

Stated Meeting  
First Presbyterian Church  
December 21, 2023 7:00 PM, Meeting Room/Virtual Meeting Room

Elders Present: Candy Brown, Nebbie Brown, Diane Crosthwaite, Lori Disbennett, Debby Galloway, Dave Gibson, Donna Maley, Jill Sements, Kathy Wickline, and Kathi Kinney- Clerk/Elder, Moderator-Rev. Diane Flynn

Elders Excused: Linda Rinehart, Kathy Wickline

Elders Absent:

A quorum was present.

The meeting was opened with devotions and prayer.

**Session Actions:**

1. On **motion, second and VOTED** the minutes of November 16, 2023 were approved.
2. By consensus, the Session agreed to start future meetings at 6:30pm.
3. Diane Crosthwaite reported, on behalf of the Education committee, that the youth lock-in went very well and expressed thanks to AJ & Amanda Conti and Laura Atwood.
4. On **motion, second and VOTED** to approve hiring a second person to work “as needed” for daytime meetings with contractors and to handle emergencies for 10 hours per week at a rate of \$20/hour.
5. On **motion, second and VOTED** to pay Todd Disbennett \$20/hour for training the new custodian from the Session Discretionary fund.
6. On **motion and VOTED** to approve the Wedding policy.
7. On **motion, second and VOTED** the financial report was accepted and will be submitted for audit.
8. On **motion, second and VOTED** all reports were received.
9. On **motion, second and VOTED** to approve the 2024 budget with minor corrections.
10. By consensus, the Session approved a special organist to play at the January 21 worship service and to accompany the choir.
11. Pastor Flynn would like Session members to start reading “Turn Your Church Inside Out” by Walt Kallestad as a discernment project. It will be a project we use to begin the process of developing a plan for searching for a new pastor.

**Reports were received from:**

1. Pastor’s report was distributed.
2. Clerk's Report was given.
3. Education Team Report was distributed.

4. Mission Team Reports were distributed.
5. Treasurer's report was distributed.
6. Stewardship Team Report was distributed
7. Administrative Team Report was distributed
8. Worship Team Report was distributed.
9. Property Team Report was distributed.

**Ministrations:**

1. Communion:

Communion was celebrated December 10, 2023 by Rev. Diane Flynn.

The next meeting will be held on January 18, 2024.

Closing prayer-Kathy Wickline

On **motion and VOTED** the meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathi Kinney, Clerk