



PROVISIONAL MINUTES

Fifteenth Meeting of the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest

October 21-22, 2022

Fremont Presbyterian Church

5770 Carlson Drive, Sacramento, CA 95819

916-452-7132

15-1 Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Moderator, TE Lana Roberts, called the fifteenth meeting of the Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest (POPS) to order at 9:05 am, opened the meeting with prayer and welcomed the members and commissioners.

15-2 Declaration of Quorum

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

TE MEMBERS

Centerpoint Community Church – Roseville, CA
TE Bryan Yeo Present

Centerville Presbyterian Church – Fremont, CA
TE Sam Knottnerus Present

Christ Church, Berkeley, CA
TE Jonathan St. Clair Present
TE Andrew Ong Excused

Christ Community Church – Carmichael, CA
Dustin DeVriend Present

Clayton Community Church – Clayton, CA
TE Shawn Robinson Excused
TE Ron Musch Excused

Community Presbyterian Church – Danville, CA
TE Tyler Scott Unexcused
TE Cathy Burkholder Excused
TE Bill Haslim Present
TE Ryan Suzuki Present

Covenant Community Church – Vacaville, CA
Vacant

Covenant Presbyterian Church – Orange, CA
TE Scott Larson Present

Covenant Presbyterian Church – Reno, NV
TE James (Jay) Hull Present

Covenant Presbyterian Church – San Diego, CA

RULING ELDER COMMISSIONERS

Daniel Lockett, Tom Pool, Kent MacDiarmid

Marilyn Khalaji, Norma Moore

Anne Marie Adams Wold, Bob Balzhiser, Ann Newton,
Mike Stodghill

Kolisa Larue, Pat Serpan, Rhea Serpan

Barbara Cantrell, Rebecca Duvall

Stephen Morris

Janet Goodman, Bill Myers, Christopher Rhodes

TE Patrick King	Excused	
TE Kennerly King	Unexcused	
Easton Presbyterian Church – Fresno, CA		
TE David Abdo	Present	
Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church – Fair Oaks, CA		
TE Clifford Graves	Present	Patsy Conner, Chris Larsen, Dory Snider
First Armenian Church – Fresno, CA		
TE Greg Haroutunian	Excused	
First Presbyterian Church – Bakersfield, CA		
TE Jeff Chandler	Excused	Jim Conners
TE David Constance	Excused	
TE Scott Dickson	Present	
First Presbyterian Church – Fresno, CA		
TE Jeremy Vaccaro	Present	Steven Skibbie
TE Meagan Bergem	Present	
First Presbyterian Church – Hanford, CA		
Vacant		
Fowler Presbyterian Church – Fowler, CA		
TE Erik Buhl	Present	
TE Paul Irwin	Excused	
Fremont Presbyterian Church – Sacramento, CA		
TE David Burke	Present	Bobby Cobbs, Lynn Jordan, Adele Ohs
TE David Pack	Present	
Heritage EPC – Santa Maria, CA		
TE Mark Wright	Present	
Hope Presbyterian Church – Folsom, CA		
TE David Huusko	Present	Mary Pipkin, Roger Newquist
Kingman Presbyterian Church – Kingman, AZ		
TE George Carey	Excused	
Millbrook Presbyterian Church – Fresno, CA		
Vacant		
Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church – Moraga, CA		
TE David Ricketts	Excused	Christine Deane
New Life Community Church – Covelo, CA		
Vacant		
Sanger Community Church – Sanger, CA		
Ralph “Joe” Mazzela	Present	Monty Carpenter
San Ramon Presbyterian Church – San Ramon, CA		
TE Mark Wollan	Present	
Sierra Presbyterian Church – Nevada City, CA		

TE Michael Griffin Present Mark Bauman
TE Greg Flagg Present

St. John's Assyrian Presbyterian Church – Turlock, CA
TE Edward Eissabake Present Sargon Eddy

The Table – San Francisco, CA
TE Troy Wilson Excused

Valley Community Church – San Jacinto, CA
TE Guy Boyer Excused

Wintersburg Presbyterian Church, Santa Ana, CA
TE Ryan Teramoto Excused

Woodlake Presbyterian Church – Woodlake, CA
Vacant

OFFICERS OF THE PRESBYTERY

TE Lana Roberts, Moderator Present
RE Mark Eshoff, Stated Clerk Present

PRESBYTERY COUNCIL

RE Connie Badgley Present
RE Carl Kuhn Present

MILITARY CHAPLAINS ON ACTIVE DUTY

None

INSTITUTIONAL CHAPLAINS

TE Karen Bolte Present
TE Marty Carpenter Present

EVANGELISTS

TE Scott Downing Excused
TE Jose Figueroa Unexcused

MISSIONARIES

TE Samuel Kim Excused

SERVING OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARIES

TE Joe Cole Unexcused
TE Greg Ehlert Excused
TE Melaku Mekuria Unexcused
TE Mgrdich Melkonian Unexcused
TE Rick Nylund Excused
TE Fred Tanizaki Unexcused
TE Tony Winterowd Excused

