

STATED CLERK CONSENT AGENDA

November 28, 2023

*The following will be presented as a single motion. You may ask to have any item removed, if you would like it to be discussed. Simply be recognized by the Moderator and say:
"Mister Moderator, I would like to lift [say the item number] for discussion."*

ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY'S ACTION

That the presbytery:

1. **Approve** the minutes of the September 26, 2023 stated meeting, held in person at Elmira, North and electronically via Zoom.us.
2. **Grant** privilege of voice to non-commissioners who will make a presentation or participate in a report to the presbytery.
3. **Receive** the October Operating Statement, Balance Statement and Treasurer's report.
4. **Receive** the 2024 Budget for the Presbytery's first reading, to be presented to the Presbytery for approval in January 2024. [This is not a vote to approve the budget – that vote will take place in January 2024.]
5. **Approve** the sale of the property known as Ontario Center First Presbyterian Church, 1638 Ridge Road, Ontario, NY 14519, to Kari Khun for \$155,000; and **authorize and direct** the First Presbyterian Church of Ontario Center to take all actions useful and necessary to close the transaction on behalf of the Presbytery of Geneva and the First Presbyterian Church of Ontario Center.
6. **Approve** the following addition to the Committee on Ministry Ordered Ministry responsibilities in the Presbytery Manual of Administrative Operations:
"Implement procedures for the Presbytery of Geneva's Background Check Policy for Pastoral Leaders."
7. **Approve** the election of the following to serve on the Committee on Representation:
 - a. Class of 2026: TE Paul Malles (Penn Yan, First)
 - b. Class of 2026: TE Sabrina Slater (Spencer, Christ the King)
 - c. Class of 2025: RE Rob Anderson (Penn Yan, First)
8. **Approve** the election of the following to serve as Presbytery Officers in 2024:
 - a. Moderator: TE Anita Milne (Waterloo, First)
 - b. Vice-Moderator: CRE Connie Franks (Ontario, First; serving Shortsville, First)
 - c. General Council Chair: RE Jeff Richards (Elmira, North)
 - d. Treasurer: TE David Ashby (AL)
9. **Approve** the election of the following to serve on Presbytery Committees and Boards:
 - a. Committee on Ministry
 - Class of 2026: TE Leigh Holder (Phelps, United)
 - b. Committee on Leader Care
 - Class of 2026: RE Donna Colvin (Pulteney, First)
 - Class of 2026: CRE Bob Sell (Horseheads, First)
 - c. Committee on Camp Whitman
 - Class of 2026: TE David Preisendanz (Painted Post, United)
 - Class of 2026: RE Marvin Pallscheck (Penn Yan, First)
 - d. Committee on Vitality
 - Class of 2026: TE David Barnard (HR)
 - Class of 2026: TE Hodong Hwang (Palmyra, Western)
 - e. Committee on Mission and Witness
 - Class of 2026: RE Joanne Tunison (Elmira, First)
 - Class of 2026: TE Lynn Rubio-Capron (Elmira, North)
 - f. Committee on Operations
 - Class of 2026: RE Sandy Ansley (Geneva)
 - Class of 2026: RE Phil Opdyke (Palmyra, Western)
 - Class of 2026: RE Ken Allen (Canandaigua, United)

- g. General Council - Members at Large
 - Class of 2025: RE Rich Buchheimer (Elmira, First)
 - Class of 2025: TE Michelle Serra (Canisteo)

10. Approve the election of the following to serve as Commissioners/YAADs to the 226th General Assembly:

- a. TE Leah Ntuala (Seneca Falls, First)
- b. [Alternate] TE Cara Milne (Watkins Glen, First)
- c. RE Jeff Richards (Elmira North)
- d. [Alternate] RE Jim Varner (Hornell, United)
- e. YAAD Eliana Hansen (Elmira, North)
- f. [Alternate YAAD] Ren Champlin (Geneva)

11. Approve the following imbalance correction for 2024:

Current Imbalance Report

Minister members of presbytery (as of 11/18/23)	71
Honorably Retired Minister members (traditionally excused)	35
Average ministers in attendance in 2023 (stated meetings)	28 (last year: 23)
Elder Commissioners from congregations (as of 11/18/23)	49
Add'l Elder Commissioners from large congregations (over 500)	0
Average elder commissioners from congregations in attendance in 2023 (stated meetings)	21
Average elder commissioners (congregations + additional) in attendance in 2023 (stated meetings)	31 (last year: 32)
<i>Total # of congregations (as of 11/18/23)</i>	<i>49</i>
<i>Average # of churches not represented by elder comm. in 2023</i>	<i>29 (last year: 30)</i>
<i>Average # of churches not represented by elder comm. or pastor</i>	<i>18 (last year: 19)</i>

Imbalance To Be Corrected in 2024:

Invite the following persons to serve as “additional elder commissioners” for calendar year 2024:

Presbytery Officers (2):

Connie Franks (Ontario Center, First) – Presbytery Vice Moderator

Jeff Richards (Elmira, North) — General Council Chairperson

CREs in current service to church or presbytery (8):

Priscilla Andrews (Rock Stream)

Richard Evans (Burdett)

Carleen Frost (Sodus, First)

Don Peek (Pulteney, First)

Bob Sell (Horseheads, First)

John Gingerich (Wolcott, First)

Bessie Tyrrell (membership held by Presbytery of Geneva)

Paul Yoder (Horseheads, First)

Committee/Council Leadership (5):

Irene Fadden (Palmyra, Western) — Committee on Operations

Beth Newell (Geneva) — Committee on Ministry

Rich Buchheimer (Elmira, First) — At-Large RE on Council

Linda Werts (Canandagua, United) — Committee on Mission and Witness

Virginia Champlin (Geneva) – Presbyterian Women

TOTAL INVITATIONS = 15

ITEMS FOR PRESBYTERY'S INFORMATION FROM YOUR STATED CLERK

1. The Annual Statistical Reports that congregations are required to file with the Office of the General Assembly of the PC(USA) are to be completed online by February 14, 2024. Information about completing these reports will be sent to clerks and moderators within the next few weeks. If you have any questions or need assistance with completing your report, please contact the Stated Clerk:
StatedClerk@PresbyteryOfGeneva.org
2. Synod Grant applications are due by January 10, 2024 for:
 - a. Campus Ministry Grants <https://www.synodne.org/campus-ministry-grant-application>
 - b. Youth Leadership <https://www.synodne.org/youth-leadership-grant-application>
3. Please take advantage of the (FREE) Synod of the Northeast Webinars:
<https://www.synodne.org/webinars>