

Stated Session Meeting April 25, 2007

Pastor Larry Hayward called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Elder David Hill opened the meeting with a devotion and prayer. The following members were present:

Louise Anderson	present	Paul Neureiter	present
Nancy Hall Berens	present	Elizabeth O'Brien	present
Linc Cummings	present	Karen Olson	present
Judy Curtis	excused	Anne Pickett	present
Eileen Denne	present	Gopi Pitcher	excused
Spencer Dickerson	excused	Betsy Preston	present
Katie Donley	present	Christopher Ptomey	present
Don Fowler	absent	David Roden	present
Frank Fraser	present	Carol Skiba	excused
Priscilla Goodwin	excused	Cathy Smyles	present
Lanny Griffith	present	Larry Hayward, pastor	present
David Hill	present	Karen Blomberg, as. pastor	absent
Brian Laubscher	present	Patrick Hunnicutt, as. pastor	absent
Robin McFarland	present	Paul Van de Water, clerk	present
Meredith Mitchell	excused	Carolyn Fraser, vice clerk	present
Stephen Moss	present		

Also present were Nancy Bea, Joan Taylor Reid, and Henri Rush.

CLERK'S REPORT

Carolyn Fraser distributed the prayer partners basket. Paul Van de Water delivered the clerk's report as follows.

Homebound communion: None.

Baptisms: **Skylar Ann Small**, daughter of Amy Falconer Small (member) and Tim Small (non-member), Sunday, April 1, 2007, at the 11:00 a.m. service, the Rev. Larry Hayward officiating, Elder Eileen Denne assisting.

Blessing of a Civil Ceremony: **Sangwon Skyler Jeon** and **Jung John Woo** (non-members), Saturday, March 31, 2007, Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C., the Rev. Larry Hayward officiating.

Memorial Service: **Allie Stricklin Johnson**, April 14, 2007, in the Sanctuary, the Rev. Larry Hayward officiating.

Marriages: None.

Deaths: None.

CONSENT DOCKET

The Session approved the consent docket as follows.

Motion to approve the minutes of Session meeting of March 28, 2007, and new member meeting of April 15, 2007.

Motion to approve the minutes of the congregational meeting of April 15, 2007.

Motion to accept all committee minutes.

Motion to elect Nancy Hall Berens, Linc Cummings, and Robin McFarland as commissioners to the National Capital Presbytery meeting on May 22, 2007.

Motion to elect Nancy Hall Berens, Linc Cummings, and Anne Pickett as commissioners to the National Capital Presbytery Meeting on June 26, 2007.

Motion to call a congregational meeting for Sunday, June 17, 2007, after worship for the purpose of electing a youth elder.

Motion to approve the annual spring plant sale to support summer youth trips to Montreat and Massanetta.

Motion to dismiss the following members to other churches: **Mary Anne Temple** (#806) to The Village Church, Springfield, VA.

Motion to authorize the Rev. Michael Bryant to officiate at a wedding in the Westminster sanctuary on June 2, 2007.

Motion to approve the baptism of **Benjamin Harrington**, son of Melissa Harrington (member) and Michael Harrington (non-member), at the 8:30 a.m. service on May 20, 2007.

Motion to accept, with thanks, the gift of new friendship pads for the sanctuary and chapel.

Motion to accept, with thanks, the gift of a New Revised Standard Version pulpit Bible for the chapel.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Associate Pastor Nominating Committee. Elizabeth O'Brien reported that the APNC has already met twice and will soon begin drafting the church information form.

Capital Campaign Coalition. The moderator reported that the contractor still has some work to complete, including the HVAC control system. Dedication Sunday will be held on June 3. Cathy Smyles asked that people e-mail her with names of those who have participated in the capital campaign in any way over the past several years.

Encore Campaign. Lanny Griffith and David Hill summarized the Pre-Campaign Feasibility Study prepared by Cargill Associates.

MC: To receive the Cargill feasibility study and approve an Encore Campaign goal of \$2.4 million.

Inquirer's Committee. Nancy Hall Berens reported that Amey Upton preached at the 8:30 a.m. service on April 13. Afterwards, she received oral and written feedback on her sermon. Amey will begin a 2-year internship at the Georgetown Church in September.

Treasurer's Report. Lanny Griffith presented the treasurer's report.

2007 Year-to-Date through March

Income	\$ 293,191
Expenses	<u>348,676</u>
Net Income	-39,416

MC: To accept the treasurer's report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building and Grounds. Stephen Moss reported that the committee is still working on landscaping and facilities management.

Christian Education. Eileen Denne said that the committee will recommend nominees for the preschool board in May. Joan Taylor Reid still needs help with setting up the Creation Station rooms. The youth subcommittee is planning a fall event for families.

Communications. Brian Laubscher delivered a brief report.

Congregational Life. Nancy Hall Berens reported that there will be a "Celebration of Mothers" event on May 12. Volunteers are still needed to serve coffee after church.

Local Mission. Christopher Ptomey reminded the Session of the celebration for Judy Hansen after the 11:00 service on April 29. Karen Olson is leading the effort to find a replacement for Judy.

National and International Mission. Paul Neureiter reported that over \$14,000 was raised to support the United Orphanage and Academy in Moi's Bridge. The donor of the challenge grant has elected to match the entire amount.

Personnel. Karen Olson informed the Session that the committee has hired a new program secretary, Oraly Saenz Garcia.

Stewardship. The theme of this year's campaign will be "Blessed to Be a Blessing," according to Frank Fraser.

Worship and Music. David Roden made the following motion:

MSC: To approve the collection of a free-will offering by Virginia Bronze at the group's handbell concert in the sanctuary on May 20, 2007.

Elder Nancy Hall Berens closed the meeting with prayer. The moderator adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul N. Van de Water, Clerk of Session