



PROVISIONAL MINUTES

Third Meeting of the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest
October 12-13, 2018

Centerville Presbyterian Church
4360 Central Avenue
Fremont, CA 94536
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Meeting Theme: *Seeking vitality in our churches in a challenging and diverse culture*

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2018

3-1 Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Moderator TE Rev. Rob Perkins called the third meeting of the Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest to order at 9:00 am and opened the meeting with prayer, with grateful thanks to God for the news of the release of EPC missionary Andrew Brunson early that morning.

3-2 Declaration of Quorum

Stated Clerk, RE Mark Eshoff, declared that a quorum was present as evidenced by the following record of attendance:

Attendance Report

Centerpoint Community Church – Roseville, CA

TE James Barstow	Present	Jennifer Harrington, Dale Lawrence
TE Nancy Duff	Present	
TE Bryan Yeo	Present	

Centerville Presbyterian Church – Fremont, CA

TE Greg Roth	Present	Jim Harrison, Marilyn Khalaji, Ned Rendell, Cordelia Shieh,
TE Marsha Roth	Present	Mon Teodora

Christ Church, Berkeley, CA

TE Bart Garrett	Excused	
TE Brian Kay	Unexcused	
TE Jonathan St. Clair	Present	
TE Patrick Vaughn	Excused	
TE Quinn Vaughn	Present	

Clayton Community Church – Clayton, CA

TE Shawn Robinson	Excused	
TE Ron Musch	Present	

Community Presbyterian Church – Danville, CA

TE Tyler Scott	Present	Kristen Anderson, Michelle Bleasdel, Cindy Comes, Ben
TE Cathy Burkholder	Present	Decker, Mike Miller, Alex Powers, Meghan Rossi,

TE Bill Haslim Excused Geoff LaTendresse
TE Heidi Johnson Present

Covenant Community Church – Vacaville, CA

TE Julia Leeth Present Rebecca Duvall

Covenant Presbyterian Church – Orange, CA

TE Dennis Tarr Present Stephen Morris

Covenant Presbyterian Church – Reno, NV

TE James (Jay) Hull Present Dianne Billharz, Bill Meyers, Chris Rhodes

Covenant Presbyterian Church – San Diego, CA

TE Patrick King Present

Easton Presbyterian Church – Fresno, CA

TE David Abdo Present

Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church – Fair Oaks, CA

TE Josh Hall Present David Schottky

TE Chris Eatough Present

TE Clifford Graves Present

First Armenian Church – Fresno, CA

TE Greg Haroutunian Excused

First Presbyterian Church – Bakersfield, CA

TE Jeff Chandler Excused Jim Conners, Robert Lerude

TE David Constance Present

TE Scott Dickson Present

First Presbyterian Church – Fresno, CA

TE Jeremy Vaccaro Present Touradj Etezadi, Scott Norvell, Charity Whitney

TE Lana Roberts Excused

TE Chris Popadich Present

First Presbyterian Church – Hanford, CA

TE Tony Winterowd Present

Fowler Presbyterian Church – Fowler, CA

TE Mark Almlie Present

Fremont Presbyterian Church – Sacramento, CA

TE David Burke Present Lynn Jordan, Vicki Meyer

TE David Pack Present

Heritage EPC – Santa Maria, CA

TE Dave Brogren Present

Hope Presbyterian Church – Folsom, CA

TE David Huusko Present Jim Wilkes

Kingman Presbyterian Church – Kingman, AZ

TE George Carey Present Joan Johns

Millbrook Presbyterian Church – Fresno, CA

TE Jerry Voss Excused

Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church – Moraga, CA

TE Rob Perkins Moderator Shannon Cereghino, Christine Deane, Dan Gannett,
TE David Ricketts Present Tom McIntosh, Lorna Skantze-Neill, Rich Wells, Peter Wright
TE Sam Fielder Present
TE Tommy Branagh Present

