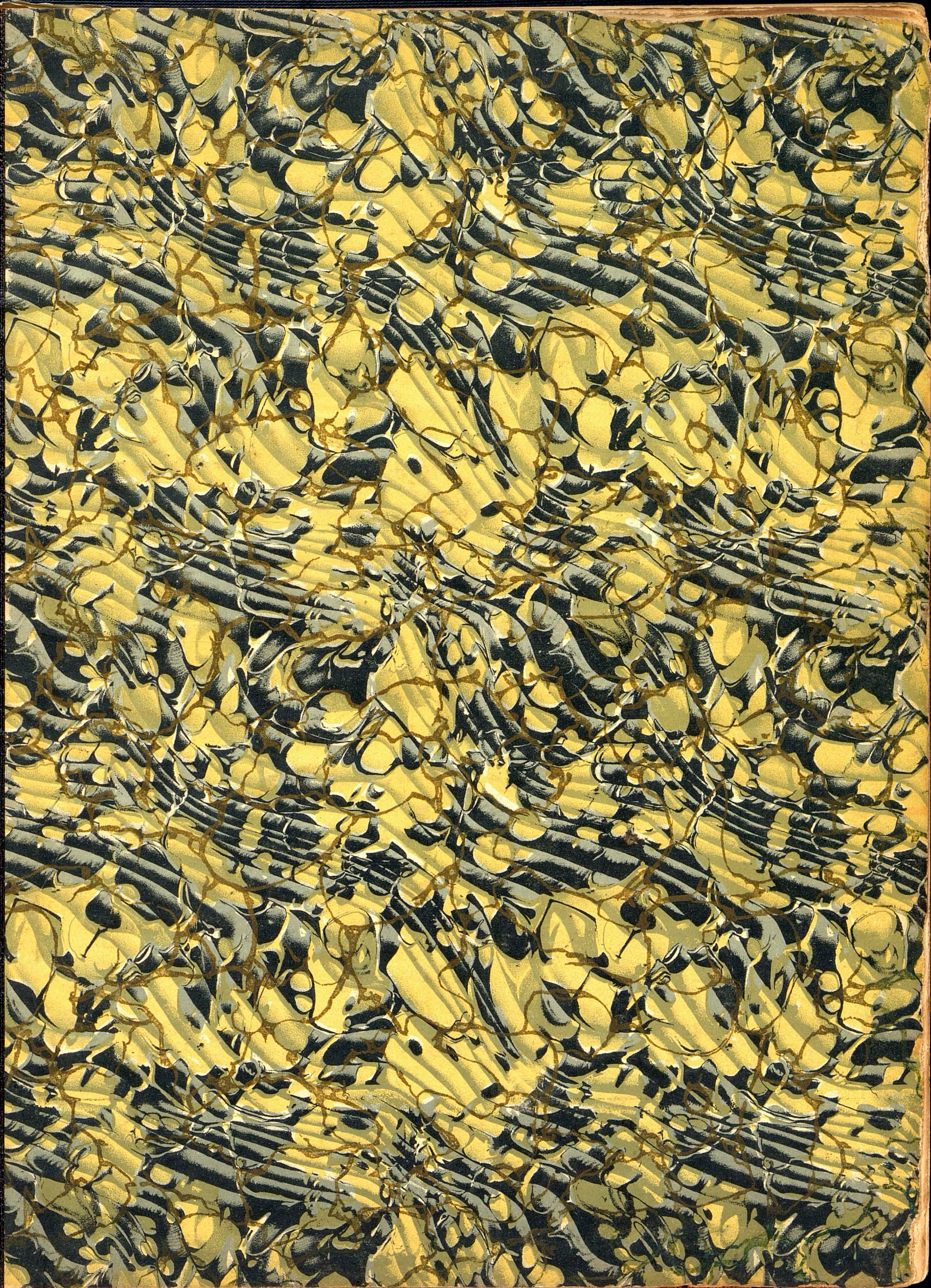
