

Arrangements Committee Report to Representative Committee 2018

Most importantly

We need people / groups to tell us their space needs. Do **not** assume that because your favorite affinity group has always met at a particular time in a particular place, that we know that and can make it happen this year!! And please be sure to let us know of other needs that are typically addressed by Arrangements: special food needs, mobility issues, etc.

What are we up to? What's new?

Sarah and Bronwen are already busy on your behalf! We have been having fun thinking creatively about how to make the experience of Annual Session and the site more inviting and welcoming. Also, we are looking forward to working with the new Arrangements Committee!

We have been working on the following practical matters:

- Checking in with Walker Creek Ranch conference staff and beginning the dialogue to figure out who does what to get ready for you-all to arrive there!
- Working on some needs that Arrangements will be taking care of, such as renting the golf cart, screen, and projector
- Submitting a budget request for items like the above to Finance Committee
- Planning for conversations with Ministry and Oversight and Nominating Committee

Last but by no means least

To enable us to gather here this weekend, local people have really stepped up to get those traveling from a distance picked up from planes, trains, and busses, and situated – thank you! We need this sort of support for Annual Session too! Please do be thinking about how you can help Friends navigate their journey to Annual Session – offer to organize a carpool, vanpool, or even a bus from Southern California; or to pick up someone at a Bay Area airport. And let us know!

Thanks!

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Tyrrell for Arrangements