New Life Community Church – Covelo, CA

TE Penny Proschold Present Linda Marshall

Sanger Community Church – Sanger, CA

TE Paul Berquam Present Marty Carpenter

San Ramon Presbyterian Church – San Ramon, CA

TE Mark Wollan Present

Sierra Presbyterian Church – Nevada City, CA

TE Michael Griffin Present Renee Adams

St. John's Assyrian Presbyterian Church – Turlock, CA

TE Edward Eissabake Unexcused

The Table – San Francisco, CA (Mission Church)

TE Troy Wilson Present

Valley Community Church – San Jacinto, CA

TE Guy Boyer Excused

Woodlake Presbyterian Church – Woodlake, CA

TE Jonathan Dennis Present Clifford Ronk

OFFICERS OF THE PRESBYTERY

TE Rob Perkins, Moderator Present
RE Mark Eshoff, Stated Clerk Present
RE Connie Badgley, Treasurer Present

MILITARY CHAPLAINS ON ACTIVE DUTY

Chief Samuel Adamson Excused

INSTITUTIONAL CHAPLAINS

TE Karen Bolte Excused

EVANGELISTS

TE Jose Figueroa Present
TE Robin Kelley Present

SERVING OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARIES

TE Joe Cole Unexcused
TE Greg Ehlert Unexcused
TE David Flaig Unexcused
TE Samuel Kim Unexcused
TE Melaku Mekuria Unexcused
TE Mgrdich Melkonian Unexcused
TE Rick Nylund Unexcused

MEMBERS SERVING AS ADMINSTRATIVE MEMBERS

TE David Fenska	Present
TE Greg Livingstone	Unexcused

MEMBERS WITHOUT A CALL

TE Scott Downing	Unexcused
TE Jake McCall	Unexcused
TE Chaluay Ruangchan	Unexcused
TE Anthony (Tony) Stiff	Unexcused
TE Steve Tyra	Unexcused

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS – Outside Boundaries

TE Kurt Teng	Not Present
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ASSOCIATE MEMBERS – ACTIVE

TE Donald Baird	Present
TE Scott Farmer	Present

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS – Retired

TE Jerry Autry	Not Present
TE Robert (Bob) Badgley	Not Present
TE Ed Blake	Not Present
TE Kirk Bottomly	Not Present
TE Steve Frank	Not Present
TE Anton Hoffmann	Not Present
TE Linda Line	Not Present
TE Tom Naylor	Not Present
TE Ron Owens	Not Present
TE Richard Sanner	Not Present

GUESTS/OBSERVERS/CANDIDATES/MINISTERS TO BE EXAMINED

David Tyra	Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA
Royce Cano	Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
Janet Goodman	Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
Jim Hall	Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
Christy Lee	Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
Jack Lindley	Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
Irene Mena	Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
Norma Moore	Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
Polly Walker	Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
David Yim	Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
Dennis Yim	Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
Garry Zatarain	Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
Kathy Harrell	Clayton Community Church, Clayton, CA
Denell Hall	Covenant Presbyterian Church, Reno, NV
Jim Bright	Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA
Mavis Gonzales	Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA
Scott Larson	Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA
Diane Camp	Community Presbyterian Church, Danville, CA
Lee Camp	Community Presbyterian Church, Danville, CA
Ryan Suzuki	Community Presbyterian Church, Danville, CA
Juanita Owens	Easton Presbyterian Church, Fresno, CA
Linda Stout	Easton Presbyterian Church, Fresno, CA
Rufus Smith	Hope Presbyterian Church, Memphis, TN
Nita Carey	Kingman Presbyterian Church, Kingman, AZ
David Kim	Onhuri Church, Los Angeles, CA
Connie Badgley	Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest, Marina, CA
Cathy Cole	Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest, Sacramento, CA

Cheryl Eshoff	Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest, Sacramento, CA
Mark Eshoff	Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest, Sacramento, CA
Monty Carpenter	Sanger Community Church, Sanger, CA
Beth Griffin	Sierra Presbyterian Church, Nevada City, CA
Barry Campbell	The Table, San Francisco, CA
Mindy Fenska	World Outreach, San Diego, CA

NUMERICAL ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

	Present	Excused	Unexcused	Total/Parity
Teaching Elders (Full Members)	42	10	16	68
Teaching Elders (Associate - Active)	2			
Teaching Elders (Associate)	0			
Ruling Elders	42			
Officers of the Presbytery	3			
Commissioned Pastors	0			
Received Pending Dismissal	0			
Transitional Members	0			
Candidates/Guests/Observers	32			
TOTAL IN ATTENDANCE	121			
Associate & Retired Members (Not Present)		11		
Inactive Members (Not Present)		0		

