

DRAFT Minutes of the Called Assembly June 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom

Purpose:

- 1) To consider a recommendation from the Synod's Administrative Commission for the Presbytery of Detroit that the Synod of the Covenant grant them original jurisdiction of the Presbytery of Detroit.
- 2) To afford to all persons who may be affected by this decision fair notice and opportunity to be heard on the matters at issue in accordance with the PCUSA *Book of Order*, G-3.0109.

Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Moderator, Elder Adrienne Adams (Detroit), called the special meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. in prayer. A quorum was present. Elder Adams welcomed guests, visitors, and corresponding members.

Hearing

Moderator, Elder Adrienne Adams (Detroit), stated the purpose of the special meeting. She provided instructions for the hearing. **A motion** prevailed that all guests and visitors be given voice for the hearing portion of the special meeting only. After all who wanted to speak had been heard, Elder Adams closed the hearing with prayer.

There was a five-minute recess. The meeting resumed after five minutes.

Plenary

Elder Adams convened with prayer. She recognized Rev. Jessie MacMillan (Western Reserve), moderator of the Administrative Commission for the Presbytery of Detroit.

A motion prevailed to limit speeches on debate to three minutes.

Rev. Jessie MacMillan, Moderator of the Administrative Commission for the Presbytery of Detroit, presented the report and made the following motion.

1) That the Synod of the Covenant grant original jurisdiction of the Presbytery of Detroit to the Synod of the Covenant because it has determined that the Presbytery of Detroit is unwilling or unable to wisely manage its affairs.

2) That all costs associated with the AC's work shall be borne by the Presbytery of Detroit.

After a time of discussion, the motion prevailed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m. with prayer by Elder Adams.

THIS ENDS THE MINUTES OF THE SYNOD ASSEMBLY OF June 15, 20223

The Next Synod Assembly Retreat and Annual Meeting is on October 26-28, 2023 At Maumee Bay Lodge in Oregon, Ohio