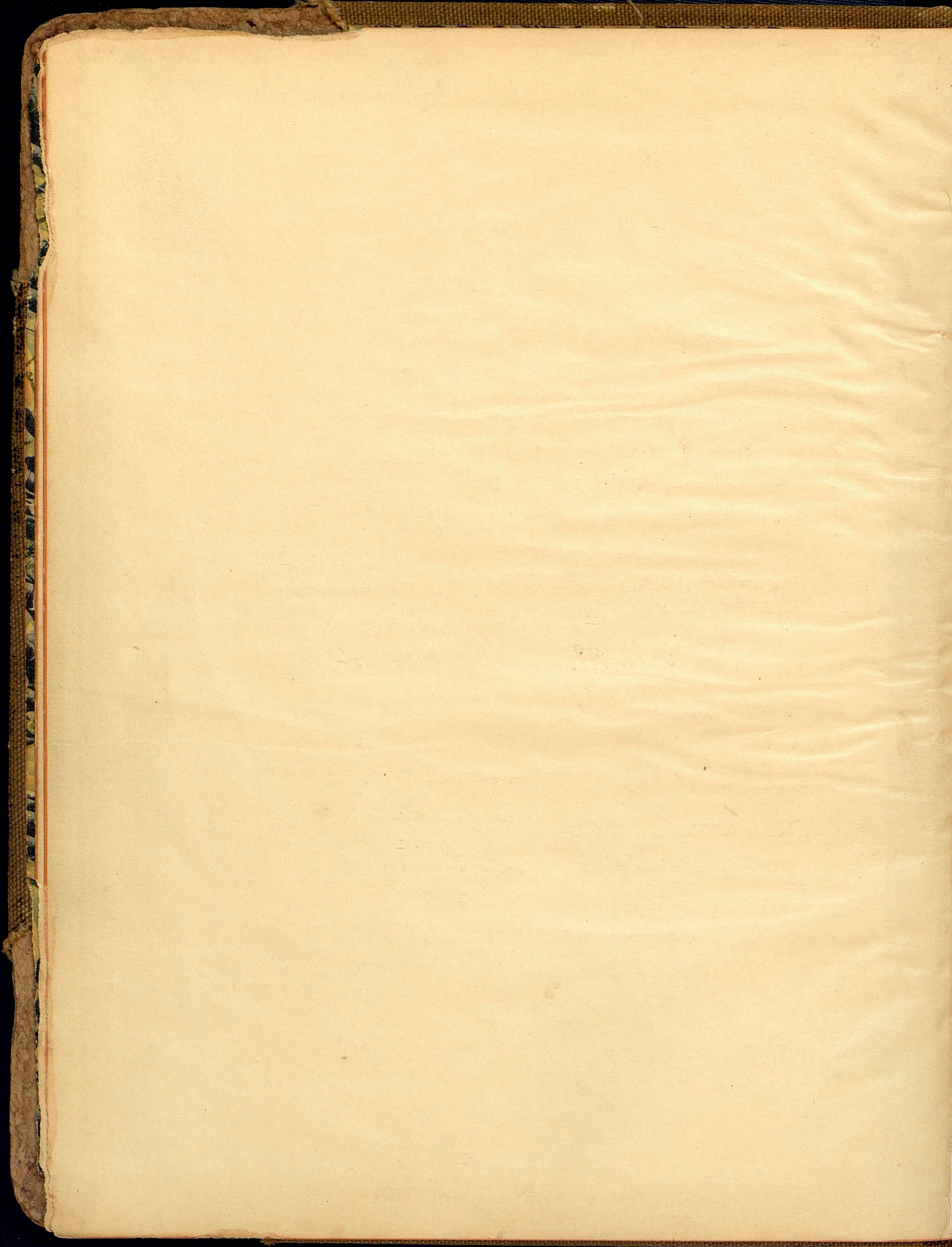


