

MINUTES
Stated Meeting April 24, 2004
PRESBYTERY OF GRAND CANYON

1. STATED MEETING

The Presbytery of Grand Canyon of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) held its Stated Meeting at Northminster Presbyterian Church in Phoenix, beginning at 9:00 AM on Saturday, April 24, 2004.

2. QUORUM/PRAYER

Moderator, Gale Watkins determined that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order with prayer at 9:00 AM, the Stated Clerk was present, a quorum was reported and no new business was docketed. Following the Call to Order the Moderator provided a brief orientation on what the Presbytery of Grand Canyon does when it meets. He called this orientation *Presbytery 101* and indicated that he was speaking especially to those who were present for the first time, "though there are some others who could use a refresher course." (The full text of this orientation is available on the presbytery website.)

3. CELEBRATING OUR BLESSINGS/INTRODUCTIONS

First-time attendees were introduced. The Stated Clerk gave a review of the materials in the Presbytery Packet.

4. PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

Presbytery VOTED that the roll for this meeting be established by the signing of roster sheets at the Registration Desk.

Presbytery VOTED that the Presbytery grant to the Moderator the authority to grant privilege of the floor to persons for the purpose of reporting to this meeting.

Presbytery VOTED that the Moderator and the Stated Clerk be empowered to make adjustments in the Agenda during the meeting, as may be necessary, to provide for efficiency in reporting.

Presbytery VOTED that written requests for absences received by the Stated Clerk be approved.

5. ROLL

5.1. CORRESPONDING MEMBERS

The following Corresponding Member was enrolled:

C. Philip Courtney Cayuga-Syracuse Presbytery

5.2. MINISTERS PRESENT

Alvarez, Renato	Fredrick, John	Meredith, Ralph
Arbesman, Janet	Fulton, Helmi	Miles, Mary Jane
Baer, Doug	Hartwell, Michael	Moe, Kenneth
Baxter, Patricia	Hawkins, Darren	Moe, Michelle
Bibiloni, José	Hicks, David	Muenich, Karen
Bigler, Robert	Hicks, Mae	Nord, Alice
Bingaman, G. William	Holmes, Ewen	Olagues, José
Borhauer, Harold	Johnson, Bruce	Parker, Gayle
Burtless, Stanford	Johnston III, Robert M.	Parker, Thomas
Byall, Lowell	Keim, Sue	Poling, John Clark
Bybee, David	Kilgore, Wilson	Prichard, Jack
Citron, Suzanne	Kimberlin, Kenneth	Proudfoot, Charles
Clark, Robert	Lineweaver, Thomas	Pulido, Gloria
Davis, Malcolm	Lodge, David	Roberts, Margaret
Eaken, Lawrence	Longstreet, James	Rosson, Roland
Flahiff, John	Manning, Marilyn	Schafer, MacHenry
Fooks, John	Melendez, Hipolito	Schenck, Jed

Schlesinger-Devlin, Justin
 Simmons, Robert
 Spence, Edward
 Strong, Dale
 Thomas, James
 Valle, Paula
 Vautier, Grif

Vautier, Holly
 Watkins, W. Gale
 Weir, J. Kyle
 Wellington, Judith
 Wilson, Jane
 Windsor, Charles
 Witte, Cathy

Yost, Wilson
 Young, Alvin
 Young, Patricia

5.3. CHURCHES PRESENT

Betania
 Blackwater
 Celebration of Life
 Central
 Chinle, Trinity
 Christ
 Community, Alpine
 Community, Federated
 Community, Payson
 Community, Pinetop
 Community, Yarnell
 Crosswinds
 Desert Palms
 Emmanuel
 Faith
 First, Leupp
 First, Maricopa
 First, Mesa
 First, Peoria
 First, Sacaton
 First, Sun City
 First, Tuba City
 First, Wickenburg
 First, Yuma
 Fort Defiance
 Fountain Hills
 Ganado
 Gila Crossing
 Gilbert
 Guadalupe
 Heritage
 Horizon
 John Calvin
 Kingman
 Lehi
 Memorial
 Mingus View
 Mission del Sol
 Mohawk Valley
 Northminster
 Orangewood
 Palo Cristi
 Pinnacle
 Prescott, Trinity
 Salt River
 Scottsdale
 Sierra Vista
 Southminster
 Sunnyslope

Archie Fraijo
 Yolanda Wilson
 Peggy McBride
 Jody Hodahkwen
 Marilyn Tso
 Sue Stevenson, William Cramer
 Burton Miller
 Carmen Johnson
 John Wilson, Sue Wilson
 Judith Morland
 Ruby McKinzie, Dick Messick
 Peter Henningsen
 Vera Matz, Jim Paterson, Marjorie Luce, Ed Dowell
 Robert Schratz, Tom Jenney
 Susan Edwards, Martha Holmberg, Carol Anderson, Wilma McDaniel
 Thomas Paddock, Sr.
 Theresa Donahue
 Caroline Cline
 Dave Moffet, Priscilla Cook
 Cyrus Johnson, Robert Luna
 Roberta Hoover, Pat Domino
 Jones Yazzie
 Mickey Jones, Marilyn Walker
 Janet Abel
 Dona Etsitty
 Bill Quigley
 Merlin Yazzie
 Joseph Jackson
 Grace Mossman
 Andres Molina
 Jerry Muenich
 Jones Kenney
 LaVerne Pietrzak
 V.R. Campbell
 Herschel Andrews
 Marion Van Winkle, Ellie Hetrick
 John MacFadden, Marion Ervin
 Jane Parks, Max Platt
 Elder Commissioner #1
 Robert Brandt, Phyllis Regnier
 Fred Norling
 Glyndon Morris
 Dale Baker, Bill Noyes
 Philip Glair
 Sharon Selestewa
 Lowell Kongable
 Dallas Hammit, Jeff Mangis
 Gloria Young
 David Peterson

University	Mark Thomas
Valley	Eleanore Schafer, George Greene, Gary Thomas, Richard Carpenter
Verde Valley	John Hunter
Westminster	Jean Latimer, Erlene Bowlby

5.4. COMMISSIONED LAY PASTORS PRESENT

Paul Jones Reginald Ragland

5.5. COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mary Danforth	Lucinda Michels	Shirley Randolph
Lorelei Hillman	Jeanette Miller	Mary Lynn Walters
Karen Hopper	Helen Orr	Kate Wilmoth
Rochelle Mackey	Cecil Patterson	Gloria Wilson
David Mercier	Jackie Poling	

5.6. CERTIFIED CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS PRESENT

Betty Brazie Bertie Platt

5.7. VISITORS PRESENT

There were 28 registered visitors present.

5.8. MINISTERS EXCUSED

Anderson, David	Gerber, Ralph	Moranville, Thomas
Anderson, Fred	Gray, Barrie	Moser, Paul
Anderson, Mark	Hawley, Bernard	Murman, Kimberly
Anderson, Richard	Hayes, William	Olson, Elvin
Argueta-Vogel, Leslie	Holloran, Duane	Palmer, Terry
Atchinson, Glenn	Illingworth, J. Davis	Park, Francis
Baker, Brant	Jacobs, Sr., John	Pfeffer, William
Beard, Stephen	Jann, Donn	Phillips, Beverly
Bell, Arthur	Jarvis, Andrew	Phillips, Norman
Berg, George	Jenkins, Charles	Porter, Don
Brooks, George	Joe, Victor	Pratt, Edward
Brown, R. Kay	Johnson, Caleb	Pyke, Kathryn
Bruening, James	Jones, Stanley	Pyke, Richard
Byers, Harold	Jousan, C. Mike	Rae, Robert
Calhoun, Paul	Keller, Benjamin	Ramsdell, Richard
Carlson, Glenn	Kim, Kwang	Reif, Anthony
Chapman, Robert	Kim, Myung Bae	Remer, James
Clarke, Bobby	Latty, Allan	Rhoades, Francis
Compton, Bruce	Lefebvre, Eugene	Rhoades, William
Confair, Jay	Lemen, Ellen	Robertson, John
Conroy, Floyd	Lemen, Wiloughby	Roop, David
Cook, John Coy	Lippincott, Robert	Sabbagh, John
Corbett, Cecil	Lupke, Richard	Sadongei, Martha
Corbett, Lawrence	Manross, Lawrence	Schlotzhauer, Wesley
Doh, Joseph	Martz, Robert	Schumacher, Bruce
Eckert, Peter	Mayes, Robert	Sheane, J. Kenneth
Ehrhardt, Charles	McCabe, Norma	Siekman, Eugene
Eisenhower, Laura Grace	McDaniel, Leo	Sneed, Kenneth
Ensley, Jr., Milton	McPherson, Ian	St. John, Valerie
Exon, Ina	Mehl, Walter	Stenner, Henry
Farwell, Barbara	Micheaels, Gregory	Stevens, Charles
Forsberg, David	Miller, Jerry	Stone, Paul
Fouse, Dick	Miller, Joan	Sturtevant, Allan
Fowler, Doug	Miller, Joedd	
Fox, Charles	Monroe, Elizabeth	
Fuehrer, Robert	Moore, Harvey	

Tilly, Mark	Walker, George	White, Haydn
Ulrickson, Paul	Wallace, David	Wintz, Michael
Van Dyke, P. James	Watkins, Donald W.	Wintz, Susan
Van Loan, William	Watkins, William	Wright, Douglas
Voth, John	Weed, David	Zabriskie, Richard
Walker, David Glenn	White, Frank	

5.9. CHURCHES, ELDER COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED

Community, Wellton		Kayenta	Milinda Benallie
Desert Hills	Barbara Morgan	Orangewood	Michael Keffer
First, Mesa	Myrna Olmstead	Pinnacle	Ken Brousseau
First, Sacaton	Robert Luna, Cyrus Johnson	Winslow	Jody Gill
First, Sun City	Max L. Littlejohn, Larry Arseth	Vah-Ki	Annette Stewart

5.10. MINISTERS ABSENT

Barklind, John	Kerber, Keith	Ramirez, Julio
Blincoe, Robert	Kush, Gary	Song, Seok Min
Campbell, Arthur	Mann, Melissa	Uhley, James
Gephart, Alvin	Miller, Craig	Wright, Eugene
Hart, Floyd	Murray, Morgan	Zelle, Trina
Hodgson, David	Nielsen, Richard	
Hodgson, Deanne	Oppenhuizen, Kathleen	

5.11. CHURCHES ABSENT

Arizona Korean	Community, Springerville	Mohawk Valley
Bethany	Fort McDowell	Mountain View
Chandler	Goodyear Village	Parker Valley
Church of the Master	Historic First	
Community, Lake Havasu	Indian Wells	

6. AGENDA

April 24, 2004 Stated Meeting - Presbytery of Grand Canyon

Northminster Presbyterian Church, Host
 First Presbyterian Church, Peoria, Co-Host

8:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. **ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME**

- Convening Prayer.....Gale Watkins
- Orientation to the Work of the PresbyteryGale Watkins
- Introduction of those attending for first time
- Enrollment of Corresponding Members
- Establishment of a Quorum
- Approval of the Agenda
- Approval of Procedural Motions (C-1)
- Reception of New Business
- Welcome by Northminster Presbyterian Church.....Robert Bigler
- Welcome by Co-host First Presbyterian Church, Peoria..... Pat Young

