

**MINUTES OF THE STATED MEETING OF
THE PRESBYTERY OF CAYUGA-SYRACUSE
22 JANUARY 2011
AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SKANEATELES, NEW YORK**

The Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse held a stated meeting at the First Presbyterian Church, Skaneateles, New York on January 22, 2011.

The Rev. Janet Newman opened the meeting with worship at 11:00AM, during which she was installed as Moderator and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was celebrated. The annual necrology of Elders who died during 2010 was included in worship, as well as Memorial Minutes for two minister members of the Presbytery.

The Presbytery remembered the following elders who died during 2010:

Auburn, First	Ken Champlin	07/06/2010
Auburn, Westminster	Robert O. Diephouse	06/06/2010
	Eunice Hicks Miller	04/25/2010
Cazenovia	Richard English	07/19/2010
	Marjorie LaRose	12/27/2010
	Ann P. O'Connor	09/19/2010
Chittenango	Frederick Grasmeyer	12/01/2010
Collamer	Elizabeth Warner	01/17/2010
	Chester Wright	04/21/2010
	James Van Dausen	11/25/2010
Dewitt	Harold Frazee	03/06/2010
	Estelle Lord	03/20/2010
	Dorothea B. Shultes	04/10/2010
	James M. Walton	04/24/2010
	Daniel Raasch	06/20/2010
East Syracuse	Albert Graboske	08/26/2010
	Harold A. Weyer	09/18/2010
Fayetteville	Edwin Hess	01/06/2010
Fulton	John Davis	03/01/2010
	Beverly Haven	06/08/2010
Parish-Hasting	Earl W. House	04/27/2010
Marcellus	John Gallinger	12/27/2010
Morrisville	Walta Bush	10/21/2010
	Grace Trush	05/05/2010
Oswego	Richard Shineman	05/27/2010
	Phyllis, Kazarian	08/14/2010
Port Byron	Wallace Jones	05/28/2010
Scipioville	Marjorie Whitten	02/16/2010
	Dana C. Russell	11/20/2010
Skaneateles	Elizabeth Gordon	08/23/2010
	John Sylverter	02/24/2010
Syr. Elmwood	LeRoy Tehan	10/30/2010
Syr. First	Mrs. Barbara Beishline	01/12/2010

Syr. Onondaga Valley	Raymond Hoxie	09/10/2010
	Lysle Dixon	08/28/2010
Syr. Robinson Memorial	Robert Cleveland	11/14/2010
	Donald Cole	12/22/2010

Elder Ruth Haase presented a Memorial Minute for the Rev. Clinton McCoy, who had served as Executive for Partnerships of the Synod the Northeast. Rev. McCoy died on September 12, 2010.

In mid-September, we were saddened by the sudden death of Clint McCoy. Some of us came to know Clint as we worked together over several years; maybe he was a new friend; or perhaps we knew him in many different contexts of ministry.

Clint served the church in several ways. Among them: at the local level, he was a pastor in the Presbytery of Geneva. From there, he responded to a call to executive leadership in the Presbytery of Northern New York. Most recently, he was called and responded to be the Executive for Partnerships in the recent reordering of the Synod of the Northeast. Perhaps some of us got to know him here, in Cayuga-Syracuse, as he became a member of this Presbytery.

Clint was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. He loved the outdoors. He loved fishing and boating. His job took him on the road, and when that travel was by car, he just might have his fishing gear in the back of the trunk!

I have known Clint for several years, some of them as a Commissioner representing this Presbytery. However, I came to work more closely with him as a member of the Synod Personnel Committee in the new Synod system. What a blessing it was to get to know him in a different context!

All who knew Clint, or worked with him, will have their memories, and we will treasure them. We will remember him for his warmth and contagious dry humor...or his sense of timing in Synod Assembly and committee gatherings when a voice of clarity was needed in our confusion. His compassion and caring was evident in how he reached out to all. By the way he related to all--to those with whom he agreed and with whom he disagreed, he showed us how we are to come together as God's community of the faithful.

He was a calming presence in the midst of transition, in the confusion and challenges that all of us in the Church might face, wherever we might serve. He was a solid and strong leader and guide, a partner in ministry who quietly led those with whom he worked. He showed us through the way he related to and led the people of God, the effectiveness of a voice of calm reason, no high decibels needed! His strengths were in the solid, quiet ways he related to those around him; and through his witness he earned the love and respect of all who were privileged to know him.

