

**THE PRESBYTERY OF NEVADA - FALL METING
SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 2007
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ELKO, NEVADA**

Preceding the regular meeting of the Presbytery of Nevada, committee meetings and training for first time Ministers and Elder Commissioners, and training for PJC members were held.

The Fall Meeting of Nevada Presbytery was called to order at 1:00 pm by Moderator Rev. Ross Doyel, on September 18, 2007, in the Sanctuary of First Presbyterian Church Elko, Nevada. Opening worship and prayer was led by Rev. Pat Mecham, Host Pastor.

Introduction of Rev. Gerald "Jerry" Hurst, newest member of Sierra Mission Partnership - Elder Sally Hinchman

Introduction of newest members of Nevada Presbytery, Rev. Karen Woodley - Associate Pastor Covenant Presbyterian in Reno, Rev. Kenneth Harper - Pastor Green Valley Presbyterian Church, Henderson, Nevada and Rev. Bill Baltz - Stated Supply Christ Presbyterian Church, Gardnerville, Nevada.

Roll Call

Bishop - First	Elder Ken Haye Elder Rich Mitchell
Bishop Valley	Elder Charlotte David
Carson-City First	Elder Carl Dahlen Elder Shirley Parks
Rev. Alan Dorway	
Elko-First	Elder Joan Zunino Elder Star Thomson
Rev. Patrick Mecham	
Gardnerville - Christ	Elder Jim White
Rev. Bill Baltz	
Hawthorne-Community	Elder Anita Bray
Henderson-Green Valley	Elder Jorge Sanchez Elder Cynthia Dakus Elder Bob Smith
Rev. Ken Harper	
Henderson, Henderson	Elder Ken Meats Elder Anne Mack
Rev. Ross Doyel	
Incline Village-Community	Elder Carl Beer Elder Renee Taylor
Rev. Dick Randall	

Lamoille-Community Rev. Dan Zazvorka	Elder Linda Stapley
Las Vegas-First Presbyterian Church Rev. Jim Houston-Hencken Rev. Dana Boes	Elder William Schrader Elder Art Ritter Elder Clark Trapp
Las Vegas-First Korean Rev. Sang Chul Park	Elder "BJ" Kwak Elder Young Kirl Kim
Las Vegas-Mountain View Rev. Linda Kelly	Elder Ruth Ann Kennedy Elder Jim Feil Elder David Steinman
Las Vegas-Summerlin Rev. Tom Lobaugh	Elder Scott Plummer
Las Vegas-Westminster Rev. Carol Wood	Elder Ron Slaughter Elder Melva O'Neill
Lee Vining-Community Elder Sue Stickles, CLP	Elder Bud Stickles
Reno-Covenant Rev. James Hull Rev. Karen Woodley	Elder Chris Rhodes
Reno-St. John's Rev. Richard Wiggers	Elder Bob Stroh Elder Bruce Krater Elder Pam Ramseth
South Lake Tahoe-Community Rev. Steve Blocher	Elder Joyce DeWitt Elder John Harbison
Sparks-Reno Korean	
Sparks - Spanish Springs Rev. Bruce Taylor	Elder Ken Vogel
Tonopah-Community	
Virginia City-First Rev. Dorothy Thompson	Elder Lou Murray
Wells-Wells	Elder Elaine Swanson

Other Members Present - the Reverends: J. Donaldson, A. Fry, R. Kelley, J. Leonard, E. Luckett, Jr., H. Pecoraro, and V. Towne.

Members Excused - the Reverends: E. Bollinger, D. Campbell, A. Collins, A.C. Garretson, P. Hardy, E. Hilton, J. Juhan, R. Lemme, M. Nolin, R. Stover, S. Taylor, and S. Trevithick.

Members Absent - the Reverends: W. Barrett, E. Brondo, G. Bott, D. Camp, N. Cook, J. Clark, D. Fisher-Ogden, T. Nagy, B. Patterson, K. Shin, J. Song, G. Stamos, T. Tomlinson, and S. Young.

CLP's Present - Elder Sue Stickles.

CLP's Excused - Elders: R. Schleef, L. Styer, B. Vibe, L. Young, A. Zambrano, and E. Zambrano.

