

## **Minutes of Grace Presbytery**

# March 16, 2019 Adams Farm Community Church Greensboro, NC

A meeting of Grace Presbytery was held on Saturday, March 16 at 9:30 AM at Adams Farm Community Church. Warren Harvey, Pastor of Ambassador Presbyterian Church, served as moderator. The meeting began with a time of worship, featuring music from Catie Yodis (Adams Farm), a sermon on Ephesians 4 from Phil Williams (Covenant of Grace), and a Season of Prayer for the roll of Grace Churches. The meeting continued with the program as listed below:

Greetings from Brian Broome: Elder, Adams Farm Community Church

Constitution of Roll, Declaration of Quorum, and Guests Recognized: See APPENDIX A

#### **Program & Minutes:**

- 1. APPROVED: Presentation of the March 16, 2019 Program
- 2. APPROVED: February 2, 2019 Minutes

Address from Sam Cotton: World Witness MT3 (Mobile Theological Training Team)

#### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Report from the Special Committee on Christ Coastal**

- 1. APPROVED: That Mr. David Hubbs (Florence, SC) be approved as "occasional supply" (per F.O.G 9.47) for Christ Coastal (e.g., three of four Sundays a month) until a permanent Church Planter can be called.
- 2. APPROVED: That the Provisional Session be permitted to lead informational classes for Christ Coastal so that Christ Coastal can better understand ARP distinctives. Classes could include an introduction to ARP leadership and membership (e.g., the seven membership vows per FOG 4.5), as well as both presbytery oversight without a Church Planter (per FOG 11.16) and leadership training (per FOG 8.11).

#### **Report from the Special Committee on Emmanuel ARP**

- 1. APPROVED: That the court move into executive session. The actions of the Presbytery in executive session are as follows:
  - a. Bryan Crotts (Chair of the Special Committee on Emmanuel ARP) gave an overview of the unique task of their committee and history of the issue within First Presbytery. There was discussion on the implications of the recommendations submitted to the court. During executive session, the following business proceeded:
    - i. APPROVED: That Emmanuel ARP Church of Wilmington, NC be closed.
    - ii. APPROVED: That the Stewardship & Finance Committee of Grace Presbytery be tasked with all matters regarding the property.
    - iii. APPROVED: That owed back pay of \$1,000 be paid to Pastor Shin.

- iv. APPROVED: that the court exit Executive Session (11:19am)
- 2. The court exited Executive Session at 11:19am

Report from Chung Yul Park, (Rev. Peter Kwon, PCUSA, translator): Ministry Opportunities with the "Korean Emmanuel Presbyterian Church of Wilmington"

#### Report from Manual of Procedure (M.O.P) Planning Committee:

- 1. APPROVED: That Articles II-VII and Appendices I, II and III of the Manual of Procedure be approved.
- 2. APPROVED: That the paper "Acceptance of and Exceptions to the Westminster Standards in Grace Presbytery of the ARPC" be approved and added as "Appendix IV" to the Manual of Procedure.
- 3. APPROVED: That the "Preamble" to the Manual of Procedure be approved and added as "Article I" to the Manual of Procedure.
- 4. APPROVED: That the M.O.P. Committee be dismissed with thanksgiving and appreciation of the work they have done.

**Report from Steve Nichols,** *The ARP Foundation* 

-----Break for Lunch (12:15-1:00pm)-----

#### **New Business**

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

1. APPROVED: That the Treasurer's Report be received as information.

#### Clerk's Report:

- 1. APPROVED: That the Clerk's Report to Presbytery be received as information.
- 2. APPROVED: That Sessions be reminded of the importance of submitting Statistical reports by the February 1st deadline each year. This allows ample time for the Clerk to file his report to Synod by March 1 and for Synod to develop its budget before mailing Synod packets in April.

