

Bonhomme Presbyterian Church Regularly Scheduled Session Meeting

August 18, 2020

Minutes of the Meeting

Those Attending:

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

Opening the Meeting:

Following prayer, a quorum was declared, and the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Pastor Dave Moore.

- Pastor Dave Moore offered a devotional.
- Elder Cliff Van Ittersum presented the Financial Report.
- Executive Director John Green presented a proposal for possible acquisition of the Walsh house.
- Clerk read a letter from Covenant Partner Sue Cox.
- Pastor Robby Cella reported on BPC in-person Worship along with plans to have a Picnic on Saturday night, September 12, 2020 and have in-person worship beginning Sunday, September 13, 2020.
- Pastor Robby Cella reported on the continued development of “Refreshing our focus” Refresh development and make-up of Steering Committee including: Brook Berry, Mary Bruning, Fred Breitenwischer, and Rhys Southworth and Pastor Dave Moore.
- Robby Cella brought forward the following individuals to be confirmed and or baptized:

Desiring to be confirmed:

Lexi Magnuson – interviewed by Elder Jenni Stecher
Charlie Stirrat – interviewed by Elder Chad Schriber
Noelle Breitenwisher – interviewed by Elder Jeanne Luther
Jack Robeson – interviewed by ElderCliff Van Ittersum
Oliver Kokal – interviewed by Elder Fred Breitenwischer
Alli Van Valkenburgh – interviewed by Elder Jenny Brown
Abbi Van Valkenburgh – interviewed by Elder Jenny Brown

Cameron Stecher – interviewed by Elder Jeff Erkert
Tallie Seers – interviewed by Elder Jenni Stecher

Desiring to be confirmed and Baptism:

Mallory Laine Bricker – interviewed by Elder Pam Douthit desires to be Baptized
Dakota Hoehn – interviewed by Elder Chad Schriber desires to be Baptized
Christian Erkert – interviewed by Elder Cliff Van Ittersum desires to be Baptized

- Steve Cox HRC recommended Session approve \$1,500.00 to be paid to Heidi Durr, Attorney at Law, for legal services updating the Employee Handbook and certain policies and procedures.
- Steve Cox HRC recommended the Session approve a one-time payment of compensation to Don Everts in the amount of \$15,300.00 to cover lost sabbatical compensation and for his services performed and that he be granted and given the ownership and possession of the laptop computer he is presently using.

Motions and Votes

- Elder Jenny Brown moved, and Cliff Van Ittersum seconded a motion that Executive Director John Green be authorized to proceed with a survey, inspection and title search of the property and enter into a 30-day contingency purchase agreement for the Walsh Property. Executive Director Green will report his findings at the September 15th Session Meeting. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.
- Elder Jim Keim moved and Elder Steve Ecker seconded a motion that a Called Zoom Session Meeting be convened on Tuesday, August 25, 2020 for the purpose of finalizing plans to re-institute BPC in-person Worship along with plans to have a Picnic on Saturday night, September 12, 2020 as a kick-off to the fall season. The intent is to have in-person worship beginning Sunday, September 13, 2020. A team composed of Pastor Dave Moore, Elder Mary Oldfield, Elder Fred Breitenwischer, Pastor Robby Cella, Pastor Lynn Packwood and Executive Director John Green to meet and finalize logistics and plans for presentation to the Session on August 25, 2020. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- HRC moved that the Session approve \$1,500.00 to be paid to Heidi Durr, Attorney at Law, for legal services updating the Employee Handbook and certain policies and procedures. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- HRC moved that the Session approve a one-time payment of compensation to Don Everts in the amount of \$15,300.00 to cover sabbatical compensation and for services performed and that he be granted and given the ownership and possession of the laptop computer he is presently using. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

- Elder Jenny Brown moved, and Elder Steve Cox seconded a motion that Session approve the confirmation of the following based on their testimony of saving faith in The Lord Jesus Christ:

Lexi Magnuson – interviewed by Elder Jenni Stecher
 Charlie Stirrat – interviewed by Elder Chad Schriber
 Noelle Breitenwisher – interviewed by Elder Jeanne Luther
 Jack Robeson – interviewed by ElderCliff Van Ittersum
 Oliver Kokal – interviewed by Elder Fred Breitenwischer
 Alli Van Valkenburgh – interviewed by Elder Jenny Brown
 Abbi Van Valkenburgh – interviewed by Elder Jenny Brown
 Cameron Stecher – interviewed by Elder Jeff Erkert
 Tallie Seers – interviewed by Elder Jenni Stecher

The confirmation is to take place on August 30, 2020.

The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

- Elder Jenny Brown moved, and Elder Steve Cox seconded a motion that Session approve the confirmation and Baptism of the following based on their testimony of saving faith in The Lord Jesus Christ:

Mallory Laine Bricker – interviewed by Elder Pam Douthit desires to be Baptized
 Dakota Hoehn – interviewed by Elder Chad Schriber desires to be Baptized
 Christian Erkert – interviewed by Elder Cliff Van Ittersum

The confirmation and Baptism are to take place on August 30, 2020.

The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

- It was moved and seconded that Session approve the minutes of the July 21, 2020 regularly scheduled Session meeting. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- Elder Steve Ecker moved and Elder Jenny Brown seconded a motion that Bonhomme partner with Samaritan’s Purse Disaster Recovery Vehicle (DRV) team. John & Denise Hall will lead this ministry. The incremental cost to Bonhomme will \$50 for insurance. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Next Session Meeting:

The next Session meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2020 beginning at 6:00 PM.

Closing the Meeting:

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
September 15, 2020