

Presbytery Meeting Summary May 28, 2024, Stated Meeting

The Beaver-Butler Presbytery held its stated meeting at 6:00 P.M. Tuesday, May 28, 2024. Moderator was Rev. Jamie L. Fowler, Vice-Moderator Elder Dennis Krebs; the meeting was hosted by the Concord Presbyterian Church, Baden, where Rev. Jamie L. Fowler serves as Pastor.

Before the meeting, training was held for new Elder Commissioners (or anyone else wanting a refresher). Expect subsequent meetings to have similar training sessions.

ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE PRESBYTERY:

- *Approved* the Presbytery Meeting Minutes, March 19, 2024
- *Received* the Coordinating Team Minutes, March 6, 2024
- *Received* the Stated Clerk Report, March-April 2024
- *Received* the Treasurer's Report, Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss, March 2024

STATED CLERK:

Randall thanked the Clerks of Session for participating in the Records Review. He also asked that our Presbytery be in prayer over the 226th General Assembly when it meets in Salt Lake City, Utah this Summer. The Reverend Jihyun Oh is the nominee to serve as the Stated Clerk of our denomination.

COLLABORATION, FELLOWSHIP, AND YOUTH:

Using a brief game, CFY illustrated how churches can work together.

ENCOURAGING CHURCHES TO FLOURISH:

Rev. Silbert reported that the joint retreat with Shenango Presbytery went well. ECF will offer regular Zoom training opportunities in the future. Presbyters are encouraged to attend the upcoming Wee Kirk Conference – ½ price scholarships are available.

LOGO PRESENTATION:

BBP Communications Assistant ChrisAnn Goossen presented the new Beaver-Butler Presbytery Logo, on behalf of the team that developed the logo for the Coordinating Team. ChrisAnn recognized members of the team and described the process they followed. Presbyters applauded the grand reveal of our Presbytery's new logo.

MISSION & COMPASSION (MCM):

Host church pastor Rev. Fowler shared the congregation's heart for mission and encouraged other congregations to do the same. MCM member Joyce Hamilton shared news from an international peacemaker from Moldova. MCM can serve as a resource for churches that would like to engage in shared mission.

MINISTRY & VOCATION (MVC):

MVC Chair Denise Hobaugh reminded folks of the upcoming Mediation Skills Training, as well as Boundary Training (Level #1). Level 2 will be held at Calvin Church this fall. She reminded pastors to get their Clearances.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, July 30, 6:00 P.M., Clinton Church, Saxonburg. (Note: Office to close early that day.)

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FROM MINISTRY & VOCATION:

- Permission was granted for Valencia Church to form a PNC.
- Rev. Dr. Emily K. Chudy, Synod Consultant, Board of Pensions, will join the June 3rd MVC meeting to discuss BOP changes.

OTHER INFORMATION:

- There were a total of 77 participants at the meeting:
 - 25 Teaching Elders
 - 21 Ruling Elders from 17 Churches
 - 3 Ruling Elders who are officers, CT, or Chair of a Committee or Unit
 - 0 Corresponding Members
 - 28 Visitors