#### **Motion from Randy Foster:**

1. APPROVED: That the clerk be paid \$350 per month (\$4200 per year), retroactive to January 1, 2019.

#### Request from Christ Covenant, Greensboro

1. APPROVED: That Grace Presbytery approve Christ Covenant's "Building on a Heritage of Worship Phase II Fellowship Hall project" in accordance with *The ARP Form of Government* 3.12 which reads,

"Title to real church property on which the manse, sanctuary, and educational buildings are situated, together with parking lots, shall be acquired, mortgaged, held, transferred, and leased by the local congregation upon the approval of the Presbytery, with the local congregations paying all expenses incident or appurtenant thereto.

2. APPROVED: That Grace Presbytery petition the ARP Synod (via the Outreach North America Revolving Loan Fund Application) to issue a short term loan in the amount of \$500,000.00 to Christ Covenant Church for the purpose of completing the "Building on a Heritage of Worship Phase II Fellowship Hall project."

#### **Election of Standing Committees**

- 1. APPROVED: That the court move into executive session. The actions of the Presbytery in executive session are as follows:
  - a. FAILED: That nominated ministers who have not attended the last 2 Presbytery meetings be removed from the ballot.
    - i. CALL FOR DIVISION: 7 (for) 14 (against)
  - b. APPROVED: That the 2019 Committee of Church Health & Extension be comprised of 6 members.
  - c. APPROVED: That Abe Hwang be added to list of Members serving on Church Health & Extension as a 7th "ad hoc" consultant.
  - d. APPROVED: That the nominees for the Committee on Church Health & Extension be approved as a "slate:" 1) Eric Hancox 2) Todd Jones 3) Ken Kunkel
    4) Spencer Clifford 5) Lars Daniel 6) Ken Rufty 7) Abe Hwang (Ad hoc Consultant).

- e. APPROVED: That 2019 Committee on Stewardship & Finance / Trustees be comprised of 6 members.
- f. APPROVED: That nominations to Stewardship & Finance / Trustees be reopened.
- g. APPROVED: That John Kimmons be nominated to the Committee on Stewardship & Finance /Trustees.
- h. APPROVED: That the nominees for the Committee on Stewardship & Finance / Trustees be approved as a "slate:" 1) Bryan Crotts 2) Abe Hwang 3) John Kimmons 4) Steve Ellis 5) Gary Shearin 6) Brent York 7) Scott Cornelius (Advisory, Presbytery Treasurer).
- i. APPROVED: That 2019 Candidates & Examinations / Minister & His Work Committee be comprised of 8 members.
- j. APPROVED: That those elected to committees at the Spring Meeting would begin their work immediately, with their official terms as stated in the Manual of Procedure.
- k. APPROVED: That the Manual of Procedure language preventing ministers and elders from the same church serving concurrently on the same committees be removed
- 1. APPROVED: The following nominees were approved after voting took place via written ballot, followed by a second ballot vote to break a tie. 1) James Constable 2) Charles Clendinen 3) Brent Dettloff 4) Robert Crawford 5) Ross Durham 6) Randy Foster 7) Daniel Northrup 8) David Park.
- m. APPROVED: That the court exit Executive Session (2:43pm)
- 2. The court exited executive Session: 2:43pm

#### Election of Synod Board Representatives (http://arpchurch.org/forms/)

- 1. APPROVED: Nominations- Eric Hancox
- 2. APPROVED: World Witness- Phil Williams
- 3. APPROVED: Christian Education- Ken Rufty

#### **Report from David Smith**, Erskine Board of Trustees

**Announcement of Time and Place of Next Meeting:** The Next Stated Meeting is scheduled for October 11th and 12th, with a tentative location of Christ Covenant ARP Church in Greensboro.

The Moderator will investigate the possibility of a called meeting (the week of June 11th, 2019) at General Synod in Beaver Falls, PA.

APPROVED: That the special committee on Emmanuel Wilmington be dismissed

The meeting ended with a motion to adjourn (approved), benediction from Mr. Harvey, and the Psalm of Christian Unity.

