

**SYNOD OF THE MID-ATLANTIC
COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION MEETING MINUTES
GINTER PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, RICHMOND, VA
February 6, 2020**

OPENING:

Moderator Steve Mabie called the meeting to order at 10:00 A. M. with prayer by Vanessa Green.

ATTENDANCE:

Present were : Steve Mabie, Jerry Cannon, Tom Holden, Nancy Summerlin, George Hall, Vanessa Greene, Paul Minh; Ray Williams. Excused were: Rosia Freeman, Cherry Peters, Kim Robinson; Jamie Wilkins. Absent were: Kay Barrow-Ziglar; Kevin Powell

APPROVAL OF DOCKET:

The docket was approved as presented.

APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY:

George Hall was appointed.

QUORUM:

The Moderator declared a quorum was present.

MINUTES:

The July 18, 2019 Minutes were approved as presented.

MODERATOR'S REPORT:

1. Overview of Origin and Mission of COR
2. Sharing of Good News of Matthew 25 Initiative
3. Reporting Representation by Presbyteries and Synod
4. Defining our Core Objectives for 2020
5. Challenges and Best Practices of Our Presbyteries
6. Understanding Ways and Means of Meeting Our Core Objectives
 - a. Discussed Tool Box and breakout groups dealt with select questions from COR Tool Box

OLD BUSINESS:

1. None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Collecting of expense vouchers; some to be submitted later but ASAP
2. Review of statistical reports from various Presbyteries
3. Comments and discussion on nurturing successful Presbytery representation plan
4. Synod Relationships and Responsibilities
 - a. Synod Nominating Committee – Next meeting February 25, 2:00 P. M. via Zoom
 - b. Synod Assembly – March 13-14, 2020, Harrisonburg, Virginia
 - c. 224th General Assembly – Baltimore, Md. – June 20-27, 2020
 - d. COR – Next meeting Thursday, June 4, 2020 at 1:00 P. M. via Zoom

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P. M. with prayer by Vanessa Greene. The next meeting will be held June 4, 2020 at 1:00 P. M. via Zoom.

Presbytery	% R/E Members	% R/E Leadership	< 35 Leadership	Notes
Abbingtion	not reported	2%	1	No Part 1
AKAP	68%	not reported	not reported	No Part 2
Baltimore	8%	16%	9%	added LGBT
Charlotte	30%	30%	1	
Coastal Carolina	5.65%	28.50%	5	Good!
Eastern VA	8%	9.30%	0	
James	7%	15%	14	Wow!
National Capital	23%	22%	11	
New Castle	6%	7%	5	
New Hope	7.20%	20%	5	
Peaks	2.40%	17.40%	7	
Salem	10.60%	10.80%	21	Spot on!
Shenandoah	<1%	0	4	
Western NC	4%	10.50%	7	
Interpretation:				
According to the PC(U.S.A.) Statistics R/E breakdown of members is:				Yr. 2018
89.41% White	4.39% Black / African	3.33% Asian	1.66% Hispanic	1.21% Other
Under Age 40	28%			
Only a small % of Racial Ethnic populations are Presbyterians.				
Smaller # still are ordained Ruling / Teaching Elders.				
Emphasis on Representation is working. Some Presbyteries have higher % of R/E leaders ,				
than they do Members.				