

STATED SESSION MEETING

Reverend Dr. Earl A. Bland, Pastor for James Island Presbyterian Church, called the Stated Meeting of the Session to order with a prayer at 6:00 pm; he recognized Skip Norris as Clerk, and he noted a quorum was present: Bo Baxter, Wendy Boswell, Gary Brown, Rena Bumgardner, Mark Frye, John Gamble, Kathy Harms, Diane Huss, Harold Noland, Skip Norris, Stephanie Pritchett, Cheryl Stepka-Tracey, Charles Taylor, and Sue Urie. Amanda McKendrick, James Meek, Sherry Huber, Allie Oswald, Julie Radabaugh, and Liz Young were excused. Henry Meeuwse, Associate in Ministry, Cameron Smith, DCE, and Elizabeth Parler, Administrator, were also present. The minutes of the August 16, 2011 Stated Meeting and August 30, 2011 Called Meeting (Harms/Noland) were presented and ACCEPTED as presented. It was then MOVED, SECONDED (Bumgardner/Boswell), & APPROVED to accept the docket as distributed. The following reports were presented and received as information:

Treasurer –Pritchett

Director of Christian Education - Smith

Foundation – Meeuwse

Fellowship –Gamble, McKendrick

Christian Education - Smith

Congregational Care – Stepka-Tracey, Urie

Mission & Outreach – Boswell

Buildings and Grounds – Brown, Taylor

Child Protection – Norris

Personnel – Meek, Bumgardner

Finance – Noland, Pritchett

Inquirer/Candidates – McKendrick, C. Smith, Frye, Meeuwse

Nominating Committee - Boswell

Ad hoc Committee for nFOG research - Bland

Ad hoc Committee for staffing structure/personnel - Bland

CLERK: Skip Norris presented a letter from Ms. Sherry Roberts, Moderator of the Charleston-Atlantic Presbytery's Presbyterian Women and member of Summerville Presbyterian Church, requesting consideration for a donation toward her participation in a Global Women's Conference in India. The letter was turned over to the Mission & Outreach Committee. The clerk also presented communication from Mr. Bonum Wilson, attorney, concerning the Gailliard family property and a portion of our front parking lot. Mr. Wilson will keep the church advised on dealings with the property.

MODERATOR: Dr. Bland reported that Communion was served September 4, 2011 and would be served again on October 2. After other information, it was MOVED, SECONDED (Stepka-Tracey/Urie), & APPROVED to authorize a committee of three elders (Harms, Bumgardner, Gamble) to assist Dr. Bland in coordinating the list of people who wrote letters to the Session and organize elder teams to visit them to promote reconciliation in the church. It was then MOVED, SECONDED (Boswell/Taylor), & APPROVED not to mail the letters Rena Bumgardner had so graciously spent time composing to the people that had written letters to the Session, in lieu of visits by pairs of elders. It was MOVED, SECONDED (Bumgardner/Harms), & APPROVED for Dr. Bland to meet with Personnel Committee at its next regular meeting (October 4) to establish a contingency plan for approval by Session. It was then MOVED, SECONDED (Bumgardner/Gamble), & APPROVED to establish a longer term planning team (1-5 years) that will be called the "JIPC Vision Team" to work closely with Pastor and Staff and other committees as needed; two elders will co-chair the team, which will work ahead toward the next calendar year, meeting as needed before the stewardship season.

MUSIC & WORSHIP: After presenting information, the following 6 RECOMMENDATIONS were presented and APPROVED: 1) To allow Sheila & Lawrence Bennett to have memorial service in our sanctuary; 2) to authorize the baptism of Peyton Rylie Newlin, daughter of Mahlon & Carrie Newlin, in our sanctuary on October 16th, 2011, during the 8:30am worship service; 3) to authorize the baptism of Jacob & Dylan Dillehay, grandsons of members Danny & Lynne Dillehay, on November 13, 2011, at the 8:30am worship service (Danny & Lynne are the guardians of these boys and hope to have their adoption of them finalized the week prior to November 13); 4) to authorize the baptism of Dylan Michael Terelak, son of Michael Thomas Terelak and Pamela Berkley O'Neill Terelak, on November 13, 2011, at the 11:00 am worship service, contingent upon the Terelaks joining our church beforehand; 5) to authorize the wedding of Kristi Meeuwse's sister, Terri McCann, in our sanctuary on December 20th; with Henry Meeuwse officiating and Jan Pesavento as organist; all fees waived; and 6) to authorize Jan Pesavento and Barbara Manaker to hold their semiannual music recitals in our sanctuary on Monday, December 5, 2011 and May 7, 2012.

MEMBERSHIP: After presenting information, the following three RECOMMENDATIONS were presented and APPROVED: 1) To correct the membership status of Elizabeth (Betsy) Ball Dasburg; she should be list as an affiliate member rather than active; 2) to accept into active membership Bryant & Jon-Mikel Byrne, Kayla Matthew Fitzgerald, Janie Ilderton, Sandra Ellen Weeks, all by Reaffirmation of Faith; and 3) to place the names of William B. (Brad) Smith and Amanda Watson Smith on the Inactive Roll, per their own request.

YOUTH: Bo Baxter and Mark Frye presented RECOMMENDATION, which was APPROVED: To approve the following off-campus activities: Annual Downtown Shopping Trip, December 20th; and Faith in 3D Sr. High Youth Conference in Orlando, FL, January 13-16, 2012.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm with prayer and the Mizpah benediction.

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B. A. "Skip" Norris, Clerk

Dr. Earl A. Bland, Moderator

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Charleston, SC October 3, 2011

Pursuant to a call of the Session on September 11, September 18, & September 25, 2011, a Congregational Meeting was held at the James Island Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 5, 2011, immediately following the 11:00 AM worship service. The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer by Dr. Earl Bland, Moderator. Dr. Bland recognized Elder Skip Norris, as Clerk. He then asked the clerk if a quorum was present. There was a quorum.

Dr. Bland stated the purpose of the meeting was to hear from the Nominating Committee concerning Elder, and Trustee nominees for the purpose of election. Dr. Bland then recognized the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Wendy Boswell. Ms. Boswell recognized the committee members and then presented the slate of nominees: For Session, Bowen Baxter, Youth, class of 2014; Elisha Clyburn, Mission & Outreach, class of 2014; Chris Crane, Membership, class of 2014; Andy Fairey, Mission & Outreach, class of 2012; Diane Huss, Worship & Music, class of 2014; Beth Tyrrell, Christian Education, class of 2014; and Sue Urie, Congregational Care, class of 2014. In addition, Elton Waldrop was nominated to serve on the Board of Trustees, class of 2014.

Dr. Bland then asked for nominations from the floor, stating that anyone nominated would need to have been contacted and stated their willingness to serve. There being no nominations from the floor, Ms. Marilyn Muckenfuss made a MOTION for the nominations to cease and that the list of Elders and Trustee is elected in acclamation. The motion was SECONDED by Ms. Kathy Harms. The slate of nominees presented by the Nominating Committee was Approved.

Dr. Bland thanked all those elected for their willingness to serve. Dr. Bland then recognized Elder James Meek, for a short report from the *ad hoc* committee studying the possibility of calling an associate minister. Mr. Meek reported that at present, it is just that – a study – to try to determine whether there is a need and a way to call an associate (See attached report).

It was MOVED, SECONDED (Bumgardner/Clyburn), & APPROVED to adjourn. We were dismissed with prayer by the Moderator, Dr. Earl Bland.

October 18, 2011

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B. A. "Skip" Norris, Clerk

Dr. Earl A. Bland, Moderator