



MINUTES OF A STATED MEETING OF THE SESSION (AMENDED)

DATE: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2019

LOCATION OF MEETING: DISCUSSION CLASS ROOM

| Class of 2019 | | Class of 2020 | | Class of 2021 | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | D.R. Beeson | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Mike McCalmont | <input type="checkbox"/> | Tom Borthwick |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Jerry Cole | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Charles Parker | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Brian Johnston |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Emily Jordan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Charles Spears | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beth Lowe |
| | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Sam Repass |
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Present: X

Absent, excused: Beeson, Borthwick

Absent: None

Moderator present: The Reverend Ms. Christine Bohn, Ph.D.

Others present: E. Campbell, clerk; A. Fowler, III, Personnel Committee chair; J. Urse, Diaconate chair

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by moderator Christine Bohn.

The clerk declared a quorum present.

Opening Prayer and Devotional:

The moderator opened the meeting with prayer. Dr. Bohn chose to read the scripture recommended for the day from the Lectionary, Luke 9:28-36. The writer describes the transfiguration of Jesus...²⁸... *he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray.*²⁹ *As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning.*³⁰ *Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. ...'* Dr. Bohn shared with those present the importance of the event; that as followers of Jesus we also may get visions of glory as did Peter, John, and James.

Events of Note at FPC JC for the period January 21, 2019 through February 24, 2019:

- Dismissal:
 - o Powell, Michael (January 22, 2019).
- Marriage:
 - o Nucci, Tonya to Sommers, John (February 16, 2019)
- New Member:
 - o None
- Pulpit Supply:
 - o The Reverend Mr. Tim Meredith (January 27, 2019)
 - o The Reverend Mr. Tim Meredith (February 3, 2019)
 - o The Reverend Mr. R. Alan Chapman (February 10, 2019)
 - o The Reverend Mr. Bill Wing (February 17, 2019)
 - o The Reverend Dr. William G. Cockrill (February 24, 2019)
- Sacrament of Baptism:
 - o None
- Translated to the Church Triumphant:

None

Approval of the Docket:

The clerk put the question to members of session, 'Do you find the Docket for this meeting to be complete?' On motion by Mr. Spears, second Mr. McCalmont, session by unanimous voice vote approved the docket with a request to amend placed on the floor by Dr. Cole;

- Dr. Cole to bring concerns of the worship committee concerning the assignment of Worship Leaders.

Review of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s) of the Session:

- The moderator put the question to members of session, 'Do you find the minutes of the special meeting occurring January 15, 2019 to be complete?' On motion by Ms. Lowe, second Dr. Cole, session by unanimous voice vote approved the minutes as prepared.
- The moderator put the question to members of session, 'Do you find the minutes of the special meeting occurring February 14, 2019 to be complete?' On motion by Mr. Spears, second Mr. Repass, session by unanimous voice vote approved the minutes as prepared.

Communications from the Staff to Session:

No staff report this meeting

Communications from the Clerk to Session:

None

Communications from the Moderator to Session:

None

Communications from the Pastor Nominating Committee to Session: Dr. Brian Johnston, committee member, reported;

- There will be a 'town hall' type meeting with the Pastor Nominating Committee Wednesday, February 27, 2019. The meeting will convene 6:30 P.M. in the Shaw Fellowship Hall following the mid-week dinner. Members of the congregation will be given the opportunity to ask questions concerning the committee's work to call a pastor to the pulpit of FPC JC

Communications from the Diaconate to Session: Ms. Jerry Urse, moderator, reported;

- The Diaconate will next meet March 6, 2019.
- The Diaconate last met January 17, 2019; minutes of the meeting previously provided.

Committees of the Session:

Administration:

- Personnel Committee: Mr. Arthur Fowler, III, chair, reported;
 - o A document comparing two compensation packages for an interim pastor was distributed to those present: one with an 'effective cash salary' of \$80,000.00 and an estimated total cost to FPC JC of \$115,720.00; one with an 'effective cash salary' of \$53,610.00 and an estimated total cost to FPC JC of \$80,000.00. The consensus of members of session was an 'effective cash salary' of \$80,000.00 is the maximum 'effective cash salary' that may be offered to a candidate for the position of interim pastor.
 - o The committee met with Mr. Arner on January 22, 2019 and reviewed with him the content of Mr. Arner's letters critical of the committee's work.
 - o The committee last met February 19, 2019; agenda for the meeting to be provided.
 - o The committee met with all staff members February 19, 2019.
 - o The committee previously met February 15, 2019; agenda for the meeting to be provided.
 - o The committee previously met January 17, 2019; agenda for the meeting to be provided.
- Stewardship Committee: Ms. Beth Lowe and Mr. Sam Repass, co-chairs, reported;
 - o Ms. Stacy Larsen, director of The River, has agreed to a reduction in the funding The River was originally scheduled to receive from FPC JC during 2019.
 - o The church has received a gift in the amount of \$10,000 from the estate of Frances J. Matherly. The gift has no designation for its use. The committee recommends this money go into the general fund and be included in the 2019 pledged amount. Session by unanimous voice vote approved the committee's recommendation.
 - o The committee last met February 19, 2019; minutes of the meeting provided.
 - o The committee previously met January 22, 2019; minutes of the meeting provided.

