on capital campaigns
- For illustration purposes on how a capital campaign would work. If their income is \$92,000 per year and multiply is by 3 (usually is a figure used) that would equal \$276,000. Four times would equal \$368,000.
- Income - The cash flow from the rental by the Day Care would be \$24,000 per year and 2 months @ \$2,400 equaling \$28,800.
- \$28,800 @ 15-year mortgage @5% is \$270,000.
- With scenario of balloon payment (trustees holds for 3 years) and they collect on capital campaign.
- Church endowment would go back to the Presbytery but outlined requests for how it gets dispensed taken into consideration.
- Endowment* could be used in negotiating
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*How endowment was outlined originally:

40% to FoodLink
10% to Day Care
10% Rochester Children's Network
10% Local habitat for humanity organization/project
10% Cameron Community Ministries
10% Presbyterian Disaster Assistance PC(USA)
10% Alternative for Battered Women – now known as Willow

Tom brought up the idea of perhaps using the endowment to "close the gap" if needed in negotiations if AG could not meet a full amount that they would need to purchase. Carol Anne commented that perhaps the endowment could be used to settle the "hanging threads"/issues of the lift requirement and the need for a 2nd classroom for 3 year olds.

The final report from the Commission goes to the Presbytery (not directly to the Trustees). The Commission creates a proposal. Reviewed by trustees. Goes to Presbytery Meeting agenda and voted on.

Next steps

Meeting will be scheduled with AG and the team of Tom Swartz, George Gotschik and Carson Mouser and they will put a price on the table.

Motion to present a proposal to AG – seconded and passed.

FYI – for reference – next meeting dates for Trustees is May 2nd; next Presbytery Council meeting is June 6th; next Presbytery meeting to fit this schedule would be July or September.

Additional comment that AG could go month to month in using the building.

The former Lakeside church's organ was presented for discussion. Unfortunately, church organs have no value on the open market.

FYI - The "books" are being closed for the Lakeside Church organization finally dissolving the congregation through the NYS Supreme Court.

Next scheduled meeting: April 19th 5:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer.

**Presbytery Administrative Commission for Lakeside
Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2016**

Present: Tom Swartz, Ann Evinger, Karen Kingsbury, George Gotcsik, Martha Moler
Absent: Carson Mouser, Carol Anne Strawbridge, Susan Orr

Tom Schwartz opened us in prayer at 5:13 p.m.

Minutes were reviewed and accepted.

Results of Negotiating Team regarding building use – Carol Anne Strawbridge, Tom Swartz, George Gotcsik

Tom Swartz reviewed the floor by floor and room by room use of the building for Abundant Grace and the Day Care so the details were clear about what the Day Care needs were including the basement, 1st floor at the far end by the sanctuary, the current lounge where they hope to make a Clothing Closet, the main floor, Fellowship Hall – both north and south end, and the stage.

Abundant Grace is in discussion with Charlotte community Development Corp. about potential performances at the church. They would need a sliding petition for that to happen. Abundant Grace has the intention of renting to CCD Corp.

George Gotcsik reviewed the financial discussion that was conducted between George, Tom and Abundant Grace. \$276,000 – 3-year payment plan then Balloon payment. Getting \$30,000 from Day Care which could go against payment. Discussed what a capital campaign strategy would look like. They will have expenses – insurance, handicapped access and others. They offered a sale price of \$253,00. We are selling it for \$276,000. Settled on and asking price of \$260,000.

Asking if Presbytery would consider 4 years @ \$30,000 per year - \$120,000 then a balloon payment of \$140,000. They have started talks with a Capital Campaign advisor.

Discussion with Barbara James – Chair of Trustees and is a lawyer. Would a down payment be needed? Would they consider a land Lease deal. But Presbytery does not want to be landlords. Presbytery lawyer – Mel Olver would consider writing up the lease agreement between Abundant Grace and the Day Care.

Next steps – Write up proposal; which is put in front of Trustees at next meeting (May 2nd); then goes to Presbytery Council; then to Presbytery Meeting. George will compose a financial draft. Tom Swartz, Carol Anne Strawbridge and Carson Mouser (Trustee) will be at Trustees meeting.

