INDIAN NATIONS PRESBYTERY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

Stated Meeting

November 13-14, 2026

Sequoyah Lodge, Hobart, OK

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Business Packet 1

Docket
Stated Meeting of Indian Nations Presbytery
November 13-14, 2026
Sequoyah Lodge, Hobart, OK

Friday, November 13

11:00 am	Registration Opens
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Worship - Communion
2:00 pm	Keynote #1
4:00 pm	Mission Project
5:00 pm	Break
5:30 pm	Dinner
6:30 pm	OPTF Report

Saturday, November 14

8:00 am	Breakfast
8:45 am	Morning Prayer
9:00 am	Keynote #2
10:15 am	Check out of Hotel
10:30 am	Individual Presbytery Meetings
12:00 pm	Depart for Home

INP AGENDA

Call to Order, prayer	Moderator Mary Ellen Waychoff
Ruling on Quorum	
Introduction of First-time Commissioners	
Seating of Corresponding Members	
Recognition of Visitors	
Motions on Privilege of Voice	
Approval of Minutes	
May 1-2, 2026, *August 1, 2026*, and *November 5, 2026*	
INP Moderator Report	Mary Ellen Waychoff
Stated Clerk Report	Tracy Evans
Interim Presbytery Pastor Report	Laurel Cockrill
Coordinating Council Moderator Report	John McKinnon
Committee on Administration Report	Rex Daly
Personnel Committee Report	Chaz Ruark
Committee on Ministry Report	Janet Ruark
Service of Commissioning	
Committee on Nominations Report	Rhonda George
Committee on Representation Report	Mike Mize
Committee on Preparation for Ministry Report (no report)	Chas Gowing
INP Foundation Report	Debra Dowell
Care of Pastoral Leaders Network Report	Janet Ruark / Carol Waters
Unfinished and/or New Business	
Sharing Time	
Adjourn with prayer	

Draft Minutes of the Meeting of Indian Nations Presbytery Oklahoma City University Chapel Oklahoma City, Oklahoma May 2, 2026

The meeting was called to order with prayer led by Rev. Mary Ellen Waychoff in the Bishop W. Angie Smith Chapel on Saturday, May 2, 2026 at 10:35 am.

A quorum was declared.

First-time commissioners were introduced. Visitors were introduced. Motion to seat and give voice to corresponding member Rev. Gail Doering (Presbytery of Southern Kansas), Bridge Presbytery Pastor, passed.

The docket was **approved** as presented.

THE ROLL

MINISTER MEMBERS

Present

Affsprung, Elizabeth
Clipson, Jo, HR
East, Michael
Evans, Tracy
Gowing, Chas
McKinnon, John
Mize, Richard
Seo, Jungsuk
Smith, Charlie
Walker, Abbey
Waters, Carol
Waychoff, Mary Ellen, HR
Workman, Stephanie

Excused

Andresen, Paul
Baggett, Rick, HR
Bassett, Charles, HR
Bosteels, Carl, HR
Burns, Jim, HR
Burns-Hintze, Jan, HR
Carr, Bill, HR
Cobbs, Kelsey
Delgado, Roberto, HR
Galbraith, Bill, HR
Goodman, Lois, HR
Gruel, John, HR
Hamilton, Carl, HR
Hendrix, Nancy, HR
Henslee, Mark, HR
Hunt, Barbara, HR
Jeffers, Hugh, HR
Junkin, Dan, HR
Junkin, Michelle
Long, Sue, HR
Luke, Kathie
McKee, Thea HR
McNamara, Donald, HR
Millard, Harry, HR
Miller, Mitch
Pei, Won K, HR
Phelps, Ron
Ruark, Chaz, HR
Ruark, Janet, HR
Sim, Pyung Jong Peter, HR

Absent

Amen, Greg
Bodenstein, Sara Marie
Bridges, Samuel H
George, David
Heaney, Mark
Meinhart, Joe
Rucker, Vicki
Scott, Randy
Whitsitt, Landon

RULING ELDER COMMISSIONERS

Present

Duncan, First, Steve Shear
Edmond, Santa Fe, Jim Rule
Elk City, First, Tony Chauncey
Lawton, First, Susan Diekman
Maud, Achena, Farrel Smith
Midwest City, First, Sharon Burton
Norman, First, Melissa Gill
Norman, Memorial, Charlotte Lovett
Oklahoma City, Covenant, Beverly Jackson
Oklahoma City, First, Dan MacLemore
Oklahoma City, Westminster, Linda Sheffield
Pauls Valley, First, Holley Sanders
Rosedale, First, Russell Newville
Shawnee, United, Rick Terry
Wewoka, First, Rex Daly
Yukon, Chisholm Trail, Debra Kauffman

Excused

Ada, First
Bethany, Westlake
Chattanooga, Community
Hobart, First
Temple, First

Absent

Ardmore First
Altus, First
Byars, Dixon Chapel
Chandler, First
Chickasha, First
Colony, Columbian Memorial
Davenport, First
El Reno, First
Lawton, Korean
Lawton, Westminster
Oklahoma City, Church of Savior
Oklahoma City, Hillcrest
Oklahoma City, Korean First
Oklahoma City, Trinity
Seminole, Cheyarha
Seminole, Tallahassee
Sulphur, Salem
Sulphur/Davis, Shepherd of the Hills
Walters, First
Weatherford, Federated
Wewoka, First Indian

OTHERS (PRESBYTERY OFFICERS, COMMITTEE MODERATOR ELDERS, COMMISSIONED RULING ELDERS, CERTIFIED CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS, CORRESPONDING MEMBERS)

Present

Culpepper, Maribeth, Committee on Nominations and Representation, Moderator
Mize, Mike, RE, Trustees, President

Excused

Turner, Al, CRE

Commissioned Ruling Elders

Gill, Melissa, Commissioned Ruling Elder (Norman, First)
Mead, Craig, Commissioned Ruling Elder (Elk City, First)
Smith, Farrel, Commissioned Ruling Elder (Maud, Achena)

Corresponding Members

Gordon Edwards, Cimarron Presbytery
Katrina Richardson, Cimarron Presbytery

VISITORS

There were 5 visitors.

Drennan, Kristi, Pauls Valley
Grant, Tylar Gregg
MacHugh, Sue, RE, INP Staff
Mead, Teresa, Beaver City, NE
Portwood, Angela, Pauls Valley

The minutes of the February 22, 2025 Stated meeting were **approved**.

There was no report from the INP Moderator.

Stated Clerk:

Tracy Evans reported that minutes from 2024 had been read by the Synod. There were no exceptions, but the comments stated the need for an anti-racism policy.