We will miss Clint. "Well done, good and faithful servant."

The Rev. Edgar Thornburg, HR, presented a Memorial Minute for the Rev. Keith Shinaman, Honorably Retired, who died on October 10, 2010.

We arrived in North Syracuse in Feb. of 1969 and assumed the pastorate at Northminster Church. Keith Shinaman was the moderator of the Presbytery and, hence, presided over my

installation service. Rollin Chatterton, a member of Northminster, took pictures, including one of me standing before the Moderator, Keith. Over the years that picture has been on the wall of my study and has acquired more and more meaning as I came to know this man. It is now a treasure, not of two strangers facing each other in a formal installation, but of two good friends who shared a lot of years in the Lord's service

The picture shows "a man in charge," the Moderator. A man that I came to see and know as the "consummate churchman," devoted, strong, persuasive (as many know), and committed to the church. A strong leader with no limits, who did not shy away from a challenge but rather invited others to share the challenge and the adventure.

His congregation rose to the occasion on many challenges. With his wife Jill, they brought to life the nursery school that is still functioning as a vital part of the Marcellus community. They brought the congregation into a partnership with two African-American churches in South Carolina. And they spearheaded the drive to make Marcellus a "nuclear-free zone," and established Marcellus as one of two "more light" churches in the Presbytery.

Keith raised the vision of his congregation beyond the walls of the church building and led them into the larger church, reaching out in stewardship of time and talent as well as money.

Keith led by example as Moderator of the Presbytery and the Committee on Ministry, Moderator of the Synod, and was active in the mission structure of the Synod and then the General Assembly. He stood for election as Moderator of the General Assembly while very involved in the General Assembly mission structure.

Keith knew his own mind and commitment to the Lord, and gave himself to its fulfillment and brought a lot of us with him. We of the church owe this man a vote of gratitude and when we speak of "those on whose shoulders we stand," Keith is there and the church is richer for his ministry.

The business meeting was called to order with prayer by Moderator Newman at 12:11 pm.

A quorum was declared present by Acting Stated Clerk, Rev. Marianne Rhebergen.

Attendance was taken by signing the roll, as follows:

Minister Members of Presbytery: Garrett Anderson, Peter Anderson, Earl Arnold, N. Scott Cupp, Dennis Doerr, Beth DuBois, Linda Even, Robert French, Karen Green, Bill Grossman, Mark Harrison, Stuart Hayes, Yong Ju Jee, Betty Jones, Robert Langston, Craig Lindsey, Bob Masciola, Janet Newman, Elizabeth Quick, Marianne Rhebergen, Harold Sanderson, Jerald Shave, Pete Shidemantle, Caroline Simmons, Steve Thomas, Ed Thornburg, Eugene Turner, Kathleen Waters, Barbara Wright.

Elders Elected by Session: Patricia Milliman (Amboy Belle Isle), Ann Wiley (First, Auburn), Jane Lumb (Westminster, Auburn), Stephen Zabriskie (Aurora), Jean Harshaw (Baldwinsville), Kevin Curtis (Cazenovia), Beth Krauss (Fayetteville), Nancy Lomberk (Jamesville), Neil Rotach (King Ferry), Knowlton Foote (Lafayette), Tim Fay (Liverpool), Dorothy Chambers (Mexico), Anne Jones (Northminster), George Carruth (Onondaga Hill), Lillian Harter (Parish-Hastings), Gloria Fisher (Scipioville), David Graham (Skaneateles), Nita Cleland (First, Syracuse), Sang K. Bae (Korean, Syracuse), Wynetta Devore (Park Central, Syracuse), John

Proper (Westminster, Syracuse), Gail Banks (Robinson Memorial, Syracuse), Sandra Kreplin (Weedsport).

Elder Members of Council: Elizabeth Buonocore, Roberta Richardson

Certified/Employed Christian Educators: Leigh Anne Herd, Nancy Wind

Presbytery approved the following minister and elders as corresponding members (with voice): William Haase (Northminster), Ruth Haase (Northminster), Mary Lou Guindon (Parish-Hastings), Karen Fay (Liverpool), Linda Stewart (Liverpool), Carola Shave (First Presbyterian Church United), David Sperling (Parish Hastings).

