

The Presbytery of Southern Kansas convened at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2006, at First Presbyterian Church, Great Bend. The meeting began with worship.

The **Necrology Report for 2005** was read during worship. It is as follows: Alfred Kelsey, Mary Lou Graves, Vivian Ware, Helen Claassen, Virginia Boyd, Zephalena Smith, Thomas Behrendt, Mary Sullins, Avonne Gale, Mildred Gish, Gladys Byers, Elsie Hoagland, Charles Cornelsen, Jessie Foust, Charles Burt, Jr., Madeline Vance, Charles Colladay, Louis Davis, Margaret Haldeman, A. James Wray, Robert Clark, Virginia Dimick, Ramona Vaughn, George Laughead, Charles Reynolds, Janette Burrichter, Gail Schraeder, Robert Bennett, Josephine Bushnell, John Hiss, Donald Hayes, Walter Kelly, David Wong, Arvilla Duvall, John Henderson, William R. “Bill” Ackley, Clara Jeanette Frazier, Katherine Vada Jones, Ralph J. Perkins.

**A motion prevailed** to amend the docket to include a break.

The presbytery then reconvened.

### Quorum Present

Each person must submit a completed attendance card for official attendance. Stated Clerk Rebecca New declared a quorum present according to Article V.5.4 of the Ecclesiastical Bylaws, which requires that “one-fourth of the minister members and the elder commissioners present, provided that one-fourth of the churches was represented.” Minister members: 27; Elder commissioners, 22.

Vouchers are available (the presbytery pays \$20 toward motel costs and 14 cents/mile for travel.)

### Opening Business

Moderator Bill Ward called the presbytery to order. Additional handouts for the meeting are available at the registration tables. Anyone wishing to speak on the floor should state his or her name and church. All comments should be directed to the moderator. Any motions should be submitted in writing and Robert’s Rules of Order will be followed.

### Roll of Ministers Present

James Ayers	Keith Allison	James Anderson	Shirley Barnum
Jane Bridgen-Graham	Chris Davis	Danny Daniel	Joyce Daniel
Rob Erickson	Monty Fey	Jerry Hallberg	Doug House
Skip Johnson	Roberta Karchner	Chris Kettler	Timothy Kim
Jeremiah Lange	Steve Marsh	John Mikow	Helen Moore Spath
Hank Lederle	Rebecca New	Cathy Northrup	Kermit Opprecht
Don Owens	Arlene Patrick	Jesse Patrick	Ben Ray
Dick Reynolds	Tom Robson	Steve Saville	Dennis Schiebmeier
Loran Scott	Jack Singer	Tim Soule	William Soule
Seth Svaty	Hal Staats	David Sweley	Paul Wissink
Betsy Vogt-Woodin			

### Roll of Ministers Excused

Nik Adams	John Barkett	John Barnum	Gene Blake
George Boone	William Borst	William Brewer	Jan Brooks
Marcy Campbell	Don Calderwood	Tom Church	Robert Duncan
Wiert Eekoff	John Enwright	Larre Eschliman	Richard Gorham
James Grant	Ralph Hand	John Haspels	William Hastings
Robert Hazen	Robert Hoover	Ken Kimberlin	Keith Koch
Fred Lenk	Gordon MacKay	Bill McConnelee	Bert McCormick

Diane Monger	Paul Mueller	William Mulford	Patrick Notley
David Owens	Tom Rawlings	Charles Ross	Melissa Ramos
Roland Slater	Dale Snyder	Alfred Spots	Judith Steele
Dawn Swartz	John Williams	Robert Wyman	

### Roll of Ministers Absent

Charles Ayers	Larry Craycraft	Richard Daeschner	Tom Edwards
Strother Gross	Jerry Hilton	Margaret Lacy	Tom Oak
Bill O'Connell	Geoffrey Snook	Jennifer Snook	Steve Washburn
John Wilson			