Status Changes:

TE Samuel Adamson	from TE - Chaplain to Associate - Retired
TE Chaluay Ruangchan	from TE – Pastor Without Call to Associate - Retired

New to Rolls:

Scott Larson	TE - Pastor, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA
Katherine Harrell	Candidate Under Care, Clayton Community Church, Clayton, CA
David Kim	Candidate Under Care, Valley Community Church, San Jacinto, CA

3-3 Welcome

Rev. Greg Roth welcomed the Presbytery and gave a brief overview of the ministry of Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA. Stated Clerk Eshoff presented to Greg and his church an honorary Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest (EPCPOPS) carabiner, which represents the connected community of which they are a part.

3-4 Introduction of Guests

Moderator Perkins asked new commissioners and observers to stand and thanked them for their participation.

3-5 Morning Worship

The Youth Praise Team from Centerville Presbyterian Church led the Presbytery in worship. Rufus Smith, Pastor of Hope Church in Cordova, TN, prayed and preached a sermon based on Isaiah 40:28-31. Moderator Perkins then asked the Presbytery to pray around their tables using Isaiah 40:21-31 as their prayer guide.

3-6 Stated Clerk's Report

Stated Clerk Eshoff reviewed the attendance expectations and noted those teaching elders that were absent without excuse at the previous Presbytery meeting held on May 18-19, 2018. He also reviewed the voting guidelines for the Presbytery and noted the various informational handouts that were available at the meeting. He then reminded the Presbytery of the opportunity to support the Per Member Askings for both the Presbytery and the Office of the General Assembly. He also noted the priorities of the Presbytery for meetings: corporate worship, community building, resourcing and decision-making.

3-7 Approval of the Docket

Stated Clerk Eshoff presented the proposed docket to the Presbytery for approval.

Motion was sustained to adopt the docket.

3-8 Session Minutes Review Committee

Chairman RE Jim Conners opened in prayer and explained the process for reviewing the Session minutes of individual churches on an annual basis during the Presbytery Meeting. One third of the churches in the Presbytery are to submit their minutes each Presbytery Meeting, based on the schedule that Chairman Conners made available to the Presbytery. Moderator Perkins requested six commissioners (four RE's and 2 TE's) to volunteer to assist in the reviews. The required number of commissioners volunteered to review the minutes. Those commissioners were: TE Cathy Burkholder, Community Presbyterian Church, Danville, CA, TE Jonathan Dennis, Woodlake Presbyterian Church, Woodlake, CA, TE Penny Proschold, New Life Community Church, Covelo, CA, RE Janet Goodman, Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA, RE Stephen Morris, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA, and RE's Scott Norvell and RE Charity Whitney, First Presbyterian Church, Fresno, CA.

3-9 Q & A with Pastor Rufus Smith

Stated Clerk Eshoff moderated a question and answer session with Rev. Rufus Smith. The Presbytery was invited to ask questions about the state of the church in America, the particular challenges facing EPC churches and the need for many churches to become more diverse, given the changes in their local communities and our call to be a church of all tribes and nations (Revelation 7:9).

3-10 Nominating Committee Report

Chairman TE Dave Brogren opened in prayer and presented nominations for the Ministerial Committee (Class of 2021) and Care of Candidates Committee (Class of 2021).

Motion was sustained to approve TE Guy Boyer, Valley Community Church, San Jacinto, CA as a member of the Ministerial Committee (Class of 2021) and TE Julia Leeth, Covenant Community Church, Vacaville, CA and RE Bob Lerude, First Presbyterian Church, Bakersfield, CA as members of the Care of Candidates Committee (Class of 2021).

Chairman Brogren also introduced RE Jim Conners from First Presbyterian Church, Bakersfield, CA as the nominee for Moderator-elect for 2019. The Presbytery was given the opportunity to ask RE Conners questions, after which he left the meeting room during the Presbytery discussion and vote.