Visitors: Linda Graves (Northminster) and Patrick Carrigan (Onondaga Hill) from the Board of the Ecumenical Camp Association (Vanderkamp); Rich Newman (LaFayette); Jane Thornburg (Northminster); Haley Zabriskie (Aurora); Vinny Chung Juno Hong (Korean Church, Syracuse), Chris Lee (Korean Church, Syracuse), Dan DeBrucker (Park Central, Syracuse), Hongsik Moon (Korean Church, Syracuse), Jin Joo Yoon (Korean Church, Syracuse), Michael Jee (Korean Church, Syracuse), Yunhee Kim (Korean Church, Syracuse), Kyonysoon Lim (Korean Church, Syracuse), Kyunghye Hong (Korean Church, Syracuse), Sue Jee (Korean Church, Syracuse), Junghoon Ryu (Korean Church, Syracuse).

Inquirers/Candidates: Soojin Joy Kim.

Attendance Summary:

There were 29 ministers, 24 elder commissioners, 2 elder council members, 2 voting Christian educators, 0 non-voting Christian educators, 0 Administrative Personnel Association, 1 Youth delegate, 7 Corresponding members, 1 Inquirer/Candidate, and 17 visitors. Five of our 40 congregations had neither an elder or minister present.

Ministers absent without excuse from meeting: Harold Abram, Lorrie Day Anson, Brigid Boyle, George DeMass, Thomas Drake, Rob Godbout, Robert Herst, Clarice Martin, Harvey Sindima, Jon Regier, Phil Windsor, Neil Strong, and Eileen Winter.

Churches not represented by an elder commissioner: Collamer, Pebble Hill, East Syracuse, Fulton, Hannibal, Marcellus, Morrisville, Port Byron, Sennett, Syr. Elmwood, Syr. Onondaga Valley, Syr. South, Taunton.

The Moderator, on behalf of the Presbytery, offered thanks to the First Presbyterian Church of Skaneateles. The Rev. Craig Lindsley welcomed the Presbytery on behalf of the congregation and gave a brief history of the church.

The Presbytery approved the docket as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Presbytery approved items on the consent agenda with no exceptions. These items are reported later in these minutes.

Rev. Craig Lindsley (Skaneateles) stated that he appreciates that the Transitional Presbyter is willing to be the Acting Stated Clerk, but that the presbytery should vote on it. Craig moved to appoint Rev. Marianne Rhebergen as Acting Stated Clerk. The motion was seconded. Motion

carried. The Moderator pointed out that in accordance with the Standing Rules of the Presbytery, the Council had already acted, at their meeting on January 4, 2011, to do this.

The meeting adjourned for lunch with prayer led by Moderator Newman at 12:25pm.

Following a delicious lunch, the meeting reconvened by the Moderator at 1:13pm in the fellowship hall.

Several announcements were offered:

The Moderator announced that the Committee on Nominations is still looking for someone for Vice Moderator. If you know of someone who would be willing, please contact Elder Frank McDowell.

A refugee family sponsored by Interfaith Works will be moving into a house in Syracuse on February 7th and needs rugs, carpets, stair runners, and other items. If you have anything you want to donate, contact Bill Haase. Also needed are warm winter coats for new refugees who will be arriving later this month.

The church was thanked for the wonderful lunch from Doug's Fish Fry.

PRESBYTERY COUNCIL

Elder Roberta Richardson presented the Presbytery Council report, which was sent earlier as a written report. All action items were approved through the consent agenda.

The Presbytery approved, through the consent agenda, a change in date for the Presbytery's Stated meeting of May 24, 2011 to May 22 and 23, 2011, for the purpose of creating a retreat setting for consideration of a proposed new vision for the Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse.

The Presbytery approved, through the consent agenda, calling a Special Meeting of the Presbytery for Sunday afternoon, June 12, 2011, for the purpose of holding a special worship service with General Assembly Moderator Elder Cynthia Bolbach preaching, and a celebration of Pentecost.

The Council reported that it concurs with the recommendation of the Committee on Ministry that Standing Rule 10.0511 be amended to decrease the number of members of that committee from 18 to 15 (8 Elders and 7 Ministers).

The Council reported that it has received a request from the Synod Collegium to schedule a discussion of possible participation by the Presbytery in a forum on the future of the Synod of the Northeast, and has agreed to schedule it for February or March.

The Council reported that it met with representatives of the Ecumenical Camp Association (Vanderkamp) Board on January 4, 2011 concerning better communication and their plans for improving the viability of the camp. Board President Linda Graves will speak to Presbytery as part of its meeting on January 22, 2011. The Council was made aware that all outstanding loans to Tom Hall have been repaid by the Board.

