## **Stated Session Meeting Minutes for August 16, 2021**

Session convened at 6:00 p.m. and opened in prayer.

A quorum was noted with the following Session members present: Jeff Abney, Elizabeth Barge, Lakishia Biggs, Dave Breen, Grayson Bryant, Brian Collins, Mical Crumbly, Mark Fulton, Valena Hoy, Peggy Mackey, Joel Phillips, Kristine Rand, Page Weaver, Jim Wood

#### **Examination of Potential New Members:** None

**Guest:** Hunter Johnston, Preschool Director and Director of the Children and Family Ministries

**Devotional:** The devotional this month was the commissioning of the following people for their ordination and installation: Ann Burrows, Deacon. Laura Taliaferro, Deacon. Brian Collins, Elder. Monica Baker, Deacon.

**MOTION:** To commission all candidates for their ordination and installation. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Financial Report:** No report this month.

## **Clerk's Communications and Reports:**

- Attendance Figures for June 20, 2021 through August 8, 2021.
- Membership Gains and Losses Figures
- Upcoming Session Meetings and Calendar Reminders
- Births and Deaths Information
- Baptisms and Weddings Conducted
- New Members and Transfers/Removals Noted

**Minutes for Stated Session Meeting for June 21, 2021:** Reviewed by Session and ordered by common consent.

**Minutes for Called Session Meeting for June 23, 2021:** Reviewed by Session and ordered by common consent.

**Minutes for Called Session Meeting for August 4, 2021:** Reviewed by Session and ordered by common consent.

**Consent Agenda:** The Consent Agenda for August 16, 2021 was approved and ordered by common consent.

#### Staff Reports:

**Preschool and Children and Family Ministries Report:** Hunter reported that the preschool is going well. She worked with city officials on access and egress

from classrooms. Due to high enrollment, a new teaching position was added. Sunday school and children's ministry preparations are going well. Massanetta Springs Camp went very well.

**Director of Online Ministry Report:** Joel commented on the growing participation in FPC online services and resources.

**PEVA Commissioner Report**: Joel gave a brief report on the last meeting.

**Team Reports / Committee Minutes, URC/N.E.S.T. Report:** Attached at end of docket.

#### **New Business:**

**Motion:** That Session approve the Ministry Position Description for the Church Administrator. (Attached at end of docket) The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Motion:** That Session approve the Ministry Position Description for the Interim Director of Traditional Music. (Attached at end of docket) The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

# **Pastors' Reports:**

# Valena Hoy

The summer series has gone very well. The Bible study and Ladies Paint Night are successes. Joann W. is working with the choir as interim director. The search for a new organist is ongoing. Administrator resumes are being reviewed. The fall sermon series is ready for launch. New MasterClasses are being planned. All will be on Zoom. Sunday school planning is ongoing. The women's retreat has been planned.

#### Jim Wood

Vacation Bible School went very well. Joel and Hunter and other members of the FPC team are stepping up as we work to fill several staff openings. The URC and the Center are doing well. NEST is transitioning with the city working on challenges. Tree of Lives is doing well.

<b>Adjournment</b> : Meeting was closed in prayer and adjourned at 7:45 pm by common consent.	
Mark Fulton, Clerk of Session	Rev. Jim Wood, Senior Pastor