

MINUTES OF THE SESSION

Stated Meeting, April 30, 2023

The Session of First Presbyterian Church, Ada, Oklahoma, met in a regular stated meeting Sunday, April 30, 2023, at 12:10 p.m. in office conference room. Moderator Scott White called the meeting to order, and he then offered the opening prayer.

Those present included Session members Margaret Barton, Cathy Blackburn, Bruce Weems, Ed Perkins (by phone), Amy Elliott, Brooke Holman-Jackson, and Justin Isaacs. Teresa Mayhue, Clerk of Session, and Carol Peshehonoff, Treasurer, were present. 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, March 26, 2023, and Called Session Minutes, April 2, 2023, both attached, as written.

FROM THE TREASURER

Carol Peshehonoff, Treasurer, presented financial reports as of March 31, 2023.

| | <u>March 31, 2023</u> |
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| Operations Fund Income | 13,366.38 |
| Operations Fund Expenses | 19,596.44 |
| Net Income – Operations | (6,230.06) |
| Total Checking/Savings | 126,909.38 |
| Total Other Current Assets | -0- |
| Total Current Assets | 126,909.38 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 126,909.38 |

Session reviewed financials. Utilities are running much higher than expected and will go over budget. Motion made, seconded, and approved to receive the financial report as of March 31, 2023.

FROM THE CLERK OF SESSION

- Session minutes will be posted on our church website www.fpcada.org under **Staying Connected**. Minutes will be posted after they are approved. March Session Minutes were approved in today's meeting and will be posted to the website.
- Clerk presented Tami Thompson's resignation from Session. Motion made, seconded, and passed to approve her resignation with regret.
- Received a thoughtful thank you note from Kevin Cantrell for the overnight use of Westminster for the Washington School softball team. He also donated \$1,000.00 to FPC. Session will send a thank you note to him for his generous donation.
- Clerk e-mailed the 2022 Session Minutes on March 30, 2023, to Indian Nations Presbytery for the yearly review.

Mass e-mail mailings from Indian Nations Presbytery are forwarded to Session members, Moderator, and Treasurer. E-mails of interest to congregation are forwarded to members.

THE MINISTRIES, BY COMMITTEE

1. From Christian Education Committee by Brooke.
 - Rather than traditional Vacation Bible School Brooke suggested a Family Camp with activities for the whole family. Session thought that would be a good idea.
 - Activities for youth will be planned throughout the summer.
 - Will check on activities for adults.
2. From Congregational Life and Membership Committee by Cathy Blackburn.
 - Cinco de Mayo will be next Sunday, May 7.
3. From Deacons by Justin Isaacs.
 - \$540.00 was collected for revamping of the nursery. A date in June will be scheduled. Ellen and Matt spearheading this.
4. From Finance Committee by Bruce Weems.
 - No meeting – no financials provided by accountant. No pressing business.
 - Bruce has checked with insurance agent for estimate of insurance needs for coming year – will need by third or fourth quarter. When information is available, will ask FPC Foundation Board to schedule a meeting to request a donation to apply toward new insurance payment.
 - Boy Scouts have terminated their insurance policy.
 - First quarter contribution letters will be going out this week.
5. From Mission and Evangelism Committee by Bruce Weems.
 - No meeting this month. Programs are continuing and still need volunteers.
6. From Nominating Committee by Justin Isaacs.
 - With Tami's resignation being formally accepted at today's meeting, the committee will begin looking for a replacement.
7. From Personnel and Administration Committee by Amy Elliott.
 - Miriam wants to return to her piano and organ duties in May, and the committee is thrilled. Sunny is staying onboard as a backup.
 - Next meeting May 26.
8. From Property Committee by Justin Isaacs.
 - Have reached out to Montana Lancaster to do some plumbing repairs in main building.
 - Will be scheduling workday in June.
9. Worship Committee by Edmon Perkins.
 - Pentecost Sunday is May 28.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

- Scouting Unit 4–Kurt Jackson, Charter Organization Representative – Four Boy Scouts are receiving Eagle Scout awards this afternoon at Westminster.

NEW BUSINESS

- Motion made, seconded, and passed to approve baptism request by Scott Robertson and Jennifer Bryant for their child, Osi' Bryant Kofi Robertson, on June 4. The parents will be hosting a reception following the worship service. Regina and Mel Robertson are grandparents.
- Thank you notes:
 - Tinley Ryan-Kratky, Girl Scout associated with the Adult Daycare, rebuilt the vegetable garden in honor and memory of her grandmother.
 - Tami Thompson for her service on Session and her hard work on committees.

- Kevin Cantrell for his generous donation of \$1000.00 in appreciation of FPC welcoming the Washington softball team for an overnight stay at Westminster Center.

UPCOMING KEY DATES: (May calendar, attached.)

Elder of the Month for May– Justin Isaacs

Next Session Meeting: Sunday, May 21, 12 noon, conference room in office

ON THE ANNUAL PLANNING CALENDAR

Reviewed for May.

SHARING TIME

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made, seconded, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 2:18 p.m. with prayer offered by Margaret.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Mayhue, Clerk of Session