

THE 716<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF SAN FRANCISCO  
ONLINE Presbytery Meeting  
Tuesday, FEBRUARY 9, 2021

The **Mission** of  
the **Presbytery of San Francisco** is  
to **Celebrate, Nurture and Serve**  
our communities  
by our life together in **Christ**.

(Approved 01-28-2014)

**REGISTER** at <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcsf-GqrzktGNetlgQK8zuxscAcOy9GV6Ny>  
*so you can vote & join in the discussion*

*Please read **ALL** the meeting documents and meeting instruction **In Advance** at*  
<https://www.presbyteryofsf.org/current-presbytery-meeting-packet/>

**(Understanding Presbytery Packet)**

- *The **DOCKET** is for items that require action and discussion.*
- *The **CONSENT AGENDA** is for action items we do not anticipate require discussion.*
- *The **OMNIBUS REPORT** is for non-actionable items and information.*

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**DOCKET**

- 6:00 PM PRESBYTERY PLENARY MEETING CONVENES** **Elder Mary Jane Gordon**
- *Land acknowledgment*
  - *Protocol for online participation*
  - *Orientation to language interpretation technology*
- 6:15 DEVOTION AND CONVENING PRAYER** **Elder Mustapha Baskh**  
**Rev. Jorge Abdala**
- CALL TO ORDER** **Elder Mary Jane Gordon**
- *Welcome to all presbyters, guests and first-time Commissioners*
- MOTION:** To Approve the **Docket** **Elder Rochelle Shaw**
- MOTION:** To Approve the [August & November meeting minutes](#)
- STATED CLERK’S REPORT** **Elder Rochelle Shaw**
- MOTION:** To Approve the **CONSENT Agenda** [\(Report II\)](#)  
Any Commissioner can remove any item from the CONSENT Agenda and place it at the end of the meeting when New Business is discussed. *Use the “Raise Hand”*

*feature and wait to be recognized by the co-moderator before responding. While raising hand, you may type your request into the CHAT box and send it to co-moderator Talitha Amadea Aho.*

**MOTION:** To Accept the **OMNIBUS Report** ([Report III](#))  
To receive all reports for recording in the Minutes

### ANNOUNCEMENTS & REPORTS

Report from **Executive Team**

**6:30**      **Installation of the New Co-Moderator – Elder Mustapha Baksh, Irvington, Fremont**

Report on upcoming **Book Study**, *What Lies Between us, Fostering the First Steps Toward Racial Healing* **Rev. Kamal Hassan**

**6:40**      Report from **LUEC/IPB Administrative Commission** **Rev. Leonard Nielson**  
[\(Report I D\)](#)

**MOTION #1:** To add to the authority of the original charge of this AC, the task of explore with IPB and making a recommendation to the Presbytery, for the permanent status of IPB as a worshipping community of the Presbytery. This might include forming a formal congregation under the Book of Order, or making IPB a joint witness or yoked congregation, or some other designation. IPB is currently a mission of the Presbytery, with no specific organizational designation.

**MOTION #2:** That effective immediately, the LUEC/IPB AC be composed of the following people:

- Rev. Beth Frykberg, First PC, Burlingame
- Elder Lyn Hughes, Bethany PC, San Bruno
- Elder Eliandra Lopes, IBP, San Mateo
- Elder George Lynch, Bethany PC, San Bruno
- Elder Angie Ortiz- Morra, LUEC, San Mateo
- Elder Susanne Lea, Montclair PC
- Rev. Leonard Nielson (to continue as staff liaison and resource)

Report from the **Committee on Ministry (COM)**

- *Announcements – Spiritual Direction*
  - *Death of Rev. Robert William at age 97 in Walnut Creek on January 19, 2021*
  - *Retirement of William McNabb*
  - *Prayer for Ministers and Commissioned Ruling Elders*
  - *Second Reading: **The Presbytery of San Francisco Policy and Procedures for the Personal Safety and Well-Being of All** –[Policy and Procedures Document](#)*
- Elder Roland Peterson**  
**Elder Betty Delaney**  
**Rev. Donald Hammond**

**MOTION: [\(Report I F\)](#)**

The Committee on Ministry (COM) recommends and moves that the Presbytery of San Francisco approve the *Presbytery of San Francisco Policy and Procedures for the Personal Safety and Well-Being of All*.

**6:50** Report from the **Joint Finance Property Oversight Commit (FPOC) and Committee on Ministry (COM)**

**Rev. Leonard Nielson**

**MOTION: [\(Report I B\)](#)**

That Presbytery allocate up to an additional \$1M, above that already allocated, for new Covid grants to churches and to NWC's.