Question came up about Endowment disbursement if sale goes through. It was decided there would be an addendum to the proposal will be the endowment disbursement of \$150,000 (approx.) \$40,00 leftover from Operating Budget could be escrowed for the period of the sale contract for any contingency expenses.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Kingsbury

**Presbytery Administrative Commission for Lakeside
Meeting Minutes
May 17, 2016**

Present: Carol Anne Strawbridge , Tom Swartz, Ann Evinger, Karen Kingsbury, George Gotcsik, Carson Mouser, Susan Orr

Absent: Martha Moler

Carol Ann opened the meeting with a “Litany of Light” devotion.

This was a meeting for information sharing before the Presbytery Meeting.

Carson Mouser will not be at Presbytery Meeting.

Addendum will not be part of the meeting. Questions may be asked.

George Gotcsik – two choices: 1. Presbytery will be “holding mortgage” and the payment from Abundant Grace will be going to the Presbytery. Title of building is transferred immediately. Or 2. This is a Land Purchase – until the total is paid off then the title is then transferred.

Carol Anne & Tom will have 10 minutes on the Docket.

Trustees will revisit addendum in June.

Other questions/information for going forward:

Dismissing of Commission – when will that be done? September?

Tom Swartz is being asked a lot of questions.

Abundant Grace will take possession when the contracts are signed.

**Presbytery Administrative Commission for Lakeside
Meeting Minutes
October 24, 2016**

Present: Carol Anne Strawbridge, Tom Swartz, Susan Orr, Martha Moler, Anne Evinger, Karen Kingsbury, George Gotcsik, Carson Mouser

Absent: None

Guests: Barbara James – Chair of Trustees (standing in for Mel Olver); Abundant Grace

Why are we here –

AG (from here on known as Abundant Grace Church) – secured Matt Ryan as their lawyer after finding out the California lawyer would not work out for this transaction. Need NY lawyer as AG are not incorporated.

AG went through the incorporated process and they received it a less than a month ago and are ready to proceed.

Matt Ryan put together lease agreement for Presbyter/AG.

They will rent until the buy – lease to buy.

AG is requesting a “Option to Extend” for 2 years. Which is a concern.

There is another church interested in the property – Zion Dominion. This came about as one of the members is also an Assistant in the child care program at Lakeside. Found out about sale of the church and asked Day Care operator what the status was at this time.

AG is not a religious corporation – they need to be a 501c3.

The engineering study was done over the summer.

The capital improvements documents were shared by Tom Swartz.

Barbara James concerns -

Contract is vague; land contract is not typically done in New York; no terms for sub-lease; Presbytery will be short term landlord.

At 5:34 p.m. Abundant Grace personnel joined the meeting.

AG – NYS lawyer was secured to do business transaction; it took 4 weeks to correspond between the two lawyers; incorporated process took time;

Four things to be completed:

1. Lease to buy – not the same as Land Contract
2. Date of closing
3. Religious organization – 501c3
4. Lease for Day Care

6:15 p.m. AG personnel left and Zions Dominion personnel joined the meeting; They were Pastor Roger Hemmings and his wife Pamela Hemmings; Karen Moore Administrative trustee.

Some background on church. They are a COGIC – Church of God in Christ church. Established in 1993 in Downtown Buffalo with 20 members. They bought a German Presbyterian church in downtown Buffalo. The outgrew that church and bought 14 acre piece of land and went from 20 members to 4,200 members and employ 25 people. They ended up with members from Rochester so have a satellite church in Rochester that does bible study and do a Saturday on Sunday program. They were going to purchase a place in Rush but that fell through as the property needed a lot of work. They are currently in East High and are involved in the United Way Anti-Poverty Campaign. They have about 200 people that meet at East High. Their permit to meet in East High expires on 12/18/16. That is why they are looking for a new place.

Discussion about Lakeside Property:

The only concern they see is constraints of building use with day care in the building. But they have shared space before.

After Zions Dominion staff left Carson Mouse brought up the possibility of their organization being interested in the New Life Presbyterian Church property since it is for sale. He will reach out to see if they want to arrange a time to see it.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Lakeside Administrative Commission
Meeting Minutes, November 21, 2016

Present: Carol Anne Strawbridge, Tom Swartz, Susan Orr, George Gotcsik, Carson Mouser, Martha Moler, Ann Evinger.
Absent: Karen Kingsbury.

Meeting began with prayer by Carol Anne at 5:00 p.m.

