



October 12, 2019

Dear Colleagues in the Presbytery of South Dakota,

Within this packet is the pre-mailing for the upcoming presbytery meeting. I ask that you please read through each report ahead of the meeting. This is a very full meeting and we are very excited to have all of us come together!

Guest Speaker : Chip Hardwick

Part One: Faithfulness and Sustainability

- How are faithfulness and sustainability related? Does one tend to come sooner than the other in a congregation? Which should be the priority?
- Does your Session tend to focus more on issues of faithfulness or sustainability? Give an example of one of each that your Session has discussed recently.
- Is it easier to work with your congregation on faithfulness or on sustainability?

Part Two: Congregational Life Cycle

- Where do you think your church is in its life cycle? What leads you to that conclusion?
- What are some steps to help move it toward health and vibrancy?

Other resources: www.presbyterianmission.org/vitalcongregations

- Immediate Toolkit (Congregational Survey, Guide for Neighborhood Exegesis, Devotional for each mark of faithfulness)

October 25 is right around the corner and I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Many blessings,

Kevin Veldhuisen
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STATED MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Friday, October 25, 2019

First Presbyterian Church, Brookings, South Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. REGISTRATION**
9:30 a.m. COMMISSIONER ORIENTATION
10:00 a.m. GATHERING IN THE NAME OF CHRIST
Prayer, Hymn & Scripture Reading

INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS

- Roll of Presbytery as compiled by registration with Enrollment Clerk
Announcement of the presence of a quorum by the Moderator
Presentation of Agenda for adoption
Welcome and Arrangements by First Presbyterian Church
Announcements of Moderator and Stated Clerk
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Sharing of Joys and Concerns

- 11:00 a.m. PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD** The Rev. Donald Buck
Necrology

- 12:00 p.m. LUNCH & PASSING THE PEACE**

- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by The Rev. Dr. Chip Hardwick**

- 3:00 P.M. BREAK**

- 3:15 P.M. OUR RESPONSE TO CHRIST'S CALL**

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NEW BUSINESS

MISCELLANEOUS & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mileage Committee Report
Installation of Presbytery Officers

4:45 p.m. SENDING INTO THE WORLD
Closing Prayer and Benediction
Adjournment

NEXT MEETING—FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2020 at the Lake Gospel Church, Willow Lake, SD.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN

June 21-22, 2019

The Presbytery of South Dakota of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) held its Annual Meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Sioux Falls, SD on Friday and Saturday, June 21-22, 2019.

CONVENING THE PRESBYTERY

The Presbytery was called to order by Presbytery Moderator, Steven Johnson, at 1:01 P.M. and opened the meeting with prayer.

ROLL

The roll for this meeting of the Presbytery was constituted by registration with the enrollment clerk.

The following Teaching Elders and Ruling Elders were enrolled and present as commissioners:

ROLL

Teaching Elders: Everett Bosch, Donald Buck, Ruth Clendenin, William Cooper, Andrew Crandall, Terence Drew, Nathan Esser, Sarah Hagen, David Halleen, Yeongsik Nam, Kenneth Newell, Abigail Ozanne, Janice Palmer, John Pehrson, Richard Poppen, Kathy Saxbury, Steven Voris, Diane Wonnenberg

Commissioned Ruling Elders: Andrew Bellisle, Gayle Janzen, Steven Johnson, Crystal Knock, Jerry Lutkemeier; Paul Penn, Gary Pribyl, Shirley Scotter, Ann Spitzenberger, Mary Van Buskirk

Commissioners: Brenda Johnson – First Presbyterian, Britton; Susan Smith – First Presbyterian, Brookings; Paula Larson – Endeavor Presbyterian, Fedora; Gordon Brooks – United Churches, Hot Springs; Dianne Larson – Spirit Lake Presbyterian, DeSmet; Tami McGuire – First Presbyterian, Rapid City; Judith Symens – First Presbyterian, Sisseton; Holly Butrum – Presbyterian Church of Veblen; Jim Major – First Presbyterian, Wessington; Dave Gilbert – First Presbyterian, Madison; Martha Gesick – Emmanuel Presbyterian, Marion; Richard Palmer – First Presbyterian, Miller; Heidi Norgaard – First Presbyterian, Mitchell; Nina Ripley – First Presbyterian, Onida; Duane Jenner – Oahe Presbyterian, Pierre; Jane Alberda – Olive Presbyterian, Platte; Claire Gillaspey – First Presbyterian, Sioux Falls; Tacey Braithwaite – First Presbyterian, Sioux Falls; Deb Hout – Westminster Presbyterian, Sioux Falls.