### Elder Commissioners Present

**Arkansas City**, Sally Burr; **Cambridge**, Eddy Morgan; **Chase**, Vaughn Zubillaga; **Conway Springs**, Charles Ellis; **Derby**, Walt Fuller; **Forest Park**, Larry Reed; **Freeport**, Jerry Dusenbury; **Garden City**, Ann Hamlett; **Halstead**, Martha Adair; **Hutchinson First**, Joe Gorsky, Roonie Sellers; **Jetmore**, Mary Crossman; **Kingsdown**, Marilyn Ellis; **Larned**, A.J. Smith; **Marion**, Jim Darrow; **Mayfield**, Wanda Jeffries; **McPherson**, Craig Gannon; **Newton First**, Rojean DuBois; **Parks**, Harold Myers; **Pratt**, Richard Scott; **Spearville**, Mike Shobe; **Sterling**, Mona Ball; **Viola**, Howard Means; **Wellington**, Mary Boatright; **Winfield**, Jackie Russell; **Zenith**, Charles Harner. **Wichita: Bethel**, John Davies; **Brotherhood**, Bill Taylor; **Covenant**, Roberta Johnson; **Eastminster**, Jim Crawford, Karen Crow, Kenneth Juell, Jack Kirkham; **First**, Jim Graves, David Grisham; **Mt. Vernon**, Barbara Stone; **Southwest**, Howard Tice.

### Elder Commissioners Absent

Arlington, Ashland, Belle Plaine, Bucklin, Caldwell, Cherryvale, Coffeyville, Coldwater, Dodge City, El Dorado, Great Bend, Harper, Holcomb, Hopewell, Independence, Kingman, Lakin, Leoti, Liberal, Lyons, Medicine Lodge, Northminster, Lt. Luke, St. Mark's, Syracuse, Tribune, Yates Center; Wichita: Calvary, Grace, Korean, St. Luke, Trinity, Westwood.

### Elder Commissioners Excused

Neodesha.

### Council Members Present but not mentioned above

Ken Coryell    Nora Coryell    Pete Kitch    Sue Nispel    Bill Ward

### Staff Members Present

Joan Erickson, resource center coordinator  
John Goss, treasurer  
Georgia Kaba, secretary  
Brian Wheeler, camp administrator

### Corresponding Members

Joy Cotzias, Project Burning Bush, Richmond, Va.  
Jim French, Oxfam, Partridge Presbyterian Church  
Gail Fisher, Presbytery of Yukon  
Anne Horton, Presbytery of Lake Erie  
Douglass Kelly, Board of Pensions Representative, Seattle Presbytery

Walter Olker, Presbyterian Foundation, Lawrence, Kan.  
Cynthia Wissinger, Church Development Corporation, Parkville, Mo.

**Other Pastoral Leadership Present**

Orlando Jantz                      Paul McNall

**Commissioned Lay Pastors Present**

Kay Hull

**Commissioned Lay Pastor Excused**

Gretchen Hammeke      Don Tapp

**Commissioned Lay Pastor Absent**

Barney Korbelik              Craig Mead

**Christian Educator Present**

Carol Murphy

**First Time Elders**

Elders were introduced by their pastors.

**Temporary Committee appointed for this meeting**

Vouchers – Danny Daniel, Ken Coryell

**Visitors**

There were 12 visitors registered for the meeting.

**Docket**

**A motion prevailed** to adopt the docket as amended.

**Tuesday, November 28, 2006**

9:00 a.m.	Convening worship	
9:50 a.m.	Break	
10:00 a.m.	Opening Business: Orientation & Welcome, corresponding members seated; first-time elders introduced; appointment of temporary committees; approval of docket.	
10:05 a.m.	Community Outreach (F)	Nora Coryell
10:35 a.m.	Congregational Ministries (G)	Carol Murphy
Noon	Lunch (deadline for new business)	
1:00 p.m.	Stated Clerk Report (A)	Rebecca New
1:05 p.m.	General Presbyter Report	Don Owens
1:30 p.m.	Presbytery Council (C)	Joyce Daniel
	Budget & Finance	
1:40 p.m.	Committee on Ministry	Hal Staats
2:40 p.m.	Polity Committee (L)	Steve Saville
2:50 p.m.	Preparation for Ministry (K)	Helen Moore Spath
2:55 p.m.	Committee on Representation (M)	Gerald Hallberg