Presbytery Pastor

In his written report, Charlie Smith reported on the continuing work of the Oklahoma Task Force, working to envision a new Oklahoma presbytery.

Coordinating Council

Interim Moderator Mike Mize reported that the following actions were taken since the last presbytery meeting:

- The Norman Coalition for Refugee Support requested a carryover of remaining grant funds in the amount of $2,599.47 to be used for STEAM activities and summer school for 15 students. A motion was made and approved.

- The Korean Lawton Presbyterian Church submitted a Church Project Grant request for$3,000 for small group leadership training. This is a matching grant with funds from the church and funds raised from individuals. A motion was made and approved.

- A motion was made and approved to hold the June 7th Presbytery meeting in-person at First Presbyterian Church of Pauls Valley.

- The Care of Pastoral Leaders Network reported that it was requesting grant money in the amount of $1,800 from the Synod of the Sun for the Pastoral Leaders Retreat. The Council approved the request.

- The Korean Lawton Presbyterian Church requested $3,500 for a technology grant. Amotion was made and approved.

Committee on Preparation for Ministry

- Moderator Chas Gowing reported the committee met to conduct Final Assessment for candidate Tylar Grant. She was approved as "certified ready for a call" on March 12, 2025.

- Ordination Exam readers for Spring 2025 will be RE Maribeth Culpepper and TE Kathie Luke.

- CPM validated the CRE ministry of Craig Meade for FPC Elk City.

Committee on Ministry

- Mary Ellen Waychoff reported on behalf of the COM.

FOR INFORMATION:

- The Pulpit Supply List is on the INP website (password protected – contact Sue MacHugh in the INP office).
- Three Cohort groups have been formed for our Commissioned Ruling Elders (CREs). Teaching Elders (TEs) Elizabeth Affsprung, David George, and Chaz Ruark are serving as leaders.
- Rev. Jungsuk Seo was appointed as Moderator for Korean First Presbyterian Church, OKC.
- COM approved the election of a PNC for Korean First Presbyterian Church, OKC, and gave permission for the PNC to advertise in the Korean PCUSA network as they begin their search for an installed pastor; and approved the search process outlined by the PNC.
- COM approved the election of a PNC for First Presbyterian Church, Ada.
- Approved Aaron McKee to be on the Pulpit Supply for preaching only.
- Approved Rev. John Singleton of New Covenant Presbytery to labor in the bounds of Indian Nations Presbytery and be added to the Pulpit Supply

ACTIONS TAKEN ON BEHALF OF PRESBYTERY:
(to be included in presbytery minutes)

1. Renewed the commission of RE Kim Mitchell as Pastor of Care and Connection at OKC Westminster for three years beginning January 1, 2024. Janet Ruark will serve as mentor.
2. Reviewed the validated ministries of Mark Heaney, Inner Peace Pastoral Counseling, Yukon, OK and Vicki Rucker, Chaplain at Mercy Hospital, Ardmore, OK.
3. Concurred with the action of Korean First Presbyterian Church, OKC, taken at a duly called congregational meeting March 16, 2025, to dissolve the pastoral relationship with Rev. Jongsuk Back as of March 16, 2025, and dismissed Rev. Jongsuk Back to New Covenant Presbytery, pending their action.
4. Appointed the following to the Culturally Diverse Task Force: Carol Waters (Moderator), Farrel Smith (Maud, Achena), Patsy Smith (OKC, Trinity), Margaret Walton (Yukon, Chisholm Train), and Jerilyn Whitsitt (OKC Westminster). We are still looking for a representative from either of the Korean Churches.
5. Approved the request of Paul Andresen, Teaching Elder, to labor outside the bounds of presbytery to preach at Parkview Presbyterian, Grand Rapids MI, in the Presbytery of Lake Michigan.
6. Approved Tylar Grant's work as a staff chaplain at OU Health Center as a call to a Validated Ministry and to move ahead to examine Tylar for ordination.

7. Approved the Covenant for Temporary Supply between Randall Scott and Church of the Savior, Oklahoma City, for March 14, 2025 to March 14, 2026 for 24-28 hours per week at the following terms:
Housing Allowance $42,000/year
Vacation – 1 week per quarter, including Sundays
Continuing Education – 1 week per six months, including Sundays

8. Approved the Covenant for Temporary Supply between Mark Henslee and First Presbyterian Church, Duncan for May 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026 for 19 hours per week, at the following terms:
Cash Salary $1,300/month
Housing $2,000/month
Ministry expenses reimbursed up to $6,500/year
30 days vacation, including 4 Sundays
Continuing Education 1 week per 6 months, including Sundays

9. Approved the Temporary Supply Associate Contract between Carol Waters and First Presbyterian Church, Norman for May 27, 2025 to May 27, 2026 for 25-30 hours per week, at the following terms:
Cash Salary $21,210/year
Housing $9,000/year
Full participation in the Board of Pensions
3 weeks Vacation
2 weeks Continuing Education

10. Approved the Covenant of Temporary Supply between Mary Ellen Waychoff and First Presbyterian Church, Ardmore for July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 for 28 hours per week, at the following terms:
Cash Salary $40,000/year
Auto/PE $6,000/year (reimbursed up to)
Vacation – 1 week/quarter, including Sundays
Continuing Education – 1 week/six moths, including Sundays

11. Approved the Covenant with a Commissioned Ruling Elder between Craig Mead and First Presbyterian Church, Elk City for July 8, 2025 to June 30, 2028 for 40 hours per week, at the following terms:
Cash Salary $3,750/month
Medical Coverage $1,000/month (for wife)
Soc Sec withheld $414.38/month
Exp reimbursed up to $200/month + mileage
Full participation in the Board of Pensions
Housing allowance $833.33/month out of cash salary
Vacation 4 weeks/year
Continuing Education 2 weeks/year

For Action:

1. COM recommends that Indian Nations Presbytery concur with the action of the congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Chickasha, OK taken at a duly called meeting March 30, 2025, to dissolve the congregation effective July 31, 2025. An Administrative Commission was appointed by Moderator McKinnon to oversee the closing process.

