

Stated Clerk Report to Yellowstone Presbytery

November 1, 2024

Protocol Review for all attending the Presbytery meeting by Zoom or in person:

1. ***All attendees:*** *Please say your name and the entity you represent when you speak.*
2. ***All attendees:*** *If not using a voice vote of "Yes" or "No," please use either the "raise hand" feature on your Zoom screen or raise your hand.*
3. ***Zoom attendees:*** *Please keep your computer microphone muted until called upon or recognized to speak. This helps eliminate feedback, minimize background noise, and helps us to move through our time together more smoothly.*
4. ***Zoom Attendees:*** *Please rename your Zoom participant identification to include "RE" or "MWS" if applicable, your first and last name, the entity you represent, your position (i.e., member, commissioner, guest) and town. For example: RE Caroline Fleming, YP Stated Clerk, Miles City.*

Omnibus motion.

The Stated Clerk moves the following:

1. That the agenda for this meeting posted on www.yellowstonepcusa.org be approved.
2. That the roll for this meeting be established in two ways:
 - a. By email to caroline@yellowstonepcusa.org if you are attending via Zoom or
 - b. By registration form provided at the meeting if you are attending in person.
3. That all requests for excused absences received by the Stated Clerk be approved.
4. That any Corresponding members at the meeting be seated and given voice.
5. That Presbytery grant the Moderator authority to give privilege of the floor to persons, other than Members or Commissioners, for the purpose of reporting to this meeting.
6. That the Moderator and the Stated Clerk be empowered to suggest and adjust the agenda during the meeting, as may be necessary.
7. That the minutes of the Presbytery meeting of May 17, 2024 be approved as printed on the presbytery meeting website.
8. That the minutes of the Special Presbytery meeting of August 28, 2024 be approved as printed on the presbytery meeting website.
9. That the October 27, 2024 minutes of the Administrative Commission to install Rev. Sarah Tunall as pastor at Manhattan Presbyterian Church be approved.
10. That the minutes of this meeting shall report that there has been no call for a meeting of the Presbytery's PJC this year to date and that the following former members are still eligible to serve if needed: MWS Dan Krebill, RE Lloyd Mandeville, RE Sharla Helland, RE Gary Slagel, MWS Jody McDevitt and MWS Lanny Rounds.

End of Motion.

Activities since our last stated presbytery meeting:

1. Attended all meetings of the Leadership Cabinet and the Pastoral Ministry Team and recorded proceedings.
2. Attended the Synod minutes review of Presbytery minutes in Denver July 22.
3. Attended the boundary training session offered August 3, 2024.
4. Helped plan and participated in the Leadership Cabinet/Pastoral Ministry Team retreat September 12.
5. Served on the team to plan the November Presbytery meeting.
6. Conducted an email vote for PMT to elect the Commission to install Rev. Sarah Tunall as pastor at Manhattan Presbyterian Church and set October 27 at 3:30 p.m. as the date and time for the installation.
7. Conducted an email vote for Leadership Cabinet to propose changing the proposal of February 28-March 1 as the 1st stated meeting of Yellowstone Presbytery in 2025 to March 7-8, 2024 as that first meeting.
8. Continued research into ridding presbytery of the small plot of land in Vally County and am currently working on a Quit Claim deed to be filed with Valley County.
9. Worked with Kathy, Ric, Debra Jackson and Debbie Blackburn cleaning out the Presbytery office in Bozeman. There is still a bit more to do.
10. Attended Rocky Mountain Synod/Dubuque Seminary Introduction to the Old Testament class and am currently taking the Introduction to the New Testament Class.
11. Worked with Leadership Cabinet on drafts of two proposed policies, Anti Harassment Policy and Anti-Racism Policy, that will be presented for discussion and vote at this meeting.
12. Updated presbytery directory as needed.
13. Attended three Zoom seminars:
 - a. *“The Church Leadership Connection: Basic Training on Mid Council Roles”* MCLC webinar
 - b. *“Crafting a Meaningful Anti-Racism Policy”* with Anna Kendig Flores and John Curtiss
 - c. *“How Missional Startups Engage Your Community and Reenergize Your Church”* by Fresh Expressions
 - d. *“OGA Webinar on Actions for Presbytery Votes”* with Laurie Griffith