



THE PRESBYTERY OF SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND

January 10, 2019

Dear Colleagues,

Notice is hereby given for a **Stated Meeting** of the Presbytery of Southern New England to be held on **Saturday, February 9, 2018, at 9:30 a.m.**, at the **St. Andrew Presbyterian Church**, 310 Fort Hill Road, Groton, Connecticut. The Presbytery Roundtable has proposed that we structure our meeting as a service of worship, with liturgical elements interwoven with items of business. There are at least two proposed Open Space gatherings, and during the course of business we will consider proposed amendments to the PC (U.S.A.) Constitution, receive other reports from the officers and committees of the Presbytery, and transact any other business as may properly come before us.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. David A. Baer, Stated Clerk



Information Docket and Consent Motion

February 9, 2019

Presbytery of Southern New England

1. Items listed on the **Information Docket** are considered reported to the Presbytery at the time of consideration of the Information Docket. Any person entitled to speak at this meeting may remove an item from the Information Docket for further reporting or discussion to take place during the Committee's report. No motion to receive reports is necessary.
2. The **Consent Motion** is intended for matters that are not controversial, and items are included in it only by unanimous consent. Any person entitled to vote at this meeting may ask that an item be removed from the Consent Motion when the Presbytery considers the Consent Motion. The Presbytery will debate and act on those items during the relevant committee report. During the period of introductions at the beginning of the meeting, names of those to be seated as corresponding members may be added to the Consent Motion by unanimous consent. The Consent Motion will be adopted by a vote.

Information Docket

The information docket consists of all reports for information presented at the meeting.

Consent Motion

- That the Presbytery grant excuses from attendance at the 176th Stated Meeting to those needing the same, but that the Presbytery suspend the reading of their names.
- That the Presbytery grant excuses for early departures from the 176th Stated Meeting for those requesting the same by signing their names on a list maintained at the Clerks' desk, but that the Presbytery suspend the reading of their names.
- That the Presbytery seat as Corresponding Members those ministers for whom a request is made at the beginning of the meeting.
- That the Presbytery receive the Treasurer's report as list Reference C.
- That the Presbytery approve the minutes of the 175th Stated Meeting held on November 17, 2018, as printed in the "Minutes" section of the PSNE website (action item #1 in the Clerk's Report).
- That the Presbytery receive with regret the resignation of Elder John Succo (Waterford: Crossroads) as Assistant Treasurer and from the Board of Trustees (action item #2 in the Clerk's Report).

176th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Southern New England

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Groton, CT

Saturday, February 9, 2019

Proposed Docket

9:00 Registration

Gathering

9:30 Gathering Ritual *Know That God is Good (variety of languages)*
Litany of Gifts

Call to Worship - We gather in God's Name
Forming the Roll
Docket, Enrollment, Introductions, Arrangements

Call to Confession
Acknowledgment of the Land
Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon

The Peace

Consent Motion

Listening

9:45 Open Space

- COM conversation on ministerial compensation
- Mission/Vision Team
- Others topics as volunteered

11:15 Sung Prayer for Illumination *Build A Longer Table (verses 1 and 2)*

Stated Clerk's Report

Rev. David Baer

- Proposed amendments to the PC(U.S.A.) Constitution

Scripture Reading

11:50 Homily

- PIM Report

Responding

12:10 Sung Response

Build a Longer Table (verses 3 and 4)

Mission and Ministry of the Presbytery

- PIM
- Roundtable Report (**Ref. A**)
- Committee on Ministry (**Ref. H**)
- Nominating Committee

Rev. John Webster
Rev. David Van Dyke
Elder Barbara Riihimaki
Elder Art Riihimaki

12:40 Prayers of the People

Offering

Praise God, All You Nations

Closing Ritual

Going

1:00 Closing Hymn

In Christ There is No East or West #439

Adjournment