The Administrative Commission's duties will include:

- Assisting the Session in winding up the affairs of the congregation, transferring remaining members, planning worship, and giving thanks to God for the ministry of the congregation.
- Authorizing the Stated Clerk to receive the Session Records, retain records to wind up affairs, deliver those records with the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery, who will then forward them to the Presbyterian Historical Society.
- Authorizing the Stated Clerk to grant letters of dismissal to members whose names are still on the rolls.
- Taking possession of all real and personal property, financial records, inventories of equipment, and arranging for transfer of title to the Presbytery of all accounts and real property known to be in the possession of First Presbyterian Church of Chickasha. [Form of Government, Chapter IV, Section 2 (G-4.0203)]
- Consulting with the Session regarding requests the congregation may have relating to the disposition of equipment and memorials and other property of the First Presbyterian Church of Chickasha, and from the date of the action approving the disposition of property or arranging for its retention and storage for future use at the direction of the Presbytery.
- Asserting claim of the Presbytery to any property of the First Presbytery Church of Chickasha not known at this time or property which may come to the First Presbyterian Church of Chickasha as the beneficiary of a will or trust not known at this time.

The motion carried.

2.COM recommends that Indian Nations Presbytery grant Retirement to Paul Andresen, effective July 31, 2005.

The motion carried.

3. a. COM recommends that Indian Nations Presbytery commission Ruling Elder Craig Mead to serve First Presbyterian Church, Elk City as Commissioned Pastor, whose duties include leading worship and preaching, serving as moderator, administering sacraments, making pastoral calls, and officiating at weddings.

b. COM recommends that the service of commissioning be held at First Presbyterian Church, Elk City, at a day and time to be determined later.

The motion carried.

4. COM recommends that Indian Nations Presbytery examine Tylar Grant for ordination as minister of Word and Sacrament.

The motion carried.

The examination of Tylar Grant for ordination as minister of Word and Sacrament took place. **Motion** to sustain the examination and approve Tylar for ordination **passed**.

Committee on Nominations and Representation

Report from Moderator Maribeth Culpepper included the following:

- **Motion** from committee to appoint RE Janet Labude and RE Tommie Grimes to the COM class of 2027 was **passed**.
- **Motion** from committee to appoint RE Becki Walden and RE Bill Blew to the COA class of 2027 was **passed.**
- Nominations are being sought for current vacancies and the upcoming slate.

Committee on Administration

- Moderator Rex Daly reported for the committee.
- A funds requests from Texas Presbyterian Foundation was made on 4/22/25 for the amount of $105,000. This is for operating expenses. This is the second request this year. The first request for $105,000 was on 1/23/25. That makes the total $210,000 for the year. The redemptions are from the Holding Account #54477. The market value of the account at March 31, 2025 was $1,508,832.75.
- The Personnel Committee is working/consulting on the task of finding transitional leadership for INP.
- **Motion** that Housing Allowance for Presbytery Pastor Charlie Smith be amended from $30,000 to $40,000 for 2025 was **approved**.
- The Indian Nations Personnel Committee met on June 2nd and approved the request of Stated Clerk Tracy Evans to take mid June to Mid July as renewal time. Changes in the life of Memorial Presbyterian Church are currently demanding a significant portion of her time and energy. Summertime is generally a quieter time in the Presbytery Office. Tracy will still be available for emergency situations, otherwise her duties will be covered by other INP staff.4

The body joined in worship including the Lord's Supper. Lunch followed.

TE Gordon Edwards and TE Katrina Richardson, members of Cimarron Presbytery (CP), shared the status of CP and their hope for the future. The attendees spent time in discussion, both in small groups and as a body, regarding the possibility of one Oklahoma Presbytery.

Vice- Moderator Mary Ellen Waychoff moderated the remainder of the meeting.

INP Foundation

Russell Newville, President of the Foundation, reported.
The INP Foundation Board met on April 29, 2025. Grant Applications from eight (8) congregations were sent to Board members for review prior to the meeting. At the meeting funding requests were discussed.

Church of the Savior (COTS), OKC, requested funds to purchase a van for transportation of children in the daycare program to school. It was explained to COTS that this did not fit the criteria for a grant from the INP Foundation Board. Usually a congregation is referred to the other INP grant programs (Mission grants) but these grants "are not available for acquisition of capital assets". It was suggested that they contact the United Church of Christ for assistance since they are a Union Congregation, United Church of Christ & Presbyterian Church (USA).

		Purpose	est	AWARDED
		APRIL 2025 INP FOUNDATION GRANTS		
1 Bethany	FPC	Purchase new lawn mower plus 5 year maintenance	3,000	3,000
2 Duncan	FPC	Install emergency exit lights; walkway; roof; and bathoom plumbing/paint repairs	3,000	3,000
3 El Reno	FPC	Interior repairs to plaster walls in multiple areas; new carpet in library/parlor	3,000	3,000
4 Elk City	FPC	Replace multiple doors; repair/caulk roof leak	3,175	3,500
5 OKC	COTS	Replace 15 passenger van to transport daycare kids to school	5,000	0
6 OKC	Covenant	Replacing vent hood fire suppression system; upgrading lighting; replacing exit lights to expand daycare	3,000	3,000
7 OKC	Hillcrest	Remove barrier wall securing courtyard and replace with stockade fence with lockable gate	1,500	1,500
8 Rosedale	FPC	Reimbursement for required upgrade of electrical system due to OG&E changes to lines to church	2,850	3,000
			24,525	**20,000**

A total of $20,000 was approved. Funds will be distributed in June, 2025.

Texas Presbyterian Foundation - March 31, 2025

Account	Market Value	Total Return	Composite Index Return	Cash Equivalents	TPF Balanced Fund
INP Foundation Fund	1,687,157.14	6.88%	5.49%	5,219.72	1,681,937.42

Board of Trustees

Mike Mize, President of the Trustees, reported.
The Trustees have not formally met. That said, the Trustees are currently working closely with the Chickasha Administrative Commission regarding the possible sale of real estate associated with the First Presbyterian Church of Chickasha as part of the closure of that church.

Care of Pastors Network

1. A gathering for pastoral leaders and spouses was held Friday, April 25 at the home of Carol Waters and Mark Wesner. INP provided the meat, dessert, and drinks, and participants brought side dishes. 21 TEs, CREs and spouses attended.

2. A lunch for retirees, spouses and surviving spouses was held at OKC Westminster Presbyterian Church at 11:30 am on May 6. Kevin Keaton from the Board of Pensions gave an overview of retirement benefits, answered questions and concerns, and also met with COM representatives to talk about shared grants. 18 reservations were made but due to it being a rainy/stormy day, 11 attended. Lunch was provided by the Board of Pensions, and we enjoyed the gracious hospitality of Westminster Church.

3. At its next meeting, Care of Pastoral Leaders will continue planning a Fall Theology Day and the October Pastoral Leaders Retreat. We are still waiting to hear from the Synod regarding the grant application that was approved at the last meeting.