9:20 a.m. **THE PRESBYTERY IN WORSHIP AND PRAYER**

Theme “Feed My Sheep”

- Meditation by Rev. Pat Young
- Commissioning of Commissioners and Youth Advisory Delegate 216th GA
- Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

10:20 a.m. **ENGAGING IN GOD’S WORK**

10:20 a.m. Report of Trustees and CouncilKate Wilmoth

- Consent Agenda (C-2, C-3)
 - Includes Approval of Rules of Decorum and Debate and Procedures for Voting on the Proposed Amendments to the Constitution
- Financial Review – Provided for Information Purposes (P-2)

	- Elections to the Presbytery Nominating Committee	
	- Personnel Committee.....	Helen Orr
	- Report of Executive Presbyter Comprehensive Review and Recommendation for Re-election (C-4)	
10:50 a.m.	<i>How's This For A Return on Your Money?</i>	Ben Blake
11:00 a.m.	Report of Presbytery Executive	Ken Moe
	- with small group discussions following	
11:55 a.m.	Clergy Spouse Gathering.....	Starr Luteri-Hicks
* 11:55 a.m.	CELEBRATING COMMUNITY <i>SHARE A COMMON MEAL AND TABLE TALK</i> CONTINUING GOD'S WORK	
* 1:00 p.m.	Proposed Changes to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) (C-5)	215 th GA Commissioners
	- Debate and Vote on Overtures from 215 th General Assembly (2003)	
1:30 p.m.	Announcements	Cecil Patterson
1:45 p.m.	Committee on Ministry Report	Jeanette Miller
	- Approval of Annual Terms of Call (P-3)	
	- Reception of New Member (P-4)	
	- C. Philip Courtney, Pastor to First Presbyterian Church, Yuma	
	Committee on Ministry Report	Jeanette Miller
	- Examination for Commissioned Lay Pastor (P-5, P-6, Green paper)	
	- Everett Howard as CLP to Blackwater Presbyterian Church	
	- Annette Lewis as CLP to Gila Crossing Presbyterian Church	
2:30 p.m.	Preparation for Ministry	Shelly Moe
	- Inquirer to Candidate – Reginald Ragland	
	- Alternate Examination Process – Sharon Selestewa (P-7)	
2:50 p.m.	Social Justice and Peacemaking	Lorelei Hillman
	- George Brooks Award	
	- Recommendation to Concur in Overture 04-28 on Racism Training (C-6)	
3:05 p.m.	Evangelism and Church Development Committee	Bruce Johnson
	- Congregational Transformation Report	
3:25 p.m.	Report on the Synod of the Southwest March 12-13, 2004 Meeting	Commissioners
3:45 p.m.	Nominations Committee	Mary Lynn Walters
	- Approval of Committee Nominations (P-8)	
3:55 p.m.	New and Unfinished Business	
	Closing Procedures	
	Resolution of Thanks	
	GO IN GOD'S NAME	
	Adjournment.....	Gale Watkins

***Order of the Day**

The mission of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon is to celebrate and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ by:

- nurturing each congregation and minister member,
- assisting and challenging each congregation to engage in ministry and mission with other congregations and denominations
- developing and redeveloping worship communities
- being a connectional, communicative link in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Isaiah 43:18-19

Do not remember the former things or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. (NRSV)

7. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

8. WELCOME

Rev. Bob Bigler, pastor of Northminster Presbyterian Church, welcomed the presbyters and gave some background on the church. Rev. Pat Young from First Presbyterian Church, Peoria, also welcomed the presbyters.

9. SERVICE OF WORSHIP

A service of worship was held at 9:30 AM, the business portion of the meeting resumed at 10:30 AM.

The Opening Service of Worship with the theme of *Feed My Sheep* was led with a Meditation by Rev. Pat Young, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Peoria. The Service of Worship included Celebration of the Lord's Supper by intinction and the Commissioning of Commissioners / Advisory Delegate to the 216th General Assembly (2004). The ministry of music was led by the combined choirs of Northminster and Peoria First, and Organist Daphne Collins. Other participants in the service were Rev. Robert Bigler, Interim Pastor of Northminster; Rev. Gale Watkins, Presbytery Moderator and Pastor to Westminster Presbyterian Church; and Elders Barbara Kolb and Bob Brandt from Northminster.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

The *Rules Of Decorum And Procedures For Debate And Voting On Proposed Amendments To The Constitution* were placed on the Consent Agenda before vote was taken. Opportunity was given to remove any items for discussion before approval of Consent Agenda .

10.1. Removal of Items for Discussion

The following items were removed for discussion from Committee on Ministry Report – Actions Taken on February 24, 2004, Items # 5-7 (re: Howard, Lewis)

10.2. Approval of Consent Agenda

The remaining items placed on the Consent Agenda were approved by unanimous consent. After opportunity to discuss the items removed for discussion, they were also approved by unanimous consent.

The Consent Agenda includes the Rules of Decorum and Debate and Procedures for Voting on the Proposed Amendments to the Constitution Approved by the 215th General Assembly (2003) and Recommended to the Presbyteries for Their Affirmative or Negative Vote (10.3), the Report of the Council's February 5th, March 4th and April 1st Meetings (10.4.), the Report of the Committee on Ministry (10.5.) and the Report of the Stated Clerk (10.6.).

10.3. RULES OF DECORUM AND DEBATE FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Presbytery adopted the following *Rules of Decorum and Debate and Procedures for Voting on the Proposed Amendments to the Constitution Approved by the 215th General Assembly (2003) and Recommended to the Presbyteries for Their Affirmative or Negative Vote*.

(Based upon RONR 331)

1. Speeches limited to 2 minutes by those eligible to vote, alternating pro and con. There will be a pro and con microphone and those wishing to speak will line up behind the desired microphone and will be recognized on an alternating basis. The Stated Clerk will maintain a timer.
2. Each person may speak twice on a subject and may not speak a second time until everyone who wishes has spoken.
3. Remarks shall be confined to the pending question/issue/amendment and
4. Remarks shall not impugn another person or that person's motives.
5. All remarks shall be addressed to the moderator.
6. Persons' names should not be used, except by way of introduction of yourself when addressing the assembly.
7. Remarks may not refer adversely to prior acts or discussion.
8. Reports or documents are not to be read or distributed.
9. Persons shall not disturb the assembly.

PROCEDURES FOR DEBATE AND VOTING (Approved by the Agenda Planning Committee)

1. An * Order of the Day has been established with thirty (30) minutes docketed for debate and vote on all amendments.
2. Beginning with an Order of the Day at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday April 24, 2004 the schedule with an Order of the Day for considering and voting on each amendment is shown below. The order of the day will be observed should debate on a group of amendments extend beyond the time allotted. Should debate and the vote on an amendment be completed in a shorter time period than scheduled debate will proceed immediately to the next amendment (s).

*	1:00 p.m.	Amendment 03-A.1 through 03-A.5 with Voice Vote
*	1:10 p.m.	Amendment 03-B through 03-F with Voice Vote
*	1:20 p.m.	Amendment 03-G. and 03-H with Voice Vote
3. The written report of the Bills and Overture Committee presented at the January 24, 2004 Presbytery meeting is also included with the Call to the April 24, 2004 meeting and is advisory only. The Presbytery will be voting directly on the amendments and not on the report of the committee.
4. A member of the Bills and Overture Committee (Commissioners to the 215th General Assembly) will move consideration of each of the twelve (12) proposed amendments as they are outlined in the Proposed Amendments Approved by the 215th General Assembly (2003) Booklet published by the Office of the Stated Clerk of the PCUSA.
5. Voting will be by a Voice Vote on all amendments
6. Presbytery could move to extend the time of floor discussion.

10.4. REPORT OF COUNCIL / TRUSTEES**Council Report to Presbytery of Actions Taken February 5, March 4 and April 1, 2004****Actions Taken on February 5, 2004**

The Council of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon met for its Annual Retreat during the morning and its Stated Meeting in the afternoon at Crosswinds Presbyterian Church, in Phoenix. A quorum was present.

NOTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL RETREAT

Prior to lunch the Council gathered for its Annual Retreat time. Introductions of each other were shared as well as a time for group building. Michael Hartwell welcomed Council Members to Crosswinds Presbyterian Church. Kate Wilmoth led devotions and the opening prayer. The balance of the morning was spent in discussion of the topic "*How to Avoid the Alligators When You Can't Walk on Water*" based upon a leadership development program originally developed by Maumee Valley Presbytery several years ago and for which permission was granted to adapt the program as might be necessary.

The program's premise is that committees can and should get constructive things accomplished in an orderly fashion without wasting a lot of time doing them and that people who serve on committees can and should have a good feeling about their participation in accomplishing their tasks. Through discussion and role-play council members focused on skills that might make our committee work more efficient and productive.

Following lunch the Council reconvened in small groups to brainstorm ideas for possible council priorities and goals for 2004. The small groups then shared their individual group discussions. Kate Wilmoth agreed to take the flip charts upon which ideas were recorded and to bring a summary to the Council at the March 4, 2004 meeting for additional discussion.

COUNCIL MEETING**MINUTES & AGENDA APPROVED**

The minutes of the January 8, 2004 meeting were approved with the addition of the words "full-time" and "serving a Presbyterian congregation" on page 2, line 2 and 3 of the Associate for Native American Ministries report so that the sentence reads "...due to the retirement of our only full-time Native American Minister serving a Presbyterian congregation (who retired in July)."

TREASURER'S REPORT

Shirley Randolph as the newly elected Treasurer shared the printed Financial Report for the period ending January 31, 2004. Shirley encouraged Council Members to suggest possible changes to the content of the financial report in order to better assist members in carrying out their responsibilities for the oversight of the presbytery finances.

TRUSTEES**Corporate Resolution**

Trustees APPROVED adoption of the following Corporate Resolution:

RESOLVED that the persons named in the document titled "2004 OFFICERS OF THE COPORATION," by Bylaw B-4.0500 (a)(b)(c) referenced therein, are authorized under those provisions to act on behalf of the Board of Trustees during the 2004 calendar year.

EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER'S REPORT

Interchurch Center development – The listing agreement for sale of the property required the approval of the appropriate member/partner authorizing bodies. The United Church of Christ declined to approve the listing agreement until there were up to two more analyses before agreeing to the asking price.

Border Ministry – The Tucson Diocese of the Catholic Church sponsored an all day ecumenical mission trip to Altar, Sonora Mexico. It provided a first hand look at border crossing and immigrant issues. It is reported that between 1200 to 1500 people per day pass through Altar on their way to the U.S. The trip provided a different perspective on immigrant issues than the one gained by watching TV. The Diocese plans to provide opportunity for additional people to participate in visits to Altar.

Synod Council – The Synod Council met in Albuquerque on Monday and Tuesday, February 2-3. Janet Arbesman will be nominated to become Synod Vice- moderator. The Synod Meeting will be March 12-13 Tucson. The Synod Personnel Committee will be bringing a recommendation that Jan DeVries be re-elected for an additional five-year term as Synod Executive and Stated Clerk. Marilee Blanchard, Synod Funds Development, has resigned effective in May. The Council continued its discussion of the changing realities within the Synod and Presbyteries as the council looks ahead for the next five years. Plans are being discussed on how to broaden this discussion within the Synod.

