

**First Presbyterian Church**  
**Roswell, NM**

**Highlights of the Session Meeting**  
**June 20, 2019**

Deacon and Ruling Elder nominees attended the meeting to introduce themselves to Session.

Ruling Elders Bob Kurtz and Lynn Karnes to pursue bids for property and liability insurance.

The Church Management Committee (Jim Bloodhart, Moderator) reported on renovation and repair projects currently underway. Pena Construction is the contractor. The playground chain link fence is complete. Most of the planned sidewalk replacement is complete. New tile for the main entrance steps is pending. On recommendation from Church Management, Session approved a buried electrical cable to the church sign on Second Street, so that it can eventually be illuminated. Church Management is pursuing bids for HVAC services.

The Worship Committee (Bob Entrop) reported the purchase and installation of a device which records and plays back music played on the organ.

The Personnel Committee (Bob Kurtz) reported the resignation of Joan Arnold as Director of Communications and Outreach. The position will remain vacant for the time being.

Session approved the candidates proposed by the Nominating Committee (Mike Hunter) for Ruling Elder, Deacon, and 2019-2020 Nominating Committee. Session approved Mike Hunter as moderator off the committee for 2019-2020.

On the recommendation of the Mission Committee (John Guthrie) Session approved inviting the Rev. Majid Abel, pastor of Naulakha Presbyterian Church in Lahore, Pakistan, to preach for the congregation some Sunday in August-September while he is in the states. Session also approved the collection of a special offering on that Sunday.

The Fellowship Committee (Deb Prince for Lynn Karnes) reported the approaching congregational potluck luncheon on Sunday, June 23rd, another Sunday potluck luncheon planned for July, and a Sunday barbecue in August.

The Christian Education Committee (John Guthrie) reported plans for a weekly class on Christian theology for adults beginning in August or September.

Session approved the pastor's vacation plans (three separate events) for the remainder of 2019.

Session approved the schedule for the 2019 Stewardship Season (proposed by John Guthrie): three weeks and three Sundays, October 13, 20, and 27. A celebration luncheon is planned for October 27.

John Guthrie reported on the called meeting of the Presbytery of Sierra Blanca to consider amendments to the constitution of the PC(USA).

Bob Kurtz reminded Session that the first draft of a church emergency action and recovery plan, to cover events such as fire, storm, armed intruder, and others, is complete and was sent to all Session elders earlier in June. Bob asked all Elders to review the draft and offer suggestions for improvement. Bob is working to secure a local law enforcement officer to talk to the congregation about response to an armed intruder.