

**MINUTES OF A STATED MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF NEVADA**  
**March 12 – 13, 2019**

Preceding the stated meeting of the Presbytery of Nevada there were committee meetings; an orientation for first time Ministers and Elder Commissioners conducted by Elder Ray Bledsoe; Elder Art Ritter presented an overview of the Amendments to be voted on and, Elder Linda Rauenbuehler, Older Adult Ministry Chair, Green Valley Church, was available for consultation and general information.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Spring Meeting of the Presbytery of Nevada was called to order at 1:00 pm by Moderator, Elder, Lynne Zenier, on Tuesday, March 12, 2019, at Westminster Church, Las Vegas, Nevada. Present were Rev. B. E. Lockett, Jr., HR, State Clerk Pro-Temp and Journal Clerk, Elder Diane Chambers, recording.

**OPENING PRAYER** was offered by Rev. David Dendy, MountainView Church, Las Vegas, NV. The Thai-Laotian Church Praise Team led by Elder Kevin Inthaly and Rev. David Dendy led us in a joyful time of worship and praise.

<b>ROLL CALL</b>	<b>MINISTERS</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER</b>
Bishop, Valley	Vacant	Leigh Shambo
Elko, First	Rev. Tom Holslag	Susie Jones
Gardnerville, Christ	Pastor Carl Dahlen, CLP	Excused
Hawthorne, Community		Joe Commerford
Henderson		
Henderson	Rev. Lee Styer	Gilbert Tam Karen Fallon
Green Valley	Rev. Adrian Doll	Cynthia Dakkus Connie Mullick Bernadette O'Neill Bill Ruby
S. Lake Tahoe, Community		Lynn Barnett John Harbison
Lamoille, Community	Vacant	Excused
Las Vegas:		
First Taiwanese LV	Rev. Paul Chen	Louisa Kuo
Grace	Rev. Jim Houston-Hencken Rev. Dana Pope	Delois Basnett Marcia Evans Scott Plummer
First Filipino Am	Rev. Mariano Ordonez	Teresa Mateo Marilou Keller

Stated Meeting of Nevada Presbytery March 12-13, 2019  
Westminster Church, Las Vegas, Nevada

First Korean	Vacant	KiSang Jang
First Thai Laotian	Rev.PrachuabDechawan	Tamsiri Thaworn
Mountain View	Rev. David Dendy	Bonnie Moore Isaac Singleton Karen Stokes Claire Stryker
Westminster	Pastor David Rhee, CRE	Melva O'Neill
Lee Vining, CA		
Community	Rev. Rebecca Watkins	Paula Forsberg
Reno, St. John's		Ron Scovill Anne Sigurdson
Sparks, Reno Korean	Excused	Excused
Sparks, Spanish Springs	Rev. Pat Mecham	Elaine Noble
Truckee, CA		
Lutheran Presbyterian	Rev. Jeanie Shaw Rev. Joanie Tankersley	Jane Landstrom
Virginia City, First	Rev. Sue Taylor	Dianne Murray Lou Murray
Wells	Excused	Excused

**NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENTS**

Valley, Mesquite Vacant

**Other Ministers Present** – Reverends: Judith Donaldson; Ross Doyel, HR; Al Fry, HR; Kenneth Harper, HR; Bruce Kochsmeier, Adolph Kunen; Ed Lockett, Jr., HR; Hilda Pecoraro, Christy Ramsey, Moderator of Valley, Bishop; William Stryker, HR; Vernon Towne, HR; Scott Trevithick.

**Ministers Excused** – Reverends: William Baltz, HR; Bob Crall, Jim Clark, HR; Ken Eimer; Douglas Gregg, HR; Ed Hilton; Capt. Mitchell Holley; Richard Hutchison, HR; Jim Juhan, HR; Rev. Bob Kelley; Jackie Leonard; Milt Nolan, Kyong David Pak; Robert Stover, HR; Dory Thompson, HR; James Young.

**Ministers Absent** – Reverends: Barbara York

**Other Commissioned Lay Pastors Present** – Antonio Zambrano & Evangelina Zambrano, Westminster, Las Vegas; Gary Koon, Grace; Elaine York, St. John's, Reno.

**CLP's Excused** – Linda Young, Community, Hawthorne

**Other Elders on Roll:** Delois Basnett, Moderator of Equipping; Ray Bledsoe, Moderator of Trustees; Rosebud Cruzado, Trustees; Vern Manke, Director of Finance; Denis Pecoraro, Trustees; Lynne Zenier, Moderator

**Corresponding Members** - In accordance with the Presbytery Manual of Operations, Presbytery **VOTED** to **ENROLL** the following individuals as Corresponding Members:

Rev. Alex Aron – Riverside Presbytery, Rev. Helen Hutchison – N. Kansas Presbytery,  
Rev. Shin Hwang – Hamni Presbytery, Rev. Jeanie Shaw – Sacramento Presbytery and  
Rev. Joe Fontana – Coastal Carolina Presbytery.

**Others to be enrolled:** Elder Bedford Holmes – Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center;  
Ryan McKenzie – Truckee Lutheran Church, Under Care and Elder Renee Kelly, Coordinator for  
Youth Missions, Green Valley Church

**Guests** - Gloria Dechawan,; Cindy Tsai, Taiwanese Church, Las Vegas, Joseph Tsai, Taiwanese Church, Las Vegas, NV; Margaret Towne; Tony Zenier, Grace Church, Las Vegas, NV.

Attendance Totals:

Ministers	27
Corresponding Members	5
Elder Commissioners	32
CLP's	4
Other Elders	7
Under Care	1
Guests	6
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>81</b>

**QUORUM** -After consultation with the Stated Clerk, the Moderator declared a **QUORUM** G-3.0300 - 12 Ministers and 12 Elders)

**Welcome and Orientation Host** –Pastor David Rhee, Westminster Church, NV

#### **DOCKET AGENDA**

Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the proposed Docket with addition of a joint report from COM and Mission Outreach Committees.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the Consent Agenda with Clerk's Report, date correction noted and Financial Statements.

#### **CLERK'S REPORT SPRING 2019 PRESBYTERY, Westminster Church, Las Vegas, Nevada (beginning with the end of the 2018 Fall Presbytery Meeting)**

ORDINATIONS                      NONE  
CHARTERED                        NONE  
INSTALLATIONS                    NONE

ENROLLMENTS                      Rev. Kate Freeman, Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian  
Elder Elaine York, St. John's Church, Reno

DISMISSALS                        NONE

REMOVED	NONE
RELEASED	NONE
VALIDATED MINISTRY	Rev. Kate Freeman, Truckee Lutheran
RETIRED	NONE
INACTIVE	NONE
LABOR IN BOUNDS	Rev. Dr. Helen Hutchison, January 6, 2019, St. John's Church, Reno Rev. Sin H. Hwang, September 30, 2019, First Korean, Las Vegas
LABOR OUT OF BOUNDS	NONE
OTHER (NCD)	
CLP Commissioning	Elder Elaine York, December, 16, 2018, St. John's Church, Reno
ENTERING CLP Program	Elder Glen Smith, Community, S. Lake Tahoe Elder Garth Butz, Community, S. Lake Tahoe Elder Brandolyn Thran, First, Elko
MINISTER AT LARGE	Rev. Dr. James Young, March 16, 2019
CANDIDATE UNDER CARE	Ryan McKenzie, Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian

**COUNCIL EMAIL VOTES:**

October 5, 2018 Council **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the Fall presbytery minutes, as edited.

