

MINUTES OF THE SESSION

Stated Meeting, February 27, 2022

The Session of First Presbyterian Church, Ada, Oklahoma, met in a regular stated meeting Sunday, February 27, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. via zoom due to icy weather. Moderator Scott White called the meeting to order, and Session members recited the Mission and Vision Statements. Moderator then offered the opening prayer.

Those present included Session members Mindy Choate, Teresa Mayhue (elder and clerk), Ed Perkins, Justin Isaacs, Tami Thompson, and Amy Mayhue. Amy Elliott was absent, and Gayla Cook was absent with excuse. Moderator Scott White declared a quorum present.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the agenda as written.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve Stated Session Minutes, January 23, 2022, Called Session Meeting January 27, 2022, and Annual Congregational Meeting February 6, 2022, all as written and attached.

FROM THE TREASURER

Financial reports were included in the session packet. Treasurer and Finance Chair were both absent so a report was not given.

	<u>January 31, 2022</u>
Operations Fund Income	6,869.83
Operations Fund Expenses	12,743.81
Net Income – Operations	(5,873.98)
Total Checking/Savings	57,224.39
Total Other Current Assets	159,052.50
Total Current Assets	216,276.89
TOTAL ASSETS	216,276.89

Motion made, seconded, and approved to receive the financial reports as of January 31, 2022.

FROM THE CLERK OF SESSION

- Clerk submitted by e-mail to the General Assembly on January 27, 2022, the annual statistical report approved by Session in January 23, 2022, meeting.
- Scott submitted to INP the Annual Review of Pastoral Compensation form unanimously approved by motion in the Annual Congregational meeting of FPC on February 6, 2022. The motion approved adjusted pastor's terms of call keeping all things the same except for salary with an increase of \$1249.
- Clerk read e-mail from Gayla Cook advising of her resignation from the Session as elder as of February 9, 2022. Motion made, seconded, and unanimously approved the resignation of Gayla Cook with regret and gratitude. Clerk will advise Gayla her resignation has been approved and to express appreciation for her service.
- After today's meeting, clerk will complete and e-mail the three remaining annual reports due to the INP: Commissioners to INP, Lay Leadership (session configuration), and Session members.

- Clerk and Scott attended the Stated Meeting of Indian Nations Presbytery on Friday, February 25, 2022, via zoom. Clerk will prepare a report for next Session meeting packet.

Mass e-mail mailings from Indian Nations Presbytery are forwarded to Session members, Moderator, and Treasurer. Significant e-mails are recorded:

- 3/2/22 – E-mail received from Synod of the Sun – SunSpots special episode – Ukrainian refugees
- 3/2/22 – E-mail received from Dr. Laurie Kraus, Director, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance – Information on how to donate to Ukraine

DISTRIBUTION OF DRAFT *SESSION MANUAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS*

- Draft *Session Manual of Administrative Operations* was sent to Session members via google drive on February 18, 2022. The binder version is available in the office or will be in church building on Sunday, March 6. It is a requirement to have one and reapprove it with any changes.
- Scott pulled the manual up on google drive and reviewed it with Session members.
- Motion made, seconded, and approved unanimously to adopt the draft *Session Manual of Administrative Operations* as the *Session Manual of Administrative Operations*.

DECISIONS ON SESSION CONFIGURATION - 2022

- Agreed to remove media relations as a task force but Justin will check with Johnna and Karah to see if they would be willing to keep social media up to date.
- Agreed it is time to remove covid task force. It was greatly needed the last two years and filled a critical role concerning information about covid guidelines. It is time now for it to be Session work as a matter of continuing business for Session meetings henceforth.
- Agreed the Steering Committee would be nice to have but has been inactive since 2019 and to able to staff at this time.
- Partial Session configuration – will be fully completed at or before next Session meeting.

Clerk of Session	Teresa Mayhue
Christian Education	Teresa Mayhue
Congregational Life and Membership	Amy Mayhue
Finance	Amy Elliott, Mindy Choate
Mission and Evangelism	Justin Isaacs
Personnel and Administration	Mindy Choate, Amy Elliott
Property	Justin, Edmon
Worship	Edmon, Tami
Congregational Nominating Comm.	
Commissioner to Presbytery	Teresa Mayhue
Congregational President	Amy Elliott (Finance Chair)
Congregational Vice-President	Justin Isaacs (Property Chair)
Treasurer	Carol Peshehonoff
Wedding Coordinators	Karah Thompson, Regina Robertson, Amy M.

Motion made, seconded, and approved unanimously to adopt Session Configuration 2022.

ELDERS OF THE MONTH – 2022

March	Justin, Mindy
April	Scott, Justin
May	Mindy
June	Amy M.
July	Teresa

August	Justin
September	Mindy
October	Tami
November	
December	
January	
February	

THE MINISTRIES, BY COMMITTEE

Committees in transition – no meetings or reports except Nominating Committee and Deacons.

1. From the COVID-19 Task Force
2. From Christian Education Committee
3. From Congregational Life and Membership Committee
4. From Deacons by Justin Isaacs.
 - Deacons will need to do some fundraising this spring to replenish their budget.
5. From Finance Committee
6. Media Relations
7. From Mission and Evangelism Committee
8. From Nominating Committee by Amy Mayhue
 - Bruce Weems is the nominee as Session member from Nominating Committee to fill the vacancy left by David Piercy's resignation in September, 2021.
 - Motion made from committee approved unanimously to call a congregational meeting on Sunday, March 20, to nominate and elect Bruce Weems as Session member Class of 2023 to fill David Piercy's vacancy.
9. From Personnel and Administration
10. From Property
11. Steering
12. Worship

CONTINUING BUSINESS

- Motion made, seconded and approved to adopt as the FPC Covid policy from today forward to follow CDC recommendations, and communion will be served as traditionally served with the option of bread in baggies. Five yes votes, one no
- Scouting Unit 4–Kurt Jackson, Charter Organization Representative – No report. Chili feed this Friday, 4:30-8:00 - Scout Sunday this Sunday, March 6.

NEW BUSINESS

- No new business.

UPCOMING KEY DATES: (March calendar attached.)

1. Elder of the Month for March: Justin Isaacs, Mindy Choate
2. Troop 4 Chili Feed: Friday, March 4, 4:30-8:00 p.m.
3. Congregational meeting Sunday, March 20, 10:45 in the sanctuary
3. Next Session Meeting: March 27, 2022, 12:00 noon, Westminster Center
Teresa will order lunch.

ON THE ANNUAL PLANNING CALENDAR

Reviewed for February.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (If needed)

SHARING TIME

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made, seconded, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 1:47 p.m. with prayer offered by Scott and Session members.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Mayhue, Clerk of Session