

Committee Report Form - -Yellowstone Presbytery

Committee Name: Higher Education

Committee Report for Council Meeting, Scheduled for: August 27, 2010

Submitted By: David Kimball, Chair

I. For Council's Information:

- a. The Committee's Three Stated Goals for 2007:
 - i. Priority 1:
 - ii. Priority 2:
 - iii. Priority 3:

- b. Date of Committee Meeting: Email Vote August 1-20, 2010
An Ad-Hoc Task Group of the Committee met on July 14, 2010
Date of Next Committee Meeting: Fall 2010

- c. Members Present: Ad-Hoc Committee composed of David Kimball, Fran Babcock, Rev. Dan Krebill, Pat Griffin and Chuck Broughton

- d. Main agenda Items: Committee vote on recommendations of Ad-Hoc Task Group on future of MSU Campus Christian Center (Christus Collegium)

- e. Decisions we made: The Committee voted to forward to council the recommendations of the Task Group as stated below.

Who will follow Through:

II. We Request Council's Input on the Following:

The Budget and Finance Committee has recommended that no funds be budgeted for the MSU-Bozeman campus ministry program for the next year. Request this issue be addressed by Council.

III. We request Council's Action on the Following:

The Higher Education Committee recommends that action be initiated to terminate the Presbyterian membership in the Campus Christian Center by the end of 2011 and that any funds derived from the withdrawal be designated for the support of Yellowstone Presbytery campus ministries. The following actions should be taken:

- a. Give verbal notification at the next meeting of the CCC Board of Directors of the intent to terminate Presbyterian membership at the end of fiscal year 2011.
- b. Seek Synod concurrence with the withdrawal recommendation and guidance as to whether the Synod or the Presbytery is the appropriate action agency.
- c. Conduct a search for all documents relevant to our CCC membership, including the original membership certificate, percentage distribution of shares, original amount of funds invested and the source of that funding, documentation of the formation and dissolution of precursor entities such as the United Campus Christian Ministry and the Montana Ministries in Higher Education.
- d. Investigate options for legal review and support.
- e. Plan a special event to recognize the place these ministry organizations played on the MSU campus and bring closure for those who led and participated in these programs over the years.

IV. Council desires the Committee to consider the following: