

**STATED SESSION MEETING
SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA
January 27, 2010**

The Session of Second Presbyterian Church held its January Stated Meeting on Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Dr. Daniel S. Williams, Moderator, called the meeting to order and opened with prayer. A quorum was present.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chuck Blackley, Jerry Fry, William Jack, James Mader, Darlene Mason, Mary McNamara, Mary Rainey, Bob Ridle, Stewart Sherwood, Nancy Swisher, Caroline Woebke, Paul Wolfe, James Wright, and Dan Williams.

Excused: Debby Camden, Andy Easley, and Maxine Robertson.

AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

ORDER OF THE DAY**1. Resignations.**

Danny Fields (2012) and Eve Thomas (2010) submitted resignations from service on the Session. A motion to accept their resignations with regret was approved. Recommendation to Congregation: If the recommendation to reduce the size of the Session passes, recommend the positions created by the resignations not be filled.

2. SESSION REORGANIZATION/ PASTOR'S REPORT

a. Election of Clerk of Session: Nancy Swisher was nominated to serve as Clerk of Session. When no further nominations were forthcoming, Session voted to close the nominations and to elect Nancy Swisher as Clerk of Session.

b. Election of Church Treasurer: Following recent practice, the Session elected Jerry Fry, Chair of the Stewardship and Finance Committee, to serve as Church Treasurer for 2010. The other elder on the committee, James Wright, was elected Assistant Treasurer.

c. Nominating Committee: Session appointed William Jack as Chair and James Mader as Vice Chair.

d. Committee Assignments(including chairs):

Christian Education: *Mary Rainey, +Caroline Woebke, Maxine Robertson
 Membership and Outreach: *William Jack, +James Mader, Debby Camden
 Mission: * Bob Ridle, +Mary McNamara, Nancy Swisher
 Property: *Chuck Blackley, +Paul Wolfe, Andy Easley
 Stewardship and Finance: *Jerry Fry, +James Wright, Susan Johnson, coop member
 Worship and Music: *Darlene Mason, @ Stewart Sherwood
 Personnel: *Pam Snyder, +Jerry Fry, Bob Ridle

* = Chair / + = Vice Chair / @ = Communion Steward

e. 2008 Session Meeting Schedule. Session agreed to meet on the last Wednesday of the month, except when holidays interfere. The following is the meeting schedule for 2010: February Meeting: ordinarily, the 24th – Session approved moving the meeting to March 3, and then follow the schedule: April 28, May 26, June 23, July - only if called, August 25, September 29, October 27, December 1 (November 24 is Thanksgiving Eve), January 5, 2011 (to avoid holidays), January 26, 2011.

3. COMMUNION SCHEDULE: The annual schedule of assigned servers for communion was distributed. Session approved the following recommendation: That communion on February 21, 2010 be served with 6 elders, to evaluate the effectiveness of using this number for serving communion in the future.

4. Home Communion. Following the January 3 communion service, Dr. Williams served Home Communion to two people, assisted by Elder Bob Ridle.

5. February Church Night. Worship and Music will host the annual Ash Wednesday covered dish supper and worship on February 17. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m., followed by worship at 7:00 p.m. All events will take place in Fellowship Hall.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the January 6, 2010, Stated Meeting were reviewed and approved as distributed.

REVIEW OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT

The final Treasurer's Report for 2009 was included in the report booklet made available for the Annual Congregational Meeting.

CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk's Report included:

1. **Membership Actions.** Remove from Active Roll: Eunice Wenger (death on January 12, 2010)
2. **Average worship attendance:** January 3 - 24, 2010 = 68

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Stewardship and Finance

- The 2010 Budget will be presented to the congregation at the Annual Meeting of the Congregation on January 31, 2010. It was noted that there are adequate funds available to pay the bills.

2. Worship and Music – no report

3. Christian Education

- Youth activities are planned as follows, weather permitting:
February 6 - Game Night (includes pizza, dessert and drinks)
February 14 - Visit members who are homebound or in nursing homes
March 13 - Bowling
April 17 - Spring hike
May (TBA) - Fishing Trip
June(TBA) - Attend Baseball Game
- June 13 - Committee will host a party for graduating senior, Katie Dice.
- Plans for Vacation Bible School are in progress.
- Christian Education consultant, Kay Mader will be returning to work in mid-February or early March.

4. Membership and Outreach – no report

5. Mission

- Committee approved \$300 to assist with expenses of Pam Snyder's attendance at the 54th Commission on the Status of Women at the United Nations (from Line item 7103)
- Committee postponed making a recommendation for the distribution of \$1881.69, overage from Hunger Funds.
- A response to the earthquake in Haiti is planned for the future.
- To date three Second Church members will be part of the Baja Mission Team.
- Committee will sponsor the Church Night on March 10. The program will feature Rhonda Howdyshell from SAW Habitat for Humanity.

6. Property

- Paul Wolfe is repairing the boiler.
- Jesse O'Brien is assessing potential leaks ... to date no roof leaks have been identified.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Shenandoah Presbytery meeting.** Mary Rainey will be the Commissioner to the February 13 Stated Meeting of Shenandoah Presbytery.
2. **Community Service Committee.** No projects scheduled at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Upcoming meetings:

- a. **Session:** Wednesday, March 3 – 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
- b. **Shenandoah Presbytery:** Saturday, February 13, 2010 – Spring Highland Presbytery (10 a.m.)
- c. **Highland-Augusta Mission Community:** Thursday, April 20, 2010 at Mount Horeb Church, Grottoes at 11:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned with prayer at 7:55 p.m.