

MOUNT PLEASANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)
Stated Session Meeting Digest
November 19, 2019

Senior Pastor Peter Bynum moderated the meeting and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA- the following items were approved

- A. Minutes:
 - October 20, 2019 called congregational meeting
 - October 22, 2019 stated session meeting
 - November 10, 2019 called session meeting
- B. From the Christian Education Committee:
 - 1. Approve the renaming of the Learning Center Parent Advisory Board to the Learning Center Parent Advisory Committee.
 - 2. Approve members of the MPPC youth group, accompanied by Youth Director Courtney Kraus and chaperones, to travel to North Carolina from January 10-12, 2020 for a church ski trip.
 - 3. Approve Presbyterian minister Rob Mueller to preach on the morning of Sunday, February 23, 2020 and to provide the Lenten Series keynote address that evening. * The Committee has voted in favor of the PC(USA) approved book *The Neighborhood Church*, co-authored by Rob Mueller as our Lenten study for 2020.
- C. Admit/approve changes to the membership rolls

CLERK'S REPORT

*The sale of the 110 Bennett Street easement is still pending. Lewis Horton will request a waiver to the 40% pervious surface requirement.

DEACONS The deacons continue their work of implementing their new committee structure.

STANDING COMMITTEES Reports were received by all of the standing sessional committees and the Congregational Nominating Committee. Per G-3.0201c, the Fellowship and Congregational Life Committee distributed a list of members who have not attended or given in two years as part of the review of the church rolls.

The Financial report was as follows:

RECEIPTS/EXPENSES	4 Months Ended			Net Increase (Decrease)	
	Budgeted YTD	Oct 31, 2019	Oct 31, 2018	\$\$\$\$	%
Generosity	790,965	686,517	744,499	(57,982)	-7.79%
Other Ministry Receipts	30,016	47,063	39,250	7,813	19.91%
Operational Expenses	141,619	121,268	112,491	8,777	7.80%
Personnel & Ministry Expenses	749,608	677,789	715,123	(37,334)	-5.22%
Net Surplus (Deficit)	(70,246)	(65,477)	(43,865)	(21,612)	-49.27%

Other actions approved by the session

- *A revised funeral policy.
- *A policy concerning correspondence to the congregation.
- *Guidelines for the Challenge Grant.
- *To cancel the December 2019 stated meeting.
- *To discontinue the position of Administrative Director for Operations effective December 1, 2019.
- *To extend the contract with the Rev. Kim Trimboli through December 31, 2020.
- *To place the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee on hold, pending session consideration of budgetary and staffing concerns.
- *To contract with Lib McGregor Simmons for project work through February 2020 to assist with stewardship planning and implementation.
- *To request all session committees as well as program and operations staff to bring recommendations for potential expense savings as well as revenue enhancement to the next stated meeting.