

MINUTES
Stated Meeting of Presbytery
May 2-3, 2008
First Presbyterian Church
Sheridan, WY

The meeting was called to order by moderator, Lee Wickel with prayer at 8:00 a.m. on May 2, 2008 at First Presbyterian Church in Sheridan Wyoming. The moderator declared a quorum present.

Opening worship was led by the Rev. Siobhan Warren.

There were 25 ministers and 32 elders present and voting for a total of 57 voting presbyters. Total registered was 78 persons.

The roll of attendance follows:

MINISTERS

Present:

Becky Anderson
 Curtis Barnett
 Jan Brooks
 Peggy Brown
 Robert Brown
 Jane Busey
 Yoon Kak Cho
 Mary Stubbs Davis
 Bruce Ford
 Steve Frank
 Robert Garrard
 Paul Hayden
 Curtis Hill
 Brian Johnson
 Tom Kittleman
 Doug Melius

Pat Montgomery
 David Pepper
 Kim Pepper
 Sherry Stottler
 Donavon Voigt
 Robert Walkley
 Siobhan Warren
 Lynn Williamson
 Joel Wright

Excused:

Irwin Brandjord
 Dennis Butler
 Robert Bye
 Frances Carlsson
 James Clark
 Donna Deffke

Gwyn Downing
 Clark Fisher
 Bill Foster
 Robert Frye II
 Grayson Gowen
 James Green
 Cathy Harrison
 Bill Hassler
 Andrea Hinderaker
 George Hodges
 Kemper Huber
 Kyung Bong Hyun
 Gordon King
 Frank Kinney
 Mary Jo Koehler
 Jack Kolbe
 James Ludowise

Gwen Morgan
 "Skip" Murdock
 Ralph Nelson
 John Noah
 Linda Norris
 George Pasek
 Cindy Pattishall-Baker
 Jack Phillabaum
 James Shuman
 Jack Swann
 Virgil Taylor
 Marilyn VanGelder
 Jonathan Warren

ELDERS

Burns
 Casper First
 Casper Shepherd
 Casper Winter
 Cheyenne First
 Cheyenne First
 Cheyenne Highlands
 Cheyenne Korean
 Cody First
 Cody First
 Encampment
 Evanston
 Fort Laramie
 Gillette
 Greybull
 Guernsey
 Jackson

Absent
 Excused
 James Kasler
 Verla Terpening
 Naomi Allen
 Excused
 Absent
 Absent
 Jonene Geile
 Joan Quick
 Sally Wells
 Excused
 Dave Busey
 Chad Cundy
 Dave Mattis
 Bruce Heimback
 Elise Prayzich

Laramie
 Lingle
 Moorcroft
 Mountain View
 Powell
 Rawlins
 Riverton
 Rock Springs
 Saratoga
 Shell
 Sheridan
 Shoshoni
 Star Valley
 Thermopolis
 Torrington
 Worland
 Yoder

Freda Dixon
 Absent
 Nancy Feehan, Voy Cox
 Doug Malone
 Jim Carlson
 Absent
 Shirley Hawk
 Kathy Schutz
 John Collamer
 Absent
 Linda Steele, Carol Maloy
 Absent
 Absent
 Jamie Parker-Frank
 Absent
 Robert Stottler
 Absent

OTHER MEMBERS-COUNCIL, OFFICERS, COMMITTEE MODERATORS**Present:**

Jim Blaha
 Fred Feth
 Glen Flyr
 Sherry Flyr
 Daren Terpening
 Gordon Sommer
 Jane Malone

Corinne Pratt

Excused:

Tony Valdez
 Greg Weisz

COMMISSIONED LAY PASTORS

James Kasler, Lee Wickel

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS

Zane Buxton – Denver Presbytery
 Sheldon Sorge – Mid-Kentucky Presbytery
 Tammy Wiens-Sorge – Mid-Kentucky Presbytery
 Lyle Hamilton, Intermountain Childrens Home
 Pam Harris – Run River Enterprises
 Garrie Stevens – Run River Enterprises

