The Commission on Ministry is pleased to report to presbytery the following actions taken on March 22, 2023 at their meeting via Zoom Video Conference

ATTENDANCE Co-moderators: RE Ruth Moore and Rev Ken Sikes; Members: Rev Mark McHugh, RE Sheri Martin, Rev Tom Paine, Rev David Alger, Hal Blanton, Jerry Katt; Staff: TEP/SC Rev Shari Jackson Monson, Recording Clerk Rev Lesley Blair Paine
Rev Taeler Morgan, guest

DOCKET **MOTION:** To approve the docket. *Motion carried*

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of minutes: Feb 15 Minutes
2. Approval of Highlights of Feb 15 COM
3. Dismiss Karen Renner and Kelly Spencer to Seattle Presbytery. SC will record this with PCUSA.
4. Approve transfer of Jeffrey Cheifetz from San Francisco Presbytery as retired Request of Transfer - Jeffrey Cheifetz
5. Approve transfer of Diana Cheifetz from San Francisco Presbytery as a Spiritual Director in a Validated Ministry. Request for Transfer - Diana Cheifetz

PRAYER Prayer/Reflection by Ken on fear and hope

EP & SC REPORT

1. Presby Art Pentecost ‘23
2. Complaint to Presbytery
   Glenn Ferguson, Stated Clerk for Judicial Process, Report: A remedial complaint has been filed against the Olympia Presbytery with the synod Permanent Judicial Commission pursuant to *D-6.0100* et seq. A three-person committee of counsel has been appointed by the Leadership Council to defend the presbytery pursuant to *D-6.0302*. As confirmed with the OGA Stated Clerk's Office, the committee of counsel has full authority to defend the presbytery in this matter, as well as pursue mediation and settlement, as they see fit. The synod Stated Clerk has conducted initial training of complainants and the committee of counsel.
3. Policy 6 for Validated Ministry Policy 6 OlyPres Manual
   Ruth and Shari will look at the policy and make recommendations.
4. Larry Veith’s polity class. Liaisons to those congregations can coach Amanda, Liz and Joseph after the class is over.

5. We Aren't Broke: Uncovering Hidden Resources for Mission and Ministry is a good resource. https://www.amazon.com/We-Arent-Broke-Uncovering-Resources/dp/0802878989
6. Pastor: visitor to church is causing harm to the congregation. This pastor is looking for a convo partner who has had a similar situation and may have to ask someone to leave. Contact Shari if you are willing to be a conversation partner.

DISCERNING

1. *Exploring Missional Leadership | EML.* Taeler Morgan
   a. Update on workshop May 6, 10-5 (maybe 4) at Lacey PC. Group will be walking around town.
   b. What's next? EJ Lee is getting a registration page up on the website. Register individually.

2. *Should we establish a Presbytery Policy on Pastors Emeritus?*
   a. Draft document Pastor Emeritus Proposal.docx
   b. No compensation, just honorifics. Honoraria from families, not the congregation.
   c. This is a resource for our COM.
   d. **MOTION:** to approve this document. *Motion carried*, with thanks

3. *How do we want to manage the financial funds under COM authority?*
   a. Review of funds we manage
   b. **MOTION:** to grant Dave Emery $200 for continuing education from the Support of Clergy Fund, if needed *after* he asks session first. *Motion carries.*
   C. Move approving fund requests to Clergy Care Team.

TRANSITION

Lakewood

MOTION to approve the MIF for Lakewood PC. *Motion carries*

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MIF is ready for review and vote. Transitional Pastor Contract Extension needed.

Lacey Committee has not yet extend a call.

Longview Presbyterian Church

Liz and Dexter Kearny will be resigning as pastors on April 16. COM gave permission to Liz and Dexter to continue to offer pastoral care to two incarcerated individuals.

MOTION: COM appoints SC Shari Jackson Monson to moderate the Longview congregational meeting on April 16, to officially dissolve the pastoral calls. *Motion carries.*

Westminster Presbyterian, Olympia

Sessions can hire, but not call, anyone in a temporary position.

UPPC

MOTION: To allow UPPC to create an APNC, without going through a mission study. *Motion carries.*

RESPONSE

South Beach

Joyce Emery is ending her time as moderator, and Linda Flatley has volunteered until Amanda is ready.

CLERGY CARE

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First Call Learning Cohort

TE Robyn Hogue has agreed to coordinate this Cohort and has made initial contact. Robyn will be encouraging them to go to clergy retreat.

Clergy in validated ministry

Validated ministry check-ins will be scheduled soon.

Active Clergy Retreat in 2023

Clergy Retreat Grant Application Online

Grant Application Pastors Retreat

Clergy Groups

Julie Johnson proposed a new group that she would lead called the Clergy Circle of Trust. More info to come.

NEXT MEETING April 26, Online 2 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lesley Blair Paine, Recording Clerk, 22 Mar 2023