

The Downtown Presbyterian Church Session
Meeting of February 16, 2020
Minutes

In Attendance: Debra Gentry, Jim Hoobler, Erin Bell, Dave Coleman, Vickie Coffin, David Maddox, Mary Turner, Jake Byl, and Moderator Rev. Mike Wilson
Excused: Holly Kellar

The meeting was opened, and Ms. Gentry gave the opening prayer at 12:48 PM.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda with amendments from Ms. Gentry; second from Mr. Hoobler; motion carried.

Approval of January 26 meeting minutes

Unanimous approval was given.

Moderator's Report – see accompanying report

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer is using 2019 budget for her January 2020 report because the 2020 budget hasn't been loaded into the DPC bookkeeping system.

Clerk's Report

Motion from Mr. Maddox to approve a "Resolution in Recognition of Heidi Hall;" second by Mr. Byl; the motion carried.

Committee Reports

Personnel –

Lane, Jarquin, and Swoner reviews were completed Feb. 13; Taylor review is coming up

Building & History –

Written report to come later; The Contributor signage has been approved and will be installed

Education & Evangelism –

Request to bring Chuck Beard's "East Side Stories" to DPC; Mr. Coleman was given approval to proceed

Hospitality – met January 30, see accompanying report

Worship & Art – met February 2

Banner for Ash Wednesday services was discussed

Four new artists-in-residence moving in to the third floor space

Communications Committee – see accompanying report

Congregational Care Committee –

Ms. Bell has created a '20 in 20' pledge card for pledging 20 hours of time and talents in 2020

Nominating Committee –

At-large nominees Nina Cardona, Jimmy Cheshire, and Alison Letcher have been secured; Debra Gentry and Dave Coleman from Session Class of 2020 will complete the committee

Action Item: Names of members of previous years' Nominating Committees are to be documented for the Session

Baptism request from Jen Morely

The Session gave preliminary support. Rev. Wilson will ask Ms. Morely to meet with the Session before final approval of Liam's baptism is granted.

Conversation on responsibility, reporting and communications for session, pastor and staff

The DPC staff reports to Rev. Wilson. Requests for work should go through Rev. Wilson, with the exception of calendar entry requests for Dena Swoner. A CC to Rev. Wilson on email communications will do.

Project Thrive conversation

Dates have been offered for a meeting; 5 - 7 people are needed for a focus group to offer feedback.

Congregational Care and Life issues

Van Gilmore, Michael Korak, John Booth, Scott McGinness, and Justin Near

Next Meetings

Session March 15; opening prayer to be offered by Mr. Byl
Presbytery: Thursday, May 21 – Blue Spring Church, Sparta

Closing Prayer

Motion to adjourn from Ms. Coffin at 2:51 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vickie Coffin
Clerk of Session

Rev. Mike Wilson
Moderator