

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
WINNEBAGO PRESBYTERY  
November 13, 2009  
6:30 p.m.  
First Presbyterian Church, Merrill, Wisconsin

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The Moderator, Dennis Mannering called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and opened with prayer.

**FORMATION OF THE ROLL AND REGISTRATION REPORT**

The Stated Clerk announced the roll was being taken through the sign-in sheet at the registration desk. It was determined all those in attendance were elders and minister members. The Moderator determined and announced a quorum was present.

**Minister Members:**

Randy Argall  
Sid Bouldin  
Donald King  
Cyndy Little  
Michael Lukens  
Richard Manny  
Richard Marcy  
Julie Meadows  
Sarah Moore-Nokes  
Joy Nelson-Jeffers

Susan Phillips  
Mara Liz Rivera  
Lucy Rupe  
Ted Sperduto  
Marcia Thomas  
Tom Willadsen  
Janet Wolfe  
Margaret Zedan  
Susan Zencka

**Elders:**

David Arey, Stevens Point  
Nancy Barczak, Neenah (Staff)  
Richard Builer, Wausau  
Barbara Goldthwaite, Oshkosh  
Dave Grinsel, Neenah  
Bette Hoytink, Winneconne (COM)  
Barbara Jordanger, Stevens Point  
Dennis Mannering, DePere (Moderator)  
Wendy Mannering, DePere  
James Mathe, Lakewood  
Mike Mentz, Laona

Jan Nelson, DePere  
Judy Nighorn, Preble Park  
Jeanne Nymoen, Appleton  
Calvin Patterson, Gleason  
David Peterson, Arpin  
Keith Rowe, Sheboygan  
Pam Schroder, Wabeno  
Rosemary Shade, Winneconne  
Kay Smith, Merrill  
Jim York, Abbotsford

**Corresponding Members:**

Alyson Janke, Elder, John Knox Presbytery  
Archibald Wallace, Minister, The James Presbytery

**It was VOTED to seat corresponding members, Archibald Wallace (M), The James Presbytery, and Alyson Janke (E), The John Knox Presbytery.**

### **APPROVAL OF THE CALL TO THE MEETING**

**It was VOTED to approve the call to the meeting.**

The Clerk reported that the meeting was called in compliance with the Order by the Synod of Lakes and Prairies Permanent Judicial Commission issued on 14 September 2009, subsequent to the Decision & Order of the General Assembly Permanent Judicial Commission, 10 August 2009. Notice of the meeting was given in a timely manner.

### **APPROVAL OF THE DOCKET**

**It was VOTED to adopt the docket as presented.**

The Moderator announced that only Elders and Minister Members were present.

**It was VOTED to approve an audio recording of the discussion to follow.**

### **COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT**

Committee Moderator Wendy Mannering presented the motion and offered the committee's rationale for such action.

**It was MOVED that only the following opportunities would be open to the Rev. Dr. Janet Wolfe in her continuing professional services as a Minister of Word and Sacrament.**

- 1. To serve once a month as pulpit supply in any one church, worship setting, or healthcare/nursing home with a 6 time per year limit per setting.**
- 2. To serve as a teacher in an adult only classroom setting, no more than once a month, with a six times per year limit per setting.**
- 3. To serve as an officiant at weddings, funerals and the Sacraments.**

**Requirements of Compliance:**

**-will provide the chairperson of the Committee on Ministry of Winnebago Presbytery with a monthly list of her professional services.**

**-will adhere to these professional services under the direction of the Committee on Ministry.**

### **RESPONSE FROM THE REV. DR. WOLFE**

The Rev. Archibald Wallace presented the response on behalf of Dr. Wolfe.

## **DISCUSSION**

The Moderator opened the floor for discussion.

**It was VOTED to call the question at 8:15 p.m.**

**It was VOTED to conduct the vote by written ballot.**

The Moderator appointed the Rev. Cyndy Little and Elder Jim Mathe tellers and reminded commissioners that a yes vote is to approve the Committee on Ministry motion and a no vote is against the motion.

Ballots were cast; the tellers counted them and reported to the Moderator.

**It was VOTED 29 yes, 7 no, and 1 abstention that only the following opportunities would be open to the Rev. Dr. Janet Wolfe in her continuing professional services as a Minister of Word and Sacrament.**

- 4. To serve once a month as pulpit supply in any one church, worship setting, or healthcare/nursing home with a 6 time per year limit per setting.**
- 5. To serve as a teacher in an adult only classroom setting, no more than once a month, with a six times per year limit per setting.**
- 6. To serve as an officiant at weddings, funerals and the Sacraments.**

### **Requirements of Compliance:**

**-will provide the chairperson of the Committee on Ministry of Winnebago Presbytery with a monthly list of her professional services.**

**-will adhere to these professional services under the direction of the Committee on Ministry.**

**It was VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Barczak  
Associate for Administration

Michael B. Lukens  
Stated Clerk

Appendices List:

- A. Call for the Meeting
- B. Distributed Docket
- C. Committee on Ministry Report
- D. Committee on Ministry Report Supporting Documents
  - Timeline of Meetings and Correspondence
  - Wolfe Remedial Complaint: 11 October 2007
  - Wolfe Statement at Presbytery Meeting: 15 November 2008
  - Marshfield News-Herald notice: 17 January 2006
  - Synod of Lakes and Prairies Permanent Judicial Commission Decision and Order: 14 January 2009
  - General Assembly Permanent Judicial Commission Decision and Order: 10 August 2009
  - Synod of Lakes and Prairies Permanent Judicial Commission Order: 14 September 2009
  - Letter of Winnebago Presbytery Committee on Ministry to Wolfe: 27 August 2007
- E. Response of Wolfe to Committee on Ministry Recommendation: 6 November 2009