Report from **Committee on Preparation of Ministry (CPM)**

**Rev. Grace Kaori Suzuki**

*Second Reading: The Presbytery of San Francisco CPM*

*Procedural Manual (STEPS)-- [Introduction to Manual](#) and [CPM STEPs Paper](#)*

**MOTION: [\(Report I G\)](#)**

The Committee on the Preparation of Ministry (CPM) recommends and moves that the Presbytery of San Francisco approve *the CPM Procedural Manual (STEPS)*.

**7:10** Report from **St. Paul's AC and Celebrate the ministry of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church**

**Rev. Leonard Nielson**

**Rev. Carol Miles**

**MOTION: [\(Report I E\)](#)**

With the submission of this final report on its work, and concurrent with the actions already taken by this AC and approved at previous Presbytery meetings (to turn over the property management, financial management and legal affairs of the site to the Presbytery, and to authorize the Presbytery to transfer the real property into the name of the Presbytery of San Francisco), *this AC moves to:*

- a) *Dissolve the St. Paul's Administrative Commission and return its AC authority to the Presbytery of San Francisco as of the date of this vote,*
- b) *To authorize the Presbytery of San Francisco to take over (as the successor corporation) the legal corporation of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church of San Francisco,*
- c) *To dissolve the congregation of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church of San Francisco, and*
- d) *Until such further election of officers is held by the Presbytery, the current officers of the corporation of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church of San Francisco (who are members of the St. Paul's AC) are designated and empowered to remain as officers of that corporation with the full authority to execute any documents needed to effect these transfers and actions.*

**The Presbytery is grateful for the work of this Committee and its service.** The AC members have been Rev. Dr. Carol Antablin Miles, Elder Vickie Lewis, Rev. Bruce Der McLeod, Rev.

Joan Huff, and Elder Marcus Jung. Rev. Maggi Henderson served as the COM representative, and Rev. Leonard Nielson served as staff liaison for Presbytery and for the FPOC.

**7:25 WORSHIP (*Reminder: bring your bread and cup for communion*)**  
**Preached Word from Elder Mary Jane Gordon, outgoing Co-Moderator**

**Seventh(ish) Inning Stretch**  
**Music: *We are One in the Spirit***  
**Type into Chat Box: *Prayers to Share***

**7:50 60 Second Celebrations** **Co-Moderators**

Report from **Mission, Vision and Leadership (MVL)** **Rev. Karen Thistlethwaite**  
**Jennifer Sacramento Street**

**MOTION: ([Report I A](#))**

That Presbytery Concur with MVL in the **creation of three new Working Groups of MVL** as follows:

***“Envisioning Groups for Developing Strategic Missional Priorities for Real Church Assets”***

**8:00 Report from Personnel (PWG)** **Rev. Monte McClain**  
Update from **Partnership Model Evaluation Team (PMET)** **Elder Nelson Mosi**

**MOTION: ([Report I C](#))**

In concurrence with the Personnel WG, the Partnership Model Evaluation Team (PMET) recommends for the Presbytery of SF to approve that the **Transitional Partnership Leadership Model be extended for an additional year (May 2021 through May 2022)**, with essentially the same roles and division of responsibilities.

**New Business** and items pulled from **CONSENT Agenda**

**Closing Prayers and Adjournment** **Co-Moderators**

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING (Online)**

**May 11, 2021**

***We are the Body of Christ***

*We are God's people gathered to do God's work, and in prayer we seek to know the mind of Christ. Our time together is much more than a 'business' meeting; it is time for fellowship, worship, education and reflection - and, yes, some decision-making, too.*

*The docket for our gathering is constructed so that worship is at the center of our time together to highlight that Christ is at our center. We also begin and end every presbytery meeting with prayer. Additionally, at the meeting, we often introduce a spiritual discipline such as a chant or repeating song or a litany to help us be mindful that we gather as Christ's body, not primarily as a legislative body.*

*With these outward actions, we are invited to seek Christ's inward leading as we speak and listen to each other and to the Holy Spirit moving among us.*

*- The Officers and Staff of the Presbytery of San Francisco*

At our next meeting we will.....  
Celebration of Ministries



Docket, table and space requests are due by **noon** on **Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>**  
"Print Ready" packet materials are due by **noon** on **Tuesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**

Please send ALL requests and information (in WORD)  
to [packet@sfpby.org](mailto:packet@sfpby.org).

The packet will be posted by **8 pm** on **Monday, May 3, 2021**