

**Presbytery of Yellowstone
Leadership Cabinet (LC) Special Meeting Minutes
May 8, 2018
First Presbyterian Church, Billings, Montana**

Moderator Susi called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM

Present were:

Susi Ennis
Jack Bell
Susan Thomas
Paul Helland (excused)
Steve Weber (excused)
Julie Boksich
Suzanne Bratsky (phone)
Dan Holland (excused)
Teresa Kendall (phone)

Absent:

None

Also present:

George Goodrich, Co-General Presbyter (phone)
Kathy Goodrich, Co General Presbyter (phone)
Jim Tarr, Stated Clerk, Melissa Perrault-Baumann, Asst. Stated Clerk
Rev. Kim Woeste, UMC, Chaplin Rocky Mountain College
Rev. Dwight Welch. UMC, Chaplin MSU Billings
Dan Krebill(phone)

1.Meeting was opened with prayer by Moderator Susi and a dwelling in the word Acts 1,1-11

2. **Quorum** – A quorum was declared present.

3. **Docket** – The docket was approved

4. **Special meeting purpose** – Higher Education Grant Requests
Child Protection Policy review

5. **Grant requests** were presented by the following:

Kim Woeste – Rocky Mountain College \$4,800.
Mission trip to Guatemala, May 2019

Dwight Welch – MSU, Billings \$6,000.
Peer Ministries for 2 people @ \$1,800-2,000./per
Table Talk \$250.
International Coffee \$512.

Dan Krebill-Presbycats – MSU, Bozeman \$2,000.

6. **The committee discussed procedures** for review of the 3 grant applications stating;

Each of the applications for the education grants were to be interviewed and advised that the total amount of grant funding available will only be \$6,000.00. After much discussion and lengthy interviews with each applicant **It was voted;**

- To grant the MSU Presbycats \$3000.00, including \$2,000 Peer Leader Scholarships and \$1,000 for use at Dan Krebill's discretion

- Rocky Mountain College, for a May 2019 trip to Guatemala \$1,500.00.
- For MSU, Billings \$1,500.00, including Bible Study \$750, Table Talk \$250, International Coffee \$500

(According to the standing rules, this action can be made by the Leadership Cabinet without further action by the Presbytery)

7. George and Kathy announced they are to be on vacation and sabbatical time away from office until June 8th

8. The Child protective policy

Changes were suggested and were to be given as advice to Curt Kochner as follows:

Modify the application form to include to include the question; have you ever been convicted of a felony?

Make as a yes or no question and add it to the background check, prior to signature.

Suggestions asked for how to handle the Social Media Section. The following suggestions were made: on page 4-5 under 9 Prohibitive behaviors, add in such as a list or reference page 7. Make it as a bullet point. Susan, Jim and Kurt to tweak this.

On page 5 – Teenage workers, volunteers; make a language change from must be to preferably be age.

Under General Purpose, add in a paragraph to be written by Susan Thomas referencing the Book of Order.

When completed the CPP will be referred to the entire presbytery for an email vote after it is reformatted to conform to other presbytery policies with reference paragraphs, date of adoption stated, and dates of amendment section added. The Stated clerk was instructed to format the policy when revised and have it ready for a vote.

9. Adjournment– The meeting adjourned with prayer at 3:23 pm.

Respectfully prepared with assistance from the Assistant Stated Clerk:

Jim Tarr

Stated Clerk