The Council reported that Moderator Bob French addressed a letter to the Moderator of the Coordinating Council of Utica Presbytery, requesting an indication of their intentions regarding Vanderkamp by January 31, 2011.

The Council recommended affirmative votes on Amendments to the Constitution 10-D, 10-G, and 10-H.

Council Chair Richardson then introduced Linda Graves, President of the Board for Vanderkamp, and a member of the Northminster Presbyterian Church of North Syracuse.

Linda spoke about changes that were taking place at Vanderkamp, and offered a summary of camp usage over the last several years. The Board is actively:

- ✚ Contacting previous groups and inviting them back.
- ✚ Offering new campus services and programs. (Check the calendar on the website for programs being offered and available dates.)
- ✚ Trying to increase the sponsored programs.
- ✚ Recognizing the need to modify user groups to meet the changing dynamics in churches.
- ✚ Looking to hire a program director for the summer camp.
- ✚ Working to increase the number of children in summer camp by:
 - Sending letters to previous campers who didn't attend last year, and
 - Holding three to five promotion events to connect with children who don't regularly or ever attend one of our churches.
- ✚ Offering mission or work camp opportunities. The brochure provided to Commissioners in the packets has information on this program.

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Elder Richardson then called upon Elder Liz Buonocore to present the report of the Human Resources Committee.

Elder Liz Buonocore presented a gift and card on behalf of the Presbytery to the Rev. Kathleen Waters, thanking her for her two years of service as Stated Clerk and for her help during the challenging times of the last several years.

She then presented Elder David Sperling as the Council's nominee for election to a three year term as Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse. If elected, his starting date will be February 21, 2011.

Terms of call:

Salary	\$ 18,391
Social Security	1,407
Pension (11% IRA contribution)	2,023
Medical deductible	368
NY State Disability	39
Workers Comp	125
Professional Expenses	4,553*
Continuing Education	750*
	\$ 27,656

*To provide training for a new Stated Clerk, includes funds for Annual Meeting of Stated Clerks' Association and annual Fall Polity Conference. Also includes high-speed internet access and mileage.

A native of Parish, New York, Elder David W. Sperling is a member of the Parish-Hastings Presbyterian Church, where he serves on the Session and as Treasurer for the congregation. He holds a Ph.D. in plant breeding (plant genetics and bio-statistics) from Cornell University. During his career, David spent nearly thirty years working in sub-Saharan Africa (Tanzania, Mozambique, and Angola, principally), developing a maize (corn) research program, training and deploying agricultural specialists into various regions, evaluating crop varieties, and arranging contracts for seed production on a huge scale. Dr. Sperling worked as an agricultural consultant with World Vision in Mozambique and, laterally, Angola. The focus of these activities was to identify productive, adapted crop varieties and to produce adequate tonnages of seed for distribution to refugees returning to their home areas. The Angolan program supplied "ag paks" to returning families that totaled over 800,000 individuals. In retirement, David raises hay and produce for local farmers' markets, living on the home farm where he grew up.

Elder Sperling was invited to address the presbytery.

The floor was opened for other nominations. After receiving no nominations from the floor, the motion carried.

Council Chair Elder Roberta Richardson called on Elder Nancy Wind of the Transition Assistance Team. With assistance from Elder Liz Buonocore, a skit was presented concerning the Café Conversations to be held January 30, February 27, and March 27.

Elder Wind also spoke of the Listening Sessions to be held on January 23, February 13, March 6, and March 13. Members of the Transition Team and Presbytery Council will meet with representatives of congregations to gather their input to five questions, as part of the process of discerning a new vision and plan for the Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse.

Elder Richardson concluded the Presbytery Council's report.

OVERTURE AND RECORDS COMMITTEE

Moderator Newman called upon the Rev. Sandy Sanderson to present the report of the Overture and Records Committee.

The Presbytery, through the Consent Agenda, approved the Minutes of the Stated Meeting of November 22, 2010.

Rev. Sanderson called the Presbytery's attention to Amendments to the Constitution, Part 3, containing Amendments 10-A through 10-O. (These documents were distributed to the Presbytery at its September 2010 meeting.) Rev. Sanderson also called attention to an index to the amendments prepared by the Overtures and Records Committee.

