Minutes of the
PRESBYTERIAN MISSION AGENCY BOARD OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) AND THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.), A CORPORATION BOARD
Called Meeting
January 21, 2016

CONVENE
The special meeting of the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board was called to order with prayer at 5:01 p.m. by the chair, Marilyn Gamm.

BOARD MEMBERS

AT-LARGE MEMBER
Ruling Elder Ellen Cason, and Ruling Elder Kathy Trott

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS

LEADERSHIP CABINET
Barry Creech, Kathy Francis, Chip Hardwick, Rhashell Hunter, Sara Lisherness, and Earline Williams.

STAFF PRESENT
Susan Abraham, Gregg Brekke, Martha Clark, Debbie Gardiner, and Mike Kirk.

OTHER
Leslie Scanlon, Presbyterian Outlook

ACTION 1-012116
Excuses were offered on behalf of the following persons, and, upon motion from the floor, the Board VOTED to excuse the following members from the meeting:

Ruling Elder Marsha Zell Anson, Andrew Barron, Ruling Elder Marvin
UNEXCUSED ABSENCES


QUORUM

A quorum was declared present for the transaction of business.

ACTION 2-012116
CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

The Presbyterian Mission Agency Board of Directors VOTED to convene in closed session at 5:04 p.m. as the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), A Corporation Board to discuss personnel, litigation and property matters with only voting members of the Board, at-large members of the Finance Committee and the Audit Committee, and the following individuals, who are invited to remain and attend all or a portion of the closed session meeting:

1. Tony De La Rosa
2. Earline Williams
3. Barry Creech
4. Terri Bate
5. Hunter Farrell
6. Kathy Francis
7. Chip Hardwick
8. Rhashell Hunter
9. Sara Lisherness
10. Martha Clark
11. Mike Kirk
12. Susan Abraham
13. Debbie Gardiner

ACTION 3-012116
RISE FROM CLOSED SESSION

The Presbyterian Mission Agency Board and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), A Corporation Board VOTED to rise from closed session at 5:48 p.m. No actions were taken in closed session.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE PRESBYTERIAN MISSION AGENCY

Creech led the Board through the Report of the Committee to Review the Presbyterian Mission Agency (Appendix 1). In the ensuing discussion, Board members expressed their appreciation for the work of the Review Committee in highlighting aspects of PMA operations meriting improvement.

Gamm announced her intent to appoint a task group to prepare responses to the recommendations of the Review Committee. Board members were invited to send any comments they wish to include as information to the
task group to Debbie Gardiner. The task group’s response to the General Assembly recommendations in the report will be presented to the Board for approval at the April meeting and forwarded to the General Assembly.

ADJOURNMENT & CLOSING PRAYER

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned and closed with prayer by Gamm at 6:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Abraham
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Presbyterian Mission Agency