### **APPENDIX A: Record of Attendance, March 3, 2019**

Guests: Joel Pankatz, Ray Pankatz, Steve Nichols, Sam Cotten

	Minister Name	Status <sup>1</sup>	(P) Present (A) Absent	Notes
1	Buchanan, Leon	mc	A	
2	Coleman, Percy		P	
3	Crahen, Terry	wc	P	
4	Crotts, Bryan		P	
5	Crotts, Stephen	r	A	
6	Durham, Ross		P	
7	Foster, Randy		P	
8	Hancox, Eric		P	
9	Harvey, Warren		P	
10	Howard, Brian		P	
11	Hunnemann, Mark		A	
12	Hwang, Abe Myunglin		P	
13	Irby, Tom	r	A	
14	Jenkins, Randy		A	
15	Jones, Todd		P	
16	Kimbrough, Tripp		A	
17	Kimmons, John	r	P	
18	Kunkel, Kenneth		P	
19	Lim, Subyoung		A	
20	Marsh, William	r	A	
21	Northrup, Daniel		Р	
22	Park, David Duckeun		P	

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 $<sup>^{1}</sup>r = retired.$  mc - military chaplain. ms - active missionary. wc-without call.

23	Prince, William	r	A	
24	Robinson, Tim	r	P	
25	Shepard, Walt	r	A	
26	Shin, David		A	
27	Smith, David		P	
28	Spence, John		A	
29	Stewart, Neil		P	
30	Taber, Tyler		P	
31	Traub, Paul		P	
32	White, James		A	

	Church	Elder	Officer, Licentiate, Student, Guest
1	Adams Farm	Brian Broome	Thomas Rickard (Licent.)
2	Ambassador		
3	Christ Coastal (Mission)		
4	Christ Covenant	Eric Bolton	Sonny White, Marshall Clement
5	City Church of Greensboro	Eric Tart	
6	Covenant Fellowship	Charles Clendinen	Scott Cornelius (Presbytery Treasurer)
7	Covenant of Grace	Phil Williams	Brent Detloff (Elder)
8	Covenant ARP	Leon Tinklenberg	
9	Emmanuel ARP (closed 3/16/19)		Guests: Peter Kwon; Chung Yul Park
10	First ARP of Burlington	Bill Hayes	James Constable (Presbytery Vice Mod.)
11	Grace Community (Exploratory)		
12	Grace Hill		

13	Grace Reformed	Lars Daniel	
14	Hillside		-
15	Hope Chapel	Brent York	
16	Korean Bethel		
17	The Lord's Korean		-
18	Maupin Avenue	Ken Rufty	Steve Ellis
19	New Beginnings (Mission)		
20	Northside (Mission)		

#### **APPENDIX B: RESOURCES & CONTACTS**

Synod Calendar: <a href="http://www.arp365.org/">http://www.arp365.org/</a>

**Moderator:** Warren Harvey <u>pastorharveyapc@gmail.com</u>

Vice Moderator: James Constable <u>acovenanthome@gmail.com</u>

**Stated Clerk:** Brian Howard <u>gracepresbyclerk@gmail.com</u>

Treasurer: Scott Cornelius <u>scottcpa1@earthlink.net</u>

Parliamentarian: David Smith ngsb7733@yahoo.com

#### **Church Health & Extension:** [Chair TBD]

1) Eric Hancox 2) Todd Jones 3) Ken Kunkel 4) Spencer Clifford 5) Lars Daniel 6) Ken Rufty 7) Abe Hwang (Ad hoc Consultant).

#### Candidates & Exams / Minister & His Work: [Chair TBD]

- 1) James Constable 2) Charles Clendinen 3) Brent Dettloff 4) Robert Crawford 5) Ross Durham
- 6) Randy Foster 7) Daniel Northrup 8) David Park.

#### **Stewardship & Finance / Trustees: [Chair TBD]**

1) Bryan Crotts 2) Abe Hwang 3) John Kimmons 4) Steve Ellis 5) Gary Shearin 6) Brent York 7) Scott Cornelius (Advisory, Presbytery Treasurer).

Synod Committee on Nominations: Eric Hancox hancoxem@gmail.com

Synod Board of World Witness: Phil Williams <a href="mailto:philogpc@gmail.com">philogpc@gmail.com</a>

Synod Committee on Christian Education: Ken Rufty <a href="mailto:rwrufty@gmail.com">rwrufty@gmail.com</a>