

**JOHN CALVIN PRESBYTERY
REPORT OF GENERAL COUNCIL**

FOR ACTION:

1. During the process selling of any property owned by a congregation of John Calvin Presbytery, the Presbytery will create an Administrative Commission (AC) *consisting of: the Rev. Daniel Lee from Willard Mt Zion, Ruling Elder Susan Uffmann from Trinity Presbyterian Springfield, Ruling Elder Bob Wilson from Hollister (membership holding in JCP), and Ruling Elder Jay Kretzmeier from First Presbyterian Iola, KS* to walk alongside the congregation of Woodland Heights Presbyterian Church, in partnership, with these charges:

- a. To facilitate a possible sale of the church property as long as it is, in the view of the Administrative Commission, in the best interest of both Woodland Heights Presbyterian Church and John Calvin Presbytery.**

Presbytery will approve the sales contract when it is presented. The AC will act on behalf of the presbytery in the interval between presbytery approval and closing, per the Administrative Ministries Committee guidelines.

- b. To be a resource to Woodland Heights as they develop a plan for their next chapter in ministry.**
- c. Assume original jurisdiction, if necessary, following the safeguards outlined in G-3.0303e.**

2023-2025 Book of Order G-3.0303 Relations with Sessions:

Presbytery, being composed of the ministers of the Word and Sacrament and commissioners elected by the session of congregations within its district, has a particular responsibility to coordinate, guide, encourage, support, and resource the work of its congregations for the most effective witness to the broader community. In order to accomplish this responsibility, the presbytery has authority to...

e. assume original jurisdiction in any situation in which it determines that a session cannot exercise its authority. After a thorough investigation, and after full opportunity to be heard has been accorded to the session, the presbytery may conclude that the session of a congregation is unable or unwilling to manage wisely its affairs, and may appoint an administrative commission with the full power of session. This commission shall assume original jurisdiction of the existing session, if any, which shall cease to act until such time as the presbytery shall otherwise direct.