COMMISSION ON MINISTRY AND MINISTRY PREPARATION
Meeting Minutes
September 27, 2023

The meeting of the Commission on Ministry and Ministry Preparation was held via Zoom and called to order by Linda Kennan at 10:00 a.m., September 27, 2023, following devotions and prayer by Kim Strunz.

Members present: Jon Baker, Robbie Carnes, Lynn Franko, Janette Gonzales, Al Hosler, Christina Jensen, Linda Kennan, Scott Kroener, Rob Minard, Brant Piper, Ed Savage, Kim Strunz and Paul Ytterock.

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

Guest: Joseph Novak

Members excused: Jane Young and Cassie Todd.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the agenda.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2023 stated meeting.

The **STATED CLERK** report was given by Ted McCulloch.

Training moderators of sessions is November 4, 2023 at Saginaw-First. Pre-registration on the presbytery website is requested but not required.

Session Minutes Review will take place starting in mid-October.

The **ADMINSTRATIVE TEAM** report was given by Linda Kennan.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to appoint the following people as Session Moderators at church listed:

- Brant Piper at Caro through the end of the year.
- Paul Ytterock at Fairgrove
- Jon Baker at Beaverton

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve Elder Jonathan Korpe to serve communion at Rosebush on October 1, 2023.

It was noted that Elder Jonathan Korpe of Rosebush, will need to attend communion training prior to being approved to serve communion in the future.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the Covenant renewal between Elder Bonnie Rapson and Deckerville-First for period of one year effective September 11, 2023. Terms are as follows:

Cash Salary	$850/month (35 hours per month)
Travel Reimbursement	At IRS rate
Telephone	Billable to church
Continuing Education	$1000
Book Allowance	$500
Vacation Time	4 weeks including 4 Sundays
Study Leave Time	2 weeks including 2 Sundays

The Rev. Christina Jensen will continue to serve as her mentor.

For information: Jennifer Rike's contract at Holly was extended for another month with the same terms.

The **TRANSITION TEAM** report was given by Linda Kennan. And update was given on:

- Tuscola County churches partnership
- Flint churches partnership
- Croswell-First
- Tawas

GENERAL BUSINESS was given by Linda Kennan. Discussion was held regarding:

- It was noted that small churches may want to look at local insurance agencies for coverage due to the rising cost of premiums with the larger insurance companies.
- Discussion regarding liaisons took place. Brant Piper, Al Hosler and Lynn Franko will work on a suggestion for liaisons' role and present it at a future meeting of COMMP.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to adjourn at 11:20pm following closing prayer Kim Strunz. The next scheduled meeting of the Commission on Ministry and Ministry Preparation will be held Wednesday, October 25, 2023, at 10:00am via Zoom. Linda Kennan will lead devotions.

Staci Percy
Communications Manager/Recording Clerk