St Timothy's Memorial Chapel Committee Report to Yellowstone Presbytery and its Leadership Cabinet January, 2014

The January 2014 meeting was opened with prayer. Those in attendance were Rusty Craig, Gary Rowe, Ray Tribelhorn, Teresa Kendall, Ron Hatcher, Ed Leipheimer, Diana Neely, Ron Hanson, Cal Boyle and Art Neill.

Major items on the Agenda were:

Worship – Contracts for the 2014 Pastors have been signed. Rev. Andrew Mullin will be present for the first two Sundays and Rev. Wayne Boulton will lead worship for the last 10 Sundays. Members signed up for Ushering for each of the 2 Sundays.

Nominations - Dan Manson was elected an ecumenical member and Teresa Kendall and Lanny Rounds were elected for 3 year terms as Presbyterian members of the Committee. The committee voted to eliminate terms for the ecumenical members. Those elected will serve continuously at the pleasure of the Committee or until they choose to step down. After some discussion this motion was seconded and approved.

With the election of Teresa Kendall to our Committee as a Presbyterian and a pastor, we have the correct number of Presbyterian members according to the bylaws., Rusty Craig, a Presbyterian pastor has served on the Committee for more than 20 years and continuously for the past 6 years. He offered to move to ecumenical membership. This move puts our Presbyterian membership number in line with our bylaws and still leave us with 3 Presbyterian pastors which the bylaws require. This step was approved by the Committee.

Sub-Committee Assignments - Ron Hanson assigned Dan Manson, a local attorney, to the Grounds Sub-Committee (which has responsibility for the road relocation among other things) and Teresa Kendall, the Deer Lodge Pastor, to the Long-Range Planning Subcommittee.

Energy Costs – The Chapel is currently on a demand electrical meter. Ed noted that he was successful in getting his demand meter at his cabin changed to a regular use meter. Ron asked Ed to work out the most economical electricity service agreement with Northwestern Energy that he could.

Finance and Investment Subcommittee - Gary read the Treasurer's report and it was approved. Diana asked if the wedding expenses and revenues could be shown as a separate line item. Gary said he would do this.

Gary next presented the 2014 budget and it was approved. The committee decided that all donations designated for the Manse will be shown separate from those for the Chapel.

Ron next explained the purpose of the Management Group to the Committee and said that he will set up a meeting for the Group in January in Bozeman. The purpose will be to approve our 2014 budget so that it can be presented to the Presbytery at their February meeting.

Long-Range Planning Sub-Committee - Art briefly covered Addendum #1 to the Long-Range Plan and the need to incorporate it into the Plan. He will set up a meeting of the Subcommittee before the spring Standing Committee meeting to accomplish this. Then it will be presented to the Standing Committee for approval and then forwarded to the Presbytery for their concurrence/acceptance.

Building Sub-Committee - Ron, Cal and Ed reported that the manse building repairs and additions have all been completed. The job was very well done. Next summer grass and shrubs will be planted to complete the landscaping. Ron hoped this could be done at our spring cleanup meeting.

Wedding Report - Diana said that 7 weddings are already scheduled for this year with 6 paid for. It was decided that the wedding fee should be raised to \$350 for weddings in 2015. We are only clearing \$50 on each wedding with the present fee. This change was approved.

50th **Anniversary Celebration** - Diana has some of the music lined up. The speaker for the event hasn't been found yet and she and Ron and others will be working on this next. Much more needs to be done on this program.

Old Business - Art and Ron explained the proposal put together by Andrew Mullins for the future of St Timothy and its ministry. It was decided at our last meeting that this was more appropriate for a regular church with a congregation and in an urban community. Ron will send a letter to Andrew thanking him for the fine effort he put into his proposal and explaining why it was more than we wanted to handle.

New Business - Diana felt that our Committee needs to know more about our wedding website and how it works. She also talked about her plan to advertise the Chapel and its programs in the Cultural Treasures publication. This was approved.

Next meetings - The Committee set the following dates and times for our next three meetings:

<u>Spring clean-up meeting-----</u>May 31, 2014 at 12:00 noon with clean-up at the Chapel and manse followed by dinner and business meeting.

<u>Fall meeting</u>----Sept 8, 2014 at 12:00 noon at the Chapel with lunch followed by business meeting.

Winter meeting-----Jan 12, 2015 at 12:00 noon at Anaconda Presbyterian Church with lunch followed by business meeting.

Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned. Teresa offered a closing prayer.