Westminster Los Angeles







SESSION RECORDS OF PRESBYTERY OF LOS ANGELES

Purpose

In order to secure greater uniformity in keeping the Session Records, and greater conformity to the requirements of the Book of Discipline, this pamphlet has been prepared especially for the guidance of Clerks of Sessions.

It is suggested that a copy be kept in the Session Records and that the attention of a new clerk be called to it before he assumes his duties.

Records Must Be Kept and Reviewed

"Every Session shall keep a fair record of its proceedings which shall be at least once in every year submitted to the inspection of the Presbytery.—Form of Govt. IX, Sec. 8.

"Each Session shall present its records for examination at its Spring Meeting."—Standing Rule No. 50.

(NOTE:—The Presbytery of Los Angeles has committed this task to the Permanent Judicial Commission, and Sessions are directed to have the Record Book at the place of Presbytery's Spring Meeting by 10 a.m. on the opening day of Presbytery.)

I

Suggestions (Not to be regarded as Exceptions.)

1. It is advised, in the interest of uniformity, that each Church have a substantial Record Book such as is published by the Board of Publication and Sunday School work.

2. The Record should be written in ink, legibly, or typewritten (if a loose-leaf book is used) and the Minutes should not be recorded in the book until they have been read and approved by Session.

3. Clippings and Church Calendars should not be pasted in the book as a part of the Record. All records should be engrossed.

4. Each church should purchase for the use of the Session, and to be filed with the Clerk, the latest edition of The Form of Government, Discipline and Worship, and Roberts' Manual for Ruling Elders and other Church Officers.

5. While the opening and closing of the meetings by prayer is not mandatory, and the Session must be the judge when this is omitted, it is in keeping with the spirit and purpose of the meeting to observe this solemnity.

6. Session records should be approved monthly rather than wait till the end of the church year for such approval. The dates of the meetings approved should be stated rather than saying: "The Minutes of all previous meetings were approved."

II

What the Records Must Contain

1. The Sessional Records must contain, not only what transpires at the session meetings, but, according to Sec. 71 of the Book of Discipline, a record of all important matters pertaining to the life and history of the Church.

The proceedings of all Congregational Meetings, including the election of elders, deacons or trustees, the election of a pastor, the changing of the pastor's salary, the request of the congregation for dissolution of the pastoral relation, etc., must be incorporated in the record, preferably by reporting such actions to the session meeting following, to be included in the Session Minutes as a report.

(It is suggested that the full Minutes of such meetings be kept in a separate book.)

According to action of General Assembly of 1887 (pss. 117-118) this rule of incorporation into the sessional records is understood to apply to the proceedings of the Trustees, their actions being subject to review by the session.

2. The Record must state, **place, time and date** of each meeting held.

3. It must state the **kind of meeting** held, whether regular or called, and if called, by whom. e. g.: "The Session met in its regular monthly meeting," etc., or: "The Session held a special meeting at the call of the Pastor," etc.

4. It must state the **name** of the Moderator, the names of **Elders present**, and the names of **Elders absent**.

5. The record of each meeting must be signed by the Clerk, or by the Moderator, if he acts as Clerk. If a Clerk "pro tem" keeps the Minutes, a report of his appointment by Session should be made.

6. The records should contain the report to Session of **Communion Services** held, of **Baptisms**, with names, and names of parents, if infants, and of **marriages** of members of the church, and of **deaths** of members.

7. The Record must contain a record of the approval and adoption by the Session of the Annual Narrative of Christian Life and the Statistical Reports to Presbytery. The substance of these reports are to be incorporated in the Session Minutes.

8. The names of members received must be recorded, and how they were received; and if they were received by letter, the names of dismissing churches must be given.

9. The Record should show that an Elder delegate was appointed to attend each meeting of Presbytery and Synod; and a report of his attendance should be subsequently made.

10. The Record must show that the Minutes have been read and approved,—including the Minutes of the **last meeting** recorded before the

book is submitted to the Presbytery.

11. The Clerk shall keep a corrected Roll of Members, a Roll of Baptized Children, and a Roll of Suspended or Absent Members. These Rolls must be reviewed by the Session at least once a year.

III

As to Whether the Acts of the Session Are Constitutional and Regular

1. If a minister, other than the Pastor, moderated the meeting, he must be a member of this Presbytery, and it must be stated by what authority he acted in this capacity. (Form of Govt., Ch. IX, Sec. 3.)

2. If Presbytery has enjoined the Session to make changes or corrections in its Record, the Records of the subsequent year must state that such has been done.

3. The Session Record must show that a quorum was present. If business is transacted without the presence of a quorum, it must be ratified by a subsequent meeting of Session to make it legal. (Form of Govt., Ch. IX, Sec. 2.)

