

COUNCIL
HOMESTEAD PRESBYTERY
JANUARY 24, 2018

Council met at Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church, Lincoln, on January 24, 2018, convening at 10:00 AM.

Present:

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| Dave Barnhouse | Joan Berglund | John Duling |
| Scott Eveland | Julie Hopp | Brian Johnson |
| Leanne Masters | Andy McDonald | Jim McNeal |
| Raymond Meester | Jesalyn Draper | Steve Piper |
| Cheryl Rennick | Terri Sherman | Kathleen Splitt |
| Jeff Warrick | Richard Wyatt | |

There were NO absences!

Also present was Jesalyn Draper, presbytery administrative assistant.

Jeff Warrick opened the meeting with prayer and devotions.

Introductions were made.

Council viewed the new presbytery website, which will come live within a few weeks.

Dave Barnhouse, Julie Hopp, and Joan Berglund were elected to the Council's Nominating Subcommittee.

Steve Piper was added to the task force reviewing the Manual of Operations, to replace Duncan Nichol, who is moving outside of the presbytery. Those currently on the task force are Leanne Masters, Cheryl Rennick, and Raymond Meester.

Committee moderators shared their goals for 2018.

Motion was approved that all requests for funds being collected by the presbytery be approved by Business and Finance before a request goes out, and this be included in the Manual of Operations.

Committees made their requests for time on the February 17, 2018 presbytery meeting:

- COM-5 minutes
- CPM-5 minutes
- B&F-0 minutes
- NOM-5 minutes
- Programs & Grants-5 minutes
- NWC-10 minutes
- PW-10 minutes
- Personnel-0 minutes
- Treasurer-5 minutes

There was discussion that the presbytery does not have any mechanism for social advocacy, or making any social advocacy statements. Council could be the unit to make statements about social justice issues.

Council moved that the NWC be added to the bylaws and the stated clerk be authorized to draft the addition to present the presbytery for their action.

Richard Wyatt was given permission to inform ALICE that they may come to make their presentation to the presbytery churches concerning active shooting training.

Interchurch Ministries of Nebraska was not funded by Homestead Presbytery in 2017. Council approved to provide up to \$5,000 to IMN for 2017, with available unspent funds at the end of 2017.

Richard Wyatt will be contacting marketing agencies for costs in helping the presbytery discern a new name for the presbytery.

Council approved giving \$200 to the Interfaith Peacemaking Coalition for their annual peacemaking workshop for 2018, funds to come from the presbytery's portion of the GA Peacemaking Offering.

Jeff Warrick will send a letter to OWLS to thank them for their service and to inform them we will not be funding their program.

Leanne Masters assumed the role of moderator.

Council approved signing on to the NCC's statement condemning President Trump's obscene comments and the support of DACA as a statement of the council and to recommend the presbytery also sign on to the statement.

Jeff Warrick assumed the moderator.

Council approved the November 16, 2017 Presbytery meeting, the December 4, 2017 Called Presbytery meeting, and the October 19, 2017 Council minutes as corrected.

In 2018 Council will meet at Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church, Lincoln, on Thursdays, 5:00 PM, April 26, July 26, and October 25.

The meeting adjourned at 2:04 with prayer by Jeff Warrick.