MEMBERS SERVING AS ADMINISTRATIVE MEMBERS

TE David Fenska Present

MEMBERS WITHOUT A CALL

TE Nancy Duff Present
TE Sam Fielder Unexcused
TE Josh Hall Unexcused

TE Rob Perkins	Present
TE Fred Tanizaki	Unexcused
TE Dennis Tarr	Unexcused
TE Steve Tyra	Unexcused
TE Patrick Vaughn	Excused
TE Quinn Vaughn	Excused
TE Jason Yum	Excused

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS – Outside Boundaries

TE Kurt Teng	Not Present
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ASSOCIATE MEMBERS – ACTIVE

TE Greg Alderman	Present
TE Donald Baird	Present
TE Paul Bergquam	Unexcused
TE Kirk Bottomly	Unexcused

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS – Retired

TE Samuel Adamson	Not Present
TE Jerry Autry	Not Present
TE Robert (Bob) Badgley	Not Present
TE Jim Barstow	Present
TE Ed Blake	Not Present
TE Scott Farmer	Not Present
TE Steve Frank	Not Present
TE Anton Hoffmann	Not Present
TE Heidi Johnson	Present
TE Robin Kelley	Not Present
TE Linda Line	Not Present
TE Greg Livingstone	Not Present
TE Tom Naylor	Not Present
TE Ron Owens	Not Present
TE Penny Proschold	Not Present
TE Greg Roth	Present
TE Marsha Roth	Not Present
TE Chaluay Ruangchan	Not Present
TE Richard Sanner	Not Present
TE Jerry Voss	Not Present

GUESTS/OBSERVERS/CANDIDATES/MINISTERS TO BE EXAMINED

Chuck Baker	Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA
Connie Baker	Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA
Cheryl Cobbs	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Cathy Cole	Presbytery of the Pacific SW, Sacramento, CA
Ann Davison	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Cheryl Eshoff	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Mindy Fenska	EPC World Outreach, San Diego, CA
Jim Fish	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Celestine Ford	Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA
Linda Hogg-Wood	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Gregg Holbrook	Community Presbyterian Church, Danville, CA
Fay Holland	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Denell Hull	Covenant Presbyterian Church, Reno, NV
Harriet Kuhn	Christ Community Church, Carmichael, CA
Rosemary Lukens	Moderator – EPC General Assembly, Gig Harbor, WA
Megan McCleary	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Matthew McCleary	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Greg McGinnis	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA

Nancy McGinnis	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Chuck Miller	Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA
Scott Nichols	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Dan Richter	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Michel Seeberger	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Cat Volmer	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Galen Wing	Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
Matthew Young	Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA

NUMERICAL ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

	Present	Excused	Unexcused	Total/Parity
Teaching Elders (Full Members)	28	22	13	63
Teaching Elders (Associate - Active)	2	0	2	
Teaching Elders (Associate-Retired)	3			
Ruling Elders	33			
Officers of the Presbytery	2			
Presbytery Council	2			
Commissioned Pastors	0			
Received Pending Dismissal	0			
Transitional Members	0			
Candidates/Guests/Observers	26			
TOTAL IN ATTENDANCE	96			
Associate & Retired Members (Not Present)	18			
Inactive Members (Not Present)	0			

15-3 Welcome

TE David Burke, Pastor of Fremont Presbyterian Church, welcomed the Presbytery and shared a brief update on the ministry of the church.

15-4 Introduction of Guests

Moderator Roberts welcomed all commissioners and guests, including RE Rosemary Lukens, GA Moderator. Personal introductions were given to those who were attending a Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest meeting for the first time.

15-5 Worship

Moderator Roberts led the Presbytery in a Call to Worship from Psalm 27. The Fremont Presbyterian Worship Team led the Presbytery in musical worship. The sermon was given by Eric Amundson, candidate for Transitional Pastor at New Hope Presbyterian Church, Kent, WA. He preached on John 10:22-30, a passage assigned to him by the Ministerial Committee.

15-6 Moderator's Time of Prayer

Moderator Roberts then led a time of prayer focused on 1 Thessalonians 4:13, 14, 18 and 1 Corinthians 15:54-58. The Presbytery's prayer was focused on the family of TE Garrett Brown from Fair Oaks Church, who had suddenly passed away just recently.

15-7 Stated Clerk's Report

Stated Clerk Eshoff reviewed the protocol for participation and voting for the meeting. He also noted attendance expectations and the voting guidelines for the Presbytery, those Teaching Elders that were absent without excuse at the previous Presbytery meeting held on January 21,

2022, a reminder about the importance of attendance at Presbytery meetings and Teaching Elder Annual Reports, as well as the 2022 Parity List, which was available for pickup.

15-8 Approval of the Docket

Stated Clerk Eshoff presented changes to the proposed docket and recommended the revised docket to the Presbytery for approval.

Motion was sustained to adopt the docket as modified.

15-9 Address from the General Assembly Moderator

GA Moderator, Rosemary Lukens addressed the Presbytery and shared her thoughts on Philippians 4:4-6 in light of the world we live in and the cultural context of the day. She reminded the Presbytery of the importance of dealing biblically with the anxiety in our world, and of participation in the Presbytery. She shared the state and mission of the denomination and the General Assembly leadership, and encouraged the Presbytery to pray for all of the above.

