

Bonhomme Presbyterian Church

Regularly Scheduled Session Meeting

June 16, 2020

Those Attending:

Fred Breitenwischer, Jenny Brown, Robby Cella, John Green, Steve Lucas, Chad Schrieber, Jenni Stecher, Don Everts, Cliff VanIttersum, Mary Bruning, Mary Oldfield, Steve Cox, Steve Ecker, Andy Seers, Jim Capps, Jim Keim

Guests

Jeff Morgan

Opening the Meeting:

Following dinner and prayer, a quorum was declared, and the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Pastor Jim Capps.

Following a devotional, Pastor Capps discussed the following:

- “Tools for a Healthy Interim.”
- The Roles of Elders Deacons and Staff.

New Business

- Elder Cliff Van Ittersum discussed an invitation to Dr. Sean M. Lucas for a three-day seminar titled “Winsomely Reformed: How We Might Be a Gracious Presbyterian Church” based on his book “On Being Presbyterian.” The seminar is proposed for October 9 thru 11, 2020
- Executive Director John Green’s reported on Worship times alignment
- Pastor Robby Cella reported on BPC in-person Worship restart.
- Pastor Robby Cella reported on Refresh approach with Staff leading, and Deacons and lay leaders assisting in the development of the major element.
- Elder Steve Ecker proposed that Session form a support committee to welcome and provide ongoing support to new staff members. The proposal was tabled for further consideration by Elder Ecker.

Motions and Votes

- Elder Cliff Van Ittersum moved and an Elder seconded a motion to invite Dr. Sean M. Lucas to present a three-day seminar titled “Winsomely Reformed: How We Might Be a Gracious Presbyterian Church” based on his book “On Being Presbyterian.” The seminar is proposed for October 9 through October 11, 2020. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- Elder Andy Seers moved, and Elder Cliff Van Ittersum seconded a motion that Worship times be aligned as presented by Executive Director John Green. Traditional Worship would occur between 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM, with Contemporary Worship from 10:30 to 11:30 AM. Spiritual formation would occur during the same time frames as the two Worship times. The motion was approved by voice vote.
- HRC moved that Session approve Steve Cox as the chairman of HRC as is required by the HRC Charter. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- HRC moved that Session approve the employment of Joseph Sanders as Executive Director of Contemporary Worship. John Green is authorized to negotiate the employment agreement with Joseph Sanders. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- HRC moved that Session approve \$450 to fund a Performance Appraisal Process training session with Ann Plunkett. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- HRC moved that Session approve the payment of \$2,700 to engage Ann Plunkett to assist with updating the Employee Handbook, policies and procedures and implementation of the Child Protection Act. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- HRC requests that Session authorize HRC to act as the Longer-Term Interim Pastor Search Committee with Steve Cox as Chairman. HRC is authorized to work with ECO under their Churches in Transition Agreement. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- Elder Cliff Van Ittersum and moved and an Elder seconded that Session approval an expenditure of approximately \$15,000 for equipment and materials to facilitate wireless microphone migration. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- Pastor Robby Cella moved and an Elder seconded that in person Worship be restarted beginning July 12, 2020 in both Traditional and Contemporary Worship. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- Elder Cliff Van Ittersum moved and an Elder seconded that Session approve the Session Meeting Minutes for Called Session Meeting 05-19-2020

- Elder Cliff Van Ittersum moved and an Elder seconded that Session Approve Minutes for 05-17-2020 Annual Congregational Meeting
- Elder Cliff Van Ittersum moved and an Elder seconded that Session Approve Minutes for 05-17-2020 Annual Corporation Meeting

Next Session Meeting:

The next Session meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2020 beginning at 6:00 PM.

Closing the Meeting:

A motion was made by Elder Steve Echer to adjourn the meeting. An Elder seconded the motion which was approved by unanimously by voice vote. The meeting was closed in prayer and adjourned by the Moderator.

Submitted Respectfully:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen H. Lucas". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "S".

Stephen H. Lucas
Clerk of the Session
July 21, 2020