

SESSION MINUTES
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
GREENVILLE, NC
September 18, 2016

The Session of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, NC, held a stated meeting in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m. on September 18, 2016.

Elders present: Joe Asselmeier, Kelly Barnhill, Doug Boyd, Griff Burgwyn, Tyler Burgwyn, Sue DelVecchio, Morgan Fariior, Daniel Griffis, Debbie Hahn, Jeri Jackson, Karen Kay, Dave Kemble, Allen Lyle, Gibson McCall, Debra Mizelle, John Ogle, Mark Phillips, Ray Spears, Jane Steele, Elizabeth Swaggerty, Betty Williams, and Tammy Worden,.

Excused: Eric Money, Craig Stanley, Holli Williams, and Jackie Wynne.

Absent: Rob Ables, Vinse Bowers, Linda Kean, and Anne Mauldin.

Others present: Bill Neely, Senior Pastor and Moderator, and Dick Marks, Clerk of Session.

Moderator Bill Neely called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.; a quorum was present. Dave Kemble led an opening devotional and prayer.

PEOPLE ARE IMPORTANT

Illnesses:

Special mention was made for Sarah Allen, Bob Beasley, Connie Bond, Dee Chaffee, Beth Clark, Martha Coffman, Matt Davenport, Dave Eggers, June Ficklen, Jim Finch, Thelma Flye, Jim Kleckley, Ben Lattin, Genet Lilley, Greg Riddle, Mary Smith, Joe Sullivan, Jimmy Sutton, Odell Welborn, Margie Wright, and Johnny Wynne.

Deaths:

Don Duff, on September 2, 2016.

Victor Arnold (father of Betty Williams) on August 29, 2016 and Belinda Whitaker (sister-in-law of Todd Adams) on September 6, 2016.

Bill Neely offered a prayer which included those mentioned in concerns and celebrations.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from New Hope Presbytery with official notification that Session records for 2015 have been approved without exception.

MINUTES

Minutes were approved for the stated Session meeting of August 21, 2016.

MEMBERSHIP ROLL

A motion passed to approve the baptism of Logan Addison Harvey, son of Charles Addison Harvey, Jr. and Lauren Williams Harvey (grandson of Betty and Jim Williams) at the 11:00 a.m. service on October 30, 2016, with Betty Williams as the Elder sponsor.

MINISTRY REPORTS

Administration Ministry (Kelly Barnhill)

A motion passed from the Ministry to approve reserving Fellowship Hall February 9-11, 2017 for the Presbyterian Women Neighbor to Neighbor project.

A motion passed from the Ministry to approve Presbyterian Women selling tickets on January 29 and February 5, 2017 for the Neighbor to Neighbor luncheon.

(Personnel) A motion passed from the Personnel Committee to approve hiring Henry Branson to take over as graduate assistant with the children's choir and helper with the adult choir, to replace David Moseley, at a rate of \$40/hr with other perks that were given David.

(Personnel) A motion passed from the Personnel Committee to approve paying \$275 per month as the scholarship for all 5 choral scholars.

(Personnel) A motion passed from the Personnel Committee to approve continuing to pay full Board of Pensions benefit for all staff covered under the plan (6 staff). The increase of about 3% to the BOP will be in lieu of salary increases for 2017.

The Ministry is looking into costs and liabilities for having defibrillators in the church. More information will come later.

Worship Ministry (Tammy Worden)

A motion passed from the Ministry to approve Moments for Ministry on January 29 and February 5, 2017 to announce the Neighbor to Neighbor luncheon.

Membership Ministry (Betty Williams)

The Ministry announced that the church picnic was a success with over 60 people attending. Homebound communion was served on September 18, and the Wild Game Feast is coming up on November 9.

Mission Ministry (Dave Kemble)

A motion passed from the Ministry to approve the final Mayfest distribution as indicated on the attached list.

The Ministry reported that the Mayfest golf tournament will be September 22 at 1 p.m. at Ironwood course and that the Ministry is grateful to Daniel Griffis for taking the lead in this endeavor.

Education Ministry (Anne Mauldin)

A motion passed from the Ministry to approve allowing the youth to sell raffle tickets for the Fall Festival gift card basket before and after 11:00 a.m. services on October 16 and 23, 2016.

The Ministry announced that the first First Friday meeting of the new year was a great success with 18 youth and 5 adult helpers. The Ministry is greatly appreciative of all Brian Dilday is doing.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In the absence of Treasurer Perry the Moderator called attention to the financial information through August. He noted that we are about \$4000 behind the expected budget, and that all members should try to meet their pledges regularly.

OTHER BUSINESS

The meeting was adjourned after a closing prayer by Bill Neely.

William K. Neely, Moderator

Richard Marks, Clerk of Session