

Stated Clerk's Report

May 23 2017

FOR ACTION

-C- The minutes of the March 28, 2017 stated meeting of the Presbytery were read by TE David Kingsley and RE James Ferguson (Newburgh, Calvary). They recommend approval.

Clerks of Session Day was held at Stony Point Center on May 7, 2017. Collaborative review of session records were conducted with the following recommendations:

Approve Without Exception

Cold Spring  
Congers  
Cornwall  
Goshen  
Highland  
Hortonville  
Jeffersonville  
Katonah  
Lake Huntington  
Liberty  
Livingston Manor  
Milton  
Montgomery  
Mount Vernon  
Newburgh (Calvary)  
Newburgh (Union)  
New Rochelle (First)  
Palisades  
Pearl River  
Peekskill  
Pine Plains  
Pleasantville  
Port Chester  
Roscoe  
Salt Point  
Scarsdale  
South Salem  
Staatsburg  
Wappingers Falls  
Wassaic  
Yonkers (Bryn Mawr)  
Yorktown

Approve With Exception

Amenia (Smithfield)  
Beacon  
Bethel  
Carmel  
Chester  
Croton Falls  
Dobbs Ferry  
Florida  
Freedom Plains  
Haverstraw  
Irvington  
Larchmont  
Mahopac  
Marlboro  
Middletown (United)  
Millerton  
Monroe  
Monticello  
Mount Kisco  
New City (Germonds)  
New City (New Hempstead)  
New Hampton  
New Rochelle (Korean)  
New Windsor  
Ossining  
Otisville  
Patterson  
Pelham  
Pleasant Valley  
Rye  
Stony Point  
Thompson Ridge  
Washingtonville (First)  
White Plains  
Yonkers (Good Shepherd)  
Yonkers (South)

*Did Not Participate (Those noted \* have not had their records reviewed for two years. Those noted \*\* have not had their records reviewed for three years or more.)*

\*\*Ancramdale

Bedford

Brewster

\* \*Campbell Hall

\*\*Eastchester

Harrison

\*\*Hillburn

Middletown (Scotchtown)

Pine Bush

\*\*Port Jervis

\*\*Scarborough

\*Washingtonville (Bethany)

## FOR INFORMATION

The 2016 minutes of the Presbytery of Hudson River were reviewed at the gathering of the Stated Clerks of the Synod of the Northeast, meeting at Stony Point Center on April 26, 2017. They were recommended for approval with an exception around not including the name of the moderator in the listing of congregational meetings for new calls or dissolutions of call.

Commendations by the reviewer were:

1. Community conversations at each meeting offer opportunities for enrichment and engagement
2. Adoption of new ministry goals and structure, vision, values, and mission statements – presbytery is forward-looking
3. Commemoration of teaching and ruling elders who have died and inclusion of list of their names in the minutes
4. Attachments, including worship materials, reports, and announcements of upcoming programs, included in minutes give a good sense of the life and history of the Hudson River Presbytery
5. Reporting concerning the receipt of a 2 million dollar bequest and a process for determining its faithful use
6. Thorough reporting about mission grants to congregations through the Challenge to Change program and the nature of the mission endeavors

Thanks to Journal Clerk Wendy Spierling for doing such an outstanding job with the presbytery's minutes!!