Arizona Ecumenical Council – The yearly fund raising awards banquet will be held this year at the Phoenix Diocese Center of the Catholic Church rather than at a hotel. Upon motion the Council APPROVED a donation \$650 to the Arizona Ecumenical Council to be taken from the mission contingencies rather than purchase a table at a cost of \$1,000.

ASSOCIATE FOR NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES

Judy Wellington distributed one of the *Living the Vision* series of booklet titled *A Vision for Native American Ministry*. *Living the Vision* is a series of booklets produced by the Evangelism and Church Development Program Area of the National Ministries Division. The booklets and other resources are designed to help the denomination with information to meet the challenge of reaching the unchurched and minister to many different racial ethnic groups in the next millennium.

ASSOCIATE FOR CONGREGATIONAL RESOURCING

José Olagues reported that there is also a *Living the Vision* version for *Hispanic Ministries*. The second stewardship training event was held the 2nd weekend of January in Prescott. Of the 15 in attendance four were from Native American congregations.

ALTERNATE MINISTER COMMISSIONERS TO THE SYNOD MEETING

The council VOTED to authorize the Chair of the Council and the Presbytery Moderator to name additional alternate Minister Commissioners to the March 12-13, 2004 meeting of the Synod of the Southwest, if needed.

JANUARY 24, 2004 STATED PRESBYTERY MEETING

Moderator Gale Watkins led a discussion of the recent presbytery meeting. The completed evaluation forms reflected generally favorable comments about the meeting itself and there were no concerns

expressed about our relationship with the Synod or the election of Minister Commissioners. The time to say hello and goodbye was seen positively. Commissioners were apparently able to access the documents from the presbytery website. It was suggested that in the future that the “packet papers” be available to download as one package similar to the “call papers” rather than having to download them individually. Dick Coffelt indicated that this should be possible for future meetings.

Since it is at the first of the two meeting that nominations from the floor are permitted for minister commissioners to the General Assembly, Brant Baker asked the Nominating committee to review the current system of election so that it might be possible for the presbytery to be aware of information concerning the nominees in advance of the time the presbytery is asked to vote for the four nominees of which two are elected at a subsequent meeting.

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS TO THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nominees to the Class of 2004

Due to the resignation of Alicia Jacobo, Class of 2004, the Chair of Council asked the previously delegated council members, Lorelei Hillman and Dale Strong, to seek a replacement for election by the Council at the March 4, 2004 meeting on behalf of the presbytery.

STEWARDSHIP, MISSION AND COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENT

Joining Hearts and Hands

As a follow up to the action taken at the January 8, 2004 meeting to approve that SMCD investigate how the presbytery might participate in the *Joining Hearts and Hands Campaign*, Rocky Mackey provided a report of the recent meeting that she and Ken Moe had with Jan Opdyke, Director of the Mission Initiative, and Bill Saul, Co-chair of the Mission Initiative. The meeting established that funds raised for New Church Development could stay within the presbytery. In order to participate in the campaign and have major staff support for the fundraising effort we would need a steering committee of approximately ten people with a ratio of two elders for one pastor. In addition we would need to fund a feasibility study to determine the potential dollar amount that might be raised. In order to have support from the campaign staff it would be necessary to determine the there would be sufficient funds raised to warrant the help. The cost of such a study would be approximately \$12,000 to \$15,000. In addition there would be costs for printed materials.

Following the report council members raised questions/issues/concerns about the following:

- How such a campaign would enhance or hinder the efforts to raise funds for the Presbytery Endowment;
- The amount of money it takes to fund just one NCD including initial land purchase, site improvements and the actual building of facility
- Our lack of successful new church developments over the past several years given the high rate of population growth
- The overall strategy for NCD within the denomination itself

In response to a question regarding nature of the feasibility study Rocky reported that churches would need to supply a list of members. The name lists would be then be provided to a research organization that specializes in doing full research based upon public record into the income and giving patterns of individuals. From this research of potential donors it can be determined how much could be raised in a campaign. Several members expressed concern about the willingness of churches to share member lists and that this could become an issue with particularly newer members and younger members who express concern about privacy matters. Other members indicated that there might be other methods of doing a feasibility study that do not go into “cyberspace.”

Because it became apparent that the wide ranging discussion and issues raised was causing confusion about what might be asked of the council in terms of approval to proceed, the following motion from the Stewardship, Mission and Communications Development Committee was offered:

Motion: The SMCD Committee requests council permission to proceed with planning for the *Joining Hearts and Hands* campaign and for authorization to initiate a feasibility study that could cost up to \$20,000, and that we ask churches in the presbytery to supply membership lists for use as tools to determine possibilities for large gifts to the initiative. Oversight of this project would come from Presbytery Council, but the steering committee would have a close working relationship with the Stewardship, Mission and Communications Development Committee.

After opportunity for further discussion of the above motion it was moved:

That the motion to proceed with planning for the *Joining Hearts and Hands* campaign be referred back to the SMCD Committee for additional study in an attempt to respond specifically to the questions/issues/concerns raised during the discussion including but not limited to the issues raised concerning the feasibility study. Further in conjunction with the referral action that council members provide additional specific questions or concerns to the Rocky Mackey for study by the committee in order that the committee would be in a position to bring the original motion or any other motion to the council at either its March or April meeting.

Following opportunity for discussion the Council VOTED to approve the above motion to refer.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 3:30 PM

Actions Taken March 4, 2004

The Council of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon met for its Stated Meeting at First Presbyterian Church, in Mesa. After determining that a quorum was present Chair, Kate Wilmoth called the meeting to order with prayer at 12:35 PM.

INTRODUCTIONS

There was a time of introductions around the room as there were two visitors from the Mission Initiative: *Joining Hearts and Hands*. Rocky Mackey introduced Jan Opdyke, (Mission Initiative Director: *Joining Hearts and Hands*), and Bill Saul, (Committee Co-Chair and Elder, Long Beach, CA) The Mission Initiative: *Joining Hearts & Hands* is a five-year, \$40 million campaign to renew the church for mission. Rocky thanked Jan and Bill for coming to speak to the Council.

COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES & AGENDA APPROVED

The minutes of the February 5, 2004 meeting were approved as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Shirley Randolph shared the printed Financial Report for the period ending February 29, 2004.

Reimbursement for Committee Meetings

The Treasurer reported that it would be advisable for a policy to be in place regarding Reimbursement for Committee Meetings (similar to the reimbursement policy that was approved at the March 2001 Presbytery Meeting, on Reimbursement of Ministers and Commissioned Lay Pastors for Attendance at Presbytery Meetings.)

A Motion was made (as follows) and a friendly Amendment was made to the motion (*shown in italics*):

Reimbursement of Committee Members for Committee Meetings

Committee members who request reimbursement will be met by the presbytery in this way:

1. Travel
\$0.20 per mile for each committee member, *plus \$0.02 for each additional passenger carpooling to the same meeting.*
2. Meals
Meals not to exceed \$10 per meal (receipts required)

After opportunity for discussion, Council APPROVED the motion.

Shirley Randolph referred to the information in the Council packet that compared pledges for last year and the current year. She suggested that a letter go out to churches that have not yet pledged.

STEWARDSHIP, MISSION AND COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENT

Joining Hearts and Hands

Jan Opdyke (Director of the Mission Initiative) and Bill Saul (Co-Chair of the Mission Initiative) gave a 40-minute presentation about the Mission Initiative, *Joining Hearts and Hands* and answered questions. They thanked the Council members for the opportunity to meet with them and speak on the Mission Initiative. Bill Saul is also a member of the GAC. The 214th General Assembly voted almost unanimously to create this program due to two major concerns, deterioration of membership (there's great need for new church developments and redevelopment or transformation) and downward movement of our mission personnel. The denomination now only has only 300 mission workers in the field. People who have become a part of the *Joining Hearts and Hands* campaign have felt this need for evangelism and mission. They believe that this will solve a financial need and will help to bring the denomination back together.

Jan reported that nationally, they're about \$6 million pledged, and most of that is from Los Ranchos Presbytery. She gave a rundown of the basic prerequisites of success for a Capital Campaign. Bill shared that when the program was begun the staff expected that this would be an individual donor campaign, but in fact, they immediately began hearing from presbyteries and individual churches that wanted to become involved. Even though there is a huge emphasis on individuals, this program needs support from pastors and church leaders and the presbytery.

Presbyteries that do this campaign are not excluded from also applying for matching funds, in addition to what they've raised. However, the program will need some presbyteries to give unrestricted funds. GA needs to receive 20-25% of funds raised in order for a presbytery to participate. Jan said that if we did not do a feasibility study, we would raise about 25% of the amount we could raise if we did do a feasibility study. Council members thanked Jan and Bill for their presentation.

Council recessed. Trustees' meeting convened.

TRUSTEES

Peoria North Property

On the recommendation of the Property Committee, Trustees APPROVED the ingress and egress easement as presented by the Quik Trip Corporation for the joint use by them and any future development that the presbytery has for the property on Pinnacle Peak Road near Lake Pleasant Parkway. This agreement shall incorporate the provisions of the memo dated January 22, 2004 from Raymond Cashen to Don Swanson.

Trustees recessed. Council Meeting reconvened.

EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER'S REPORT

Ken Moe referred to his written report in the Council Packet and highlighted the following:

Crossett Gift

The presbytery has received a check for \$18,758.05 (endowment for Montlure "camperships") from the Presbyterian Foundation. Paul has placed the funds in a restricted account pending Council instructions.

After opportunity for discussion, Council APPROVED the following:

Motion: To maintain the money in restricted account #22418 for Montlure Scholarships and assign responsibility to the Educational Ministries Committee to provide assistance to campers as needed.

It was also suggested that communication be sent to congregations, to let them know that this has been done. The Educational Ministries Committee is in the process of being in communication with each congregation.

ICC UPDATE

The ICC Board met February 23rd. The listing agreement previously approved by the Council is not now in force, because the UCC governing body did not approve it. A counter proposal was made by UCC

Executive, Cally Rogers-Witte. This involves refinancing the existing three mortgages now held by the Disciples of Christ with a loan from the UCC Cornerstone Fund.

Current balance on the three existing loans is approximately \$625,000 and the partners are paying \$16 per square foot for the space each occupies, including \$2.00 for maintenance. A 30-year 7%fixed loan from the UCC of \$850,000 would pay off the existing loans and provide money for capital improvements to the ICC facility. The loan payment and maintenance costs to the partners would come to approximately \$14.50 per square foot. This does not take into account approximately 2,000 square feet of space currently unrented. If this space were leased, the cost could drop to as low as \$11.75 per square foot.

WHEAT is interested in returning to the ICC complex, so rental of the unused space is possible. With this proposal, it may be possible for the four remaining partners to stay in the ICC Center and pay less than we are paying now.

