



*by Pam Camren, Council Moderator*

Presbytery Assembly approval was given during the Called Meeting to form an Administrative Commission for Rensselaer Presbyterian Church. Administrative Commission (AC) members were announced by Moderator, **Dr. Laura Reason**. They are **Tom Albaum, Moderator and John Beehler, Hank Cox, Kraila Yowell and Jessica Wietzke.**

The Assembly delegates to COM (Commission on Ministry) the approval of Administrative Commissions to ordain and/or install Teaching Elders. These ACs serve for just this purpose, ending when the benediction is pronounced at the particular service of worship they have conducted. Their actions are reported to the next Assembly. A motion to the Assembly to allow COM to approve the same sort of Administrative Commissions to commission Ruling Elders in their ministry setting (they are presently commissioned at Presbytery Assemblies) was considered and then tabled until the next Stated Meeting of the Presbytery Assembly on May 22nd.

Council of Presbytery of Wabash Valley was called to order with prayer by Moderator, **Pam Camren**, at 10:50 a.m. after the called meeting of the Assembly.

Minutes of Council meeting of Feb. 28, 2012 and written reports from moderators of various commissions and ministry teams were reviewed. Actions taken were to:

- approve meeting dates for both Council and Assembly for 2013. Council retreat will be held at First Presbyterian Church, Goshen on a January 2013 date to be determined.
- direct Commission on Ministry to draft charges for an Administrative Commission for a congregation who has voted to disaffiliate with PC(USA)
- approve the formation of a mediation team for Church of the Good Shepherd, Winona Lake
- approve the position description for the Stated Clerk
- approve the sale of the former Ridgedale Church property and the manse as separate items

Geneva Center Ministry Team gave update on renovation of the lobby/office area. Action on recommendation for By-laws for University Church, West Lafayette was tabled until the April 24th Council meeting.

Assembly Moderator, Laura Reason, closed the meeting with prayer at 2:30.