4. The date for the Pastoral leader's Retreat at St. Crispin's will be October 27-28.

New and Continuing Business

None

The meeting **adjourned** at 2:50 with prayer by Vice-Moderator Mary Ellen Waychoff.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy L. Evans, Stated Clerk

Minutes of the
Stated Meeting of Indian Nations Presbytery
First United Presbyterian Church,
Guthrie, Oklahoma
August 1, 2026

The meeting was called to order with prayer led by Rev. Mary Ellen Waychoff in the Sanctuary of First United Presbyterian Church of Guthrie on Saturday, August 1, 2026 at 3:10 am. This was a Tri-Presbytery meeting, held jointly with Cimarron Presbytery and Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery. The gathering began on the morning of August 1 with worship, mission bible study and lunch together. Reports from INP's General Assembly Commissioners--TE Janet Ruark, RE Sharon Burton, and Young Adult Advisory Delegate Zoey Davenport—were received.

A quorum was declared.

There were no first-time commissioners. Visitors were introduced. There were no corresponding members in attendance.

The docket was **approved** as presented.

THE ROLL

MINISTER MEMBERS

Present

Amen, Greg
Bosteels, Carl, HR
Burns, Jim, HR
East, Michael
Evans, Tracy
Gowing, Chas
Heaney, Mark
Junkin, Michelle
Miller, Mitch
Mize, Richard
Park, Gi
Ruark, Chaz, HR
Ruark, Janet, HR
Rucker, Vicki
Seo, Jungsuk
Waters, Carol
Waychoff, Mary Ellen, HR
Workman, Stephanie

Excused

Affsprung, Elizabeth, HR
Andresen, Paul, HR
Baggett, Rick, HR
Bassett, Charles, HR
Bridges, Samuel HR
Burns-Hintze, Jan, HR
Carr, Bill, HR
Clipson, Jo, HR
Delgado, Roberto, HR
Galbraith, Bill, HR
Goodman, Lois, HR
Gruel, John, HR
Hamilton, Carl, HR
Hendrix, Nancy, HR
Henslee, Mark, HR
Hunt, Barbara, HR
Jeffers, Hugh, HR
Junkin, Dan, HR
Long, Sue, HR
Luke, Kathie
McKee, Thea HR
McKinnon, John
McNamara, Donald, HR
Meinhart, Joe, HR
Pei, Won K, HR
Phelps, Ron
Sim, Pyung Jong Peter, HR
Smith, Charlie, HR

Absent

Bodenstein, Sara Marie
Cobbs, Kelsey
George, David
Grant, Tylar
Scott, Randy
Singleton, John
Seo, Jungsuk
Walker, Abbey
Whitsitt, Landon

RULING ELDER COMMISSIONERS

Present

Duncan, First, Steve Shear
Lawton, Westminster, Thomas Laubert
Midwest City, First, Sharon Burton
Norman, First, Rhonda George
Norman, Memorial, Charlotte Lovett
Oklahoma City, Church of Savior, Jane Brown
Oklahoma City, First, Gaylan Adams
Oklahoma City, Westminster, Linda Sheffield
Pauls Valley, First, Ron Patton
Rosedale, First, Russell Newville
Shawnee, United, Rick Terry
Wewoka, First, Rex Daly

Excused

(None)

Absent

Ada, First
Ardmore First
Altus, First
Bethany, Westlake
Byars, Dixon Chapel
Chandler, First
Chattanooga, Community
Chickasha, First
Colony, Columbian Memorial
Davenport, First
Edmond, Santa Fe, Jim Rule
El Reno, First
Elk City, First, Tony Chauncey
Hobart, First
Lawton, First, Susan Diekman
Lawton, Korean
Maud, Achena, Farrel Smith
Oklahoma City, Hillcrest
Oklahoma City, Korean First
Oklahoma City, Trinity
Seminole, Cheyarha
Seminole, Tallahassee
Sulphur, Salem
Sulphur/Davis, Shepherd of the Hills
Temple, First
Walters, First
Weatherford, Federated
Wewoka, First Indian
Yukon, Chisholm Trail, Debra Kauffman

OTHERS (PRESBYTERY OFFICERS, COMMITTEE MODERATOR ELDERS, COMMISSIONED RULING ELDERS, CERTIFIED CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS, CORRESPONDING MEMBERS)

Present

Mize, Mike, RE, Trustees, President

Excused

Commissioned Ruling Elders

Mitchell, Kim, Commissioned Ruling Elder, (OKC Westminster)

Corresponding Members

None

VISITORS

There were 4 visitors.

Davenport, Zoey, YAAD for General Assembly, member Norman, First
Magelssen, Morgan, INP Staff
Seo, Eunja, Candidate for Ministry, Lawton Korean

The minutes of the May 2, 2026 Stated Meeting were **approved** as noted.

INP Moderator: No report.

Stated Clerk: TE Tracy Evans noted that the weekly newsletter is a great resource for our churches, especially the liturgies for worship services. She reported on the need for filling a couple of open positions in the Oklahoma Presbyteries Task Force and their Work Groups.

Coordinating Council

- No report

Committee on Administration

- No Report

Personnel Committee Report

- TE Chaz Ruark reported on this sub-committee of Committee on Administration. They have completed their search for a full-time Interim Presbytery Pastor, hiring TE Laurel Cockrill for the position. She will be on a temporary contract. The search committee was comprised of REs Dolores Kimball, Rex Daly, and Mike Mize. TEs on the committee were Kelsey Cobbs, John McKinnon and Chaz Ruark. TE Mitch Miller served as liaison with the Synod of the Sun. The committee is dismissed with gratitude for their work.

- Terms of the employment contract for Laurel Cockrill will be 12 months and can be renewed. Contract begins August 15, 2026.

- Compensation is as follows:

    - Cash Salary $45,000
    - Housing Allowance $45,000
    - Social Security Offset $7,000
    - Pension/Medical FULL
    - Misc. Professional Expenses $1,500 (Reimbursed)
    - Continuing Educ. $2,000 (Reimbursed)
    - Vacation Four weeks per year
    - Cont. Educ. Two Weeks per year
        - IPP may adjust CE time due to INP request for interim EP training
    - Professional Travel $8,500
    - Moving Allowance up to $25,000 (one-time expense)

Committee on Ministry

TE Janet Ruark, moderator of COM, presented the report:

- FOR INFORMATION

    - COM is offering a one-day workshop on August 29 for CREs, and will include training in hospital/home visitation, including Communions; planning and leading funeral services; and Boundary Training.