The ICC Board named a task force to look into needs and costs associated with upgrading and refurbishing the space. Don Swanson represents the presbytery on this task force. The task force is to report back to the ICC Board March 31. Don was also elected Vice President of the ICC Board.

STATED CLERK’S REPORT

The following information was included in the Council Packet:

Annual Statistical Reports

Summary

Membership 12/31/02	17,197	Ministers 12/31/02	216
Membership 12/31/03	<u>16,724</u>	Ministers 12/31/03	<u>218</u>
Loss	473	Gain	2
Inquirers on the Roll 12/31/03	=12		
Candidates on the Roll 12/31/03	= 5		

Note: The loss of 473 members will result in a potential loss (without an adjustment in the rate) of per capita income for 2005 of \$11,664. A full recap of the Presbytery Annual Statistical Report will be included in the Call documents for the April 24, 2004 Stated Presbytery Meeting.

Synod of Southwest Meeting on March 12-13, 2004

Commissioners: In accordance with the action taken at the February 5, 2004 Council meeting, Chair of Council Kate Wilmoth and Moderator Gale Watkins have named Janet Arbesman as Alternate Commissioner for Mae Hicks, José Olagues as Alternate Commissioner for Fran Park.

216th General Assembly (2004)

An orientation for the commissioners and YAD is planned for April. Dick Coffelt will once again serve as a Parliamentarian Recorder with a General Assembly Committee and as a Parliamentarian Advisor during plenary session and will be attending a leadership briefing in Louisville on May 20-22, 2004.

GA Stated Clerk’s Top Ten Assembly Issues

A copy of Rev. Clifton Kirkpatrick’s “Top Ten” Assembly Issues was included in the Council Packet.

ASSOCIATE FOR CONGREGATIONAL RESOURCING

José Olagues referred to his written report in the Council packet and highlighted the following:

Big Event

Feedback given on evaluation forms was positive. Big Event attracted over 370 participants from all regions of our presbytery.

Congregational Transformation

Judy Wellington and José are planning and coordinating a weekend workshop with congregational teams from Native American Congregations on the subject of congregational transformation.

Stewardship Training

Plans are underway for a third group of congregations to be trained as a team in the area of stewardship. May 7-8, these teams will gather at John Calvin Presbyterian Church in Apache Junction to develop a particular stewardship plan for each congregation.

DATE APPROVED FOR JANUARY 2005 PRESBYTERY MEETING

Council APPROVED the recommendation of Moderator Gale Watkins that Saturday, January 22nd be the date of the 2005 January Stated Presbytery Meeting to be held at First Presbyterian Church, Sun City.

NOMINATIONS TO THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

It was reported that Ellie Schafer (Valley Presbyterian Church) has been nominated to serve on the Nominating Committee.

ACTION ITEMS**STEWARDSHIP, MISSION AND COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE****Joining Hearts and Hands**

The Motion that was referred at the February Council Meeting was read:

Motion:

The SMCD Committee requests Council permission to proceed with planning for the *Joining Hearts and Hands* campaign and for authorization to initiate a feasibility study that could cost up to \$20,000, and that we ask churches in the presbytery to supply membership lists for use as tools to determine possibilities for large gifts to the initiative. Oversight of this project would come from Presbytery Council, but the steering committee would have a close working relationship with the Stewardship, Mission and Communications Development Committee.

After opportunity for discussion, Council APPROVED the motion.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 24, 2004 PRESBYTERY MEETING ON BEHALF OF THE PRESBYTERY

Council members received a printed copy of the Minutes of the January 24, 2004 Presbytery Meeting in the Council Packet. After opportunity for discussion, Council APPROVED the Minutes of the January 24, 2004 Presbytery Meeting on behalf of the Presbytery.

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND PEACEMAKING**Overture 04-28** (From the Presbytery of Detroit)

(On Directing GAC to Provide an Introduction to Anti-Racism Training for Assemblies in 2006, 2008 and 2010, and Making Recommendations in 2010 for Future Events.)

On the recommendation of the SJPM Committee, Council APPROVED sending Proposed Overture 04-28 to the 216th General Assembly (2004), to the presbytery's Bills and Overture Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**WOMEN'S MINISTRIES**

Council APPROVED the request of the Women's Ministries Committee, that the sacrament of communion be celebrated at the April 16-18, 2004 Women's Retreat.

BOB DAVIS

Brant Baker reported that Bob Davis, who is running for the position of Stated Clerk, will be in town on the day of our May Council meeting. He asked if Council would be interested in inviting him to attend the May Council Meeting, Brant would see if that might work with his schedule. Council APPROVED extending the invitation to Bob Davis to address the Council at the May meeting.

REFLECTIONS

Kate Wilmoth read about the subject of creative brooding from a book by Robert Raines.

LETTER FROM CLIFTON KIRKPATRICK AND JOHN DETTERICK

In Ken Moe's written report, there was a letter from John Detterick (Executive Director, GAC) and Clifton Kirkpatrick (Stated Clerk of the General Assembly) regarding their plan to visit various synod regions and presbyteries over the next three years. This gathering might include such activities as Bible Study, worship, community building, discernment about how to transform governing bodies, and building new covenants about how we will work together to build vital congregations and effective mission programs. The letter asks for invitations with a few possible dates to make scheduling easier.

Council referred consideration of this letter to the docket of the April Council Meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION**

Cindy Michels passed out forms for committee members to fill out representation information, to update the presbytery directory.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 PM; Brant Baker gave the closing prayer.

Actions Taken on April 1, 2004

The Council of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon met for its Stated Meeting at Memorial Presbyterian Church, in Phoenix. After determining that a quorum was present Chair, Kate Wilmoth called the meeting to order with prayer at 12:30 PM.

COUNCIL MEETING**MINUTES & AGENDA APPROVED**

The minutes of the March 4, 2004 meeting were approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Shirley Randolph shared the printed Financial Report for the period ending March 31, 2004. She asked for reactions to the new format for the budget; and she asked each committee to look at where they are in relation to the budget at this time of the year. The budget was reviewed and approved as presented.

The Treasurer suggested that it would be helpful to have a maximum reimbursement amount in place for expenses related to committee meetings. At the previous Council meeting a maximums were set for mileage and meals and she recommended that a guideline be set for vouchers that are received in the presbytery office for committee members requesting reimbursement for motel accommodations. She said that Cook College and Theological School has rooms available for \$45 and it would be good to help support them when possible in this way.

After opportunity for discussion, the following Motion was made:

That a maximum amount of \$60 per night be set for reimbursement of overnight lodging for committee members.

After further discussion the Motion was referred to the Budget Committee for further study and recommendation to the next Council Meeting.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**Report of the Five-Year Comprehensive Review of the Executive Presbyter**

Peggy Roberts referred to the written report from the Personnel Committee that was in the Council Packet. The Personnel Committee discussed how to best represent the process of their review and the results to the presbytery with the complete written report to the council as the end result. After opportunity for questions, Ken Moe and Shelly Moe left the room while Council Members discussed the findings of the report. Council members expressed appreciation to the Personnel Committee for the thorough review process.

On the recommendation of the Personnel Committee, Council APPROVED that the following Motions be proposed to Presbytery:

Council Recommendations to the April 24, 2004 Stated Presbytery Meeting

Motion: The call to the Rev. Kenneth A. Moe to undertake the office of the Executive Presbyter be renewed for an indefinite term subject both to annual and comprehensive fifth-year term reviews.

Information: The Council Personnel Committee has been requested by the Council to begin the process of exploring the granting of a Sabbatical Leave with a report and recommendation at a future meeting of the Council/Presbytery.

Upon return to the meeting Council members greeted Ken and expressed thanks for his service with a standing ovation.

COUNCIL STUDY TIME - Video and Small Group Discussion

At 1:00 PM, the Council viewed the first part of a video from the Theological Task Force on Peace, Unity and Purity. Afterwards, Council members broke into small groups; Kate Wilmoth offered a brief prayer. Council members were asked to reflect on the following questions: "How is trust (or openness) being fostered among us? After a few minutes of silence, group members were invited to express what they were beginning to hear. Then the groups came back together as one body and shared what they had learned in their small groups. Small groups were then asked to reflect in silence the following question: "Through all the voices we've heard, what fuller or clearer beckoning of God do I begin to hear?" After a few moments of silence, group members were invited to share with each other. And then, the groups came back together to share as a whole. At the end of this study time, it was decided that an hour would be scheduled at each Council Meeting to allow for study time and discernment.

EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER'S REPORT

Ken Moe referred to the written report in the Council Packet and highlighted the following:

Salt River Loan Request

The Claude L. Morton loan request from the Salt River Presbyterian Church, that this Council approved via e-mail vote last month, was approved by the Synod Budget and Finance Committee on March 30, 2004. The loan is for \$50,000.

Medical Benevolence Foundation Request

Ken Moe received a letter from Daniel Force, Executive Director of the Medical Benevolence Foundation, seeking presbytery endorsement for their 2005 mission conference to be held at Valley Presbyterian Church. This program is sponsored by the PC(USA) and everywhere they go, they ask that the presbytery endorse their conference. After opportunity for discussion, Council APPROVED offering presbytery endorsement for the Medical Benevolence Foundation's 2005 Mission Conference to be held at Valley Presbyterian Church.

The Theological Task Force on Peace, Unity and Purity

A cover letter from the co-chairs of the PUP Task Force was in the Council Packet along with their preliminary report to the upcoming General Assembly in Richmond.

More Synod Budget And Finance News

The Synod Budget and Finance Committee also approved moving \$110,000 from a money-market account to the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP). The synod already has \$10,000 invested in PILP. The new total of \$120,000 will be credited at \$10,000 each to the 12 churches in the synod with PILP loans. This will help the churches gain reduced interest rates. According to synod records, five of these churches are in Grand Canyon Presbytery. According to presbytery records, we have ten churches with building loans from PILP, so we will need to confer with synod officials about which churches will be credited. I have e-mailed Conrad Rocha and Jan DeVries about this, and it appears other presbyteries have more PILP loans than the synod had information about. Mary Lynn Walters, Conrad Rocha, and Bob Boll (synod staff) will work out the details. The B & F Committee also reaffirmed synod

policy to present a gift of \$5000 to each new church within the bounds of the synod at the time of chartering. Thus, Morning Star will have this gift to look forward to as plans for chartering develop.

Job Opportunity

There is a job opportunity posting for a Development Specialist for PILP to be located in either Southern California or the Phoenix area. If you know of anyone who might be interested in this position, please contact the presbytery office.

ICC Building Update

Bishop Michael Neils, ELCA, in a letter indicated that the ELCA would not be interested in continuing to be an owner of the Interchurch Center Property if the property were refinanced by the UCC. Therefore on March 31st Ken met with Bishop Neils, Cally Rogers-Witte, the UCC Executive, Denny Williams, the Disciples of Christ Executive, and Mary Lynn Walters, representing the Synod of the Southwest to discuss next steps. As of that meeting the ELCA would consider entering into a five-year lease with the remaining ICC partners if the three remaining partners (PGC, UCC, DOC) refinanced and refurbished the property and paid the ELCA some agreed-upon cash equity in the property (as if it had been sold) and there were no additional costs to the ELCA.