Carson announced that Abundant Grace has backed out of the negotiations to buy the Lakeside church building. The following documents were presented to the Administrative Commission for the purpose of clarity: (attached)

- 1) Summary of terms of purchase from Matthew Ryen, lawyer for Abundant Grace. This was sent to Mel Olver, lawyer for the Presbytery of Genesee Valley.
- 2) Proposed response to the Summary of Terms, prepared by Trustees, sent to Matthew Ryen.
- 3) Summary of telephone conversation between Tom Swartz and Pastor Leonard Banks.
- 4) Email from Carson Mouser to Barbara James, with concerns about Trustees' responses to Abundant Grace.

The following discussion ensued:

- Speculation about why the Trustees changed the terms.
- Concern that the Trustees did not understand the proposal.
- Confirmation that the Trustees don't want to be landlords.
- Speculation that the daycare's significant financial role in the purchase was missed by the Trustees .
- Concern that the Trustees' action killed the trust of Abundant Grace in the process of the Presbyterian Church.
- Concern that putting the Lakeside building up for sale will result in the loss of the building for a missional use for the neighborhood, including housing for the long-standing daycare center and potential neighborhood food cupboard.
- Feelings that the Trustees disregarded both the work of the AC and the vote of the Presbytery.
- Confusion about why the Presbytery formed an Administrative Commission in the first place.
- Belief that lawyers could have worked it out if they had met face to face.
- Concern that the contract should have gone to Presbytery.
- Desire to bring Abundant Grace and Trustees together for a conversation.

The following action was decided:

Carson will contact Barbara James to see if the Trustees are open to a meeting with Abundant Grace. The purpose of this meeting would be to explore if a future successful negotiation is possible. If the Trustees express interest in such a meeting, Tom will call Pastor Banks to see if Abundant Grace is interested in such a conversation. If this conversation occurs, George and Tom will represent the Administrative Commission.

Closed with prayer by Carson Mouser, 6:30 p.m.

Lakeside Administrative Commission Minutes from meeting held on January 17, 2017

Members present: Ann Evinger, George Gotcsik, Carol Anne Strawbridge, Tom Swartz
Members excused: Karen Kingsbury, Carson Mouser, Martha Moler, Susan Orr

Meeting began at 4:30 with devotions and prayer.

Tom Swartz moved to accept the agenda. George Gotcsik seconded the motion. Commissioners voted to approve the agenda.

Tom Swartz moved to accept the minutes from the November 21, 2016 meeting. George Gotcsik seconded the motion. Commissioners voted to approve the minutes.

The Lakeside Administrative Commission Final Report draft was presented. This draft had been previously circulated via email to all commission members who shared their comments, edits and suggestions to the co-chairs. George Gotcsik moved to accept the report. Ann Evinger seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Ann stated that the report should note the length of time that the Child Care Center Care has existed in the Lakeside Presbyterian Church building. The following was added to the report, "This child care center began in the Lakeside Presbyterian Church building in 1982. It has continuously served the community since that date." Commissioners voted to accept the revised Final Report.

Tom Swartz made a motion to request the Presbytery to dismiss the Lakeside Administrative Commission. George Gotcsik seconded the motion. Commissioners voted to accept the motion.

An updated version of "Observations and Insights" was passed out to Commissioners. Commissioners felt that it was confusing and too abstract. Tom Swartz passed out the original version of "Observations and Insights." Discussion followed. Commissioners stated that the original version expressed their thoughts better. Tom Swartz moved to send the original version to the Trustees with a cover letter requesting time on the Trustees agenda to discuss the observations and insights. George Gotcsik seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted to accept the motion.

Conversation was held concerning the Lakeside Administrative Commission's report on the floor of Presbytery. It was decided that Carol Anne Strawbridge will write the report and George Gotcsik will present it. All possible Commissioners are encouraged to be present. Commissioners agreed that the Presbytery report should refer Presbyters to the Lakeside Administrative Commission Final Report for the details of the failed Abundance Grace negotiations. Instead of recounting details, the docket time will be used to do the following: 1. Remind the Presbytery that they voted to accept the recommendations of the Lakeside Administrative Commission on May 24, 2016. Although the negotiations with Abundant Grace were not successful, it is still possible to honor that vote in future negotiations by stipulating that the Creative Beginnings Child

Care Center continue to be housed in the Lakeside Presbyterian Church building. 2. Encourage the Presbytery to honor their vote of May 24, 2016 to place monies received from the sale of the Lakeside Presbyterian Church building in the Grace Fund. 3. To encourage the Presbytery to be a missional presence to those living in poverty in urban Rochester.