Other Voting Members: Jane Hohm, Jim Hulbert, Don Nolting

Others in Attendance: Becky Beauchamp, Mindy Braithwaite, Mindi Buck, Eleanor Harle, Toni Healy, Maynard Isaacson, Betty Jorgensen, Roger Marken, Margaret McDaniels, Sue Miller, Judy Pehrson, Nina Pribyl, Lois Roelofs, Brenda Tibbetts

Corresponding Members: Regan Beauchamp

QUORUM

Moderator Johnson declared the presence of a quorum with:

Teaching Elders: 18

Commissioned Ruling Elders: 10

Commissioners: 19

Other Members of Presbytery: 3

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: 51

AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the Presbytery Agenda. **Agenda adopted as amended on floor.**

INTRODUCTIONS

Teaching elders present for the first time: Everett Bosch, Donald Buck

Ruling elders present for the first time: Deb Hout, Westminster.

MILEAGE COMMITTEE

Moderator Johnson appointed the following to the mileage committee: Rev. Donald Buck and CRE Gayle Janzen.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moderator Johnson presented the Consent Agenda. **Presbytery adopted the following:**

1. That all lay persons and ministers of other denominations serving Presbyterian congregations in the Presbytery of South Dakota who are not temporary members of the presbytery be granted the privilege of the floor for this meeting with voice.
2. Approve the minutes of the March 1, 2019 stated meeting.

REPORTS FROM PRESBYTERY OFFICERS AND STAFF

MODERATOR'S REPORT

This is the day the Lord has made let us purpose within our hearts and minds to rejoice and be glad in it! I was involved in the decision-making process regarding the February Presbytery meeting at Camp Rimrock. Weather reports were not looking good for the 22nd of February so after a discussion with our Stated Clerk and Moderator of A&C, I made the decision to postpone the meeting until March 1st. We discussed the possibility of postponing the March 1st meeting because of the weather forecast and we were looking at March and April as possible alternatives. (Good thing we didn't postpone since those months weren't so great weather-wise either) We met at Camp Rimrock on March 1st and weather conditions did hinder many from attending the meeting. It was my privilege at this meeting to install Jane Hohm as the Vice Moderator of the Presbytery of South Dakota. We also had great presentations from the Camping Commission regarding the future of Camp Rimrock.

On June 8, 2019 I had the privilege to assist in the installation process of Donald Buck at First Presbyterian Church in Britton. As Moderator of the Administrative Commission which consisted of Carolyn Visser, Kristi Holler, Ruth Clendenin, Paul Symens, Jerry Lutkemeier, and myself, we voted to proceed to install Donald Buck as the Minister of Word and Sacrament at First Presbyterian Church. Congratulations to Donald Buck and the people of First Presbyterian Church in Britton!

As Moderator, I continued the monthly moderator meetings via Zoom. In the past four months I have attended face to face meetings of Administration and Coordination in Huron and the CRE Commission meeting in Fedora. I have attended conference calls via Zoom of the following ministry teams: A&C Planning subcommittee, Congregational and Pastoral Care ministry, Ministry of Development and Education, and the Camping Commission. I appreciate all of you and the work you do for and with the Presbytery of South Dakota!

I am looking forward to our gathering together for worship at this coming Presbytery meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Sioux Falls and our special guest Reverend Doctor Marcia McFee!

STATED CLERK AND TRANSITIONAL MISSION COORDINATOR REPORT

New Website

By the start of the presbytery meeting on June 21 we *should* have our new website launched. A tremendous thank you to Caitlin Pischa of Sioux Falls (and formerly of Tuthill Community Church) for all of her time and efforts in the building and design of our new website. We could not have done it without her!

Coaching and Visioning Team

I participated in the leadership coaching training for our Coaching and Visioning Team this Spring. I am very proud of the work of this team and I am eager to see the fruits of their labor!

Additional Protections in Pastoral Search Process

I am very proud that a year of pressuring the Office of General Assembly has finally translated to action. A colleague and I have been working for a year to add an additional layer of protection to the pastoral search process to make sure our churches are not innocently calling “troubled” pastors. Through the support and “heft” of the other stated clerks in our synod we will now have an opportunity for stated clerks (and soon Exec Presbyters and COM moderators) to see an indication associated with a pastor’s online database file that will warn us if notations exists with a pastor’s file. It will essentially raise a red flag that additional conversations should be had with their existing presbytery and to seek additional references to see what concerns have arisen throughout their past ministries. This is a huge shift for the denomination and I truly hope this helps us avoid troubled pastors who may sneak their way into our churches.

