Las Placitas Presbyterian Church DRAFT Stated Session Meeting Minutes September 11, 2023

Class of 2024

Class of 2025

<u>Class of 2026</u>

Lauren Skinner Janice Langdale Vacant Leigh Plante Steve Chewning Judie Hendry Donna Ebers Joyce Hoses Jacque Fletcher

*** THIS MEETING WAS HELD ONLINE USING ZOOM.

MEETING OPENED	7:00	Moderator Rev. Richard Holme	Rev. Richard Holmes	
DEVOTION AND PRAYER	Joyce	Hoses Poem for fall		

DECLARATION OF QUORUM (1/3 of Session plus Moderator)

Session Members Present Online: Lauren Skinner, Leigh Plante, Donna Ebers, Janice Langdale, Steve Chewning, Joyce Hoses, Judie Hendry, Jacque Fletcher

Session Members Absent: None

Guests: Catherine Robinson, Seth Finch. (Co-chairs of Presbytery Commission on Ministry)

MOTION: GIVE VOICE TO SETH FINCH AND CATHERINE ROBINSON

APPROVED

REPORT FROM COMMISSION ON MINISTRY

Discussion led by Catherine Robinson and Seth Finch

Catherine and Seth had a good talk with Bill Lumm. He affirmed reported comments and was very apologetic. He asked the group of members who were upset by the way he was treated to back off and he hopes to move forward. He may come back to LPPC, but not now.

Seth took over as Moderator and Rev. Holmes left the room.

The Commission on Ministry leads wants to extricate themselves from this situation and let Session take the lead on future actions.

A suggestion was made that Rev. Holmes take classes in financial management and leadership development. Presbytery does not offer such classes.

The Commission on Ministry has been hearing directly from two members of the congregation with concerns about Rev. Holmes. If this continues in the church could well lose our pastor.

Seth stated that Session should over-communicate, letting the whole congregation know the high level support by Session for Rev. Holmes, his family, and the church staff.

Rev. Holmes returned as Moderator. Catherine and Seth left the meeting.

SESSION AGREED TO ADJOURN AND CALL A MEETING FOR MONDAY SEPTEMBER 18 TO DEAL WITH ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS.

CALENDAR

Next Session meeting (zoom)	Monday September 18, 2023	7:00 pm
Devotion / Lockup Schedule		
September	Joyce Hoses	
October	Lauren Skinner	
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Adjourn with Prayer	9:41	
Respectfully submitted	Carl Allen, Clerk of Session	