Executive Committee Report November 14, 2023

Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee

Pittsburgh Presbytery's Executive Committee met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 in the Patrick Room of the Presbytery Center. Co-chair Rev. Dr. Trent Hancock opened the meeting with prayer.

Items for Information

1. Declaration of Henry Highland Garnet Weekend

The Executive Committee declared that the third weekend in February should henceforth be proclaimed as Henry Highland Garnet Weekend in Pittsburgh Presbytery. Further information regarding the celebration of Rev. Henry Highland Garnet's ministry in Pittsburgh will be forthcoming.

2. Election of Executive Committee Leadership for 2024

The Executive Committee elected Rev. Dr. Charissa Howe and Rev. Emily Cooper as its co-chairs for 2024.

3. Change in Title for Presbytery Associate Ministers

The Executive Committee approved the following changes in titles for the Associate Ministers:

Rev. Brian Wallace: Associate Minister for Congregational Support and Emerging Ministries;

Rev. Ralph Lowe: Associate Minister for Congregational Support and Justice Ministries;

Rev. Louise Rogers: Temporary Associate Minister for Congregational Support.

4. Election of Member and 2024 Chair of the Ecclesiastical Committee

The Executive Committee elected Ruling Elder Laura Markowitz to the Ecclesiastical Committee in the Class of 2026B and Rev. Heather Schoenewolf as its Chair for 2024.

Items for Action

1. Consent Motions

The Executive Committee recommends that the following items be approved by consent: **#s 3, and 4.**

2. Election of Members of the Nominating Committee

The Executive Committee approved of the Ecclesiastical Committee's nomination of the following individuals for election by Presbytery to the Nominating Committee:

Rev. Dr. David Carver (Class of 2026B)

Rev. Jodi Flack (Class of 2026A)

Rev. Flack's election requires a waiver of the branch representation requirement as the current opening is for a minister from the South and Rev. Flack lives and serves in the West.

*3. Finance Reports – August and September 2023

The Executive Committee recommends Presbytery receive and file for audit the Presbytery Financial Statements for the months of August and September 2023.

*4. Waiver of Six-Year Limitation on Terms

The Executive Committee approved and forwards to Presbytery for its approval, waivers of the six-year limitation on terms for members of the following congregations to serve additional terms beginning in 2024:

Bull Creek United Presbyterian Church 2 Elders
Concord Presbyterian Church 2 Elders
Montours Presbyterian Church 1 Elder
Valley Presbyterian Church 1 Deacon