

First Presbyterian Church of Ada, OK
Minutes of the Stated Session Meeting February 26, 2023, 12 noon
Office Conference Room of Westminster Fellowship Center

At 12:10pm the meeting was called to order, and the council prayed.

The roll was called. Present were Margaret Barton, Cathy Blackburn, Justin Isaacs, Amy Elliott, Edmon Perkins by phone, Tami Thompson, Bruce Weems, and moderator Scott White. Absent with excuse was Brooke Jackson-Holman. Staff and Congregational Treasurer Carol Peshehonoff was present. There were no visitors. A quorum was ruled to be present.

In Clerk of Session Teresa Mayhue's absence Amy Elliott was elected secretary for the meeting.

The agenda was approved without amendment.

Minutes were approved as provided: *Session Meeting January 22, 2023, Congregational Meeting February 5, 2023.*

Receipt of financial reporting from Laxton CPA as provided: *January financials*, approved. Motion made, seconded, and approved to transfer of \$138.40 from #20522 to #60701.

Noted, and recorded here is: the successful e-vote of February 12 approving Church Statistical Report 2022; 5 yes, 0 no.

A draft and proposed *Session Manual of Administrative Operations* was distributed and reviewed. Motion made, seconded, and approved to adopt it.

The Session Configuration was approved as follows:

Clerk of Session: Teresa Mayhue

Christian Education: co-chairpersons Brooke Jackson-Holman, Tami Thompson

Congregational Life and Membership: Margaret Barton, Cathy Blackburn

Finance: Bruce Weems, Amy Elliott

Mission and Evangelism: Bruce Weems, Justin Isaacs

Personnel and Administration: Amy Elliott, Margaret Barton

Property: Justin Isaacs, Edmon Perkins

Worship: Edmon Perkins, Tami Thompson

Congregational Nominating Committee: Justin Isaacs, Tami Thompson

Commissioner to Presbytery: Teresa Mayhue

Congregational President: Amy Elliott

Congregational Vice-President: Justin Isaacs

Wedding Coordinators: Karah Thompson, Regina Robertson, Amy Mayhue

Foundation Directors and Officers: Charles Mayhue, President; Margaret Barton, Vice President; Carol Peshehonoff, Secretary and Treasurer

Reports of the Ministries by Committee, Etc.

Christian Education

Congregational Life and Membership: fellowship events continue to be planned and done

Deacons

Finance: report provided by email. Moved by committee: approval to transfer up to \$75K from checking account to Vision Bank short-term CD; approved. Moved by committee: renew engagement with Roger K. Laxton CPA for a year @ \$6,790; approved. President Amy Elliott to sign letter; Laureen to deliver.

Mission and Evangelism

Nominating

Personnel and Administration

Property: Building Usage Applications for Lackey Family Reunion and Harry Miller District Committee (BSA) approved per recommendation of committee.

Worship: reported successful Ash Wednesday Gatherings, and newly interested parties to offer Sharing Times in upcoming service.

Continuing business

1. Appointment of Bob Neman as charter organization's seat on the Unit 4 scouting committee. MSA

New Business

1. Thank you notes: to Jane and Buddy Baltimore for the excellent Ash Wednesday Gatherings idea, and their thorough support of them.
2. Margaret Barton asked each session meeting to come to next month's meeting with 2 ideas for congregational advancement over the next 5 years.

Upcoming Key Dates (March calendar, attached)

Elder of the month for March: Cathy Blackburn

New member group first meeting: March 1, 6:30pm, churchschool classroom 2

Next session meeting: March 26, 12 noon

The Annual Planning Calendar was reviewed. The Session is current with all items.

After brief sharing time the meeting was adjourned by agreement, and the Session prayed.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Elliott