

Yellowstone Presbytery Stated Meeting
June 27 – 28, 2014
1st Presbyterian Church
Butte, Montana

14-038 – Call to Order ó Moderator Jed Cauffman called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. and offered the opening prayer.

14-039 ó Procedural Motion – Jed read the following Procedural motion from the Stated Clerk: The stated clerk moves the following Procedural Motion:

1. That the roll for this meeting be established by completed Registration Sheets.
2. That written and oral requests for absences received by the Stated Clerk be approved.
3. That any Corresponding members present be seated.
4. That the Presbytery grants the Moderator the authority to give privilege of the floor to persons, other than Members or Commissioners, for the purpose of reporting to this meeting.
5. That the Moderator and the Stated Clerk be empowered to make adjustments to the Docket during the meeting, as may be necessary, to provide for efficiency in reporting.
6. That all reports received at this meeting be accepted.

✓ Presbytery voted to approve the above motion.

14-040 – Roll Call – The following people filled out registration sheets for the meeting.

Church	Minister	Commissioner	Others
Anaconda	Vacant	Linda Smith	
Big Hole	Vacant	Unexcused	
Billings, First	Dave Thompson	Jack Bell	
Billings, St. Andrew	Unexcused	Jim Tarr	Curt Kochner (C&Y)
Bozeman	Jody McDevitt	Lloyd Mandeville	Dan Holland
	Dan Krebill		Kari Robbins
			Doris Krebill
Butte	Harlan L. Rounds	John Clark	Traci Ruschetti
Colstrip	Unexcused	Unexcused	
Deer Lodge	Teresa Kendall	Diana Finch	
Dillon	Unexcused	George McAlper	Merry Lee Hooks (PW)
Ennis	Excused	Unexcused	
Forsyth	Cathy McLean	Unexcused	
Geyser	Unexcused	Unexcused	
Harlowton	Unexcused	Unexcused	
Hysham	Paul Cannon	Unexcused	

Jordan	Unexcused	Unexcused	
Lewistown	Jed Cauffman	Unexcused	
Manhattan	Debbie Funke	Debbie Blackburn	
Miles City	Brandon Willett	Unexcused	
Phillipsburg	Sally Ralston	Jim Christiansen	Janet Christiansen
Poplar	Susan Ennis	Unexcused	
Roy	Unexcused	Unexcused	
Stanford	Unexcused	Unexcused	
Terry	Melanie Martin-Dent	Gary Pfiefler	Lois Pfiefler
White Sulphur Springs	James Kidd	Bethann Kidd	
Wolf Point	Unexcused	Unexcused	

Also Present:

TE George Goodrich, Co-General Presbyter
 TE Susan Thomas
 TE Paul Krebill
 TE Paul Cousins

Corresponding Members Present:

Wayne Boulton (Newton Presbytery)
 Jerry Swanson (Dakota Presbytery)

14-041 – Introductions – Two Presby Cats were introduced along with Rev. Wayne Boulton who spoke a few words about St Timothy's Chapel.

14-042 - Docket - The Docket was approved.

14-043 - Welcome – Lanny Rounds, Host Pastor, welcomed all and spoke on the facilities of the church.

14-044 –Worship/Dwelling in the Word – Dave Thompson led dwelling in the word which focused on two scriptures passages: Proverbs 22:6 and 2 Timothy 1:1-7. Dave also led singing by playing the guitar.

14-045– Resourcing the Presbytery – The theme of the meeting was "Making Young Disciples". Curt Kochner gave a presentation on the camping and youth retreat ministries of Yellowstone Presbytery. There was a video from Westminster Spires camping in 2013. Jody McDevitt gave a presentation on Rockhaven Camp along with a video. Dan Krebill along with Kori Roberts and Emily Keegan gave a presentation on the Presby Cats program that is sponsored by First Bozeman. They had a video of their mission trip to Ghost Ranch this spring. The Presby Cats thanked Yellowstone Presbytery for their financial support of their activities and their recent mission trip. George Goodrich presented information based on the book, *Sticky Faith*. The last portion of the resourcing time allowed people to attend two of four focus groups. The topics for these groups were: Multigenerational Opportunities, Equipping Parents, Beyond High School, and Youth Leading Youth.

