

**Pennsylvania Southeast Conference  
Spring Meeting**

June 6, 2015

Harold O. Davis Memorial UCC

4500 N 10<sup>th</sup> Street

Philadelphia, PA 19140

The Pennsylvania Southeast Conference of the United Church of Christ was welcomed to Harold O. Davis Memorial UCC in worship and by Bishop Kermit Newkirk.

Rev. Dr. Carol Lytch brought greetings and news from Lancaster Theological Seminary. LTS has redesigned the M. Div program to fit bi-vocational students' lives.

Rev. Wanda Craner led the body in opening prayer.

The meeting was called to order at 9:55 AM by Rev. Steven Hamilton with introductions.

Mr. David Balmer, Esq., has agreed to be the parliamentarian for the meeting today.

Mr. Tony Dooley gave the credentials report. 200 voting delegates are needed for a quorum. There are 214 voting delegates present, which constitutes a quorum.

The standing rules were accepted with a motion by Rev. Hillary Barrett, second by Rev. Ann Few.

The minutes from the PSEC Fall Meeting were accepted with a motion by Ms. Joanne McGee, second by Rev. Patty Thomas.

Mr. Rob Stilwell presented the treasurer's report. The treasurer's report includes an audit report, done by Herbein. We have been given a clean audit, the best possible review. The treasurer's report is also included.

The reports of treasurer, moderator, personnel, church and ministry council, and secretary were accepted with a motion by Rev. Nate Shaw, second by Rev. Barbara Moran.

Mr. Rob Stilwell reports that we made a modest profit on the sale of the Church House and sold Mensch Mill at a loss. The loss from the sale of Mensch Mill has been paid. Some of the profit from the sale of the Church House has been set aside for new ministries.

Rev. Steve Hamilton acknowledged the 11 Anniversary churches in the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference and the Five for Five Churches of the PSEC.

Rev. Bill Worley, Conference Minister, presented the PSEC Strategic Plan, 2020 Vision. We are meeting Friday June 9-Saturday June 10, 2016 at West Chester University as we transition into

holding a two-day annual meeting. We will also have a fall meeting to approve the budget, November 15, 2016 at St. Paul's Amityville at 3:00 pm.

Pennsylvania Southeast is sending 30 delegates, Rev. Bill Worley, Rev. Sharon Morris, and Donna Tomlinson to General Synod in Cleveland. PSEC has met the UCC diversity requirements laid out in the bylaws. Rev. Dwayne Royster will be preaching at Synod. Ms. Beth Walker, Esq., chair of the UCC Governance Committee, will be presenting the changes drafted for the UCC Constitution and Bylaws. Rev. Chandra Soans has been serving on the national Nominating Committee. Mr. Nathaniel Vissa is leading a workshop on Christian Ed. The Stuff the Pack collection was very successful.

Beth Walker reports that the Board has decided to withdraw the change about Synod frequency for vote.

Rev. Steve Hamilton presented the report of the nominating committee. The PSEC Consistory is asking the conference to approve a change to the Consistory's makeup, so that each association will send their Moderator as one Consistory representative. The nominating committee's report was accepted with a motion by Rev. Tyson Frey, second by Mr. Paul Sullivan.

The consistory was installed with song and prayer.

Speak Outs were moderated by Mr. Rob Stilwell.

A series of vignettes were presented.

After a break for lunch, delegates were invited into small group discussions about the vignettes. The body gathered to share responses about finding the divine in diversity.

The meeting was closed at 2:40 pm. with a motion by Rev. Ann Few second by Rev. Dorothy Shelley before the body worshipped together.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Selina Hamilton  
Consistory Secretary