15-10 Interview with the GA Moderator

Stated Clerk Eshoff interviewed the Moderator Lukens, who shared about her family, her role in the denomination, and her assessment of the GA's Strategic Priorities. POPS Moderator Roberts prayed for Rosemary and the EPC.

15-11 Ministerial Committee Report

TE David Abdo, Chair of the Ministerial Committee, opened in prayer and acknowledged Eric Amundson, candidate for Transitional Pastor at New Hope Presbyterian Church, Kent, WA. Because he recently moved to Southern California, he was seeking to transfer his membership from the EPC Presbytery of the Alleghenies to the Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest, and be approved to work temporarily Outside the Bounds of the Presbytery in a Transitional Pastor role. He had been examined by the members of the Ministerial Committee and was recommended to the Presbytery for approval.

Eric's examination began with a sermon on a passage assigned by the Ministerial Committee. The Presbytery examined him on his views of theology and sacraments, his faith in Christ, his calling to the ministry and the nature of the office of a minister of the Word, polity, the Reformed tradition, the Bible, and his spiritual journey. Eric had one exception to the Westminster Standards.

Motion was sustained to arrest the examination.

TE Amundson was dismissed during the Presbytery discussion.

Letters from RE Ron Bengelink and Rob Saunders, Clerk of Session at New Hope Presbyterian Church were read in support of Eric.

Motion was sustained to approve the examination of TE Eric Amundson, including his exception to the Westminster Standards, and receive him into full membership in the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest.

Motion was sustained to approve the Outside the Bounds call of Eric Amundson as Transitional Pastor of New Hope Presbyterian Church, Kent, WA.

Eric was invited back into the main session and was greeted with a standing ovation.

15-12 Installation of TE Eric Amundson

The Presbytery installed Eric into the role of Transitional Pastor at New Hope Presbyterian Church, Kent WA at the request of RE Ron Bengelink, Moderator of the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest. Moderator Roberts asked Eric the constitutional questions for transferring pastors from the Book of Government 13-4 and 13-2B. These all being answered in the affirmative, prayer was then given for the pastor by TE David Abdo. TE Abdo then gave TE Amundson a charge from John 21:15-19. Stated Clerk Eshoff declared that he was duly and properly installed, in accord with the Word of God and the EPC form of government.

15-13 Session Minutes Review Committee

RE Janet Goodman, Chair of the Session Review Committee, opened in prayer, reported on the reviews from the May 2022 meeting, and updated the Presbytery on how to improve the effectiveness of Session Minutes. She also communicated the need for additional members of her standing committee for the current year.

Minutes were submitted from the following churches:

- Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA
- Covenant Presbyterian Church, San Diego, CA
- Easton Presbyterian Church, Easton, CA
- First Presbyterian Church, Bakersfield, CA
- First Presbyterian Church, Hanford, CA
- Heritage EPC, Santa Maria, CA
- Kingman Presbyterian Church, Kingman, AZ
- The Table, San Francisco, CA
- Valley Community Church, San Jacinto, CA
- Woodlake Presbyterian Church, Woodlake, CA
- Wintersburg Presbyterian Church, Santa Ana, CA

The following members and commissioners volunteered to serve on the Minutes Review Committee:

- TE Ryan Teramoto, Wintersburg Presbyterian Church, Santa Ana, CA
- TE Marty Carpenter, Chaplain, Sanger, CA
- TE Greg Roth, retired
- TE David Burke, Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
- RE Debra Revious, First Presbyterian Church, Hanford, CA
- RE Patti Howard, Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA
- RE Christine Deane, Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church, Moraga, CA
- RE Marilyn Khalaji, Centerville Presbyterian Church, Fremont, CA
- RE Christopher Rhodes, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Reno, NV
- RE Kristin Selby, Christ Community Church, Carmichael, CA
- RE Janet Goodman, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Reno, NV

RE Goodman closed her report in prayer.

15-14 Treasurer's Report

RE Connie Badgley, Treasurer, opened in prayer and gave the financial report, which included the 2022 year-to-date POPS Financials and Askings Report. She focused on the importance of Per Member Askings for the Presbytery and the denomination, as well as the Presbytery's designated funds, including the Pastors Care and Support Fund, which was the recipient of the offering at the worship service in the evening.

15-15 Mission Committee Report

TE Dave Fenska and Mindy Fenska, EPC World Outreach Liaisons, and TE Sam Knottnerus opened in prayer and updated the Presbytery on the activities of the Mission Committee. They shared about the strategic opportunities that are available to POPS churches to support the outreach to the Pashtuns, the POPS E2025 sponsored people group. Moderator Roberts prayed for the work of the committee.

15-16 Pacific Women's Link

RE Rebecca Duvall opened in prayer and shared an update on the recent Pacific Women's Link meeting and the opportunity that ministry provides for women in the POPS churches to connect and be filled.

15-16 Ministry Update – First Presbyterian Church, Fresno, CA

TE Jeremy Vaccaro opened in prayer and shared an update on the history and ministry of First Presbyterian Church in Fresno, CA. He shared both the joys of ministry and the challenges he and the church have experienced recently, encouraged the pastors to be aware of the need for self-care and to take advantage of counseling resources. Moderator Roberts presented Jeremy with an honorary carabineer to signify the church's connection to the Presbytery and TE Erik Buhl prayed for Jeremy and the ministry of the church.