CLP Absent - Elder Tony D'Olio.

Others on Roll Present - Elders: C. Biddle (Vice Moderator), L. Dusing (Moderator, Council), J. McClain (Trustee), Bob Smith (Trustee), J. Butcher (Stated Clerk), S. Hinchman (Executive Presbyter), and J. Runyeon (Acting Clerk). Presbytery **VOTED** to give Joan Runyeon **VOICE**.

Others Present - E. Noble, J. Poncho, D. Krater, B. Sylvis, K. Ghymn, B. Noble, J. Stuhmer, J. Mitchell, G. Whitebear, D. Leader, C. Mitchell, C. Rodman, J. Wiggers, B. Canizario, S. Ghymn, D. Pecoraro, C. Jones and S. Henderson. Presbytery **VOTED** to give Scott Henderson **VOICE**.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS: In accordance with the Presbytery manual of Operations, Presbytery **VOTED** to **ENROLL** the following as Corresponding Members - J. Olson (Stockton), S. Herbert (Sacramento), J. Viera-Dahlke (Sacramento), and Jerry Hurst (New Covenant). Presbytery **VOTED** to give **VOICE** to Corresponding Members.

A quorum was present

Welcome - Rev. Pat Mecham, Pastor of Host Church welcomed us to Elko Presbyterian Church

Docket - Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the Docket

Consent Agenda - Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the following Consent Agenda

1) Stated Clerk's Report, September 18, 2007

LABOR OUT OF BOUNDS

Rev. Al Fry - Kendall Presbytery

LABOR IN BOUNDS

Rev. Janet Kavanaugh Bower - Wedding July 7, 2007, Truckee, CA
Rev. Randy Russom - Wedding August 4, 2007, Las Vegas
Rev. Bridgett Green - Wedding October 13, 2007, Incline Village

Rev. Ken Eimer - change to on-call chaplain at St. Rose Dominican Hospital

TRANSFER

Rev. Dr. Dan Willson - Sacramento Presbytery, Fremont Presbyterian Church

Rev. Dr. Jack Schutte - Riverside Presbytery, Acting Executive Presbyter

Rev. Vernon Towne - HR, September 1, 2007

2) Council Report, August 11, 2007

COUNCIL TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS

MINUTES - Council VOTED to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of presbytery, February 27, 28, with 2 spelling corrections.

Council VOTED to approve as submitted the minutes of special presbytery meetings on March 18, 2007 and March 19, 2007.

COMMISSIONS - Council VOTED to dismiss with thanks the following Commissions: Installation of Rev. Ken Harper, Installation of Rev. Karen Woodley, and Ordination and Commission of Rev. Bill Baltz.

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CLP ADDITIONAL DUTIES

Elder Bob Vibe - part-time status as needed at Christ Church, Gardnerville

VOTED TO APPROVE NEW POLICY #23

In order to provide for clear transition from the 2005 - 2007 *Book of Order* of the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to the 2007 – 2009 *Book of Order* regarding process and requirements for “The Preparation for Office of Minister of the Word and Sacrament” G -14.400, the Presbytery of Nevada shall continue to operate under the 2005 – 2007 *Book of Order* requirements until such time as the presbytery adopts its own mandatory procedures as required in the *Book of Order* G – 14.0402.

VOTED to designate the Stated Clerk and Executive Presbyter to make decisions regarding requests to sell items at presbytery. This decision will be based on recognized missions/ministries of Nevada Presbytery.

STATED CLERK'S REPORT - ACTIONS

ORDINATIONS	Rev. William M. Baltz, Gardnerville, June 30, 2007
INSTALLATIONS	Rev. Dr. Kenneth Harper, Green Valley, June 10, 2007 Rev. Karen Woodley, Covenant, July 29, 2007
COMMISSIONED	Rev. William M. Baltz, Gardnerville, June 30, 2007
DISSOLUTIONS	none
ENROLLMENTS	Rev. Karen Woodley, Covenant, May 20, 2007 Rev. Dr. Kenneth Harper, Green Valley, June 1, 2007 Rev. William M. Baltz, Gardnerville, June 30, 2007
DISMISSALS	none
DECEASED	none
REMOVED	Rev. Ames Broen, February 28, 2007
RELEASED	none
MEMBER AT LARGE	none
RETIRED	Rev. Jack Schutte - January 1, 2007
INACTIVE	none
LABOR IN BOUNDS	Major Thomas "Buzz" Mattingly - Sierra Blanca
LABOR OUT OF BOUNDS	Rev. Jackie Leonard, Redwoods Presbytery, July 7, 2007
OTHER	Rev. Hilda Pecoraro - Serving Other Institutions/Chaplain