3:00 p.m.	Camping Committee (P)	Pete Kitch
3:10 p.m.	Nominating Committee (J)	Jack Singer
3:25 p.m.	Stewardship & Mission (E)	Doug House
3:35 p.m.	Arrested Reports, New Business	
3:40 p.m.	Announcements	
3:45 p.m.	Temporary Committee Reports	
3:50 p.m.	Adjourn	

### Community Outreach

Nora Coryell gave the committee's report. The 2007 Mission Yearbook for Prayer is available at this meeting. The committee has voted unanimously to endorse on behalf of the presbytery, the application of Sunflower Community Action, Wichita, for Presbyterian Women's Thank Offering funds for their "Setting Families Free from Payday Loans" project. The committee reviewed and denied an application for Harper County Parish Mission Funds.

Jim French, a field representative for Oxfam America, addressed the presbytery and thanked it for its continuing support of his organization's educational efforts.

### Congregational Ministries

Carol Murphy gave the committee's report.

#### Items for information

- The educators group, including youth directors, plans to meet quarterly. The next meeting will be Jan. 18, 2007 at the Presbytery office from 10a.m. – 3 p.m.
- The process has begun to get the online catalog at the Resource Center operational.
- Rojean DuBois received \$170 to attend the Parish Nursing Conference.
- Youth Triennium will be July 17-22, 2007.

The committee voted to address the theme "What is Christian Education?" at this presbytery meeting. The focus will be on discipleship. Breakout groups will be:

- "Career or Call? Encouraging Vocational Choices with Youth," led by Joy Cotzias;
- "Multi-age Learning" led by Arlene Patrick;
- "Small Groups for People Who Hate Small Groups," led by Chris Davis;
- "Minimizing the Effects of Disabilities' Impact on Fellowship," led by Rojean DuBois and Rowena Clark;
- "Four Habits of Discipleship," led by Ben Ray;
- "How The Resource Center Can Help You and Your Church," led by Joan Erickson.
- One or two workshops for church officers will be scheduled for February 2007.

Murphy introduced Joy Cotzias, who is program director for Project Burning Bush, the youth ministry initiative of Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education. She has experienced her own vocational discernment process and is dedicated to empowering youth to explore their personal, God-given call.

Presbyters broke into these small groups to explore these topics.

The presbytery recessed for lunch at noon.

The presbytery reconvened at 1 p.m.

### **Stated Clerk**

Rebecca New gave the following changes in membership since Sept. 12, 2006.

Received from other PCUSA presbyteries

Seth Svaty, Northern Kansas

Steve Marsh, Lake Erie

Dismissed to other PCUSA presbyteries

Robert Hoover, National Capital

Johann Kim, Denver

Doug Phenix, Northern Kansas

**A motion prevailed** to dissolve with thanks the Administrative Commission, Degraff Presbyterian Church, which has completed its work.

**A motion prevailed** to approve the minutes of the Sept. 12, 2006 meeting of presbytery with editorial corrections.

### **General Presbyter**

Don Owens introduced Doug Kelly, the new Board of Pensions representative for the Synod of Mid-America. He also introduced Carol Bradford of Interfaith Ministries in Wichita, who acknowledged receiving \$8,000 from the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. The money will go to the campaign to end childhood hunger. She presented to the presbytery the “Golden Rule” in different languages from several faith communities.

Owens spoke about several mission funding dialogues he has attended, focusing on the ministry on mission in congregations.

### **Council**

Joyce Daniel gave the council report. The council met in September to strategize on how to improve presbytery meetings. Council members agreed to be more aware, responsive and prayerful about the needs of presbytery.