15-17 Care of Candidates Committee Report

Examination of Ryan Balbi

TE Jay Hull, Chair of the Care of Candidates Committee, opened in prayer and introduced Ryan Balbi, who was ready to come under the care of the Presbytery. Ryan was currently the Interim Teaching Pastor at Christ Community Church, Carmichael, CA and was under the care of the Session of the church, who recommended him to the Presbytery as a Candidate Under Care. The candidate briefly shared his spiritual journey, his sense of call, and why he had chosen the EPC. The Presbytery then examined him on his Christian experience and growth, his motive for seeking ordination in the EPC, and his call to the ministry.

Motion was sustained to arrest the examination.

The candidate was dismissed to a soundproof breakout room. TE Dustin DeVriend from Christ Community Church spoke on behalf of the Session in support of Ryan.

Motion was sustained to approve Ryan Balbi to come under care of the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest and approve TE Bryan Yeo as advisor to Candidate Balbi.

The candidate was invited back into the room and was greeted with a standing ovation. Moderator Roberts asked the candidate the constitutional questions, to which the candidate responded affirmatively, and declared that the candidate was added to the Candidate's Roll. RE

Bob Balzhiser from Christ Community Church prayed for the candidate and TE Greg Alderman gave the candidate a charge.

15-18 Ministerial Committee Report (continued)

Examination of TE Matt Young

TE Abdo opened in prayer and introduced Matt Young, who had been called as Assistant Pastor of Outreach at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA. He was seeking to transfer his membership from the EPC Presbytery of the West to the Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest. His Terms of Call had been reviewed and approved by the Ministerial Committee. He had been examined by the members of the Ministerial Committee and was recommended to the Presbytery for approval.

Matt's examination began with a sermon on 1 Peter 2:9-11, a passage assigned by the Ministerial Committee. The Presbytery then examined him on his views of theology and sacraments, his faith in Christ, his calling to the ministry and the nature of the office of a minister of the Word, polity, the Reformed tradition, the Bible, and his spiritual journey, as well as his one exception to the Westminster Standards.

Motion was sustained to arrest the examination.

Matt was dismissed during the Presbytery discussion. RE Stephen Morris and TE Scott Larson from Covenant Presbyterian Church spoke on Matt's behalf.

Motion was sustained to approve the examination of Matt Young, including his exception to the Westminster Standards, and receive him into full membership in the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest.

Motion was sustained to approve the Administrative Commission of TE's Patrick King from Covenant Presbyterian Church, San Diego, CA and Ryan Teramoto from Wintersburg Presbyterian Church, Santa Ana, CA, and RE's Shawn Smith and Catherine Gudvangen from Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA and Bob Parrish and Rick Priebisius from Covenant Presbyterian Church, San Diego, CA to install Matt Young as Assistant Pastor of Outreach at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA on November 13, 2022 at 5:30 pm for a term of one year.

Matt was invited back into the main session and was greeted with a standing ovation. TE Scott Larson prayed for Matt.

15-19 Church Health Report

TE Mike Griffin, POPS Church Health Coordinator, gave an update on the need for Church Health coaches in the various regions of the Presbytery and reminded the Presbytery of the resources that are available for churches through his position.

15-20 GA National Leadership Team Report

GA Stated Clerk, Dean Weaver, greeted the Presbytery and gave a report on the GA Strategic Priorities via video. TE Meagan Bergem prayed for Dean, the ministry of the General Assembly, and the EPC denomination.

15-21 Nominating Committee Report

RE Bill Myers, Nominating Committee Chair, introduced nominees for POPS Moderator and several POPS committee positions.

Motion was sustained to approve TE Lana Roberts as Moderator of the Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest for 2023.

Motion was sustained to approve nominees for the following committees: TE Jason Yum for Care of Candidates (Class of 2024), TE Bryan Yeo, Centerpoint PC, Roseville, CA for Care of Candidates (Class of 2025), RE Marty Brown, Hope PC, Folsom, CA for Care of Candidates (Class of 2025), RE Stephen Morris, Covenant PC, Orange, CA for Mission Committee (Class of 2025), TE Meagan Bergem, FPC, Fresno, CA for Nominating Committee (Class of 2023), and RE Janet Goodman, Covenant PC Reno, NV for Session Review Committee (Class of 2025).

Motion was sustained to approve RE Christine Deane from Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church, Moraga, CA as Chair of the POPS Nominating Committee and member of the POPS Council.

15-21 Ascending Overture from Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA

In May 2022, the Session of Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA presented an overture for endorsement by our Presbytery to potentially be forwarded to the 43rd General Assembly in June 2023. The overture was made available to the Presbytery at the May 2022 POPS meeting for reading only and was to be considered at this meeting. Input on the motion had been received from Bob Garment, EPC Chief Parliamentarian. Concern was expressed that the input from the parliamentarian needed some clarification.

Motion was sustained to postpone the action to endorse the Overture from Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange CA regarding changing the wording in the Westminster Confession, Chapter 29 - The Lord's Supper to the January 2023 POPS Meeting.

