

Escalon Presbyterian



August 14, 2013

Friends -

This is an update to our entire church family regarding the congregational meeting held on August 11 following our regularly scheduled morning worship. We know there were those unable to attend so here are the results of three votes requested of our congregation.

A. "Shall the congregation agree with the recommendation of Session to be dismissed from PC(USA) to the ECO," (Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians).

- 71 votes cast: 68 YES , 2 NO , 1 ABSTENTION

B. "If the congregation votes by more than a 2/3 vote to be dismissed, will you leave Escalon Presbyterian Church to remain with PC(USA)."

- 71 votes cast: 0 YES , 71 NO

C. "Shall the congregation accept the terms as negotiated by the PET and Session in the amount of \$21,000.00." Upon compliance Presbytery would dismiss the congregation to ECO and release all claims on its property.

- 71 votes cast: 70 YES , 0 NO, 1 ABSTENTION

The members of the Presbytery Engagement Team further found no reason to believe that a schism exists in the Congregation, and that EPC has fully and gracefully complied with the term of the Gracious Dismissal Policy.

Further steps at the Presbytery and Denomination level are ahead - please in prayer for these and we will keep you apprised of the progress. We are very thankful that our congregation is united together for the journey ahead and we will proceed as we have been all along - a Christ-centered family of faith growing and serving together.

On behalf of the Session,
Troy Onsager