COUNCIL Report
Hudson River Presbytery
July 25, 2017
Gavin D. Meek, chair

For information:

1. Council voted to provide for all HRP participants a scholarship up to half the $60 commuter registration fee or half of the double occupancy rate of $75 registration fee for Synod’s *Come to the Table* to be held September 21-23 at Stony Point.

2. Council approved having our worship themes for our remaining 2017 presbytery meetings around our three Ministry Goals: July 25 – Partnerships goal; Sept. 19 and Dec. 5 Healthy, Vital Communities of Faith and Empowered Leadership.

3. At its next meeting on August 2, the Council will likely work out the details of the two HRP ministry teams as well as define an HRP partnership. These three connect with our HRP approved ministry goals.

Your HRP Council acted on your behalf and within its commission in the following ways:

1. Revised the committee description of Committee on Representation and Nominations.
   Note: This description was amended on the floor of our last meeting, but the Council thought that that amendment needed further refining. FYI - The maker of the amendment agreed as well.

Your Council recommends the following:

1. The adoption of the following 2018 Presbytery meeting dates: Tuesdays Jan. 30, April 10, Sept 18, Nov. 27 with a tentative summer meeting on July 21 at Holmes Camp for education and fellowship.
   Note: HRP currently have six meetings, but with our new Design for Mission and Ministry, HRP has given clear commission authority to Council, Committee on Ministry (COM), Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM) and the Trustees (Budget, Finance and Property). Also, this proposed schedule takes into account the General Assembly, allowing for proposing and concurring with overtures in a timely manner. Further, there may likely be a called meeting to act upon a recommendation of the General Presbyter Nominating Committee (GPNC).