15-22 Retirement Recognition – TE Heidi Johnson

Heidi Johnson was ordained as a teaching elder and installed as Associate Pastor for Care at Community Presbyterian Church, Danville, CA in November 2013. She was previously a member of Centerpoint Community Church in Roseville, CA, where the Session wholeheartedly recommended her for the Gospel ministry. Her gifts of leadership, compassion and care, coupled with her doctrinally sound, clear and practical counsel have been a blessing to all with whom she has ministered.

RE Callisa Larue shared about the impact of Heidi's ministry at CPC, Danville and Heidi shared briefly about the new season in her life. Stated Clerk Eshoff presented her with a gift of recognition for her many years serving Christ and His church and TE Ryan Suzuki prayed for her.

Motion was sustained to approve the change in status of TE Heidi Johnson from Associate Pastor for Care at Community Presbyterian Church, Danville, CA to Associate-Retired, effective September 1, 2022, with great appreciation for her service to the church and to the Presbytery.

15-23 Meeting Recess

The meeting was recessed until the following morning at 9:00 am. Dinner was served by the volunteers and staff of Fremont Presbyterian Church. Following the dinner, the Presbytery joined in worship led by TE David Burke and members of the Fremont Music Ministry. An offering was received for the Pastors' Care and Support Fund and Communion was served.

15-24 Call to Order and Opening Prayer

TE Lana Roberts, Moderator, reconvened the meeting at 9:05 am on Saturday, October 22, 2022, and opened in prayer.

15-25 Appreciations to the Host Church

Moderator Roberts expressed deep appreciation to the host church, Fremont Presbyterian Church, TE David Burke, TE Dave Pack, and all the volunteers for their hospitality and support.

15-26 Worship

Moderator Roberts led the Presbytery in a Call to Worship and the Fremont Presbyterian Worship Band led the Presbytery in musical worship. The sermon was given by Matthew McCleary, candidate for Assistant Pastor for Congregational Life at Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA. He preached on Luke 15:8-10, a passage assigned to him by the Ministerial Committee.

15-27 Moderator's Time of Prayer

Moderator Roberts then led a time of prayer around the tables focused on Psalm 25 and Psalm 108.

15-28 Ministerial Committee Report (continued) - Examination of Matthew McCleary

TE Abdo opened in prayer and acknowledged Matthew McCleary, who had been called as Assistant Pastor for Congregational Life at Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA and was seeking ordination in the EPC. He had signed his Ministerial Obligation Form and Ethical Affirmations Form and he will attend an upcoming Discovery Workshop. He had been examined by the members of the Ministerial Committee, and his Terms of Call had been reviewed and approved by the Committee. He was recommended to the Presbytery for approval.

Matthew's examination began with a sermon on a passage assigned by the Ministerial Committee. The Presbytery then examined him on his knowledge of theology and sacraments, his faith in Christ, his calling to the ministry and the nature of the office of a minister of the Word, polity, the Reformed tradition, the Bible, and his spiritual journey. He had no exceptions to the Westminster Standards.

Motion was sustained to arrest the examination.

Matthew was dismissed during the Presbytery discussion. RE Nancy McGinnis and TE Dave Pack from Fremont Presbyterian Church spoke on Matthew's behalf.

Motion was sustained to approve the examination of Matthew McCleary and receive him into full membership in the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest.

Motion was sustained to approve the Administrative Commission consisting of TE's David Burke and Dave Pack from Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA and RE's Marty Brown from Hope Presbyterian Church, Folsom, CA and Ann Davison, Mark Eshoff, and Shawn Moore from Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA to ordain and install Matthew McCleary as Assistant Pastor for Congregational Life at Fremont Presbyterian Church for a term of 3 years on November 27, 2022 at 2:00 pm.

Matthew was invited back into the main session and was greeted with a standing ovation. TE David Burke prayed for Matthew.

15-29 Ministry Update – St. John's Assyrian Presbyterian Church, Turlock, CA

TE Edward Eissabake opened in prayer and shared an update on the history and ministry of St. John's Assyrian Presbyterian Church in Turlock, CA. He shared both the joys of ministry and the challenges he and the church have experienced recently. Moderator Roberts presented Edward with an honorary carabineer to signify the church's connection to the Presbytery and RE Jim Conners prayed for Edward and the ministry of the church.

15-30 Ministerial Committee Report (continued) – Changes in Status

TE Bryan Yeo

TE Bryan Yeo had been called as Pastor of Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA. Because he was currently serving there as Associate Pastor of Adult Ministries and Mission, the Session of the church voted to affirm his call by a vote greater than 75%. He had been interviewed by the Ministerial Committee, his terms of call had been approved by the Committee, and he received the required 75% vote from the Committee. Because this was a call within the Presbytery, no formal examination was required, however, Bryan was available to respond to questions from the floor of the Presbytery. RE's Ann Janzen and Tom Pool from Centerpoint Community Church spoke on Bryan's behalf.

Motion was sustained to approve the call of TE Bryan Yeo as Pastor of Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA.