SPOUSES OF MINISTERS

Gary Anderson, Norma Fuller, Dan Hauck, Lorna Walkley

VISITORS

Jae Sun Hwang – Korean Presbyterian, Cheyenne
 Debie Crawford, Dorothy Cottrell – First Presbyterian, Gillette
 Mary Lou Ray, Art & Doris Zube – United Presbyterian, Riverton
 Sonja Collamer – First Presbyterian, Saratoga
 Dianne Bramwell, Don Groneberg, John Trohkimoinen, Phyllis Wilhelm – First Presbyterian, Sheridan

On Friday presbyters spent the morning with the Camping Task Force and camp consultants, Pam Harris and Garrie Stevens of Run River. The balance of the day was focused on Reformed Spirituality led by Rev. Dr. Sheldon Sorge, Associate for Theology and Worship for the PCUSA, and Associate Director of the Louisville Institute, and Rev. Tammy Wiens-Sorge, editor of *Hungry Hearts* and *The Register* and Associate for Spiritual Formation, Theology Worship and Education for the General Assembly Council

Evening worship and Holy Communion was led by Rev. Sheldon Sorge and Rev. Tammy Wiens-Sorge.

Presbytery recessed following worship.

Saturday, May 3, 2008

Presbytery reconvened at 8:00 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church, Sheridan with prayer by moderator Lee Wickel. Morning worship was led by the Rev's Kimberly and David Pepper.

Presbytery approved the docket and seated the corresponding members.

Presbytery VOTED to approve the following items in the consent agenda.

1. Approval of the minutes of the February 1-2, 2008 presbytery meeting.
2. Inscribing into the minutes the following minutes of November 14, 2007 and January 31, 2008 council meetings;

See PDF version listed separately for November 14, 2007 Council Meeting Minutes
See PDF version listed separately for January 31, 2008 Council Meeting Minutes

3. The Korean Church of Cheyenne, WY as host for the September 17-18, 2010 presbytery meeting.
4. Inscribing into the minutes the report of the stated clerk. (Attachment A)

COUNCIL – DAREN TERPENING

Presbytery VOTED to endorse the overture to the 218th General Assembly for *Living Waters for the World*. (Copy of overture is Attachment B)

Presbytery VOTED to authorize the budget and finance committee to establish policy guidelines for the endowment fund and that the trustees, acting on behalf of the presbytery, be given authority to approve these guidelines. (Vote taken after the Camping Ministry Task Force motions were approved)

TREASURER – GLEN FLYR

Friday evening worship offering was \$ 693.00

Glen brought attention to the line item on the balance sheet pertaining to the designated Judicial Commission Fund (Acct#1-001-3123-1100). The PJC and Investigating Committee expenses will exceed budget and accrued funds for 2008 so the Budget and Finance Committee is to recommend a resolution.

Presbytery VOTED to receive and enter into the minutes the following Balance Sheet for 2/29/08;

Presbytery of Wyoming Balance Sheet February 29, 2008

ASSETS

Cash and Investments

| | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1-001-1010-1000 | Petty Cash | \$200.00 |
| 1-001-1020-1000 | Hilltop Checking/MM | 94,334.18 |
| 5-001-1020-1200 | Hilltop Checking/MM | 165,667.65 |
| 5-001-1100-0400 | PILP Investment- 60 Mo. | 55,000.00 |
| 5-001-1150-0400 | PILP Investment - 36 Mo | 50,000.00 |
| 5-001-1200-0400 | Wells Fargo CD-13 Mo. | 20,223.87 |
| 5-002-1010-1000 | FIB - Story Checking | 6,037.75 |
| 5-002-1020-1000 | Hilltop-Story Undesignated | 16,040.92 |
| 5-002-1021-1000 | FIB - Story Camp Store | 1,276.32 |
| 5-002-1022-1000 | Hilltop-Story Operations | (351.84) |
| 5-003-1010-1000 | BOW - Skyline Checking | 5,085.37 |
| 5-003-1022-0000 | Hilltop-Skyline Operations | 80.04 |
| | Total Cash and Investments | <u>413,594.26</u> |

Accounts Receivable

| | | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1-001-1410-1000 | Insurance | 10,331.24 |
| 1-001-1420-1000 | Per Capita | 62,895.78 |
| | Total Accounts Receivable | <u>73,227.02</u> |