- COM met in-person on June 6, to focus its work with pastoral leaders and congregations for the rest of the year. They also reviewed the annual reports submitted by retired pastors and members in validated ministries.

- ACTIONS TAKEN ON BEHALF OF PRESBYTERY: (*to be included in presbytery minutes)*

1. Approved the Covenant for Temporary Supply between Korean Presbyterian Church of Lawton and Eunja Seo as Associate Pastor of Care and Education, for one year beginning September 1, 2026 with the following terms:
   - Cash Salary $1,4,00/month
   - Pension $140/month with the Board of Pensions
   - Ministry expenses $450/quarter (reimbursed)
   - Vacation 1 week per quarter, including Sundays
   - Cont. Ed 1 week per six months, including Sundays

   This contract is for 3-4 days a week and 20 hours per week and can be terminated with 30 days' notice by either party.

2. Approved the request of TE Paul Andresen to labor outside the bounds of INP, preaching at Northpark Presbyterian Church in Grand Rapids, Michigan on May 3, 10, and 17 and through the end of 2026.

3. Appointed Janet Ruark as Moderator for Shawnee United PC and Chas Gowing as Moderator for Sulphur/Davis Shepherd of the Hills.

4. Appointed liaisons for all churches.

5. Approved a one-year exemption of G.-2.0404 for Lawton Korean Presbyterian Church.

6. Approved the Covenant for Temporary Supply between Mark Henslee and Duncan FPC, with the following compensation:
   - Cash Salary $1,300 per month
   - Housing $2,000 per month
   - Ministry expenses up to $6500 per year (reimbursed)
   - Vacation 30 days/year, including 4 Sundays
   - Cont. Ed 1 week per six months, including Sundays

   The covenant is for 2.5 days per week and 19 hours a week, including 2 Sundays per month, and is from May 1, 2026, through April 30, 2027, with 30 days' notice by either party.

7. Approved the terms of agreement between First Presbyterian Church of Ardmore and David George as Stated Supply Pastor, beginning June 1, 2026, at the following terms:
   - Salary $40,000
   - Housing $25,000
   - Medical and Pension
   - Vacation 30 days/year, including 4 Sundays
   - Cont. Ed 1 week per six months, including Sundays

8. Voted to continue David George on the Active Roll of Indian Nations Presbytery while he is serving at Ardmore FPC.

9. Appointed David George as Moderator of Ardmore FPC.

10. Approved Mary Ellen Waychoff's request to be put back on the Pulpit Supply List as of June 1.

11. Appointed Wayne Morris as Moderator of Lawton Westminster.

FOR PRESBYTERY ACTION

1. COM recommends to Indian Nations Presbytery that the examination of Eunja Seo, carried out at the Indian Nations Presbytery Stated meeting on Saturday, May 2, 2026, stand as her examination for ordination and that she be certified ready to receive a call. **Motion** was approved.

2. **Motion** that Indian Nations Presbytery approve the following Administrative Commission to ordain Eunja Seo as Minister of Word and Sacrament on Sunday, August 30, at 4:30 pm at Korean Presbyterian Church of Lawton:

   Rev. Mary Ellen Waychoff, Moderator
   Rev. Jungsuk Seo
   Rev. Gi Hyun Park
   Rev. Chas Gowing
   Elder Mikyong Riley, Korean Presbyterian Church of Lawton
   Elder HungSun Martin, Korean Presbyterian Church of Lawton
   Elder Bonnie Meisel, First Presbyterian Church, Pauls Valley

   Also participating: Rev. Seong Soo Lee, Grace Presbytery; Rev. JoonHo Kim, Pastor of first Presbyterian church of Daegu, Gyeongbuk Presbytery, Presbyterian Church of Korea; Rev. Kichan Song, Harmony Church, Lawton (Assembly of God)

   Motion was approved.

3. COM recommends that Indian Nations Presbytery have a time of recognition of the retirement of Rev. Dr. Joe Meinhart, which was effective December 31, 2025. **Motion** was approved.

Committee on Representation

Mike Mize reported the committee has requested appropriate data from PCUSA.

Committee on Preparation for Ministry

TE Chas Gowing, moderator of the CPM, reported that they heard reports from candidate Jakob Harmon. He has plans to take a unit of CPE in the fall, and apply for Final Assessment

in December. They heard reports from COM subgroup in support of David George. They conducted an assessment of Daniel Olvera and recommended to COM that he is prepared for commissioning to serve on the Pulpit supply list as a CRE.

INP Foundation Board

TE Carl Bosteels reported for the Foundation.
The INP Foundation Board met on June 15, 2026 by Zoom for a special meeting. The following actions were taken:

- A grant application from Chandler FPC was reviewed and was approved for $3,000.
- Discussion was held regarding a proposed amendment to the INP Foundation bylaws to expand current funding parameters. Following discussion, the Board voted to approve the amendment proposal with presentation of the motion at the next Presbytery meeting.

Motion from the Foundation Board: To approve the proposed amendment to the INP Foundation bylaws to expand current funding parameters. Grants are to be $3000 or less and must be matched by the requesting congregation. **Motion** was approved.

Board of Trustees

RE Mike Mize reported the Trustees are currently working closely with the Covenant church's Administrative Commission regarding the possible sale of the Covenant church property. A non-binding Letter of Intent has been executed by both parties. A Purchase and Sale Agreement is being negotiated. The presbytery will need to take action regarding the sale of Covenant property.

TE Richard Mize and RE Chris Turner spoke to the sale of the building of Trinity, OKC. It is to be bought by a non-profit organization, DBA Mental Health Association of Tulsa. The congregation has a five-year lease of the sanctuary.

Motion to approve the sale of the Trinity Presbyterian Church of Oklahoma City was seconded and **approved**.

Nominating Committee

- No report

New and Continuing Business

Motion to **adjourn was carried.** The meeting closed at 3:55 pm with prayer by Rev. Mary Ellen Waychoff.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy L. Evans, Stated Clerk

Faith Statement of Eunja Seo

The current Book of Order of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) mandates that the following question be asked first in the ordination vows for ministers, elders, and deacons: "Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him as Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?" My answer to this question is "Yes." I have clearly confessed my faith in the salvation by God's grace in Jesus Christ, and my faith remains steadfast to this day.

I believe in the Absolute Sovereignty of God. God's sovereignty extends freely and benevolently to every part of the universe He created, without limitation. Therefore, I can see God at work behind everything that happens in my life and recognize His good purpose in all things. Above all, I fully rely on God's grace alone for salvation.