Motion was sustained to approve the Administrative Commission consisting of TE's Jim Barstow from Centerpoint Community Church and Greg Flagg from Sierra Presbyterian Church, Nevada City, CA, and RE's Jennifer Harrington, Ann Janzen, Tom Pool, David Tyra, and Sharon Wurst from Centerpoint Community Church, and RE Mark Eshoff from Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA to install Bryan Yeo as Pastor of Centerpoint Community Church on October 30, 2022 at 4:00 pm.

15-31 TE Nancy Duff

TE Nancy Duff had been called as Pastor of Covenant Community Church, Vacaville, CA. She had been interviewed by the Ministerial Committee and her terms of call were approved by the Committee. Because this was a call within the Presbytery, no formal examination was required, however, Nancy was available to respond to questions from the floor of the Presbytery. RE Rebecca Duvall spoke on Nancy's behalf.

Motion was sustained to approve the call of TE Nancy Duff as Pastor of Covenant Community Church, Vacaville, CA.

Motion was sustained to approve the Administrative Commission of TE's Shawn Robinson from Clayton Community Church, Clayton, CA and Rob Perkins, and RE's Jason Marcus from Covenant Community Church, Vacaville, CA, Mark Eshoff from Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA, Rhea Serpan from Community Presbyterian Church, Danville, CA and Mary Kay Dyer from Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA to install Nancy Duff as Pastor of Covenant Community Church on November 6, 2022 at 9:30 am.

15-32 TE Greg Flagg

TE Greg Flagg had been called as Associate Pastor of Discipleship and Caring Ministries for Sierra Presbyterian Church, Nevada City, CA. Because he was currently serving there as Assistant Pastor of Discipleship, the Session of the church voted to affirm his call by a vote greater than 75%. He had been interviewed by the Ministerial Committee, his terms of call were approved by the Committee, and he received the required 75% vote from the Committee. Because this was a call within the Presbytery, no formal examination was required.

Motion was sustained to approve the call of TE Greg Flagg as Associate Pastor of Discipleship and Caring Ministries at Sierra Presbyterian Church, Nevada City, CA.

Motion was sustained to approve the Administrative Commission of TE's Mike Griffin from Sierra Presbyterian Church, Nevada City, CA and David Burke from Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA and RE's Mark Bauman, Melisa Agness and Jeff Patton from Sierra Presbyterian Church, and Dave Witte from Fremont Presbyterian Church, to install Greg Flagg as Associate Pastor of Discipleship and Caring Ministries at Sierra Presbyterian Church on December 4, 2022 at 6:00 pm.

15-33 TE Josh Hall

TE Josh Hall from Fair Oaks Church had been hired to serve in a new position outside of the Church. Both Josh and the Session of the church have requested that the Presbytery amicably dissolve the pastoral relationship between the two. The congregation voted on the matter soon after the Presbytery meeting.

Motion was sustained to approve the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between TE Josh Hall and Fair Oaks Church, Fair Oaks, CA effective September 30, 2022, contingent upon the approval of the congregation of Fair Oaks Church.

15-34 TE Samuel Kim

TE Samuel Kim has moved to the Seattle area to pursue planting a new church.

Motion was sustained to approve the transfer of TE Samuel Kim (Evangelist) to the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest effective October 22, 2022.

15-34 Retirement Recognition – TE Jim Barstow

Soon after becoming a Christian, Jim Barstow began his involvement in ministry, first volunteering in his home church, Trinity United Presbyterian Church in Santa Ana, California, Jr. High ministry program and then becoming its director until he graduated from college in 1980. He then began the M.Div program at Fuller Theological Seminary. During that time, he served as the College Ministries Director at Glendale Presbyterian Church. In 1982, he transferred to Princeton Theological Seminary and finished his M.Div in 1984. After graduation he was called to be the Sr. Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Palmdale, CA and served there for 14½ years. In 1999, he accepted the call to First Presbyterian Church of Roseville, now Centerpoint Community Church, and served there until this past August. He completed his D.Min. at Fuller and was an adjunct professor for Fuller's Sacramento Campus for 10 years until its closure in 2016.

In the 23 years he has served as Centerpoint's Senior Pastor, the church grew and expanded its ministries to include 4 worship services in 2 different venues, a staff of 25 full and part time people, dynamically expanded its children and student ministries as well as involvement in and support of local and global missions, and produced 7 pastors and ordained Chaplains. The church left the PCUSA in 2008 when it joyfully joined the EPC.

A letter sharing the impact of Jim's ministry at Centerpoint from RE Jennifer Harrington was read and RE Tom Pool also shared his appreciation for Jim. Stated Clerk Eshoff presented him with a gift of recognition for his many years of service to Christ and His church and RE Chuck Miller prayed for him in his new season.

Motion was sustained to approve the change of status of TE Jim Barstow from Pastor of Centerpoint Community Church, Roseville, CA to Associate-Retired, effective August 15, 2022, with great appreciation for his service to the church and to the Presbytery.

15-35 Omnibus/Consent Motion

Moderator Roberts presented the Omnibus/Consent motion.

