

MINUTES

APCE CORPORATION MEETING

February 5, 2021

The annual corporation meeting of the Association of Presbyterian Church Educators was called to order with prayer by President Julia Boyce at 4:32 p.m. EST, Friday, Feb. 5, 2021. The meeting was held by video conference call as part of the 2021 Annual Event (virtual). Julia shared brief reflections on the year past with APCE, highlighting our relationships and partnerships and focusing on the many changes that occurred during the year. She particularly noted the hiring of an Organizational Administrator and the significant changes in our business relationships. She mentioned the challenges ahead and asked us to focus on what gives APCE hope and courage—especially noting the “tide of creativity” that characterizes the association.

BUSINESS MEETING

The **minutes** of the 2021 corporation meeting were approved as previously distributed and available in the meeting documents. Mary Taneti presented the **financial report** for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2020. A graphic representation and chart were available for review. It was M/S/C to approve the report as presented.

Bylaws and Operational Guidelines: Susan Sharp Campbell presented a summary of proposed changes to both documents. A number of questions were raised and answered. It was M/S/C to receive and approve the Bylaws and Operational Guidelines changes as amended and presented by the Administrative Ministry team. It was also noted that the Administrative Ministry Team will be reviewing and renewing denominational covenant agreements and memoranda of understanding in the next few months.

Organizational Administrator Report: Gina Struensee brought greetings to the group and shared some highlights of her first year as APCE Organizational Administrator.

Diversity Task Force: Susan Young Thornton gave a report regarding progress made in this area. She noted that both a Justice and Equity Statement and an Operational Pledge had been adopted by Coordinating Council and added to our official documents. She reported that three topical workshops and a roundtable had been part of the Annual Event. She called attention to the eight training webinars from Crossroads Anti-Racism Training which Leadership Council members will be viewing and discussing in their teams this year. She encouraged all APCE members to use this valuable new resource available on the website.

Recognition of Outgoing Leadership Council Members/Officers: Carl Horton recognized by name and thanked all those whose time of service on Leadership Council has ended. Renda Brinson recognized and thanked outgoing past president Carl Horton by presenting him with the gift of a lovely birdbath. Carl shared his reflections and gratitude for APCE and encouraged new and old members to get involved.

Installation of Incoming Leadership Council Members/Officers: The questions for installation were posed to all those new to service on Leadership Council and then to incoming President Susan Sharp Campbell and President-elect Renda Brinson. The questions were answered in the affirmative and all involved were duly installed.

Susan Sharp Campbell shared her plans and hopes for the year ahead and noted the APCE motto/purpose: Growing in Faith Matters.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m. with prayer by Susan.

Laurie Farquharson, Secretary