The meeting closed with prayer at 5:35.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Anne Strawbridge

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PRESBYTERY OF GENESEE VALLEY, Inc.
Presbytery Meeting, January 31, 2017**

Items for Action

(Trinity Emmanuel)

1. The Presbytery Board of Trustees recommends that the Presbytery approve a grant to Trinity Emmanuel Presbyterian Church of up to \$10,000 from the Revolving Loan Fund to defray the costs of a building condition report, as a part of a consultation process through which the church will assess its future prospects and vision.

For information: the church's existing line of credit was extended to November, 2017.

(Union Scottsville)

2. The Presbytery Board of Trustees recommends that the Presbytery of Genesee Valley, Inc. authorize the Union Presbyterian Church (Scottsville) (the "Church"), One Browns Avenue, Scottsville, NY 14546, to sell and convey real property known as the Manse and located at 31 Rochester St., in the village of Scottsville, Town of Wheatland, Monroe County, New York (Tax Parcel No. ____), which property was acquired by the Church by Deed dated _____, and recorded in the Monroe County Clerk's Office on _____, in Book _____ of Deeds, page _____ to _____ (Buyer) for the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00), such sale to take place in accordance with a Purchase and Sale Contract between the parties last dated _____, 2017, the net proceeds of such sale to be placed in the Unrestricted Reserves of Union Presbyterian Church for future use by the church as deemed necessary by the Church Council. This authorization shall be subject to approval by a Supreme Court Justice for the judicial district in which such property is located.

[Note: The Church Council has called a Meeting of the Congregation/Corporation for the approval of this sale on January 22, 2017.] The completed motion will be included in the Taken Docket.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT for January 31, 2017
Irondequoit Presbyterian Church
 [Meetings of 12/03/2016 & 01/03/2017]

ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY'S ACTION

The Committee VOTED to recommend that the presbytery:

(East Bethany)

1. **Approve** the request of the East Bethany Presbyterian Church to grant the status of Pastor Emeritus to the Rev. Walter Wenhold, H.R., effective January 31, 2017. The congregation elected the Rev. Wenhold as Pastor Emeritus on October 23, 2016.

(Stone Church, Bergen)

2. **Approve** the commissioning of Ruling Elder Martha Mitchell (Albion) to pastoral service with the Stone Church Presbyterian Church, Bergen, NY effective January 1, 2017. The Commissioning Service will be incorporated into the worship service at the close of this meeting.

(The Rev. Ray Bagnuolo, Validated Ministry)

3. **Grant** the status of Honorable Retirement to the Rev. Raymond Bagnuolo, effective December 31, 2016. If the way be clear, he will be serving a United Church of Christ congregation, in Sayville, NY. He will remain an honorably retired member of our presbytery.

ACTIONS TAKEN ON BEHALF OF THE PRESBYTERY

The Committee VOTED to:

(Mendon Church)

1. **Approve** the Supply Covenant Agreement (50% time) between the session of Mendon Church, Mendon, NY, and the Rev. Hodong Hwang, effective December 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017, at the terms:

Cash Salary	\$4,475
Housing	<u>\$2,982</u>
Effective Salary	\$7,458
SECA	\$ 570
Benefits	\$3,420
Continuing Ed.	\$ 267
Travel/Prof	<u>\$ 590</u>
Total	12,305

2. **Appoint** the Rev. Colin Pritchard (Victor) as moderator of session, effective December 6, 2016 for a period of up to six months.

(Stone Church, Bergen)

3. **Approve** the Covenant Agreement and Terms between the session of Stone Church Presbyterian Church, Bergen, NY, with Commissioned Ruling Elder Martha Mitchell, effective January 1, 2017, at the following terms for 12-14 hours/week:

Cash Salary/Housing	\$11,965
Travel reimbursed at the maximum IRS rate	
Study Leave: 2 weeks and \$200 study leave allowance	
Thirty days of vacation, including 5 Sundays	

Duties include: Sunday worship leadership, with permission to officiate at communion and baptisms, as approved by the session; permission to officiate at weddings, as approved by the session; permission to officiate at funerals; special worship services, hospital visitation, homebound visitation, and outreach visitation.