Inventory

| | | |
|-----------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1-001-1510-3000 | Books of Order | 25.80 |
| 1-001-1530-3000 | Planning Calendars | (16.30) |
| | Total Inventory | <u>9.50</u> |

Prepaid Expenses

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| 1-001-1310-2000 | Bulk Mail Deposit | 509.63 |
| 1-001-1320-2000 | AMBI Postage Deposit | 400.00 |
| | Total Prepaid Expenses | 909.63 |

Total Current Assets **487,740.41**

Property and Equipment

| | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|------------|
| 5-001-1905-4000 | Rock Springs Property | 90,000.00 |
| 5-001-1910-4000 | Property-Office | 148,000.00 |
| 5-001-1920-4000 | Furniture/Fixtures | 30,764.00 |
| 5-001-1950-4000 | Reserve for Depreciation | (1,908.00) |
| 5-002-1910-4000 | Property | 205,762.35 |
| 5-003-1910-4000 | Property | 189,463.04 |

Total Property and Equipment **662,081.39**

TOTAL ASSETS **\$1,149,821.80**

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL**Current Liabilities**

| | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| 1-001-2120-6000 | Payroll Taxes Payable | \$1,127.65 |
| 1-001-2150-6000 | Deferred Income-Per Capita | 62,895.78 |
| 1-037-2134-3600 | Medical Escrow-Stated Clerk | 20.00 |
| 1-039-2136-3600 | Medical Escrow-Admin Assistant | (5.64) |
| 5-001-2010-7000 | Current Portion PILP Loan | 10,228.97 |
| 5-001-2030-7000 | Current Portion Synod Acc Loan | 2,260.86 |
| 5-001-2120-6000 | A/P Federal Taxes | 120.20 |
| 5-036-2132-0000 | Medical Escrow-Gen. Presbyter | 528.36 |

Total Current Liabilities **77,176.18**

Long-Term Liabilities

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| 5-001-2510-7000 | PILP-Office Loan | 16,243.38 |
| 5-001-2530-7000 | Synod-Access Loan | 13,518.28 |

Total Long-Term Liabilities **29,761.66**

TOTAL LIABILITIES **106,937.84**

Designated Funds

| | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|----------|
| 1-001-3122-1100 | Administrative Commission | 5,210.71 |
| 1-001-3123-1100 | Judicial Commission Fund | 3,963.36 |
| 1-001-3124-1100 | Designated-Future New Equipmnt | 2,679.05 |
| 1-001-3126-1100 | Facility Maintenance | 1,660.98 |
| 1-001-3130-1100 | Stated Clerk - GA Mtg Reserve | 500.00 |
| 5-001-3251-2500 | Candidates/Enquirers | 1,824.80 |
| 5-001-3253-2500 | GA Mtg Expense Reserve - GP | 1,600.00 |
| 5-001-3254-2500 | Restoring Creation | 121.78 |
| 5-001-3255-2500 | Pastors Forum | 851.22 |
| 5-001-3256-2500 | Youth Ministries | 1,521.70 |
| 5-001-3257-2500 | Support To Spouses | 1,954.75 |
| 5-001-3258-2500 | Facility Maintenance | 3,000.00 |
| 5-001-3259-2500 | Equip Maint/Purchase | 1,666.97 |

| | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| 5-001-3262-2500 | Mission Trip-Passthroughs | 0.79 |
| 5-001-3263-2500 | Camp Operations Reserve | 3,200.00 |
| 5-001-3265-2500 | Desig-Camp T/F Expenses | 1,172.01 |
| 5-001-3266-2500 | Desig Camp Improvements | 3,098.14 |
| 5-001-3267-2500 | Donations-Mission T/F work | 4,810.00 |
| 5-002-3100-1000 | Story-Designated Funds | 16,040.92 |
| 5-002-3150-1000 | Story-On-Site Undesig Cash | 7,314.07 |
| 5-003-3150-1000 | Skyline-On-Site Undesig Cash | 5,085.37 |
| 5-031-3215-2000 | Ratcliff Loan Fund | 72,301.86 |
| 5-901-3215-2100 | Presby Camp Director Endowment | 3,700.00 |
| 5-901-3222-2200 | Presbytery Ldrshp School | 6,993.63 |
| 5-901-3226-2200 | Clergy Support | 17,265.40 |
| 5-901-3228-2200 | Farm Families | 10,065.56 |
| 5-901-3232-2300 | Isabelle & Eric Fund | 11,123.16 |
| 5-901-3234-2300 | Brouwer Mem. Fund | 586.08 |
| 5-901-3236-2300 | Welsh Scholarship | 663.76 |
| 5-901-3238-2300 | Roberts Mem. Fund | 442.62 |
| 5-901-3242-2400 | Peace Making | 15,351.07 |
| 5-901-3244-2400 | Pentecost Offering | 765.23 |

