

CALLED SESSION MEETING  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ORLANDO  
August 11, 2020

A called meeting of the session of FPCO was held on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 to address the matter of resuming in person worship services at the church. The meeting was called to order by moderator David Swanson at 6:00 PM via Zoom Video Conference.

**ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**ATTENDANCE:**

Teaching Elders: David Swanson, Case Thorp, Becky Davis, Jack Peebles, and Tanner Fox

Senior Leadership Team: Dale van Gelder, Bret Allen

Ruling Elders: Barbara Clayton, Bob Francis, Quino Martinez, Becky Wilson, Robbie Ball, Darrell Carpenter Sr., Erin Lindblad, Melody Lynch, Katie Witter, Allen Peacock, Ellen Arnold, Greg Burden, John Caplan, Bo Morgan, Kurt Wood.

Excused: Amanda Cowan, Rick Pullum and Jim Hardy (technology issues)

Staff: Christine McDaniel, Grace Whitlow

A quorum was declared.

David Swanson opened the meeting in prayer.

**MINISTER REPORT**

**Resuming in person worship services:**

Dr. David D. Swanson provided some background information on the current plans. COO, Dale van Gelder reviewed the current COVID-19 data related to Orange County with rates per 100K, hospitalizations, and ICU beds available.

**MOTION: To approve resuming in person worship services on Sunday, August 23, 2020 with two, to be determined, services times. M/S/P**

Two services times (8:30 AM and 11:15 AM) were proposed but not decided.

The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**MOTION: To approve a Collaborative Worship Service at the Cathedral Church of St. Luke's, Wednesday, September 2, 2020 at 5:30 PM. Dr. David D. Swanson will deliver the sermon and Senior Associate Pastor, Dr. Case Thorp will represent and participate in the service. M/S/P**

The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**MOTION: To approve RE Doris Houck serving as a commissioner for the EPC 40th General Assembly on September 18, 2020. M/S/P**

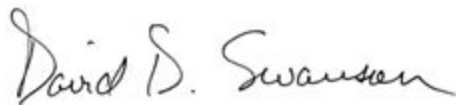
The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**DISCUSSION**

Home Church Support: The session discussed the attendance of Teaching Elders at home churches and the use of childcare workers paid for by the church assisting with childcare during home church services at members homes.

It was decided by the session that Teaching Elders can attend home churches based on guidelines. It was further decided that the church will not provide childcare for home churches as the church is not offering childcare at the church until after Labor Day, based on the approved COVID-19 plan for resuming in-person worship.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM with a closing prayer led by Mission Pastor, Rev. Tanner Fox.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David S. Swanson".

David Swanson  
Moderator

Greg Burden  
Clerk