4. Candidates received for the first time into membership must be examined as to their faith in and knowledge of Christ, and it should be so recorded.

5. Sessions must dismiss members to some specified church.

6. Certificates of Dismission must not be directed to non-evangelical bodies.

7. Upon authorization of Session, the Pastor or Clerk may grant letters to members in good and regular standing between meetings, but such action must be confirmed at a subsequent meeting of Session.

8. Certificates of Dismission shall include the names of baptized children, who are not yet communicant members.

9. When members have been received, the Clerk shall notify the church from which they came, to that effect.

10. When members are dismissed, the Pastor of the church to whom they have been dismissed should be at once notified.

IV

As to Absent and Suspended Members

When the name of a member is removed from the Roll without judicial process, Session must make record of the details of such action showing that the provisions of the Book of Discipline have been complied with.

See the Following Amendments to the Book of Discipline

Section 50 amended to read as follows:

50. When a Communicant removes his residence from a place where he is a member, the Pastor, or, in case of a vacancy in the pastorate, the Clerk of Session of the church of which he is a member, shall at once notify the Pastor or Clerk of Session of the church into the

bounds of which he removes, of his new place of residence. Presbyteries including towns or cities containing two or more Presbyterian churches, shall appoint in each of these towns or cities a committee on members changing residence, the chairman of which shall be a minister, and he shall be indicated by a sign or mark before his name on the Roll of Presbytery in the Assembly Minutes, and notices of members removing to that city shall be sent to him, and he shall turn over these names to the Pastor of the church nearest each removing member's new place of residence.

If a Communicant removing to another city or place shall neglect for twelve months without satisfactory reasons to both Sessions to transfer his membership to the church into whose bounds he removes, the Session of the church whose bounds he has left shall be required to transfer him; and should that Session neglect this duty, the Session of the church into whose bounds he has removed shall assume jurisdiction, giving notice to the Session of the church from which the member has removed.

If the Session has no knowledge of the place of residence of any member for three years, and be unable to discover the same, it may remove his name from the Roll of Active Communicants to an absentee roll.

A separate roll of these absent members should be kept, indicating the date when each name was placed on it, and these names shall not be counted in the active list of the church.

On the re-appearance of any such absent member in the congregation, the name may be restored to the active roll, provided satisfactory reasons for his absence are given to the Session. (See the Minutes of the General Assembly 1910, Page 245.)

Section 51. Add to the Section the following:

In cases where a Communicant, still residing in the bounds of the church, and not chargeable with immoral conduct, shall persistently absent himself from the ordinances of religion in the church, the Session having made diligent effort to restore him to active fulfillment of his membership, may after one year from the beginning of such effort, and after duly notifying him of its intention, place his name on the roll of suspended members, without further process. If, at a later time, such Communicant, his life in the meanwhile being free from scandal, shall resume his attendance on the ordinances of the church, the Session shall restore his name to the active roll. Minutes 1920, Page 247.)

MINUTES OF THE SESSION

OF THE

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Westminster of Los Angeles

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For the benefit of inexperienced clerks of Sessions, we present the following, which will exhibit the proper method of making entries, upon a number of the commonest matters to be recorded :

MINUTES OF SESSION

1905
MARCH 22D

JOHNSVILLE, MARCH 22, 1905

The Session met at the parsonage at 3 o'clock P. M. Present, REV. JAMES SMITH the Moderator, with Elders John Williams, James Short and Thomas Winsor. The meeting was opened with prayer. The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Mr. Robert Sutherland had Mrs. Eliza Foster (wife of David) appeared before Session and were examined on their religious experience, when, having made a satisfactory profession of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, they were received to membership. Mr. John Knight and Mr. Thomas Roberts, after due examination, were received to membership, and it was ordered that they be baptised on Sabbath morning, April 2.

A free conversation was held upon the state of religion in the congregation, from which it appeared that there was much cause for gratitude and encouragement.

It having appeared that Common Fame charges Henry Adams with unchristian conduct in several particulars, the Moderator and Elder Williams were appointed a committee to wait upon Mr. Adams upon the subject and report to Session at its next meeting.