4. **Appoint** CRE Martha Mitchell to moderate the session, effective January 1, 2017.

(Gates)

5. **Approve** the Supply Associate Pastor Covenant Agreement (part time) between the session of Gates Presbyterian Church, Gates, NY, and the Rev. Katherine Styrt, effective January 1, 2017, at the following terms:

Cash Salary	\$17,282
Housing	\$ 4,550
Utilities	\$ 1,410
Med. Deductible	<u>\$ 600</u>
Effective Salary	<u>\$23,842</u>

SECA	\$ 1,778	
Benefits Plan	\$ 9,028	½ time also with Laurelton, also includes dental
Continuing Ed.	\$ 400	
Travel/Prof.	<u>\$ 2,358</u>	
Total	<u>\$37,406</u>	

Two weeks Continuing Ed. Leave, 36 days of vacation, including 6 Sundays
Sick leave 1 day/month cumulative to 90 days

(Laurelton United)

6. **Approve** the Supply Pastor Covenant Agreement (50% time) between the session of Laurelton United Presbyterian Church, Rochester, NY, and the Rev. Katherine Styrt, effective January 1, 2017, at the following terms:

Cash Salary	\$16,558
Housing	\$ 4,550
Utilities	\$ 1,410
Medical Deductible	<u>\$ 600</u>
Total Effective Sal	<u>\$23,118</u>

SECA	\$ 1,723	
Benefits Plan	\$ 8,755	½ time also with Gates includes \$317 dental
Continuing Ed	400	
Travel/Prof	<u>\$ 2,358</u>	
Total	<u>\$36,354</u>	

Two weeks Continuing Ed. Leave, 36 days of vacation, including 6 Sundays
Sick leave 1 day/month cumulative to 90 days

(Lyndonville)

7. **Approve** the Supply Pastor Covenant Agreement (75% time) between the session of the Lyndonville Presbyterian Church, Lyndonville, NY, and the Rev. Catherine Benjamin, effective January 1, 2017, at the terms:

Cash Salary	\$10,250
Housing	<u>\$30,750</u>
Effective Salary	<u>\$41,000</u>

SECA	\$ 3,137
Continuing Ed	800
Travel/Prof.	<u>\$ 4,600</u>
Total	<u>\$49,537</u>

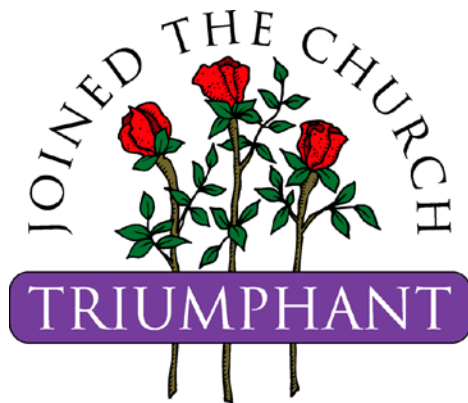
Two weeks Continuing Ed Leave, 30 days of vacation, including 6 Sundays
Sick Leave 1 day/month cumulative to 90 days

(Parkminster)

8. **Extend** the appointment of the Rev. Bob Spratt (Bethany) as moderator for Parkminster Presbyterian Church, Chili, NY, through February, 2017.
9. **Approve** the Ministry Information Form for the position of Interim Pastor.

(New Life)

10. **Appoint** the Rev. Kathleen Madigan, H.R. as moderator of session for the New Life Presbyterian Church, Rochester, NY, effective January 1, 2017.

2016**MEMORIAL TRIBUTE:
ELDERS AND MINISTERS OF THE PRESBYTERY**

We give thanks for the lives of these women and men whom we have known and loved, who were examples for us of lives lived in faith and service to Jesus Christ, who have now entered the joy that God has prepared.

We give thanks to God for each of them, for their vision and hope, steadfastness and love, and for the grace, which was given to them.

May we so follow their good example that we may be one with them in spirit, and at the last enter with them into the fullness of God's unending joy, and saving love in Jesus Christ.