The Committee moved that all fifteen amendments be approved through an Omnibus Motion, with the exception of any removed by a Commissioner. The motion was seconded. Following opportunity for discussion, the omnibus motion carried. Moderator Newman thanked the Committee for its work.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

Rev. Newman called upon Rev. Bill Grossman, chairperson of the Committee on Ministry, to present their report, which was included in the packet as a written report.

The Presbytery approved, through the Consent Agenda, the amendment of Standing Rule 10.0511 to decrease the membership of the Committee on Ministry from 18 to 15 (8 Elders and 7 Ministers).

The Committee on Ministry recommended an affirmative vote on Amendments to the Constitution 10-A through 10-O.

The Committee reported the approval of a contract for service as Interim Pastor between the Rev. Dr. Kathleen Waters and the Plymouth Congregational Church of Syracuse, and will notify the Board of Pensions of her eligibility to continue in the Pension and Benefits program.

For all services rendered by the interim pastor under this agreement, Plymouth Congregational Church, U.C.C. agrees to provide the following annual compensation:

\$ 33,350	Cash salary (the following will be distributed from this cash salary)
	\$ 3,000 Flexible Spending Account for qualified expenses
	\$ 3,600 403(b) account owned by the interim pastor
	\$ 552 Additional life insurance
\$ 25,000	Housing allowance
\$ 4,464	Social Security (FICA) offset
\$ 900	Continuing Education expenses
\$ 1,600	Professional expenses, mileage to be reimbursed at the current IRS rate.
	Full medical, pension, and death & disability participation in the Board of Pensions.
	Five weeks paid vacation and two weeks continuing education annually.

The Committee reported that, following a personal consultation with him by the Transitional Presbyter in November, 2010, it has approved continuing the Rev. Scott Sheldon's status as an Active Minister serving outside the area.

The Committee reported that it is awaiting annual reports from the following Ministers at Large: Brigid Boyle, N. Scott Cupp, Clarice Martin, Sarah McTyre, Harvey Sindima, and Lester Staton.

The Committee reported that the Rev. Dr. Craig Lindsey has been appointed Moderator of the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Syracuse, beginning January 1, 2011.

The Committee reported that it approved a change in designation for the relationship between the Rev. William Grossman and the First Presbyterian Church of Marcellus, from Interim Pastor to Stated Supply, in accordance with G-14.0550. Terms of Call are as follows:

Cash salary	\$ 38,007.00
Housing	17,947.75
Pension contribution (U Methodist)	7,228.32
Business/professional expenses	2,000.00
Continuing education	1,347.22
Travel expenses	3,075.00
FICA offset	4,280.54

Medical deductible reimbursement 1,570.30
 Five weeks vacation, two weeks continuing education annually.

The Committee recommended for action the following: pastors laboring outside the bounds of their call would be required to provide a detailed, written report of the terms of their employment to the Session for inclusion in their minutes. The arrangement would then be reported to the Committee on Ministry, along with copies of the minutes indicating the session is okay with the pastor doing this. The Presbytery voted to approve this recommendation.

The Committee reported that it had reviewed and updated the Pulpit Supply List for the Presbytery for 2011. The committee also voted to share this list with neighboring presbyteries. Copies of the newly revised list will be sent to all congregations by email.

Rev. Grossman announced that the Board of Pensions has scheduled two seminars in our area (February 14 and 15, 2011) that are in jeopardy of being cancelled due to lack of registrations. He asked anyone interested in attending to please speak to Marianne immediately.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rev. Marianne Rhebergen, Acting Stated Clerk, presented the report of the Nominating Committee, due to Elder Frank McDowell being unable to attend because of an injury.

The committee moved the election of Elder Timothy Fay to serve on the Committee on Ministry in the Class of 2013. Motion carried.

A reminder was made to contact Frank with any recommendations for Vice Moderator.

TRUSTEES

Elder Jean Harshaw, Acting Chair, was called upon to present the report of the Board of Trustees. She announced that due to today's delayed start time, the December 31, 2010 financial reports will be presented at the March meeting.

Elder Harshaw reminded the presbytery that a new bookkeeper has been hired and is being shared with the Presbyteries of Susquehanna Valley and Utica, as of January 1, 2011. Her name is Paula Lamberson and her office is located at the Synod offices. She will be working three days a week and preparing checks every two weeks, on Fridays. Vouchers will need to be submitted the prior Monday. A schedule is available through the Presbytery office. All checks and vouchers for payment should be mailed to her at the Synod office.