Mr. Charles Thomas appeared before the Session and preferred certain charges against Mr. Samuel Long. After hearing the charges, the Session directed its clerk to give the accused a copy of the same with the names of the witnesses to support them, and to cite all concerned to appear at the next meeting of the judicatory.

Elder John Winsor was appointed to attend the approaching meeting of the Presbytery.

Closed with prayer.

Signed,
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MINUTES OF SESSION

BRANFORD, MARCH 22, 1895

The Session met at the parsonage at 1 o'clock P. M. Present, Rev. James Smith, the Moderator, with Elders John Williams, James Short and Thomas Winsor. The meeting was opened with prayer. The minutes of the last meeting were read. Mr. Robert Smith and Mrs. Eliza Foster (wife of David) appeared before Session and were examined on their religious experience, when having made satisfactory profession of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, they were received to membership. Mr. John Knight and Mr. Thomas Roberts, after due examination, were received to membership, and it was ordered that they be baptized on Sabbath morning, April 2.

A free conference was held upon the state of religion in the congregation, from which it appeared that there was much cause for praise and encouragement.

It having appeared that Common Fund charges Henry Adams with immorality, conduct in several particulars, the Moderator and Elder Williams were appointed a committee to wait upon Mr. Adams upon the subject, and report to Session at the next meeting.

Mr. Charles Thomas appeared before the Session and presented certain charges against Mr. Samuel Long. After hearing the charges the Session directed its clerk to give the accused a copy of the same with the names of the witnesses to support them, and to cite all concerned to appear at the next meeting of the Session.

Elder John Winsor was appointed to attend the Synodical meeting of the Presbytery.

Closed with prayer.

Signed,

JOHN WILLIAMS, Clerk

MINUTES OF SESSION.

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Los Angeles California 12/17-1922
 A special meeting of the Westminster
 Presbyterian Church was called
 for the purpose of taking into
 the church the following named
 Persons. The meeting was opened
 with prayer by the Moderator
 Rev: H. B. Hawes. It was moved by
 Brother Poinsette seconded by
 Shambly that sister Fanny-
 Chavis of 1493 - W-35 Place be
 received on her Christian Testimony
 Motion carried.

It was moved by Brother
 Poinsette seconded by Shambly
 that Miss Hazel Hamilton of 1489 -
 W-35-a Place be received on her
 Christian Testimony, and that a
 committee be appointed to wait
 upon her Parents with reference
 to her confirmation. Carried.

It was moved by Brother
 Shambly seconded by Benton
 that William Rancher of 1737-W-35-S
 be received on his Christian
 Testimony as candidate for baptism
 carried.

The meeting was closed with
 prayer by the Moderator
 Rev: H. B. Hawes.

William Qualls
 Clerk

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Los Angeles California 1/5-1923
 The regular meeting of the
 session of the Westminster
 Presbyterian Church was
 called to order by the
 Moderator at 8-20 o'clock P.M.
 The meeting was opened with
 prayer by the Moderator.
 The minutes of the previous
 meeting was read and
 approved. a discussion of
 the general good and
 well-fare of the Church was
 indulged in at length
 after which the meeting was
 adjourned. Elders present
 Brother Benton & Hill, absentees
 Brother. Alet & Oeder. Shambly
 Harrison. Poinette. Littlejohn
 Winder. Rev: H.B. Hawes Moderator
 William Qualls clerk.

Los Angeles California 1/7-1923
 Rev: H.B. Hawes, after his regular
 Sunday morning services.
 baptised Miss Hazel Hamilton
 and served the Lords Supper.
 a special meeting of the session
 followed for the purpose of
 taking into the Church the
 following named persons.
 It was moved by Brother
 Qualls seconded by Shambly
 that Sister Lena Lawry

he received into full fellowship
on her Christian Testimony, carried.
She comes from the Second Baptist
Church, of this City.

It was moved by Brother Johnson
seconded by Benton that
Emily Johnson be received on
her Christian Testimony, carried.
She comes from the Second Baptist
Church of this City.

It was moved by Brother Shambly
seconded by Poinsette that
~~Arthur~~ Lewis, be received
on his Christian Testimony carried.
Elders Brother Shambly, Benton
Poinsette, Harrison, Johnson.