Total Designated Funds 206,534.99

Property and Equipment Reserves

| | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| 5-001-3000-0000 | Investment in Property-Office | 62,959.04 |
| 5-001-3005-0000 | Investment in Office Furnishng | 28,856.00 |
| 5-001-3010-0000 | Investmnt in Property-Rock Spr | 90,000.00 |
| 5-002-3000-0000 | Investment in Property & Equip | 205,762.35 |
| 5-003-3000-0000 | Investment in Property & Equip | 189,463.04 |

Total Property and Equipment Reserves 577,040.43

Unrestricted Funds Available

| | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| 1-001-3100-1000 | Undesignated Admin Fd-Retained | 36,100.63 |
| 5-001-3100-1000 | Undesignated Mission | 172,948.59 |
| | Net Income | 50,259.32 |

Total Unrestricted Funds Available 259,308.54

Total Capital 1,042,883.96

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL \$1,149,821.80

BUDGET & FINANCE – CORINNE PRATT

Presbytery VOTED to approve the amended 2008 Mission Budget as follows;

| INCOME | 2006 Budget | 2007 Budget | Amended 2008 Budget |
|---|----------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Mission Partnership Funds/ miscellaneous | 70,000 | 66,000 | 61,000 |
| Church pledges | 147,164 | 160,309 | 163,683 |
| Church Redevelopment | 11,000 | 11,000 | 8,000 |
| Interest & Interest Rebate (PILP) | 9,400 | 9,400 | 9,600 |
| Carryover from previous yr/Trans from reserves/Designated gifts | 8,000 | 33,000 | 33,500 |
| TOTAL | 245,564 | 279,709 | 275,783 |

| EXPENSES | 2006 Budget | 07 Budget | 2008 Budget |
|--|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Partnership Funds | | | |
| Development Grants to Churches | 31,000 | 31,000 | 27,200 |
| Camp Program | 20,000 | 22,000 | 22,000 |
| Sub Total | 51,000 | 53,000 | 47,200 |
| Ecumenical Mission | | | |
| Wyoming Association of Churches | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Sub Total | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Presbytery Office | | | |
| Office Expense | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,000 |
| Workers' Comp | 1,200 | 1,200 | 1,200 |
| Sub Total | 21,200 | 21,200 | 21,200 |
| Ministry Support | | | |
| COM - Emergency Assistance | 500 | 500 | 500 |
| COM - Work with Congregations/Pastors | 6,500 | 7,500 | 9,500 |
| Vocations (CPM/CLP) | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| Sub Total | 11,000 | 12,000 | 14,000 |
| Staff | | | |
| General Presbyter | 82,497 | 86,456 | 90,031 |
| Administrative Assistant | 23,841 | 24,980 | 25,979 |
| Professional Expenses/Travel | 19,000 | 18,200 | 19,000 |
| GA Meeting Reserve for GP | | 800 | 0 |
| Cont Ed (incl.GP\$500 book allowance) | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 |
| Continuing Education (Staff) | 3,500 | 3,500 | 3,500 |
| Sub Total | 131,338 | 136,436 | 141,010 |
| Mission Programs & Grants | | | |
| Resource Center | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| Newsletter/Web Site | 9,000 | 9,000 | 9,000 |
| WNLT Support | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,750 |
| Youth Ministry (Triennium - 1/3 est. cost) | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,500 |
| Sub Total | 18,000 | 15,500 | 16,250 |
| Ministry Work Groups | | | |
| Leadership Development(Youth Ministry) | 2,500 | 1,250 | 1,250 |
| Youth Ministry | | 1,250 | 1,250 |
| Evangelism/Church Development | 1,250 | 1,250 | 1,250 |
| Stewardship | 1,250 | 1,250 | 1,250 |
| Sub Total | 5,500 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Other | | | |
| Mission Strategic Planning Task Force | | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| Camping Ministry Task Force | | 16,073 | 16,073 |
| Presbytery Meetings Leadership Expenses | 7,000 | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| Computer Services | 500 | 500 | 750 |
| Maintenance - facility | 1,500 | 1,500 | 2,000 |
| Reserve for Maintenance & Equipment | 1,500 | 1,500 | 2,000 |
| Sub Total | 10,500 | 35,573 | 36,823 |
| TOTAL | 249,538 | 279,709 | 282,483 |
| Difference | (3,974) | 0 | (6,700) |

