

**FOR ACTION**

1. **Equalization:** The Stated Clerk **MOVES** that the Presbytery invite those sessions with reported membership greater than 575 to send four (4) additional commissioners, those sessions with reported membership between 375 and 574 to send three (3) additional commissioners, those with reported membership between 175 and 374 to send two (2) additional commissioners, and those with reported membership between 75 and 174 to send one (1) additional commissioners at meetings of the Presbytery following this meeting and including the annual meeting in 2009.

**Background:** The Stated Clerk reports that the number of resident ministers and the number of elders entitled to vote at Presbytery meetings is imbalanced. Based on the most recently reported figures, there are 99 resident ministers. Per the Book of Order (G-11.0101a), the sessions are eligible to elect 40 elder commissioners and there are 7 elder members of council eligible to vote. The result is an imbalance of 52 elders.

Bylaw 2.02 provides that: "The Presbytery shall redress the imbalance by assigning the additional numbers as equally as practicable among all the particular churches that have most recently reported having more than 100 members so that they may elect additional Elder Commissioners with special attention to the concerns of inclusiveness and participation. The total number of Elder Commissioners shall not exceed the total number of resident ministers who are voting members of Presbytery."

The resulting list of elder commissioners to be elected by sessions is shown on **Reference B-1**. The number of elder commissioners has changed for four of the churches where indicated by the asterisk (\*).

2. The Stated Clerk **MOVES** that the Presbytery approve the minutes of the 132<sup>nd</sup> Stated Meeting held on February 9, 2008, as printed in the "Minutes" section of the PSNE website.

**FOR INFORMATION:**

3. The summary of the Annual Statistical Report is attached as **Reference B-2**.
4. The Stated Clerk is required by D-5.0206b to keep a current roster of those members the Permanent Judicial Commission whose terms have expired within the past six years and is required to report the roster annually to Presbytery.

Terms expired in:

2002	None
2003	Rev. Barbara Hager
2003	Elder Thomas McNeill (Hartford: First)
2004	None
2005	Elder Mark Carta (Wilton)
2005	Rev. William Goettler
2005	Rev. Connie Jordan-Haas
2006	None
2007	Elder Martha Fix (Groton: St. Andrew)
2007	Rev. John Sandel
2008	None