

Minutes of the Called Regional Church Council Meeting
September 14, 2020
Via Zoom

Members Present: Edgar Wallace, Faith Solon, Pamela Barnes-Jackson, Matt Every, Candis Wilson, Frances Dudley, Cory King, Gladys Davis, Tyler Reeve, Alecia Hayes

Regional Staff: Jennie Stoddart-Bernard

Regional Ministers: Rick Spleth, Dean Phelps, Thaddaeus Allen, Eugene James

Guests: Jerry Ritzman, Phil Hunt, Melanie Harrell Delaney, Kevin Kaufman, Don Baird, Bruce Bowerman-Jett

Excused Absences: Jack Sullivan, John Cox

Call to Order and Devotion- Candis Wilson

Approval of August 13, 2020 Minutes

Minutes not available for approval.

Business Items

1. Revision of By-Laws

Vote will be via email. All final changes must be submitted by 9/18/2020 via email to the moderator. After the changes are compiled, an email vote will be sent out with a 48-hour window. Voting will be the week of September 21.

2. Regional Search Committee

Presented by Melanie Harrell Delaney on behalf of the Search Committee.

Regional Profile

The stated objectives, core values, and greatest hope are pulled from discussion at the breakout session at the Regional Assembly and Listening Sessions. Discussion focused around a creative imagining for the future of the region as well as regional staffing and structure.

Regional Position Description

Again, many of the priorities reflected in this document come from the feedback given to the region during the listening sessions. The goal is collaborative leadership rather than a top-down model. Emphasis on the role of the regional elders, council, and regional minister as a three-fold cord.

Edgar Wallace moves to approve the work of the regional search committee in regards to the regional profile and position description. Pamela Barnes-Jackson second. Motion Carried.

3. 2020-2022 RCC Membership

Max is 25 RCC members based on no more than 20% of participating churches in the current yearbook. We currently have 14 on the proposed roster. See attached roster for names.

Gladys Davis moves to accept the roster as presented. Second by Cory King. Motion carried.

Edgar Wallace moves to keep all officers except the Secretary Faith Solon, second by Alecia Hayes. Discussion on the motion. Officers will avail themselves for re-election but election of officers will happen at the first meeting of the new RCC in November. Secretary unavailable to be re-elected and will need to find someone to volunteer for this position.

Regional Assembly

There's no fee this year, as the Assembly is all virtual. Much of it will be prerecorded, but there will be live virtual Workshop\Discussions.

Later after the Assembly will be a Financial Workshop presented by DCEF.

Info will be sent out shortly for the Assembly, possibly also with the Financial Workshop info.

The Workshop will be Oct. 24th and registration will be free.

Remarks from Area Regional Ministers

Appreciation and Gratitude to Candis for all her hard work!

Closing Prayer

Rev. Don Baird closed us in prayer.