Motion was sustained to approve RE Jim Conners, First Presbyterian Church, Bakersfield, CA as Moderator-elect for 2019.

RE Connors was invited back into the room and was greeted with a standing ovation. Moderator Perkins led the Presbytery in prayer for RE Connors.

3-11 Treasurer Report

RE Connie Badgley, Treasurer, opened in prayer and presented the September financial statements for the Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest. The report was made available to the Presbytery.

3-12 General Assembly Report

RE Connie Badgley presented a brief report on the General Assembly in June, 2018 at Hope Church, Cordova, TN and the actions that the Assembly passed. She commented on the wonderful presentations that were made and the spirit of the gathering.

3-13 Ministry Update – San Ramon Presbyterian Church

TE Mark Wollan reported on the ministry of San Ramon Presbyterian Church in San Ramon, CA. He shared about the opportunities the church has had to reach out to their community and presented several prayer requests for the church. Moderator Perkins prayed for TE Wollan and the church, and presented an EPCOPS carabiner to TE Wollan and the church, which represents their part in the community of the Presbytery.

3-14 “The Vitalized Church” – A Focus on Church Revitalization

TE Mike Griffin, EPCOPS Church Revitalization Liaison, led a presentation of the need for revitalization for many churches in the denomination and in the Presbytery. He discussed the Roots of Revitalization and the Pathway to Revitalization that has been effective in many churches using the GO Team from the denomination. Following his presentation, TE Griffin moderated a panel discussion that featured churches in the Presbytery in various stages of the revitalization process. The Presbytery then divided into four geographic clusters to discuss how they could work together in helping to revitalize EPC churches in their geographic area. The groups also had the opportunity to follow up on the discussions begun at the May 2019 Presbytery meeting regarding networking together to plant churches. The geographic cluster groups then reported back to the full Presbytery.

3-15 Report of the Ministerial Committee

TE David Abdo, Chair, opened in prayer and introduced TE Scott Larson, who has been called as Pastor at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA. Scott has signed his Ministerial Obligation Form. His current Terms of Call have been reviewed and approved by the Ministerial Committee and he has been examined by the members of the Ministerial Committee. He was recommended to the floor of the Presbytery for approval.

Scott’s examination began with a sermon on Romans 5:12-17, which was a passage assigned by the Ministerial Committee. TE David Abdo prayed for Scott prior to his message. Following his sermon, the Presbytery examined him on his views on theology, sacraments, faith in Christ, his calling to the ministry, the nature of the office of a minister of the Word, polity, the Reformed tradition, the Bible, and his spiritual journey. Scott had two exceptions to the Westminster Standards.

Motion was sustained to end the examination.

Candidate Larson was dismissed from the room.

RE’s Jim Bright and Mavis Gonzales from Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA spoke on behalf of the Session and congregation in support of Scott.

Motion was sustained to approve TE Larson’s exceptions to the Westminster Confession.

Motion was sustained to receive TE Scott Larson into full membership in the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest and install him as Pastor at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA.

Motion was sustained to approve the Administrative Commission consisting of TE Guy Boyer, Valley Community Church, San Jacinto, CA, TE Dennis Tarr, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA, RE Mark Eshoff, Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA, and RE's Jim Bright, Stephen Morris and Lewis Pearmain from Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA, to install TE Scott Larson as Pastor at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA on November 11, 2018 at 11:00 am.

Scott was invited back into the room and was greeted with a standing ovation. TE David Abdo invited anyone wishing to lay hands on Scott in prayer to come forward. TE George Carey prayed for Scott.

3-16 Mission Committee Report

TE Greg Roth, Chair, presented an update on the activities of the Presbytery Mission Committee. He noted the exciting news of Andrew Brunson's release and presented several summer mission opportunities. He then introduced TE George Carey, Chair of the POPS Home Team, who outlined the process of selecting a people group to sponsor as part of the Engage 2025 effort of the denomination. RE Touradj Etezadi prayed for the ministry of the Mission Committee and the Home Team work.

3-17 Revelation 7:9 Commission Report

TE Jeremy Vaccaro introduced a video message from Beth Paz, member of the denomination's Revelation 7:9 Commission. Beth shared about the Commission's goal and the opportunity to provide input to their work.