- Mr. Repass reported the status to date of the budget for FPC JC for 2019: estimated revenue for 2019 is \$715,000.00; estimated expenditures for 2019 are \$766,000.00.
- Long Range Planning Committee: Mr. Ed Campbell, chair, reported;
The committee last met January 31, 2019; minutes of the meeting to be provided.

Glorify:

- GLORIFY Committee: Dr. Jerry Cole, chair, reported;
 - The committee's divergence from policy established by session during the stated meeting occurring January 22, 2019 wherein elders of the church were named as the persons to serve as 'Worship Leader' during worship services. Dr. Cole advised of the difficulty he has encountered in arranging volunteers to serve as 'Worship Leader'. Members of session agreed to serve as 'Worship Leader'.
 - The committee last met February 5, 2019; minutes of the meeting provided.

Grow:

- GROW Committee: Ms. Emily Jordan, chair, reported;
The committee has not met.
 - Preschool Ministry: Ms. Emily Jordan, liaison from session and board member, reported;
The board of directors last met January 16, 2019; minutes of the meeting provided.
 - Children's Ministry Team: Dr. Charles Parker, leader, reported;
The team last met February 6, 2019; minutes of the meeting provided.
 - Student Ministry Team: Mr. John Grindstaff, leader. No report.
The team last met January 21, 2018; minutes of the meeting not provided.
 - Discipleship Ministry Team: Ms. Emily Jordan, leader, reported;
The team last met June 24, 2018; report of the actions of the committee previously provided.

Go:

- GOING Committee: Mr. Michael McCalmont, chair, reported;
The committee last met March 12, 2018; minutes of the meeting previously provided.
 - Local Missions Ministry Team: Mr. Michael McCalmont, leader;
The team last met January 27, 2019; minutes of the meeting provided.
 - Global Missions Ministry Team: Mr. Michael McCalmont, leader;
The team last met February 19, 2019; minutes of the meeting provided.
 - Community Outreach Ministry Team: Ms. Jane O'Connor, co-leader. No report.
The team last met April 15, 2018; minutes of the meeting previously provided.

Ad Hoc:

- Committee on Committees: Dr. Charles Parker, chair, reported;
 - The final draft of the committee report setting forth the proposed new structure of the committees of FPC JC was placed on the floor for session's consideration and action. The moderator recommended session receive the report as prepared. Session by consent received the report as prepared. Dr. Parker stated the committee's recommendation the new structure of the committees of FPC JC be approved. The committees remain to be fully populated. Session by vote of 7 aye, 1 nay, approved the structure of committees as proposed. Session instructed the clerk to declare the report a part of the minutes of the meeting of session and attach the report thereto. The moderator thanked Dr. Parker for the committee's work and declared the Committee on Committees, an ad hoc committee, disbanded.
 - Dr. Parker submitted a letter to the moderator stating Dr. Parker's immediate resignation from the Class of 2020 of the session of FPC JC. The moderator called for a vote to accept or reject Dr. Parker's resignation. Session by vote of 6 aye, 1 nay, accepted Dr. Parker's resignation; with regret. The moderator extended the thanks of the session to Dr. Parker for his years of service to his Lord's ministry.
 - The committee last met February 8, 2019; minutes of the meeting to be provided.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

- The clerk placed on the floor for session's consideration and action the 2018 Church Statistical Report of FPC JC with the moderator's recommendation session receive the report as prepared. Session by consent

received the report as prepared and instructed the clerk to declare the report a part of the minutes of the meeting of session and attach the report thereto.

Member Concerns:

- Mr. McCalmont expressed his desire for session to create a process by which the minutes of (open) meetings of the session are made available to members of the congregation. The clerk stated he would work with Mr. Dodd and Mr. Jones to see that minutes of (open) meetings of the session are posted to the FPC JC website.
- Mr. McCalmont opined the desirability of session having a system for the rotation of committee chairs. The clerk stated he will advise Mr. Arthur Fowler, Jr., Committee on Committees chair, of the recommendation.

Pastoral Care:

The clerk reminded those present to be in prayer for the concerns of JoAnn and Larry Miller, Mary Saylor, Dorman Stout, Martha Campbell Williams, Kathy and Larry Dodd, Emily Jordan, and Ramsey Kate Sentell.

Adjournment and Closing Prayer:

On motion by Ms. Lowe, duly seconded, there being no further business, session by unanimous voice vote approved adjournment of the meeting at 9:30 P.M.; closing prayer by Ms. Bohn

END of MINUTES

THE REVEREND DR. CHRISTINE BOHN, MODERATOR

ED CAMPBELL, CLERK OF SESSION

AMENDED

THE NEXT STATED MEETING OF SESSION WILL OCCUR TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019 @ 7:00 P.M.

ELDERS WHEN UNABLE TO ATTEND A SESSION MEETING ARE TO CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AND REQUEST AN EXCUSED ABSENCE.