COMMISSION ON MINISTRY AND MINISTRY PREPARATION
Meeting Minutes
October 23, 2024

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. October 23, 2024, following devotions and prayer by Linda Gibbs.

Members present: Linda Gibbs, Janette Gonzales, Al Hosler, Linda Kennan, Brant Piper, Ed Savage, Kim Strunz, Cassie Todd and Jane Young.

Members excused: Jon Baker, Robbie Carnes, Lynn Franko, Christina Jensen, Rob Minard and Dawn Russell.

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

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the agenda as amended.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2024 stated meeting.

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

MOTION WAS SUSATAINED to approve the contract renewal between Elder Bonni Rapson and Deckerville-First effective September 11, 2024. Terms are as follows:

Cash Salary	$850/month (35 hours per month)
Travel Reimbursement	At IRS rate
Other	$150
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.

The Administrative Team is asked to be sure there is gender equality for compensation.

The **STATED CLERK** report was given by Ted McCulloch. Fairgrove and Caro are working with Justice Cuddie to establish a Pulpit Supply contract that would include: preaching the 3rd and 4th Sundays of each month and when there is a 5th Sunday to preach at Cass City. She would have use of Fairgrove's manse. Christina Jensen will be working with her as a mentor and she will be referred to CPM to be considered for Inquirer Status.

The Sick Leave Law taking effect in Michigan on February 20, 2025 was discussed.

The **COMMISSION ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY** report was given by Cassie Todd.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED if the way be clear to approve the CRE Handbook/Policy pending consistency edits.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to approve the Administrative Commission to Ordain and Install Nathaniel Asperger as Pastor of Saginaw-Countryside on November 16, 2024 at 2:00pm. Members include: The Revs. Matthew Schramm (Moderator) Robbie Carnes, Kate Morrison and Andrew Miller and Elders: Ann Klatt (Fairgrove), Terry Woods (Caro-First) and Rose Cook (Cass City-First).

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

Discussion was held regarding Alma-First.

Andrew Miller will be meeting with Mark Morningstar today regarding Mark's request to transfer his membership back to Lake Huron.

NEW BUSINESS

- Pulpit Supply request regarding willingness to preach via Zoom; will be sent to the Admin Team to determine how it should be handled/communicated.
- Tawas Listening Team wrap up summary was given.

MOTION WAS SUSTAINED to adjourn at 11:05 am following closing prayer by Linda Gibbs. The next scheduled meeting of the Commission on Ministry and Ministry Preparation will be held Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 10:00am via Zoom. Robbie Carnes will lead devotions.

Staci Percy
Communications Manager/Recording Clerk