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY – David Pepper

Presbytery VOTED to approve the transfer of membership for Rev. Catherine Harrison to Inland-Northwest Presbytery pending a request from that presbytery for transfer.

Presbytery VOTED to approve the dissolution of the relationship between Andrea Hinderaker and First Presbyterian Church of Worland pending reception of the request from the congregation. Effective May 31, 2008.

The Committee on Ministry reports the following actions taken on behalf of Presbytery;

1. Received the resignations of Dan Hinderaker and Ralph Nelson from the Administrative Commission to Riverton.
2. Granted permission to Rev. Joel Wright to labor outside the bounds on August 24 2008, to preach and serve communion in the Presbyterian Church in Manning, Iowa.
3. Approved application for Debt Assistance Program for Rev. Jane Busey and gave Bruce Ford permission to forward the application as soon as it is completed.
4. Approved Rev. Roger McDaniels to serve communion at Highlands Presbyterian in Cheyenne and Rev. Dwane DeWald in Rawlins, as Disciples of Christ ministers.
5. Approved the terms of call received to date for pastors in the Presbytery as reported. (Attachment C)
6. Moved the Rev. Andrea Hinderaker to the At-Large roll of the presbytery.

VOCATIONS COMMITTEE – KIMBERLY PEPPER

Presbytery VOTED to enroll Jae-Sun Hwang in the Inquiry Process for Minister of Word and Sacrament.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – JOEL WRIGHT

Presbytery VOTED to approve the changes to the General Presbyter job description (deletions in italics, additions in bold) as follows;

POSITION DESCRIPTION: General Presbyter

TITLE:

General Presbyter

PURPOSE:

To serve as head of staff and to lead the presbytery to discern and implement its mission and priorities for ministry.

ACCOUNTABILITY:

The general presbyter is elected by the Presbytery of Wyoming and is accountable to the presbytery through the personnel committee.

GENERAL GOAL OF THE POSITION:

1. Build trust and unity within the presbytery; maintain healthy presbytery life
2. Staff committees, and assist the implementation of the presbytery's vision
3. Support and encourage presbytery leaders
4. Exercise responsible administrative leadership
5. Facilitate the Presbytery in the process of discerning and implementing its mission and priorities for ministry

JOB FUNCTIONS, TASKS, AND MINIMUM PERFORMANCE RESULTS EXPECTED:

I. **Function: Life of the Presbytery**

A. **Tasks:**

1. Encourage and maintain healthy presbytery life.
2. Build trust and unity within the presbytery and among its leaders.
3. Provide (*pastoral*) care, support and encouragement to presbytery leaders.
4. (*Be a pastor*) **Provide care, support and encouragement** to continuing members, i.e. ministers, of the presbytery
5. Support the ministry of lay leaders serving in the presbytery and larger church

B. **Performance meets minimum expectations when:**

1. All individuals are treated with dignity and respect; following these basic principles:
Focus on an issue or situation, not the person,
Build and maintain self-confidence and self-esteem of others,
Build and maintain constructive relationships with others.
2. Communication is open, direct and respectful(*; anxiety over future is lessened.*)
3. Attention is paid to improving group process within presbytery structures.
4. Personal contact is maintained with presbytery leadership.
5. Continuing contact and support is offered **through the session** to churches. (*and ministers.*)
6. **Continuing contact and support is offered to ministers.**
7. Professional competence is encouraged.
8. Mission of the presbytery, synod and denomination is accurately interpreted.