**A motion prevailed** to give First Presbyterian Church of Dodge City permission to borrow an additional \$25,000 from Church Development Corporation (CDC) to cover costs of building renovation not originally included in the contractor’s bid, but determined to be necessary to complete the renovation.

### **Budget & Finance**

Ken Coryell gave the committee’s report. The presbytery met its monthly giving goal only twice in the first 10 months of the year. A list of shared mission giving by congregation as of October 2006 was distributed.

### **Committee on Ministry**

Hal Staats gave the committee’s report.

**A motion prevailed** to temporarily suspend Article II.3 of the Administrative Manual.

### **For information**

**The committee:**

- is discussing the possibility of forming cluster groups for the self-care of ministers, CLPs, Certified Christian Educators, etc.
- received letters of resignation from Doug Phenix, Barney Korbelik, and Paul White.
- is updating the presbytery's Retirement Worship Service.
- received a report from Jane Brigden-Graham as a representative to the Pastoral Care Network National Gathering held Sept. 25-28 in Atlanta.
- asks for continued prayers for Craig Mead and his family at the death of his wife, Sharon Mead.

#### **Actions Taken On Behalf of Presbytery**

- Granted Permission to the Rev. Ann Horton to labor within bounds of the presbytery beginning Nov. 13, 2006 at Eastminster as Associate Pastor.
- Reviewed the financial contract of Don Tapp at Yates Center.
- Renewed the Stated Supply Covenant with Loran E Scott at Wichita-Bethel and Robert K Wyman at Belle Plaine.
- Conducted an entrance Interview with Anne Horton reviewing her Statement of Faith and her understanding of the Reformed Faith.
- Granted Diane Monger a scholarship to attend "Women in Religion in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Conference."
- Conducted an exit interview of the session of Wichita-Covenant.
- Appointed Jane Brigden-Graham moderator of the Wellington session.
- Conducted a Triennial Visit at Yates Center.
- Appointed a Response Team to work with First Church, Winfield.
- Concurred with the Wellington session to grant Doug House 30 days leave for personal reasons.
- Dismissed Robert Hoover to National Capital Presbytery.
- Appointed Danny Daniel as Moderator of the session at Wellington Presbyterian Church.

Gail M. Fisher, who has been called as Designated Pastor at Jetmore and Spearville, was introduced, presented her statement of faith and answered questions.

**A motion prevailed** to arrest the examination.

**A motion prevailed** to receive Gail M. Fisher into membership in the Presbytery of Southern Kansas.

**A motion prevailed** to approve the call to Gail Fisher to serve as Designated Pastor for 2 years at Jetmore and Spearville effective Oct. 1, 2006 with the following terms: Salary, \$27,600; full use of manse, 30 percent, \$9,180; all utilities paid (estimated \$3,000); full medical and pension, \$12,530; continuing education allowance, \$650; mileage allowance (IRS rate-unlimited); 2 weeks study leave (2 Sundays); one month vacation (4 Sundays); all moving expenses.

**A motion prevailed** to appoint the following Installation Commission to install Gail Fisher as Designated Pastor at Jetmore and Spearville Presbyterian Church on Dec. 3, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. Elders: Moderator William Ward, Mt. Vernon; Linda Wyman, Larned, Pat Heeded, Spearville, and Rhonda Sithem, Jetmore. Ministers: Jesse Patrick, David Sweley, Hal Staats.

Anne E. Horton, who has been called as Associate Pastor at Eastminster, was introduced, presented her statement of faith and answered questions.

**A motion prevailed** to arrest the examination.

**A motion prevailed** to receive Anne E. Horton into membership in the Presbytery of Southern Kansas.

**A motion prevailed** to approve the call to Anne E. Horton to serve as Associate Pastor at Eastminster-Wichita, effective Nov. 13, 2006 with the following terms: Salary \$34,200; housing allowance \$15,000; auto allowance (IRS rate-unlimited); professional expense allowance, \$1,000; full medical and pension,

\$15,252; moving costs; vacation one month (4 Sundays); study leave 2 weeks (2 Sundays); One Geneva Gown (Black Robe) up to \$600.