A drawing was held for a free resource from the Resource Center, *Teach Us to Pray*. Winners were Bert Richardson and Nancy Wind.

TRANSITIONAL PRESBYTER

Rev. Marianne Rhebergen presented her report. Eleven churches participated earlier this month in the New Beginnings assessment process. The next step is a leadership retreat to be held February 11 and 12, which is mandatory for all participating churches. It will begin with the pastors at 3:00 pm on February 11, with lay leaders joining those pastors for a 6 pm dinner. The event is being held at Christ the King Retreat and Conference Center, and will conclude around 3 pm on February 12. Since there are a limited number of beds there, the presbytery needs to know as soon as possible who is attending from each church and if overnight accommodations are needed.

ACTING STATED CLERK

Rev. Marianne Rhebergen presented the report.

The Presbytery approved, through the Consent Agenda, the following transfers from the Special Membership Roll of the Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse:

Johnnie Holland	to Northminster Presbyterian Church, N Syracuse
Ray Holland	to Northminster Presbyterian Church, N Syracuse
Barry Holland	to Northminster Presbyterian Church, N Syracuse
Janice Hatch	to First Presbyterian Church, Auburn

The Presbytery approved, through the Consent Agenda, the appointment of Elder Nancy Lomberk (Jamesville) as Journal Clerk for the meeting.

The Synod of the Northeast’s Permanent Judicial Commission has dismissed the remedial complaint that was filed in November 2009 by two persons from the First Presbyterian Church of Auburn concerning the sale of the former Calvary Church property in Auburn. Rev. Rhebergen read official notice to the Presbytery, as follows:

***Permanent Judicial Commission
Synod of the Northeast, Presbyterian Church (USA)***

***Dismissal of Complaint
December 9, 2010***

<p><i>The Rev. Eileen J. Winter and Elder Joyce E. Short, Complainants</i></p> <p><i>versus</i></p> <p><i>The Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse, Respondent</i></p>
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The Remedial Complaint having been received by the Stated Clerk November 20, 2009, with Answer having been received January 20, 2010; and

A Stay of Enforcement of the Determination of Respondent pending Final Decision of the Synod PJC having subsequently been entered; and

All preliminary questions having been answered in the affirmative by Determination of the Executive Committee February 10, 2010; and

A Pretrial Conference having been held with the parties by the Moderator and Vice Moderator May 17, 2010; and

A letter from Complainants notifying the Permanent Judicial Commission of the Synod of the Northeast of their desire to withdraw the Complaint having been received October 17, 2010, with due deliberation having been had thereon December 9, 2010, it is

ORDERED

That the Remedial Complaint be and the same hereby is DISMISSED.

And it is further

ORDERED

That the Stay of Enforcement of the Decision of Respondent be and the same hereby is VACATED.

SHARING OF GOOD NEWS – BOAZ PROJECT OF THE KOREAN CHURCH OF SYRACUSE

Elder Jean Harshaw introduced two members from the Korean Church of Syracuse to present their report. Two videos were shown, and are available to anyone who would like a copy. The short film, shown second, won an award at a film festival in California. It was created and produced by members of the church.

Project Boaz has received a mission development grant from General Assembly, Synod of the Northeast, and the Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse for 2009-2011. Due to restructuring of the Mission Program Grants Office at the General Assembly, extended funding isn't available. They have also received help from individual churches in the presbytery, including First Presbyterian Church in Chittenango and Westminster Presbyterian Church of Auburn. Rev. Rhebergen urged the presbytery to step up and continue its support to keep this rich ministry going. She led the Presbytery in prayer for Project Boaz.

WORK OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Rev. Marianne Rhebergen presented the proposed New Form of Government (Amendments – Part 1) and said that resources for study of the document are listed in the Consent of Agenda, Section 10.

The booklet was handed out at the September meeting with an insert to help evaluate the changes that may come. This is the first time in thirty years that there has been an effort to thoroughly revise the form of government.

A power point presentation is available for downloading that was shown at the 219th General Assembly in 2010.

The proposed New Form of Government will be discussed and voted on at the March meeting. A team will be needed to look at the Presbytery's existing standing rules and bylaws, which will need to be revised to match the new form of government, if it is approved by a majority of the presbyteries.

OTHER BUSINESS

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 22, 2011 at the Korean Church of Syracuse.

It was moved/second/carried to adjourn with prayer, led by Moderator Newman, at 2:41pm.