I live always "before God." God is the eternal, living God from the beginning to now and forever, and He is a God of love and holiness. In the presence of His holiness, my sinful nature is exposed, and I confess by faith that in His love, the forgiveness of my sins was accomplished through the cross of Christ.

I confess by faith that Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. He was with God in the beginning, and He was God. He came to this earth in the flesh, lived, and died on behalf of sinners. He then conquered death and rose again. The power of Christ's resurrection allows me to live in "new life" and gives me a "living hope," because I believe that "the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus." I know that because of this, I will live forever.

Through infant baptism and confirmation, I confessed my sinfulness before the community and accepted Jesus Christ, who died for my sins, as the Lord of my life. Because of the death of Jesus Christ, I have been made righteous before God. Now, I live a new life where I have died, and Jesus Christ lives in me—a life that glorifies God and delights in Him.

The gospel of Jesus Christ brings good news to the poor, gives sight to the blind, and sets the oppressed free. God's love for all creation was revealed through Him on this earth. Through the coming of Jesus Christ, the kingdom of God has come to this earth, and that kingdom will be completed when He returns. As I live the life of a witness, as Christ commanded us, and as I obey His word, I also eagerly await the return of Jesus Christ.

I believe that Jesus Christ is the head of the Church. Jesus established the Church, and I believe that He provides everything necessary for the Church to fulfill God's work in the world and serve Him, set apart as holy. Jesus Christ alone is the hope and foundation of the Church. As His body, the Church must fulfill its role as a community of faith, hope, love, and witness because it is through the Church that the world will see Christ.

I believe in the work of the Holy Spirit. Based on Romans 12:2, the Holy Spirit transforms our hearts in God and helps us discern His good, pleasing, and perfect will. Above all, the Holy Spirit helps believers to be assured of the truths taught in Scripture. He illuminates the meaning and content of the Word, teaching us the truth, exposing our faults, correcting our mistakes, and training us to live according to God's way. The Holy Spirit leads us to bear the fruit of the Spirit, helping us to become more like God in His holiness and to live as God's people.

I believe that the Bible is the written revelation of God. It is through Scripture alone that we learn all the teachings of truth, including salvation, creation, and providence. Furthermore, Scripture shows us the way to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. Only the written Word of God reveals the way to salvation.

I worship my Lord and my God in the love of God, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, or anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord (Romans 8:38-39). Until He returns, I will walk the path of life that the Lord has shown me, with obedience and faith, in the place to which I have been called.

Additionally, sacraments are very important to me. I believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are gifts of grace given by God, and that Jesus Christ gave them to the church to strengthen and grow our faith. Through Baptism, I believe that my old self has died, and I have become a new person in Christ. Having been incorporated into the community of faith, I partake in the Lord's Supper, which Christ established, and together with the other members of the church, I remember His life, death, and resurrection, and give thanks for the renewal of God's covenant fulfilled in Jesus Christ. I also remember and act on the words, 'you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes' (1 Corinthians 11:26). As the church, we gather together, rejoicing in the salvation God has given us, and celebrating our unity in Christ.

Therefore, through the sacraments, I enjoy the gift of God's grace, which reminds me of my salvation in Christ, helps me remember God's covenant, confirms my special relationship with Him, and allows me to recognize the fruits of Christ's love. I also affirm, within the community of faith that is the church, that I have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit as one who belongs to God.

Minutes of the
Indian Nations Presbytery
Special Meeting
Via Zoom
November 5, 2026

A special meeting of the presbytery was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 5, 2026 by Moderator Mary Ellen Waychoff via Zoom meeting. The meeting was opened with prayer by the moderator.

A quorum of six (6) ministers and an equal number of ruling elders from at least six (6) churches) was declared present by Stated Clerk Tracy Evans. The meeting was called by the moderator for one item:

- Acting on a request from the Board of Trustees regarding the property sale of Covenant Presbyterian Church, OKC.

THE ROLL

MINISTER MEMBERS

Present

Cockrill, Laurel
East, Michael
Evans, Tracy
Miller, Mitch
Ruark, Chaz
Rucker, Vicki
Seo, Jungsuk
Waychoff, Mary Ellen

Excused

RULING ELDER COMMISSIONERS

Present

Oklahoma City, Westminster, Glenn Dunn
Oklahoma City, Westminster, Mitchell, Kim
Rosedale, Russell Newville

Excused

Absent

Ada, First
Altus, First
Bethany, Westlake
Byars, Dixon Chapel
Chandler, First
Chattanooga, Community
Colony, First
Davenport, First
El Reno, First
Elk City, First
Grandfield, First
Lawton, Korean First
Lawton, Westminster
Norman, Memorial
Oklahoma City, Church of Savior

Oklahoma City, Korean First
Oklahoma City, Trinity
Pauls Valley, First,
Seminole, Cheyarha
Seminole, Tallahassee
Shawnee, United
Sulphur/Davis, SOTH
Sulphur, Salem
Temple, First
Walters, First
Weatherford, Federated
Wewoka, First Indian
Yukon, Chisholm Trail

OTHERS (PRESBYTERY OFFICERS, COMMITTEE MODERATOR ELDERS, COMMISSIONED RULING ELDERS, CERTIFIED CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS, CORRESPONDING MEMBERS)

RE Mike Mize, Moderator, Board of Trustees

VISITORS

Present
Morgan Magelssen, Administrative Assistant, INP

Mike Mize, President of the Board of Trustees, presented the item of business. The buyers have asked for a reduction in the purchase price due to hail damage that would not be covered by insurance. The updated contract had been sent to commissioners.

Motion: The Trustees hereby recommend the Presbytery approve the sale price of $1,400,00.00 for Covenant Presbyterian Church, Oklahoma City, OK, building and property. **Motion** was **approved**.

Motion approved to adjourn with prayer. The meeting was adjourned with prayer led by Moderator Waychoff at 10:15 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Tracy L. Evans
Stated Clerk

Teaching Elder Mary Ellen Waychoff
Moderator

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It has now been almost three full months since I started my work among you as your Interim Presbytery Pastor, and I am happy to report that things are going well in the Indian Nations Presbytery. Here's some of what I've been up to: I have preached in pulpits at First Presbyterian Church of Ada, First Presbyterian Church of Lawton and Church of the Savior in Warr Acres. I have celebrated the Ordination and Installation of Rev. Eunja Seo at Korean Presbyterian Church of Lawton. I have lunched with a group of dedicated Commissioned Ruling Elders at a training event at First Presbyterian Church of Norman and retreated with a group of leaders at St. Crispin's in Wewoka. I have represented you at the Synod Gathering at Ferncliff in Arkansas and at the Mid-Council Leaders Orientation in Louisville, KY. I am engaged with much interest and presence in the pastoral transition taking place at First Presbyterian Church of Pauls Valley and have plans to preach there once this month and again in December. I'll also be preaching and worshipping with the congregation at Achena Presbyterian Church in Maud before year's end. I am eager to preach and worship with all of you, so please reach out and invite me!