Cally Rogers-Witte will contact the UCC Cornerstone Fund to see if they would be willing to provide a mortgage on the basis of 3 partners and a long-term lease. Previously the Cornerstone representative had indicated that the offer to refinance was based on four partners in ownership. Ken's indicated that it was his task to determine whether the Presbytery Council would be willing to consider ownership of the ICC with three partners rather than four. If the Council's answer is "yes," then a series of actions will follow. If the answer from either the Council or Cornerstone is "no," then we must proceed immediately to re-list the property for sale. All partners have now given the necessary consent for listing the property for sale.

Ken asked if the Trustees of Grand Canyon Presbytery would be comfortable with a 3-partner relationship to take on \$800,000 worth of debt? He also asked if the Trustees would be comfortable looking for a new place to rent? The current mortgage is \$625,000. At a previous ICC Board Meeting, it was suggested that they borrow \$800,000, pay off the mortgage and upgrade on the basis of 4 partners. The lease rate is currently \$16 per square foot, which included maintenance. If the partners refinanced, the lease rate would be \$14.50 per square foot. It would be cheaper, but is it prudent to pursue this option based on only 3 partners?

After discussion, Ken asked for a clear sense of what to report back to the ICC Board. Trustees VOTED to reaffirm the previous decision to sell the ICC property at a listing price of \$800,000 (This action also reported under TRUSTEE ITEMS)

2005 MISSION PARTNERSHIP FUNDS

Proposed MPF allocations from GA to the Synod of the Southwest for next year are down more than \$67,000 compared with 2004. The 2005 figure is \$745,166, compared with \$812,834 in 2004. Jan DeVries reported: "This is a major loss of funding, and even if the synod adds in 2005 what it did in 2004, the loss to presbyteries is significant." Although not surprising, this news provides an additional challenge to our Budget Committee as we build a budget for next year. **The reason that MPF funds are down from previous years is because these funds are based on UNRESTRICTED General Mission giving. Since more churches have shifted to RESTRICTED General Mission gifts, the amount of money available for aid-receiving synods like ours is less.**

Council recommended that this information about 2005 Mission Partnership Funds be highlighted in some way at the next Presbytery Meeting.

STATED CLERK'S REPORT

Dick Coffelt highlighted the following informational items from his written report that was included in the Council packet:

216th General Assembly (2004)

- Orientation for our Commissioners, YAD and others planning to attend the assembly is tentatively scheduled for April 27, 2004.
- The March 4, 2004 Council minutes reflect the following: "Brant Baker reported that Bob Davis, who is running for the position of Stated Clerk, will be in town on the day of our May Council meeting. He asked if Council would be interested in inviting him to attend the May Council Meeting, Brant would see if that might work with his schedule. Council APPROVED extending the invitation to Bob Davis to address the Council at the May meeting". In light of this decision it seemed appropriate for the Council to be fully informed about the process for electing the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly and any implications that individual Council members might wish to consider regarding the previous decision of the Council. The material on electing the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly sets forth the detailed process for election, the work of the Stated Clerk Review/Nominations Committee elected by the 215th General Assembly (2003), the duties of the Stated Clerk, the recommendation of the Stated Clerk Review/Nominations Committee and information concerning those, in addition to the Committee's decision to nominate Clifton Kirkpatrick to an additional four-year term, who are seeking the office.
- The document regarding the Moderator of the General Assembly sets forth the election procedures.

Delegation of Powers by the Presbytery

The 199th General Assembly (1987) reaffirmed a presbytery's broad power to delegate its responsibilities by declaring that "a presbytery may delegate and assign whatever power it wishes to its council." As a presbytery we have delegated primarily to the Presbytery Council, the Committee on Ministry and the Preparation for Ministry Committee, certain presbytery responsibilities. For example our current Bylaws and Standing Rules provide authority for the Council: "To fill, on a temporary basis between meetings of presbytery vacancies that occur in the committees of presbytery." The Council took no action at the March 4, 2004 meeting on the request made by the Nominations Committee to consider approving nominations between presbytery meetings and report them on the Consent Agenda. It would be possible however to ask the Presbytery to confirm the nominations previously approved by the Council and provide an opportunity for nominations from the floor at the next meeting. The Advice from the ACC on delegation of powers and those powers that should not be delegated may be helpful for future reference as the Council considers future changes in number of presbytery meetings, content of meetings and how best the presbytery might meet its overall responsibilities.

Presbytery of Grand Canyon Bylaws and Standing Rules - Endnotes

Prior to 1995 the Presbytery operated with a *Manual of Operations*, which contained Standing Rules but did not have a codified set of Bylaws and Standing Rules. In March of 1995 the Presbytery approved its first set of Bylaws and Standing Rules. In January of 1997 by First Amendment and Second Amendment changes were made to transfer from the Council certain routine matters to the Committee on Ministry and the Preparation for Ministry Committee and changed the name to Representation Committee and transferred some of duties of the former Committee on Representation and Racial Ethnic Concerns to the Native American Ministries, Hispanic Ministries Committee and to the Council. Since the amendments in 1997 the Presbytery has taken action to amend additional provisions of the 1997 Bylaws and Standing Rules. The attached Endnotes set forth the documented history of those changes. Since the presbytery has already approved the changes, it is planned to publish, without further approval of the presbytery, a revised set of Bylaws and Standing Rules by June 2004 to be posted on the Website, which will reflect all of the changes since the original Bylaws and Standing Rules were adopted in March 1995. The purpose of the endnotes is to have history of the changes that have been made and in some cases suspensions that have been approved for specific purposes.

ASSOCIATE FOR NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES REPORT

Judy Wellington referred to an article that was in the Council packet, from www.thefirstnations.net dated September 28, 2003 and titled, *Is True Reconciliation Possible?* She shared this article with the Council to provide more background for the ongoing work of this presbytery of articulating an understanding of

Indian ministry. Indian ministry is only one piece of the presbytery mission puzzle. We all want new churches to be developed and we should be excited to engage in that work together. This doesn't mean that we have to ignore, dread, or be frustrated with Indian ministries and communities. A predominantly Euro-American presbytery and council can make informed decisions about how to proceed with Indian churches and communities. In fact, key committee chairpersons have begun the task of seeking out Native American leadership. I appreciate their willingness to join me in reaching out to Native American churches.

Even with the continual lack of pastoral leadership, the passing of older and experienced church elders and few resources for deteriorating facilities, the Christian witness of Indian people is stronger than ever. Many of the younger members are involved in their local tribal communities. If we were to substitute the notion of reconciliation in the broader community with that of participation by Indian church members we would find one of the reasons for so little visibility. There are some Native church members who seek to participate in the larger church, but the overall needs within Indian communities pull on available leadership from every side all the time.

The author of this article seeks to move readers to a broader awareness of Native American realities and the challenges to movement toward mutual relationship and inclusivity within Euro-American churches. The positives within our presbytery include access to Cook College and Theological School, retired ministers who have experience with Indian communities, and historic gatherings of Presbyterian Native Americans that continue as one response to the spiritual need on reservations. We need to build on the positives and pursue discussion of the tough issues.

ASSOCIATE FOR CONGREGATIONAL RESOURCING REPORT

José Olagues referred to the written report in the Council Packet and highlighted the following:

From the furthest Southwest corner- partnership in new church development

On the early morning of the second Sunday of the month, I joined others on a significant bus tour starting right across the Mexican border in Algodones, Sonora, just a few miles east from Yuma. The group of approximately 40 also included elders and members of both First and Sierra Vista churches in Yuma, some winter visitors who worship at those churches, and a delegation of Hispanic Presbyterian Women from the Synod of Southern California & Hawaii.

It was not an every Sunday experience to travel for a couple of hours after crossing an international border in order to attend worship. The setting for worship was in a developing neighborhood with dirt roads below a partially covered Ramada outside the family home of the organizing pastor for the new church development of the Presbyterian church in San Luis Rio Colorado. The weather was sunny and hot and worship leadership included students from the Presbyterian Seminary in Mexicali. Worship attendance for this particular Sunday was twice as large, with the visiting group

The above new church development is the first for the recently redefined (from a larger presbytery) Presbiterio de Noroeste of the Mexican Presbyterian Church. Both of the churches in Yuma have been supportive of this new church development. Before returning the group also had a short stop at another Presbyterian church and the Presbyterian seminary, as well as a mid-afternoon meal, all in Mexicali.

To the metropolitan area – partnership in Educational Ministries

Beginning in February, a significant group of members from Betania Church and Dios Es Amor fellowship committed themselves to a rigorous intensified Christian study. In partnership with Ministerio Rayati, a specialized ministry of the Presbiterio de Nuevo Leon of the Mexican Presbyterian Church, 12 students committed themselves to a seven-week training period. The classes met Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 6:00-9:00 PM. All but one of the students completed the training, and they were recognized at a special worship service the last Sunday of the month.

For the 63 hours of training, the curriculum included: Monday \ Bible & Theology, Wednesday \ Evangelism & Mission, Friday \ Hermeneutics & Homiletics. I was fortunate to attend the last class and heard 10 short sermons that had been prepared by the students for class assignment.

I rejoice as I observe the leadership development that is taken place in our midst, and am grateful for the ongoing partnerships that have been developed with our Presbyterian brothers & sisters South of the border.

Council recessed. Trustees' Meeting convened.

TRUSTEE ITEMS

Peoria North Property

Trustees APPROVED the recommendation of the Property Committee, to allow Nextel access the property located at Pinnacle Peak Rd and Lake Pleasant Rd. in Peoria, to conduct a survey and prepare site plans to submit to the local jurisdiction to obtain the permits required for Nextel's proposed facility. Signing the agreement in no way binds GCP to their agreement and all costs expended by Nextel are at their own risk.

Interchurch Center

See Executive Presbyter Report above for background information to the following action:
Trustees VOTED to reaffirm the previous decision to sell the ICC property at a listing price of \$800,000.

OLD BUSINESS

LETTER FROM CLIFTON KIRKPATRICK AND JOHN DETTERICK

At the last Council meeting, members read a letter concerning governing body consultations, from Clifton Kirkpatrick, Stated Clerk of the General Assembly and John Detterick, Executive Director, General Assembly Council. After opportunity for discussion, Council APPROVED extending an invitation to John Detterick and Clifton Kirkpatrick visit the Presbytery of Grand Canyon. It was recommended that Council be flexible on the date, and to ask them to indicate when they would be able to come to Phoenix, and we would work around that. Ken and Dick will extend the invitation and see when they might be available.

ACTION ITEMS

EVANGELISM AND CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

At the September 4, 2003 Council meeting, on recommendation from the Committee on Ministry, Council took action to transfer \$9444.45 from restricted fund # 22329 (Korean Immanuel Dissolution) to Evangelism & Church Development (ECD) for any Korean Ministry as needed. On February 19, 2004 ECD took action to release the designated funds #22329 totaling \$9,444.45 to the Korean Fellowship Project at Church of the Master (CoTM).

In conjunction with the developing Korean Fellowship at CoTM, ECD submitted a request to GA for funding for exploration and feasibility of a future Korean Congregation within the presbytery. In response, a check in the amount of \$10,000.00 from GA has already been received by the presbytery.