November 2018, Council **VOTED** to **APPROVE** \$15,000 to the Sacramento Presbytery to assist churches and individuals to rebuild their lives from the Camp Fires

***End of Clerk's Report***

**RECORDS REVIEW (required once annually) – Elder Ray Bledsoe Assistant Records Review Clerk** conducted the review for the Southern Churches, on Monday, March 11, 2019, at Westminster Church. The following churches were reviewed:

First Filipino American Church, Henderson  
First Thai Laotian, (nested at) Grace, Las Vegas  
Grace Church, Las Vegas.  
Green Valley Church, Henderson  
Henderson Church, Henderson  
Mountain View Church, Las Vegas  
Westminster Church, Las Vegas  
Valley Church, Bishop, CA

Statistical Report Training was held immediately following the review and all churches participated.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. **NOMINATING**, reported by Rev. David Dendy, Chair

The committee is working on the 2019- 2020 Slate of Officer and committee members. Please contact the committee if you are interested in serving. [Attachment A is current a list of Presbytery Committees 2019].

2. **PERSONNEL**, reported by Rev. B.E.Luckett, Jr. HR, Chair.  
Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** a new title for the Stated Clerk; "Stated Clerk/Executive Presbyter
3. **SYNOD OF PACIFIC COMMISSIONERS REPORT** given by Elder Art Ritter. **Attachment B** the full report.
4. **MISSION OUTREACH**, reported by Rev. Jim Houston-Hencken, Chair. See **Attachment C** for the full report.
  - a. Presbytery **VOTED to APPROVE** the following recommendation made by the committee:  
Annual budgets for the Mission Outreach Committee will be given to this committee in the form of a block grant with discretion to be decided by a majority vote of the committee. The distribution approved by the committee shall be confirmed by an annual vote of the Presbytery or Council.

**PRESBYTERY PASTOR REPORT**, reported by Rev. Hilda Pecoraro

Hilda updated presbytery on members unable to be present. She also gave an update on the Lake Tahoe Community Church and the Community Church of Wells. Hilda encouraged the Presbytery to remember and pray for these special people. She also reminded the Presbytery that she is available to pastors as needed for support, encouragement and prayer. Hilda is working on scheduling visits with churches in the northern part of our Presbytery that will take place during May-July

Elder John Harbison, South Lake Tahoe Community Church, brought greetings from Community, S. Lake Tahoe Church and reported that after their church's devastating fire, Hilda spent a full weekend meeting with each committee individually. All the church's ministries are continuing, not even slowed down. The whole community has opened their doors. Hilda's dedication and skills were beyond belief have helped immensely. A personal "Thank You" Hilda.

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUED:**

5. **COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY & PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY (COM/CPM)** - Pastor Carl Dahlen, CPL, Chair:

The committee recommended approval of the following **actions**

- a. ~~To~~ approve Pastor James Dick to offer both communion and baptism at Valley Church (NCD) in Mesquite.
- b. To approve Rev. Jackie Leonard as part-time Stated Supply at St. John's for 2019 with compensation of \$8,443;
- c. ~~To~~ approve Rev. Bob Stover, as part-time Stated Supply at St. John's for 2019 with no change in compensation.
- d. To approve reinstatement of Susan Montoya Sledge, Under Care with Nevada Presbytery for the purpose of transferring her membership Under Care to Mission Presbytery in Texas.
- e. To approve the validation of Rev. Scott Trevithick's call to serve as Pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Reno.
- f. To approve Rev. Bruce Kochsmeier the status of Honorably Retired, effective July 14, 2019.
- g. To approve renewal of the following commissions for three years: Pastor David Rhee, Westminster Church, LV; Pastor Gary Koon, Grace Church, LV and Pastor. Antonio & Evangelina Zambrano, Westminster Church, LV

Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the recommendations from the committee

- h. The Chair introduced Rev. Alex Aaron to presbyters. COM recommended Rev. Aaron to become a Member at Large. Rev. Aaron presented his faith journey (See **Attachment D**) and informed presbyters he is available for pulpit supply and open to a call. Presbyters examined this candidate to their satisfaction.

Presbyters **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the recommendation of the committee.

**Annual Terms of Call** - The Chair presented the Terms of Call for presbyters to review and invited questions. There being none, he recommended approval from the committee **.Attachment E**

Presbyters **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the recommendation from the committee

The Committee recommended approval of the following **calls**:

**Rev. Dr. Helen Hutchison**

The Chair introduced Rev. Hutchison, St. John's Church, Reno and asked her to present her faith statement [See **Attachment F**]. Presbyters were invited to examine this candidate after which the candidate was asked to leave the room.

Presbyters **VOTED** to **APPROVE** Rev. Dr. Hutchison with the following Terms of Call:

Terms of Call:

Effective Salary	
Cash Salary:	\$49,500
Housing or Manse	\$38,000
Automobile Allowance	\$ 2,100
Expense Allowance	\$ 2,400
Study Leave	<u>\$ 2,000</u>
	□ Sub-total: \$87,500
Other Expenses	
SECA	\$ 7,248
Pension & Medical Dues	\$31,938
Dental/Life	<u>\$ 1,908</u>
	TOTAL \$135,094

Note: Study leave: 2 weeks per year, Vacation Leave: 4 weeks per year.

**Rev. Shin H Hwang**

The Chair introduced Rev. Shin H Hwang – First Korean Church, LV and asked him to present his faith statement [See **Attachment G**]. Presbytery were invited to examine Rev. Hwang after which he was asked to leave the room.

Presbyters **VOTED** to **APPROVE** Rev. Hwang's Terms of all:

- Rev. Hwang continues his Stated Supply ministry for one (1) year,
- \$7,600 allocation be established to provide a pension fund, and,
- he be accepted for membership into the Presbytery of Nevada.

CANCELLED Sexual Misconduct Training, will be rescheduled in the South.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Designation of the Worship Offering.** Elder Vern Manke, Director of Finance announced the designation of Lee Vining Church for renovations to their 45-year-old social hall.

**CLOSING REFLECTIONS AND DINNER BLESSING** -Rev. Rebecca Watkins, Community Church, Lee Vining, CA.

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## **WORSHIP AND COMMUNION SERVICE**

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Kenneth Harper, HR

“Decently and In Order?”

Scriptures: Acts 15:6-21

Communion: The Reverend Dr. Kenneth Harper, HR and Pastor David Rhee, Westminster Church, Las Vegas presiding

Assisted by: Elder Delois Basnett, Rev. Lee Styer, Elder Melva O’Neill and Pastor Antonio Zambrano, CLP

Moderator’s Reception, Texas Casino

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## **NEVADA PRESBYTERY STATED MEETING**

**March 13, 2019**

**Westminster Presbyterian Church, Las Vegas, NV**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Elder Lynne Zenier, Moderator, 8:50a.m.

