

**Minutes of Missional Partnership Meeting of Central Region of Presbytery of San Francisco
August 27, 2019, First Presbyterian Church of Hayward**

1. Rev. Lauren Patrus-Betzel called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m., recognizing a quorum.
2. The body approved the minutes of the Regional Meeting of February 22, 2019.
3. Elder Susanne Lea described the Farmington Community Garden Project of Irvington Presbyterian Church, and the process the Peer Review Team undertook to evaluate the proposal and recommend endorsement thereof.
 - We celebrated the Peer Review Recommendation to endorse the proposal through video witness.
 - The body unanimously voted to endorse the Farmington missional collaborative project.
 - Rev. Patrus-Betzel led the body in praying over and with the Farmington Missional Team.
4. Rev. Patrus-Betzel opened discussion around the issue of what constitutes a church/ congregation for purposes of applying for and receiving funding from the Central Region, and eligibility to vote at regional meetings. She presented the Peer Review Team's recommendation that New Worshipping Communities that have attained Tier 2 status as articulated by our Presbytery should be given voice, vote and grant application status in our regional life. Moreover, that expanded concept of a church/congregation should include racial-ethnic, multilingual communities (such as Mensajeros de Dios) which may undergo a longer process to achieve Tier 2 status, such that our region would extend voice, vote and grant application status to any "church plant" that has a critical mass of around 20 persons, strong leadership, corporate decision-making capability, a strategic plan and the ability to perform sacraments according to the Reformed Tradition. Questions were entertained. The matter will be brought for a vote at the next regional meeting.
5. Elder Ron Fong closed with prayer at 5:45 p.m.