II. **Function: Administrative Leadership**

A. **Tasks:**

1. Attend and participate in meetings of the presbytery and its committees, task forces, churches and organizations(*, as needed.*)
2. Attend and participate in meetings of other governing bodies and ecumenical organizations(*, as needed.*)
3. Participate in synod and churchwide staff gatherings(*, as appropriate.*)

B. **Performance meets minimum expectations when:**

1. Staff services are appropriate and timely; boundaries between staff and governing bodies are observed.
2. Staff members consult elected leadership as to priorities; staff services match mission priorities.
3. Effective communication and mutually beneficial relationships are maintained between presbytery and other governing bodies and agencies; information is exchanged and work coordinated (*as needed*).
4. Collegiality is encouraged among staff members, and between staff and elected leaders.

III. **Function: Mission of the Presbytery**

A. **Tasks:**

1. Works with the Presbytery council and committees to review and evaluate the mission and structures of the presbytery.
2. Works with the staff, presbytery and its entities to implement actions designed to lead the presbytery in achieving its mission.
3. Interprets and advocates the mission of the presbytery synod and general assembly to the presbytery and its churches.
4. Assists in providing resources for mission development and activities for the presbytery and its churches.

B. **Performance meets minimum expectations when:**

1. (*Presbytery attends to its*) **The GP Supports the mission, mission priorities, and long-range planning (*is undertaken*) of the presbytery.**

2. (*Adequate attention is given to*) **The GP Provides a leadership role in coordinating the** presbytery structure with **its** mission.
3. (*Strategies for mission support and funding are developed and implemented.*)
4. (*Strategies are developed to meet emerging needs.*)

SKILLS, EXPERIENCE AND ABILITIES:

I. Skills

Must possess demonstrated skill in the following areas:

1. Oral and written communication.
2. Computer skills commensurate with the position.
3. Mission Development / Church Development/ **Leadership Development**
4. Care for Pastors and lay leaders

II. Experience

1. An enthusiastic personal relationship with and commitment to Jesus Christ, which are reflected in one's lifestyle.
2. Thorough knowledge of and commitment to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and its mission, doctrine and program.
3. Middle governing body staff experience.
4. Training and experience with conflict management.
5. **Training and experience with leadership development.**

III. Abilities:

1. Ability and desire to lead and function as a responsible member of a staff team.
2. Self-motivating; able to prioritize and organize time and tasks effectively.
3. Professional appearance, ethical conduct and the ability to maintain confidentiality.
4. Builds trust and confidence in the presbytery.
5. Communicates clearly with a variety of congregations.

Evaluation:

A performance review will be conducted within six months from date of employment, and thereafter at least annually. Reviews will be conducted by the personnel committee, based on the position description. Adequacy of compensation will be reviewed at least annually (beginning for the year 2004) or at the time of contract renewal.

Presbytery VOTED to approve a paid sabbatical for the Reverend Ford to be taken March, April, and May of 2009.

COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION

Committee on Representation is working with churches in the presbytery to implement the principles of participation and inclusiveness to ensure fair and effective representation in the decision making of the church.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – JANE MALONE

Presbytery VOTED to elect the following persons to the positions listed;

| Office | Term | Nominee |
|---|-------------|-----------------------------|
| Council Moderator | 2010 | Jane Malone (Mountain View) |
| Council at large | 2010 | Paul Hayden (Jackson) |
| COM – Minister | 2009 | Dennis Butler (retired) |
| Budget & Finance – Minister | 2009 | Curt Barnett (retired) |
| Evangelism & Congregational Devel. – minister | 2010 | Tom Kittleman (Yoder) |
| Synod Coordinating Council | 1 year | |

CAMPING COMMITTEE – LINDA STEELE

Camps have been fully staffed with director and counselors at this time. Recent snow makes camps still inaccessible, they should be open soon. Rock climbing will be available at both Story and Skyline this year. PW has provided \$5000 for new mattresses at the camps which should be purchased soon.

Skyline is still in need of a cook/caretaker couple for the 2008 season.

Encampment and Gillette churches offered to fund camp registration fees for any child in the state who is unable to pay for camp.