**MORNING WORSHIP AND PRAYER** by Rev. Sue Taylor, First Church, Virginia City, NV. Members of the Jubilee Singers from Grace Church led us in praise and singing. Led by, Ruthie Stull and Susie Oquist.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUE**

- 6. COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION** - Rev. Pat Mecham, Chair. There was no report, but the Chair introduced Elder Connie Mulick, Green Valley Church, Henderson, as the new committee chair.

7. **TRUSTEES** - Elders Ray Bledsoe, Chair and Vern Manke, Director of Finance reported.
- a. Offering received at last evening's worship service for Lee Vining's restoration project was \$2,125.
  - b. The change to using of block grants for consolidation of certain committee fund activities was explained.
  - c. Presbytery **APPROVED** revisions to the Manual of Operations Policy No.5 "Reimbursement for Presbytery Meetings, Committee and Commissions" See **Attachment H**. Work is continuing on this policy and further refinements will be proposed at the next Presbytery meeting.
  - d. A new tax law change requires staff to pay taxes on reserved parking privileges. The best thing for churches to do is remove reserved parking signs.
  - e. Presbytery **APPROVED** receiving the 2019 budget presented. See **Attachment I**

**RECORDS REVIEW** – Ray Bledsoe, Assistant to the Clerk for Records Review brought to the attention of presbyters that the Clerks of Sessions records reviews this year revealed very few exceptions to the 41 record items required.

**BREAK then Committee Reports continued...**

**SOCIAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE** - Elder Elaine Nobel, member

One Great Hour of Sharing; Tread Lightly for Lent, a hunger fund; Hunger Action Congregations, Earth Care Congregations, Presbyterians for Earth Care; Earth Day; Creation Justice Ministry. Youth especially were encouraged to apply thru Equipping for attendance at the Earth Care conference being held this summer

Update on social justice issues. In June 2018 Council appointed a task force to explore a Committee on Social Justice issues. Rev. Rebecca Watkins Community Church, Lee Vining, CA will be the incoming Chair and expects to deliver the committee recommendations to Council this summer

**EQUIPPING** reported by Elder Delois Basnett, Chair, and Elder Renee Kelly. See **Attachment J** for the complete report.

- a. Leadership, orientation, training and scholarship funds are available.
- b. Elder Renee Kelly, Coordinator for Youth Missions and Triennium Coordinator, Green Valley, Las Vegas, gave an enthusiastic report of the upcoming Purdue, Indiana Triennium to be held this year. Currently 14 youth and 2 advisors are going. \$10,500 from Presbytery has been budgeted. The balance of Triennium costs is paid by the participants and their home churches.
- c. Equipping will host a luncheon for pastors in the south on March 28 at Grace in Las Vegas and for pastors in the north on May 4 at Spanish Springs in Sparks.
- d. **APPROVED** the annual budget for the Equipping Committee will be given to this committee in the form of a block grant with discretion to be decided by a majority vote of the committee. The distribution approved by the committee shall be confirmed by an annual vote of the Presbytery or Council.
- e. The Outline of Procedures for "Sponsored Mission Trips" was presented and adopted. (See **Attachment K**). This policy was the result of a joint meeting of Missions and Equipment. This procedure will be made available to the churches. See Committee Report, **Attachment L**, for details.



**GENERAL ASSEMBLY 223 AMENDMENTS** - Elder Delois Basnett, Chair of Equipping

The Chair began by requesting the Moderator explain the voting procedure and entertaining any motions regarding the vote. Paper ballots were passed out and Presbyters and for the purposes of the vote only, the room was divided according to voting eligibility. Presbyters were given an opportunity to discuss any amendments they wished as each was presented. The vote was taken, and the following Tellers retired to count the votes: Elders DeLois Basnett, Vern Manke, Art Ritter, Bedford Holmes and Diane Chambers.

18-A.	Election of Ruling Elders and Deacons On Amending G-2.0401	<b>57 Yes 2 No 0 Abstain</b>
18-B.	Renunciation of Jurisdiction	
	18-B.1. On Amending G-2.0509	<b>53 Yes 5No 1 Abstain</b>
	18-B.2. On Amending D-10.0401d	<b>53 Yes 5No 1 Abstain</b>
18.C.	Officers – On Amending G-3.0104	<b>53 Yes 5 No 0 Abstain</b>
18.D.	Membership of Presbytery – On Amending G-3.0306	<b>50 Yes 6 No 0 Abstain</b>
18-E.	Pastor, Counselor, and Advisor On Amending G-3.0307	<b>59 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain</b>
18-F.	Welcoming to the Table – On Amending W-4.0202	<b>56 Yes 3 No 0 Abstain</b>
18-G.	Disciplinary Offense – On Amending D-2.0203b	<b>55 Yes 3 No 1 Abstain</b>
18-H.	Time Limit	
	18-H.1. On AmendingD.-10.0401b	<b>54 Yes 4 No 1 Abstain</b>
	18-H.2. On Amending D-10.0401c(1)	<b>59 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain</b>

The voting results were presented to the Moderator and the Clerk Pro-Temp. The Moderator published the results to the body.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. **Sexual Misconduct Training materials** - Notice and background check information are available from Nevada Presbytery Stated Clerk's office.
2. **New Moderators Training** – TBD, Louisville, KY
3. **Mid-Council Leaders Gathering (formerly Fall Polity)** – October 18-19, 2019 at the Renaissance Baltimore Harbor Place Hotel in Baltimore, MD
4. **Summer Council and Trustee Meetings** – June 8, 2019 via ZOOM and in person at Spanish Springs Church, Sparks, NV
5. **Fall Stated Nevada Presbytery Meeting** – September 8-11, 2019 at Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center
6. **Spring Stated Nevada Presbytery Meeting** – March 8-11, 2020 at Green Valley Church, Henderson, NV
7. The **Lake Tahoe Church's annual conference** was cancelled due to the fire.

**CLOSING REFLECTIONS AND PRAYER** - Rev. Pat Mecham, Spanish Springs Church, Sparks, NV

**ADJOURNMENT.** Presbytery **APPROVED** the **MOTION TO ADJOURN** at 12:02pm.

**RESOLUTION OF THANKS** by the (somber) Rev. Jim Houston-Hencken

Respectfully submitted by



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Diane Chambers, Journal Clerk



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Joan Jeffers, Stated Clerk

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B. E. Lockett, Jr., Clerk Pro-Tem

**ATTACHMENTS**

- A – Presbytery Committees 2019
- B - Synod Report to Presbytery
- C - Mission Outreach Report
- D - Statement of Faith – Rev.Alex Aaron
- E - Terms of Call-Active Clergy Report 2019
- F - Statement of Faith – Rev.Dr.Helen Hutchison
- G - Statement of Faith – Rev.ShinHwak Hwang
- H - Policy No. 5 Reimbursement for Presbytery Meetings, Committees & Commissions
- I – 2019 Budget
- J - Equipping Report
- K – Sponsored Mission Trips Policy
- L - Joint Meeting of Missions and Equippingt

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**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY & PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY**

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	<b>Alternates</b>				
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	<b>YAAD 223rd GA 2018</b>				
	Emily Fonder	Student	First, Elko		
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## Synod Report to Presbytery ATTACHMENT B

8-9 March 2019

**Big changes in the Synod staff!** The top four officers of the Synod's staff have all changed. Don't worry, the other four (who do most of the direct-contact with and work for the presbyteries remain – with all of their corporate knowledge.

