

# April 2023 Stated Meeting Business Summary



## Our Mission

This meeting was all about reconnecting—after 3 years! We held a hybrid meeting and guess what? Over 130 people attended in person! We had long breaks for connection and fellowship. And we send our deepest gratitude to all the staff and deacons at United PC, Albany, for all their hard work hosting this meeting.

## Vacant Property Policy

We revised the Presbytery of the Cascades Vacant Properties Policy with the help of representatives from both Trustees and New Ministries Team.

## How We Gonna Pay For That?

Requested the Board of Trustees to reconsider the source of the funding for the Interim Presbyter for Vision and Mission and consider taking it from unrestricted program reserves rather than the New Ministries Team funds.

## Standing Rules Amended

New language will be inserted: "No person shall serve as a vice moderator for consecutive terms, either full or partial, aggregating to more than four years. Any person having served a total of four years shall be ineligible for reelection as a vice moderator for at least one year."

## Administrative Commission to be established for Mt. Laki, Klamath Falls

Presbytery grant original jurisdiction to an Administrative Commission to be formed by the COM-S. The AC shall work with the congregation to find options for the future of the church.

## Welcome 2 new minister members to Cascades!

The presbytery concurred in the transfer of the Rev. Wesley Yoon's membership to the PC(USA). He is serving at Hope Korean in Portland.



Rev. Wesley Yoon

We voted to transfer the Rev. Aaron Morris to the PC(USA) and enrolled him as a minister member of the Presbytery serving as a Chaplain in a validated ministry.



Rev. Aaron Morris

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## Three Exceptions made to Allow Three Current Pastors the Possibility to Serve as next Installed Pastor

The pathway has been made clear to grant exceptions to 3 of our churches so their current pastors MAY serve as their next installed pastor. Below are the churches who MAY serve as next installed pastor:

- Newberg, First and the Rev. Christopher Murphy
- Vancouver, Columbia and the Rev. Matt Overton
- Portland, Rose City Park and the Rev. Elizabeth Leavitt



Rev. Chris Murphy



Rev. Matt Overton



Rev. Elizabeth Leavitt

## Synod and Board of Pensions

Representatives from both the Synod and Board of Pensions talked about ways they can be of service to us! Grants, loans, assistance were all discussed. Contact the office with any questions.

## Basha Project

Powerful videos giving the background on this life-changing ministry were shared by the Rev. Wendy Olson. Community Presbyterian Church, Waldport and Chapel by the Sea in Lincoln City encourage you to participate in this ministry by holding a Basha Pop-Up Boutique at your church.

## Honorably Retired

We celebrated the Honorable Retirement of these ministers:

- Ben Dake (not pictured below)
- Barbara Campbell
- Bill Van Nostran
- Conley Zomermaand



Rev. Bill  
Van Nostran



Rev. Conley  
Zomermaand



Rev. Barbara  
Campbell

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## Exciting New Ministries Team Workshop

The NMT will be hosting a workshop in conjunction with the 1001 New Worshiping Communities regional director, Shawn Kang. More details coming to all churches soon.



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## Ordained for 50 Years

We celebrated the 50 year anniversary of these ministers of the Presbytery. Connect & congratulate them!

- The Rev. John Waide
- The Rev. John Wallace
- The Rev. James Freda
- The Rev. William Hoffman
- The Rev. Kent Meads
- The Rev. Dr. Jack Finney
- The Rev. Alan Jackson
- The Rev. W. Dean Kokjer
- The Rev. Barry Heath
- The Rev. Philip Meddaugh
- The Rev. John Goff
- The Rev. Duane Sich
- The Rev. Charles Webster
- The Rev. Zane Buxton
- The Rev. Rod Landes
- The Rev. Darrell Hall
- The Rev. Robert Perdue
- The Rev. Richard Christensen
- The Rev. William Barlow
- The Rev. Donald Caughey

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