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St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

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Congregational Meeting November 10, 2024

Meeting called to order at 10:43 am with prayer by Pastor Bobby Outterson-Murphy. Purpose of stated meeting is to 1) dissolve the Co-Pastor Nominating Committee with thanks, 2) accept the retirement of Pastor Rob Martin as of December 31, 2024 due to health concerns, and with appreciation & regret, as well as codify the dissolution of his pastoral relationship with St Andrew, and 3) update the church bylaws to clarify conflicting references to the quorum level for session.

Minimum quorum of 59 was established by the clerk of session and Pastor Bobby.

MOTIONS-

1. **To dissolve St Andrew's Co-Pastor Nominating Committee, offering thanks to the following members for their hard work: Allison Bernard, Wes Habley, Mary Hausler, Angela Ibrahim-Olin, Ted Potter, and Munir Tanas.**
2. **To accept pastor Rob Martin's request to retire on December 31,2024, with appreciation and deep regret, and to notify the Presbytery of the dissolution of his pastoral relationship with St Andrew Presbyterian Church.**
3. **To approve the following changes to St Andrew's Bylasys to clarify conflicting references to the quorum level for session:**
 - **Remove Article III, Section 2, L. (Quorum) and re-letter all subsequent letters in Article III.**
 - **To revise Article III, Section 2, L, (Setting Quorum) to edit the word "levels" to "level" and to remove the words "and Congregational meetings" so that it will read: "L. Setting Quorum: During the final quarter of the calendar year, Session will set the quorum level for its own meetings in the following calendar year."**

MSC for all 3

Discussion- Pastor Bobby and Jeff Charis-Carlson answered questions on the possibility of the co-pastor nominating team participants serving on the new PNC when it is approved to form, the upcoming search process, the difference between a temporary pastoral relationship and an interim pastor, the reason there won't be a search for 2 pastors at the same time, and the rationale for the temporary pastor not being able to apply for the full-time pastor position (as they need to focus on assisting the congregation in the grieving process for the end of the previous pastoral relationship and assist in discerning who the congregation

currently is & who they are called to be.

Motion-to adjourn at 11:08 am.

MSC

Pastor Bobby closed the meeting with prayer for our decision making today and for the love & care of Do and Rob Martin.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Benson

The Rev. Bobby Outterson-Murphy

Clerk of session

Moderator