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TO: Michael Hanlon
City Clerk

FROM: Ed Pawlowski *EP*
Mayor

DATE: June 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Authorities, Boards, Commissions Appointments

Mayor Pawlowski has approved the following appointment for City Council's consideration.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Authority/Board/Commission</u>	<u>Term to Expire</u>
Rev. Dr. Steven H. Shussett	Human Relations Commission	04/04/2018

Rev. Dr. Steven H. Shussett is replace Mr. Abdiel Cancel who resigned from this board in July 2015. I have attached his resume for your review.

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Attachments

REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT

DATE 5/25/16

AUTHORITY, BOARD OR COMMISSION YOU ARE REQUESTING APPOINTMENT

TO: Human Relations Commission

NAME: Rev. Dr. Steven H. Shussett

HOME ADDRESS: 147 Susquehanna Trail, Allentown PA 18104

BUSINESS ADDRESS: St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
36 S. 8th Street Allentown PA 18101

TELEPHONE NO. (RESIDENCE) 610.295.2930 **BUSINESS** 610.435.9065

EMAIL: stevestpauls1st@ptd.net

PRESENTLY EMPLOYED BY: St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

JOB TITLE: Pastor

EMPLOYMENT (Prior):

Teaching (Executive) Presbyter, Lehigh Presbytery, Presbyterian Church (USA)
Associate for Spiritual Formation, Presbyterian Church (USA)

EDUCATION:

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE: _____ ☒ **YES** _____ **NO**

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY GRADUATE _____ ☒ **YES** _____ **NO**

DEGREE/FIELD OF STUDY

Bachelors (Double Major) English Writing/Political Science
Masters of Public and International Affairs
Masters of Divinity
Doctor of Ministry: Christian Spirituality

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS AND OFFICES (Partial List):

Board, Lehigh Conference of Churches (Pending formal vote)
Appointed, Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
Member, Lehigh Presbytery and Presbyterian Church (USA)
Member, Mission Development Resource Committee, Presbyterian Church (USA)
Member, Referral and Counsel,
Faculty, Kairos: School for Spiritual Formation
Spiritual Directors International
Assorted ad hoc homelessness committees

PAST ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICES HELD (Partial List):

Steering Committee, Association of Executive Presbyters
Adjunct Faculty, Moravian Theological Seminary
Convener, Synod of the Trinity Executive Forum
President, Frostburg Ministerium
Member, Frostburg Tornado Relief Committee

DO YOU LIVE IN THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN: _____ YES x NO

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED? No

IF SO, WHY? N/A

DO YOU HAVE A SIGNIFICANT "BUSINESS" OR "PROPERTY" INTEREST IN ALLENTOWN? PLEASE EXPLAIN:
No

ARE YOU A REGISTERED VOTER: x YES _____ NO

WHY ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THIS APPOINTMENT? BE SURE TO INCLUDE WHAT VALUE YOU WILL BRING TO THE BOARD:

In my "church life" and before, issues of fairness and justice have been important in my life and how I feel led to contribute to society. HRC, as it has been presented me, appears to be an avenue through which I can serve this community in which I work, and the people who give it life. I believe that my previous education and experience, both voluntary and work-related, make me a good fit for this kind of endeavor. I also believe, with affirmation of others, that I am characteristically disposed to tend to group settings, conflict management, and community action and resolution.

DO YOU ANTICIPATE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST BY SERVING AS A MEMBER OF AN AUTHORITY, BOARD OR COMMISSION: _____ YES x NO

IF YES, EXPLAIN: N/A

IF YOU ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR REAPPOINTMENT, PLEASE INDICATE HOW MANY TERMS YOU HAVE SERVED _____ AND THE YEAR YOU WERE FIRST APPOINTED _____. N/A

NOTE: This information will be used for making appointments to authorities, boards and commission and in the event you are appointed/reappointed, it may be used as a news release to identify you to the community.



