

Stated Clerk's Report
Presbytery of Southern New England
Stated Meeting
September 20, 2023

Note from the Stated Clerk: I am not present for this meeting because I am at Mid-Council Leader Orientation in Louisville this week. The Consent Agenda includes an action to appoint the Rev. Shannan Vance-Ocampo as Clerk pro tem.

For Action:

1. That the Presbytery accept the resignation of Rev. Shannon White from the Commission on Ministry, with thanks for her service (item #5 in the Consent Agenda).

For Information:

1. I am very grateful to have begun serving in PSNE as Clerk, and for your warm welcome. I look forward to meeting more of you in person in the coming months, including at the monthly meetups scheduled throughout the fall.
2. As Secretary of the Corporation, I signed closing documents on the PILP loan for First Presbyterian Church, Stamford, as approved at the May 30 Called Meeting, on August 17 and August 21, 2023.
3. The new *Church Discipline* has replaced the *Rules of Discipline* in the *Book of Order*. The Synod of the Northeast is offering PJC training this fall led by Elder Flor Velez-Diaz, Manager of Judicial Process at the Office of the General Assembly. The two options most likely to work for PSNE folks are the three-part Zoom series on November 1, 6, and 14 (6-8pm); or the one-day training in Albany on October 16 (9:30am-5:30pm). All PJC members are expected to participate, and it would also be helpful for PSNE to have additional participants. If you are interested, please let me know and I will forward registration info.
4. A summary of several *Book of Order* changes, especially those of interest to Sessions and congregations, is included in the meeting materials.
5. The location for the Stated Meeting of Presbytery on November 4, 2023 is still to be determined; we hope to announce a location soon.
6. Any proposed overtures to next year's GA will be heard at the November 4 Stated Meeting. Please bring any overtures coming before Presbytery to my attention by the first week of October so that they can be included in the docket.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Kate Carlisle