ELDERS OF THE PRESBYTERY OF GENESEE VALLEY

	Date of Ordination	Date of Death
AVON CENTRAL		
James Robinson	January 19, 2003	January 16, 2016
Elizabeth Warren	January 19, 1964	November 11, 2016
BETHANY		
David Price	January 31, 1971	August 13, 2016
Kathleen Husband (Wood)	June 21, 1998	August 26, 2016
BRIGHTON		
Dorothy Cooligan	Unknown	February 18, 2016
CHILI		
Richard Ouweleen	January 26, 1975	March 1, 2016
Richard W. Stowe	February 9, 1964	July 3, 2016
DOWNTOWN		
Judith Foster	2003	February 26, 2016
EAST AVON		
Dawn Hanna	January 1974	August 18, 2016
Marion Marshall	January 1961	January 1, 2016
GATES		
Richard (Dick) Henderson	January 1965	August 6, 2015
William (Bill) Walence	January 1996	June 21, 2016
HOLLEY		
Theodore Broekhuizen	January 1966	April 8, 2016
Mary Lusk	January 1988	January 26, 2016
Nancy Wiederhold	December 1995	November 8, 2016

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JOHN CALVIN		
Elizabeth (Betty) Schabel Meade	June 19, 1989	May 6, 2016
Neva Miesen Reitz	June 14, 1964	February 22, 2016
JOHN KNOX		
Carl Ott	February 7, 1965	June 2, 2016
Emma Parkhurst (Charter Member)	February 5, 1967	October 28, 2016
Marcia Pawlaczyk	February 6, 2000	January 20, 2016
Mary Swain	May 5, 1968	June 13, 2016
LIMA		
Gladys Loss	January 1946	March 4, 2016
LYNDONVILLE		
Jay Goodrich	January 22, 1995	February 23, 2016
MEDINA		
David Bushover	February 1984	May 11, 2016
F. Dick Hiwiler	February 1994	April 18, 2016
OSSIAN		
Elizabeth Rawleigh	Unknown	November 6, 2016
PARKMINSTER		
Gordon Scott	January 19, 1969	January 2016
PENFIELD		
Wallace Ashnault	October 10, 1982	April 28, 2016
Catherine Browning	June 26, 1983	October 23, 2016
PERINTON		
Nancy Austin	May 31, 1998	March 13, 2016
Kevin Krueger	Unknown	August 6, 2016
PERRY, BRICK		
Gerald Sealy	January 7, 1996	February 6, 2016
PITTSFORD		
Dr. Dwight C. Burnham	May 18, 1980	November 15, 2016
Pierce Day	May 9, 1976	December 29, 2016
Ruthe Douglas	May 9, 1982	May 31, 2016
Kenneth Garman	May 19, 1962	May 9, 2016

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SCOTTSVILLE UNION		
Susan Cable	January 1992	July 14, 2016
Florence Field	January 1979	May 29, 2016
Marilyn Randall	February 3, 2008	August 16, 2016
Louise Wood	February 14, 2004	June 17, 2016
SOUTH		
Margaret Wunder	Unknown	November 4, 2016
SUMMERVILLE		
Ray Richards	Before 1980	April 7, 2016
Jack Streb	Before 1980	February 27, 2016
THIRD		
Thomas W. Bracken	April 28, 1974	April 6, 2016
Mary Forrest Garber	March 28, 1993	October 21, 2016
Louise Geiser	Unknown	September 27, 2016
Jean Hart	Unknown	February 4, 2016
Olive B. Hoffman	Unknown	August 11, 2016
Elizabeth Montello	March 16, 1986	November 1, 2016
Robert Norton	June 1, 2007	November 7, 2016
Ellen E. VanOcker	Unknown	January 31, 2016
TRINITY EMMANUEL		
Dr. Nelli Mitchell Chappelle	April 30, 1978	May 24, 2016
TWELVE CORNERS		
Barbara Hessel	January 4, 1987	April 7, 2016
WARSAW		
Jack Spencer	1983	January 14, 2016
Marjorie Yarrington	1988	August 29, 2016
WEBSTER		
John Davison	January 12, 1986	December 24, 2016
Catherine Denson	January 15, 1995	November 11, 2016
Hilary Pearson	January 6, 1980	January 6, 2016
Hugh Richards	April 7, 1957	March 29, 2016
June Richards	January 11, 1976	November 2, 2016
Arthur Trimble	January 10, 1971	July 5, 2016
YORK		
Ruth Doolittle	January 29, 1984	August 10, 2016

MINISTERS OF THE PRESBYTERY OF GENESEE VALLEY

	Date of Ordination	Date of Death
Rev. Charles Lee	May 15, 1960	September 14, 2016