

Bonhomme Presbyterian Church
Minutes of Regularly Scheduled Session Meeting
January 19, 2021
6:00 PM in the Commons

Minutes of the Meetings

Those Attending:

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, Fred Breitenwischer.

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.
- Continuing discussion of and recommendations concerning the structure of the church. This discussion included:
 1. Our planned Letter of Repentance, which will be read to the Congregation on Sunday, January 24, 2021.
 2. An initial proposal for Restructuring the church.
 3. Pastor Moore's Certified Transitional Pastor contract, and the implications for Bonhomme about when to empanel a Lead Pastor Search Committee.
- Elder Andy Seers presented Greg and Kari Yess for membership.
- Due to time, Elder Steve Ecker agreed to table the following items until a future Session meeting.
 1. Discussion of a team responsible for encouraging posthumous gifting.
 2. Suggestion to compile a list of those we can reach out to in tandem with Dave to invite back for a visit or more.
 3. Discussion about extending the terms of Lead Deacons who have offered to do so to help keep continuity during all the changes.
- Elder Cliff Van Ittersum - Decision on Leadership Academy and new officers for June 1, 2021. It was noted the following Elders come-off Session at the end of May:

Elder Cliff Van Ittersum;
Elder Jenni Strecher;
Elder Jenny Brown; and
Elder Stave Ecker.

In addition Clerk of the Session, Steve Lucas intends to step down at the end of May.

Motions Decisions

- Motion that Session agrees to the requirement suggested by ECO for completion of the “Becoming Flourishing Leaders” course; and will not empanel a search committee for a new lead pastor until that course has been completed.
- Motion that Session approve the final version of the Letter of Repentance.
- Motion to approve: Minutes of Regularly Scheduled Session Meeting 12-15-20

Adjourning the Meeting

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

Closing Prayer

Benediction

Motions Decisions and Votes

- Elder Steve Ecker moved and it was seconded that of Greg and Kari Yess be accepted as new Covenant Partners of BPC The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- Elder Andy Seers moved, and Elder Jim Keim seconded a motion that Session agree to undertaking a course on “Becoming Flourishing Leaders.” The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- Elder Mary Oldfield moved, and Elder Steve Ecker seconded a motion that Session approve the final version of the Letter of Repentance. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- Motion to approve: It was moved and seconded that the minutes of Regularly Scheduled Session Meeting 12-15-20 be approved. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

- Cliff Van Ittersum moved and elder Steve Ecker seconded a motion to confirm that Session approves the proposed structural and organizational changes developed by Pastor Dave Moore and the Staff and that the Staff is directed to proceed with the implementation of these changes immediately and report back to the Session during the February Session Meeting. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Next Session Meeting:

The next Regularly Scheduled Session meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2021 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, stylized initial "S".

Stephen H. Lucas
Clerk of the Session
December 15, 2020