Session Minutes Gashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church July 9, 2019

A meeting of the Gashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church Session was held on January 10 at 6:35 PM at the church.

Elders: Class of 2019 Class of 2020 Class of 2021

Mike Brink Peter Marshall (Excused) Aaron Kleinmeyer (Excused)

Mark Lancaster Mark Blakley Derek Williams
David Smith Dennis King Jeff Van Der Weele

<u>Session Moderator</u>: Pastor Michael Morefield called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM after a confirming a quorum was present.

PRAYER: Mike Brink opened the meeting with prayer.

- **A. AGENDA ADOPTION**: The agenda was approved by unanimous voice consent after moving item 1b to be addressed following adoption of the agenda.
- B. Cassidy Mason, Director of Little Lambs Ministry, presented a proposal for renovations to the Little Lambs area. Following discussion, Mark Lancaster made a motion to approve \$7,500 from the Memorial Fund to support the proposal with the remaining request amount balance of \$8,600 to be funded from the Memorial Fund in January, 2020. Vote; 6 yeas; 1 nea (Mark Blakley). Motion passed.

C. PASTOR'S REPORT:

- 1. Pastor Morefield provided an update of the General Assembly in Denver he attended. Andrew Brunson provided his testimony at the Assembly along with a sermon. Andrew's sermon is available to hear on the EPC website. He also stated the EPC is focusing during 2020 on Church planting and revitalization. GEPC is supporting both of these through 2 of our new missionaries, the Mook's and Cottier's.
- 2. Pastor Morefield updated Session on the passing of Shirley Lambert. Her memorial service will be at GEPC on Sunday, July 28, 2019 at 1:30 pm.
- 3. Pastor Morefield reported that over 100 participants have signed up for Breakaway camp.

D. BUSINESS REPORTS and DISCUSSION:

1. Old Business/follow-up items

- a. Next Church Mark Lancaster asked Session to reflect on how we define Next Church; is it a building or some other facility/designation? Will be discussed at upcoming Session Retreat scheduled for Saturday, September 14 from noon-5 pm.
- b. Little Lambs discussion addressed above
- c. **Guest Preacher** Pastor Morefield will invite Eric Adams and/or Phil Pace to preach a sermon in August. If neither agree, Pastor Morefield will preach all Sundays in August.

2. New Business

- a. Nominating Team update Peter Marshall forwarded an email to Session regarding the upcoming 2020 Elder/Deacon Election process. Information/brochures regarding the nominating process will be available beginning on July 21, 2019. Nominations will be open from July 28 through August 18, 2019.
- 3. Ministry Team Reports
 - a. **Worship Team** Jeff Van Der Weele reported that the person providing Communion bread will determine what type of bread will be served for that Sunday.

- **b. Outreach Team** No other report from minutes submitted.
- c. Relationship Team No other report from minutes submitted.
- **d. Discipleship Team** No other report from minutes submitted.
- **e. Coordinating Team** Dennis King reported 2018 Audit report will be received by Session at next month's meeting

4. Clerk's Report -

- **a.** The June 2019 Session minutes were approved with one modification showing Elder Mike Brink in attendance. Approved by unanimous voice vote.
- **b.** Next meeting is August 8, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

E. ADJOURNMENT:

Mark Blakley moved that the meeting be adjourned, second by Derek Williams. A voice vote to adjourn was unanimous. Mark Lancaster closed the meeting with prayer at 9:32 PM.

Dennis King, Acting on behalf of Pastor Michael Morefield
Paul Weatherford Moderator
Clerk of Session