

# **Session Meeting for Downtown Presbyterian Church**

## **November 17, 2019**

**In attendance:** Rev Mike Wilson, Moderator; Elders Jack Henderson, Justin Near, Mary Turner, Debra Gentry, Dave Coleman, Vickie Coffin, Chuck Cardona, Dave Maddox; Jeff Koontz, Treasurer; Michael Korak, Facility Manager

**Excused:** Jim Hoobler

**Moderator:** Rev. Wilson

**Clerk:** Jack Henderson

1. **Opening prayer:** Offered by David Maddox at 1:03pm
2. **Approval of Agenda:** A motion to approve without change was made, seconded and approved with unanimous voice vote.
3. **Presentation from Sorci and Swords Design on upstairs bathrooms:** Savannah from S&S presented the blueprints and possible tiles and design choices. This presentation was not “a dollars and cents” proposal, but one on concept and layout and details. A “bathroom sub-committee” was proposed to make the decision on tiles, designs, and fixtures.
4. **Approval or attestation of approval of October 27 minutes:** The Clerk attested that minutes with one minor typo (“signs” not “sign” on item 8) were approved prior to meeting.
5. **Moderator’s Report:** See accompanying report.
6. **Treasurer’s Report:** Report is attached.
7. **Clerk’s Report:** Nothing to report for session action.
8. **Committee Reports:** Oral reports should be limited to items for action only.
  - Personnel: met Nov. 13. Discussion pertained to pending decision on Rev. Wilson’s terms of call.
  - Building & History: Report from facility manager attached. Discussion pertained to landscaping in the back alley and the Contributor sign.
  - Education & Evangelism: See accompanying report: possible events and Sunday school lessons. No items for Session action today.
  - Finance: Did not meet since last session meeting. No Session action needed today.
  - Hospitality: see accompanying report. Session engaged in discussion on possible docents and tour guides during Art Crawl and during the week in the future. A possible “primer” sheet for the tour was discussed for future guides.
  - Outreach: met October 5. No items for Session action.
  - Saturday Breakfast Coordinators: next meeting November 24. No items for Session action.
  - Worship & Art: No items for Session action. Some discussion about filling two artist spots.
  - Communications task force:
  - Nominating Committee: Nina Cardona and Jimmy Cheshire are at-large members for 2020 so far.
9. **Facility Manager’s report:** Attached.
10. **Congregational Care and Life issues:**
  - Scott McGinnis surgery Nov. 19, will keep him and David fervently in our prayers. Bringing a meal/ support is in the works.
  - Greeters needed Nov. 24 and Dec. 1

11. **Tabled, postponed or moribund issues (e.g. Grace on a Plate):** Park Center will be doing a meal on Christmas Day, with the possibility of hosting a meal at DPC, catering provided by Cookery.

12. **Further discussion of Capital Infrastructure Investment plan (if needed):** Discussion of a full report on what's been done and plans for congregational meeting in early 2020.

13. **Ordination and installation for new ruling elders:** January 19<sup>th</sup> – approved with unanimous voice vote.

14. **Next Meetings**

- Session December 15<sup>th</sup> (third Sunday) – Dave Coleman will lead prayer.
- Presbytery: February, TBA

15. **Closing Prayer:** Offered by Rev. Wilson at 3:52pm