

BONHOMME PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
14820 Conway Rd., Chesterfield, MO  
Stated Meeting of the Session  
June 21, 2016

Moderator: Don Everts  
Clerk of Session: Bob Buchanan

Place: Board Room  
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Ruling Elders Present: Mary Bruning, Bob Buchanan, Steve Ecker, John Hall, Cris Heffernan, Helen Hume, Jim Kilby, Brandon Mann, Scott Martin, and Mary Morgan

Ruling Elders Not Present: Randy Baker, Lisa Hartshorn

Teaching Elders Present: Rev. Don Everts, Rev. Tom Hobson

Staff Present: Chris Macky, AmyRuth Bartlett, Nate Jeffers

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was declared. The moderator led with a devotional based on Exodus 15:19-27 and implored Session members to embrace Moses as a traveling companion during our time of transition. He then prayed.

SPECIAL REPORTS AND UPDATES:

A. **Transition update:** Session held a lengthy discussion of the covenant partners' reaction to suspension of the 11 am Traditional Worship Service including letters from many members who had written or emailed Session. Concluding that this significant portion of the membership was ill-served by not having the service, Scott Martin moved and Jim Kilby seconded that:

The 11:00 am Traditional Worship Service be reinstated with modified orders of worship at it and the 11:00 am Contemporary Service.

The motion passed unanimously.

B. **ECO update:** The moderator updated Session on upcoming events and likely changes in ECO.

1. It is anticipated that at the January 2017 denomination wide meeting our Presbytery will be split. We will become part of the new Presbytery of the Midwest which will include churches in Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Kansas. The new presbytery will need officers, which positions are filled by Elder volunteers within the presbytery.
2. Our next scheduled meeting of the Presbytery of the West will be the evening of August 26th and most of the next day at First and Calvary Presbyterian Church in Springfield, MO. In as much as we expect Chris Macky to be installed on August 14th, we will have three ordained commissioners and therefore entitled to three Elder Commissioners as well. Commissioners will be selected at the July Stated meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the May 17th Stated Session meeting and the June 5th Congregational meeting were approved by unanimous vote.

CORRESPONDENCE and PROCEDURAL ITEMS:

Since the correspondence from partners an been previously provided to Session members and discussed at length during the Special Reports, the Moderator determined that no further discussion of correspondence was necessary.

PROCEDURAL ITEMS:

Cris Heffernan moved and John Hall seconded that the following be approved:

1. Removal from the church rolls due to death:  
Harry Sumner, an active member with register number 1061, who died June 5, 2016.
2. Approval of two baptisms:  
Malachi James Roland Stocker, son of Kim and Allen Stocker. His mother is a member.  
Henry Lewis Telkin, son of Stevie and Matt Telkin, both parents are members.

The motion was approved unanimously.

COMMISSION and COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. WORSHIP REPORT

1. The following Worship report was presented:

Communion was served to 259 people between May 17, 2016 and June 21, 2016 at scheduled Traditional Services and to 315 people at Scheduled Contemporary Services during the same period. Communion was served to 3 shut-ins plus 10 residents at Delmar Gardens during the period.

B. FINANCE

Jim Kilby presented the May financial report and summarized it saying that we continue to do well versus budget on both expenses and income. The committee is beginning work on the 2017 budget. The finance summary for May is attached.

C. HUMAN RESOURCES:

John Hall reported that Rev. Dr. Dana Allin, synod Executive, has agreed to consult with us during the transition to help define the qualifications and attributes of our new senior pastor.

We will hire an additional technical intern to help Nate.

John moved that the HR report be accepted, which it was on unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

Transition Team. The moderator nominated the following to be members of the Transition Team, which had been created at the May Stated meeting:

Chris Macky  
Brandon Mann  
Cathy Lasater  
Ross Jenkins  
Deann Feltz  
Mary Bruning

Bob Buchanan moved, and Jim Kilby seconded that:

Session approve the slate of members for the Transition Team.

After discussion the motion was approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Election of Administrative Positions: Clerk, Asst. Clerk, Treasurer. On motion by John Hall and a second by Jim Kilby the following were unanimously elected for the period June 2016 through May 2017:

Bob Buchanan Clerk of Session  
Jane Kostelc Assistant Clerk of Session  
John Hillhouse Treasurer

B. KDO Fund Raiser. Scott Martin moved and John Hall seconded a motion:  
Mary Lewis be allowed to conduct a fund raising event, Dancing with God's Children, on  
Saturday November 12th.  
The motion passed unanimously.

C. Scott Martin moved and Mary Bruning seconded a motion:  
Bonhomme make name tags available for all Covenant Partners who are interested, at the  
church's expense.  
The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned, on motion, at 9:10 p.m. and was closed with prayer, peace and  
harmony prevailing.

Approved by Session: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bob Buchanan, Clerk of Session