

**STATED SESSION MEETING
SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA
April 27, 2011**

The Session of Second Presbyterian Church held its April Stated Meeting on Wednesday, April 27, 2011, 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, Frank Brown, Debby Camden, Barbara Daugherty, Jerry Fry, James Mader, Kay Moyer, Darlene Mason, Bob Ridle, Mark Robertson, Maxine Robertson, Nancy Swisher, Caroline Woebke, Paul Wolfe, James Wright, and Dan Williams.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted with the addition of item #3, Middle Governing Body Commission Survey under UNFINISHED (OLD) BUSINESS.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 30, 2011, Stated Meeting were approved.

REVIEW OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT

The March 2011 Treasurer's Report was reviewed and filed for audit. It was noted that the YTD income is 2.5% behind in terms of regular offering. Further clarification was given to CHURCH OFFICE EXPENSES found on page 3. Line item 8101A references EQUIPMENT EXPENSES. Line item 8101B references EQUIPMENT LEASE. The \$59.92 showing in Line 8101A, column 2011 YTD ACT., belongs in Line item 8101B. It was noted that CD's have renewed or will renew soon. The Invested Funds are earning at the present time.

CLERK'S REPORT

1. **Membership Actions** - none
2. **Average worship attendance:** April 3 - 24 = 77
 Maundy Thursday Service = 50
 Good Friday Service = 40
 Easter Sunday Service = 98
3. **2010 Sessional Records** have been reviewed by the Presbytery's Sessional Records Committee and were found to be in good order. Session discussed the need for a financial review as suggested by the Sessional Records Committee.

PASTOR'S REPORT

1. **General Assembly Votes.** - as of 4/27/11; official tally from the Office of the General Assembly, based on reports by presbytery stated clerks.

AMENDMENT.....	YES.....	NO.....	TO VOTE
New Form of Government.....	69.....	59.....	45
Belhar Confession.....	65.....	40.....	68
Amendment 10-A.....	75.....	57.....	41
(Ordination Standards)			

The new Form of Government and Amendment 10-A require 87 votes to pass. The Belhar Confession requires 116 votes (67%) to pass. Currently, it is at 61.9%.

2. **Ordination Standards.** The remainder of the Pastor's Report contained detailed information on the background of Amendment 10-A.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**1. Property**

- Committee expressed thanks to the members of the Church who helped with cleaning the Church in preparation for the Staunton Choral Society Spring Concert. The list included: Betty and 'Hoppie' Casiday, Betty Clemmer, Pat Blackley, Darlene Mason, Linda Lickliter. Paul Wolfe was thanked for his work on the furnace in addition to his usual tasks.

2. **Stewardship and Finance** - no additional report

3. Worship and Music

- Committee will secure supply pastors for July 17, 24, and 31.
- Suggestions are needed for favors for Dads to be given on Father's Day.

4. Christian Education

- Committee is planning an event to honor 2011 graduates.

5. Membership and Outreach

- Committee is planning the first Patio Party of the season for June 5.
- Committee continues to discuss plans for a Visitor's Packet and a new Church Brochure.

6. Mission

- Committee requested that the \$750 of grant apply for benchmarking grant from the Foundation.
- The Potato Bar fundraiser netted \$1119. BAJA Mission Trip will receive \$750 of the money, and \$369 will be set aside to assist with expenses for Pam Snyder's trip to India in October.
- The One Great Hour of Sharing offering totaled \$649 to date.
- Pentecost offering will be received on June 12. A Minute for Mission will interpret the offering on June 5.
- An application for a grant in the amount of \$250 from Worldwide Ministries has been filed on behalf of Pam Snyder.

UNFINISHED (OLD) BUSINESS

- 1. Community Service Committee** - no report
- 2. Session Structure issue** - Discussion is on hold until after the new Form of Government vote is resolved.
- 3. Middle Governing Body Commission Session Survey** - Elders received copies of the Survey for review. The Survey will be completed following the May Session meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Upcoming meetings

- a. Session:** Wednesday, May 25, 2011 - 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
- b. Highland Augusta Mission Community:** May 3, 2011 - Mrs. Rowe's Restaurant, Staunton (11:45 a.m.)
- c. Shenandoah Presbytery:** Tuesday, May 10, 2011 - Charles Town Presbyterian Church, West Virginia (9:00 a.m.). Darlene Mason was elected commissioner to the Presbytery Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned with prayer at 7:45 p.m.

Nancy C. Swisher
Clerk of Session