

## Called Meeting of the Lowcountry Presbytery

February 16, 2021

### A Specially Called Meeting of the Lowcountry was held at 9:30 a.m., February 16, 2021 at Oakbrook Community Church(PCA) in Summerville, SC.

Call to Order           The Specially Called Meeting of the Lowcountry Presbytery with the stated purpose of addressing a matter concerning TE Danny Clark and RUF at the was called to order by the moderator, TE JP Sibley at 9:35 am in the sanctuary of Oakbrook Community Church(PCA) in Summerville, SC.  
He led the presbytery in prayer.

Roll Call &               Zoom Participants were acknowledged & reminded of the rules for this meeting:  
Quorum                 TE Alex Mark                               TE Craig Bailey  
                              TE Nathan Francis                       RE Mike Slay  
                              RE Nathan Holleman  
– Zoom participants must wear headphones or otherwise ensure privacy.  
– Zoom participants will remain muted throughout the meeting.  
– All motions, speeches, votes, and questions from Zoom participants will need to be typed via Zoom’s built-in Chat feature.

The moderator asked the Recording Clerk if there was a quorum.  
The Recording Clerk declared that a quorum was present per BCO 13-4.

Business &             The business of this Specially Called Meeting of the Lowcountry Presbytery is to address a  
Reports:                 matter concerning TE Danny Clark and his work as RUF Campus Minister at the College of  
                              Charleston.

TE Rob Hamby opened in prayer.  
**M/S/C:** That to receive and affirm TE Clarks request to dissolve his call as Campus Minister with RUF to the College of Charleston.

Motion from Campus Ministries Committee:  
**M/C:** The Campus Committee requests that they be commissioned by the Lowcountry Presbytery to work with the national RUF office to find a new RUF minister for the College of Charleston.

**M/S/C:** Motion to move into executive session to deal with the matters concerning TE Danny Clark and RUF at the College of Charleston..

TE Danny Clark and RE David Walters were asked to leave the room.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION FOLLOWED**

##### **Public Statement Approved from the Executive Session:**

**M/S/C :** Conclusion, judgment and decision:  
On Tuesday February 16, in accordance with BCO 38-1 regarding a case without process, TE Danny Clark made a full statement and confession of his sin before the court. Lowcountry Presbytery approved TE Danny Clark’s confession of his sins of breaching boundaries in ministry and using poor judgment and discernment in ministry. There is no evidence that TE Danny Clark engaged in any scandalous or sexual sin. In keeping with BCO 36-2 regarding the need for church censures to be suited to the nature of the offenses, Lowcountry Presbytery administered the censure of indefinite suspension (BCO 36-5) to TE Danny Clark until he is able to give satisfactory evidence of his repentance. Lowcountry Presbytery entrusted TE Danny Clark into the care of the Shepherding Committee.

TE Hamby indicated that RUF has suggested TE Clark be provided with 14 weeks of severance package. This requires continued support by the presbytery as TE Clark received the ministry with a \$17K deficit.

TE Hamby asked that we pray for the ministry of RUF at the College of Charleston. There was season of prayer for the ministry at College of Charleston.

TE Hamby reported that the Campus Ministries Committee is already working with RUF on a replacement so that we might have a minister on the field by Fall.

RE Walters as treasurer asked the question if the presbytery would continue to support the College of Charleston.

**M/S/C:** That the Lowcountry Presbytery continue to support the College of Charleston RUF ministry as our current budget already passed allows that.

Adjournment

**MSC** to adjourn this Specially Called Meeting of Lowcountry Presbytery with prayer. The Meeting was closed in prayer by TE Steel at 11:57am.

**Appendixes:**

- A. Attendance Roster – Teaching Elders
- B. Attendance Roster – Ruling Elders

**Appendix A**

**Teaching Elder Attendance for Feb 16, 2021 Called Meeting of Lowcountry Presbytery:**

P=present; X=Excused; U=Unexcused; HR=Honorable Retired; Z=Zoom Participant

Bailey, Crag	Redeemer Church, Charleston	Z
Bauer, Michael	Christ Church, Charleston	U
Brown, Christopher	LOB, Chaplain, MUSC, Charleston	X
Clark, Danny	RUF, College of Charleston	P
Cole, Howard	Metro North Church, Goose Creek	X
Franics, Nathan	Church Planter, Cane Bay	Z
Hamby, Rob	Church Planter, Cainhoy Peninsula	P
Harritt, Bill	Eastbridge Church, Mt. Pleasant	P
Joyner, Sam	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie	P
Konopa, Ben	HR, Eastbridge, Mt. Pleasant	HR
Mark, Alex	First Scots, Beaufort	Z
McCutchen, William	Hilton Head Church, Hilton Head	P
Mullen, Jeremy	Two Rivers Presbyterian	P
Olson, John	Church Creek, Charleston	X
Patrick, John Mark	Trinity Church, Orangeburg	P
Payne, Jon	Christ Church, Charleston	X
Schley, John	Metro North Church, Goose Creek	P
Schweitzer, Bill	MTW, England	ME
Sibley, J.P.	Orangeburg Church Plant	P
Song, John	Redeemer Church, Charleston	P
Steel, Ron	Eastbridge Church, Mt. Pleasant	P
Stogner, Phil	MTW Scotland	ME
Turner, Mark	Oakbrook Church, Summerville	P
Walters, Michael	Church Creek, Charleston	P
Walton, Steve	First Scots, Beaufort	U
Watson, Tom	Interim, Two Rivers Presbyterian	X

**Appendix B**

**Ruling Elder Attendance for February 16, 2021 Called Meeting of the Lowcountry Presbytery:**

Barry	Brinson	Two Rivers, North Charleston
Chris	Jarvis	Redeemer Church, Charleston
Nathan	Holleman	Two River
D.B.	Cummings	Church Creek
David	Walters, Sr.	Church Creek
Mike	Slay	Grace Coastal Church, Okatie
Ron	Woernle	First Scots Presbyterian, Beaufort
Rich	Wylly	Eastbridge Church, Mt. Pleasant