**A motion prevailed** to appoint the following Installation Commission to install Anne Horton as Associate Pastor of Evangelism at Eastminster Presbyterian Church Jan. 28, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. Elders: Moderator William Ward, Mt. Vernon; Karen Raines, Westwood; Charles Cole, Eastminster. Ministers: Helen Moore Spath; Dick Reynolds; Steven Marsh.

Alan Ward Beech of Denver Presbytery, honorably retired, was introduced, presented his statement of faith and answered questions.

**A motion prevailed** to arrest the examination.

**A motion prevailed** to receive Alan Ward Beech into membership in the Presbytery of Southern Kansas.

**A motion prevailed** to renew the Commission of Don Tapp with Yates Center (covenant to remain the same).

**A motion prevailed** to renew the Commission of Barney Korbelik At Large in Western Kansas (covenant to remain the same).

**A motion prevailed** to concur with the request of Douglas House and the Wellington church to dissolve the pastoral relationship effective Nov. 30, 2006 (a congregational meeting was held Nov. 19, 2006). He will be paid full salary through Feb. 28, 2007; full use of manse through that time and his pension and medical benefits will be paid through May 31, 2007.

**A motion prevailed** to concur with the request of the Winfield Presbyterian Church and Roland Slater to dissolve the pastoral relationship effective Dec. 31, 2006 (a congregational meeting was held Nov. 5, 2006).

The presbytery took a break.

### **Polity**

Steve Saville gave the committee's report. The 2006 session minutes review gatherings are complete. Twelve churches still need to be read and plans have been made to address those.

The Annual Insurance Review forms also have been received and the committee is checking with 12 again to complete this task for council (will have compilations at council meeting). We thank all the Sessions for their diligence in keeping their records.

**A motion prevailed** to adopt as second reading the addition of appendix 15.10 – Annual Insurance Reporting Form to the M.O.O.

The text appears on pages 28-29 of the Sept. 12, 2006 presbytery minutes.

The committee is beginning to research the amendments that have come down from General Assembly and is reviewing two overtures for amendments to the Book of Order that have been brought to the committee.

**A motion prevailed** to withdraw the previous first readings for 8.8d and 15.11 concerning Candidate Grants. Rationale: This is beyond the scope of Polity as it is setting policy and, in the opinion of the committee, out of order because it is changing the intent of the current policy.

A motion prevailed that the session minutes review results be entered into the minutes of this meeting, noting that a plan of action has been set forth for reviewing the 12 sessions that did not attend a gathering.