Records Review

February 25, 2007

Henderson - no exceptions	
Henderson - Green Valley	
G-6.0405	Deacons Records Reviewed
G-7.0307	Congregational Minutes Signature
G-9.0203b	Term & Election of Clerk
Las Vegas First - no exceptions	
Las Vegas First Korean - no show	
Las Vegas - Mt. View - no exceptions	
Las Vegas - Summerlin	
G-10.0401d	Full Financial Review
Las Vegas - Westminster - no exceptions	

June 2, 2007

Bishop First - no show
Bishop Valley - no show
Carson City - no exceptions
Hawthorne - no show
Gardnerville - no exceptions
Incline Village - no exceptions
Lee Vining - no exceptions
Reno - Covenant - no exceptions
Reno - St. John's - no exceptions
Reno Korean - no show
South Lake Tahoe - G-10.0401d - Full financial review
Spanish Springs - no exceptions
Tonopah - no show
Virginia City - G-10.0401d - Full financial review

Church Report #1 Wells, Elder Elaine Swanson

PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY (CPM) - Rev. Tom Lobaugh, report given no actions required.
Theological Education Fund - no report

EQUIPPING - Rev. Bob Kelley, video of Youth Triennium was shown, and Rev. Linda Kelly gave report on her impressions of the event. Rev. Kelly served as a advisor. Presbytery heard from Scott Henderson re: Calvin Crest.

Church Report #2 - Bishop Valley, given by Janice Mitchell, JoAnn Poncho, Charlotte David and Gail Whitebear. Video was shown of some of their activities.

PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION - Rev. Skip Herbert

SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES - reports were given by the following commissioners - Elder "Pat" Miller, Rev. Dana Boes, Rev. Al Fry and Elder JoAnn Poncho. Rev. Alan Dorway - special report on Mission Funding, with video presentation.

SIERRA MISSION PARTNERSHIP - STAFF REPORTS were given by the following:
Rev. Jerry Hurst - Truckee Lutheran/Presbyterian Church, chartering documents have been completed. Will need to get consent from GA before chartering can occur. This will get

Rev. Jay Olson - Resources for Middle East study, "Cradle of our Faith", working on updating SMP web site, Ethnic Concerns Conference, Hunger Action Enablers will be ending their work with the partnership, Thai/Laotian 4th Anniversary celebration, Bishop Valley 96th Anniversary celebration, Upland Presbyterian Church update, visiting the Japanese internment camp, Manzaner, Mission Giving Pledge time, and a special thanks to Rev. Alan Dorway for his Mission enthusiasm and energy.

Rev. Jeri Viera-Dahlke - Childcare Ministry, and reminded churches to save dollars for Triennium each year.

Elder Sally Hinchman - Related the "Joys and Concerns" for the presbytery. Expressed her thanks to those who have served the presbytery during the last year. Presbytery was led in prayer for Dick Campbell, Dick Wiggers, Gretchen Stamos, and the Presbytery of Sacramento. Elder Hinchman and Rev. Hurst then presented the Walton Grant plaque to Rev. Dr. Bruce Taylor, pastor of Spanish Springs Presbyterian Church, Sparks, Nevada.

Church Report #3 - Summerlin, Rev. Tom Lobaugh

REPRESENTATION - Elder Kyung-il Ghymn, **COR** continues its recommendation to the Nominating Committee to pay its attention to the composition of COM membership with an ethnic seat(s). Elder Ghymn and Elder Snavelly finished their terms.