Absent, Alexander, Winder,
Littlejohn Hill. Meeting adjourned
With prayer by the Moderator
Rev. H. B. Hawes. Wm Qualls, clerk

Los Angeles California 2/4 - 1923
Special meeting of the session
of the Westminster Presbyterian
Church was called for the
purpose of taking into the
Church Mrs Anita Grant
of 1272 - W. 36th St. The meeting
was opened with prayer by
Rev. H. B. Hawes Moderator.
It was moved by Brother
Poinsette, and seconded by
Johnson, that Sister

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Anita Grant be accepted
on her Christian Testimony.
Motion carried. Elders
present. Brothers. Shamby
Benton Poinette Johnson.
Meeting closed with prayer
by the Moderator
Rev. H. B. Hawes. Wm Qualls clerk

Los Angeles California 2/14-1923
Special Meeting of the Session
of Westminster Presbyterian
Church was called for the
purpose of taking into the
Church the following persons
The meeting was opened with
prayer by the Moderator. It
was moved and seconded, that
Sister Julia Patten, be accepted
by letter. Motion carried.
It was moved and seconded, that
Mr John R. Schell, be accepted on
his Christian Testimony. Motion
carried. It was moved and
seconded, that Mrs Mattie
Fredrickson be accepted on
her declaration of faith.
Motion carried. Elders present
Brothers Shamby Benton and
Poinette. Meeting closed with
prayer by the Moderator
Rev. H. B. Hawes. Wm Qualls clerk

Los Angeles California 3/2 - 1923
The regular meeting of the session of Westminster Presbyterian Church was called to order by Rev. H. B. Hawes at 8 o'clock. Meeting was opened with prayer by the Moderator. The minutes of the previous meetings was read and approved.

A communication from the Freedmans Board was presented by the Moderator. After some discussion, it was moved by Brother Harrison, that we recommend to the congregation an increase of salary of five dollars per month for the pastor, and make a reduction of the same amount from the support now being received from the Freedmans Board. Motion carried. Elders present Brothers Shamblly Benton Harrison Johnson, absent Alexander Littlejohn Winder Hill Poinette. The meeting was

closed with prayer by the Moderator Rev. H. B. Hawes. Wm. Dwyer clerk
✓ Los Angeles California 3/25 - 1923
Special meeting of the session of the Westminster Presbyterian Church was called for the purpose of taking into the Church the following named persons. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Moderator, Rev. H. B. Hawes

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It was moved by Brother
Shamblay seconded by Johnson
that Mr Newman. M. Dumas
be received on his Christian
testimony. Motion carried.
It was moved by Brother
Benton seconded Shamblay
that Mrs B. F. Faulkner be
received on her Christian
testimony. Motion carried.
She comes from the Methodist
Church. It was moved and
seconded that Sister Josie
Dudley be received on her
Christian testimony. Motion
carried. She comes from the
Methodist Church. It was
moved by Brother Johnson
seconded by Shamblay, that
Mrs M. Schaffer be received
by letter. Pending the
arrival of the same, motion carried
elders present, Brother Shamblay,
Benton, Paimette Hill, Harrison
Johnson, Absentees. Brother
Alexander. Littlejohn, Winder,
Meeting closed with prayer
by the Moderator
Rev. H. B. Hawes
William Qualls clerk

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Los Angeles California 3/24 - 1923
 The regular congregational meeting
 of the Westminster Presbyterian Church
 was begun by singing Hymn No 57.
 followed by a bible lesson by the
 Pastor. prayer by Brothers Hill, Qualls
 Derrick, Ellis, Mitchell, & the Pastor.
 The reading of the constitution
 of the church by the Pastor.
 The Election of Elders was omitted.
 The next order of business, was the
 election of deacons, which was omitted.
 The next order was the election of
 Trustees. The successful candidates was
 Mr S. S. Johnson Mr J. W. Winder.
 Mr Smith, Mr Harry Spurlack.
 Mr ~~John Harrison~~ ^{James Harrison}. It was moved by
 Mrs Harrison & seconded by Mr
 Harrison that the nominations close
 on the above mentioned Brothers.
 motion carried. The report of the
 Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary
 Society by Mrs Harrison. The report
 shows that they have received during
 the year from all sources, \$ 257.98
 and that they have disbursed, 240.04
 leaving a balance of 17.93
 respectfully submitted. Mr E. A. Johnson, Pres
 Mrs Thomas Harrison Secretary.
 It was moved by Mrs Driskell seconded
 by S. S. Johnson that the report be
 received and adopted. motion carried.