3-18 Community of Churches – Covenant Presbyterian Church, San Diego, CA

TE Patrick King shared an update on the ministry of Covenant Presbyterian Church, San Diego, CA. He discussed the unique nature of the community in which they are located and the opportunities for ministry it provides. He shared several prayer requests. Moderator Perkins presented TE King with a POPS carabineer and prayed for him and the church.

3-19 Protecting Our Churches

RE David Tyra, attorney and Moderator of the EPC Permanent Judicial Commission, presented a recommended Policy on Harassment for EPCPOPS churches. The policy is important for churches to adopt in that it provides a process for addressing allegations and protects all parties involved when an allegation is made. RE Tyra entertained questions from the Presbytery on the issue. TE Jim Barstow, Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA recommended that a policy be prepared for the Presbytery as well.

3-20 Meeting Recess and Prayer

Moderator Perkins thanked the Presbytery for their attention and prayed for dinner. The meeting recessed at 5:15 pm.

A dinner featuring several international entrees was provided by Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA.

Worship Service

Rev. Greg Roth and worship leaders from Centerville Presbyterian Church led an evening worship service. The service also included the celebration of Communion and an offering for the *Chaplain's Travel Fund*.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2018

3-21 Meeting reconvenes

Moderator Perkins reconvened the meeting at 9:00 am and opened in prayer.

3-22 Declaration of a Quorum

Stated Clerk Eshoff declared a quorum.

3-23 Introduction of Additional Guests

Moderator Perkins asked for guests and new commissioners that weren't present on Friday to stand and be recognized.

3-24 Appreciations to the Host Church

Moderator Perkins expressed deep appreciation to the host church, Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA, TE Greg Roth and all the volunteers for their involvement and support. He praised the generosity of the Session and congregation for making it possible to have the meeting of the Presbytery there and thanked the volunteers for doing a wonderful job welcoming the Presbytery and hosting the meeting.

3-25 Morning Worship

The Worship Team from Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA led the Presbytery in a time of musical worship. TE Troy Wilson from The Table Church, San Francisco, CA prayed and preached a sermon on Ephesians 3:14-21. Moderator Perkins then asked the Presbytery to pray around their tables using Colossians 3:1-7, 12-17 as their prayer guide.

3-26 Report of the Session Review Committee

RE Jim Conners, Chair, opened in prayer and made several general suggestions that would improve the clarity and quality of Session minutes. He then reported that the following Session minutes were reviewed through December 2017, and were found to be in compliance:

Covenant Presbyterian Church – San Diego, CA
Easton Presbyterian Church - Fresno, CA
First Presbyterian Church – Bakersfield, CA
First Presbyterian Church – Hanford, CA
Heritage Evangelical Presbyterian Church – Santa Maria, CA
Kingman Presbyterian Church – Kingman, AZ
Valley Community Church – San Jacinto, CA
Woodlake Presbyterian Church – Woodlake, CA

Minutes due to be reviewed at the May 2018 Presbytery meeting from the following church were also reviewed and found to be in compliance:

Fowler Presbyterian Church, Fowler, CA

The following churches did not submit their minutes for review:

Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA
First Armenian Presbyterian Church, Fresno, CA
St. John's Assyrian Church, Turlock, CA

3-27 Ministerial Committee Report (continued) – The Table Church, San Francisco, CA
TE David Abdo, Chair, introduced TE Troy Wilson who gave an update on the progress of The Table Church, a mission church in the Presbytery in San Francisco, CA. The church is ready to be received as a local church in the Presbytery. Ruling elders from the church shared their enthusiasm and personal experience with the ministry of the The Table.

Motion was sustained to receive The Table, San Francisco, CA, currently a mission church, into the Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest as a local church.

Motion was sustained to approve the Administrative Commission consisting of TE Rob Perkins, Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church, Moraga, CA and RE's Bern Thompson and Cheryl Thompson from Community Presbyterian Church, Danville, CA, RE Rebecca Duvall from Covenant Community Church, Vacaville, CA, and RE Linda Marshall from New Life Community Church, Covelo, CA to examine the elders and install the Table Church as a local church in the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest on November 11, 2018 at 11:00 AM.

