

MINUTES OF COUNCIL
HOMESTEAD PRESBYTERY
October 24, 2019

The Council of Homestead Presbytery met at First Presbyterian Church, Lincoln, Nebraska, on October 24, 2019, convening at 5:00 pm. The meeting was opened with devotions and prayer by Wendy Wait

Attendance:

P – Dave Barnhouse	E – Julie Hopp	P – Steve Piper
P – Joan Berglund	P – Brian Johnson	P – Cheryl Rennick
P – John Duling	P – Wendy Wait	P – Terri Sherman
P – Carl Eskridge	P – Jim McNeal	A – Kathleen Splitt
E – Scott Eveland	P – Raymond Meester	P – Jeff Warrick
P – Stephen Earl		

Sue Babovec and Gary Haller were also in attendance.

A quorum was declared.

The agenda for this meeting was approved as amended by unanimous consent.

The July 18, 2019, Council minutes were approved as presented by unanimous consent.

The August 16 and 17, 2019 Presbytery minutes were approved as presented by unanimous consent.

OFFICER AND STAFF REPORTS

Presbytery moderator, Jeff Warrick reported. He may not be able to moderate the presbytery stated meeting in November, 2019, as he is on jury duty.

Council Moderator, Wendy Wait, reported.

Synod Commissioner, Joan Berglund, reported on the September 29-October 1, 2019 Synod Assembly.

Cheryl Rennick, treasurer, reported.

Raymond Meester, stated clerk, reported. Council approved scheduling the August, 2020, stated meeting for August 14 and 15, 2020, at Calvin Crest Camp, Conference and Retreat Center, Fremont.

Stephen Earl, Interim Presbytery Executive, reported.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

New Worshiping Communities: John Duling gave an update. Contemplete has decided not to be considered a New Worshiping Community of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and will be returning their \$7,500 seed grant from the General Assembly. Coop 513 has decided to end as a New Worshiping Community at the end of October 2019. The Committee did receive a \$10,000 grant from the Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation for Church

Vibrancy workshops for the pastors and congregations of the presbytery. Council approved 5 minutes for the docket of the November 21, 2019 stated meeting of Homestead Presbytery.

Business and Finance: Council approved 5 minutes for the docket of the November 21, 2019 stated meeting of Homestead Presbytery.

Committee on Ministry: Steve Piper reported. Council approved 5 minutes for the docket of the November 21, 2019 stated meeting of Homestead Presbytery.

Committee on Preparation for Ministry: Brian Johnson, co-moderator reported. Council approved 5 minutes for the docket of the November 21, 2019 stated meeting of Homestead Presbytery.

Personnel Committee: Carl Eskridge reported. Council approved 10 minutes for the docket of the November 21, 2019 stated meeting of Homestead Presbytery.

Programs and Grants: Jim McNeal reported, Council approved 15 minutes for the docket of the November 21, 2019 stated meeting of Homestead Presbytery.

Presbyterian Women: Terri Sherman reported. There will be a written report for the Presbytery meeting.

Nominating Committee: The report was given by Jim McNeal. Council approved 10 minutes for the docket of the November 21, 2019 stated meeting of Homestead Presbytery.

Conversation with the Presbytery of Missouri River Valley. Wendy Wait reported.

Disaster Response Team: Gary Haller reported. Council approved 10 minutes for the docket of the November 21, 2019 stated meeting of Homestead Presbytery.

Audrey Richert, on behalf of the Nebraska Presbyterian Foundation, and Craig Huffman, on behalf of Calvin Crest Camp, Conference, and Retreat Center, each requested five minutes of docket time for the November 21, 2019 meeting of Homestead Presbytery. Council approved their requests by unanimous consent.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Kathleen Splitt, Jeff Warrick, Sue Babovec, and Stephen Earl were appointed to plan worship for the November 21, 2019 stated meeting of Homestead Presbytery.

Council nominated Michael Hill as moderator of the Nominating Committee for 2020.

Council nominated as members of the Nominating Committee, Bill Janike (E), Lincoln, First, Class of 2022, 1st term; and Teresa Bartlett (MWS), class of 2022 1st term.

Council approved by unanimous consent that the offering to be received at the November 21, 2019 presbytery meeting be designated for the presbytery's disaster fund.

Council approved scheduling the next regular meeting of the Council for January 23, 2020,

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm with prayer by Jeff Warrick.