Prior to submission of this request, conversations were held between Presbytery Staff, CoTM, ECD, and the Staff of the developing Korean fellowship. Various topics were discussed including but not limited to:

- Process of New Church Development (NCD)
- Leadership for developing congregations
- Ongoing plans and conversations for new church development areas
- Submission of this proposal NOT guaranteeing priority of future Korean NCD

Request Authorization to Disperse the Proceeds in Restricted Fund #22329 to Church of the Master for the Korean Fellowship Project

On recommendation of the Evangelism and Church Development Committee, Council APPROVED releasing \$9,444.45 (from #22329) to the Korean Fellowship Project at Church of the Master (CoTM).

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM, Kate Wilmoth gave the closing prayer.

10.5. Report of the Committee on Ministry

Committee Actions/Approval taken on January 31, 2004; February 24, 2004; March 23, 2004 meetings on Behalf of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon in accordance with the responsibilities granted to the Committee by the Presbytery and to be reported for Information to the Presbytery Council and the Presbytery at their next meetings:

Action Taken on January 31, 2004**1. Hodgson**

Approved the renewal of the Interim Associate Pastor Agreement between Deanne Hodgson and the Session of Faith Presbyterian Church for a period of one year effective January 1, 2004 on the following terms:

Salary	\$39,595	Medical / Pension	\$16,651
Housing	\$15,200	Study Leave	Two Weeks
Travel.	\$ 700	Vacation:	One Month per policy
Medical Reimb	\$ 1,000	Study Allow.	\$750
Books	\$ 500		

2. Citron

Approved the renewal of the Stated Supply Agreement between Suzanne Citron and the Session of Sunnyslope Presbyterian Church for a period of one year effective January 1, 2004 on the following terms:

Salary	\$12,000	Medical / Pension	As required *(11,300)
Housing	24,000	Study Leave	Two Weeks
Roth IRA	3,500	Vacation:	One Month per policy
Study Allow.	6,000		

3. Courtney

Approved the Pastoral Call of the Rev. Charles Philip Courtney as Pastor to First Presbyterian Church, Yuma effective February 16, 2004 on the following terms and granted permission to labor and moderate the session pending transfer of membership from the Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse.

Salary	\$27,000	Medical / Pension	As required
Housing	19,000	Study Leave	Two Weeks
Travel.	3,000	Vacation:	One Month per policy
Study Allow.	500		

All EEO requirements met

4. Burtless

Approved the Interim Pastor Agreement between Stan Burtless and the Session of Desert Hills Presbyterian Church for a period of one year effective January 1, 2004 on the following terms:

Salary	\$52,000	Medical / Pension	Type 1 Post Retirement Service
Housing	35,327	Study Leave	Two Weeks
Travel.	3,000	Vacation:	One Month per policy
Medical Reimb	2,500	Study Allow.	\$500

5. Philips

Approved at his request the transfer of membership of the Rev. David Philips from the Presbytery of Grand Canyon to the Presbytery of Santa Fe effective January 17, 2004

6. Paulson

Approved the Pastoral Call of Brian Paulson as Pastor to First Presbyterian Church, Libertyville, Illinois effective March 15, 2004 Terms of the Pastoral Call are reported as follows:

Salary	\$69,650	Pension / Medical	As required by BOP
Housing.	29,850	Vacation	Four Weeks
Auto Allow	1,000	Study Leave	2 Weeks
Books	700	Study Allowance	\$3,900
Expense Allow	2,000	General Assembly	One week
Moving Costs	Included	Rotary Dues	\$1,000
Non-Interest-Bearing \$100,000 Loan with provisions for non-qualified deferred compensation payments over a period of years to reduce the loan amount			

7. Kargard

Approved the Pastoral Call of Richard Kargard as Pastor to Associated Presbyterian Church, Hayward, Iowa effective April 1, 2004 Terms of the Pastoral Call are reported as follows:

Salary	\$22,500	Pension / Medical	As required by BOP
Manse	Full Use	Vacation	Four Weeks
Utilities	2,400	SECA Supplement	\$3,450
Travel	4,000	Study Leave	2 Weeks
Books	700	Study Allowance	\$500
Expense Allow	2,000	Moving Costs	Full

8. Historic First – PNC

Approved the formation of a Pastor Nominating Committee to seek a Designated Pastor

9. Northminster – PNC

Subject to the completion and approval of a Mission Study by the Partner Cluster approved the formation of a Pastor Nominating Committee

10. Moderator Appointments

Approved the following Moderator Appointments:

- Ft Defiance – Mary Jane Miles
- Indian Wells – Jed Schenck
- Ganado – Floyd Hart

Action Taken on February 24, 2004

1. Schafer – Installation Commission

Approved the following Installation Commission to install the Rev. MacHenry Schafer as Associate Pastor to Pinnacle Presbyterian Church on Sunday March 7, 2004 at 4:00 PM:

Ministers

- Gale Watkins (Moderator)
- Steve Beard
- Larry Corbett
- John Fredrick
- Craig Miller
- Fran Park

Ecumenical Guest

Rev. Dr. Peter Paris (Professor of Theology & Ethics – Princeton)

Elders

- Allison Lewis (Central)
- Bill Quigley (Fountain Hills)
- John Terhune (Pinnacle)
- Kate Wilmoth (Crosswinds)

2. Bybee – Installation Commission

Approved the following Installation Commission to install the Rev. David Bybee as Pastor to Lake Havasu Community Presbyterian Church on Sunday March 21, 2004 at 4:00 PM:

Ministers

- Gale Watkins (Moderator)
- Darren Hawkins
- Ken Moe
- Grif Vautier

Corresponding Member

Jerry Voss (San Joaquin Presbytery)

Elders

- Bob Campbell (Kingman)
- Paul Jones (Yarnell)
- Martha Gladwin (Lake Havasu)

3. Choate – Approval of Call and Transfer of Membership

Approved the Pastoral Call of the Rev. David Choate as Pastor to First Presbyterian Church, Holton, Kansas, and as Pastor to First Presbyterian Church, Oskaloosa, Kansas effective February 16, 2004 and approved transfer of his membership from the Presbytery of Grand Canyon to the Presbytery of Northern Kansas.

4. Desert Hills Presbyterian Church – Pastor Nominating Committee

Approved, pending a visit with the Session by the Partner/Cluster, the request of the Session of Desert

Hills Presbyterian Church as outlined in their letter of February 6, 2004 to call a congregational meeting for the purpose of electing a Pastor Nominating Committee.

5. Joan Miller – Continuation of Validation of Ministry Beyond Jurisdiction Status

Approved continuation of Ministry Beyond the Jurisdiction (G-11.0411) status for Joan Miller who has become Interim Pastor to Cross in the Desert United Methodist Church. Joan Miller previously served as Associate Pastor to Dove of the Desert United Methodist Church and her ministry validated as a Ministry In Service Beyond the Jurisdiction.

6. Pastor Emeritus – Glenn Atchinson

Approved the action of the congregation of Fountain Hills Presbyterian Church, taken at its congregational meeting of February 22, 2004 to elect, in accordance with Form of Government G-14.0605 and the Bylaws of Fountain Hills Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Glenn Atchinson as pastor emeritus. Note: The Session of Fountains Hills Presbyterian Church had prior to the congregational meeting consulted with the Committee on Ministry on this matter as required by G-14.0605.

Action Taken on March 23, 2004

1. Landrey

Approved the transfer of membership of the Rev. Jerald B. Landrey from the Presbytery of Grand Canyon to the Presbytery of West Jersey effective February 16, 2004 in order that he might accept the Interim Pastor Agreement to be Interim Pastor to St. Paul’s Presbyterian Church of Laurel Springs, New Jersey.

2. Arnold

Approved the transfer of membership of the Rev. Joe Pack Arnold from the Presbytery of Grand Canyon to the Presbytery of Mississippi effective February 19, 2004 as his ministry as a spiritual counselor has been validated by Mississippi Presbytery.

3. Bell

Approved the request of the Rev. Arthur Bell (HR) to labor outside of the bounds of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon and in the bounds of the Presbytery of Western Colorado in order to serve as Interim Pastor to Calvary Presbyterian Church of Pine River; Bayfield, Colorado.

4. Emeritus – Burtless

Approved the action of the congregation of Desert Palms Presbyterian Church, taken at its congregational meeting of December 21, 2003 to elect, in accordance with Form of Government G-14.0605 the Rev. Stanford L. Burtless Jr. as pastor emeritus.

5. Howard

Appointed the Rev. James Remer as Mentor/Supervisor for Everett Howard and approve the Commissioned Lay Pastor Agreement between Everett Howard and the Session of Blackwater Presbyterian Church on a Part time Basis (less than 19 hours per week) for a period of one year effective April 1, 2004 on the following terms and grant permission to administer the Sacraments, moderate session meetings, officiate a Christian Service of Marriage and have voice and vote in meetings of the presbytery:

Salary \$600 per month Vacation 4 Sundays per year

6. Lewis

Appointed the Rev. Judy Wellington as Mentor/Supervisor for Annette Lewis and approve the Commissioned Lay Pastor Agreement between Annette Lewis and the Session of Gila Crossing Presbyterian Church on a Part time Basis (less than 19 hours per week) for a period of three years, with annual reviews of performance, effective April 1, 2004 on the following terms and granted permission to administer the Sacraments, moderate session meetings, officiate a Christian Service of Marriage and have voice and vote in meetings of the presbytery: (NOTE: the specific number of hours has not been specified)

Salary \$600 per month Vacation 2 Sundays per year Travel .37 per mile

7. Permission to Administer or Preside at the Lord's Supper

Authorize under the provisions of G-11.0103z the following Elders, who have been given proper instruction, to administer or preside at the Lord's Supper at the churches indicated during an interim period pending examination for commissioning as a Commission Lay Pastor and not to exceed six-months when no other ordained pastoral leadership is available:

Everett Howard, Elder and Candidate for Commissioned Lay Pastor – Blackwater Presbyterian Church
Annette Lewis, Elder and Candidate for Commissioned Lay Pastor – Gila Crossing Presbyterian Church

8. Desert Palms

Granted permission to form an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee

10.6. Report of the Stated Clerk**A. Report of Administrative Commissions**

The following report from the Stated Clerk was included in the Consent Agenda. As such, Presbytery VOTED to approve the minutes of the Administrative Commissions and incorporate them with the minutes of the April 24, 2004 Meeting of Presbytery and to dismiss these commissions with thanks.

Installation of Rev. MacHenry Schafer

The Administrative Commission met at 3:30 PM on Sunday, March 7, in the robing room at Pinnacle Presbyterian Church. The meeting was opened with prayer led by Rev. Gale Watkins. The service of installation began at 4:00 PM in the sanctuary of Pinnacle Presbyterian Church.