14-046 – Presentation of the Ballot from the Representation/Nomination Ministry Team

There was no ballot from the Representation/Nomination Ministry Team.

√ Presbytery voted to approve a special Presbytery meeting (by phone) to vote on a slate of nominees from the Representation/Nominating Ministry Team.

14-047 - Recess for Dinner ó A blessing was given for the evening meal. The business meeting was then recessed until 8:30 a.m. Saturday morning.

14-048 – Evening Worship ó Worship opened at 7:00 pm. Elder Traci Ruschetti delivered the message centering on Matthew 28:16-20. Lanny Rounds presided over Communion and Paul Canon played the piano for this service.

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14-049 – Opening Worship - Following a continental breakfast, provided by members of Butte First Church, Worship/Dwelling in the Word convened at 8:30 a.m. Teresa Kendall led dwelling in the Word using 2 Timothy 3:10-17. Lanny Rounds led singing and accompanied it with his guitar playing.

14-050 – Hearing what the Holy Spirit is doing in Anaconda, Big Hole, Phillipsburg, and Butte – Members and pastors from the four churches shared what is happening in their churches. A time of prayer for these churches followed the reports.

14-051 ó Reports from General Assembly Commissioners – Jim Tarr read a letter from TE Doug Johnson regarding his experience at General Assembly. Then Jim gave a report of his own experiences including his participation in the Committee for Presbyterian Mission Coordination.

14-052 - Leadership Cabinet – Jody McDevitt reviewed the report from the Leadership Cabinet ([See Attachment A](#)) and then introduced Dan Holland to receive any questions regarding the Budget and Finance Report ([See Attachment B](#)). Next Susan Thomas gave a report regarding Personnel issues..

√ Presbytery voted to approve that George and Kathy Goodrich move to a ½ time call with terms of call as shown on the handout ([See Attachment C](#)) to be effective October 1, 2014.

It was noted that a record of time worked in “off times” should be kept so that comp time could be allowed. Susan also presented an updated Job Description for the Co-General Presbyters ([See Attachment D](#)).

√ Presbytery voted to approve the 2014 updated job description.

There was a time of prayer for George and Kathy.

14-053 – Co-General Presbyters Report – George offered comments on the report and emphasized that we keep the main thing the main thing ([See Attachment E](#)).

14-054– Pastoral Ministry Team – Dave Thompson reviewed the PMT report ([See Attachment F](#)). He also announced a Presbytery wide day of prayer and fasting (Tuesday, July 22nd) for the Anaconda Church and the Churches of the Big Hole. Dave is to have a summary of the recent Board of Pensions meeting posted to the website.

14-055– Camping and Youth - Curt Kochner reviewed the report and also handed out new cards for Round of Prayer.

14-056 ó Presbyterian Women ó Mary Lee Hooks mentioned some activities of PW.

14-057 ó St Timothy’s ó A written report was submitted.

14-058 ó Stated Clerk’s Report ó The Stated Clerk request approval of the minutes from the February 21-22, 2014 Presbytery meeting.

√ Presbytery voted to approve the minutes as presented.

14-059 ó Announcements ó The offering received at last night's worship service, for youth camp scholarships, was \$320.95.

The Glacier/Yellowstone Convocation will be November 6th and 7th in Bozeman.

14-060 ó Adjournment ó The meeting was adjourned, until the next Stated Meeting of the Presbytery scheduled at First Presbyterian Church of Bozeman on November 7th and 8th, following the Glacier/Yellowstone Convocation.

Stated Clerk
Ron Hanson

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