

College Hill Presbyterian Church
Session Minutes – Stated Meeting
February 10, 2015

The stated meeting of the Session of College Hill Presbyterian Church was held at 6:01 p.m. in Fellowship Hall on February 10, 2015. **Rev. Freeman** Moderated and **Gini Fox** opened the meeting with devotion and prayer.

The agenda was approved as presented. A quorum was present.

Elders present:

Class of 2015: Jeff Ream, Gini Fox, Bill Major, Pat Valencia

Class of 2016: Bert Woodall, Tally Ferguson, Danielle Hovenga, Christy Lyke

Class of 2017: Clay Finck-Ward, Nancy Gammie, Johnna Thurston, David Zerger

Guest: Gary Hayes

Clerk's Report:

1. Correspondence from EOP and Emergency Infant Services.
2. Former member, Cari Sue Raburn, contacted church office looking for Baptismal Certificate. After going through Church Register Book and past Session Minutes Book, it was revealed that she was not baptized at College Hill, but did go through Communicants class and was received into membership in 1971. This information was shared with Cari Raburn.
3. **Approved Session Minutes of Stated Meeting on January 10, 2015** by Acclamation.

Pastor's Report:

- ❖ **Rev. Freeman** informed session members that he meets monthly with other area clergy at Temple Israel over lunch.
- ❖ **Rev. Freeman** Attended the Knippa Lecture Series on Jan. 25; Rev. Dr. John Buchannan was the guest speaker.
- ❖ **KWI** going well. They have new Executive Director: Lori Decter Wright. Rev. Freeman's term as President will be up in July.
- ❖ **Rev. Freeman** attending OCCJ's Interfaith Trialogue series.
- ❖ **Rev. Freeman** is on the Ordination Commission for Rev. Don Best at Southminster PC.
- ❖ Worship attendance is up and Adult Church School going well.

New Business

1. **Motion made, 2nd and approved to receive new member, Gary Hayes, by re-affirmation of faith.**
2. **Motion made, 2nd and approved to elect Tally Ferguson as Commissioner to Presbytery Meeting, March 3, in Bartlesville.**
3. **Motion made, 2nd and approved Annual Statistical Report to GA as amended.**
4. **Motion made, 2nd and approved All-Church Retreat Date, May 1-2, 2015 at Dwight Mission.** Head leaders will be Nancy Gammie and Clay Finck-Ward.
5. Memorial Day Picnic at Todd's will be cancelled due to Rev. Freeman's Sabbatical.

Old Business

- ❖ Update on Rev. Freeman's Sabbatical (April 27 – June 7):
 - Pastoral Supply & Support: Rev. Ann LaMar and Rev. Gordon Edwards
 - EOP will need to appoint Rev. Ann LaMar as Moderator of Session in May
 - Bill Major will send out letter on behalf of Session regarding Rev. Freeman's Sabbatical and opportunity to contribute to the Pastor's Sabbatical Fund.

Ministry Team Reports

- ❖ **Building & Grounds**: Report received. Nothing major to report this month.
- ❖ **Christian Education**: Report received. Looking into separate Sunday school class for older children (10 and up). Trisha Thompson and Lupe O Tovar have volunteered for this and would like to use the youth room. This room needs a make-over and they will come up with a plan. Stef Olson and Amy Williamson are heading up a Vacation Church School this summer. Caroline Johnson has volunteered to start a children's choir if there is interest. Trinna Burrows has volunteered to join the Kids Connection for sing a-longs.
- ❖ **Congregational Care**: Report received.
- ❖ **Evangelism & Communication**: No report; their first meeting will be end of month.
- ❖ **Fellowship**: Report received. Team reviewed events they would like to do and /or continue this next year.
- ❖ **Finance & Stewardship**:

<u>Financial Report:</u>	<u>Income:</u>	<u>Total Operating Expense:</u>	<u>Excess (Deficiency):</u>
2015 Total Budget:	<u>\$294,200.00</u>	<u>\$294,200.00</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
2015 YTD Budget:	\$ 23,933.00	\$ 24,517.00	\$ (0)
2015 YTD Actual	\$ 21,375.00	\$ 18,569.00	\$ 2,991.00
Budget Remaining:	\$265,825.00	\$275,631.00	\$ (2,991.00)

Summary of Selected Designated Funds:

	<u>Balance 1/1/2015</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance 1/31/2015</u>
Hispanic Ministry	\$32,152.00	\$ 142.00	\$ (550.00)	\$31,744.00

➤ Motion to receive the January 2015 Financial Report by acclamation.

- ❖ **Hispanic Fellowship Steering Committee**: Report received; they did not meet in January. Session asked Pat Valencia to ask the Hispanic group what Mission they would like to give money to this year. It was suggested that they give some money to Dwight Mission Capital Improvement fund.
- ❖ **Nominating**: No report.
- ❖ **Outreach & Mission**: Report received. Discussed possible 5th Sunday Offerings in 2015. Dewy Echols has not heard from ED of UCM regarding board position.
- ❖ **Personnel**: Report received.
Motion from Committee: Office Administor position receives four weeks of paid vacation after the completion of the first year; five weeks after the completion of five years and thereafter.
Motion was Approved.
- ❖ **Worship & Music**: Report received.
 1. **Motion from Ministry Team: Approve base pay of \$200 a week for pastoral care and pulpit supply while Rev. Freeman is on Sabbatical. Motion was approved.**
 2. **Motion to approve building use for Good Friday Service, April 3, combined with other Presbyterian Churches in Tulsa. Motion was approved.**
 3. **Motion to approve the following communion dates for 2015: Feb. 1, Feb. 22, April 2, April 5, May 3, May 24, July 5, Aug. 2, Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Nov. 29 and Jan. 10, 2016. Motion was approved.**

A motion to adjourn was approved, and the meeting closed at 8:35 p.m. with a prayer by **Rev. Freeman** during a standing "Group Hug".

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Campbell, Clerk of Session

Rev. Todd Freeman, Moderator