

April 23, 2022, Minutes
of
Covenant Region Cumberland
Presbyterian Women's Ministry

Hosted by Highland CPC, Paducah, KY
President – Margaret Ramage
Recording Secretary – Elaine Overton

Next Meeting
of
Covenant Region CPWM
April 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.
Hopkinsville CPC, Hopkinsville, KY

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COVENANT REGION CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S MINISTRY

STANDING RULES

- A. REGULAR MEETINGS** - Covenant Region Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry shall meet annually, on the third Saturday in April, at 10:00 a.m. for a one day session, except when the April meeting falls during Holy Week, in which case this meeting shall be held on the fourth Saturday in April. Each local group within the bounds of Covenant Presbytery is entitled to one delegate who together with the region officers and membership holders shall constitute the membership of the meeting and shall be entitled to vote. Visitors are welcome in every meeting and are to register as such.
- B. MEETING PLACE** - The place of meeting shall be by invitation. The Treasurer will pay the host church \$200.00, provided the host church agrees to provide a free meal. If no lunch is to be served, the host church is to give the Treasurer 30 days notice in order that the delegate may be informed.
- C. HOLY COMMUNION** - A Communion service shall be held at least once a year.
- D. COMMITTEES** -
- 1. Executive Committee:** shall consist of the officers.
 - 2. Auditing Committee:** will be appointed by the Executive Committee and will audit the Treasurer's books in the spring. The year will run April 1 through March 31.
 - 3. Credentials Committee:** will be appointed by the Executive Committee prior to the meeting in which they serve.
 - 4. Nominating Committee:** will be appointed in the Spring meeting and give their report at the next annual meeting.
- E. Fellowship of the Least Coin** monies shall be received at the spring meeting.
- F. A Memorial Service** shall be held at the spring meeting.
- G. A Patron Membership** will be given annually, recipient selected by the Executive Committee.
- H. The apportionment** shall be re-evaluated in the spring. The budget can be changed only by a two-thirds favorable vote of the regional group in a regular session. The Executive Committee determines the apportionment, **to be due March 1st**.
- I. Expenses** shall be paid by the treasurer; travel will be calculated at the current Federal rate reimbursable for mileage.
- J. The Treasurer shall pay the delegate's expense to Convention.** The delegate is to be either President or President-Elect, with both being sent and their expenses paid. In the event either the President or President-Elect is unable to attend, another officer will be chosen to replace her.
- K. These Standing Rules** to be printed with the minutes.

MINUTES
COVENANT REGION C.P. WOMEN'S MINISTRY MEETING
HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
April 23, 2022

The Covenant Region CPWM met Saturday, April 23, 2022, at the Highland Church.

President Margaret Ramage welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the Highland Church for hosting the meeting.

Worship Service:

Hymn: "Living for Jesus"

Special Music: Elizabeth Spann, Highland, amazed us with "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" on the violin.

Devotion: Rev. Rebecca Zahrte, our new Director of Ministry with Women brought an inspirational devotion on our theme "Rise Up" from Isaiah 30:41. Becky shared her history in the business world and her journey to becoming a minister through the Cumberland Presbyterian PAS. She was pastor at Rose Creek and Madisonville Churches before taking this job in Women's Ministry. Becky reminded us that God would not let Isaiah hide but gave him a job to do. She invited all of us to convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico, June 19 – 26 with the theme, "Revive Us Again" from Psalm 85:6. Covenant Region CPWM extends our sincere thanks to Rev. Rebecca Zahrte for sharing her Saturday with us at Highland Church!

Communion: Rev. Becky presided over Holy Communion and was assisted by Licentiate Cherry Mitchell, Rose Creek.

Hymn: Spirit of the Living God"

Credentials Report: The Credentials report was presented by Sidney Milton from the Highland Church. There was a total of 27 present representing 12 churches.

The report was accepted as read and filed as Appendix "A."

Constituting Prayer: The constituting prayer was led by Licentiate Cherry Mitchel, Rose Creek.