Signature

5/25/16
Date

Please forward this request for appointment, along with a resume to:

Mayor's Office
City Hall
435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18101

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147 Susquehanna Trail
Allentown PA 18104
Cell (610) 295-2930
sshussett25@gmail.com

Work Experience:

- 2015- Pastor, St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Allentown PA.
2014- Faculty, Spiritual Direction Training, Kairos School of Spiritual Formation, Lancaster PA.
2010-14 Stated Clerk, Lehigh Presbytery, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Allentown PA. 8400 Members.
Adjunct Faculty in Formative Spirituality, Moravian Theological Seminary, Bethlehem PA
2005-15 Teaching (Executive) Presbyter, Lehigh Presbytery, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Allentown PA.
2001-05 Associate for Spiritual Formation, General Assembly Staff, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).
Editor of *Hungryhearts* (11,000 subscribers).
1995-01 Pastor, First Presbyterian Church of Frostburg MD.
1993-95 Pastor, Buchanan Presbyterian Church, Buchanan VA.

Educational Experience

- 2002 Doctor of Ministry, Christian Spirituality, Philadelphia, PA..
Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia/Chestnut Hill College.
Thesis: Centering Prayer as a Means toward Contemplation for the Priesthood of All Believers

1993 Masters of Divinity
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh, PA.

1987 Masters of Public and International Affairs (Certificate in International Security Studies)
Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA.

1985 Bachelor of Arts (English Writing/Political Science), University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA.

Additional Related Training

- 2011 Training in Companionship the Retreat in Daily Life, Kairos: School of Spiritual Formation.
2011 Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry. (27 Hour Training) Interim Ministry Network, Devon PA
2010-11 Companionship the Retreat in Daily Life, Kairos: School of Spiritual Formation, Wernersville PA
2009 Leadership and Anxiety in the Church: A Family Systems Perspective (35 Hour Training).
Lombard Mennonite Peace Center, Lees Summit OH.
2008-10 Spiritual Direction Training, Kairos: School of Spiritual Formation.
2006-09 Center for Parish Development: Missional Church Training and Leadership
2001 Commissioned Presenter, Method of Centering Prayer. Contemplative Outreach Limited.

Sampling of Workshop and Retreat Leadership:

- Centering Prayer
- Christian Spirituality in the Workplace
- Church Leaders as Spiritual Leaders
- Living a Life of Prayer
- Missional Church
- Physics of Church Transformation
- Reformed Spirituality 101
- Sabbath Keeping, Sabbath Living
- Trinitarian Spirituality

Sample Publications:

Loose-Leaf (Editor)

2004 "Lord, Teach Us to Pray." Office of Spiritual Formation, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Curriculum

2014 Adult Study Guide on *New Worshipping Communities. Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding*, Congregational Ministries Publishing, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

2012 Adult Study Guide on *The Prophets for Today. Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding*, Congregational Ministries Publishing, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

2005 "Living Out our Faith at Work." *The Thoughtful Christian* electronic curriculum. Louisville: Westminster/John Knox Press.

2003 Adult Study Guide (with Charles Wiley) on *The Christian Life: A Geography of God* by Michael L. Lindvall. Foundations of Christian Faith Series, We Believe Curriculum. Congregational Ministries Publishing, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Articles

2013 "Churches in Pennsylvania, Kenya forge purpose-driven partnership" *Presbyterian Outlook* (August 21)

2006 "Experiments in Faith: The Spirituality of Dietrich Bonhoeffer." *Hungryhearts*, Summer 2005. Office of Spiritual Formation, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

2004 "Some Thoughts on Living a Contemplative Life." *Hungryhearts*, Fall 2004. Office of Spiritual Formation, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Columnist

2001-06 *Hungryhearts*. Office of Spiritual Formation, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Devotionals

2013 *Disciplines 2013*. The Upper Room, United Methodist Church. Nashville TN.

2008 "Surely the Lord is in this Place." *Presbyterians Today*. Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

2007, 2010, 2014, 2015 *These Days*. Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Continuing Education

2011- Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Evangelism and Church Growth Conference

2007-08 Conflict Management Training Seminars

Honors/Awards/Distinctions:

1987 Owens Fellowship Award, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA.

1988 University of Pittsburgh Student Leadership Honoree, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA.

1992 James Purdy Scholarship, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh PA.

1993 Sylvester S. Marvin Award, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh PA.

Alice Myers Sigler Memorial Prize, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh PA.