CAMPING TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATION – BOB GARRARD

After discussion by the presbytery regarding each of the six items presented, Presbytery VOTED by paper ballot to approve, by a vote of 45 to 11 the following recommendations from the Camping Ministry Taskforce;

1. That the properties of the Presbytery of Wyoming known as Camp Story and Skyline Camp be retained and operated as part of the mission of the Presbytery of Wyoming as led by the Presbytery Mission Statement and Action Items.
2. That the Presbytery of Wyoming establish a Mission Endowment fund to raise six million dollars in three years in hard money, and up to six hundred thousand dollars in readily expendable funds to support the mission of the presbytery.
3. That once funding is available for staff salaries the Presbytery Council, in conjunction with the Personnel Committee, shall establish a search committee for an Associate Presbyter for Mission and Outdoor Ministry and a half-time Administrative Assistant to the Associate Presbyter for Mission and Outdoor Ministry.
4. That the present camping program be maintained and/or expended through the time of the calling of an Associate Presbyter and the hiring of a part-time administrative assistant for Mission and Outdoor Ministry, as the strategic plan for the camping ministry is developed.
5. That the Presbytery Trustees work to resolve any and all property issues prior to the establishment of the endowment fund.
6. That the Presbytery of Wyoming through the Council of Presbytery establish a work group to set up the endowment process.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN – SHERRY FLYR

Sherry issued an invitation to join Presbyterian Women at Camp Story for their annual retreat, August 8-10. Leadership will be provided by the Rev. Mary Davis.

The 2009 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women will be July 11-15 in Louisville KY.

SYNOD EXECUTIVE – ZANE BUXTON

Regarding the Funds development position for the Synod, additional support is being requested to keep Bob Sheldon at this position a little longer. Only other option would be for presbyteries to give up a portion of the block grant to redirect funds back to Funds Development position.

GA grants for partnership funds come to an end by 2010 due to declining mission giving, The Synod will work with presbyteries to develop alternative funding.

Plains & Peaks Presbytery is losing First Greeley to the EPC.

Zane gave a reminder that the WNL conference will be hosted by the Presbyterian Church of Jackson Hole. Hunter Farrell will be the plenary speaker. Registration brochures will be available soon.

The GA form of government project may be delayed by up to 2 years.

GENERAL PRESBYTER – BRUCE FORD

Bruce mentioned what fun everyone had at Joel Wright's roast in Gillette during April. Rev. Bob Ware passed away on April 3, 2008. Bruce highlighted some of his many contributions to the Presbytery of Wyoming through the years, the churches served and the establishment of the Ben & Marie Welsh Memorial Scholarship fund.

Prayers are requested for Winter Memorial, the grant request from Winter will be reviewed next week for approval by GA's Mission Program Grant Committee.

STATEDF CLERK – FRED FETH

Fred reminded presbyters that his reports were received in the consent agenda.

PRESBYTERY MODERATOR – LEE WICKEL

Next presbytery meeting will be held in Worland September 12-13, 2008. Lee is looking for one more worship leader.

EVANGELISM & CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT – CURTIS HILL

Curtis highlighted items from his written report. The Lingle Community Presbyterian Christian Education/youth ministry review is nearing completion. The South Goshen church is looking at a capital campaign for a metal building to add to their property for worship and fellowship.

Nationally the Souper Bowl reported more than 10 million dollars, within the presbytery 10 churches reported \$2,972.61 and 516 cans.

NEW BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lyle Hamilton, Intermountain Children's Home, Helena, MT spoke about their ministry of outreach to children which usually includes several from the state of Wyoming. It is the only organization of its type north and west of Texas providing services for children.

2009 will be the 100th year anniversary for Intermountain Children's Home.

Bruce Ford was honored for the thirtieth anniversary of his ordination as Minister of the Word and Sacrament which is June 25th, 2008.

Sherry Stottler announced that a Silver Spur award will be given to individuals or churches at each stated meeting who exemplify the presbytery's new mission to care, connect and challenge. Rev. Curtis Hill received the first Silver Spur award for his work in creating the Southeast Ministry Area Resource Team.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by moderator, Lee Wickel at 12:00 noon.

The next meeting will be held at First Presbyterian Church in Worland on September 12-13, 2008