

**DIGEST**  
**PRESBYTERY OF COASTAL CAROLINA**  
**SEVENTY-EIGHTH STATED MEETING**  
**BURGAW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
**BURGAW, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**OCTOBER 6, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Elder John S. Monroe, Jr., Presbytery Moderator.

**ENROLLMENT:** 75 ministers, 97 elders representing 89 churches, 5 committee chairs, 13 commissioned lay pastors & 63 visitors.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Received a communication from the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic Permanent Judicial Commission regarding the outcome of the complaint filed against the Presbytery by Helena J. Lee. A MOTION was made to dismiss the Committee of Counsel with the thanks of Presbytery for their work in this matter.

**PRESBYTERY COUNCIL:** A MOTION was made to accept the resignation of Toby Wells as Associate for Youth Ministries and Associate for Outdoor Ministries as of 9/21/07. 2<sup>ND</sup> & PASSED. A MOTION was made to approve the following dates for 2008 Stated Presbytery Meetings: March 1 (Saturday), June 19 (Thursday), October 4 (Saturday), & December 4 (Thursday). PASSED. *See October Presbytery Packet, page 27.*

**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY:** Received two ministers: Michael C. Baynai as Associate Pastor of Little Chapel On The Boardwalk Presbyterian Church and Randal L. Bremer as a Member-at-Large. Approved the requests of Vaughn Memorial Presbyterian Church, Fayetteville and Philadelphus Presbyterian Church, Red Springs to waive the requirement of the Book of Order G-14.0202b, not to rotate session members, for a period of three years (2008 – 2010). Commissioned one Commission Lay Pastor: Donald L. Fischer/Village Presbyterian Church, Fayetteville. Several Moderators-of-Sessions & supply relationships were reported. *\*See October Presbytery Packet, pages 9 – 15.*

**TRANSITION TEAM:** A MOTION was made that the report be received as a first reading today. Report will be received at the December Presbytery Meeting for discussion & action. PASSED. *\*See October Presbytery Packet, pages 16 – 26.*

**COMMITTEE FOR MISSION & OUTREACH:** Information received from the Coastal Carolina Presbyterian Aid Network for Disaster Assistance Task Force (PANDA). Chair is Rev. Jason Davenport. *\*See October Presbytery Packet, pages 29 – 33 & 66 – 68.*

**COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS & VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT:** With no nominations from the floor, the report & the supplemental report were approved & all those listed were elected as nominated. *\*See October Presbytery Packet, pages 34 -35 & 69.*

**PROPERTY COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL:** A MOTION was made that Presbytery grant permission for the Church Of The Covenant Presbyterian Church to sell their manse which they are not using and which has become a financial liability. PASSED. A MOTION was made that Presbytery grant permission to dispose of the Gibson property in the most expedient manner possible after consultation with the Presbytery's attorney, and at his convenience. PASSED. A MOTION was made that Presbytery grant permission to dispose of the vacant lot located in Chadbourn, NC which was owned by Fuller Memorial Presbyterian Church. PASSED. A MOTION was made that Presbytery grant permission

for Chestnut Street Presbyterian Church to sell their property on Red Cross Street. PASSED.

**MANUAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL: A**

MOTION was made that the report be received as a first reading today. Report will be received at the December Presbytery Meeting for discussion and action. PASSED. \*See *October Presbytery Packet, pages 41 – 43.*

**NEW BUSINESS:** A MOTION was made that Presbytery Council, in consultation with the Interim General Presbyter and the Budget & Finance Committee, arrange for a series of workshops with at least one workshop to be held in each of the six regions of Presbytery, to conduct training sessions on the proper way to fill out & complete the General Assembly Annual Statistical Report. PASSED. A MOTION was made to authorize the Interim General Presbyter, if the way be clear, or someone appointed by Presbytery Council, to contact the Cameron School of Business at the University of North Carolina Wilmington, or some other equally recognized educational institution, to determine: [1.] The cost of an extensive feasibility study that would give Presbytery information by which it could make a sound and reasonable judgment as to the future viability of Kirkwood Camp & Conference Center.\*\*\* (The study *would not* examine the programmatic structure of Outdoor Ministries.) [2.] That Presbytery authorize the person(s) engaged in conversation with UNCW to pay a reasonable stipend to the person and/or persons from UNCW engaged in determining the cost to Presbytery of such a feasibility study; and that the Interim General Presbyter, the Moderator of Presbytery, and the Chair of Presbytery Council determine what would be reasonable. [3.] That the cost suggested by representative(s) from UNCW be brought to the March 1, 2008 meeting of Presbytery for its deliberation and its acceptance or rejection. A SUBTITUTE MOTION was made to refer this item of new business to Presbytery Council. PASSED.

**MEETING ADJOURNED** with prayer to meet on Thursday, December 6, 2007 at First Presbyterian Church, Dunn, NC.

\*\*\*If there is objection to including only Kirkwood Camp & Conference Center, I would welcome Camp Monroe to be added to the recommendation; however, Camp Monroe does not present the options that Kirkwood offers. (Should Camp Monroe cease to operate as a Presbyterian Camp, the property would revert to the grantors.)