

**Session Minutes**  
**Gashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church**  
**May 12, 2016**

A meeting of the Session of Gashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church was held at 6:32 PM on Thursday, May 12, 2016 at the church.

<b>Elders Present:</b>	<u>Class of 2016</u>	<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>
	Mark Lancaster	Mark Blakley	Roy Stewart
	Dallas Reeve	Dennis King	

**Elders Excused for the meeting:** Chris Taylor; Don Vande Polder; Larry Harris; Aaron Kleinmeyer

**Session Moderator:** Pastor Ritchey Cable

- A. **Prayer:** Pastor Michael Morefield opened the meeting with prayer.
- B. **Agenda Adoption - (changes to agenda should be made at this time):** The agenda was adopted by unanimous consent after addition of mid-year review of “Undersheperding” and “Cleaning of the Membership Rolls” was added as items 2 & 3 respectively to the Discussion Agenda.
- C. **Pastor’s Report:**
1. Pastor Ritchey provided his Fall sermon series preview and theme for Wednesday night conversations.
  2. Pastor Ritchey informed Session Jay Fowler would be attending the June meeting.
  3. Pastor Ritchey shared June will be the quarterly joint meeting with Elders and Deacons and the Fall sermon series preview will be the topic for the meeting.
  4. Pastor Michael updated Session on a revision to the confirmation process. He stated 8 students have committed to being confirmed. Elders who shepherd these students will contact each to further vet each student’s commitment.
  5. Pastor Michael stated he is further developing a vision for “Family Ministry”. More details will be presented at the next meeting.
  6. Pastor Michael gave praise for all the support and contributions to the HS Summer trip which has reduced each student’s overall cost by \$110.00.
- D. **Discussion Agenda:**
1. Elder Stewart led discussion on prayer and obedience. Discussion was held on prayer becoming a relationship and communion with God. We must invite Him in on all things and not just in times of crisis or when a need arises. Elder Blakley will lead the discussion at the next meeting from Chapter 1 of “Pastors are People Too” book.
  2. Elder Lancaster provided a brief update on the Undersheperding Ministry. At the June meeting, reports will be provided which will provide each elder information of each of their flocks.
  3. Elder Lancaster stated it was time to review our membership rolls and make the necessary adjustments. A detailed report will be provided at the next meeting for discussion.
- E. **Ministry Team Reports:**
1. Session Meeting minutes of April 14, 2016 were approved by unanimous voice as submitted.

2. Ministry Team Reports:
  - a. *Worship Team* - Pastor Michael gave praise to the number of non-GEPC families who have requested scholarship assistance to attend Camp Kanakuk.
  - b. *Outreach Team* - Outreach is developing traction with finalizing plans for community outreach ministries.
  - c. *Relationship Team* - Team minutes were forwarded to Session.
  - d. *Discipleship Team* - Team minutes were forwarded to Session.
  - e. *Coordinating Team* - Elder Reeve stated the revision to the Property Use Guidelines is almost finalized. Discussion was held regarding repairs needed to the facility and property. Additional funds not budgeted will be needed to complete these repairs identified by the Property Team. Elder Lancaster moved, seconded by Elder Blakley, to approve the release of \$30,000 to the Property Team to use to complete the identified repairs. All yeas. Motion carried. BSF is requesting to have their agreement to use the facility extended for another year. Coordinating Team will discuss at their next meeting and provide a recommendation.
3. Clerk's Report: No Clerk's report was presented.

F. **Consent Report:**

1. Deacons Report - Report was submitted to Session via email.
2. Financial Report - The overall status of the finances remains in a solid position and was accepted.

G. **Adjournment of Session Meeting:**

Elder Reeve moved, seconded by Elder Blakley, to adjourn the meeting. All yeas. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:18 pm.

H. **Closing Prayer:**

The group closed the meeting in prayer.

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Dennis King  
For Paul Weatherford  
Clerk of Session

Pastor Ritchey Cable  
Moderator