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Presbytery Roundtable

Feb. 13, 2023

Presbytery of Southern New England

FOR INFORMATION:

The Presbytery Roundtable held meetings on December 14, 2022, January 9, 2023, and February 2, 2023. At these meetings, the Presbytery Roundtable:

December 14

Voted to nominate to the Brazilian Fellowship AC Rev. Tiffany Nicely Hollack and Rev. Lin Rohr and to the Synod Commission Rev. Chris Foster. These nominations are to be ratified by the Presbytery on February 13.

Heard a report from Lauren Tate, chair of the Personnel Committee on a proposed change from Personnel and Trustees to discontinue our relationship with Dayle Larson as of December 31, 2022 and begin a relationship with the nonprofit accounting firm Jitatsa for bookkeeping and with Gusto for payroll services as of January 1, 2023.

Voted in the affirmative to approve this recommendation from the Trustees and Personnel Committee and to authorize them to execute on these proposals.

January 9

Met to hear the status of the financial transition and Stated Clerk transition. The financial transition was quite recent but reported to be going well.

On the Stated Clerk transition, the Roundtable voted to call a meeting of the Presbytery for January 17, 2023 to elect the Rev. Shannan Vance-Ocampo as Acting Stated Clerk for a three-month term and to act on the nominations from our December 14, 2023 Roundtable meeting.

February 2

Met to discuss and approve the proposed docket for the February 13 Presbytery meeting.

Also set regular meeting dates for the rest of 2023 that are at least three weeks before stated Presbytery meetings. The approved dates are April 30 at 4:30 p.m., and August 30 and October 12 at 9:30 a.m. The Roundtable also decided to schedule short special meetings as needed for other issues that may arise as the year goes forward. The first of those special meetings will be to discuss our Matthew 25 work. Becoming a Matthew 25 Presbytery was approved at the November 19, 2022 Presbytery meeting.