TE David Abdo offered prayer for the church and its ministry in San Francisco. Stated Clerk Eshoff presented an honorary EPCOPS carabiner to TE Wilson and the church, which represents their part of the community of the Presbytery.

3-28 Pacific Women's Link
RE Rebecca Duvall opened in prayer gave an update on the opportunity for women in the Presbytery churches to connect together through the Pacific Women's Link.

3-29 Review and Approval of 2019 POPS Budget
RE Connie Badgley, Treasurer, opened in prayer and presented the 2019 POPS Budget as recommended by the Presbytery Council.

Motion was sustained to approve the 2019 POPS Budget as presented.

3-30 Report of the Care of Candidates Committee
TE Jay Hull, Chair, opened in prayer and introduced Kathy Harrell, who was ready to come under the care of the Presbytery. Kathy is currently under care of the Session of Clayton Community Church, Clayton, CA. The Session has recommended her to the Presbytery as a Candidate Under Care.

Kathy briefly shared her spiritual journey, her sense of call and why she has chosen the EPC. The Presbytery then examined her on her Christian experience and growth, her motive for seeking ordination and her call to the Ministry.

Motion was sustained to end the examination

Following the examination, Kathy was dismissed from the room. TE Ron Musch spoke on behalf of the Session of Clayton Community Church and in support of Kathy's candidacy. Discussion ensued regarding the qualifications and expectations of candidates under care.

Motion was made to arrest the discussion (motion failed)

Motion was sustained to arrest the discussion.

Motion was sustained to split the motion previously presented in the agenda by the Care of Candidates Committee.

Motion was sustained to approve Kathy Harrell to come under care of the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest.

Motion was sustained to amend the remaining motion presented in the agenda by the Care of Candidates motion to approve TE Shawn Robinson as advisor to candidate Harrell.

Motion was sustained to approve TE Julia Leeth as advisor to Candidate Harrell.

The candidate was invited back to the room and received a standing ovation. The following Constitutional Questions were asked of and answered in the affirmative by the Candidate:

- As you understand God's working in your heart and life, do you continue to believe yourself called to the office of Teaching Elder?
- Do you now submit yourself to the care and supervision of this Presbytery as you prepare yourself for this office?
- Do you renew your commitment as a Christian, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, to live as becomes a follower of Jesus?

Moderator Perkins invited members of the Presbytery to come forward to pray for Kathy. RE Chris Rhodes led in prayer.

TE Jonathan Dennis gave a charge to Kathy from Galatians 3:20.

3-31 Care of Candidates Committee (continued)

TE Jay Hull, then introduced David Kim, who was ready to come under the care of the Presbytery. TE Hull prayed for him. David is currently under care of the Session of Valley Community Church, San Jacinto, CA. The Session has recommended him to the Presbytery as a Candidate Under Care.

David briefly shared his spiritual journey, his sense of call and why he has chosen the EPC. The Presbytery then examined him on his Christian experience and growth, his motive for seeking ordination and his call to the Ministry.

Motion was sustained to end the examination

Following the examination, David was dismissed from the room. TE David Brogren spoke in support of David's candidacy.

Motion was sustained to approve David Kim to come under care of the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest and approve TE Guy Boyer as advisor to Candidate Kim.

The candidate was invited back to the room and received a standing ovation.

The following Constitutional Questions were asked of and answered in the affirmative by the Candidate:

- As you understand God's working in your heart and life, do you continue to believe yourself called to the office of Teaching Elder?

- Do you now submit yourself to the care and supervision of this Presbytery as you prepare yourself for this office?
- Do you renew your commitment as a Christian, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, to live as becomes a follower of Jesus?

Moderator Perkins invited members of the Presbytery to come forward to pray for David. RE Chris Rhodes led in prayer.

TE Jonathan Dennis gave a charge to David from Deuteronomy 31:6.

