

Leadership Cabinet Report to Presbytery June 27-28, 2014

The new Leadership Cabinet of the Presbytery of Yellowstone was elected at the Feb. 21-22 meeting of the Presbytery. This Leadership Cabinet is part of the presbytery's new structure, also implemented this year. Members of the Leadership Cabinet are:

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| Jody McDevitt, TE | Moderator |
| Jed Cauffman, TE | Moderator of Presbytery 2014 |
| Debbie Blackburn, RE | Vice-moderator of Presbytery, 2014 |
| Susan Thomas, TE | Personnel |
| Dan Holland, RE | Budget & Finance |
| Don Holland, RE | |
| Lanny Rounds, TE | |
| Ron Hanson, RE, ex officio | Stated Clerk |
| George Goodrich, TE, ex officio | Co-General Presbyter |
| Kathy Goodrich, TE, ex officio | Co-General Presbyter |

The Leadership Cabinet has met 3 times since our last Presbytery meeting. A summary of significant actions at these meetings follows.

March 14, 2014 Organizing ourselves as the new Leadership Cabinet

1. Review of administrative manual and "the fifth strand" documents
2. Recruitment of **Review Team** for the new structure, who will listen to "how things are going" and report to presbytery at Nov 2014 and Feb 2015 meetings with suggestions for improvements to structure. *Members: Debbie Blackburn, David Andrew, Jim Tarr, Gayle Holland*
3. Setting calendar, organizational responsibilities, getting the "big picture" for our work

May 6, 2014 Adopting goals and moving ahead

1. Four areas of priority for the Leadership Cabinet for 2014-15 were adopted
 - a. Encouraging the spiritual nurture and formation of pastors and leaders
 - b. Improving communication
 - c. Planning meaningful Presbytery meetings
 - d. Making decisions about staff transitions
2. Theme for June 27-28 presbytery meeting was developed - "Making Young Disciples." A planning team was suggested. (Curt Kochner, Kathy Goodrich, Jody McDevitt, Traci Ruschetti, Debbie Blackburn, Jed Cauffman, Dan Krebill)
3. Dave Thompson updated the LC regarding the new Pastoral Ministry Team.
4. Approval of a grant request for funds from the Peacemaking Fund of the presbytery—to support the hosting of an International Peacemaker in fall 2014. (Talk with Susan Barnes to learn more.)

May 27, 2014 Finalizing proposals for action (conference call)

1. Approved documents for funding proposals for higher education ministries (see attached). These will be forwarded to current higher education ministries and available for any emerging higher education ministries.
2. Approved for Presbytery action documents and details for staff transitions. Susan Thomas, personnel member of Leadership Cabinet, will present these to presbytery June 27-28.

Future scheduled meetings of Leadership Cabinet

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| September 9, 2014 | Bozeman |
| October 14, 2014 | Bozeman |