COMMISSION ON MINISTRY AND MINISTRY PREPARATION
Meeting Minutes
October 29, 2025

The meeting of the Commission on Ministry and Ministry Preparation was held via Zoom and called to order by Dawn Russell at 10:00 a.m. October 29, 2025, following prayer and devotions by Brant Piper.

Members present: Robbie Carnes, Linda Gibbs, Mark Morningstar, Brant Piper, Dawn Russell, Kim Strunz and Jane Young.

Members excused: Jon Baker, Al Hosler and Christina Jensen.

Presbytery staff present: Ted McCulloch, Stated Clerk

Presbytery staff excused: Staci Percy, Communications Manager/Recording Clerk

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the agenda.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2025 stated meeting.

The **Transition Team** report was given by Dawn Russell.

Discussion was led by Ted McCulloch regarding Saginaw-Second.

Discussion was held regarding Grand Blanc-Kirkridge and Flint-Trinity United.

Discussion was held regarding Lapeer-First.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve that the presbytery through COMMP funds cover 30 days of benefits for Hal Shaffer. This is in addition to the church and Board of Pensions each covering 30 additional days each.

Lapeer-First will be moving to elect a PNC at their upcoming congregational meeting.

Discussion was held regarding Croswell-First.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to appoint Deb Coverdill as Moderator of Session for Croswell-First effective January 1, 2026.

Discussion was held regarding Ithaca-First. Mark Morningstar is waiting on a contract.

Other business reminder that the November meeting has been moved up a week due to Thanksgiving.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to adjourn at 10:30 am following closing prayer by Brant Piper.

The next scheduled meeting of the Commission on Ministry and Ministry Preparation will be held Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at 10:00am via Zoom. Dawn Russell will lead devotions.

Staci Percy
Communications Manager/Recording Clerk