

**Las Placitas Presbyterian Church  
Approved Stated Session Meeting Minutes  
August 12, 2024**

Class of 2025

Leigh Plante  
Steve Chewning  
Judie Hendry

Class of 2026

Donna Ebers  
Joyce Hoses  
Jacque Fletcher

Class of 2027

Lauren Mueller Skinner  
Carl Allen  
Janice Langdale

**\*\*\* THIS MEETING WAS HELD IN PERSON AT THE CHURCH.**

**MEETING OPENED**                      6:34                      Rev. Karl Gustafson      Moderator

**DEVOTION**                      Janice Langdale              The Trough

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

**Session Members Present:** Leigh Plante, Donna Ebers, Steve Chewning, Joyce Hoses, Carl Allen, Judie Hendry, Jacque Fletcher, Janice Langdale

**Session Members Absent:** Lauren Mueller Skinner

**MOTION - EXCUSE LAUREN MUELLER SKINNER**

**APPROVED**

**DOCUMENT APPROVALS**

**DRAFT Stated Session Meeting Agenda              Monday August 12, 2024**

**APPROVED**

**DRAFT Stated Session Meeting Minutes              Monday July 15, 2024**

**APPROVED**

**CLERK'S REPORT                      Carl Allen**

**Death of member Joan Dennis                      Memorial service August 24**

**Guest preachers scheduled:**

August 18	Full-time / Part-time discussion; Rev. Ken Cuthbertson coordinating
August 25	Rev. Lynne Hinton
September 1	Rev. David Crowley

I intend to continue inviting guest preachers to lead our worship services until Rev. Ulrich states his intentions concerning return to the pulpit. Rev. Ulrich's current contract runs through the end of October.

**Potential New Members** We have been seeing an increasing number of visitors, some of whom are interested in joining our church ! I recommend that the Membership Committee contact them personally and invite them to meet with Session between services on **August 25**.  
**Karl Moderator**

**MOTION: CONVENE SESSION TO MEET WITH PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBERS BETWEEN SERVICES ON SUNDAY AUGUST 25**

**APPROVED**

**OLD BUSINESS****What to do with former Kids' Day Out rooms and books**

Discussion led by Janice Langdale and Judie Hendry

Placitas Library took a few  
Some labeled for Casa Rosa; Donna will coordinate  
Janice will look at Spanish-language books  
Dignity has gotten their choices

Steve will announce to members of the congregation to come and choose any items that they want after services on upcoming Sundays.

**Strengthening LPPC Committees**

Discussion led by Judie Hendry

Judie will convene an ad hoc committee to meet in early September to address this issue

**Providing information on will bequests to the congregation**

Leigh will get this information into the bulletin

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Worship**

Discussion led by Joyce Hoses

**MOTION: SHIFT TO 8:30 AND 10:30 SERVICES STARTING SEPT 8**

**APPROVED**

### **Stewardship**

Discussion led by Carl Allen

I recommend scheduling the Stewardship Campaign for September 22 - October 20. This early schedule would provide pledge numbers to support preparation of the 2025 church budget in November. It would also provide pledge numbers to support a Full-time/Part-time decision by the end of October. Session and Presbytery could then approve the pastor solicitation before Christmas.

### **Pastor Nominating**

Discussion led by Janice Langdale

The DRAFT Mission Study should be submitted to Session for consideration in September

The recommendation on full-time vs. part-time pastor to will prepared for submission to Session in September or following the Stewardship Campaign in October.

### **Financial**

Discussion led by Steve Chewning

After 7 months of 2024:

Budget Income / Expense	\$ 108,111
Actual Income	\$ 116,130
Actual Expense	\$ 92,468
Income Minus Expense	\$ 23,662

**MOTION: OFFER A 3% RAISE TO KAREN COX EFFECTIVE THE FIRST PAY PERIOD IN SEPTEMBER**

**APPROVED**

**CALENDAR**

**Next Session meeting in person**

**Monday September 9, 2024      6:30 pm**

**3rd Sunday Thoughts - “Ask the Session”**

**Sunday Aug 18 Full-time / Part-time pastor**

**Devotion / Lockup Schedule**

<b>August</b>	<b>Janice Langdale</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>Steve Chewning</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>Donna Ebers</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>Jacque Fletcher</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>Lauren Skinner</b>

**Adjourn with Prayer      8:15**

**Respectfully submitted**

**Carl Allen**

**Clerk of Session**