1. That the Minutes of the Fourteenth Stated Meeting of the EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest, May 12-13, 2022 be approved as posted (these minutes are available on the website).
2. That the Administrative Commission to install Kennerly King as Assistant Pastor of Spiritual Formation for Covenant Presbyterian Church, San Diego, 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 Administrative Commission to install Christ Community Church, Carmichael, CA, and Greg Alderman as Pastor, and Dustin DeVriend as Associate Pastor for Administration be dismissed with appreciation for their service to the Presbytery, to the pastors, and to the congregation. The commission's minutes are on file with the Stated Clerk.
4. That the Administrative Commission to install Garrett Brown as Associate Pastor of Administration at Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church, Fair Oaks, CA be

dismissed with appreciation for their service to the Presbytery, to the pastor, and to the congregation.

5. To accept the report of the Ministerial Committee to extend the call of TE Cliff Graves as Associate Pastor of Congregational Care at Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church through June 30, 2023.
6. To accept the report of the POPS Council to disburse funds from the Pastor's Care and Support Fund to cover the medical benefits for Susan Brown (TE Garrett Brown's souse) for six months.

Motion was sustained to approve the Omnibus/Consent Motion.

15-36 Important Upcoming Dates

Moderator Roberts noted the following upcoming dates:

January 27-28, 2023	Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest Meeting (#16) Covenant Presbyterian Church, Orange, CA
May 19-20, 2023	Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest Meeting (#17) Location pending in the Fresno area
June 20-23, 2023	EPC General Assembly Cherry Hills Community Church, Highlands Ranch, CO
October 10-12, 2023	POPS Pastor's Retreat Location TBA
October 13-14, 2023	Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest Meeting (#18) Covenant Community Church, Vacaville, CA

Moderator Roberts also noted that opportunity is available to host the Presbytery at its future meetings and Discovery workshops as well. She recommended that churches contact the Stated Clerk if are interested in offering an invitation.

15-37 Adjournment and Closing Prayer

Motion was sustained to adjourn the meeting.

Moderator Roberts closed the fifteenth meeting of the Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest at 12:05 pm by leading the Presbytery in the Doxology.

EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest
Income and Expenses (as of September 30, 2022)



	<u>Y-T-D Actual</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>Total Y-T-D</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
INCOME					
POP Church Support	\$81,374.15	\$9,965.70	\$91,339.85	\$147,000.00	(\$55,660.15)
Other Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Income	\$81,374.15	\$9,965.70	\$91,339.85	\$147,000.00	(\$55,660.15)
EXPENSES					
Care of Candidates Committee					
Chairman Salary	\$3,333.36	\$416.67	\$3,750.03	\$5,000	\$1,249.97
Travel-Chairman	\$1,082.02	\$0.00	\$1,082.02	\$1,200	\$117.98
Travel-Committee	\$1,252.23	\$0.00	\$1,252.23	\$1,000	(\$252.23)
Candidate Subsidy	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$1,000	\$800.00
Total Care of Candidates Expenses	\$5,667.61	\$416.67	\$6,284.28	\$8,200	\$1,915.72
Church Planting Network					
Focal Stipend	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000	\$1,000.00
Assessments	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200	\$200.00
Total Church Planting Network Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200	\$1,200.00
Church Revitalization					
Focal - Stipend	\$499.98	\$0.00	\$499.98	\$1,000	\$500.02
Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600	\$600.00
Total Church Revitalization Expenses	\$499.98	\$0.00	\$499.98	\$1,600	\$1,100.02

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Ministerial Committee

Chairman Salary	\$20,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$22,500.00	\$30,000	\$7,500.00
Travel-Chairman	\$5,814.44	\$0.00	\$5,814.44	\$5,000	(\$814.44)
Travel-Committee	\$421.87	\$0.00	\$421.87	\$500	\$78.13
Total Ministerial Committee Expenses	\$26,236.31	\$2,500.00	\$28,736.31	\$35,500	\$6,763.69

Mission Committee

Program	\$2,811.03	\$1,312.50	\$4,123.53	\$7,000	\$4,375.00
Travel- Chair/Committee	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500	\$500.00
Total Mission Expenses	\$2,811.03	\$1,312.50	\$4,123.53	\$7,500.00	\$4,875.00

Moderator

Other Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300	\$300.00
Stipend	\$1,333.36	\$166.67	\$1,500.03	\$2,000	\$499.97
Travel	\$706.14	\$0.00	\$706.14	\$5,000	\$4,293.86
Total Moderator Expenses	\$2,039.50	\$166.67	\$2,206.17	\$7,300	\$5,093.83

Other Expenses

Leadership Training/Discovery Workshop	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500	\$500.00
Nominating Committee/Chair Travel	\$318.28	\$0.00	\$318.28	\$500	\$181.72
Session Minutes Review Committee	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500	\$500.00
Pastors' Retreat Subsidy	\$0.00	\$326.95	\$326.95	\$2,300	\$1,973.05
Total Other Expenses	\$318.28	\$326.95	\$645.23	\$3,800	\$3,154.77

Presbytery Expenses

Meals and Expense Subsidy	\$4,915.89	\$0.00	\$4,915.89	\$7,500	\$2,584.11
Resource/Teaching Honorariums	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000	\$3,000.00
Total Presbytery Meeting Expenses	\$4,915.89	\$0.00	\$4,915.89	\$10,500	\$5,584.11

EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest
Income and Expenses (as of September 30, 2022)

