

**Session Meeting
August 22, 2022
Music Room, 5:30 pm**

Spiritual Formation

Worship and Prayer – Aaron Williams, Elder Reflections

Call to Order/Omnibus Motion (page 2)

Shepherding the Flock

Pastor's Report – Bryan Dunagan

Discernment/Strategic Visioning

Family of Churches – Pete Townsend and Charlie Dunn

Oversight/Accountability

ECO Coordinator – Karen Konker

- September Presbytery Meeting

Governance Coordinating Committee – Neil Rambin

- Committee Appointments
- Senior Pastor Evaluation

Operations Committee – Ted Munselle

- 2022/23 Budget
- Reconciliation Outreach

Elder Reflections

Closing Prayer

Next Meeting – September 2022

Governance Resources

- hppres.org/governanceresources // password: governance1



Omnibus Motion

Motion to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting, the Regular Session Meeting on June 27, 2022, and the June 2022 and July 2022 Membership Reports (pages 3-11)



**STATED MEETING OF THE SESSION
HIGHLAND PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
June 27, 2022, 6:00 PM (Music Room)

<i>Quorum</i>	Present
<i>Attendance</i>	Attached
<i>Spiritual Formation</i>	<p>Worship and Prayer</p> <p>Cameron Beaty called the Session to worship based on Revelations 4. Jordan Lockette led the Session in singing. Pastor Leon Dorleans, Haiti Outreach Mission provided an update on the status of HOM in Haiti and the challenges in light of COVID and recent media reports regarding difficulties in Haiti. John Rain led the session in prayer for Pastor Dorleans.</p> <p>Call to Order</p> <p>Cameron Beaty called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.</p> <p>Omnibus Motion</p> <p>A motion was made to approve (1) the agenda for tonight’s meeting, (2) the Minutes and Attendance Records of the regular Session meeting on May 23, 2022. The motion passed unanimously. The Session also unanimously approved the May 2022 Membership Reports.</p>
<i>Shepherding the Flock</i>	<p>Pastor’s Report</p> <p>Charlie Dunn shared his thoughts on the role of the church in these intensely divided times. He focused on Mark 12: 13-17 in which Jesus was asked about the payment of the Roman Imperial tax. Jesus refused to align with any political party. Nor should we. Our highest loyalty should be to Jesus, not a political party. We must seek to limit division at HP Pres and in our communities over political issues. Charlie also emphasized that we should treat those with whom we disagree the way Jesus wants us to treat them.</p> <p>Ministry Updates</p> <p>Sterling White brought the session up to speed on the new Connections Department and how it serves the church by helping organize and lead community groups, the church’s many volunteers and the Count-Me-In initiative. See: hppres.org/volunteer.</p> <p>Nelson Bell and Walter Teter updated the Session on the Congregational Care ministry and its many different service teams and the new policies and procedures regarding the congregational care efforts to support and accommodate family members who are dealing with the loss of a loved one.</p> <p>Audrey Schmidt and Charles Davis provided an update on the status of the Deacon ministry, how it is structured and its plans going forward.</p>

