

**Highlights of Stated Heartland Presbytery Meeting  
Saturday, September 15, 2018**

- New Horizon Presbyterian warmly welcomed commissioners with an array of goodies and smiles.
- Morning prayers were led by ruling elders from New Horizon. The offering of \$966.91 was given to Heartland Presbytery Mission Budget.
- The Administrative Commission for the Korean United Presbyterian Church was dismissed with thanks following the election of a new Administrative Commission to explore the need for a PC(USA) Korean Church in the Kansas City metro area.
- The Administrative Commission for churches leaving the PC(USA) recommended the dissolving the following churches: Walnut Grove, Butler, MO; Freeman Presbyterian, Freeman, MO; St. Luke Presbyterian, Kansas City, MO; Barbee Memorial; Excelsior Springs, MO; and Colonial Presbyterian, Kansas City, MO & Overland Park, KS.
- Approved Minimum Terms of Call for Teaching Elders for 2019:
  - a. Cost of living increase of 3% making the 2019 effective salary & housing \$41,818 (an increase of \$1,218 over the 2018 minimum of \$40,600)
  - b. Pastoral Plan PC(USA) Pension and Medical dues will increase to \$15,473 for 2019 (an increase of \$451 over 2018).
  - c. Continuing Education allowance - \$500 minimum, cumulative to \$1,500.
  - d. Minimum Total Package will be \$57,791 for 2019 (an increase of \$1,669).
  - e. 4 weeks vacation (including 4 Sundays and 2 weeks continuing education including (2 Sundays)).
- Examined TE Paul Davidson for membership and installation for the New Hope Parish.
- Examined TE Clifford Horton, HR for membership.
- Examined TE Nancy Gillard for membership as a member at large.
- Examined TE Grant Gillard for membership as a member at large.
- Examined and commissioned RE Linda Dudley to serve as a Commissioned Ruling Elder for First Presbyterian, Pleasanton, KS.
- Received a report regarding the 2018 and 2019 Shared Mission Budget and Operating Budget. Presbytery Council will be making some difficult and hard decisions since the giving from churches has been going down. They hope to bring realistic budgets to the November meeting.
- The Search Committee announced that TE Dee Cooper will become our Interim Executive Presbyter. She will begin her work by November 1<sup>st</sup>. There will be a called presbytery meeting to receive her into membership.
- Individuals were elected to serve on presbytery's commissions, committees and divisions.
- RE Craig Gibson reported on his experience at the 223<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the General Assembly in St. Louis, MO in June 2018.
- Information was shared about the "Voter2Voter" events prior to the November election.
- Commissioners participated in the Presbytery Council discussion groups.
- Congregational Ministries Division encouraged youth to attend the Youth Triennium to be held in July of 2019 at Purdue University. E-4 will be held November 4 – 6, 2018. GROW will be held February 2, 2019. Individuals are encouraged to make workshop suggestions.
- Approved endorsing Proposition B, an initiative on the Missouri ballot on November 6, 2018.

**Next Stated Presbytery Meeting - Saturday, November 17, 2018  
Parkville Presbyterian, Parkville, MO**