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**Conference Council Minutes
 October 15, 2022**

10:00 am – 3:00 pm (in person)

Fremont Congregational Church, 38255 Blacow Road, Fremont, CA

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is in the Lord. ~ Jeremiah 17:7

Conference Council Meeting Attendance, Saturday October 15, 2022, in person

Council Members

Eileen Altman		Sophia DeWitt	X	Akiko Miyake-Stoner		Mei Wang X
Raygan Baker	X	Miko Elliott		Roy Mosley	X	April Ward
Richard Brabham	X			Jim Ross		
Teipo Brown		Eppie Encabo	X	Bladimer Paeste	X	
Mariah Callison		Jeannie Hobson	X	Melissa Tumaneng	X	
Barbara Colliander	X	Diana Madoshi		Marc Vasquez		

Ex-Officio Members		Diane Weible		Davena Jones	X	Rob Parrish
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Guests						

The day began with the Council members attending the Lay Boundary Training from 10 am – 1pm. The Council Meeting was called to order at 1:16 pm with a welcome and opening prayer by President Mei Wang. This was followed by a brief check-in and prayer request time. We welcomed our new Bridge Conference Minister, Rev. Davena Jones!

A quorum was declared.

MOTION: Approve the agenda was made by Eppie Encabo, 2nd by Raygan Baker / passed.

MOTION: Approve September 17, 2022, regular session minutes was made by Jeannie Hobson, 2nd by Eppie Encabo / passed

MOTION: Approve September 17, 2022 executive session minutes was made by Melissa Tumaneng, 2nd by Sophia DeWitt / passed

MOTION: Move into executive session and invite Davena Jones into the meeting, was made by Jeannie Hobson, 2nd by Eppie Encabo at 1:40 PM / Passed

Resume regular meeting at 2:05 PM

There was no treasurers report.



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Finance and Business Committee [FABC]: The committee recommends that the proposed budget, passed at the Annual Gathering in June be affirmed as is at the October 22nd Annual Fall meeting.

Conference Ministers Report: Diane Weible

[the email on 10/14/22, prior to the meeting was titled, *The deep dive I tried for our meeting*:
"Please consider this my report because it is what I have spent most of my time on the past month in addition to working with staff on the transition and beginning to wrap up some of my ministry work. I hope you can all review this."

"I have attempted to go through our expenses and tried to create a YTD accounting of our income and expenses. I want to state clearly—I am not an accountant and I discovered there are still 2022 items that were mis-classified, even ones I had asked that they be fixed."

Diane has had to spend the vast majority of her time in the last year, working on the figures, rather than doing the ministry she was hired to do because of the pandemic, staff issues, and the inability of the accounting firms to grasp our complicated system of Restricted and Non-restricted funds. And they are still not fixed.

- 2023 Budget with 2022 YTD figures [these were presented at the 10/22/22 Annual Meeting
 - Profit and Loss

The Conference Ministers report dealt with the need for assistance with Our Churches Wider Mission [OCWM] contributions. All council members are asked to check the chart sent by Diane Weible and contact churches to verify the status of their contributions, thank those who have, and encourage those who haven't or are behind in their pledges. A script has been provided. One focus is the \$5 per-capita that hasn't received many contributions.

Recruitment Committee: Barbara Colliander

The latest slate was distributed and discussed. Our most pressing need is for a Treasurer, hopefully before the end of the year, so they can work with Rob Parrish before he retires. We have many openings to fill, especially on COM A, B and E. These are vital committees, and they need the open slots filled in order to function properly. Bay Association has appointed Teipo Brown to replace Elana Bolds as their council representative, and Golden Gate Association informed us that Tami Groves has stepped down and a new representative will be named soon. The FABC chair, Carmelle Knudsen is resigning, effective December 31, 2022, and Nick Kuklan will assume the position. We also need a representative from each Association for COM C, authorization for churches seeking membership in NCNC.



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MOTION: To affirm Mary Jo Renner for COM A, Class of 2025 and Hannah Turner, Alternate Delegate for General Synod, Class of 2025, made by Roy Mosley, 2nd Jeannie Hobson / passed.

AG7: Raygan Baker

The meeting on October 22 is to affirm the 2023 budget passed at Annual Gathering in June 2022 and affirm the decision to forward the Range of Light to General Synod 2023. The committee is assessing options for AG 2023.

The action on the Electronic Meetings in CA new law is being tabled to November so that more accurate information can be presented.

The service for Release of Covenant for Diane Weible is on December 11th at 3 PM at First Congregational Church of Alameda. More details to come soon. A planning committee is meeting next week.

Everyone was reminded to work on the OCWM contributions.

Jeannie Hobson led the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 PM by President Mei Wang.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Richard Brabham, Scribe**

Future Meetings:

Nov. 19 (TEAMS Virtual)

Mar. 18 (TEAMS Virtual)

Jan. 21 (TEAMS Virtual)

May 20 (TEAMS Virtual)

Feb. 18 (TEAMS Virtual)