

Stated Clerk/General Presbyter Report  
Blackhawk Presbytery Meeting, November 12, 2019

**1. General Presbyter/ Stated Clerk Report**

Attended Mid Council Leaders Conference  
Conducted Session Records Review  
Conducted New to Blackhawk Pastors orientation  
Engaged with fellow Presbytery Leaders in discussion on White Fragility  
Worked with issues around accusations against a minister  
Assisted in development of overture to General Assembly  
Member Illinois Conference of Churches Public Policy Committee  
Staff the Commission on Ministry, Nominating Committee, Council, Presbytery  
Assembly Planning Committee and Trustees  
Worked with pastor and Commission on Ministry regarding pastoral matter

**2. Request Presbytery approval to amend the Ecclesiastical Administrative Manual Article VII.A.1. regarding Composition of the Presbytery Council to read (italics to be added):**

The Presbytery Council shall consist of ~~13~~ 15 voting members: the moderators of Commission on Ministry, *Committee on Preparation for Ministry*, Mission Committee, *Nominating Committee*, Stronghold Committee, Personnel Committee; six at-large members; and the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and Immediate Past Moderator of the Presbytery Assembly. The General Presbyter, Stated Clerk, and Treasurer shall serve ex-officio on the Presbytery Council.

**3. Submitting for review and first reading a Proposed Overture to GA 224 from Rev. Spencer Lawrence and Rev. Dave Terrinoni requesting PC(USA) develop worship resources for Military Personnel. See separate document.**

**4. Submitting for first reading a Blackhawk Presbytery Child and Youth Protection Policy. See separate document.**

**5. Establishing balance of Ministers of Word and Sacrament and Ruling Elder Commissioners to Presbytery for 2019. (G-3.0301)**

**Criteria:**

As of October 31, 2019, there are 63 Ministers of Word and Sacrament members of Blackhawk Presbytery to be counted for balance. (Ministers of Word and Sacrament not living in the bounds of Blackhawk Presbytery or retired ministers who have not been active in the last year are not included in the count).

Also:

- Every congregation is entitled to at least one Ruling Elder Commissioner. There are 73 congregations.
- Commissioned Pastors are not counted as the Ruling Elder Commissioner from a congregation.
- Congregations are entitled to an equal number of commissioners as there are installed positions for Ministers of Word and Sacrament in that congregation.

Following is the proposed number of Ruling Elder Commissioners assigned to each congregation for 2020:

Apple River	1	Gibson City	1	Rochelle	2
Aurora 2 <sup>nd</sup>	1	Hanover	1	Rockford, 2 <sup>nd</sup> /1 <sup>st</sup>	1
Belvidere	1	Harvard	1	Rockford, Korean	1
Bolingbrook	1	Henry	1	Rockford, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	1

Braidwood	1	Joliet, 1 <sup>st</sup>	2	Rockford, Westmnstr	1
Caledonia	1	Joliet, Westminster	1	Romeoville	1
Coal City	1	Kankakee	1	Sandwich	1
Ridgefield Crystal Lake	1	Kewanee	1	Savanna	1
Dakota	1	LaRose	1	Shannon	1
DeKalb	1	Manteno	1	Somonauk	1
Dixon	1	Marengo	1	St. Anne	1
Earlville	1	McHenry	1	Sterling	1
Elgin	1	Mendota	1	Streator	1
Elizabeth	1	Montgomery	1	University Park	1
Elmira	1	Morris	2	Waltham	1
Elwood	1	Morrison	1	Waterman	1
Fairbury	1	New Lenox	1	Watseka	1
Franklin Grove	1	Oregon	1	Wenona	1
Freeport	1	Oswego	1	Wilmington	1
Fulton	1	Ottawa	1	Winnebago, 1 <sup>st</sup>	1
				Winnebago, Middle	
Fulton, Garden Plain	1	Paw Paw	1	Creek	1
Galena, 1 <sup>st</sup>	1	Piper City	1	Woodstock	1
Galena, Westminster	1	Plainfield	1	Yorkville	1
Gardner	1	Pontiac	1		
Geneva	2	Princeton	1		

**Enroll Ruling Elders Serving the Presbytery:**

Dale Prindiville, Blackhawk Presbytery Past Moderator  
Charles Johnson, Blackhawk Presbytery Moderator  
Laurie Walker, Mission Committee  
Terry Mohaupt, Stronghold Committee

**Enroll these Commissioned Pastors:**

Chrystal Abbott, Manteno	Del Keilman, Earlville
Jeff Barrett, Montgomery	Ray Lantz, Gibson City
Jack Berghorst, New Lenox	Kathy Linn, Apple River
Claire Brennecka, Harvard	Dorothy Morrizo, Schapville Zion
Jack Briggs, Franklin Grove	Tanya Muzzarelli, Marengo
Barbara D'Souza, Westminster Rockford	Jeanne Ohms, Hanover
Donna Gericke, Shannon	Dale Tolly, Braidwood
Gretchen Hammeke, Westminster Rockford	Karen Williams, Kankakee

6. **Session Records Reviews have been conducted throughout the Presbytery. Results are included in separate document.**