Session Record Review	Date Received	Location	Exceptions
Arkansas City	9-23-06	Wellington	III-G,M; VII-B
Belle Plaine	9-23-06	Wellington	None
Bucklin	8-36-06	Dodge City	III-N,Q
Caldwell	9-23-06	Wellington	None
Cambridge	9-23-06	Wellington	None
Chase	8-19-06	Forest Park	I-A; II-B,D; III-G,L,Q; V-A,B; VI-E,F,I; VII-A,B,C,E
Coldwater	9-30-06	Westwood	None
Conway Springs	9-30-06	Westwood	III-G,L,M,Q; V-E; VII-C
Dodge City	8-26-06	Dodge City	III-G,N,O,P; IV-C; V-B,E;VI-G,I; VII-C
El Dorado	9-30-06	Westwood	None
Freeport	9-30-06	Westwood	II-A,B; VI-E
Garden City	8-26-06	Dodge City	None
Great Bend	8-19-06	Forest Park	None
Halstead	9-30-06	Westwood	VII-B,E,F
Harper	9-23-06	Wellington	II-A,B,C,D; III-G;V-A,B; VI-I; VII-B,C
Holcomb Community	8-26-06	Dodge City	I-A,D; II-D; III-G,K,H,N; IV-A,B; V-A,B,E; VI-C,D,E,G,H,I; VII-A,B,C,D,F
Hutchinson First	8-19-06	Forest Park	VI-H
Forest Park	8-19-06	Forest Park	II-A; III-G,O; V-B; VI-C; VII-B,C
Jetmore	8-26-06	Dodge City	VII-C
Kingman	8-19-06	Forest Park	None
Kingsdown	8-26-06	Dodge City	None
Lakin	8-26-06	Dodge City	III-N; IV-E,G
Larned	8-19-06	Forest Park	None
Leoti	8-26-06	Dodge City	None
Leoti Parks	8-26-06	Dodge City	None
Liberal	8-26-06	Dodge City	None
Lyons	8-19-06	Forest Park	II-B; III-N,P; IV-A,B; VI-E; VII-A,B,C
Marion	8-19-06	Forest Park	III-G,L,N,Q; V-A,B; VI-F,H; VII-A,B,C
Mayfield Federated	9-23-06	Wellington	None
McPherson	9-30-06	Westwood	None
Medicine Lodge	8-19-06	Forest Park	None
Neodesha	9-30-06	Westwood	None
Newton First	8-19-06	Forest park	None
Pratt	8-26-06	Dodge City	None
Spearville	8-26-06	Dodge City	V-A,B; VII-A,B
Sterling	8-19-06	Forest Park	None
Syracuse	8-26-06	Dodge City	III-Q
Tribune	8-26-06	Dodge City	III-J,L; V-A; VII-B,C
Wellington	9-23-06	Wellington	II-A,D; III-G,J,K,L,M,N; IV-B; V-E; VI-E; VII-B,C

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Bethel	9-30-06	Westwood	VII-B,C,D,E,F
Covenant	9-30-06	Westwood	III-G,L; IV-A,C; V-B,E; VII-B,F
Eastminster	9-30-06	Westwood	V-B
First	9-30-06	Westwood	None
Grace	9-30-06	Westwood	VII-C,D,E,F
Korean-American	9-30-06	Westwood	III-G,K,O; V-B; VII-B,C,E,F
Mount Vernon	9-30-06	Westwood	VII-E
St. Luke	9-30-06	Westwood	None
Southwest	9-30-06	Westwood	III-G
Trinity	9-30-06	Westwood	III-N; VII-B
Westwood	9-23-06	Wellington	None
Winfield	9-23-06	Wellington	None
Zenith	8-19-06	Forest Park	III-M; VII-D,E,F

The Session Records Review key appears on pages 39-41 of the November 2005 presbytery minutes.

**Preparation for Ministry**

Helen Moore Spath gave the committee’s report. The committee welcomed Craig Gannon as a new member and accepted the resignation of Barbara Lewis. The committee has planned a retreat for Jan. 29, 2007.

**Actions taken by the Committee**

1. CPM voted to award financial grants of \$500 each to Candidates Penninah Ziegler, Susan Arner and Kate Obermuller using funds from the Special Restricted Fund for Candidate Support, and to Inquirer Dawn Flippin and to CLP applicant Tom Dobbins using money from the CPM annual budget line item.
2. Voted to remove Kurt Neighbor (Forest Park) as an Inquirer per his request.
3. Voted to continue Susan Arner (Eastminster) in the process based on the annual consultation Jan Collins conducted with her in August.
4. Voted to continue Penninah Ziegler (Wichita-First) in the process based on the annual consultation Skip Johnson conducted with her in July.
5. Voted to send all inquirers and CLP applicants to Prairie View Process Solutions in Newton for Ministry Assessments in place of the psychological evaluations previously done at the Counseling and Mediation Center in Wichita.

**A motion prevailed** to remove Kurt Neighbor (Forest Park) as an Inquirer per his request.

**Representation**

Gerald Hallberg gave the committee’s report. The committee is mandated by the Book of Order to serve the presbytery as an advocate for racial ethnic members, women, different age groups and people with disabilities. The committee is also to serve as a resource and consultant on representation concerns. This report dealt with advising the presbytery of representation concerns.

