**SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**ANNUAL CONGREGATION/CORPORATION MEETING**

**Sunday, January 26, 2020**

**MINUTES**

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation/Corporation of Second Presbyterian Church was held on Sunday, January 26, 2020, in the Sanctuary. The meeting was called to order at 11:58am and opened with prayer by Moderator, Rev. Dr. Robert Woodruff, Pastor.

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of the meeting was to:

1. receive the Annual Reports;
2. elect members at large to the Nominating Committee;
3. elect one Deacon;
4. review the 2019 budget and the actual the actual financials;
5. receive the 2020 budget approved by Session;
6. hear an update on damage to and protection of the stained-glass windows;
7. hear joys and concerns from the congregation.

**QUORUM**

The clerk declared a quorum present.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The clerk reported that the minutes of the Stated Meeting of the Congregation of December 1, 2019, were approved by the Session as requested. The Congregation **VOTED** to ask the Session to approve the minutes of this meeting and that the approval be reported to the congregation at the next meeting of the Congregation.

**1. ANNUAL REPORTS**

The annual reports had been made available the previous Sunday, and distributed via email. No concerns or questions were voiced. The congregation **VOTED** to receive the reports as distributed.

**2. NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Elder Pat Gilberto presented the four persons nominated by Session: Richard Arndt, Yvonne Gallegos, Pat Gilberto, and Bob Romero. There being no nominations from the floor, the congregation **VOTED** to close nominations and elect those four by acclamation.

**3. ELECT ONE DEACON**

Elder Reme Molo nominated himself to the Board of Deacons, Class of 2021. There being no nominations from the floor, the congregation **VOTED** to close nominations and elect Clarabelle by acclamation.

**4. 2019 BUDGET AND PLEDGES**

Pastor Rob asked Elder Eli Lopez to review the outcome of the 2019 budget. Eli referred the congregation to the 2019 Budget vs Actual report which began on page 8 of the 2019 Annual Reports. Eli made the following points:

1. Income was approximately $252,000 ($293K including designated funds);
2. Expenses were approximately $255,000 ($296K including designated funds);
3. 2019 Deficit of $3,075.10 will be covered during Session’s February meeting, probably from reserves;
4. There is approximately $62,000 in the checking and savings accounts;
5. We have approximately $97,000 invested in one CD and three Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP) accounts;
6. There are three Memorial endowments that provide about $300 of interest income annually;
7. Our investment in the PCUSA New Covenant Growth Fund has grown from $22,000 at the end of 2008 to $79,000 at the end of 2019.

Eli expressed great appreciation and thanks for the congregation’s response in 2019 to come close to covering the 2019 budget.

**5. 2020 BUDGET REVIEW**

Eli referred the congregation to copies of the 2020 budget which were made available by the ushers. He noted there are no extremes from the 2019 budget, and pointed out the addition of the Security Ministry Committee with an allowance of $1,000. Eli was happy to report that there have been 61 pledges received for 2020, totaling approximately $184,000.

**6. STAINED-GLASS WINDOWS**

1. Pastor Rob invited Michael Rubio and Camila Hoover-Lopez to update the congregation on the newly-formed Security Ministry Committee, and to include the status of our stained-glass windows. Michael and Camila said that after twelve years of the protection being off our stained-glass windows, we have surprisingly been inflicted with three breakages in the last few months. The Security Ministry and Building and Grounds are researching methods and costs of repair and protection of the windows.
2. Camila and Michael stated that the Security Ministry intends to be silent and transparent and not disrupt any church activities. Their intent is to focus on being a welcoming church. They have created an Observant Usher program, as recommend by other congregations. Training is scheduled for February 9. Cameras have been placed around the external walls of the building which will interface with communications, and allow conversation with anyone that on the premises. It is all our responsibilities to care for and protect our building and grounds. The next meeting of the Security Ministry is February 16.

**7. JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Pastor Rob asked for any joys or concerns from the congregation:

1. Ruth Montoya expressed gratitude to all who have served on Session and the Board of Deacons

There being no further business, Pastor Rob adjourn the meeting with prayer at 12:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,

George T. Huggins, Clerk Rev. Dr. Robert Woodruff, Pastor