<p><i>Discernment/Strategic Visioning</i></p>	<p>Family of Churches Update</p> <p>Jay Lee reported on (1) the potential for the Mandarin Chinese church to plant a new church in Richardson and (2) the potential for Good Shepherd Oak Cliff to meet at The Cliff House on Sunday mornings. Charlie Dunn advised that the lease/purchase agreement for the Grace Lake Highlands has been executed. Cameron Beaty reported on the potential for Peak Street Church to minister to surrounding apartment complexes through Apartment Life.</p>
<p><i>Oversight/Accountability</i></p>	<p>ECO Coordinator Update</p> <p>Karen Konker reported on the Texas Presbytery meeting (Zoom) which took place on June 10, 2022. These meetings are a great opportunity for HP Pres elders to connect with pastors and elders from other Texas ECO churches. Business matters are addressed, but the true business of these meetings is sharing church plant and ministry initiatives, praying together and providing support and encouragement to others. Several votes were conducted to confirm nominations and ratify ECO constitutional amendments that had been voted during the Synod meeting at the February Gathering. Mark Story was confirmed to a partial term on the Ministry Partnership Team. The next meeting will be on September 16-17.</p> <p>Governance Coordinating Committee</p> <p>T. Hardie reported that the Senior Pastor Evaluation Team had begun its work. This year the committee will focus on in-person interviews and narrative evaluations by elders. This week the governing elders will receive requests to provide their evaluations.</p> <p>Operations Committee</p> <p>Sarah Good introduced Theresa Guerra, the new Director of Finance.</p> <p>Ted Munselle reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5/31/22 Financial Statements—we had a small operating income of \$375,034 through May 31. • Transform—the adjusted estimated cash shortfall is now predicted to be approximately \$1.638 million. Sarah Good, Andy Raub and Zack House are evaluating how best to inform the congregation of the shortfall. <p>Ted and Sarah Good discussed the proposed budget included in the Session packet for a first reading. They explained that the budget increase was prompted by (1) inflation, (2) the cost of operating the expanded and upgraded campus and (3) the return of programs to pre-pandemic levels. A general discussion then ensued regarding the percentage of the budget focused on missions and activities focused on those outside the church and on some of the specific budget items. A vote on the budget will take place at the session meeting on August 22, 2022.</p> <p>Closing Prayer</p> <p>The Session joined hands in a circle while Marie Crowe closed the meeting with a prayer. Meeting was adjourned at about 8:15 pm.</p>

Highland Park

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

<i>Upcoming Schedule</i>	Next Session Meeting – August 22, 2022
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Cameron Beaty, Moderator

Neil Rambin, Clerk of Session



SESSION ATTENDANCE 2021-2022

Elder	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Kurt Alexander	X	X	X		X	X	A	X	X	X		
Vic Bloede	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Anne Compton	X	X	A		A	X	X	X	A	X		
Marie Crowe	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Vuong Dao	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Justin Eastburn	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
T. Hardie	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Sharon Johnson	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Karen Konker	X	X	A		X	X	X	A	X	X		
David Martin	X	X	X		A	X	X	X	A	A		
Ted Munselle	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Margaret Nderitu	X	X	X		X	X	X	A	X	A		
John Rain	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Neil Ramin, Clerk	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Karl Rathjen	A	X	X		X	X	X	A	A	A		
Becky Paterik	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	A	X		
Alisa Sell	A	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Reid Slaughter	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	A		
Jennifer Tollett	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Pete Townsend	X	X	A		X	X	A	X	X	X		
John Walsh	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	A	X		
Power Zhao	X	A	A		X	A	A	A	X	X		
Jackie Burke	X	X	X		X	A	X	X	X	X		

Others in attendance: Cameron Beatty, Nelson Bell, Charlie Davis, Charlie Dunn, Sarah Good, Theresa Guerra, Zack House, Jay Lee, Jordan Lockette, Audrey Schmidt, Walter Teter, Judi Wheeler and Sterling White.

2022 June Membership Report

June 1, 2022, through June 30, 2022

Session Meeting of August 22, 2022

Covenant Partners - June 30, 2022

AGE	Total: Beginning of the Month	New Covenant Partners	Dismissed Covenant Partners	Deceased Covenant Partners	Total: End of the Month	Percent of Total
18 & Under*	223	0	0	0	223	4%
19 to 35	1449	7	0	0	1456	29%
36 to 50	854	6	0	0	860	17%
51 to 65	1161	2	0	1	1162	23%
66 to 80	727	0	0	1	726	15%
81 & Over	398	1	0	1	398	8%
Unknown	138	1	0	0	139	3%
Total	4950	17	0	3	4964	100%

Baptized Members (Infant to 14) - June 30, 2022

According to ECO, a 'baptized member' has been baptized but has not yet made a public profession of faith in Christ, through, for example, our Confirmation experience (7th grade).