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The report of the Christian Ideals Society by Miss M. W. Daniels, which showed the society to be in a progressive state of development. It was moved by S. S. Johnson seconded by Benton that the report be received and filed. Motion carried.

The report of the Ladies Aid Society by Mrs Andrews. The report shows that they have collected during the year

The sum of	\$ 122.75
and expended	117.50

leaving a balance of 5.25 respectfully submitted by W. L. Derrick Pres. Mrs L. Andrews secretary.

It was moved by Mrs E. A. Johnson seconded by S. S. Johnson. That the report be received and filed. Motion carried.

The report of the Sunday School department by Mr Lory Johnson shows an average attendance of 120 scholars and 13 teachers. And that they have collected during the year

\$ 151.91

brought forward from last year	32.60
	184.51
disbursements	179.66

leaving a balance of 5.85 It was moved by Mr. Blanton seconded by Mr. Derrick that the report be received and adopted as

presented. Motion carried.
 The report of the Deaconess board
 by Mrs Lillian A. Qualls, which
 showed all the and consistent
 Christian work during the year.
 they have in Treasury \$742
 respectfully submitted Mrs Driskell Pres.
 Mrs Lillian A. Qualls secretary.
 It was moved by Mr Harrison
 seconded by Mr Harrison that
 the report be received and filed.
 Motion carried.

The report of the Auditing
 Committee by Mrs. Clapton
 showed the books of the secretary
 and Treasury of the board of
 Trustees to be in perfect
 condition. It was moved by
 Brother Winder seconded by
 J. W. Wilson that the report
 be received and filed. Motion carried.
 Committee, Mr F. A. Wright, B. L. Driskell,
 C. Clapton.

The report of the Treasurer of the
 Trustee board by S. S. Johnson
 shows collected during the year
 from all sources \$2645.73
 disbursements 2551.54
 balance on hand 94.23

It was moved by Brother Winder
 seconded by Harrison that
 the report be received and filed.
 Motion carried.

The report of the secretary of the board of trustees was presented by Mr A. W. Mitchell, it shows a comprehensive understanding of the financial condition of the church, and he certainly has given unstintedly of his time and labor to have formulated such a report as he submitted to us upon this occasion.

It was moved by Mrs Dewick seconded by Benton that we give a rising vote of thanks to Mr Mitchell. Motion carried.

It was moved by Brother Windle seconded by Brother Thomas - Harrison that we make the church self supporting. The motion carried.

After considerable deliberation the motion was re-considered. It was moved and seconded that we accept the recommendation made by the session in the meeting 12/2 - 1923.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Rev: H. B. Hawes Moderator
William Qualls clerk

Los Angeles California 4/2 - 1923
at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Rev: H. B. Hawes served sacrament and baptised Windell Gladden.

Case
Pastor

Los Angeles California Cal 4/6/73
 The regular meeting of the session
 of the Westminster Presbyterian
 Church was called to order
 by Rev. H.B. Hawes Moderator. The
 meeting was opened with prayer.
 Elders present Brother Sidney
 Johnson Littlejohn Harrison
 Hill Shamblay Benton & Winder.
 Absent. Brother Qualls Poinsett
 & Alexander. The minutes of
 the last meeting was dispensed
 with on account of the absence of
 the clerk. It was moved by Bro
 Thomas Harrison seconded by
 Johnson that the action taken
 by the congregation March 28th
 1973 be rescinded. The motion was
 carried unanimously. moved by Bro
 J.N. Littlejohn seconded by Harrison
 that the church become self
 supporting on a salary of \$1400.00
 per year. The motion was
 carried unanimously. moved by
 Bro: R Hill seconded by Littlejohn
 that the session call Mr H.B.
 Hawes for Pastor. The motion carried
 unanimously. It was moved by
 Brother J.N. Littlejohn seconded by
 Johnson that a committee be
 appointed to see Mrs. Fry in regards
 to being Minister for the church.
 motion carried. committee J.W. Winder
 Harrison & Johnson.
 Benton

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The meeting was closed with prayer by the moderator Rev. H. B. Hawes, acting clerk J. W. Winder.

