

**Executive Committee Report
February 21, 2019**

Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee

Pittsburgh Presbytery's Executive Committee met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at the Presbytery Center. Co-chair Rev. Lance Chapman opened the meeting with prayer.

Items for Information

1. Election of Treasurer

The Executive Committee elected Ruling Elder Chris Martin (East Liberty) Treasurer of the Presbytery for a one-year term.

2. Election of Committee Chairs

The Executive Committee approved the following chairs for its subcommittees:

Ruling Elder Christine Blackwood and Rev. Jodi Flack as Co-chairs of the Ecclesiastical Committee

Ruling Elder Dan Beckstrom as Chair of the Finance Committee

Ruling Elder Fred Shields as Chair of the Property Committee

3. Committee on Representation

The Ecclesiastical Committee is seeking recommendations for persons to serve on the presbytery's Committee on Representation. Anyone wishing to suggest names for service on this committees should contact the co-chairs of the Ecclesiastical Committee via the Stated Clerk's office.

4. Minutes Reading Committee

The Presbytery Minutes Reading Committee for calendar year 2019 will consist of Ministers Eric Dennis, Charissa Howe, Sheldon Sorge, and Steven Werth, and Elders Carla Campbell, and Cathy Nelson.

5. Election of Representative to Board of Directors of Crestfield Camp and Conference Center

The Executive Committee elected Ruling Elder Chip Crawford as its representative to the Board of Directors of Crestfield Camp and Conference Center.

6. Lord's Supper during Calendar Year 2019

The Executive Committee authorized all ministry teams, commissions, committees, task forces of Presbytery and related organizations, camps and conference centers affiliated with Presbytery, to celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at meetings and events during 2019.

7. Reformed Communion within Bounds at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary 2019

The Executive Committee again approved the following celebrations of the Lord's Supper by the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary within bounds of the Pittsburgh Presbytery:

Pittsburgh Presbytery confirms the permission granted by General Assembly to Pittsburgh Theological Seminary to celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and grants PTS permission to invite ordained clergy from

other denominations to preside over the table, provided that the celebration does not contradict the Reformed understanding of the sacrament.

8. Vacancies on Subcommittees

The Executive Committee reports that there are vacancies on the Ecclesiastical Committee and on the Nominating Committee. There is a particular need for a minister or ruling elder from the south for Nominating Committee. Anyone wishing to suggest names for service on these committees should contact the co-chairs of the Ecclesiastical Committee via the Stated Clerk's office.

Items for Action

1. Consent Motions

The Executive Committee recommends that the following items be approved by consent: **# 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.**

***2. Waiver of Six-Year Limitation on Terms – Beechview United Presbyterian Church**

The Executive Committee approved, and forwards to Presbytery for its approval, a waiver of the six-year limitation on terms of one elder of Beechview United Presbyterian Church to serve an additional term beginning in 2019.

***3. Waiver of Six-Year Limitation on Terms – Grace Memorial Presbyterian Church**

The Executive Committee approved, and forwards to Presbytery for its approval, a waiver of the six-year limitation on terms of two elders of Grace Memorial Presbyterian Church to serve one additional year each beginning in 2019.

***4. Waiver of Six-Year Limitation on Terms – Lincoln Place Presbyterian Church**

The Executive Committee approved, and forwards to Presbytery for its approval, a waiver of the six-year limitation on terms of one elder of Lincoln Place Presbyterian Church to serve an additional term beginning in 2019.

***5. Waiver of Six-Year Limitation on Terms – Swissvale Presbyterian Church**

The Executive Committee approved, and forwards to Presbytery for its approval, a waiver of the six-year limitation on terms of one elder and two deacons of Swissvale Presbyterian Church to serve additional terms beginning in 2019.

***6. Finance Reports – October and November – 2018**

The Executive Committee recommends Presbytery receive and file for audit the Presbytery Financial Statements for the months of October and November 2018.

***7. Permission for Sale of Manse – Presbyterian Church of Plum Creek**

The Executive Committee approved, and forwards to Presbytery for its approval, the request of the Presbyterian Church of Plum Creek to sell its manse.