Session Meeting Agenda, April 15, 2018

Excused: Jack Henderson and Debra Gentry

Present: Pastor Mike Wilson, Chuck Cardona (acting Clerk), Mike Korak, Jim Dickson, Jeff Koontz, Dave Coleman, Cary Gibson, Dena Swoner (in the role of church manager), Justin Near, Vicki Coffin

- 1. Opening prayer Jim Dickson At 12:58 to kick the meeting off.
- 2. Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved by unanimous voice vote.
- 3. Attestation of approval of minutes of March 18, 2018 session meeting A formal attestation by the clerk of session that the minutes were approved by email by a majority of the session. This allows the approval of the previous month's minutes to be officially recorded in the current meeting's minutes.
- 4. Moderator's Report see accompanying report **Mike updated us on his upcoming role at General Assembly and his future upcoming vacation dates.**
- 5. Treasurer's Report: The big bills have been paid and we are in good standing financially for the time being. Thus, our next Corporation draw can be delayed as much as possible.
- 6. Clerk's Report: Jack would convey to give his gracious thanks in crafting the statement about Mike's call in the last weeks.
- 7. Committee Reports -- Oral reports should be limited to items for action only.
 Building & History see accompanying report There was some philosophical discussion
 (concerning the presentation of church culture to the outside world and the aesthetics of the building) of how to set up the Clothes Closet donation bin.

Finance & Administration – see accompanying report No action items.

Personnel – see accompanying report **No action items.**

Hospitality – see accompanying report No action items. There was further discussion about how to fold in new member/evangelistic actions into this committee. For example, how do we promote who we are as a community?

Worship & Art – see accompanying report **No action items.**

Outreach – see accompanying report **No action items.**

Christian Education – No report. "Living With Questions" started this Sunday with a very good crowd!

8. Reassignment of congregational care list – see accompanying document Pastor Mike will ask the Clerk to add new members' and friends' names to the current list. Also, inactive Elders will need active Elders to assume their lists; this was mostly completed with the Elders present. Also, there was discussion to reiterate the goals of why having the list is important.

9. Conversation around Mike's 2018 Goals – see accompanying document **Standing Personnel** committee has been formed. New Members goals are being met. The new budgetary process is moving forward (look for it to begin in September). Pastor Mike will be working with Finance and Administration to workout a new Stewardship timeline/process.

Discussion on Communication: We've been pretty good about making sure they are posted online, but is that enough? The member care list is one tool that can be utilized to connect even more. What are the other tools that we can utilize effectively? Primarily, we want to be transparent and not some "nebulous" body making mysterious decisions...and we'll keep working at it because that's what our church family and friends deserve and need.

10. Next Meetings

Session: May 20, 2018 (need opening prayer volunteer) **And the one to offer the prayer shall be Cary Gibson.**

Presbytery: Thursday, May 3 @ First PC Tullahoma (need two commissioners) **And they are Cary Gibson (possibly) and Mike Korak**

12. Closing Prayer Meeting was adjourned at 2:50