TRUSTEES - Elder Bob Smith, reported that First Korean Church, Las Vegas, and Summerlin Presbyterian Church, Las Vegas, will be joining for a joint venture in regards to the Summerlin property. Both will be submitting loan applications. Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the request from the Lee Vining Presbyterian Church, to sell a portion of their property, 60 by 100 feet, at the appraised amount, and then to invest the money received. Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the proposed budget for 2008, with per capita set at \$31.00 per member. (Attachment #1)

SIERRA MISSION PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEES

Budget and Finance - no report

Personnel - Linda Kelly
Self Development of People - Elaine Noble
Refugee Ministry - Carol Wood

Church Report #4 - South Lake Tahoe, Rev. Dr. Steve Blocher, and Elder John Harbison.

“ANGELS OUT OF THE ASHES” - Elder Lyla Dusing, gave expression of thanks and a prayer.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN - Pat Harrington

PRESBYTERIAN MEN - Elder Kyung-il Ghymn

ACTING CLERK FOR MATTERS RELATING TO ST. JOHN’S - Elder Joan Runyeon

It was reported at the February meeting of Presbytery, that on December 4, 2006, Council concurred with the request of the session of St. John’s Church in Reno to assume original jurisdiction for the investigation of allegations against a church officer. The Rev. Alan Dorway, Elder Craig Biddle, and Elder Joyce DeWitt were named to Investigating Committee IV. The IC was trained in January, 2007 and in a “Conclusion of Investigation” dated May 1, 2007, it was stated that no charges would be filed. Since there was no “Petition for Review of Decision Not to File Charges”, the matter is concluded.

The current members of the Presbytery Permanent Judicial Commission met for orientation on September 18, 2007.

At a called meeting in October 2005 an Administrative Commission was formed by vote of Presbytery to work with the session and members of the congregation of St. John’s Church. That commission (Rev. Bob Kelly, the Rev. Bruce Kochsmeier, the Rev. Pat Hardy, Elder Carl Dahlen, Elder Chris Rhodes, Elder Elaine Noble, and Elder Charlene Rodman) continues its work.

AC - ST. JOHN’S - Rev. Robert Kelley

TASK FORCE REPORT - Rev. Richard Randall - first reading, will discuss and vote at the regular presbytery meeting in February. Any questions direct to chair Rev. Dick Randall or any other members of the committee.

NEW BUSINESS - Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the request from Wells Presbyterian Church, Wells, Nevada, for of waver of G-14.0201a, and proceed with G-14.0202b.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Moderator, Rev. Ross Doyel, closed the meeting at 5:40 pm.

Closing prayer and dinner blessing was offered by Rev. Pat Mecham.

Dinner was followed by worship and communion at 7:00 pm. Service was led by Rev. Jackie Leonard. Offering at the worship service was received for Nevada New Church Development.

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Nevada Presbytery reconvened at 8:45 am on Wednesday, September 19th, by Vice Moderator Craig Biddle. Opening worship and prayer was led by Rev. Pat Mecham.

Offering received for Nevada New Church Development - \$1,143.50.

PREVENTION OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT - Elder Joan Runyeon (next presentation 2012)

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY (COM) - Elder Shirley Parks

Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the Rev. Hilda Pecoraro as a Parish Associate for Henderson Presbyterian Church, Henderson, Nevada. Without remuneration.

Rev. Dr. Gerald "Jerry" Hurst, requests transfer from New Covenant Presbytery to Nevada Presbytery. Presbytery **VOTED** to **ARREST** examination, and to **RECEIVE** and **ENROLL** Rev. Hurst into Nevada Presbytery upon his dismissal from New Covenant Presbytery.

Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the request of Antonio and Evangelina Zambrano to renew their status as Commission Lay Pastors for the Hispanic Congregation held at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Las Vegas, Nevada. The term will be for 2 years, with the same provisions as before.

Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the request from First Korean Presbyterian Church to change their name to Elim United Presbyterian Church. Name based on Exodus 15:27.

Presbytery **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the renewal of the contract between the Rev. Richard Wiggers and St. John's Presbyterian Church, for the period October 16, 2007 - October 15, 2008, with terms presented.

