**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Indian Nations Presbytery**

**Coordinating Council**

**January 15, 2020**

**Presbytery Office Conference Room**

**Minutes**

**Members present:** TE Greg Amen;TE Carl Bosteels; TE Jan Burns-Hintze; RE Debra Dowell; RE Blake Harrison; RE Bobbie Heimbach, Moderator; RE Ernie Isch; RE Sue Johnson; RE Janet Labude; RE Charlotte Lovett, INP Vice-Moderator; TE John McKinnon; RE Martin McNeese; RE Mike Mize; RE Deanna Piercy; RE Larry Upton; TE Abbey Walker, TE Carol Waters; TE Scott White, INP Moderator.

**Ex-officio:** TE Tracy Evans, Stated Clerk

**Excused:** RE Craig Stanley

**Absent**: Velma Coker

**Call to order, Opening Prayer**

The moderator opened the meeting at 1:00 pm with prayer offered by Greg Amen.

**Approval of Agenda**

The agenda for the meeting was approved.

**Approval of minutes**

The minutes of the December 18, 2019 meeting were approved as presented.

**CC Moderator Report**

Moderator Heimbach reported that the minutes from Coordinating Council are now available on the INP web-site.

**Stated Clerk Report**

Tracy Evans reported that she continues with the conversations about Dwight Mission closing. She is also involved in conversations about potential camp opportunities for summer 2020. There is a town hall type meeting on Saturday, January 18 at 3:00 at Westminster, OKC’s north campus.

An overture from Cimarron Presbytery was presented. **Motion** that the moderator appoint a small group to study the Overture to General Assembly from Cimarron Presbytery regarding the “status of the University of Tulsa as a Presbyterian-related university” and bring to Coordinating Council with a recommendation was approved.

**INP Moderator Report**

Scott White reviewed the responsibilities of the Presbytery Moderator and presented some thoughts. He and Vice-Moderator Charlotte Lovett have asked TE Michael East to preach at worship at the February presbytery meeting. He was invited to attend Rev. Mark Henslee’s last worship service but was unable because of a death at his church. He sent a letter to greet the gathering. He reported on the planning of the February 28-29, 2020 meeting presenting a rough outline for the docket.

**Committee Reports**

Committee on Administration:

* The proposed budget was presented for review.

Committee on Ministry

* Martin McNeese reported on the actions of COM.
* He brought the following **motion** from COM for approval. “That for the first quarter of 2020 council approve giving Covenant Presbyterian Church, OKC $5,000 to offset their budget short fall for 2020. In addition, that Covenant provide COM with their financial data at the end of March 2020 and then COM will decide whether to continue this support with the approval of council.” Motion approved.

Committee on Preparation for Ministry

* Mike Mize reported they have received a new inquirer, Tyler Gregg, member at Westminster, OKC. She will be attending St. Paul’s seminary in OKC. They also have interest from another member at Westminster, OKC who might like to be a Commissioned Pastor, and another elder on CPM who may like to be a CP, too.
* There is excitement on the committee about connecting with churches in the presbytery to share the news of the work of CPM.

Committee on Nominations and Representation

* Jan Burns-Hintze reported that they continue their work.

**Network Reports**

Congregational Support Network

* They are making plans for contacting churches in the presbytery, asking about needs of the congregations.

Care of Pastoral Leaders Network

* Pastoral Leaders Workshop will take place January 23 at Memorial Presbyterian Church, Norman.

INP Youth Ministries Network

* No report.

**New Business**

* John McKinnon requested prayers for Dwight and its board.
* The moderator has received an invitation from FPC El Reno to meet at their church.
* Scott White suggested taking a picture of the Coordinating Council for an upcoming newsletter article.
* Carol Waters brought up a need for more training for CC members. Members agreed to its need.
* **Motion** was made to set an hour training for the CC then follow-up with an informational piece at each meeting. Motion carried. It was understood to begin after the February meeting.
* Charlotte Lovett shared that at a triennial visit made to United PC Shawnee, the church was honoring the clerk who had served for 36 years. Kudos to Mary Ann Anderson for her dedicated service.

**Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned with prayer by Bobbie Heimbach at 2:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy L. Evans

Stated Clerk