The committee has reviewed the list of presbytery committee members elected to serve in 2006 and has determined there is fair and effective representation.

The committee cited the following concerns:

1. Accessibility for the handicapped. Meeting specifications required by law does not necessarily mean accessibility. Local churches should go beyond code requirements to ensure facilities truly are accessible and convenient to use.
2. A Commissioned Lay Pastor has reported being “belittled.” We need to lift up and be aware that the work of the church of Jesus Christ requires the skills and gifts of different people and each should be respected and treated as an equal.
3. Involving youth actively in the presbytery is a continuing concern.
4. Only two people from racial ethnic groups are included as members of presbytery committees. Since the largest racial ethnic group in the presbytery is Asians, it would seem the Committee on Representation needs an Asian male to continue to be an advocate for the greatest diversity.

### **Camping**

Pete Kitch gave the committee’s report. the Camping Committee met jointly with the new Westminster Woods Long Range Planning Committee in October at Lewis Lodge at Westminster Woods. The meeting included a presentation about the camp’s history and a discussion of the camp’s mission. The following conclusions were reached.

- a) The long range planning committee must study and recommend to the Camping Committee a strategy for expanding the PSK youth Christian education beyond the boundary of Westminster Woods;
- b) At the same time, the long range planning committee must address the shorter term (immediate need for 2007) tactical need for expanded cabin and meeting room/chapel space within the context of a longer term strategy to increase the camp’s capacity to a size to be determined by the committee with consideration given to other forms of camp experience (tent camp, wilderness adventure, etc.) in order to fully utilize the property.

The committee requested that each presbyter complete a short survey about the camp and leave it at the camp table by the end of the meeting.

### **Nominations**

Jack Singer gave the committee’s report.

The committee asked the moderator to declare the following positions vacant:

*Synod of Mid-America*

Higher Education Committee

08-2 Female Lay

**A motion prevailed** to elect the following. There were no nominations from the floor.

2007 Moderator-Elect of Presbytery: Rev. Robert Erickson, Wichita-Covenant

2007 Moderator of Presbytery of Southern Kansas: Elder Sue Nispel, Wichita-Covenant

2007 Moderator of Council: Elder Bill Ward, Wichita-Mt. Vernon

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### **Brotherhood CM, Inc.**

09-2 Elder David Arrington, Wichita-Calvary

09-1 Rev. Steven Marsh, Wichita-Eastminster

### **Camping**

09-2 Rev. Jennifer Snook, At Large-Wichita

09-1 Liz Simon, Covenant

09-1 Rose Mans, Grace  
2007 Moderator: Elder Pete Kitch, Wichita-Eastminster

#### **Committee on Ministry**

09-1 Suzanne Moody, Wichita-Eastminster  
09-2 Rev. Jane Brigden-Graham, At large, Wellington  
09-2 Elder Marilyn Lively, Coffeyville  
09-2 Elder Mary Alice McKinney, Coldwater  
09-1 Rev. Richard Gorham, Honorably Retired  
09-2 Elder Pat Randall, Newton-First  
09-2 Rev. Tom Robson, At large, Buhler  
09-1 Rev. Roberta Karchner, Lakin  
08-1 Elder A. D. Rogers, Jetmore  
2007 Moderator: Rev. Hal Staats, Great Bend

#### **Community Outreach**

09-2 Elder Jerry Dusenbury, Freeport  
09-2 Rev. Strother Gross, at large-Wichita  
09-2 Rev Ken Kimberlin, Wichita-Westwood  
09-1 VACANCY  
07-1 Rev. Skip Johnson  
07-1 Rev. John Mikow  
2007 Moderator: Rev. Diane Monger, At Large-Wichita (08-1)

