

**Presbytery of Yellowstone
Leadership Cabinet Meeting Minutes
November 6, 2014**

The Leadership Cabinet of Yellowstone Presbytery met for a special called meeting on November 6, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church, Bozeman, MT. The purpose of the meeting was to meet with the Pastoral Team (for Stanford and Geyser) to hear what the PT has heard from Stanford and Geyser regarding concerns they have about the Presbytery and decide how the LC should respond.

Present were:

Jody McDevitt
Debbie Blackburn
Susan Thomas
Dan Holland
Dave Thompson
Susi Ennis

Absent:

Lanny Rounds
Jed Cauffman
Don Holland

Also Present:

Ron Hanson, Stated Clerk
George Goodrich, Co-General Presbyter
Kathy Goodrich, Co-General Presbyter

1. **Opening Prayer** – The opening prayer was offered by Jody
2. **Quorum** – The Clerk declared that a Quorum was present.
3. **Report from the Pastoral Team** – Members of the Pastoral Team (Dave Thompson, Susi Ennis, Debbie Blackburn, and George Goodrich) met with the sessions and other members of the Stanford and Geyser Churches on October 8, 2014 (in Stanford). One item that came up during the meeting concerned a letter that had been sent to the Presbytery in 2013 regarding non-payment of the GA portion of Per Capita. Editha McKay indicated that the churches were very hurt by the lack of response from the Presbytery. They felt that the Presbytery just ignored the letter and went ahead and paid all of the Per Capita that was due. [Jodie Licht is sending a copy of the letter to Ron Hanson as the Presbytery does not have a copy.] After a time of discussion, it was decided that Jody McDevitt would draft a letter to the churches and send to everyone for input. It was also indicated that the General Assembly would respond to the letter if a copy is sent to them at this time. It was also decided that the Leadership Cabinet would review (at a future meeting) the current Presbytery policy of paying the full amount invoiced for Per Capita.
4. **Next Meeting** – The next regularly scheduled meeting is January 14, 2015 in Bozeman.
5. **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 11:50 am.