MISSION OUTREACH - Rev. Alan Dorway

1. Continuing work on NCD vision and projects
2. Hoping for Truckee Lutheran/Presbyterian Church to come before Presbytery next meeting with exciting chartering news.
3. Scott Henderson - Calvin Crest Conference Center
4. Thai-Laotian - Rev. Carol Wood
5. Restoring Creation - Elaine Noble
6. RAIN - Art Ritter
7. Amazing Grace - Jim Stuhmer

Alan closed with the "Final Word" as he ends his time on Mission Outreach.

NOMINATING - Elder Barbara Sylvis, Elder Craig Biddle

Elder Craig Biddle, Chair of Personnel Committee placed in nomination for Stated Clerk of Nevada Presbytery - Elder Joyce Butcher. Presbytery **VOTED** to **ELECT**. Term is 3 years.

Nominating Committee Chair, Elder Barbara Sylvis placed the following in nomination:

- 2008 Moderator of Presbytery - Elder Craig Biddle
- 2008 Vice Moderator of Presbytery - Rev. Carol Wood
- 2010 Council at Large - Rev. Dr. Bruce Taylor
- 2010 Committee on Preparation for Ministry
 - Elder Renee Taylor
 - Elder Chris Rhodes
- 2010 Committee on Ministry
 - Rev. Jay Hull
 - Elder Paul Granstrom
 - Rev. Hilda Pecoraro
- 2010 Equipping Ministries
 - Rev. Alan Dorway
 - Rev. Ken Harper
 - Elder Sue Stickles
- 2008 Mission Outreach
 - Elder John Harbison
 - Elder Ken Meats
- 2010 Mission Outreach
 - Rev. Kwang Woo Chang
 - Elder "B.J." Kwak
 - Elder Elaine Noble
 - Rev. Dan Zazvorka
- 2009 Representation - Elder Reah Taylor
- 2010 Representation
 - Elder Sang Chang
 - Elder Lyla Dusing
- 2010 SMP - Budget and Finance - Ralph Gaede
- 2010 SMP - Personnel - Rev. Linda Kelly
- 2009 SMP - Self Development of People - Elder Joyce DeWitt
- 2010 SMP - Self Development of People - Elder Charlotte David
- 2013 Synod of Pacific PJC - Elder Jean McClain
- 2008 GA - Readers for Standard Ordination Exams
 - Elder Lyla Dusing
 - Elder Chris Rhodes
- 2010 GA Native American Consulting Committee - Elder Tanya Mitchell

In accordance with G-14.0201e, there were no nominations from the floor, and presbytery **VOTED** to cast a **UNANIMOUS** ballot for the slate of nominees.

2010 NOMINATING COMMITTEE - Presbytery **VOTED** to **ELECT** Rev. Jay Hull and Elder Melva O'Neill as members of the committee.

2008 - Alternate Minister Commission to GA - Presbytery **VOTED** to **ELECT** Rev. Ross Doyel.

2008 - Alternate Elder Commissioner to GA - Presbytery **VOTED** to **ELECT** Elder Janice Mitchell from Valley Bishop Presbyterian Church.

2008 - Youth Advisory Delegate to GA (YAD) - Presbytery **VOTED** to **ELECT** Andrew Krater YAD, and Brad Naughton as Alternate YAD. They are from St. John's Presbyterian Church in Reno.

INSTALLATION - The following were installed by Rev. Ross Doyel - Elder Craig Biddle, Moderator, Rev. Carol Wood, Vice Moderator, Elder Joyce Butcher, Stated Clerk - Rev. Bruce Taylor - At Large, Rev. Tom Lobaugh - CPM, Elder Shirley Parks - COM, Rev. Bob Kelley - Equipping, Rev. Jim Houston-Hencken - Mission Outreach, and Elder Bud Stickles - Representation.

FINAL REPORTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESOLUTION OF THANKS - Rev. Carol Wood

Presbytery **VOTED** to **ADJOURN** at 11:50.

CLOSING PRAYER AND LUNCH BLESSING - Rev. Bill Baltz

Next Presbytery - February 26 and 27, 2008 - Westminster Presbyterian, Las Vegas, NV
Fall Presbytery - September 16 and 17, 2008 - Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center