In or soon after the Synod's last meeting at the Mercy Center in October (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) last year:

- The Synod Assembly enthusiastically elected its new Synod Executive, **MWS Nancy Martin Vincent**, who will begin February 1, 2019. Nancy replaces our friend, **Ruling Elder Jane Odell** who is completing seven years' service to the Synod as Transitional Executive, saying that the Synod is the "best" and that presbyteries send their most qualified people.
- **MWS Kathy Runyeon** was elected as our permanent-position Synod Stated Clerk and has, as of Jan 1, moved up to half-time. **Kathy**, you see, replaced her "Interim" self, having been elected as our interim Stated clerk following the passing of **MSW John Kelso** who had served with Jane as Transitional Stated Clerk while we all waited out the GA's flirting with major changes among the composition of synods (which were finally out-voted – twice in a row – by the presbyteries.)
- **Ani Lelea**, who, by the time of our meeting had been in the hospital for 2 weeks with an infection of unknown origin, announced her retirement as our Treasurer effective the end of 2018. Ani had served the Synod for over 50 years in various capacities, but has apparently declined my urgings for another wonderful 50!
- Filling a needed personnel spot as Ani's Treasurer duties are re-distributed among the staff, is **Daniele Williams** whose title will be Investment/Loan Coordinator – a direct-contact spot for presbyteries, so we will get to know her pretty well!
- And finally, the new Synod Director of Business Services is **Gerry Gitchell** who began in May, 2018, first as an interim and now in a "permanent" position. **Ann Butterfield** has moved to work with the Sonoma County Foundation (but, did leave her cell-phone number so staff members can call to find out where she put the stuff they can't find).

Please see the Synod Staff page from the Synod of the Pacific website (attached) for pictures.

**Synod has continued to read *Waking Up White*** an eye-opening study of white privilege, as a body. Last time I reported on the exercise we had done as a body to illustrate its message.

**The Synod approved eight loans** – the one important to our presbytery being the half-million dollar-plus, purchase/remodel loan to our Spanish Springs church.

**The Synod also approved two grants** – one for medical assistance and another for a community garden. Do we or our congregations or specialized ministries have ministry opportunities going un-done for lack of money? Synod has four grant categories which can help seed-money them into up-and-running!

And, finally, **Synod meet next at Zephyr Point in May, 2019.**

## ATTACHMENT C

**Presbytery of Nevada  
Mission Outreach Committee Agenda  
September 11-12, 2019  
Westminster Presbyterian Church**

Members present: Mariano Ordonez, Joe Cummerford, PrechaubDechwan, Claire Stryker,

Visitors Present: Karen Stokes, Bill Stryler, Lynn Barnett,

The committee was called to order, Monday, March 11, 2018 at 10:01 am. introductions and devotional study of Romans 1:16-17

### **Items requiring presbytery action**

**Moved by MO - that the annual budget for Mission Outreach Committee be given to the Mission Outreach Committee in the form of a block grant with distribution to be decided by majority vote of the committee. The distribution approved by the committee shall be confirmed annually by a vote of the presbytery or council.**

### **Actions taken by the Committee**

1. Rev. Dechwan proposed the idea that Mission Outreach Committee meet with the recently chartered Presbyterian Churches of the Presbytery of Nevada in order to see how they are doing and if they need support or assistance from the Presbytery or the Mission Outreach Committee. The committee agreed to have members check in with Taiwanese Presbyterian, Filipino American Presbyterian, Thai Laotian Presbyterian churches.

### **Items of information**

Amazing Grace, Pastor John Staples reported on the work of Amazing Grace in Las Vegas Nevada. Amazing Grace continues to feed the hungry in Las Vegas as well as providing worship and Christian outreach in our community. They are entirely volunteer led. Primary programs happen at Christ Episcopal Church on Wednesday evenings and the Salvation Army facility each Sunday morning.

Annual numbers: over 16,400 meals, free clothing and hygiene items distributed weekly, 156 worship services 5 baptisms,

#### Vision for the future

Develop into a fulltime ministry with ministry coordinators, consulting psychologist, medical advisors, transition facilities and transportation drivers.

#### Teen Challenge

Cary Davis, Teen Challenge program director, reported the work of Teen Challenge in Las Vegas. The program has grown this year to include a girl's program in Nevada focusing on adolescent girls victimized by

human trafficking. Currently the rehab program in Las Vegas has new property housing 18 individual for 12-month program and new a transition facility across the street. 2018 the men's program served 70 students (students transition out for a variety of reasons including completion of court mandated programming, sobriety, and personal decisions to withdraw), 11 graduates from downtown Las Vegas program, 4 reentry students, 5 sober living students, 4 teenage girl graduates. Of those graduating Teen Challenge sees a 80% success rate- long term sobriety. Teen Challenge also partners with other community mission and ministries serving over 100 individuals per month in Las Vegas.

#### Westminster Food Bank Ministry

Sharon Hedges reported on the work of the Westminster Presbyterian Food Bank. In 2018 the program distributed 87,697 meals including 105,236 pounds of food. The goals for 2019 include shifting priorities from homeless meals to children and families with food insecurity. This is the area of greatest need in the neighborhood. The food bank also distributes clothing to those in need as well as food.

#### Henderson Food Bank Ministry

Ann Mack reported that the Henderson Food Bank, in 2018, served 12,000 meals. The meals were provided through \$46,439 in food purchased from Three Square, \$56,441.91 from outside donations and \$10,000 in food from other stores. Monies were also raised from other sources such as Green Valley Rotary. The food bank is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday's led by 5 volunteers each day. The Henderson Food Bank Ministry is celebrating its 11-year anniversary. The greatest challenge facing the food bank is the age of volunteers makes it difficult to carry and package food. Food bank is in need of financial contributions to stay afloat.

Joint meeting with Equipping Ministries regarding mission trip sponsorships. The joint session agreed on a presbytery trip sponsorship and scholarship policy to be presented to the presbytery during the Equipping Committee report.

#### Budget discussion

Vern Manke reviewed the Mission Outreach 2019 budget. A discussion ensued regarding the idea that future funding for Mission Outreach be given and a block grant and distribution of the grant funds be approved annually by the Presbytery of Nevada.

**ACTION--MSP - passed 5-0 - that the annual budget for Mission Outreach Committee be given to the Mission Outreach Committee in the form of a block grant with distribution to be decided by majority vote of the committee. The distribution approved by the committee shall be confirmed annually by a vote of the presbytery or council.**

Report from Valley Presbyterian Church, Mesquite NCD – charter progress

The Mission Outreach Committee joined with the Committee on Ministry to meet with the steering committee of Valley Presbyterian Church Mesquite. The joint committee met Rev. Jim Dick who has been asked to serve as pastor of the Mesquite church. COM met discussed Jim's credentials and his role in the presbytery as a North American Baptist pastor while MO discussed the budget and membership growth in the Mesquite Church.

