COMMISSION ON MINISTRY AND MINISTRY PREPARATION
Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2026

The meeting of the Commission on Ministry and Ministry Preparation was held via Zoom and called to order by Dawn Russell at 10:00am on October 28, 2026 following prayer by Dawn Russell.

Members present: Nathaniel Asperger, Robbie Carnes, Linda Gibbs, Al Hosler, Mark Morningstar, Dawn Russell and Jane Young.

Members excused: Deb Coverdill, Christina Jensen, Scott Kroener, Kim McKenzie, Suzy Rockwell, Kim Strunz and Gayle Wooster

Presbytery staff present: Ted McCulloch, Stated Clerk and Staci Percy, Communications Manager/Recording Clerk

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the agenda.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2026 stated meeting.

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

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the part-time (25 hours/week) Temporary Supply Covenant renewal between the Rev. Sue Hand and Tawas effective for a period of three years, effective January 1, 2027. Terms are as follows:

Cash Salary	$27,000
Housing Allowance	$25,000
Insurance Allowance	$6,000
Travel Reimbursement	At IRS rate
Vacation Time	4 weeks (non-consecutive) including 4 Sundays
Study Leave Time	3 weeks including Sundays
Family Leave	Up to 12 weeks
Compensatory Time Off	5 weeks including Sundays 12 weeks plus Sundays at one week per month
Family Leave Time	Up to 12 weeks
Reimbursable Items	Study leave allowance, phone calls, professional expenses and others

An update was given on the listening survey sent to congregations. Information collected will be reviewed at the November meeting.

An email vote was taken after the September meeting. MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to appoint Dawn Russell as Moderator of Saginaw-Second effective immediately.

The **Transition Team** report was given.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the Lapeer-First's Ministry Discernment Profile (MDP) to be posted as written.

Updates were given on the following congregations:

- Deckerville-First
- Croswell-First
- Saginaw-Second
- Flint-Trinity United
- Grand Blanc-Kirkridge

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MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to adjourn at 10:23am following prayer by Dawn Russell.

The next scheduled meeting of the Commission on Ministry and Ministry Preparation will be held Wednesday, November 18, 2026 at 10:00am via Zoom. Nathaniel Asperger will lead devotions.

Staci Percy
Communications Manager/Recording Clerk