



7:00 Devotion and Opening Prayer
Carmen Rodriguez opened in prayer. She shared a reading from Isaiah 11:6-9 celebrating the multicultural and multi-racial church.

7:10 Attendance/Quorum- Mac McArthur, moderator for meeting
Muriel Lovell, Carmen Rodriguez, Henry Cade, Al Johnson,
Denise Kennedy, Mac McArthur, Kevin Yoho, ex officio
Excused: Doris Peterson, Erik Peterson, John Alves

7:11 Adoption of Docket
MSP: Approval of docket as corrected.

7:12 Approval of June 12, 2007 Minutes (emailed 6/12/07)
MSP: Approval of minutes as emailed.

7:13 Financial Report- Nailesh Bhavsar
MSP: Approval of minutes as emailed.

7:30 ORDER OF THE DAY: Rev. Chuck Rawlings Work Team Updates
Chuck shared the opportunity to assist in funding:
Middle East Mission Trip (2007)
Port Newark Seamen's Church Institute ministry
Impact of diesel soot along the trucking corridor

7:45 Report of General Presbyter

7:50 Work Teams and Funding Requests

NOTE: Our funding cycle stated in the Standing Rules:

The Mission Council will recommend to Presbytery appropriate mission funding disbursements. Recommendations will be acted on at Stated Meetings of Presbytery—September, November, March, and June. The funding schedule will be published and work teams will need to get their proposals to the Mission Council in time for stated meetings.

(ADDITIONAL) Middle East (2007)..... \$2,500

Request beyond expended 2007 budget and Synod Grant

***** Consensus to recommend approval to whole Mission Council.**

(SPECIAL) Strategic Partnership Commission (2007)..... \$1,000

Request for two ministry exploration mission trips.

Discussion deferred to November Mission Council meeting since time is not of the essence.

(New) Child Abuse Conference (2007)..... \$2,000

See Work Team Application attached.

***** Favorable discussion led to consensus, PENDING additional clarity to be received by 9/25 as follows: Originator will add addendum to application. List persons on work team demonstrating diversity and collaboration with more than one church. Note: Work started prior to approval by Mission Council.**

(New) Global Mission (2007)..... \$4,000

See Work Team Application attached.

***** Consensus to recommend approval to whole Mission Council.**

(New) Newark Area Presbyterian Multimedia Academy (2008)..... \$12,500

See Work Team Application attached.

Discussion deferred to November Mission Council meeting since time is not of the essence.

8:20 Update on Current Work Teams:
The Mission Council requires that work teams submit bi-monthly (every other month) progress and financial reports with any requests for Mission Council and/or Presbytery Docket time directly to the Mission Council at least ten (10) days prior to the stated Mission Council meeting.

Work Team	Liaison	Chairperson	Status
West Orange	Erik Spencer	Rev. Karen Hybertsen	Report (attached)
Irvington	John Alves	Rev. Obiri Addo	
Evangelism	Carmen Rodriguez	Elder Carmen Rodriguez	Report (presented)
Cooperative Ministry	Bill Trafton	Elder Kirk Woodward	
Leadership Development	Al Johnson	Todd Shumpert	
Peacemaking	Doris Peterson	Elder Barbara Williams-Hubbard	
Joining Hands Against Hunger	Henry Cade		
Hunger Action	Henry Cade		
Middle East	Muriel Lovell	Chuck Rawlings	Report (presented)
Women's Empowerment Initiative	Erik Spencer	Elder Desiree Barber	
<i>Response to Winter Article Letter</i>		<i>Rev. Paul Leggett</i>	<i>Work Concluded</i>

8:25 Other Business

SPECIAL MEETING: prior to Presbytery Meeting, September 25, 2007, 5:00PM, Livingston Church, so that final vote can be taken on items marked above in MINUTES with asterisks. If voted on favorably, items will be presented to presbytery for funding approval at the meeting to follow.

Stated Meeting Date- October 9, 2007 7PM (Kevin Yoho, Mac McArthur excused)

Assign responsibility for devotions: Al Johnson

9:00 Adjourn with prayer