The following are members of the commission, with their roles in the service of installation:

Rev. Steve Beard - prayer of supplication and intercession
Rev. Dr. Lawrence Corbett - charge to associate pastor
Rev. John Fredrick - Scripture reading
Elder Allison Lewis (Central) - words of praise
Rev. Dr. Peter Paris (ecumenical guest) - sermon
Rev. Fran Park - prayer of installation
Elder Bill Quigley (Fountain Hills) - affirmation of faith
Elder John Terhune (Pinnacle) - constitutional questions (for congregation)
Rev. Gale Watkins - welcome, constitutional questions (for associate pastor)
Elder Kate Wilmoth (Crosswinds) - charge to congregation

The commission's work was concluded by the benediction at the end of the service, offered by Rev. Mac Schafer.

Submitted by Gale Watkins

Installation of Rev. David Bybee

The Administrative Commission met at 3:30 PM on Sunday, March 21 in the pastor's office at Community Presbyterian Church, Lake Havasu City. The meeting was opened with prayer led by Rev. Gale Watkins. The service of installation began at 4:00 PM in the sanctuary of Community Presbyterian Church.

The following are members of the commission, with their roles in the service of installation:

Rev. Gale Watkins — welcome, constitutional questions (for pastor)
Elder Martha Gladwin (Community, Lake Havasu City) — call to worship, prayer of confession, assurance of pardon, constitutional questions (for congregation)
Elder Bob Campbell (Kingman) — Scripture readings
Rev. Jerry Voss (corresponding member, San Joaquin Presbytery) — sermon, prayer of thanksgiving
Elder Paul Jones (CLP, Yarnell) — presentation of pastor
Rev. Darren Hawkins — prayer of installation
Rev. Ken Moe — charge to pastor
Rev. Grif Vautier — charge to congregation

The commission's work was concluded by the benediction at the end of the service, offered by Rev. David Bybee.

Submitted by Gale Watkins

B. Presbytery Meeting Schedule - 2004-2005

Schedule of the Remaining 2004 Stated Meetings of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon

September 17-18, 2004	2:00 PM	Community Presbyterian Church, Payson
November 13, 2004	9:00 AM	Southminster Presbyterian Church

Schedule of the 2005 Stated Meetings of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon

January 22, 2005	9:00 AM	First Presbyterian Church, Sun City
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The following schedule depends upon the decision to be made at the 2005 Annual Meeting regarding holding four or five meetings per year (See **Note** Below)

March 18-19, 2005	2:00 PM	John Calvin Presbyterian Church
June 14, 2005	2:00 PM	<i>Accepting Invitations to Host</i>
September 16-17, 2005	2:00 PM	Ft. Defiance Presbyterian Church (<i>waiting confirmation</i>)
November 12, 2005	9:00 AM	Fountain Hills Presbyterian Church

Note: No later than the January 22, 2005 Meeting the Presbytery Council is to recommend to the Presbytery whether or not to continue holding only four meetings per year or return to five meetings per year. The schedule of meetings if the Presbytery returns to a five meeting schedule per year would be as outlined above. If the decision is to continue holding only four meetings John Calvin Presbyterian Church would be asked to host the second meeting in 2005; Ft Defiance would be asked to host the third meeting and Fountain Hills the final meeting in 2005.

C. Annual Review of Presbytery Records

The Review of Records Committee for the Synod of the Southwest consisting of the Stated Clerks of the four presbyteries and the Synod Executive/Stated Clerk met at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Tucson on February 19, 2004 to review the records of the Presbyteries of deCristo, Grand Canyon, Santa Fe, and Sierra Blanca. The records of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon were approved without exception. The report of the Synod Review of Records Committee was approved at the Synod of the Southwest Meeting on March 12-13, 2004.

D. 2003 ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT

Presbytery APPROVED that the summary of statistics sent to the General Assembly for 2003 from the Presbytery of Grand Canyon be entered into the minutes of the April 24, 2004 Stated Meeting.

The Presbytery of Grand Canyon has submitted its 2003 Annual Report of Ministerial Changes and Annual Statistical Report of the "Session Annual and Congregational Annual Reports" to the Office of the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Fifty-eight (58) of the presbytery's seventy (70) churches submitted their Annual Reports, as of December 31, 2003.

The following churches did not submit an Annual Report: Blackwater Presbyterian Church; Trinity Presbyterian Church, Chinle; Fort Defiance Presbyterian Church; Indian Wells Presbyterian Church; Parker Valley Presbyterian Church; Arizona Korean Presbyterian Church; Mohawk Valley Presbyterian Church; First Presbyterian Church, Sacaton; Fort McDowell Presbyterian Church; Salt River Presbyterian Church; and Wellton Community Presbyterian Church.

Of the fifty-eight (58) churches reporting:

21	Reported Increases in Membership
35	Reported Decreases in Membership
2	Reported No Change in Membership

When a church does not complete a report their active membership totals are carried over into the following year and remain the same as the prior year therefore the total membership of 16,724 which is a decrease of 473 members, is an accurate reflection of the presbytery total membership of record as of 12/31/03.

The Summary of Statistics sent to the General Assembly for 2003 reflecting ministerial changes, congregational membership and financial statistics appear on the following page:

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS SENT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR 2003

I.	MINISTERIAL CHANGES		BAPTISMS	
	January 1- December 31, 2003		Children	269
			Adult	48
	LOSSES		OFFICERS	
	Necrology	3	Male Elders	295
	Dismissed – Presbyterian	9	Female Elders	223
	Dismissed – Denomination	1	Male Deacons	191
	Other Removals	0	Female Deacons	535
	TOTAL LOSSES	13	COMPOSITION	
	GAINS		Active Membership	
	Received – Presbyteries	11	Asian	119
	Ordained	4	Black	223
	Received – Denominations	0	Hispanic	281
	Restored	0	Native American	783
	TOTAL GAINS	15	White	15325
	MINISTERS ON ROLL		Other	10
	January 1, 2003	216	Session Membership	
	December 31, 2003	218	Asian	4
II.	INQUIRERS / CANDIDATES		Black	16
	Inquirers on Roll 12/31/02	12	Hispanic	12
	Candidates on Roll 12/31/02	5	Native American	76
III.	CONGREGATIONAL STATISTICS		White	523
	MEMBERSHIP		Other	0
	Active Members 1/1/03	17,197	Deacon Membership	
	Gains by Profession		Asian	2
	17 and under	141	Black	15
	18 and over	256	Hispanic	16
	Certificate	534	Native American	52
	Other Gains	415	White	523
	Losses		Other	0
	Certificate	248		
	Death	382		
	Other	1,172		
	Total Adherents 12/31/03	16,741		
IV.	FINANCIAL STATISTICS		EXPENDITURES	
	RECEIPTS		Local Programs	14,437,338
	Regular Contributions	14,023,937	Local Mission	794,573
	Capital/Building	2,156,479	Capital Expenditures	4,809,489
	Investments	799,819	Investments	990,960
	Bequests	1,201,300	Per Capita	380,089
	Other Income	1,751,781	Validated Mission	975,534
	Subsidy	142,860	Theological Education	24,463
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	20,076,176	Other Mission	302,503
			TOTAL EXPENDITURES	22,714,949

11. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT**Re-Election Of Rev. Kenneth A. Moe To An Indefinite Term As Executive Presbyter**

Helen Orr, chair of the Personnel Committee referred to the comprehensive review and Presbytery Council recommendation that were a part of the Call Papers to this meeting.

A MOTION was made from the floor that vote on the Presbytery Council recommendation be made by ballot. The Moderator stated that this was a non-debatable Motion. Vote was taken, and Presbytery DEFEATED the Motion.

Upon recommendation of the Presbytery Council, following completion of the five-year comprehensive review, called for when Ken Moe was elected Executive Presbyter in 1999, the Presbytery VOTED “the Call to the Rev. Kenneth A. Moe to undertake the office of the Executive Presbyter be renewed for an indefinite term subject both to annual and comprehensive fifth-year term reviews.”

The Presbytery also APPROVED beginning the process of exploring the granting of a Sabbatical Leave with a report and recommendation at a future meeting of the Presbytery. The full text of the results of the comprehensive review and Presbytery Council recommendation are available on the website as part of the Call Papers to the presbytery meeting.

12. PILP PRESENTATION - *How's This For a Return on Your Money?*

Ben Blake, VP of Sales and Marketing for The Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP) highlighted PILP's rebate program.

PILP is a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation organized to provide a variety of church growth services for Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) congregations, governing bodies (including sessions of congregations), and related theological and educational institutions. Created by the 207th General Assembly (1995) of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), it exists solely for religious, educational, benevolent and charitable purposes. When churches finance capital projects through PILP, they save money up front with low interest rates and no loan origination fees or points to pay. Lower cost means more of their members' contributions go toward supporting the ministry and less to the cost of financing the project.

Fifty four percent of PILP's borrowers earned a rebate in 2003. Seventy-six percent of those earning a rebate earned at least a half point rebate and thirty percent qualified for the maximum rebate of one full percent. Investment support is growing as more members realize the mission benefits of designating their support for their church. Six churches in Grand Canyon Presbytery received a rebate: University, Gilbert, Pinnacle, Horizon, Mountain View and Chandler. Thanks to the support of individual borrowing congregations in 2003, the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program sent rebate checks totaling \$142,494 to their borrowers. That is more than a 12% increase in the total rebates issued for 2002. A growing number of presbyteries and synods are investing a portion of their resources in the Program and helping churches in their area earn rebates. And even churches who do not need to borrow, are supporting the growth of the Presbyterian community by investing.

13. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER AND OPPORTUNITY FOR DIALOGUE**Undesignated Giving**

Ken Moe explained that proposed Mission Partnership Funds allocations from GA to the Synod of the Southwest for next year are down more than \$67,000 compared with 2004. The 2005 figure is \$745,166, compared with \$812,834 in 2004. This news provides an additional challenge to our Budget Committee as we build a budget for next year. The reason that MPF funds are down from previous years is because these funds are based on UNRESTRICTED General Mission giving. Since more churches have shifted to RESTRICTED General Mission gifts, the amount of money available for aid-receiving synods like ours is less. Ken asked elder commissioners to explain this issue to their church sessions.

Church Related Ethics

Ken Moe's report to the presbytery focused on church related ethics “since many of the difficulties we face today in the denomination are exacerbated by differences in ethical standards as we deal with differences in doctrinal positions.” Following the report, at 11:15 AM, presbyters gathered in small discussion groups

to discuss these questions:

1. Describe an experience where your own competing values put you in an ethical bind. How did you resolve the situation?
2. Are pastors bound to higher ethical standards than church members? Why or why not?
3. Are there circumstances, such as in defending church doctrine, when behavior that would otherwise be unethical is acceptable? Do the ends justify the means in some cases? Do the ends partially justify the means?
4. When might violence in the name of God be ethically acceptable?
5. Under what circumstances would it be acceptable to discredit publicly someone with opposing religious views?
6. When is it ethically acceptable to initiate an invitation for a person to leave his or her church and join yours?
7. Is mental or emotional manipulation a valid tool for evangelism?

Note: Full text of Ken Moe's Report at: http://www.pbygrandcanyon.org/pdfs/exec_pres_report/epr_april04.pdf

14. **RECESS FOR LUNCH/ RECONVENE**

Presbytery recessed for lunch at 11:55 AM, with prayer. Presbytery reconvened at 1:00 PM. During a time of announcements it was announced that the Clergy Spouse Gathering would take place during lunch.

