

College Hill Presbyterian Church  
Session Minutes – Stated Meeting – Zoom Video Call  
July 14, 2020

The stated meeting of the Session of College Hill Presbyterian Church was held at 6:02 p.m. by Zoom video call on July 14, 2020. **Rev. Todd Freeman** moderated, and Fred Schone opened the meeting with a devotion and prayer.

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

**Ruling Elders present**

Class of 2020: Terry Baxter, Sue Haskins, Bill Nole

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

Class of 2022: Alexia Medlock, Fred Schone, Mark Thurston, Susan West

Excused absence: Becky Doyle

**Guest**

Todd Redding

**Clerk's Report**

- ❖ **Approved Minutes of Stated Meeting June 9, 2020.**

**Pastor's Report**

- ❖ Had a very restful two weeks off (half vacation time, half study leave).
- ❖ Member of the Synod of the Sun's Network for Dismantling Racism, working with the subgroup to plan the Synod Imagine Event here in Tulsa on June 2-3, 2021, focusing on the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre. This event will precede the Tri-Presbytery Meeting June 4-5.
- ❖ Part of a book study group (Cimarron Presbytery) on *White Fragility* by Robin DiAngelo. Recommend that we use this for one of our book studies.

**Ministry Team Reports**

- ❖ **Building and Grounds**: Verbal report. Working on various needs for eventual reopening. Discovered that a zoning change is needed for the approved new signage, and taking steps to get the change in place.
- ❖ **Christian Education**: Report received. Response to virtual Vacation Church School was lukewarm. Will probably offer virtual Church School to the older kids for the fall. Reshuffling responsibilities of childcare workers and teachers.
- ❖ **Congregational Care**: Verbal report. Team members are continuing to check on and work with members as needed. Cards were sent out for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday.
- ❖ **Fellowship**: Verbal report. Standing by to help with reopening activities.
- ❖ **Finance & Stewardship**: Report received. Finances are in good standing. The following motion was approved:
  - **Receive the June 2020 Financial Report by acclamation.**
- ❖ **Nominating**: No report.
- ❖ **Outreach and Mission**: Report received. Team approved payments to two organizations, and are still waiting for word of needs from others.
- ❖ **Personnel**: Verbal report. Received staff survey results (provided), and working on ranking and feedback. Will discuss at next team meeting for recommendations. Continuing work on job descriptions.
- ❖ **Technology & Communication**: Verbal report. Information provided on equipment needed for live streaming. The following motion was approved:
  - **Purchase all equipment needed for live streaming at a cost of \$2,500. Of this amount, \$1,000 to come from the Technology line item budget, and \$1,500 from undesignated memorial gifts.**
- ❖ **Visitor & New Member Nurture**: Verbal report. No activities.

- ❖ **Worship & Music:** Report received. Working with Re-union team to provide user-friendly information to the congregation upon reopening. Also preparing usher training to incorporate new procedures. The following motion was approved:
  - **Serve virtual communion as part of the video worship service on all remaining approved communion dates for 2020.**
- ❖ **Re-union:** Verbal report. The team is continuing to study the issues and metrics. A policy has been drafted which outlines procedures for each opening phase. Team members applaud the work of team moderator Dr. Todd Redding on this well-written document. The following motion was approved:
  - **Continue with indefinite closure to in-person activities, and to monitor and report at the next Session Meeting on August 11.**

A motion to adjourn was approved, and the meeting closed at 7:15 p.m. with a prayer by **Rev. Todd Freeman**, and a virtual hug.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Brandon, Clerk of Session

Rev. Todd Freeman, Moderator