

## Calling Commission Minutes April 16, 2019

**Attending:** Bob Freymeyer, Edith Ophardt, Cathy Piekarski, and Matt Skolnik. Ron Walker attended electronically. Wendy Bausman Gray and Julia Sprague were excused.

**Opening Prayer and meditation:** Cathy Piekarski read from Richard Rohr based on 1 Corinthians 3:16 and 1 Timothy 6:16 concerning God being the center of our lives.

**Approval of Minutes:** 3/19 /19 approved as written.

### **CRE Update:**

**Roger Sibert:** From Central Presbyterian Church Massillon is an IT consultant and has been active in his congregation as elder, Sunday school teacher, small group and men's group leader, and choir member. He voiced an eagerness to introduce others to the "abundant life" that is found in Jesus Christ.

**Motion:** Roger Sibert will be taken under care pending his psychological evaluation. The motion passed.

**Tabitha Williams:** From Seville Presbyterian Church is a preschool teacher and has been active in her congregation as clerk of session, leader in Christian education, worship committee member, choir, and women's groups. She voiced a growing interest in ministering with adults as well as children following an opportunity she had to preach.

**Motion:** Tabitha Williams will be taken under care pending her psychological evaluation. The motion passed.

**Current CRE Cohort:** Pamela Smith, Brad Thomas, Bonnie Donnelly, Tabitha Williams, Roger Sibert. (Edith will call those who have requested an application, but have not yet submitted one.)

**Parkinson Grant Application:** We will instruct CRE applicants to respond to CPM Chair, CPM Liaison, and Field Ed Student Info as Not Applicable. Cathy Piekarski's name could be substituted for the CPM chair. Edith will notify the Parkinson Fund committee of the differences in traditional and CRE applicants.

**CRE workshops:** Edith and Ron have outlined the first workshop on Pastoral Care to be offered in June. The dates will be announced when Wendy and Eldon confirm. The intention is to have quarterly workshops with a workshop one month, a process session the following month, and then a one month break before the next workshop. Matt would like to add the Healthy Boundary training at the end of the cohort when other new pastors have entered the presbytery.

**Update for those under care (ministry of word and sacrament):**

**Kathryn Ophardt** - Kathryn continues her work with migrants in Mexico City. She will be returning home in early July and will schedule to meet with the CC at that time.

**Robin Sharp** –Wendy has met with Robin as her liaison. Bob Freymeyer and Barb Johnson met with Robin and coached her in the test taking process for her remaining ordination exams.

**Justin Warner** – Justin reports his studies are going well. He is getting married in May. He will meet with the CC 5/13.

**Devotions for next time:** Matt Skolnik

**Closing Prayer:** Bob Freymeyer

**Next meeting:** 5/13 at 1pm

Respectfully submitted by Edith Ophardt (Christ Church, Canton)