#### **Congregational Ministries**

09-1 Rev. Seth Svaty, Sterling  
09-1 Jeanette Marks, Zenith  
09-2 Elder Mary Ediger, Newton-First  
09-1 Elder Gary Evans, Derby  
09-1 Mary Buchele, Garden City  
09-1 Rev. Larry Cracraft, Coffeyville  
2007 Moderator: Elder Carol Murphy, Great Bend (07-2)

#### **Polity**

09-2 Elder Gladys Flinn, Wichita-Westwood  
09-1 Rev. Steve Marsh, Wichita-Eastminster  
09-2 Elder Anne Brown, Garden City  
2007 Moderator: Rev. Steve Marsh

#### **Preparation for Ministry (CPM)**

09-1 Elder Cheryl Sweley, Garden City  
09-1 Elder June Almes, Wichita-Covenant  
09-1 Rev. Cathy Northrup, Wichita-First  
2007 Moderator: Rev Helen Moore Spath, Hutchinson-First (08-2)

#### **Representation Committee**

09-1 Rev. Timothy Kim, Wichita-Korean (min.-male)  
09-1 Taylor Veh, Hutchinson-First (youth-female)  
09-1 Mark Wonser, Cambridge (youth-male)  
2007 Moderator: Kay Hull, Cambridge (07-2)

#### **Stewardship and Mission Interpretation (Communication)**

09-2 Geoffrey Snook, Wichita-Trinity  
09-1 Bill Hendrix, Wichita-Eastminster  
09-2 Elder Mary Ohlmeier, Wichita-St Luke

2007 Moderator: Rev. Doug House, Wellington (08-2)

**Permanent Judicial Commission**

2011 Elder Sally N. Burr, Arkansas City

*Synod of Mid-America*

**Commissioner**

09-2 Jan Brooks, At Large

09-2 Dwight Corrin, Wichita-First

**Youth Advisory Delegate**

07-2 Stuart Parman, Arkansas City

07-2 Cindy Eschliman, Hutchinson-Forest Park

**Nominations**

08-2 Dolores Johnson, Wichita-First

09-1 VACANCY

**Permanent Judicial Commission:**

2012 Rev. William Mulford

**Higher Education**

08-1 Ray Rothgeb, Independence

**Social Concerns**

09-1 Rev. Keith Allison

09-2 Nora Coryell, Derby

**Youth Ministry**

07-1 VACANCY

**Vocation**

09-1 Rev. Jim Anderson

**Stewardship and Mission Interpretation**

Doug House gave the committee's report. Christmas Joy Offering materials are available at this presbytery meeting. Estimate for Giving for 2007 brochures are available if your church has not yet responded.

The committee is working with former General Assembly Moderator Rick Ufford-Chase about doing a seminar about Hispanic and multicultural ministry opportunities and efforts. More information will follow.

Brochures are available for "Transformational Stewardship," a three-day seminar March 12-14, 2007 at Denver. If four people from this presbytery go, they will waive the \$150 per person registration fee.

One training video called *Wealth Innovation & Diversity* by Joel Barker, in particular, seemed to capture the essence of the need for multicultural ministry at the Ghost Ranch seminar, "How To Become a Multicultural Church." The committee is considering buying it for the Resource Center. Churches could "do their own thing," or you could have someone who went to Ghost Ranch be the presenter.

**Arrested Reports & New Business**

**A motion prevailed** to give Doug House ecclesiastical endorsement to serve as a chaplain with the Veterans Administration.

Hank Lederle addressed the presbytery to say goodbye. His intentions are to leave the PC (USA) and become a member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

### **Announcements**

A total of \$370 was collected in today's offering and it will be sent to the Presbytery of South Louisiana.

The next meeting of Presbytery Council will be Jan. 16, 2007 at the Presbytery Center, Wichita.  
The next meeting of presbytery will be Feb. 13, 2006 at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Wichita.

### **Temporary Committee Report**

#### **Vouchers**

**A motion prevailed** to pay vouchers as presented.

#### **Adjourn**

**A motion prevailed** to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca New  
Stated Clerk