

**THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY  
May 8, 2019**

FOR PRESBYTERY ACTION:

1. Move to APPROVE the 2019 Annual Terms of Call for the Parish Clergy of the Presbytery of Southern New England. The report is Ref. H-1.
2. Move to VALIDATE the 2019 Annual Report of Non-Parish Clergy. The report is Ref. H-2.
3. Move to APPROVE the transfer of The Rev. Thelma Burgonio-Watson from the Presbytery of Giddings Lovejoy effective May 8, 2019. Her statement of faith is Ref. H-3.
4. Move to APPROVE the transfer of The Rev. Gail Schneider from the National Capital Presbytery effective May 8, 2019. Her statement of faith is Ref. H-4.
5. Move to APPROVE the transfer of The Rev. Dr. Shanell Smith from the Presbytery of Newark effective May 8, 2019. Her statement of faith is Ref. H-5.
6. Move to APPROVE the transfer of The Rev. Thomas Hughart from the Presbytery of Hudson River effective May 8, 2019. His statement of faith is Ref. H-6.

*A celebratory prayer will be offered*

7. Move to APPROVE the following members for the Health Boundaries Response Team for 2019 – 2020: Elder Lisa Baker, Rev. Richard Dannenfelser, Rev. Eileen Epperson, Rev. Susan Pfeil, and Rev. John Sandel.
8. Move that the Presbytery APPROVE the Presbytery of Southern New England Policy on Parental Leave. The policy is Ref. H-7.
9. Presenting changes to the PSNE Policy on Background Checks for a first reading. The changed policy is Ref. H-8.

FOR PRESBYTERY INFORMATION

1. Dismissed The Rev. Christine Johnson Foster to the Presbytery of National Capital retroactively to August 21, 2018.
2. Approved the Healthy Boundaries training program scheduled for June 6, 2019.
3. Held an Open Space discussion at the PSNE meeting on February 9, 2019 regarding clergy compensation.

4. Dismissed The Rev. Megan Cullip to the Presbytery of Santa Fe effective retroactively to June 3, 2018.
5. Approved the sabbatical plan of The Rev. Shannon White, Pastor, Wilton Presbyterian Church, Wilton, CT.
6. Approved the list of clergy required to complete Boundary Awareness training in 2019, approved the list of clergy exempted from the Boundary Awareness training in 2019, and approved two alternate forms of online training for excused persons.
7. Worked on revising the Committee on Ministry Manual of Operations.
8. Worked with individual churches on specific problematic issues.
9. Met with Rev. John Seiders for training on Interim Ministry.
10. Four churches and the Committee on Ministry began work with The Rev. Deborah Wright, PneuMatrix.
11. Started work with Rev. Deborah Wright, PneuMatrix, on defining the vision for the Committee on Ministry and transforming the work of the committee in how we support clergy and congregations.
12. Approved the Ministry Information Form for First Presbyterian Church, Hartford to formally start their search process for a called pastor.
13. Designated Rev. John Merz as Stated Supply and Interim Moderator of Session for First Presbyterian Church, Hartford effective May 1, 2019.
14. Designated Rev. John Merz as Stated Supply and Interim Moderator of Session for First Presbyterian Church in the Meadows, Granby, MA effective May 1, 2019.
15. Eight members of the Committee on Ministry attended the anti-racism training at Stony Point, NY on March 3 – 5, 2019 conducted by Crossroads.
16. Approved the request for retirement of The Rev. Thomas Hawkins and The Rev. Jan Hawkins effective April 30, 2019 with gratitude for their work at the First Presbyterian Church, Hartford, CT.