Los Angeles Cal 4/8 - 1923

A congregational meeting was called immediately after the morning service. To gratify the action of the session with reference to calling a Pastor, and fixing his salary.

It was moved by Mrs A. Hill seconded by Mr Thomas Harrison that the recommendations of the session concurred in motion was carried unanimously, Los Angeles California 4/8 - 1923

Special meeting of the session of the Westminster Presbyterian Church was called for the purpose of calling a Pastor.

It was moved and seconded that the clerk be authorized to issue the call for a Pastor. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded that Brother S. Johnson be delegated to the Presbytery. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned

Rev. H. B. Hawes moderator
William Walls clerk

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1. Elders.	10
2. Deacons	11
3. Examination	22
4. Records	0
5. Dismissed	10
6. Suspended	10
7. Received	2
8. Communicants	172
9. Consecration	10
10. Infants.	7
11. Sabbath members	150
12. Teachers & Officers	10
13. Regular Attendance	120
14. Home Missions	
15. Wright	
16. Education	
17. Sabbath School Hk.	
18. Church Treasures	
19. Relief Fund	
20. Freedman	
21. Colleges	
22. Temperance	46.44
23. General Assembly	1600
24. Organizational	300
25. Miscellaneous	

Examined and approved as written to date by
the Presbytery of Los Angeles, in session at
Los Angeles on the 11th day
of April A. D. 1923

Except that the following items have not been recorded
1st No mention of Baptism

Attest for the Judicial Commission
Hugh McEachern, Clerk

MINUTES OF SESSION.

Los Angeles California 5/4-1923
 Regular meeting of the session
 of Westminster Presbyterian Church
 opened with pray at 8 o'clock by
 Rev. H.B. Hawes Moderator. Elders
 present Brothers A. Hill, B.J. Benton
 Thos Harrison Sidney S. Johnson
 Wm Walls. Louis Shambly. absentees
 J.W. Littlejohn. Poinsette. Falander.
 The minutes of the last meeting,
 and congregational meeting and
 the special congregational meeting
 was read. on motion by Brother
 Harrison seconded by Bro Johnson.
 The minutes was adopted. a
 communication from the Y.W.C.A.
 asking the privilege to take an
 after collection on Sunday morning
 May 5th was read. motion by
 Bro J.W. Winder. seconded by Bro.
 Hill. That the request be granted.
 The same was carried. Many good
 things was said for the
 advancement of the church.
 There being nothing more of
 a business nature, the meeting was
 closed with prayer by
 Rev. H.B. Hawes Moderator.
 J.W. Winder acting clerk.
 Sister Mary. Ruth Sears.
 departed this life May the 7th at
 2:30 o'clock P.M. her funeral was
 preached by Rev. H.B. Hawes at

The Church on Thursday afternoon
May the 10th 1923.

Los Angeles California 5/13-1923

Special meeting of the session of the
Westminster Presbyterian Church
was called for the purpose of
taking into the Church the
following named persons. The
meeting was opened with prayer
by Bro: Thomas Poinette. It was
moved by Bro: Sidney S. Johnson and
seconded by Poinette that Mrs.
Rupert H. Lileas, of 1524-W-37 St
be received on her confession of
faith. Motion carried. It was moved

by Bro: Poinette, seconded by
Littlejohn that Sister Lizzie Forsyth
of 1614-W-35 St. formally of the
Episcopal Church be received on her
Christian Testimony. Carried.

It was moved by Bro: Shankly
seconded by Johnson, that Sister
Mary B. Johnson of 1296-W-35 St
formally of the Baptist Church be
received on her Testimonial & prayer
motion carried.

It was moved by Bro: Winder
seconded by Hill. That Sister
Zelma C. McMillan of 1546-W-37 St
formally of the A.M.E. Church be
received on her Christian Testimony
motion carried. It was moved by
Bro: Benton seconded by Hill that