Representing Presbytery of SD

It has been a very busy time of travel for me and I have represented the Presbytery of SD in the following ways since our last presbytery meeting:

- Led service trip to Florida for Hurricane relief efforts with other fellow Presbyterians from SD
- Guest speaker at Synod Leadership Summit in Buffalo, MN
- Board of Pensions Connections Conference in St. Paul, MN
- Synod Forum of Presbytery Leaders in Eagan, MN
- Synod of Lakes and Prairies stated meeting in Farmington, MN
- General Assembly Special Committee on Per Capita in Ft Worth, TX
- Synod review of presbytery minutes, Lakeshore Center in IA
- General Assembly special task force for providing better training and onboarding of mid-council leaders, Louisville, KY (I cancelled my participation due to our website launch)

Synod Minutes Review

I attended the annual synod minutes review for all of the stated clerks within the Synod of Lakes and Prairies. The 2018 minutes of the Presbytery of SD have been approved with 3 minor silences.

Presbytery of SD Membership

Total membership of active members, based on 2018 statistics of the 45 churches that reported in (out of 60), within the Presbytery of South Dakota is 6,067. We gained 132 members, lost 128 to death or certificate transfer, and 144 listed as “other” losses. The “other” category is traditionally used for churches cleaning their rolls. With that in mind, the difference in actual membership may more accurately be presented as positive gain of 4 members *in the year 2018*.

Minister Transactions

The following minister transactions have been initiated, or will be upon conclusion of this presbytery meeting, with the Office of General Assembly: Sylvan Williams, deceased; David Cook, received from Missouri Union; Paul Henschen, received from Northern Plains; Donald Buck, received from Peace River; Jerry Berterlson, received as temporary member of POSD from American Baptist Church (USA)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Tami McGuire gave a report on the status of our finances and introduced herself to the assembly. If anyone has any questions or concerns about our finances they are encouraged to give her a call.

CRE COMMISSION

The CRE Commission presented Eleanor Harle for commissioning for a 3 year term of limited pastoral service within the presbytery. Eleanor has completed her training as a Commissioned Ruling Elder (CRE) and is qualified for limited pastoral service with the Presbytery of South Dakota. **Commission Approved.**

Gary Pribyl and Florence Hoff were also recommended for recommissioning. Therefore a motion was made to approve the recommissioning of Gary Pribyl and Florence Hoff to limited pastoral service within the Presbytery of South Dakota for an additional 2 years. **Recommissioning approved.**

WORSHIP AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Sermon: Rev. Dr. Marcia McFee

Administration of Sacraments: Rev. David Halleen

COMMISSIONING OF COMMISSIONED RULING ELDERS

The CRE Commission, upon request of Moderator Johnson, commissioned Eleanor Harle as a Commissioned Ruling Elder, commissioned to limited pastoral service within the Presbytery of South Dakota.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION I: THE REV. DR. MARCIA MCFEE

Rev. Dr. Marcia McFee was our guest speaker during this meeting and offered an insightful and passionate presentation about new ways of engaging people in worship.

CAMPING AND FAITH FORMATION

Summer Camp and Triennium

Don Nolting gave an update on the Summer Camp program and let people know that there are still openings for this summer's camp. There is also one opening for the Youth Triennium, so please contact Denise Lutkemeier if you have a youth who is interested and able to go.

Rimrock Redevelopment

The design process continues to move forward for a new retreat building at Rimrock. Due to weather it has been difficult to get the elevations for the proposed site, but upon completion of that phase the design process will continue. The finalized drawings will be presented at the October presbytery meeting and greater details on the campaign to raise the funds will also be presented at that time.

COACHING AND VISIONING TEAM

Jerry Lutkemeier gave a presentation on the new Coaching and Visioning Team which is now trained and ready to begin work with congregations. For more information please visit the presbytery website under the Ministry Teams section of the site.

KOREAN CONGREGATION OF SIOUX FALLS

The presbytery celebrated the upcoming election of ruling elders within the Korean Congregation of Sioux Falls. This action officially constitutes this ministry as a congregation in every sense, and this is indeed a joyous day for this congregation.