Adoption of Program: Motion was made, seconded, and passed to adopt program subject to any necessary changes.

Recess: There was a 15-minute break.

Recognition of Ministers, Visitors, and First Time Attendees: Ministers present were Rev. Bud Russell, Rev. Becky Zahrte, and Licentiate Cherry Mitchell. First time visitors were Jeanne Mullen and Melanie Massie, Highland.

Committee Assignments:

Auditing: Sonja Dixon, Flat Lick, and Velva Mullen, Highland

Nominating: Jeanne Mullen and Melanie Massie, Highland.

Retreat: Elaine Overton, Highland, and Nancy Lanham, Piney Fork

Convention Report: President Margaret Ramage, Hopkinsville Church, reported that she attended convention in Louisville in June 2021. She and Nancy Lanham roomed together, and they did a lot of walking in downtown Louisville. The highlight of convention was the luncheon where missionary Patrick Wilkerson spoke. He asked prayers for all missionaries because it is very lonely away from your families.

Retreat Report: Nancy Lanham, Piney Fork, reported that she and Sarah Ford attended the September 2021 Synodical Retreat hosted by North Central Presbytery in Harrisburg, Illinois. The theme was **Broken Mirrors**, and we talked about how God can put your life back together.

Offering and Prayer: Rev. Becky Zahrt shared a brief history of Cumberland Presbyterian Women. She began in 1880 with the formation of the Women's Board of Finance all the way to the present with our Stott Wallace Missionary Fund. This fund was an outgrowth of the **Step Out** movement approved by the 2011 General Assembly. The offering is named for two lifelong missionary families – Buddy and Beverly Stott (Japan) and Boyce and Beth Wallace (Colombia). She led in prayer for the offering of \$166.

Memberships: Sonja Dixon, Flat Lick, presented information on the various memberships. She reported that Flat Lick has bestowed numerous memberships during 2020 and 2021.

Blessing: Blessing for the lunch meal was given by President Margaret Ramage.

Lunch: A delicious lunch was served by the Highland ladies.

Meeting resumed at 1:00 p.m.

Fellowship of the Least Coin Offering: Elaine Overton, Highland Church, presented the purpose of the Least Coin Offering. She followed the offering of \$170 with a prayer.

Business Session:

Executive Committee Report: Report was presented by Elaine Overton, secretary. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the report.

Report filed as Appendix "B."

Treasurer's Report: Report was presented by Brenda Shoulta, treasurer. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the report.

Report filed as Appendix "C."

Auditing Committee: Report was presented by Sonja Dixon, Flat Lick. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the report.

Report filed as Appendix "D."

Nominating Committee: Report was presented by Jeanne Mullen, Highland, to nominate the officers for 2022-2023. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the report. Those nominated in the report were elected.

Report filed as Appendix "E."

The recommendation was made that:

RECOMMENDATION #1: That Covenant Region Cumberland Presbyterian Women meetings be hosted by invitation from the Women's Ministry of various churches.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried unanimously to concur in and adopt this recommendation. This changes Standing Rule "B."

Installation of Officers: Sidney Milton, Highland, led in the installation of officers. The following officers were installed for the 2022-2023 year - President: Nancy Lanham, Piney Fork Church; Secretary: Elaine Overton, Highland Church; Treasurer: Brenda Shoulta, Mt. Carmel Church; Past President: Margaret Ramage, Hopkinsville Church.

Invitation to Spring Meeting: Hopkinsville CP Church, will be hosting the spring meeting on Saturday, April 15, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

Reading of the Minutes: Motion made, seconded, and passed that the minutes be reviewed, corrected, and approved by the Executive Committee.

Closing Announcements: Sidney Milton reported that Bob Watkins is leading a fundraiser for a Minister's Legacy Wall to be in the new chapel being constructed at Bethel University. She has information for anyone wishing to honor a minister.

Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn following the Memorial Service, seconded, and passed to adjourn to meet April 15, 2023, at the Hopkinsville Church.

