

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL
HOMESTEAD PRESBYTERY
July 23, 2020**

The Council of Homestead Presbytery met via Zoom call (due to Covid-19 pandemic) on July 23, 2020. Sue Coller, moderator, called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. with prayer.

Roll call:

P – Sue Babovec	P – Kristi Hill	P – Steve Pointon
P – Joan Berglund	P – Michael Hill	P – Cheryl Rennick
P – Sue Coller	P – Julie Hopp	P – Terri Sherman
P – Stephen Earl	P – Brian Johnson	A – Kathleen Splitt
E – Carl Eskridge	E – Jim McNeal	P – Wendy Wait
P – Scott Eveland	P – Raymond Meester	P – Zac Wolfe

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes of the June 2, 2020 Council minutes were approved.

STAFF REPORTS

The stated clerk, Raymond Meester provided a written report.

Interim Executive Presbyter, Stephen Earl added some verbal comments to his written report.

TASK FORCE AND TEAMS

Terri Sherman reported on the work of the Strategy Team. Council will be reading *Transitions: Making Sense of Life's Changes* by William Bridges.

Wendy Wait reported on the revisions to the Manual of Operations. Joan Berglund and Steven Piper also served on the Task Force. Council moved to recommend that presbytery adopt the revised Manual of Operations.

Raymond Meester reported on the proposed bylaw revision, giving a cursory review of the revision.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Scott Eveland, moderator of Business and Finance Committee presented the 2021 budget that will be brought to the August 22, 2020 meeting of Homestead Presbytery for their action.

Committee on Ministry gave a written report.

Committee on Preparation for Ministry provided a written report.

The Disaster Preparation Response Team and Beyond presented a written report.

The Committee on New Worshiping Communities and Church Vitality provided a written report.

Personnel Committee gave a written report.

Terri Sherman reported on Presbytery Women.

AUGUST PRESBYTERY MEETING

- Sue Babovec and Michael Hill will lead worship, and are allotted 15 minutes.
- Council approved the motion that the offering will be designated for Calvin Crest Camp, Conference and Retreat Center.
- The Education time will be the report of the 224th (2020) General Assembly. Sue Coller, minister commissioner, Kristi Hill, elder commissioner, Marshall Severson, YAAD, Gina Meester, TSAD, and staff members Stephen Earl and Raymond Meester will report.

NEW BUSINESS

Stephen Earl reported that the stated clerk's term ends at the end of 2020. In light of the fact that there may be some staffing changes, it is being recommended that presbytery elect him for a one-year term.

The Council reviewed their responsibility as also serving as the Committee on Representation.

Council approved the motion to recommend to the presbytery a change in the current practice of the service of the moderator of the presbytery and the moderator of the council.

The current process is:

Year 1: Person A elected Council Moderator and Presbytery Vice Moderator

Year 2: Person A elected Presbytery Moderator

The proposed process is:

Year 1: Person A elected Moderator-Elect of Presbytery, and as Vice Moderator of Council and Vice Moderator of Presbytery

Year 2: Person A becomes Presbytery Moderator and Moderator-Elect of Council

Year 3: Person A becomes Moderator of Council

If the Presbytery approves the change in practice, council moved to recommend to presbytery this transition:

	2020	2021	2022	2023
Vice Moderator Presbytery/Council	Sue Coller (Presbytery only)	A	B	C
Moderator – Presbytery	Wendy Wait	Sue Coller	A	B
Moderator – Council	Sue Coller	Wendy Wait	Sue Coller	A

Council postponed to the next meeting of Council the motion to change the name of the Council.

Council approved the motion to recommend to the Presbytery the revision of bylaws.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 PM, with prayer by Brian Johnson.

The next meeting of council will be September 10, 2020, 5:30 PM.

Unapproved