

Stated Session Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2021

The Session met on Sunday, October 17, 2021 by Zoom and in person in the session room. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

Elders Present: Andi Banks, Jim Campbell, Caroline Culpepper, Claude Davis, Mandy Hildebrand, Cynthia Honeycutt, Evelyn King, Bryant Kirkland, Rhonda Nichols, Adam Oakley, Bob Smith, Knox Tate, Shirley Thomason, and Phil Trick. Elder Ken Bates, Clerk of Session, was also present.

Pastors: Whit Malone and Heather Davis were both present.

Opening Devotion and Prayer: Phil Trick, based on Barclay's Characteristics of a Minister in a Church with Phil substituting the word Elder for Minister.

Matters for Discussion and Action:

- A motion was made by the New Member Committee and seconded by Rhonda Nichols to receive new members Cynthia and Harold Davis by transfer of letter from First Baptist Church in Marion, North Carolina. The motion passed unanimously.
- A motion to approve the transfer of membership of Russel Coley to Corinth Reformed Church was approved by common consent.
- Nominations for five members to the Session, Class of 2024 and one member to the Class of 2022 are Terry Appenzeller, Steve Harlan, Amanda Hilton, Stuart Mull, and Ellie Wilson (2024) and Jay Crane (2022). The session gave approval to present these six names to the congregation for final approval.
- Approve a call for a congregational meeting to elect elders and a Pastoral Nominating Committee for October 31, 2021 between the morning worship services. The session also agreed to a called meeting to approve the nominating committee's slate before presenting it to the congregation for approval.

Consent Agenda

Items requiring Session Approval:

- Stated Session Minutes from August 12, 2021 and September 26, 2021 were approved by common consent.

Clerk's Report

Births: none

Baptisms Administered: none

Deaths: Joe Sienciewicz on October 3, 2021

Administration of Communion: October 3, 2021 in both services

Email business since the last stated meeting: none

Correspondence: none

Reports by Committee Liaisons:

- Stewardship – Jim Campbell reminded session members that the Stewardship Dinner will be held on Sunday, October 24. Dinner will be by take-out, and the program will be virtual.

Staff Report: Heather reported that fifteen youth will be participating in the Quest program this year.

Next Meeting: Sunday, November 21, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. (if needed) and Sunday, December 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. (Elders-elect statements of faith and approval of 2022 annual budget).

Devotion December: Cynthia Honeycutt, Rhonda Nichols in January.

Closing Prayer: Heather Davis, Pastor

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Dr. J. Whit Malone, Moderator

Dr. P. Ken Bates, Clerk of Session