

The Session
Stated Meeting 6:00 p.m.
Brevard-Davidson River Presbyterian Church

Brevard, NC
Church Lounge
February 19, 2008

The Reverend Keith Thompson presided as Moderator. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Davidson River Room.

The moderator opened the meeting with prayer.

Phillip Jerome led the session in a devotion and prayer.

Session Members Present: Jim Ansley, Dan Bennett, Sara Champion, Sue Rossman, John Rowe, Tom Taylor, Ginny Bradford, Don Gentle, Joyce Carney, Judith Caldwell, Rod Nunnelee, Larry Goodwin, Phillip Jerome, Sue Yowell and Carolyn Turner

Others present: Keith Thompson, Pastor; Beth McLeod, Preschool Director; Steve Hogenboom and Nita Padgett, Business Administrator.

The Clerk indicated that a quorum was present.

The moderator then welcomed our guests.

A. SPECIAL ORDER

The moderator recognized Beth McLeod who provided the session with an overview of the work in regards to the water damage in the preschool. They found the flooring in those two rooms to be asbestos and that they have contacted a company for the proper removal of that portion of the floors. They did find out that the ceiling tiles were not asbestos. They will temporary house those classes in the middle wing until renovations are complete.

B. Sharing of Concerns

The moderator Keith Thompson brought before the session a list of names and concerns of several individuals that needed prayer.

C. Statistics and Minutes

A motion by the Moderator to approve the following minutes with no changes. Seconded and approved.

Called Meeting of the Session 12:15pm- January 6, 2008
Congregational Meeting – 11:50am- January 13,2008
Stated Meeting of the Session- 6:00pm- January 15,2008
Called meeting of the Session- 5:30pm- January 22,2008

Communion, Deaths, Dismissals, Births, Baptisms, Marriages

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was celebrated on December 24, 2007, at the 11:00 pm worship service, January 6, 2008, and February 3, 2008, at both morning worship services and on February 6, 2008, at Ash Wednesday worship service.

A Commission of the Session met on February 10, 2008, to receive new members: Bill and Pam Dashiell joined by Reaffirmation of Faith. They reside at 21 Beechwood Lane, Pisgah Forest, NC 28768, 862-5957.

Deaths

James Brown died on December 26, 2007. Jim joined B-DRPC July 20, 1986. A memorial service was held on December 30, 2007, and the Rev. Keith Thompson officiated.

Margaret M. Baker died on January 2, 2008. Margaret joined B-DRPC on October 8, 2000. A memorial service was held on January 7, 2008, and the Rev. Keith Thompson officiated.

Fred Kessler died on January 15, 2008. Fred joined B-DRPC January 26, 2003. A memorial service was held on January 19, 2008, and the Rev. Keith Thompson officiated.

Dismissals

Pat DiLuna was dismissed to First Presbyterian Church Hurley, Wisconsin, on February 4, 2008. Pat joined B-DRPC May 9, 1993.

Peggy McGuire requested to be removed from the rolls, February 4, 2008. Peggy joined B-DRPC August 27, 2000.

Lawrence Bessette was dismissed to Covenant Presbyterian Church Hendersonville, NC, on January 4, 2008. Larry joined B-DRPC June 22, 1980.

Diana Zerby requested to be removed from the rolls on February 4, 2008. Diana joined B-DRPC January 23, 2005.

Don and Bea Heywood have been dismissed to Pelzer Presbyterian Church Pelzer, South Carolina, February 4, 2008. Don and Bea joined B-DRPC May 25, 1998.

Margaret (Maggie) Stricker was dismissed to Westminster Presbyterian Church Greenville, South Carolina, February 4, 2008. Maggie joined B-DRPC June 4, 1995.

Howard Boyd has requested to be removed from the rolls on February 18, 2008. He is now attending the Brevard Unitarian Church. Howie joined B-DRPC September 6, 1970.

Thomas and Barbara Beal have permanently moved back to St. Augustine, Florida. They joined B-DRPC with an Affiliate Membership May 22, 2005.

Marriages

Dick Gates and Mary Harris were married December 8, 2007, and the Rev. Keith Thompson officiated.

D. Communications

There were no Communications.

E. Ministry Team Reports

(All reports were received as information unless items are noted under their appropriate heading below.)

Administration –John Rowe

Motion by John Rowe: That the officers of the corporation for 2008 be as follows: Tom Taylor- President, John Rowe –Vice President, Nita Padgett- Treasurer and Dan Bennett-Secretary. Motion seconded and approved

Special Funds Management Committee

Motions For Session Approval 2/19/08:

*“That \$50,000 of the Dorothy Ewertsen bequest received in 2006 be put into the Major Maintenance/Capital Replacement Fund March 1, 2008. The Fund will be administered by the Finance MT, and requests for these funds would be made to them. Only major items of unusual frequency which are not provided for in the General Budget would be eligible for funding from this Fund, per the rules adopted by the Session 9/24/06.” **Motion seconded and approved.***

*“That the remainder of the Dorothy Ewertsen bequest (approximately \$48,300, including earned income) be added to the permanent Undesignated General Endowment Fund August 1, 2008.” **Motion seconded and approved.***

*“That the \$25,816.98 bequest received from the estate of Jim Brown be accepted by the Session and the full amount be placed in the permanent Mission Endowment Fund. The Special Funds Management Committee is directed to write a letter to the Brown family to acknowledge the receipt of the funds and to thank them.” **Motion seconded and approved***

*“That \$2,991 of the income earned by the Mission Endowment Fund be given for local mission work in Transylvania County, with recommendations for specific projects be made through the Mission MT. This money should not be used simply as a donation to an organization, but for specific projects.” **Motion seconded and approved***

Stewardship

Personnel

Finance- Tom Taylor

Property- Jim Ansley

*A request was made from Rise and Shine to Property MT to have a dinner/dance fundraiser Friday, May 23rd in Davidson River hall. **Motion was seconded and approved***

Christian Education - Joyce Carney

Church family Fellowship - Sara Champion

Congregational Care - Sue Rossman

Mission- Ginny Bradford

Membership- Don Gentle

Weekday Children's Ministry- Judy Caldwell

Worship- Larry Goodwin

F. New Business

The B-DRPC Men's Group wishes to conduct an all-day fund raising event during the forthcoming White Squirrel Festival scheduled for the weekend of May 24, 2008. The proposed date for this event would be on Saturday, May 24th.

We request the use of the front lawn of the church property for the preparation and sale of grilled chicken dinners to festival attendees. All proceeds will be used for local charities, including selected projects of the Local Outreach Ministry Team. **Motion was made by Rod Nunnelee and was seconded and approved.**

Tom Taylor had the session think about the upcoming annual congregational meeting along with the format for the presentation. He also asked that each committee or ministry team to look at their priorities for 2008 so that we can plan financially for the work of the church in that year.

Pastors Comments

There being no further comments or discussions Keith closed the meeting in prayer at 7:48 p.m.

Minutes Approved _____
(Date)

Respectfully Submitted

Dan Bennett,
Clerk of Session