Stated Clerk's Office Expenses

Administrator's Salary	\$6,666.64	\$833.33	\$7,499.97	\$10,000	\$2,500.03
Clerk's Salary	\$24,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$27,000.00	\$36,000	\$9,000.00
Communications	\$504.14	\$225.00	\$729.14	\$900	\$170.86
Conference Service	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous Supplies	\$1,206.87	\$14.99	\$1,221.86	\$700	-\$521.86
TE Background Checks	\$199.00	\$0.00	\$199.00	\$300	\$101.00
Website and Computer Support	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200	\$200.00
Travel- Clerk and Assistant	\$4,742.22	\$0.00	\$4,742.22	\$9,500	\$4,757.78
Commissions/Other Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Total Stated Clerk's Office	\$37,318.87	\$4,073.32	\$41,392.19	\$57,800	\$16,407.81

Treasurer's Expenses

Review of Financial Records	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500	\$0.00
Office Supplies	\$361.24	\$0.00	\$361.24	\$500	\$138.76
Officers and Directors Insurance	\$2,148.00	\$0.00	\$2,148.00	\$2,200	\$52.00
Professional Support	\$560.00	\$160.00	\$720.00	\$900	\$180.00
Stipend Salary	\$2,333.36	\$291.67	\$2,625.03	\$3,500	\$874.97
Travel	\$1,367.24	\$0.00	\$1,367.24	\$1,500	\$132.76
Payroll Expenses	\$2,996.25	\$398.44	\$3,394.69	\$4,500	\$1,105.31
Total Treasurer's Expenses	\$10,266.09	\$850.11	\$11,116.20	\$13,600	\$2,483.80

Total All Expenses	\$90,073.56	\$9,646.22	\$99,919.78	\$147,000.00	\$48,578.75
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Net Income/(Loss)	(\$8,699.41)	\$319.48	(\$8,579.93)	\$0.00	(\$8,579.93)
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**EPC Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest
Fund Summary (as of September 30, 2022)**



Description	Prior Month Balance	Current Month Inflow	Current Month Outflow	Month-End Balance
Assets				
Cash	\$124,520.95	\$15,735.70	\$10,466.22	\$129,790.43
Other Assets	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Assets	\$124,520.95	\$15,735.70	\$10,466.22	\$129,790.43 Checkbook Balance
DESIGNATED FUNDS				
Chaplain's Travel Fund	\$1,310.01	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,310.01
Church Health Stipend	500.00	1,500.00	500.00	1,500.00
Church Health Support	2,500.00	1,500.00	-	4,000.00
Disaster Relief Fund	-	-	-	-
Educational Assistance Fund	2,842.00	-	-	2,842.00
New Church Development	2,053.00	-	-	2,053.00
Pastor's Care & Support	10,011.52	-	-	10,011.52
Pastor's Retreat	1,186.44	2,660.00	320.00	3,526.44
Women's Ministries	3,627.49	10.00	-	3,637.49
WO Engage 2025	14,196.46	100.00	-	14,296.46
Total Designated Funds	\$38,226.92	\$5,770.00	\$820.00	\$43,176.92
Reserve/Undesignated	\$95,193.44	-	-	\$95,193.44
Current Income (Loss)	(\$8,899.41)	\$9,965.70	\$9,646.22	(\$8,579.93)
Total Bank Balance	\$124,520.95	\$15,735.70	\$10,466.22	\$129,790.43

**Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest
Per Member Askings 2022**

Church	Members 2020	Requested PMA	Actual Giving	% of Total
Centerpoint	947	\$14,205	\$11,835	83%
Centerville	343	5,145	4,030	78%
Christ Community Church	1000 (est.)	15,000		
Christ Church East Bay	207	3,105		
Clayton Community	148	2,220		
CPC Danville	1614	24,210	19,584	81%
Covenant Pres Orange	320	4,800	1,725	36%
Covenant Pres Reno	185	2,775	2,606	94%
Covenant Pres San Diego	112	1,680	1,249	74%
Covenant Community Vacaville	211	3,165		
Easton	197	2,955	295	10%
Fair Oaks Pres	984	14,760	5,200	35%
First Armenian	178	2,670	2,225	83%
First Pres Bakersfield	575	8,625	5,063	59%
First Pres Fresno	599	8,985	8,775	98%
First Pres Hanford	102	1,530	1,210	79%
Fowler	165	2,475		
**Fremont	939	14,085	10,000	71%
Heritage	36	540	357	66%
Hope	110	1,650	1,864	113%
Kingman	129	1,935	1,260	65%
Millbrook	31	465		
Moraga Valley	763	11,445	6,191	54%
New Life, Covelo	19	285	345	121%
San Ramon	212	3,180	2,280	72%
Sanger	94	1,410	1,200	85%
Sierra	300	4,500	2,250	50%
St. John's Assyrian	182	2,730		
The Table	40	600	600	100%
Valley Community	50	750	500	67%
Wintersburg	379	5,684		
Woodlake	90	1,350	1,350	100%
Total	10,261	\$168,914	\$91,993	54%

**Presbytery Office

RE Lana Roberts, Moderator

RE Mark Eshoff, Stated Clerk