

Credentialing Ministry Team Minutes

Aug. 18, 2015

Location—Toledo Mennonite Church

We restored the credentials of an individual who had been suspended for 1 year, and on probation for 1 year for sexual misconduct.

We terminated the credentials of an individual who asked for termination after they were suspended for misuse of prescription drugs and alcohol.

We extended Darren Kloemper's (First Mennonite, Berne) license for one year.

We withdrew the credentials of the following pastors whose churches have voted to leave Ohio Conference—(please see a copy of the withdrawal letter for this purpose attached)

Sam Byroads (Grace Community)

Rodney Bapst (Owl Creek)

We renewed our subscription to the *Parish Paper* for the coming year.

We discussed how we will implement the resolution adopted at ACA 2015.

LaVonne Hartman will be the person who contacts candidates to set the time of their interview and make sure they have turned in the needed documents on time. (This was formerly an RP task)

A leadership scholarship was approved for Dave Maurer to attend the Pastors of Excellence program at Ashland Seminary.

We will have the public minutes of the Credentialing Ministry Team available on the website and put a link to them in the *Delegate News*.

We are working to compile questions to give to any pastoral candidate who is new to Ohio Conference (student, from other MCUSA conferences, and from other denominations). The candidate will need to turn them in to the Credentialing Ministry Team prior to their candidating weekend for our review. CMT will inform the search committee of anything we see that might indicate that they could not be licensed in Ohio Conference. We will no longer install new pastors prior to their license being granted by the Credentialing Ministry Team.