

Northern Association, Southern California Nevada Conference, UCC

**Minutes, Association Meeting April 27, 2024**

Meeting held at Community Church of Atascadero, United Church of Christ

Meeting called to order 11:55

Quorum was declared by Registrar Karen MacConnell 9 churches represented

Approval of Minutes (moved Candance Reynolds, 2<sup>nd</sup> Karen MacConnell). MOTION APPROVED

Bylaws Committee presented a motion to approve a revised Bylaws.

Discussion and amendments:

- a) Amendment proposed by Karen MacConnell: in Section 5.4 “Registrar” needs to be changed to “Secretary”
- b) Amendment proposed by Wendy Holland: in Section 1. Change the first sentence to read “Northern Association (Association) of the Southern California Nevada Conference (Conference) of the United Church of Christ (UCCC).

MOTION APPROVED

Moderator Rev. Branton offered thanks to the Bylaws Committee

Treasurer’s Report - Randi Hodson (attached) Association is in good shape. Randi reminded us about Pilgrim Pines camper scholarship availability. There is a significant balance. Should we consider giving more to scholarships and camperships?

MOTION to accept budget for 2024-25 (Rev. Kohfeld-Stout moved, Jeanne Miller 2<sup>nd</sup>) APPROVED

Nominating Committee Report (Committee Rev. Keslinn Kohfeld-Stout, Joanne Beckett, Candice Reynolds). **Committee moved** that the following individuals be elected to the positions named:

Moderator – Candice Reynolds, Church of the Foothills, Ventura

Vice Moderator – Rev. Wendy Holland, Plymouth Congregational UCC, Paso Robles

Secretary – Nancy Franklin, Tehachapi Community Church, Tehachapi

\*Nancy Franklin was added to the slate from the floor.

Treasurer – Randi Hodson, First Congregational Church UCC, Bakersfield

Past-Moderator – Rev. Heather Branton, Community Church of Atascadero, Atascadero

Nominating Committee for 2024: Rev. Heather Branton, Community Church of Atascadero, Nancy Franklin, Tehachapi Community Church

MOTION APPROVED

Next meeting to be held in Ventura at Church of the Foothills October 26, 2024.

Meeting adjourned.

Clergy in attendance: Liz Aguilar, Heather Branton, Keslinn Kohfeld-Stout, Wendy Holland, Myrna Tuttle (ret), Susan Brecht (ret)

Kris Bergstrom – Acting Conference Minister and Ellis Arnold – Designated Term Associate Conference Minister joined the programmatic portion of the meeting with updates on Conference Business and the Covenanted Committees on Ministry. The remainder of the program was a discussion of techniques and tools used for hybrid worship.

Churches with representation: Community Church of Atascadero (host); San Luis Obispo UCC; Valley of the Flowers UCC, Lompoc; 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational Bakersfield; Tehachapi Community Church; Church of the Foothills, Ventura; First Congregational UCC, Santa Barbara; Plymouth Congregational Church, Paso Robles; UCC Simi Valley