

Proposed Changes to the Church Bylaws of the Congregation

The proposed changes made by Session to the Church Bylaws of the Congregation will be voted on by the congregation on February 23, 2020.

Motion:** Session reviewed the recommendations it made to Heritage Presbyterian Church Bylaws of the Congregation. It will strike Article 17 and add to Article 3 the following text – ***“As the people of God experience seasons of joy and grief, it is the duty of the Session to properly direct the care, which is received and given to those as have need. This shall occur by the Session appointing various persons and teams to be with the people of Heritage United Presbyterian Church in times of need.”

Motion: To approve the changes to the Church Bylaws of the Congregation.

Motion:** Heritage Presbyterian Church Bylaws of the Congregation will correct text in Article 3 to state that the Session shall ***“...consist of six (6) ruling elders...”

Motion: To approve the changes to the Church Bylaws of the Congregation.

Additional recommendations for changes to the bylaws that were made by Session:

Motion:** Article 3 will be further amended to read: ***“A quorum of Session for meetings shall be one-half (1/2) of the active ruling elders of the Session.” (Elder Jaime Griffin; 2nd Elder Peter Wildfong). The motion was approved unanimously by Session.

Motion: To approve the changes to the Church Bylaws of the Congregation.

Motion:** Heritage Presbyterian Church Bylaws of the Congregation will adopt a new Article 4 - Use of Electronic Media for Session Meetings to read: ***“In cases where ruling elders cannot be physically present, but can be present via electronic media, electronic media may be used, provided all ruling elders may hear one another and be heard. Those ruling elders present via electronic media shall have full voice and vote. The Session may adopt rules to further enhance communication ability and transparency.” (Elder Wendy Cibula; 2nd Elder Karen Cummins). The motion was approved unanimously by Session .

Motion: To approve the changes to the Church Bylaws of the Congregation.