

# THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MADISON

## Session Highlights

October 8, 2018

**PRESENT:** **Moderator:** The Rev. Scott Foster

**Ruling Elders:** Bob Baisch, Bill Bowen, Sara Burnet, Suzanne Flynn, Brian Peterson, and Becky Moody, Clerk

**Guest:** Patrick Allred, Director of Family Ministries

**EXCUSED:** David DePaul Tom Selquist

Rev. Scott Foster called the meeting of Session to order at 7:31 PM.

There was a quorum present.

Becky Moody offered a devotional including a “message from the Hopi elders” and the text of a choral piece based on it.

Scott Foster offered an opening prayer.

The docket was adopted.

**OMNIBUS MOTION** – Approved

**Resolved,** Session approves the minutes of the Regular Session Meeting on September 10, 2018

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Finance & Stewardship:** Louise Kacerek had provided her usual monthly reports prior to the meeting. The Finance Team is working on making these reports more informative.

**Properties:** A **Motion** was approved for Luke Schuszler to conduct an Eagle Scout project to landscape the area immediately behind the sanctuary. Scott Foster provided a verbal report on the need for replacing the steps in Fellowship Hall from the stage to the floor (on the parking lot side) due to water damage. Since there is no immediate danger this will be handled in 2019. Bob Baisch provided an update on Boxcar – currently five spots are available each weekday.

**Capital Campaign – RENEW:** Janet Foster had provided a written report on the status of the Fellowship Hall kitchen renovation. There was a discussion on the history of the project and its funding.

**Personnel:** Brian Peterson provided a verbal report on planned staffing changes for 2019 and resulting expense savings.

**Worship:** Scott Foster had provided a written report. There have been recent candidates for the Director of Musical Arts position. Patrick Allred provided a verbal report on the use of Planning Center for worship planning.

**Planning/Procedures/Process W.I.N.:** Becky Moody provided a verbal update on the implementation of Breeze. All church members with email addresses have been invited to set up an account to view their information.

**Family Ministries:** Patrick Allred provided a verbal report. The new families tend to be very involved in church school activities.

**Mission & Service:** Becky Moody had provided a written report. Kathleen Underwood will be researching opportunities for youth mission and providing information to Patrick.

**Communications:** Scott Foster provided a verbal report. The eNews through MailChimp should be integrated with Breeze. The website needs to be updated in certain areas.

**Clerk:** Communion was celebrated on September 16 and October 7. Changes in congregational rolls – Kate Colby was inadvertently left off the list of members removed at the September 10 meeting. The following members were removed from the active membership roll in the past but never formally recognized by Session: Thelma Raffensperger (died April 9, 2012), John Selvage (died May 17, 2012), James and Patricia Disque (transferred out in 2013), and Hunt Patterson (died November 13, 2014). There are currently 166 members on the active membership roll.

**CORPORATE BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** Session Planning set for Sunday, Nov. 4, 12:30-2:30pm

**PASTOR'S REPORT:** A written report was received.

The next regular session meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM with prayer led by Scott Foster.