

Presbytery of Missouri River Valley
COMMISSION ON MINISTRY
Report to Presbytery: February 16, 2019

The Commission took the following actions on behalf of the Presbytery at meetings held on November 27, and January 29, 2018:

- A-1.** Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Rev. Dwight T. Williams and New Life Church, January 1-December 31, 2019. Terms: one-third time; Salary \$ 3,475; Housing Allowance \$12,000; Pension, Death & Disability, and Major Medical through the Board of Pensions; Reimbursed Travel at IRS rate up to \$ 700; Professional Development \$394; Four weeks of vacation and two weeks of professional development leave.
- A-2.** Approved the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between Underwood Hills and Rev. Becky Balestri effective December 31, 2018.
- A-3.** Approved Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation position of Pastoral Leadership Revitalization Program Manager as a validated ministry of PMRV with Rev. Becky Balestri serving in that capacity commencing January 2, 2019.
- A-4.** Approved date and Installation Commission for Rev. Becky Balestri. Installation date is set for January 20, 2019 at Gethsemane Presbyterian Church, Council Bluffs. Commission members are Elder Sandy Leedom, Underwood Hills; Elder Scott Darling, First/Omaha, Board member of OPSF; Rev. Dwight Williams; Rev. Sara Tonje; and Rev. Gary Eller.
- A-5.** Approved North Omaha Community Organizer as a validated ministry of PMRV beginning January 1, 2019.
- A-6.** Renewed Interim Pastoral Relationship between the Rev. Deena Candler and West Hills Church, January 1-December 31, 2019. The terms are: full-time; salary \$ 40,000; housing allowance \$25,000; deferred compensation \$18,000; Board of Pension, Death & Disability, and Major Medical; Dental Insurance. Reimbursed: Travel at IRS rate up to \$ 2800; Professional Development \$2000; Cell Phone \$660; Four weeks of vacation and two weeks of professional development leave.
- A-7.** Approved dissolution of Pastoral Relationship at Session request for financial reasons and terms of dissolution between Rev. Rus Kosits and Hope Presbyterian Church effective January 16, 2019.
- A-8.** Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Rev. Matthew Johnstone and Westminster Presbyterian Church/Omaha, February 1-December 31, 2019. Terms: 8 hours/week; 3-4 Sundays/month; Cash salary \$0; Housing Allowance \$17,592 per year (\$1,466/month - \$16,126 in 2019); Board of Pension not applicable. Professional mileage \$0.58/mile (for pastoral care travel); Continuing Education expenses \$500.
- A-9.** Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Rev. Richard Meyer and Westminster Presbyterian Church/Omaha, February 1-December 31, 2019. Terms: 4 hours/week; 12-15 Sundays/year; Moderate Session; Cash salary \$0; Housing allowance \$8400; Board of Pension not applicable.
- A-10.** Renew Temporary Supply Pastoral Relationship between the Rev. James Crapson and College Springs Church, January 1-December 31, 2019. Terms: full-time; Salary \$ 32,460; Housing Allowance \$4,000; Utilities \$6,000; Effective Salary \$42,460; Pension, Death & Disability, and Major Medical through the Board of Pensions \$21,092. Reimbursed: Professional Development \$624; Four weeks of vacation and two weeks of professional development leave.
- A-11.** Approved the dissolution of the Pastoral Relationship at pastor request and terms of dissolution between Rev. Sara Tonje and Presbyterian Church of the Master effective December 31, 2019.
- A-12.** Approved Interim Pastoral Relationship between Rev. Suzanne Gorhau and Carson/Oakland, January 1-December 31, 2019. Terms: ¾ time; Cash Salary \$35,460; Housing \$3,540-Effective Salary \$39,000; 11% pension/1% d&d equaling \$4,680; travel at IRS rate; continuing education \$3,818; vacation-4 weeks vacation; 2 weeks study leave.
- A-13.** Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Nancy Ross-Hullinger and Bethany/CB, January 1-December 31, 2019. Terms: 20 hours/week; Cash Salary \$20,962; Housing \$11,000; Deferred Compensation \$6,501, Travel \$550; Continuing Education \$1,100; total \$40,114.
- A-14.** Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Marcia Cline, Commissioned Pastor, and Trinity Presbyterian Church/Clarinda, January 1-December 31, 2019. Terms: full-time; Cash Salary \$37,824; Deferred Compensation \$4160.64; Travel at IRS rate up to \$1500; Continuing Education \$1182; Books \$200.
- A-16.** Approved Temporary Pastoral Relationship between Bob Sieck, Commissioned Pastor, and United Avoca, January 1-December 31, 2019. Terms: 19 hours per week; Cash Salary \$8560; Housing \$10,000; Travel at RS rate \$2560; Continuing Education \$1000.
- A-17.** Approved Rev. Russ Kosits as Member-at-Large of Presbytery Missouri River Valley
- A-18.** Approved abolishment of the associate pastor position at Hope Presbyterian, Omaha.
- A-19.** Approved Rev. A. David Paul as Moderator of Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church.