Old / New Business

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The Mission Outreach Committee adjourned at noon on March 12, 2019

Statement of Faith  
Alexander Aaron  
February 14, 2017

## ATTACHMENT D

I believe that the eternally self-existent creator of heaven and earth has existed from eternity past in loving relationship with the members of the Godhead. The three distinct Persons which constitute this Triune God are ontologically equal though they function in distinct and separate, yet complementary roles. God possesses both communicable and incommunicable attributes. The response of those God has created should be to stand in awe of God's incommunicable attributes such as eternality, omniscience, omnipotence and omnipresence, while seeking to imitate God's communicable attributes including love, compassion, truth, justice and mercy. This Triune God, out of immense love for God's creatures, has determined to be revealed to humankind through the means of the Holy Scriptures. The Bible, though written through the secondary agency of fallible humans, is nevertheless God's Word to the objects of affection. This Word contains all instruction necessary to live a life which pleases the Great Author. It is authoritative in all matters of profession and practice. It is all that we need to instruct us on what to believe and how to behave.

Although humans were created good and upright in the very image of God, the willful disobedience of our primordial parents ruptured our relationship with God and tarnished, though not completely destroyed, the *imago dei* within us. As a result we are totally depraved or radically corrupt to the very core of our being. If left to ourselves, we would never seek God or attempt to imitate God in our relations with others. But, thankfully, we were not left to ourselves. Jesus Christ, the Eternal Son, condescended to cloak himself in human frailty in order to enter our world of pain and suffering to teach us by example how to live lives which are pleasing to God and to restore our broken relationship with our divine Father. Though He never jettisoned His Divine nature, Jesus became fully human on our behalf. Being fully God and fully human, He suffered in all manners which are common to humankind. He experienced temptation, sickness, psychological and physical pain, hunger and thirst that he might identify with fallen humanity as our Great High Priest. Jesus' infinite love led him to give the ultimate sacrifice of laying down his life for his friends. His death on the cross restored our broken relationship with God. Through his bodily Resurrection from the dead he conquered sin and death and secured our eternal destiny so that death will not complete our story either and we will spend eternity with Him free from sickness, pain and death, where he will wipe away every tear from our eyes and we will enjoy him forever. After his Resurrection, Jesus ascended back into heaven, retaining his humanity and physical body and scars as a continuous testament to the sacrifice he made on our behalf. There he sits at God's right hand interceding on our behalf. We now await the final fulfillment of His sacrifice where he will return and gather the faithful that where he is, there we will be also.

Jesus' ascension did not leave us as orphans. The Holy Spirit was commissioned by the Father at the request of the Son in order to remain as an abiding presence for the faithful in this world.

The Holy Spirit works within us individually to fashion us into the image of the Son and corporately, through the Church, to empower us to carry out God's mission in the world and to work to continue the establishment of the Kingdom of God on earth began in the ministry of Christ. The Holy Spirit illumines the Scriptures and brings understanding to us, comforts and directs us with his gentle loving hand of guidance. In the Church, the Holy Spirit is constantly at work empowering this body to be change agents in the culture for Christ. Though the Church, as the body of Christ, is theologically one, united to Christ as the head, we struggle to maintain this unity in the real world. But despite her struggles the Church is still the Church and the Holy Spirit offers grace and brings renewal and refreshing to the world through her and the sacraments she offers. Through the waters of baptism we are baptized by the Holy Spirit into Christ's body, the Church, and are included among the covenant people. At The Lord's Table the Holy Spirit nourishes our spirits that we may be empowered and seek to imitate Christ in His ministry of reconciliation to the world. Together with the Word, these sacraments strengthen us, in spite of our own brokenness, to live in and minister to a broken world as we await the final consummation of our Faith when Christ returns and makes everything new.

Active Clergy Report 2019

Clergy	Church	Effective Salary Items				Reimbursable Allowances							Total	
		Salary	Housing*	Other	Total	Auto	Study	Expenses	Other	Total				
Clery	Church													
Paul Chen	Taiwanese-American - Las Vegas	33,240	12,600		45,840	1,200	1,000		4,800 a	7,000		52,840		
Carl Dahlen	Christ - Gardnerville	4,800	25,200		30,000	1,800	500	500		2,800		32,800		
Prachab Dechawan	Thai-Laotian - Las Vegas	36,000		2,220 b	38,220	1,800	500			2,300		40,520		
David Dendy	Mountain View - Las Vegas	75,150	44,000		119,150	2,800	2,500			5,300		124,450		
Adrian Doll	Green Valley - Henderson	60,250	46,000	10,433 c	116,683	2,100	3,000	3,000		8,100		123,783		
Ed Hilton	Christ the King Lutheran - Tahoe City	47,250			47,250				840 d	840		48,090		
Tom Holslag	Elko First	21,000	24,500	24,500 e	58,500	1,660	368	600		600		61,068		
Jim Houston-Hencken	Grace - Las Vegas	54,036	45,000		99,036	2,400	500	1,000		3,900		102,936		
Helen Hutchison	St John's - Reno	57,000	18,000		75,000	1,800	1,800	600		4,200		79,200		
Shin Hwang	First Korean - Las Vegas	18,000	12,000		30,000	2,400				2,400		32,400		
Bob Kelley	South Lake Tahoe Community	38,000	27,000		65,000	3,500	1,000	100		4,600		69,600		
Pat Meacham	Spanish Springs - Sparks	55,000			55,000	3,000	1,000	375		4,375		59,375		
Mariano Ordenez	Philippian-American - Henderson	15,000	18,000	1,000 f	35,000							35,000		
David Pak	Reno Korean - Sparks	39,600			39,600							39,600		
Dana Pope	Grace - Las Vegas	31,362	28,500		59,862	2,400	1,000	1,500	3,237 i	8,137		67,999		
David Rhee	Westminster - Las Vegas	13,200	24,000		37,200	2,400				2,400		39,600		
Lee Stryer	Henderson First	22,000	31,500		53,500	1,900	2,800			4,700		58,200		
Sue Taylor	Virginia City First	5,000	22,000		27,000	600		1,200 j		1,800		28,800		
Scott Trevithick	Holy Cross Lutheran - Reno	79,571	6,087		85,658		1,500	1,500		3,000		88,658		
Rebecca Watkins	Lee Vining Community	18,000	15,600	250 k	33,850	400				400		34,250		

\* Includes Utilities Allowance

- a) Loan & Auto Allowance
- b) Eye & Dental Insurance
- c) Dental & Supplemental, Life Insurance, and 50% Social Security Contribution
- d) Cell phone
- e) Deferred Income
- f) Auto allowance
- g) Manse and Utilities provided by the church & Mileage as needed
- h) Vacation
- i) Medical reimbursement account
- j) Telephone/communications
- k) Book allowance

## ATTACHMENT F

### Helen Hutchison Statement of Faith

I believe in God, the Holy Trinity known to us as the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. I believe in God the creator, who breathed life into all things; who created light, the sky, earth and the seas, vegetation, the sun, moon and animals. God formed people in God's own image, looking at creation God called it very good. But when humankind chose not to follow God's ways, the connection between God and creation was broken. Even though this connection was broken, God continued to love creation and to reach out to God's people.

