

PROPOSED AGENDA

Synod Assembly – April 14, 2018
Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Monte Vista Grove Homes

- 8:45 a.m. Registration Opens
- 9:00 a.m. Antiracism Workshop led by Rev. Eric Law
- 12 a.m-
1 p.m Lunch
- 1.00 p.m. Welcome and Convene with devotion Susan Skoglund
Fried Wilson
- Getting acquainted – Who is in the room?
- Report of the Stated Clerk Mark Hong
Declaration of Quorum
Adoption of Agenda
Consent Agenda
- Treasurer's Report Bill Hughes
2017 year-end Financial Statements
- Report from Mathew25 Movement Vanessa Martinez
Soltero
- Report on Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Suzanne Malloy
- Report from JPIC Work Group Sunny Kang
- Report from REPL Narcissis Tucker
- Report from Synod Commission of Assembly
- Report of Synod Executive Mark Hong
- 3:00 p.m. Adjournment

**Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
SYNOD ASSEMBLY
April 14, 2018**

**REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK
Mark E. Hong**

1. Declaration of a Quorum

For Action

The Clerk recommends that the moderator declare that a quorum is present if the following provisions are met:

Bylaws, Article IV, Structure, A. SYNOD ASSEMBLY, 9. Quorum

*A quorum of the Synod Assembly shall be **sixteen (16) commissioners**, at least **eight** of whom shall be **ruling elders** and at least **eight** of whom shall be **teaching elders**, representing at least **five presbyteries**.*

2. Adoption of the Agenda

For Action

The Clerk recommends adoption of the Agenda as distributed for this meeting.

3. Corresponding Members

For Action

The Clerk recommends seating any corresponding members who may be present after they have introduced themselves.

CONSENT AGENDA

The next group of items is recommended for approval as part of a consent agenda or omnibus motion, which provides for efficient action on items that are presumed to be routine and non-controversial. All items on the consent agenda can be approved with one motion. It is important to note that any one commissioner can request that any item be removed from the consent agenda. The request does not require a second. Questions for clarification about any item may be raised without removing it from the agenda, but if a commissioner wishes to debate any item on the consent agenda it should be removed from the consent agenda.

4. Appointment of Journal Clerk

For Action

The Clerk recommends approval of the appointment of Fried Wilson as Journal Clerk.

5. New board members for PCCCI

For Action

RE Shelley Randles (SG), TE Paul Knopf (RS-second term), TE Erin Thomas (RS-second term)

The following items are for informational purposes only:

6. A Committee was appointed to approve the minute of Dec. 2 meeting

For Information

The Committee met on February 9 and approved the minutes of the December 2, 2017 Assembly to be submitted to the General Assembly for the Synod Minute Review on March 5-7, 2018. We thank Susan Skoglund, Janice Takeda, Martha Kadue, Jim Stueck, Joshua Yee and Sue Currie for their work.

I am happy to report that our 2016 and 2017 minutes were approved without any exceptions during Synod Minute Reviews. We thank Fried Wilson for his diligent work.

7. Report of the Synod Permanent Judicial Commission (PJC) For Information

Two pending cases have been granted Continuance
Palisades v. Presbytery of the Pacific (until April 19, 2018)
Spitzer v. Presbytery of Riverside (until June 15, 2018)

8. Permanent Judicial Commission Roster For Information

The Stated Clerk as required by the Book of Order at D-5.0206b reports the names of the following members of the Synod Permanent Judicial Commission whose terms have expired in the last six years.

<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2015</u>	<u>Class of 2013</u>
RE Marie Castellano	TE. Daryl Fisher-Ogden	HR Paul Bang-uk Chun
TE Mickie Choi	RE Curtis McKee	TE Ann Hayman
TE Peter Hintzoglou	RE Chuck Wakamoto	RE Linda Therien
RE Larry Lindsay		

9. Report on Related Entities For Information

The Rev. Rick Harrison is retiring in May as the president of Presbyterian Camp and Conference Centers, Inc. (PCCCI). We thank him for many years of service.
The Board has decided to hire Mr. Nery Vara as the director for Big Bear Conference Center. We want to thank Carol Stanley, Bill Hughes, Bob White, Paul Knopf, Erin Thomas, Roger Kahle, and Shelley Randles for their service on this board.

10. Synod Manual of Operations For Information

The Synod has a manual of operations, a sexual misconduct policy, and a protection policy for children and youth as required by G-3.0106

11. Insurance Coverage For Information

The Synod has property and liability insurance coverage as required by G-3.0112.

12. Synod Meetings in 2018 For Information

The Assembly will meet Saturday, November 3, at an appropriate location.

The Commission of Assembly will meet at the Synod office on Saturday, June 30 and Saturday, September 29.

Report to Synod Assembly from Presbyterian Women in the Synod

April 14, 2018

Registration is open online for the Presbyterian Women Churchwide Triennial Gathering from August 2 -5, 2018. The gathering will return to Louisville for the first time since 2009. The location will be the Galt House. The theme "Arise, shine, your light has come!" was inspired by Isaiah 60:1. The cost is \$425 for the full gathering. Rooms start at \$144 plus tax per night. The gathering will be preceded by a business meeting with representation from Presbytery and Synod Coordinating teams. The gathering will celebrate the 30th anniversary of the current iteration of Presbyterian Women.

Presbyterian Women in the Synod (PWS) will hold a spring gathering on June 2, 2018, to commission those who will attend the gathering and to elect new leadership. Our gathering will be at Northminster Presbyterian Church in Diamond Bar. The program will feature a Day of Action with some hands on mission activity that will support the churchwide "Educate a Child" theme for this triennium. The registration flyer for the gathering is attached.

PWS held its second World Day of Prayer service at San Bernardino First Presbyterian Church on March 2, 2018. The service entitled "God's Creation is Very Good" was written by the women of Suriname and was based on Genesis 1: 1-31. We hope to make this an annual event with the locations rotated among the Presbyteries. Last years' service featuring the Philippines was held in Pacific Presbytery in Wilmington, the largest Filipino congregation in the PCUSA.

At this year's General Assembly, PW's national moderator, Carol Winkler will be a corresponding member after the GA vote in 2016 authorizing this change. She will have voice at the assembly. PW, Inc., was added to the Presbyterian Mission Agency Organization for Mission during the 2016 Assembly as well.

The 2018-2019 PW Bible study has been sent to those who subscribe to Horizons magazine. Authored by Amy Poling Sutherlun, the study is entitled *God's Promise I Am with You*. Next year's study is written by Eugenia Gamble on the Ten Commandments. Eugenia who is from Santa Barbara Presbytery will be featured at our 2019 summer conference at Chapman University.

Kelsey Law, PWS Coordinating Team Member at Large for Mission, attended the Commission on the Status of Women at the United Nations as an official member of the PCUSA delegation. She attended the official opening of the event as well as a number of side events. The theme for this session was Empowering Rural Women and Girls. Our delegation is part of the Ecumenical Women at the United Nations. Kelsey found the event to be transformative and recommends that we continue to support sending a representative through our PWS Coordinating Team. We still have work to do to come close to meeting the goals set for 2020. The Coordinating Team will also have two of its members attending Ecumenical Advocacy Days in April.