

Westminster Presbyterian Church
Akron, Ohio
Wednesday June 13, 2017
Minutes of Special Session E-Meeting

The special E-meeting of the Session of Westminster Presbyterian Church was called to order by the Moderator, the Reverend Jon Hauerwas, by email to all Session members and the Clerk of Session at 4:10 a.m.

Elders (+ present, * excused, - absent)

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
+Kyle Vuchak	+Ellen Daugherty	+Harriet Chapman
+Todd Willis	+Nancy Keogh	+James Gray
(vacant)	+Sue Wallin	+Ed Labbe
(vacant)	+Gert Wilms	+Alec Works (Clerk of Session)

Also present by email: Pastor Jon Hauerwas, Moderator.

Opening

Pastor Jon opened the meeting by email.

Quorum

The presence of a quorum was confirmed and declared.

New Business

Pastor Jon reported that he was contacted by Loucile Powers via WPC member Ryan Adams. He spoke on the phone with Loucile (Amanda Lawhon's best friend) and later with Reverend Amy Starr Redwine regarding the recent, sudden, and tragic death of Amanda Lawhon. Billow Funeral Home is taking care of the arrangements for the service and will not have enough room for this service. Pastor Jon was asked if Westminster would consider hosting this service on Saturday, June 17. Given that Pastor Jon is currently out of state on vacation, the family reached out to Amy Starr-Redwine to see if she was willing to officiate, to which she agreed. Pastor Jon said that, with Session's approval, Amy has his permission and blessing to officiate at a service at Westminster. Since Jim Mismas is also currently on vacation, Pastor Jon offered to invite Dave Foerster to serve as the guest organist for this service.

2017-065 Motion prevailed to approve the funeral or memorial service for non-member Amanda Lawhon at Westminster on Saturday, June 17 at a time yet to be determined by the family with Reverend Amy Starr-Redwine officiating (Pastor Hauerwas is on vacation) and a guest organist to be determined (Jim Mismas is on vacation). Pastor Hauerwas will follow up with regular substitute Dave Foerster first. [Clerk's note: Dave subsequently agreed.]

The E-meeting was closed by Pastor Jon on June 13 at 1:08 p.m. The Clerk noted 8 Session members responded, all approving, with 1 more affirmative vote the next day.

Alec Works, Clerk of Session

Pastor Jon Hauerwas, Moderator