

College Hill Presbyterian Church
Session Minutes – Stated Meeting
April 9, 2019

The stated meeting of the Session of College Hill Presbyterian Church was held at 6:01 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of College Hill Presbyterian Church on April 9, 2019. **Rev. Todd Freeman** moderated and **Gretchen Hrachovec** opened the meeting with a Devotion and Prayer.

The agenda was approved as presented. A quorum was present.

Ruling Elders present:

Class of 2019: Haley Brobston, Gay Miller, Alicia Odum, Robert Babcock

Class of 2020: Sue Haskins, Bill Nole

Class of 2021: Mary Ann Bumgarner, Clay Finck-Ward, Gretchen Hrachovec, Chris Newsome

Excused Absences: David Robertson, Terry Baxter and Becky Doyle

Guest: Kathy Davis

Clerk's Report:

- ❖ **Correspondence: None**
- ❖ **Approved Minutes of Stated Meeting March 12, 2019 as amended.**

Receive New Member:

- **Following a brief statement of her faith journey and answering in the affirmative the Book of Order questions required for membership, the Session unanimously approved a motion to accept #3122 Kathy Davis into Active Membership of College Hill Presbyterian Church by re-affirmation of faith.**

Pastor's Report:

- ✓ Supervising Judith Nakibuuka, Phillips Theological Seminary student, doing part of her Supervised Ministry Program at CHPC during Lent.
- ✓ Church office closed Monday, April 22 (day after Easter).
- ✓ Off the week after Easter: April 22-29. Rev. Sheri Curry preaching on April 28.
- ✓ Will offer the Invocation at the Tulsa City Council meeting on Wednesday, May 1.
- ✓ Celebrating Mike Gibson's (church organist) 5th anniversary at CHPC.

New Business

- a. Election of commissioner to the Tri-Presbytery meeting Friday, May 31-June 1, in OKC: Tabled until next meeting.
- b. Discussed the *Ten Signs of a 'Fear-Driven Church'* and concluded that CHPC does not exhibit these signs as described in the article.

Old Business

- ❖ **Clerk presented the following demographics for 2018:**

Demographics of the Elders on Session to the Congregation:

To comply with the Book of Order G-10.0301 (*The minutes shall state the composition of the Session with regard to racial ethnic members, women, men, age groups, and person with disabilities, and how this corresponds to the composition of the congregation.*) The 2019 Session of College Hill is composed of 7 women (58%) and 6 men (42%). Eleven members are white (85%) and two identify as Native Americans (15%). As of December 31, 2018, there are 198 active members of College Hill which are composed of 125 women (63%), 73 men (37%), 30 members are non-white (15%) and 55 members have disabilities (28%).

Age Comparison of Session to Congregation is as follows:

	<u>Congregation</u>	<u>Session</u>
Age 25 and less 5		1
Age 26-40	43	1
Age 41-55	41	2
Age 56-69	68	6
Age 70 & Up	<u>41</u>	<u>3</u>
	198	13

- **Motion to receive the 2018 Demographics by acclamation.**

Ministry Team Reports

- ❖ **Building and Grounds:** Report received. Tim Smith-Ream told committee he was making a donation in Jeff's memory for exterior signage for the building. Mark and Gini purchased 2 dishwashers and a replacement refrigerator for the office kitchen. Thermostats have been reprogrammed to better conserve energy. DO NOT REPROGRAM THE THERMOSTATS. CONTACT MARK OR GINI. All smoke detectors have been replaced and available with a 10-year battery.
- ❖ **Christian Education:** Verbal Report. CPR will be offered after church April 28th for anyone in the church and teachers. Bibles will be presented to our reading age children (if they have not already received one) on June 2. Easter egg hunt planned during Worship on Easter. Fall retreat being planned at Dwight for October 11-13. VCS planned June 17-19 along with and at UUMC in the evenings. Youth doing service at Memorial Day picnic at Todd's.
- ❖ **Congregational Care:** No report.
- ❖ **Fellowship:** Report received. We will continue with all previous activities from 2017 and add additional events. Exploring grants for kitchen remodel. Men's breakfast scheduled May 5th. May 26th Memorial Day Picnic at Todd's. Ladies Luncheon June 9th. Ice cream social June 23. Women's breakfast July 14. Daddies and doughnuts Aug. 18th.
- ❖ **Finance & Stewardship:** Financial Report received. March financials not available for review.
- ❖ **Nominating:** No report.
- ❖ **Outreach and Mission:** Report received. \$350 collected as well as a lot of belts for the 5th Sunday offering in March.
 - **Following motion was approved for 5th Sunday Offerings:**
June 30, 2019 – School Uniforms for KWE and Sequoya Elem. Schools.
Sept. 29, 2019 – Night Light Tulsa program of City Lights Foundation of Oklahoma.
- ❖ **Personnel:** Verbal Report: Beginning staff evaluations after Easter.
- ❖ **Technology & Communication:** Report received. All accounts for all the Ministry Teams have been set up on Gsuites. Working with Mike Patterson on getting his work as Treasurer set up on Gsuites as well.
- ❖ **Visitor & New Member Nurture:** Verbal Report. Bryan Finck-Ward is writing articles of new members for the newsletter and will begin writing articles of all Session Elders soon.
- ❖ **Worship & Music:** Received report. Sheri Curry will be preaching on April 28th. Youth will lead Worship service on Sunday of Memorial Weekend at Todd's house. Rev. Todd presenting bibles during worship June 2nd.

A motion to adjourn was approved, and the meeting closed at 7:32 p.m. with a prayer by **Rev. Todd Freeman** during a standing "Group Hug".

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Campbell, Clerk of Session

Rev. Todd Freeman, Moderator