3-32 Ministerial Committee Report (continued)

TE David Abdo, Chair, opened in prayer and gave an update on the status of Heritage EPC Church in Santa Maria, CA. He introduced TE David Brogren, Pastor of the church, who shared his plans to retire from ministry. The Ministerial Committee recommended that an Administrative Commission be formed to assess the viability of the church.

Motion was sustained to approve an Administrative Commission consisting of TE's Tony Winterowd, First Presbyterian Church, Hanford, CA and RE's Ken Moody, Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA, Jim Conners, First Presbyterian Church, Bakersfield, CA, Bern Thompson and Cheryl Thompson, Community Presbyterian Church, Danville, CA to assess the viability of Heritage Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Santa Maria, CA, and make recommendations on any needed actions to the Ministerial Committee and to the Presbytery.

Approval of Housing Allowance for TE Karen Bolte

TE Abdo then presented a motion from the Ministerial Committee to approve the housing allowance for TE Karen Bolte, who continues to serve as hospice chaplain in the role of Spiritual Care Bereavement Counselor in the Sacramento area. Her employer, a secular health care organization, declines to participate in any religious requirements for its spiritual staff, including the housing allowance. Therefore, according to the IRS regulations and tax consultants to the EPC, it is necessary that the Presbytery document her housing allowance. Rev. Bolte's Housing Allowance Expense Form is on file in the Stated Clerk's Office.

Motion was sustained to recognize that ordained TE Karen Bolte is serving as a hospice chaplain and therefore performing normal ministerial duties in her employment with Sutter Hospice Services. Her housing allowance projected for 2019 is \$64,860.

Motion was sustained to delegate the approval of future housing allowance amounts on behalf of the Presbytery for chaplains serving in secular institutions to the Pacific Southwest Ministerial Committee.

3-33 Omnibus/Consent Motion

These items were considered to be routine and were considered for action as one motion.

1. That the Minutes of the Second Stated Meeting of the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest, May 18-19, 2018 be approved as posted on the Presbytery website.
2. That the Administrative Commission to Ordain and Install Bryan Yeo as Associate Pastor of Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA be dismissed with appreciation for their service to the Presbytery, to the pastor and to the congregation. The commission's minutes are on file with the Stated Clerk.
3. That the call of TE Dennis Tarr as Assistant Pastor for Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA, be renewed for a term of 1 year.
4. That the call of TE Patrick Vaughn as Assistant Pastor for Christ Church East Bay, Berkeley, CA, be renewed for a term of 2 years.
5. That the call of TE Quinn Vaughn as Assistant Pastor for Christ Church East Bay, Berkeley, CA, be renewed for a term of 2 years.
6. To approve the retirement of Rev. Chaluy Ruangchan and the change in status from Pastor Without Call to Associate Member (Retired) effective June 1, 2018.
7. To approve the retirement of Chaplain Samuel Adamson and the change in status from Chaplain to Associate Member (Retired) effective October 31, 2018.

Motion was sustained to approve the Omnibus/Consent Motion

3-34 New Business

Important Upcoming Dates

Moderator Perkins reminded the Presbytery of the important upcoming dates:

November 10, 2018	Discovery Workshop Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA
January 25-26, 2019	Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest Meeting Easton Presbyterian Church, Fresno, CA
May 17-18, 2019	Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest Meeting First Presbyterian Church, Bakersfield, CA
June 19-23, 2019	EPC General Assembly Denver, CO
October 8-10, 2019	Pastor's Retreat at Mt. Hermon Conference Center Santa Cruz, CA
October 11-12, 2019	Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest Meeting Covenant Community Church, Vacaville, CA

Hosting Opportunities

Stated Clerk Eshoff reminded the Presbytery that opportunities are available to host the Presbytery at its meetings in 2020 and to contact him if you are interested in offering an invitation.

Opportunities are also available to host Discovery Workshops in 2019. The Presbytery was asked to contact the Stated Clerk if they would be willing to offer an invitation.

3-35

Meeting Evaluation

Stated Clerk Eshoff stated the value of commissioner input and will email an evaluation form to all registered commissioners.

3-36

Closing Prayer and Adjournment

Moderator Perkins adjourned the third meeting of the Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest in prayer at 12:15 pm.

TE Rob Perkins, Moderator

RE Mark Eshoff, Stated Clerk