Memorial Service: Sarah Ford, Piney Fork, passed out butterflies for ladies to write names of those women from their local congregations who had died during the last three years. She then closed with prayer.

Benediction: Rev. Bud Russell, pastor of Highland Church, thanked everyone for coming and closed with prayer.

Report Section

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Report

**APPENDIX "A"
CREDENTIALS REPORT**

We, your Credentials Committee, submit the following report:

Regional Officers	5
Golden Patron	1
Silver Patron	0
Perpetual	2
Ministers	2
Visitors	8
Total	21

Number of Churches present – 8

Respectfully submitted,
Sidney Milton
Lora R. Kerner

APPENDIX “B”
COVENANT REGION C.P. WOMEN’S MINISTRY
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
March 10, 2022

The Executive Committee of Covenant Region CPWM met on March 10, 2022, at Hopkinsville CP Church in Hopkinsville, KY.

Sonja Dixon opened the meeting with prayer.

Those in attendance were President Margaret Ramage, Treasurer Brenda Shoulta, Secretary Elaine Overton, and Past President Sonja Dixon.

The committee made plans for the spring meeting of Covenant Region CPWM to be held Saturday, April 23, 2022. Elaine Overton made a call to Joni Hayes at Rose Creek CP Church to see if they would be able to host our meeting as planned. She was not able to give a definite answer but would let us know on Monday, March 14th. If they are not able to host our meeting, it will be held at Highland CP Church in Paducah, KY. Rev. Becky Zahrte has agreed to bring our devotion and program.

Margaret Ramage closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Executive Committee

APPENDIX "C"
TREASURER'S REPORT

COVENANT REGION CPWM FINANCIAL REPORT
APRIL 13, 2020 TO APRIL 20, 2022

Balance on Hand April 13, 2020 \$2,680.30

Receipts

04-13-2020 Apportionment – Unity Church	96.00
04-13-2020 Apportionment – Highland Church	306.00
04-13-2020 Apportionment – Flat Lick Church	150.00
05-04-2020 Apportionment – Lisman Church	78.00
05-04-2020 Apportionment – Oak Grove Union Church	60.00
06-17-2020 Apportionment – Hopkinsville Church	66.00
09-12-2020 Apportionment – Oak Grove Church	72.00
10-12-2020 Apportionment – Fredonia Church	150.00
03-03-2021 Apportionment – Flat Lick Church	150.00
03-24-2021 Apportionment – Unity Church	84.00
03-27-2021 Apportionment – Mt. Carmel Church (2 years)	120.00
04-19-2021 Apportionment – Oak Grove Church	72.00
04-24-2021 Apportionment – Piney Church	45.00
04-24-2021 Least Coin – Piney Church	20.00
05-15-2021 Apportionment – Highland Church	306.00
03-14-2022 Apportionment – Lisman Church	156.00
03-14-2022 Apportionment – Unity Church	72.00
03-14-2022 Apportionment – Oak Grove Church	72.00
03-20-2022 Apportionment – Flat Lick Church	150.00
04-19-2022 Apportionment – Mt. Carmel Church	60.00

Total Receipts \$2,285.00

Disbursements

04-20-2020 Brenda Shoulta - Expenses	606.43
04-24-2021 Women's Ministry Registration	106.00
07-03-2021 Convention Reimbursement	1,009.85
07-15-2021 Meals – Margaret Ramage	105.00

Total Disbursements \$1,827.28

Balance on Hand as of April 22, 2022 \$3,138.02

APPENDIX "D"
AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the records and found them to be accurate and neatly recorded.

Respectfully submitted,

April 23, 2022

**Sonja Dixon
Velva Mullen**

APPENDIX "E"
NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, your Nominating Committee, nominate the following women for your consideration for officers of Covenant Region for the term 2022 -2023:

President:	Nancy Lanham, Piney Fork
President Elect:	
Secretary:	Elaine Overton, Highland
Treasurer:	Brenda Shoulta, Mt. Carmel
Past President:	Margaret Ramage, Hopkinsville

**Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne Mullen and Melanie Massie
Nominating Committee**

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