

# Minutes for the Meeting of Session of the Clinton Presbyterian Church October 20, 2009

Approved November 17, 2009

7:00: Elders and Deacons met for discussion and prayer.

7:30: Elders convene as a Session

## 1) Roll Call

- a) **Elders Present:** Carol Kotopoulos, Liz Scannell, Steve Hovey, Dave Boyer, Ino Sowder, Dave Kelly, Tim McKinnon, Bill Kreutel, Dorothy Battaglia, Lisa Miller, Kevin Spangler, Dave Boyer, Lori Hannon
- b) **Elders Excused:**
- c) **Elders Absent:** Gwili Marsh, Gary Lindgren, Arleen Buchanan
- d) **Pastors:** Rev. Becci Curtis (Moderator)
- e) **Professional Staff:** Matthew Bradley
- f) **Guests:** Nancy Hovey, Candy Pamerleau, and Members of Interim Search Committee: Rick Hyman and Geri Twigg.

## 2) Open Mic

- Nancy Hovey provided goodies for Session and thanked everyone for their dedication, hard work, and leadership. Session appreciated her sentiments and her home-baked cookies!!!
- Candy Pamerleau led Session in prayer and remained for the duration of the meeting, until Executive Session was announced.

## 3) Call for items to be included on the docket

MOTION: to approve the docket as amended. Motion was seconded and approved.

## 4) Clerk's Report

- a) Review and approve the minutes from the October 6<sup>th</sup> and September 15<sup>th</sup> Session Meetings.

MOTION: To approve minutes as amended. Motion was seconded and approved.

### b) Attendance Report

Date	9AM	11:00	Total 2009	2008	
September 6	112	-	112	233	Rev. Brackbill
September 13	125	78	203	258	Rev. Becci Curtis
September 20	141	93	234	237	Rev. Becci Curtis
September 27	119	133	252	203	Samantha Bradley
<b>Total September</b>			<b>801</b>	<b>931</b>	
October 4	114	111	225	215	Rev. Becci Curtis
October 11	128	97	225	242	Rev. Jim Morris

## 5) Correspondence

Letter from Tim Harrison to Session

- Becci will follow up with Arleen to draft a letter to the Harrisons in response to Tim's letter to Session.
- Only minutes from Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> forward will be posted on the website going forward.

## 6) CIF Discussion

MOTION: To give voice to Rick and Jeri. Motion was seconded and approved.

Schedule:

- Oct. 30 - CIF Due
- Nov. 05 - Get approval from Presbytery.

Committee needed input from Session regarding the Salary Range for the Interim Pastor.

With a Manse:

	Min	Max
Salary	\$34K	\$60K
Manse	\$30K	\$30K
Total	<u>\$64K</u>	<u>\$90K</u>

MOTION: Accept CIF as Amended. Motion was seconded and approved.

## 7) Ministry Reports and Motions:

- a. Mission: MOTION to approve support checks from the General Mission Gift Fund for the following:
- \$2,000 for the Forman family
  - \$ 750 Kleyhan's Mission support
  - \$ 500 Goodwill Rescue Mission - emergency Needs

MOTION: Approve support checks from the General Mission Gift Fund. Motion was seconded and approved.

- b. Worship Ministry: Sermon Schedule and lightening Becci's load
- Worship met with Becci to discuss reducing her preaching schedule in order to free her up for her Youth responsibilities. Replacements will be made for the 11/29 and 12/13 Sermons.
- c. Nominating Ministry:
- An additional Elder is needed to join Nominating
  - Decision regarding filling two vacant Elder positions - one expires in 2010 and the other expires in 2012
- Bill Kreutel asked any Session Members who are interested in joining Nominating to let him know. The new member can be voted on at the January Congregational Meeting.
- d. MOTION: To give voice to Candy. Motion was seconded and approved.
- e. Finance - update on Budget process
- Please provide all 2010 Budgets to Liz Scannell or Dave Boyer as soon as possible. The Worship Ministry Budget is \$600 less than last year's!

## 8) Old Business

- a) Discussion of the Town Hall Meeting, Sunday October 11, 2009.
- b) Are there more and/or better ways to communicate with the congregation?
- ➔ These topics will be discussed at the next Session Meeting.

c) Session Meeting Schedule - do we need to continue meeting twice a month?

- ➔ There will be a Session meeting on: Sunday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 to finalize the 2010 budget.
- ➔ There will be a Session meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> to address the Town Hall Meetings, Congregational Communication, and to map out plans for a meeting to reflect on how we got here and how to avoid it in the future.

## 9) New Business

- Thanksgiving Services - Becci will follow up about the Community Thanksgiving Service we have been asked to participate in on Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Contingency plans for foul weather on Sunday Morning - what is the plan?
  - Church will remain open and people will be encouraged to use their own discretion in deciding whether it is safe to travel.

## 10.) Report from Director of Music

Meeting went into Executive Session at this point.

## Adjournment with Prayer

- a) The meeting was adjourned in prayer at about 10:15pm.

**REMINDER:** The next Session meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 3rd at 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lori Hannon,  
Clerk ProTem