AGE	TOTAL 06/30/2022
Infants - 14	743

2021-2022 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

June 30, 2022

Session Meeting of August 22, 2022

NEW CONVENANT PARTNERS

Highland Park Presbyterian Church – June 26, 2022

Alsina, Jade	Mobley, Melissa
Butler, Brighton	Sutphin, Emily
Butler, Duncan	Sutphin, Kane
Canale, Steven	Taylor, Emily
Chasin, Nicole	Taylor, Ross
Gigliotti, C.J.	Williams, Ryan
Gigliotti, Haley	Winker, Glenda
Hensarling, Jeb	Winker, Kent
Hensarling, Melissa	

MILESTONES

Births

None

Infant Baptisms

Fraker, Maggie, child of Mr and Mrs. Kevin Fraker (Grace) on June 19, 2022
Johnston, Jordan, child of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Johnston (Melissa) on June 19, 2022
Katz, Carlyle, child of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Katz (Hadleigh) on June 19, 2022
Koons, Jeb, child of Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Koons (Kailey) on June 19, 2022
Koons, Kori, child of Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Koons (Kailey) on June 19, 2022
Larrabee, Thomas, child of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Larrabee (Emily Brown) on June 19, 2022
Meredith, Emma, child of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Meredith (Christie) on June 19, 2022
Near, William (Duke), child of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Near (Carolyn) on June 19, 2022
Smith, Murphy, child of Mr. and Mrs. Bragg Smith (Lindsay) on June 19, 2022
Voit, Kepler, child of Mr. Walter Voit and Mrs. Felicity Leney-Voit, June 19, 2022

Adult Baptisms

None

Weddings

Gatlin, Lauren to Harmon, Tyler on June 25, 2022
Green, Claire, to Anderson, Riley on June 11, 2022
Sears, Katie to Becker, Matt on June 18, 2022
Warren, Kelli to Harrison, Hall on June 22, 2022
Yuezhou, Sun to Lin, Chris on Saturday, June 4, 2022 (Mandarin Chinese Church)

Leading all generations to find and follow Jesus for the flourishing of our city and beyond

Deaths

Atkins, Bette on June 15, 2022

Bennett, Suzanne on June 23, 2022 (Grace Lake Highlands)

Bradley, Frank on June 2, 2022

DISMISSED COVENANT PARTNERS

None

2022 July Membership Report

July 1, 2022, through July 31, 2022

Session Meeting of August 22, 2022

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2021-2022 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

July 31, 2022

Session Meeting of August 22, 2022

NEW COVENANT PARTNERS

None

MILESTONES

Births

None

Infant Baptisms

Butler, Duncan IV child of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Butler (Brighton) on July 17, 2022

Livingston, Walker, child of Mr. and Mrs. Price Livingston (Katie) on July 17, 2022

Ott, Davis, child of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ott (Lauren) on July 17, 2022

Ott, Gibbs, child of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ott (Lauren) on July 17, 2022

Searcy, Benjamin, child of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Searcy (Megan) on July 17, 2022

Todd, Lottie, child of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Todd (Ashton) on July 17, 2022

Adult Baptisms

None

Weddings

Miller, Rachel to Walker, Alex on July 23, 2022

Deaths

Fullinwider, Jerry on July 21, 2022

Roever, Dick on July 10, 2022

Weatherford, Eric on July 5, 2022

Zimmerman, Barbara on July 5, 2022

DISMISSED COVENANT PARTNERS

None



Covenant Partner Vows

Highland Park Presbyterian - June 26, 2022

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Butler, Brighton
Butler, Duncan
Canale, Steven
Chasin, Nicole
Gigliotti, C.J.
Gigliotti, Haley
Hensarling, Jeb
Hensarling, Melissa
Mobley, Melissa
Sutphin, Emily
Sutphin, Kane
Taylor, Emily
Taylor, Ross
Williams, Ryan
Winker, Glenda
Winker, Kent

Proposed 2022-23 Governing Elder Committee Assignments

Audit

Becky Paterik – Moderator

[Ted Munselle, CPA]

ECO

Karen Konker

[John Walsh to assist as needed]

ONC

Vuong Dao – Moderator

Reid Slaughter

John Rain

Operations

Anne Compton – Moderator

Reid Slaughter

John Walsh

Justin Eastburn

Vision

Vic Bloede – Moderator

Jackie Burke

Dave Martin

Margaret Nderitu

Sharon Johnson

Alisa Sell

GCC

T. Hardie – Moderator

Jennifer Tollett

Karl Rathjen