

**Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church
Greeneville, Tennessee
Called Meeting of Session
February 16, 2017**

A called meeting of Session, at which a quorum was present, was held at the church on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 7:00 pm. Present were Moderator Rev. Dr. Jim Mays, elders Doug Roberts, Paul Burkey, Marilyn Brumley, Amy Cobble, Will Exum, Kimra Crocker, Lisa Balabas and Sandra Carter. Also present were Ken and Laura Paulsen and John Morrell. Elders absent was Charles Harmon.

The called meeting was opened in prayer by Moderator Mays.

The 2016 Statistical report was presented by Clerk of Session, Sandra Carter. Kimra Crocker made a motion seconded by Lisa Balabas the report be approved. Motion carried. The report is attached to these minutes.

John Morrell, Interim Pastor Committee Chairperson discussed and recommends to the session, hiring Chris Bohn as a parttime pastor. The recommendation was approved by common consent and the committee persons will negotiate and further the contract with Rev. Bohn.

Ken and Laura Paulsen discussed with session members different areas of the church website. They recommended areas that were beneficial and areas that could be deleted. They also graciously agreed to oversee the website. Kimra made a motion seconded by Sandra that they be allowed to oversee the website. Motion carried.

Marilyn Brumley volunteered to be Elder Commissioner for the March 4, 2017 Stated Presbytery meeting to be held at First Presbyterian Church in Greeneville.

Emily Morrell, daughter of John and Beth Morrell, has applied to seminary to become an ordained minister. Marilyn Brumley suggested to session members if Timber Ridge could financially support Emily. An amount of \$300-\$500 was suggested to be available to her when her classes start and throughout the time she attends seminary until graduation. MIS and session could also recommend money from the Pentecost offering be used for her education. Marilyn made a motion seconded by Lisa that \$500 be earmarked per year to support Emily. Those funds will come from the General Fund and Pentecost offering. Motion carried.

Having no further business, Rev. Mays motioned seconded by Marilyn that the meeting adjourn. The meeting was closed in prayer by Moderator Mays.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Carter
Clerk

Rev. Dr. Jim Mays
Moderator