Stated Meeting

First Presbyterian Church

February 15, 2024 6:30 PM, Meeting Room/Virtual Meeting Room

Elders Present: Candy Brown, Nebbie Brown, AJ Conti, Diane Crosthwaite, Lori Disbennett, Debby Galloway, Dave Gibson, Donna Maley, Linda Rinehart, Jill Sements, Kathi Kinney- Clerk/Elder, Kathy Strohm, Treasurer, Moderator-Rev. Diane Flynn

Elders Excused: Kathy Wickline

A quorum was present.

The meeting was opened with prayer and a discussion of the book “Turn Your

Church Inside Out.”

**Session Actions:**

1. On **motion, second and VOTED** the minutes of January 18, 2024 were approved.
2. On **motion and VOTED** that Molly Barker be hired/promoted as Director of the Senior Choir at the same rate she was paid as Interim Choir Director.
3. On **motion and VOTED** to approve the Personnel Policy with the Sick Leave section as re-written.
4. On **motion, second and VOTED** to give the Administration Team permission to hire Leah Matlock as a secondary nursery caregiver if everything is clear in the background check.
5. Pastor Diane explained that there will be a Tenebrae service on Maundy Thursday at 7:00pm.
6. Diane Crosthwaite reported that the proceeds from the pancake supper was $474, which will be used for camp scholarships.
7. Nebbie reported that the Nominating has met informally and will start to identify Elder candidates at the next meeting.
8. On **motion and VOTED** the financial report was accepted.
9. On **motion, second and VOTED** all reports were received.
10. AJ discussed the Blue Jeans and Burlap program which is a sponsorship opportunity benefiting the Union County Humane Society on April 20. The Humane Society is a 501c3 organization and this would be an opportunity to have the church’s name out in the community. It was decided that we would like to consider this later this year. We could bring it before the congregation in August in conjunction with the Blessing of the Animals service.
11. On **motion, second and VOTED** to plan for a gap pastor for meetings, emergency pastoral care at a rate of $30 and presbytery rates for moderating Session, worship, and Congregational meeting.
12. On **motion, second and VOTED** to authorize the Clerk to object to any liquor permits on behalf of the Session going forward.

**Reports were received from:**

1. Pastor’s Report was distributed.
2. Clerk's Report was distributed.
3. Stewardship Team Report was distributed.
4. Treasurer’s report was distributed.
5. Administrative Team Report was distributed.
6. Worship Team Report was distributed.
7. Property Team Report was distributed.
8. Education Team Report no meeting.
9. Nominating Committee Report was given.
10. Mission Team Reports-no meeting.

**Ministrations:**

1. Communion:

 Communion was celebrated on February 11, 2024 by Rev. Diane Flynn.

1. The below documentation was received into the minutes due to email votes:

 On February 8, 2024 **on** **motion, second and VOTED** to approve the Clerk’s statistical report to the General Assembly.

The next meeting will be held on March 21, 2024. Closing prayer-Debby Galloway

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathi Kinney, Clerk