

**Presbytery Council Report to Blackhawk Presbytery  
June 2, 2020**

**COUNCIL REPORT**

**Action Item:**

*Move that the Presbytery of Blackhawk establish a Finance and Property Committee, as described below, and recommend to the Presbytery Assembly the modification of the Blackhawk Presbytery Ecclesiastical Administration Manual to insert this new committee as Article VII, Presbytery Council section F, and make any other changes to the manual as needed as a result of this new committee, when the way be clear.*

**F. FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE:**

1. Composition: Three at large members in three classes composed of a representation of teaching elders and ruling elders. The President of the Presbytery of Blackhawk, Inc. will be the moderator and will have a vote. The Transformational Presbyter and the Treasurer shall serve ex-officio.
2. Responsibilities:
  - a. Develop an annual operating budget of the Presbytery. The draft budget will be presented to the Presbytery Council for approval and recommendation for final approval of Presbytery Assembly.
  - b. Recommend the annual per capita rate for congregations within the Presbytery. This rate will be presented to the Presbytery Council for approval and recommendation for final approval of Presbytery Assembly.
  - c. Monitor the Presbytery's financial status including banking relationships, loans, and other financial commitments.
  - d. Coordinate and oversee the annual audit or financial review.
  - e. Monitor compliance with the approved budget and work with staff, committees and commissions to make necessary adjustments.
  - f. Develop ways to interpret the Presbytery's financial situation through stewardship, communication, and education.
  - g. Oversee the operating systems of the Presbytery office and provide support and guidance to staff.
  - h. Work with the Presbytery of Blackhawk, Inc. trustees and officers to receive, manage, and recommend sale of any real property.
3. Accountability: Presbytery Council

**For Information:**

The Council received the final report from the Transformational Pastor Nominating Committee and unanimously voted to accept their recommendations which include naming Rev. Eric Heinekamp as the Transformational General Presbyter and Stated Clerk. Please see the TPNC report.

Council voted to approve the recommendation from the Personnel Committee to increase the number of weekly hours for Rev. Nancy Dolan, Executive Bridge Presbyterian, from a maximum of 10 hours to up to 25 hours per week. They also approved a similar increase for Rev. Eric Heinekamp, Stated Clerk, from a maximum of 10 hours to up to 15 hours per week.

Two recommendations from the Stronghold Committee were affirmed by vote and referred to the Assembly for their approval. These included the decision to cancel Summer Camps due to COVID-19 and to amend the Stronghold endowment to remove the maintenance-only restriction from a portion of the funds. Please refer to the Stronghold report for complete information on these actions.