

**Penn West Conference United Church of Christ
Summary of Board Actions June 2019-May 2020**

Mr. Tom Croner, Moderator
Rev. June Boutwell, Assistant Moderator
Rev. Liddy Barlow, Secretary
Ms. Nancy Harclerode, Treasurer
Rev. David Ackerman, Conference Minister (ex officio)
Rev. Dr. Joseph Beer
Ms. Theresa Cook
Rev. John Emig
Ms. Sandy Faupel (*June-February*)

Rev. Barry Fillman
Ms. Joyce Geibel
Rev. Dr. Deirdre King Hainsworth
Ms. Joy Johnson
Mr. Bob Krueel
Rev. Joseph Long (*April-May*)
Rev. Dr. Robert McKie
Ms. Pat Seiple
Rev. Dr. David Williams

June 8, 2019

Motion carried: That Laddie Ohl be appointed as Penn West Conference representative on the St. Paul's Senior Living Community board.

July 29, 2019

Motion affirmed by email vote (ratified at September 21 meeting): That the employment agreement with Melissa McLean to serve as Associate for Youth Ministry be affirmed.

September 21, 2019

Motion carried: That changes to the Endowment Committee position description and Endowment Fund Description and Objectives be approved as recommended by that committee, with the addition of language specifying that members of the Endowment Committee will serve 5 year staggered terms, which may be renewable.

November 8, 2019

Motion carried: That the housing allowance for Rev. David Ackerman be maintained for 2020 at its 2019 level: \$34,272.00.

Motion carried: That the Executive Committee select the members of the Unified Fitness Review Committee on behalf of the Board.

Motion carried: That the conflict of interest policy be amended to apply to all Penn West Conference employees and members of the Board of Directors, Financial Stewards,

Endowment Committee, Mission Grants Committee, Personnel Committee, and the Executive Committees of its Associations.

Motion carried: That the Board recommends that the Executive Committees of Westmoreland, Somerset, Clarion, and Lake Erie Associations work with the Board to identify four General Synod delegates for the class of 2023, in compliance with the Constitution and Bylaws of the United Church of Christ.

Motion carried: That the Board recommend the adoption of new language to guide the Conference Minister's Discretionary Fund, so that the Conference Minister might use these funds at his or her discretion for any emergency need.

February 8, 2020

Motion carried: That the Conflict of Interest Policy be revised again to apply to the Board and relevant Conference committees only, with Association Executive Committees to be encouraged to adopt similar policies.

Motion carried: That Liddy Barlow be nominated to a second term as Secretary, that Nancy Harclerode be nominated to a second term as Treasurer, and that George Kepple be received as Parliamentarian for the Annual Gathering & Meeting.

March 20, 2020

Motion carried: That due to COVID-19, we cancel the in-person meeting of the Conference scheduled for June, and that we plan instead an electronic meeting with details to be determined in due course.

April 6, 2020

Motion carried: That the Conference apply for the Paycheck Protection Plan through Somerset Trust, with David Ackerman and Tom Croner being authorized signatories.

April 24, 2020

Motion carried: that the 90% of a recent gift of stock be used for the Conference Minister's Discretionary Fund, with the remaining 10% to the Shaping the Future campaign.

Motion carried: that Rev. June Boutwell be re-nominated to serve another term on the St. Paul's Senior Living Community Board.

Motion carried: that Rev. John Miller be appointed our new Annuitant Visitor.

Motion carried: that the Conference open an account at Somerset Trust with David Ackerman and Tom Croner and Bob McKie as signers to receive the PPP grant.

May 1, 2020

Motion carried: that the proposed budget for 2021 be presented for adoption at the Conference annual meeting.