

Executive Committee Report July 10, 2018

Pittsburgh Presbytery's Executive Committee (EC) met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 10, 2018 at the Presbytery Center. Co-chair Ruling Elder Ann Strong opened the meeting with prayer.

Items for Information

1. Recommendation Arising Out of the June 7, 2018 Special EC Meeting

Following extensive discussion, the Executive Committee approved the following statement:

The Executive Committee expresses appreciation to all of the individuals who attended and shared their deep concern regarding the issue of *per capita* and mission funding, but in light of the fact that the overture to study the funding of higher governing bodies in the church was approved by the General Assembly, the Executive Committee declines to take any action at this time.

2. Allocation of Funds from Bellefield Dismissal Settlement

The Executive Committee designated \$50,000 annually for a minimum of three years from the Bellefield settlement payments for ministry to the university community in Oakland. These funds will be administered by the New Worshipping Communities Commission (NWCC). The Oakland Ministry, now called the Commonwealth of Oakland, will report to EC annually, in addition reporting monthly to NWCC. The remaining \$20,000 annually from the Bellefield Settlement is to be designated for use by the Great Ends of the Church Fund.

3. Approval of Request to Encumber and to Guarantee Loan – Riverdale

The Executive Committee approved on behalf of Presbytery pursuant to the provision in Article 4, Section 2 of the Manual of Pittsburgh Presbytery, the request of Riverdale United Presbyterian Church to encumber via a loan from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), A Corporation, administered by the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program ("PILP") in the amount of \$30,000 for parking lot improvements. This loan will be guaranteed by Pittsburgh Presbytery.

4. Approval of Request to Encumber and to Guarantee Loan – Hiland.

The Executive Committee approved, on behalf of Presbytery pursuant to the provision in Article 4, Section 2 of the Manual of Pittsburgh Presbytery, the request of Hiland Presbyterian Church to encumber via a PILP loan in the amount of \$140,000 for renovations to a boiler and the heating system. This loan will be guaranteed by Pittsburgh Presbytery.

5. Forgiveness of Past-Due Per Capita – Riverview

The Executive Committee approved on behalf of Presbytery pursuant to the provision in Article 4, Section 2 of the Manual of Pittsburgh Presbytery, the request of Riverview Presbyterian Church for forgiveness of past-due *per capita* in the amount of \$1,360.38. The past-due amount resulted from a dispute in membership numbers during 1990-1991.

6. Purchase of Parking Lot

The Property Subcommittee of the Executive Committee reported that the purchase of the parking lot closed on May 23, 2018.

7. Request to Use Presbytery Center Chapel for Sunday Morning Worship

The Property Subcommittee of the Executive Committee reported that it had granted provisional permission for the Judah Fellowship New Worshipping Community to use the chapel in the Presbytery Center for Sunday morning worship.

8. Release of Right of Reverter for Property at 1214 Liverpool Street

The Executive Committee authorized the release of a right of reverter held by Pittsburgh Presbytery on a parcel located at 1214 Liverpool St. which was transferred to Manchester Youth Development Center ("MYDC") in 1992. The parcel was one of five across which MYDC has constructed a school building.

Items for Action

1. Consent Motion

The Executive Committee recommends that the following item be approved by consent:
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2. Approval of 2019 Budget

The Executive Committee approved and recommends that Presbytery approve the Proposed 2019 Budget. The proposed budget was circulated to all churches, teaching elders, and enrolled ruling elders of presbytery on August 17, 2018.

***3. Finance Reports – February and March 2018**

The Executive Committee recommends presbytery receive and file for audit the Presbytery Financial Statements for the months of February and March 2018.