15. **PROPOSED CHANGES**

TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

Members of the Bills and Overture Committee consisting of Elder Jody Hodahkwen, Rev. Jim Longstreet, Rev. Tom Parker and Elder Kate Wilmoth, who were Commissioners to the 215th General Assembly (2003), were present and introduced for consideration the following proposed changes to the PCUSA Constitution which were acted upon as indicated below:

THE PRESBYTERY VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS

Amendment 03-A.1

Preparing and Adopting Budgets- On Amending G-9.0404d and G-13.0103I

Amendment 03-A.2

Reporting and Review of Records – On Amending G-9.0407b-d

Amendment 03-A.4

Changing Terms of Office – On Amending G-13.0111a; G-13.0112a; G-13.0202a (1)-(5); G-13.0202b(1); G-13.0202d; and D-5.0102

Amendment 03-A.5

Advising for and Amending the Book of Order – On Amending G-13.0112b and G-18.0301c-e

Amendment 03-B

Clarifying Involuntary Dissolutions – On Amending G-9.0505b

Amendment 03-C

Participation in Synod – On Amending G-12.0204

Amendment 03-D

Changing the Number Required to Call a Special Meeting of the General Assembly – On Amending G-13.0104

Amendment 03-E

Expanding the Category of “In Correspondence.” On Amending G-15.0201

Amendment 03-F

Obtaining a Stay of Enforcement – On Amending D-6.0103

Amendment 03-H

Granting an Extension of Time for an Investigating Committee to File Charges When Civil Authorities Become Involved – On Amending D-10.0401a

THE PRESBYTERY VOTED IN THE NEGATIVE ON THE FOLLOWING TWO PROPOSALS

Amendment 03-A.3

Determining the Number of Commissioners to GA – On Amending G-13.0102

Amendment 03-G

Administrative Leave in Cases Alleging Sexual Misconduct Towards a Minor –
On Adding Section D-10.0106

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There was a time of announcements at 1:30 PM, led by Cecil Patterson who presented the announcements sponsored by presbytery committees.

17. COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT**17.1. Reception of New Members**

Charles Philip Courtney, a member of the Presbytery of Cayuga-Syracuse where he served as Pastor at United Church of Fayetteville, Fayetteville, New York for the past 23 years, was introduced and given an opportunity to answer questions from the floor. He began his ministry as Pastor to First Presbyterian Church, Yuma on February 16, 2004. Presbytery VOTED to approve the Rev. C. Philip Courtney to membership in the Presbytery of Grand Canyon.

17.2. Approval of Annual Terms of Call

Upon recommendation of the Committee on Ministry the Presbytery VOTED approval of the changes in Terms of Calls for those Ministers of the Word and Sacrament who had reported changes and as they were listed in the Annual Salary Review of Ordained Personnel included in the packet distributed at the meeting. (Note: Copies of the Annual Salary Review are available on request through the Presbytery Office)

17.3. Ministers Who Have Accepted Calls In Other Presbyteries

It was reported that since the last presbytery meeting, three pastors have accepted calls in other presbyteries: Rick Kargard , Jerry Landrey, Joe Pack Arnold

17.4. Examination for and Commissioning of Commissioned Lay Pastors**Everett Howard**

The Presbytery sustained the examination for Commissioned Lay Pastor of Elder Everett Howard, who had completed all requirements of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon Commissioned Lay Pastor policy, been endorsed by the Preparation for Ministry Committee as ready for Commissioning and approved by the Committee on Ministry as a Commissioned Lay Pastor to Blackwater Presbyterian Church.

Annette Lewis

The Presbytery sustained the examination for Commissioned Lay Pastor of Elder Annette Lewis, who had completed all requirements of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon Commissioned Lay Pastor policy, been endorsed by the Preparation for Ministry Committee as ready for Commissioning and approved by the Committee on Ministry as a Commissioned Lay Pastor to Gila Crossing Presbyterian Church.

Commissioning Service

Moderator Gale Watkins led the Presbytery in a joint Service of Commissioning of Everett Howard and Annette Lewis during which time members of their families, members of the congregations they will be serving, and others who had been instrumental in their journey, gathered around them to offer support in their new ministries.

18. REPORT OF THE PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY COMMITTEE**18.1. Inquirer to Candidate****Reginald Ragland**

Upon recommendation of the Preparation for Ministry Committee Inquirer Reginald Ragland, who is also Commissioned Lay Pastor to Southminster Presbyterian Church, was examined with respect to his Christian faith, forms of Christian service undertaken and motives for seeking the ministry. The examination was sustained. Inquirer Ragland responded in the affirmative to the questions posed by Moderator Gale Watkins following which the Moderator gave a brief charge and prayer. Reginald Ragland's name will be recorded on the presbytery's roll of candidates.

18.2. Alternate Examination Process**Sharon Selestewa**

The Presbytery, by more than a three-fourths vote, approved the recommendation of the Preparation for Ministry Committee that Sharon Selestewa, a candidate for Minister of Word and Sacrament be authorized to receive an alternate form of the standard ordination examination in the following two areas, Theology and Biblical Exegesis, as provided in the Book of Order G-14.0313b and in accordance with the presbytery's official policy for Alternate Means of Examination as revised in January 2003.

18.3. Inquirer Transferred to Missouri Union Presbytery

Erin Long

This past year, Erin Long (Historic First Presbyterian Church) moved from Arizona to Missouri. It was reported that at their last meeting, CPM approved the transfer of Inquirer Erin Long, from the Presbytery of Grand Canyon to the care of Missouri Union Presbytery.

18.4. Restricted Account for Transportation Funds

Years ago, a restricted fund for CPM was started by Rev. Paul Moser to help with transportation expenses for Inquirers and Candidates when they travel back to Arizona to meet with the CPM Committee. Contributions to that fund would be greatly appreciated.

19. MODERATOR ELECT TAKES THE FLOOR

Moderator, Gale Watkins called on Moderator Elect, Cecil Patterson to preside over the next four reports. Gale Watkins resumed in moderating the meeting following the Nominations Committee Report.

20. SOCIAL JUSTICE AND PEACEMAKING COMMITTEE

20.1. The George Brooks Award

The Social Justice and Peacemaking Committee awards The George Brooks Award each year on behalf of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon in honor of Dr. George B. Brooks. Rosemarie Wallace was honored as the 2004 George Brooks Award recipient for her dedication to social justice, human rights, and peacemaking. She had been a member of Celebration of Life Presbyterian Church for seventeen years and died in January of this year. Rosemarie's pastor, Rev. Dale Strong received the award for her. The George Brooks Award plaque will be presented to Rosemarie's church family on May 9, 2004.

20.2. Concurrence on Overture 04-28 on Racism Training

After opportunity for discussion and upon recommendation of the Social Justice and Peacemaking Committee the Presbytery VOTED to concur in Overture 04-28 from the Presbytery of Detroit on directing the General Assembly Council (GAC) to provide an Introduction to Anti-Racism for Assemblies in 2006, 2008 and 2010 and making recommendations in 2010 for future events.

21. EVANGELISM AND CHURCH DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

21.1. New Brochure

Bruce Johnson, chair of the ECD Committee, highlighted a new brochure that is available to churches on the subject of Evangelism. Contact the presbytery office for more information.

21.2. Congregational Transformation Report

To redevelop a congregation is to redirect its ministry in response to significant changes that may have taken place either among its membership or in the larger community it serves, or both. Redevelopment includes a planned effort to refocus the congregation's ministry. José Olagues, Presbytery Associate for Congregational Resourcing highlighted the dynamics that are important to redevelopment or transformation within a congregation. Rev. Bob Simmons from Christ Presbyterian Church, Rev. David Hicks and Mary Lynn Walters from Memorial Presbyterian Church shared some of their own experiences with the congregational transformation process.

22. REPORT OF THE 2004 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST

Rev. Janet Arbesman, who was elected Vice-Moderator of the Synod of the Southwest at the March 12-13, 2004 meeting of the Synod, presented on behalf of the six minister commissioners; Alice Geils Nord, Mae Hicks, Fran Park, John Poling, Grif Vautier and Judy Wellington; and the six elder commissioners; Darlene Balcom (Yarnell), Lois McFadden (Celebration of Life) Gloria Wilson (Crosswinds), Ike Cantrell (Scottsdale), Jody Hodahkwen (Central) and Virginia Strachan (Valley); a brief summary of reports and

actions taken by the synod at its meeting which was held at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Tucson. She highlighted approval of the budget for 2004, in the amount of \$1,194,377 of which approximately \$826,000 comes from the General Assembly as a Mission Partnership Grant, \$140,000 in mission pledges and \$180,000 in per capita from churches within the four presbyteries and the balance from investment income and unallocated fund balances from previous years. She also announced the Synod-Wide Fall Event on the theme of "Abiding in God" planned for October 24-26 in Albuquerque with Rev. Dr. Howard Rice as the keynote speaker.

A summary Synod of the Southwest Report of the 33rd Annual Meeting in Tucson written by Rev. Ray Kersting, Santa Fe Presbytery Stated Clerk and former Synod Moderator, is available at: http://www.pbygrandcanyon.org/synod/report_april04.pdf

23. NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The following slate was placed in nomination to serve on presbytery committees:

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| Educational Ministries: 2005: | Adair Bentley (Sierra Vista) |
| Committee On Ministry: 2004: | Joe Roediger (Memorial) (replacing Genni Denetsone) |
| Native American Ministries: 2006: | Joy Manus (Chinle/Canyon) |
| | LaBerta Collins (Salt River) |
| | Theresa Donahue (Maricopa First) |
| | Chair: Herschel Andrews; |
| | Vice-Chair: Freida Payestewa |
| Women's Ministries: 2005: | Celia Maddox (Gilbert) |
| 2006: | Rev. Trina Zelle |
| Montlure: | Ginny Mallia (Mesa 1st), Matt Mallia (Mesa 1st) |

Readers For Ordination Exams

- Rev. Jane Wilson, Rev. Shelly Moe, Elder Cecil Patterson, Rev. Hipolito Melendez (Spanish),
 Rev. José Bibiloni (Spanish)
 Alternates: Rev. Ken Moe, Rev. Gloria Pulido, Rev. Chuck Proudfoot

After opportunity to make nominations from the floor, Presbytery APPROVED the slate as presented.

24. CENTS-ABILITY

It was announced that \$272.78 was collected for the Cents-Ability offering.

25. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

26. THANKS

Thanks were given to Northminster Presbyterian Church and First Presbyterian Church, Peoria, and all those who were so helpful in arranging this meeting.

27. NEXT MEETING

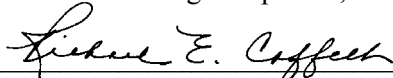
The next Stated Meeting of Presbytery will be September 17-18, 2004 at Community Presbyterian Church, in Payson.

28. ADJOURN

Presbytery adjourned with Rev. Gale Watkins giving the closing prayer at 3:40 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Presbytery Council, acting on its delegated authority, approved the Minutes of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon Stated Meeting of April 24, 2004 at the Council Meeting of June 3, 2004.



 Richard E. Coffelt, Stated Clerk

June 3, 2004

 Date: