

**Las Placitas Presbyterian Church  
DRAFT Called Session Meeting Agenda  
September 18, 2023**

Class of 2024

Lauren Skinner  
Janice Langdale  
Vacant

Class of 2025

Leigh Plante  
Steve Chewning  
Judie Hendry

Class of 2026

Donna Ebers  
Joyce Hoses  
Jacque Fletcher

**\*\*\* THIS MEETING WAS HELD ONLINE USING ZOOM.**

**MEETING OPENED**          7:01                  Moderator Rev. Richard Holmes

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

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

**Session Members Absent:** Leigh Plante

**MOTION: APPROVE ABSENCE OF LEIGH PLANTE**

**APPROVED**

**DOCUMENT APPROVALS**

**DRAFT Called Session Meeting Agenda                  Monday Sept 18, 2023**

**APPROVED**

**DRAFT Called Session Meeting Minutes                  Wednesday August 2, 2023**

**APPROVED**

**DRAFT Stated Session Meeting Minutes                  Monday August 14, 2023**

**APPROVED**

**DRAFT Called Session Meeting Minutes                  Sunday August 2, 2023**

**APPROVED**

## **PASTOR'S REPORT - Rev. Rich Holmes**

### Pastoral Care Activities

- Visits 4
- Phone Calls 2

### Other Activities

- Breakfast Club 9-5
- Committee on Ministry 9-6
- Communications Committee 9-6
- Cuba Visitation 8-20
- Fellowship Committee 8-28
- Finance Committee 9-7
- Nominating Committee 9-7

### Updates and New Business

- Cuba (country) Partnership Picnic:  
**MOTION: DONATE LPPC'S SHARE OF THE PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING TO THE CUBA (COUNTRY) PARTNERSHIP. APPROVED**
- Funeral for Norma Martinez on Oct. 1  
Request that a member be allowed to attend Norma Martinez's funeral  
**MOTION: ALLOW HER TO ATTEND SERVICE AT LPPC (ONE TIME ONLY EXCEPTION TO PREVIOUS DECISION OF SESSION). APPROVED**
- Concerns regarding a member: One member has been showing unwanted attention to a visitor, including during a recent church service. Clerk of Session Carl Allen and Session members Jacque Fletcher and Joyce Hoses agreed to support and redirect the member if this behavior continues. Rev. Holmes will encourage the member to follow the advice of his doctors. Carl Allen will inform the visitor of these actions.
- The Communications Committee suggested that summary reports from Session meetings be published to the congregation prior to Session approval the following month. Judie Hendry will take bullet points from tonight's meeting to try this out.
- Casa Rosa Donations: All donations should be taken to Casa Rosa, not left in the church hallway
- **MOTION: REMOVE DEBBY BRINKERHOFF FROM THE ROLLS. (PER EMAIL TO WENDY INGRAM). APPROVED**

- **MOTION: TAKE NO ACTION ON THE CURRENT LIST OF INACTIVE MEMBERS DUE FOR REVIEW AFTER TWO YEARS.  
APPROVED**
- Session retreat at Ghost Ranch tentatively set for Spring of 2024

#### **CLERK'S REPORT – Carl Allen**

##### **Food during the Christmas Market**

Lee Small (Placitas Artists Series) asked whether or not LPPC will be serving food during the market. Referred to the Hospitality Committee.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

##### **Day Care Proposed Contract**

Discussion led by Lauren Skinner

##### **Draft Rental Agreement (distributed separately)**

Clerk will sign on behalf of LPPC

**Tabled until more information for questions regarding insurance**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **DRAFT SEXUAL MISCONDUCT POLICY (distributed separately)**

Discussion led by Jacque Fletcher

**DOCUMENT ADOPTED WITH AMENDMENTS**

## **FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE CHURCH**

Discussion led by Steve Chewning

### **Financial Highlights for August 2023**

#### **Church Operations**

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Our operating income for the month of August totaled \$20,984. August operating expenses totaled \$15,469 for a net gain of \$5,515 for the month.

- Year to date through the end of August, the church has received a total of \$160,691 in contributions and other income to support the operations of the church.
- Total operating expenses through August were \$129,955 for a year-to-date net gain of \$30,736.
- Combining this \$30,736 net gain with the year-beginning operating reserves of \$39,956 gives the church a total liquidity of \$70,692.
- The mortgage balance for the roof replacement and solar panels project loan is \$62,917.
- LPPC invested \$100,000 in a Certificate of Deposit in August at US Bank.
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**INITIAL 2024 BUDGET PLANNING and YEAR-TO-DATE SPENDING (distributed separately). FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

## **STEWARDSHIP**

Discussion led by Janice Langdale

The campaign will start Oct 8 and run thru Oct 29.

## **WORSHIP**

Discussion led by Joyce Hoses

Anne Egan will preach on 10/22 so that Rev. Holmes can attend the Presbytery meeti

## **BUILDING**

Discussion led by Lauren Skinner

**Waiting for roof repair proposal from James Madrid**

## **CALENDAR**

**Next Session meeting (zoom)                      Monday October 9, 2023                      7:00 pm**

### **Devotion / Lockup Schedule**

**September                      Joyce Hoses**

**October                      Lauren Skinner**

**Adjourn with prayer                      9:03**

**Respectfully submitted                      Carl Allen, Clerk of Session**