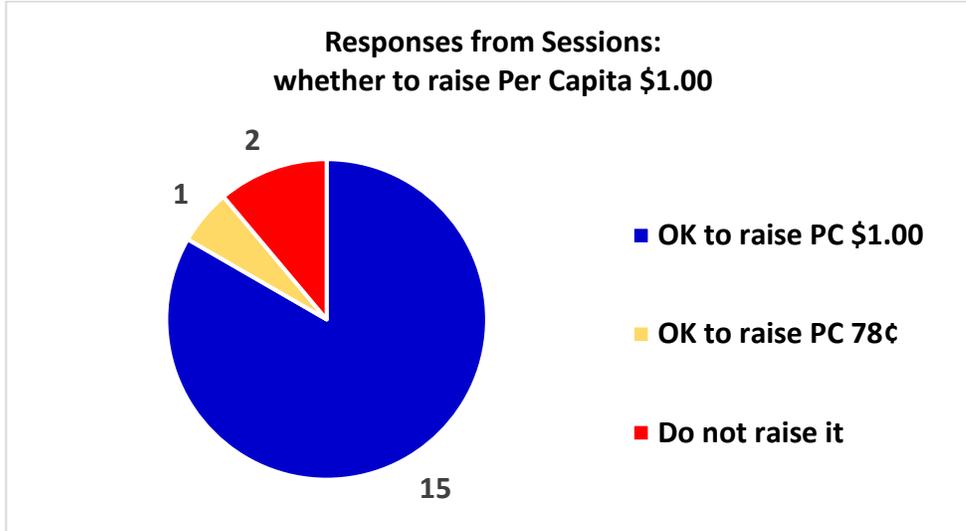


2021 Budget Narrative

INCOME

GRP sent out a request for feedback from churches on whether we should raise per capita \$1.00. The responses were as follows:



The total per capita for Presbytery, Synod, and GA in 2021 will be \$35.25.

1. Per Capita (PC)
 - a. Membership from stats: 10,255. Assume 85% covered by PC payments: 8,717.
 - b. Raising per capita for Presbytery by \$1.00 to \$22.46 yields a per capita income of: \$195,784.
2. Interest income
 - a. Our interest is derived from the CD's that we have and amounts to about \$2,800 annually. We will cash in our first CD at the end of October 2020, to supplement our checking account balance. The second CD will be cashed at the end of October 2021.
 - b. Interest for 2021 will be about \$1,200.
3. Mission income.
 - a. Mission income has been falling, similar to our per capita. In 2019 we fell short of \$69,000. 2020 year to date is lower than normal most likely due to the Covid situation. We budgeted \$65,000 for 2021.
4. Dividends and Unrealized gains – from our investment account.
 - a. 2020 has been a roller coaster ride for the markets. At one point our account was down to \$550k. It has rebounded and at the end of May, the account balance was \$657k. We have been transferring \$10k per month into our checking account to ensure adequate funds to do the work of the Presbytery. That has been terminated with the expected cashing in of our CD.
 - b. The Finance Committee felt we should budget between 3-4% of our account balance, so we settled on 3.5% for \$23,000.
5. Trust clause payments.
 - a. This is money currently being paid by Northminster Presbyterian Church for their succession from PCUSA. It runs out in 2023.

Expenses

1. Presbytery Expenses – down about \$6,000 from 2020.
 - a. Our move to FFC has reduced costs. Rent, utilities, and maintenance will be \$14,350.
 - b. Communications will remain about the same.
 - c. Costs for our service agreements have increased: budget \$7,200.
 - d. We left postage and office supplies at the same level of 2020.
 - e. We allotted a small amount for gifts and celebrations and earmarked \$500 for unanticipated equipment purchases.
 - f. Our depreciation was completed in 2020.
2. Meeting Expenses – down \$1,500 from 2020.
 - a. Committee chairs estimate that face to face meetings will resume in 2021, hence the need for mileage allowance.
 - b. While all committees have done an excellent job of reducing their food expense, we budgeted a small amount for celebratory lunches.
 - c. The remainder of this expense is for any miscellaneous items that might be needed.
3. Administration Expense – down about \$4,000 from 2020.
 - a. Overall Admin Expenses will be down about \$3,000. There will be no GA meeting in 2021.
 - b. We added a line item for “PGR training” for elders, deacons, leadership, Administrative Commissioners, etc. This line item was taken from the training line item in COM expenses where most of its usage was for the training described above.
4. Mission Programs – down \$6,000 from 2020.
 - a. The only change to Missions Programs was a reduction in Visioning’s Budget to make it 14% of total expenses, which was agreed to with Visioning.
5. Committee on Ministry (COM) and CPM – down \$2,000 from 2020
 - a. We moved the training line item as described above.
 - b. COM agreed to a \$500 cut in Miscellaneous spending.
6. Personnel – flat.
 - a. Workers Compensation is budgeted at \$800 to include a CLP Coordinator.
 - b. While there is little change in the total personnel budget, it includes a 2% increase for all staff. That increase was offset by the elimination of the \$3,000 allotted to the stated clerk for her planned attendance of GA and a correction to the Administrative Assistant’s Benefits, which had been over estimated before.
 - c. The CLP Coordinator is a salaried position. It currently is budgeted to pay \$7,500 per year with an annual mileage allowance of \$800.

Overall

Expenses exceed revenue by \$75,453. The actual impact on the cash flow to the checking account is -\$98,453, because we generally do not sell off our investments to realize the gains shown.