It delights my heart to report to you that the Indian Nations Presbytery is actively serving our congregations through what may be the best Committee on Ministry I've ever witnessed in action. Moderator Rev. Janet Ruark and the team on that committee faithfully follow the work of the Spirit and serve our congregations with creativity and love. As a part of our shared ministry, I plan to offer regional officer training events all over our presbytery in 2027. If your church would be interested in hosting an interactive officer training event for your officers and the officers of churches in your region, please reach out to me so that we can get it on the calendar. My vision is to hold at least three of these events in 2027 and COM's commitment is to help fund travel expenses and meals for all who participate.

The bigger picture includes, of course, the assimilation effort. We are making positive strides! I am involved in the work of the Missions Work Group and I participate *ex officio* on the Oklahoma Presbyteries Task Force. I have met with many of you to find out your thoughts and feelings about the assimilation and welcome more input from more of you. My focus in this process is the health and vitality of our congregations and making sure that the new presbytery will be organized in such a way to serve and equip our churches and their leaders with more excellence than we are currently. I have developed a particular call and keen passion for our Native churches and their communities. I am making connections with national foundations and initiatives that exist to partner with us in the effort to serve our Native congregations well, and I will continue to find ways to do effective, concrete, restorative work on behalf of our presbytery while advocating for that work to continue into the life and ministry of the new presbytery.

The mission of the Indian Nations Presbytery says: *Connecting, sharing, guiding, we rely on the Triune God to empower and equip us to be a Presbytery of faith, hope, love, and witness for the sake of Christ.* I invite you to connect with me, share with me, and guide me through the power of the Spirit so that we might become something new together, bringing glory to our Triune God on our way.

From: Committee on Ministry
Date: November 14, 2026
Subject: Report to Presbytery

FOR INFORMATION:

1. Eunja Seo was ordained at Lawton Korean Presbyterian Church on August 30, 2026, at 4:00 pm.
2. 12 retired pastors/spouses attended the luncheon on Thursday, August 20, at OKC First hosted by Kevin Keaton of the Board of Pensions about changes to the BoP Medicare Advantage Plan and any other questions participants had.
3. COM hosted a continuing education event for Commissioned Ruling Elders on August 29, 2026, from 9am – 3pm at Norman, FPC. In the morning, 10 CREs participated in 2 workshops: one on planning and conducting a funeral led by Rev. Carol Waters, and one on hospital and nursing home visitation and Communion led by Rev. Janet Ruark. After lunch, 9 participated in a 2-hour boundary training workshop led by Rev. Stephanie Workman. Vouchers were given to participants to submit a receipt and receive a $20 reimbursement for purchasing a resource book to help them in their ministry.
4. COM is planning more opportunities for boundary training in the near future (see flyer).

ACTIONS TAKEN ON BEHALF OF PRESBYTERY: *(to be included in presbytery minutes)*

1. COM appointed Wayne Morris as Moderator of Lawton Westminster.
2. COM examined Laurel Cockrill and approved her transfer from Northern New England Presbytery to Indian Nations Presbytery.
3. COM granted the request of Mary Ellen Waychoff to labor out of the bounds of presbytery and serve on the pulpit supply list of Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery.
4. COM approved the Covenant with a Commissioned Ruling Elder between Glen Clary and Sulphur/Davis Shepherd of the Hills from October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027, with the following terms:

Salary	$2,000/month
Vacation	1 month, including 4 Sundays
Continuing Education	1 week/6 months, including Sunday

   This contract is for 3 days/20 hours per week, and includes the following duties:
   - Lead worship and preach each Sunday
   - Administer the sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper
   - Moderate Session and Congregational Meetings
   - Visit the sick and shut-in
   - Lead funeral services on request
   - Officiate at weddings upon request
5. COM appointed Glen Clary Moderator of Sulphur/Davis SOTH as of October 6, 2026.
6. COM added Danny Olvera to the Pulpit Supply List as of November 14, 2026.

6. COM approved the request to renew the Covenant for Temporary Supply between John Singleton and Yukon Chisholm Trail for a year from September 6, 2026, to September 5, 2027, with no change in terms.
7. COM concurred with the request of Rev. Chas Gowing and the action of First Presbyterian Church, Pauls Valley, taken at a duly called congregational meeting November 1, 2026, that the pastoral relationship be dissolved, effective November 7, 2026.
8. COM appointed Mary Ellen Waychoff Moderator of Pauls Valley, FPC.
9. COM approved the request of Chas Gowing to labor outside the bounds of Indian Nations Presbytery to do pulpit supply after he moves to Maryland.

FOR PRESBYTERY ACTION

1. COM recommends Indian Nations Presbytery grant Honorable Retirement to John Singleton, effective October 6, 2026.
2. COM recommends to Indian Nations Presbytery that RE Glen Clary be commissioned to serve Sulphur/Davis Shepherd of the Hills as Pastor, leading worship and preaching, serving as moderator, administering sacraments, making pastoral calls, and other duties as requested by the Session, in accordance with the approved Covenant.
3. COM recommends to Indian Nations Presbytery that RE Danny Olvera be commissioned to preach and preside at the Lord's Supper within the bounds of Indian Nations Presbytery for 3 years, beginning November 14, 2026.
4. COM recommends Indian Nations Presbytery proceed to a service of commissioning for Glen Clary and Danny Olvera.

Service of Commissioning

Sentences of Scripture

Moderator: As many of you as were baptized into Christ *Gal. 3:27–28*
have clothed yourselves with Christ.

All: **There is no longer Jew or Greek,**
there is no longer slave or free,
there is no longer male and female;
for all are one in Christ Jesus.

Moderator: There is one body and one Spirit,
just as we were called to the one hope of our calling,

All: **one Lord, one faith, one baptism,**
one God and Father of all,
who is above all and through all and in all.

Call to Discipleship

Moderator: We are called by God
to be the church of Jesus Christ,
a sign in the world today
of what God intends for all humankind.

All: **The great ends of the Church** *-- Book of Order,* F-1.0304
are the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind;
the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God;
the maintenance of divine worship;
the preservation of the truth;
the promotion of social righteousness;
and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

Moderator: The call of Christ is to willing, dedicated discipleship.
Our discipleship is a manifestation
of the new life we enter through baptism.
Discipleship is both a gift and a commitment,
an offering and a responsibility.