I believe in the Creator who is the God of Abraham, Jacob and Moses and the God of Sarah, Ruth and Esther. God freed the Hebrew people from slavery in Egypt and gave the law to assist the people to live in God's way. God reached out through prophets and kings to reconcile the people. God then sent God's Son, so that through the example of love and sacrifice, the people may return to the connection the Creator intended at the beginning.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's Son. Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea over 2,000 years ago. As He lived among the people He spoke to the soul of humanity; binding up the broken hearted, seeking the lost, bringing good news to the oppressed, release for the captives, and sight to the blind. He is a reflection of God's glory and with His life and sacrifice on the cross, redeems us to reunite us with the connection of God that was at the beginning. Jesus' resurrection is the reality that present sufferings of today are not the complete story. Not even death is beyond the reach of God's redemption. As Jesus did over 2,000 years ago, God continues to call all people to participate and enter God's kingdom where God's love and power will have full sway. I believe God's kingdom is not only in the future, for when we embrace Christ, we are able to catch glimpses of God's kingdom here and now.

I believe the Holy Spirit, the Sustainer, which moves among us providing hope and life. I believe in saints, those whose connection with God make it easier for others to believe. I believe that Scripture, the Old and New Testaments, are the stories of God's encounters among mortals, written down by those who lived in a particular time and place, and speak the truth to their experiences with the Divine. I believe in the church, the community of believers who seek by faith in Christ to live the connection with God at the creation. I believe in the two sacraments we celebrate as a community. The Lord's Table is an opportunity for us to gather at the Great Feast, to commune with God and to be renewed, restored and strengthened for current life. In baptism we are marked and loved by God and we respond to that by seeking to live as faithful disciples. I believe that today, God continues to create: reconciling all things to the Godself with hope, love and promise according to the promises and covenants of God that the relationship at the beginning between God and creation will be restored.



## ATTACHMENT G

### Statement of Faith

I believe in the trinity of God, the love of God, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, whom alone we worship and serve.

I believe in God the Father, the Creator of heaven and earth, the whole world from nothing. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, is the incarnate Word of God, fully God and fully man. In His humiliation, He gave up the prerogatives of heaven, came to earth through virgin birth. He proclaimed the kingdom of God, preaching good news to the people, releasing to the captives, teaching by word and deed, blessing the children, healing the sick, binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Jesus was crucified unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition. He suffered the depths of human pain by giving His life for the sins of the world. But God raised Him from the dead, vindicating His sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to eternal life.

I believe in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere He gives and renews life, sets us free to accept ourselves to love God and neighbors, which binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. I believe that the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son, and was given to the church at Pentecost. The Holy Spirit convicts us of our sins by taking our hearts of stone and giving us hearts of flesh, guiding us to repent and trust in Christ for our salvation. He unites us with Christ in a mystical union, inspiring us for service and comforting us when we're wounded.

I believe that the Bible is inspired, infallible, and the inerrant Word of God, given to us as revelation, truth, authoritative and sufficient as our guide to faith and life, through the witness of the Holy Spirit working within our hearts.

I believe that the church is the Bride and Body of Christ, instituted by God and inspired by the Holy Spirit to do God's work on earth: worshipping, serving, and making disciples of every tribe and tongue. It is the duty of the true church to properly preach the whole counsel of God, to rightly administer the sacraments of baptism (Child baptism) and the Lord's Supper, and to exercise discipline over the flock so that none of us are lost.

I believe that Jesus Christ is returning to the world in the future to judge the living and the dead. I do not fear His second coming but I rejoice it because nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Be glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Shin Hwak Hwang  
8/28/2018

**POLICY NUMBER 5  
REIMBURSEMENT FOR PRESBYTERY MEETINGS,  
COMMITTEES and COMMISSIONS**

**Stated and Presbytery Special Meetings:**

Presbytery shall pay mileage for Elder Commissioners who are active members of presbytery. Churches are to reimburse any additional expenses incurred by their commissioners. Exceptions maybe requested through the Stated Clerk to the Director of Finance. Reimbursements will notbe paid for persons leaving early unless approved by the Stated Clerk. Requested reimbursements must be accompanied by Expense Voucher and receipts.

**Private Vehicle:**

The owner/driver shall be paid roundtrip mileage at a rate determined annually by the Presbytery Council.

**Commercial Air:**

Members shall be reimbursed for expenses that shall not exceed the lowest coach fare with a fourteen (14) day advance notice. This rate shall be determined by the Director of Finance and published to the members.

**Lodging:**

Members shall be reimbursed for the cost of lodging not to exceed the block rate negotiated by the host church or by the Stated Clerk.

**Meals:**

For meals not provided for at the Presbytery meeting, members shall be reimbursed at the following rates: Breakfast-\$10, Lunch- \$15, Dinner-\$35.

**Non-Residents:**

In the case of non-resident members, mileage is determined from the first member church of the Nevada Presbytery upon entry into the Presbytery bounds.

**Other Expenses**

**Commissions:**

Presbytery shall pay mileage and other expenses incurred by members of the commission.

**Committees:**

Each committee shall be responsible for expenses incurred by their respective Members. Committees areto schedule guests to minimize expenses.

**Presbytery Council:**

Council shall be responsible for expenses incurred by its members

Adopted 16 September 1996 Revised 21 September 2004Reviewed 11 January 2014

Revised 05 March 1997 Revised 11 September 2008Revised 14 January 2017

Revised 19 September 2000 Revised 10 January 2009 Revised 13 March 2019

# 2019 BUDGET

02/20/2019

<b>PRESBYTERY OF NEVADA</b> <b>ADMINISTRATION FUNDS BUDGET</b> <b>2019</b> <i>PER CAPITA RATE \$46.00</i>	<b>P 1 of 3</b>
<b>INCOME</b>	<b>AMOUNTS</b>
<b>EXPENSES (See Below)</b>	<b>ADJUSTED</b>
<u>PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT</u>	\$ 114,180
<u>INTEREST INCOME</u>	1,200
<b><u>TOTAL INCOME</u></b>	<b>\$ 115,380</b>
<b><u>EXPENSES (See Below)</u></b>	<b>125,400</b>
<b><u>INCOME OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES</u></b>	<b>\$ (10,020)</b>
<b><u>EXPENSES (what it costs for Presbytery Administration)</u></b>	
STATED CLERK	\$ 18,600
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE	9,300
PAYROLL TAXES	2,134
----- PER CAPITA - GA	24,684
PER CAPITA - SYNOD	14,397
PRESBYTERY TRAVEL	17,500
----- STANDING COMMITTEES EXP	16,500
COUNCIL/TRUSTEES EXPENSES	2,000
HR MEETING COSTS (R & B)	1,500
----- OFFICE EXPENSE/ANNUAL REVIEW	6,085
COMPUTER EQUIP/SUPPORT	600
INSURANCE	3,000
WEB SITE COSTS	800
----- MEETINGS & CONFERENCES EXP	2,500
RECORDS REVIEW EXP	100
MODERATORS EXPENSE	500
----- MODERATORS TRAINING	2,000
VICE MODERATOR EXPENSE	200
GA EXPENSES (to accumulate to \$6,000 for 2020)	3,000
<b><u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u></b>	<b>\$ 125,400</b>
<b><u>INCOME OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES - Administration</u></b>	<b>\$ (10,020)</b>

