



STATED MEETING OF SESSION
New Hope Presbyterian Church (EPC)
Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Our mission: To glorify God and make disciples by living out the gospel together.

Minutes

Teaching Elders:				TE	Pastor Mike Jones	P
				TE	Pastor Ben Borsay	P
Class of 2023		Active Ruling Elders Class of 2024		Class of 2025		
Jerry Elliott	EA	Doug Keno	P	Art Hunkins	P	
Carolyn Melton	P	Sandy Knipe	P	Jim LaRue	P	
David Milligan	P	Mark Myers	EA	Jon Witenko	P	
David Carpenter	P	Ken Walker	P	Candy Engelman	P	
		Rodney Woosley	P			
P=In-person; Z=Zoom; EA= Excused Absence; A=Absent				Quorum		Yes

Also Present: Chuck Knox; Steve McKinnon; Paul Gorny;

- 1) Season of Prayer (6-6:15pm) A Season of Prayer Lead by Pastor Mike
Closed and Opened the session in prayer by David Carpenter
- 2) **MSC (Jim L/Carolyn M/U)** to allow any guest to speak, if they so desired.
- 3) Pastor Mike's Report (Moderator)
 - a) Communion Served on Maudy Thursday (April 6th)
No Communion on Palm Sunday (April 2nd)
 - b) Pastor Mike suggested that we take up an offering for Missions during the Maudy service.
After some discussion it was the consensus to give it a try.
 - c) Short update on the IAN ministry (Paul Gorny)
- 4) Vice Moderator Pastor Ben Borsay Report.
 - a) Update on the Shepherding ministry.
 - b) Discussion Topic "Spiritual Warfare"
- 5) Clerk of Session Report:
 - a) **MSC (Jim L/Doug K/U)** Approved the Feb 28, 2023 Stated Session Minutes (see attachment)

- b) MSC (David M/Jon W/U) to approve the following four (4) Elders to attend the 43rd General Assembly on June 20-22nd (Tues-Thurs) at the Cherry Hills Community Church, Highland Ranch, Colorado. They are: Jim LaRue, David Carpenter, Carolyn Melton and Bob Welsh
- c) Correspondence: None
- 6) Sr Pastor Search Committee Report- (David M/Rodney W)
Some Discussion on the finding. (See handout).
This information will be reported to the congregation
- 7) Treasurer's Report (see attachment)- Chuck Knox.
Chuck presented a brief report on our current financial situation.
Note: We ran a deficit for the month of February.
- 8) Finance Committee Report (see attachment)- Paul G.
a) The 2023 Budget is still be revised and will be presented to Session at the April meeting for Session's review and approval.
b) MSD (Committee/David C). The proposed motion to eliminate the paid police officer during the Sunday morning services was defeated by a vote of (4) Yehs and (7) Nays. See the attached motion.
- 9) Personnel Committee Report: Candy E. (See attachment)
a) Short report with some clarification on a couple of personnel changes.
- 10) Unfinished Business: Due to an oversight by not including in last month's report to the congregation those active Deacons who also resigned. Pastor Mike will report to the congregation those Deacons.
- 11) New Business: None
- 12) Other Reports (FYI) – Committees/Council/Ministries Minutes & Reports
(see Attachments)
a) "Rpt MS01 Monthly Statistics summary" for end of Feb report
and "Rpt09G- Adjustment to membership" (see attachments)
a) Deacons – Steve McKinnon
b) Director of Family/Student/Children/Early Childhood Ministries
(one all-inclusive report)- Michelle Myers
c) Director of Facilities – Ed Harger
d) Director of Finance- Brad Starnier
e) Director of Missions/Outreach – Jim Mayer (Cuba Trip)
- 13) Adjournment- Closed in prayer by Jon W.
- Submitted by:
Pastor Mike Jones, Moderator
Art Hunkins, Clerk of Session