

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2020  
REGULAR MEETING OF SESSION**

On Saturday, January 11, 2020, the 614th regular meeting of Session was held at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Fellowship Hall. Dr. Lancaster opened the meeting with prayer at 11:21 a.m.

Session members attending were Dr. Lancaster, Rev. Rogers, Rev. Freyer and Elders Bacik, Burgess, Canose, Castelli, Conley, Davis, Dilly, Fraser, Galbreath, Heilman, Jenkins, LeBeau, Lee, McClintock-Comeaux, Myers, Null, O'Brien, Paul, Rex, Sheap, Singleton, Wagner, Walker, Watson, Weber, Widmar and Williams, constituting a quorum.

**REPORT OF THE CLERK** – The minutes from the 613th (November 18, 2019) regular meeting and Special Meeting of the Congregation (December 1, 2019) (as reviewed and corrected) were approved by motion, second and unanimous vote.

This 614<sup>th</sup> regular meeting of Session was conducted during an officer's retreat for elders and deacons held on January 10-11, 2020. The 2022 Classes of elders and deacons were welcomed and participated in staff presentations and small group discussions on the theme of "Westminster Church: Maintenance or Mission". The Book of Order, church polity, Session and Board of Deacon responsibilities, characteristics of effective church leaders and the primacy of scripture were reviewed in plenary sessions on Friday evening and Saturday morning. Thereafter Session and the Board of Deacons convened separately to conduct their organizational meetings for the year.

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

**2020 Budget.** The Finance Commission presented a summary of the 2020 Budget for Westminster Church along with summaries of the 2019 Budget and actual income and expenses. The 2020 Budget is a balanced budget. A motion was made and second received to approve the 2020 Budget. Session voted unanimously to approve the motion. Session acknowledged and thanked the Church Treasurer and Chair and members of the Finance Commission for their efforts in producing a balanced budget for 2020.

**Commission Membership.** Having previously sought the input of each member of Session in organizing commissions for the new year, Dr. Lancaster presented a slate of member assignments for Session approval. Unlike past years, members of Session are encouraged to focus on membership on one commission. Dr. Lancaster encouraged Session members who have not indicated their preferences to contact him as soon as possible so that commission assignments process can be completed. Upon motion to approve the slate of commission assignments, and receipt of a second thereto, Session voted unanimously to approve the motion.

**Assignment of Commissioners to 2020 Pittsburgh Presbytery Meetings.** Dr. Lancaster circulated a signup sheet for members of Session to volunteer to serve as commissioners to Presbytery meetings scheduled for February 13, 2020, May 14, 2020, September 24, 2020 and December 10, 2020. The completed schedule of commissioners to Presbytery will be attached to the minutes of Session's regular meeting in February.

**ADJOURNMENT WITH PRAYER**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with prayer at 12:08 p.m. The next regular meeting of Session will be held on February 17, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "H. Brian Peck".

H. Brian Peck  
Clerk of Session

Date approved: February 17, 2020