## 2019 BUDGET

<b>PRESBYTERY OF NEVADA OPERATING FUNDS BUDGET 2019</b>	<b>P 2 of 3</b>
<b>AMOUNTS ADJUSTED</b>	
<b>TOTAL MISSION FUNDING SYNOD MPF - Allocated below</b>	<b>\$ 84,685</b>
<b>INCOME</b>	
<b><u>EQUIPPING COMMITTEE</u></b>	
MISSION SUPPORT INCOME - MPF	\$ 10,900
PEACEMAKING & GLOBAL WITNESS - NEW INCOME	2,000
INTEREST RECEIVED - Hillis will	345
<b>Total Income - Equipping</b>	<b>\$ 13,245</b>
<b><u>MISSION OUTREACH COMMITTEE</u></b>	
MISSION SUPPORT - MPF	\$ 25,000
<b>Total Income - MOC</b>	<b>\$ 25,000</b>
<b><u>COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY</u></b>	
MISSION SUPPORT - MPF ALLOCATION	\$ 17,000
VESTA B. COOLEY ENDOWMENT	1,000
<b>Total Income - COM</b>	<b>\$ 18,000</b>
<b><u>OPERATING - TRUSTEES</u></b>	
MISSION SUPPORT INCOME MPF	\$ 31,785
INTEREST INCOME	7,535
INTEREST INCOME NEW RENO NCD	500
INTEREST/DIVIDENDS INCOME - NCD/RDV Fund	280
<b>Total Income - Operating</b>	<b>\$ 40,100</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 96,345</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
<b><u>EQUIPPING COMMITTEE</u></b>	
RESOURCE CENTER	\$ 3,000
LEADERSHIP TRAINING	2,500
SCHOLARSHIPS/CAMPERSHIPS	800
TRIENNIAL	3,000
SUPPLIES EXPENSE	600
ETHNIC CONCERNS COMMITTEE SUPPORT	2,000
EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES	1,000
<b>Total Expenses - Equipping</b>	<b>\$ 12,900</b>
<b><u>MISSION OUTREACH COMMITTEE</u></b>	
GRANT - AMAZING GRACE	\$ 8,000
HPC FOOD BANK - SUPPORT	4,500
WESTMINSTER PC FOOD BANK	4,500
ALLOCATION - FIRM	3,000
GRANT - TEEN CHALLENGE	4,000
OTHER MISSIONS	1,000
<b>Total Expenses -MOC</b>	<b>\$ 25,000</b>
<b><u>COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY</u></b>	
SMALL CHURCH ASSISTANCE	\$ 15,000
PASTOR SUPPORT/TRAINING	2,000
<b>Total Expenses - COM</b>	<b>\$ 17,000</b>

## 2019 BUDGET

PRESBYTERY OF NEVADA OPERATING FUNDS BUDGET 2019	P 3 of 3 AMOUNTS ADJUSTED
<b>OPERATING - TRUSTEES</b>	
SALARY - PRESBYTERY PASTOR	\$ 18,600
PRESBYTERY PASTOR EXPENSES	11,000
ACCOUNTING	9,300
PAYROLL TAXES	2,134
YOUTH ADMINISTRATOR TRAVEL	1,200
AUDITING/REVIEW	3,000
STAFF TRAVEL	1,500
OFFICE SUPPLIES	850
COMPUTERS/EQUIP/SUPPORT	1,600
<b>Total Expenses- Operating</b>	<b>49,184</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 104,084</b>
<b>INCOME OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ (7,739)</b>
* Possible repay to Synod for MPF shortfall (2018)	0
<b>INCOME OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES - Operating</b>	<b>\$ (7,739)</b>

PRESBYTERY OF NEVADA BUDGET RECAP 2019	2019 BUDGET
<b>INCOME</b>	
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION INCOME	\$ 115,380
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	96,345
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 211,725</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE	\$ 125,400
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	104,084
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 229,484</b>
<b>INCOME OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ (17,759)</b>
INCOME OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES - ADMIN	\$ (10,020)
INCOME OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES - OPERATING	(7,739)
<b>INCOME OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ (17,759)</b>
<b>DEFICIT IS COVERED BY AVAILABLE FUND BALANCES</b>	

<b>NOTES</b>		
* Possible repay to Synod for MPF shortfall (2018)	\$	6,013
Did not materialize, received in February 2019		2,328
Original budget approved by Presbytery 9/12/18		
Adjustments approved 1/12/19, expenses for computer & website	\$	2,000

**Requirements for  
Presbytery-Sponsored  
Trips**

On occasion the Presbytery of Nevada will sponsor/co-sponsor trips such as mission trips or trips for Christian ministry or faith development. In order for a trip to be sponsored a request for support/sponsorship shall be completed 6 months prior to the origination of the trip and shall be submitted to the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery that includes:

1. Information regarding who is organizing, leading, sponsoring the trip.
2. A list of any partnering organizations in the trip.
3. A summary of the purpose and goal of the trip including a statement of how the trip furthers the mission of the Presbytery of Nevada and/or the serves the kingdom of God.
4. The dates for the trip.
5. The destination of the trip.
6. A statement explaining the transportation arrangements for the trip.
7. A statement explaining the lodging arrangements.
8. A description of the trip participants. Adults, Youth, etc.
9. An explanation of how a Certificate of Insurance is being secured.
10. A projected budget.
11. At the completion the trip a report to Presbytery on the outcome of the trip.
12. If this trip involves youth/children a statement regarding sexual misconduct policy in compliance with PCUSA and Presbytery of Nevada is required.

Requirements to receive Presbytery scholarships for Presbytery Sponsored Trips:

1. Trip must receive Presbytery approval for sponsorship as described above.
2. A statement of how much money are you requesting for scholarships.
3. A statement of how will the scholarship monies be apportioned to the participants of the trip.
4. At the completing of the trip a financial accounting of scholarship funds expended.

**ATTACHMENT K**

Presbytery of Nevada

Equipping Committee

Mon. March 11, 2019

I. Call to Order by Chair Person DeLois Basnett at 1:10pm, Monday, March 11, 2019, at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Las Vegas, NV.

II. Rev. Dana Pope presented the devotion from the website *Pray as You Go*:  
We listened silently to African praise music, then reading from Scripture, Deuteronomy 30:15-20, and reflected on the question, "How do we choose life for ourselves and for our churches?"