COM: Moderator, I present Ruling Elder Glenn Clary
to be commissioned as pastor of Shepherd of the Hills Presbyterian Church, Sulphur/Davis, Oklahoma, to lead worship and preach, serve as moderator, administer sacraments, make pastoral calls, officiate at funerals and weddings, and other duties as requested by the session.

And I present Ruling Elder Danny Olvera to be commissioned to preach and preside at the Lord's Supper in the bounds of Indian Nations Presbytery for 3 years, beginning November 14, 2026.

Moderator: Glenn and Danny, the grace bestowed on you in baptism
is sufficient for your calling
because it is God's grace.

By God's grace we are saved,
and enabled to grow in the faith
and to commit our lives in ways that serve Christ.

God has called you to particular service.
Show your purpose by answering these questions.

Who is your Lord and Savior?
REs: **Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.**

Moderator: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple,
obeying his word and showing his love?
REs: **I will, with God's help.**

Moderator: Do you welcome the responsibility of this service
because you are determined to follow the Lord Jesus,
to love neighbors,
and to work for the reconciling of the world?
REs: **I do.**

Moderator: Will you serve the people
with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love,
relying on God's mercy
and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit?
REs: **I will, with God's help.**

COM: Do we, the members of Indian Nations Presbytery,
confirm the call of God to Glenn Cary and Danny Olvera
as Commissioned Ruling Elders
in the service of Jesus Christ?
All: **We do.**

COM: Will we support and encourage them in this ministry?
All: **We will.**

<u>Commissioning Prayer</u>
Moderator: Faithful God, in baptism you claimed us;
and by your Holy Spirit you are working in our lives,
empowering us to live a life worthy of our calling.
We thank you for leading Glenn and Danny before us to this time
and place.

Establish them in your truth, and guide them by your Holy Spirit,
that in your service they may grow in faith, hope, and love,
and be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and forever.

All: **Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you called disciples**
and, by the Holy Spirit,
made them one church to serve you.
Let your Spirit rule your church,
so that we may be joined
in love and service to Jesus Christ,
who, having gone before us, is coming to meet us
in the promise of your kingdom. Amen.

Blessing and Charge

Moderator: I declare that Glenn Clary is now commissioned to serve as pastor at Shepherd of the Hills Presbyterian Church, Sulphur/Davis, Oklahoma.

I declare that Danny Olvera is now commissioned to preach and preside at the Lord's Supper in the bounds of Indian Nations Presbytery

Whatever you do, in word or deed,
Do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,
Giving thanks to God – Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer – through him.

All: **Amen.**

Moderator: Welcome to this ministry.

Indian Nations Presbytery
Nominating Committee Report
November 2026

Members: Deb Kauffman, Tylar Grant, Rhonda George, Moderator

This committee has been working very hard to fill the positions that will come vacant in January, and we have made outstanding progress. This is still a fluid document, as there are still a few open positions on a few committees and on the Council. If you or someone you know is interested in serving in an open position, please have them contact Tylar, Deb, or me so we can nominate them. Here is the list the Committee on Nominations would like to nominate.

Board of Trustees
Term 2029: Stephanie Workman and Rex Daly

Committee on Administration
Term 2029: Mark Wesner, Dolores Kimball

Committee on Ministry
Term 2029: needs 3

Committee on Nominations
Term 2029: Debra Kauffman

Committee on Prep for Ministry
Term 2027: Debra Kauffman
Term 2029: Abbey Walker

Committee on Representation
Term 2029: 1 person needed, suggestions needed.

Foundation Board
Term 2029: CRE Melissa Gill (6), Greg Svanas (5)

INP Vice Moderator
Term 2027: Currently, someone is praying about accepting this position. Hopefully a nomination will be made by the time we meet this weekend.

INP Coordinating Council
Terms 2027-2029: Sessions from churches in Regions 1,2 & 3 are sending representatives. The office should receive the information soon. This committee has *continually* been working on getting nominations for any open positions as they occur. Not only the ones that are currently open, but also the ones that will be open starting in January. Sadly, we get a too-common answer. Some churches aren't interested in having representation; in some regions, the entire region, all the churches give the same answer. This is a sad, difficult statement to make. For those of you attending this weekend, please help us out by looking at the churches in your region, ask the pastors to check with their Session for nominees.

Grace and Peace,
Rhonda George, Moderator
Committee on Nominations

INP Foundation Board Meeting
November 4, 2026

The Board met via Zoom on November 4, 2026. Members attending were:
Debra Dowell, Michelle Junkin, Carl Bosteels, & Steve Shear.

Following the Treasurer's report, grant applications were reviewed and approved as follows:

Maud, Achena	$ 3,000
Seminole, Cheyarha	$ 3,000
Yukon, Chisholm Trail	$ 3,000
El Reno, FPC	$ 3,000
OKC, Hillcrest	$11,654.42
OKC, Korean PC	$10,000
Pauls Valley, FPC	$ 4,000
Wewoka, FPC	$ 2,000

Total available funds: $64,655.67
Funds approved: $39,654.42

Other topics discussed included follow-up responses to grant recipients, fundraising opportunities and Presbytery merger questions.

Respectfully,
Debra Dowell

INP Foundation Board Fundraising

Request for approval by the Indian Nations Presbytery of the following motion from the Indian Nations Presbyterian Foundation.

Background: "BYLAWS of Indian Nation Presbytery Foundation...Section 2. Purposes. Indian Nations Presbytery authorizes the Foundation 'to raise monies above the normal budgetary process' to meet the future needs of Indian Nations Presbytery and for its member churches."

INP Foundation moves that 25% of net proceeds from the sale of church property be provided the Foundation as they fulfil their appointed tasks.

From: Care of Pastoral Leaders Network

Date: November 14, 2026

Subject: Information

INFORMATION:

1. The Tri-Presbytery Pastoral Leadership Retreat was held at St. Crispin's October 19-20. Casey Sigmon and Amy Shoemaker of Pause/Play taught participants ways to avoid ministry burnout by stopping and using their imagination and creativity to feed their spirits and in turn strengthen their ministry. The 2nd Annual Oklahoma Presbyteries Cornhole Tournament was won by Kelsey Cobbs of Indian Nations. Honorable mention goes to Peter Olson of Cimarron Presbytery. The retreat was made possible by money from the presbyteries, the participants and a grant from Synod of the Sun.

2. We have reserved our place at St. Crispin's for next year's retreat. It will be October 18-19, 2027.