III. We have a Quorum and accept the docket as presented

Present: Elder DeLois Basnett (Chair), Elder Ron Scovil, Rev. Dana Pope, Elder Paula Forsberg, Rev. Al Fry, Elder Anne Sigurson, Rev. Adolph Kunen, Rev. Joanie Tankersley

Absent: Valerie Spoonhunter

Guests: Vern Manke, Elder Ray Bledsoe, Elder Lyla Dusing, Rev. Hilda Pecoraro, Renee Kelly

IV. Financial Report: Vern Manke, Financial report as of Feb. 28, 2019

A. Equipping Need to decide where Ethnic Concerns Committee should reside? In Equipping? A separate Committee?

1. Thus far, Equipping has only been involved by contributing funds to the ECC Conference at Zephyr Point in the Fall.

B. Annual Payments to Resource Center:

1. DeLois will request that we get an annual report as well as a list of resources that we can hand out to our churches to appraise them of the kinds of resources, curricula, books are available for their use.

C. Discussion Ethnic Concerns Committee re: Equipping would like a report from the conferees from Valley Presbyterian Church, Bishop, CA who attended the Ethnic Concerns Consultation at Zephyr Point to provide us with a report. Pastor Christy Ramsey will follow up with their Session.

1. Pastor Hilda Pecoraro suggested we ask their Session Clerk (Lee Shambo) to meet with the conferees, invite them to share their stories from the conference, and ask the Clerk to record their stories to provide a report.

2. Pastor Hilda Pecoraro offered to communicate with our ethnic churches that Equipping has funding to send conferees to the EC Consultation, Oct. 4-6 and see who responds.

3. Pastor Dana Pope will ask Zephyr Point Director, Bedford Holmes as to whether Equipping could provide our funding to Zephyr Point directly in the form of scholarships for ethnic churches in Nevada Presbytery.

Based on recommendation from Vern Manke, Equipping will recommend to the Presbytery that the unallocated funds in the Equipping budget be given to Equipping as a Block Grant annually; thereby allowing Equipping to provide grant funding for needed projects in the Presbytery of Nevada without having to obtain approval from the Council each time there is a need. (M/S/C Ron Scovil/DanaPope)

## **V. Unfinished Business**

A. Status of Equipping's proposal to Presbytery for implementation of Spiritual Formation concept into the meeting format update.

1. Committee: Delois, Joan Jeffers, Joanie Tankersley, Al Fry
2. Feedback from people in the Presbytery has been mixed in terms of how members view the purpose of Presbytery. It seems a majority view Presbytery as a gathering for doing the business of the committees and the overall Presbytery and the fellowship with one another.
3. Pastor Adolph reminded us that all work of the Presbytery is spiritual.
4. Pastor Dana reflected that since Equipping has been talking more about spiritual formation within the Presbytery meetings, there seems to be an increase in attention to spiritual encouragement and prayer.

B. South Presbytery Pastors Luncheon will be held on March 28 at Grace Presbyterian Church.

1. DeLois Basnett and Lyla Dusing are planning the luncheon.
2. Pastor Adolph will provide the program content for the luncheon, "When Prayer is a Dare".

C. Equipping did not fund the Elko Campus Pizza Ministry this year because the offering from Fall Presbytery went to Elko.

1. DeLois will find out whether Tom Holstag wants to reapply for further funds.

D. Lake Tahoe Community Presbyterian Church Grant Request: Though Equipping approved funding for their seminar on spiritual formation, regrettably, LTCPC had to cancel it due to a fire in the church. We commend LTCPC for their diligent efforts to provide community-based seminar over the past years and hope they will be able to offer them again.

E. Report on Social Justice Concerns: Since Elaine Noble is no longer on the Equipping Committee, Pastor Adolph Kunen is willing to take the lead on this aspect of ministry. Ann Sigurson volunteered to join him.



1. NOTE: Mission Chair Jim H-H reported to Equipping that Presbytery established a Social Justice Committee.

## VI. New Business

A. Renee Kelly and the Triennium 2019 Conference at Purdue University, July 16-20, 2019

1. Equipping has \$10,005.00 dedicated to the Triennium toward the \$14,070 total budget.

2. Thus far, there are 9 youth from Green Valley Pres. and 5 youth from Grace Presbyterian Church, along with 1 adult leader from each church.

B. Procedure/review on Overtures/Amendments/Affirmations

1. Elder Art Ritter will provide an overview of GA amendments at 10:00AM Tuesday morning in the Sanctuary.

2. Elder Art Ritter will be included in Equipping's Report to Presbytery on Wednesday morning when he will provide a brief analysis of the amendments (2 minutes each) before Presbytery votes on them.

C. At the September 2018 Presbytery meeting, Equipping was assigned the responsibility of defining our Committee's Charge and Scope.

*"Under the authority of the Presbytery of Nevada, the Equipping Committee of the Presbytery of Nevada exists to support the ministry of Jesus Christ within the Presbytery of Nevada by equipping church leaders. The scope of this Committee includes supporting ministry to youth; training members of Presbytery for mission, ministry and service; and assisting churches to equip leaders and members for various forms of ministry within the body of Christ and beyond."*

1. Discussion about differentiating the responsibilities of Equipping Committee and those of Missions Committee.

2. Chair DeLois Basnett will provide hard copies of the definition of Equipping's responsibilities as described in the most current edition of The Manual of Operations to those members who are staying at Texas Station:

Rev. Al Fry	424
Elder Paula Forsberg	422
Elder Anne Sigurdson	314
Elder Ron Scovil	310

3. Rev. Adolph Kunen moved that Equipping Committee meet tomorrow morning, Tuesday, March 12 at 9:00AM at Westminster Presbyterian Church in order to review the description and responsibilities of the Equipping Committee. Seconded by Joanie Tankersley. Approved.

Equipping Committee was adjourned at 4:26 pm on Monday.

Committee will reconvene Tuesday, March 12 at 9:00am.

## **ATTACHMENT I**

**JOINT MEETING with MISSIONS COMMITTEE: Chair Jim Houston-Hencken**

**Joint Meeting of Missions Committee and Equipping Committee Mon., 3/11**

### **Requirements for Presbytery-sponsored trips:**

1. Who is organizing, leading, sponsoring the trip?
2. Who are the partners in the trip?
3. Summary of the purpose and goal of the trip
4. When/dates for the trip
5. Where is the trip going?
6. What is the transportation?
7. Where are your accommodations?
8. Requests for support/sponsorship must be completed by 6 months prior to the origination of the trip
9. Who are the participants? Adults? Youth?
10. How is a Certificate of Insurance being secured?
11. Projected budget must be submitted
12. How will you report back to Presbytery on the outcome of the trip?

### **Requirements to receive Presbytery scholarships:**

1. Trip must receive Presbytery approval for sponsorship
2. How much money are you requesting for scholarships?
3. How will the scholarship monies be apportioned to the participants of the trip?

All requests for sponsorships and scholarships to the Presbytery of Nevada shall be submitted to the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery.

Moved by Rev. Adolph Kunen and seconded by Elder Joe Commerford and was unanimously approved by the joint membership of Missions Committee and Equipping Committee and will be recommended to Presbytery for adoption at this meeting.