CONGREGATIONAL AND PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY TEAM**Action taken on behalf of the Presbytery:**

Approved the Call of the Rev. Donald Buck to the FPC of Britton, beginning April 15, 2019.

The Terms of Call are:	Salary	\$41,000
	FRV of Manse	\$12,300
	Auto reimburse at IRS rate	\$2,000
	Continuing Education (annually)	\$1,000
	Moving Costs up to:	\$2,500
	<u>BOP Dues 37%</u>	<u>\$19,721</u>
	Potential Total	\$78,521

Approved the Call of the Rev. Paul Henschen to the FPC of Sturgis, beginning June 1, 2019

The Terms of Call are:	Salary	\$30,368
	SECA Allowance	\$4,131
	Forgone Interest on below market loan	\$1,097
	Housing Allowance	\$35,596
	BOP Dues 37%	\$22,988
	Medical Dental Reimbursement	\$2,400
	<u>Interest-free loan for home purchase</u>	<u>\$9,900</u>
	Potential Total	\$106,480

Approved the Call of the Rev. David Cook to TUC of Hot Springs, beginning June 1, 2019

The Terms of Call are:	Salary	\$33,500
	FRV of the Manse	\$11,550
	Utility Allowance	\$5,000
	SECA supplement	\$2,260
	Auto reimbursement at SD rate	\$2,500
	Continuing Education	\$1,500
	Moving Costs up to	\$5,000
	<u>BOP Dues 37%</u>	<u>\$18,518</u>
	Potential Total	\$68,278

Approved the Call of The Rev. Jerry Bertelson, an ABC pastor, to the United Church of Canistota, beginning August 1, 2019.

The Terms of Call are:	Salary	\$50,000
	SECA supplement	\$3,825
	Housing Allowance	\$4,000
	Auto reimbursement at IRS rate	\$2,500
	Continuing Education	\$1,000
	Moving Costs (up to)	\$2,500
	Pension, D&D through ABC	\$10,000
	<u>Health Insurance through ABC</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>
	Total	\$83,825

In addition, Pastor Bertelson is required to take the CRE classes on Polity and Worship/Sacraments before he moderates the session or administers the sacraments at the United Church of Canistota.

The CPC Ministry team has also made small financial grants to 4 pastors in the Presbytery to have experienced financial distress due to flooding, fire, or other emergency needs.

Additionally, CPC encourages churches and pastors to read their Board of Pensions news regarding three Ministerial Support Initiatives: Debt assistance, Pathways to renewal (reduced dues – full benefits), and Healthy Pastors – Healthy Congregations.

Also, through the Board of Pensions, any church employees who work more than 20 hrs/wk are eligible for benefits through the BOP. Those benefits include: participation in the Medical plan, the Pension plan, or contributions to a 403(b) plan.

MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

MDE has been monitoring the closing of Table of Grace fellowship in Harrisburg, as Kristie Berglund has left to care for her father in Las Vegas. The ministry's outstanding debts have been paid. A listing of participants and an exit review will be forthcoming with Kristie. MDE sends Kristie our condolences on the loss of her mother, and prayers for comfort, peace and guidance for God.

The Hope Co-Op in Sioux Falls is thriving and is applying for a \$25,000 Investment Grant from 1,001 Worshiping Communities through the PC(USA). MDE has approved a matching grant of \$15,000 (from the Church Development/Redevelopment Fund) in order to meet the Investment Grant requirements.

MDE has been trying to discern the most helpful way to offer educational opportunities to equip and encourage our congregations. A feedback tool is part of the packet for the June 2019 POSD meeting in Sioux Falls. Please take a moment to fill it out and remit it to Kevin or Cindy!

Bob Jacobs, Paul Penn, and Kevin Veldhuisen attended the Synod Leadership Summit in Minnesota in late April. The focus was on PNC and Personnel issues.

A CRE cohort is set to begin in Willow Lake in the fall of 2019.

The Presbytery-sponsored mission trip to Florida was a success. MDE is discussing ways we might form longer-term mission relationships, and how we could improve and expand the trip for 2020.

The Presbytery mission project in Raymond, SD, on June 7 is in great shape. As of now there are about 20 volunteers and a little over \$1400 at the ready.

ADMINISTRATION AND COORDINATION MINISTRY

The following actions of A&C Ministry are taken from the minutes of March 29 and May 31, 2019 minutes.

For Presbytery Information

Video Observation of Presbytery Meetings

A motion was made to continue providing video observation of presbytery meetings via Zoom or other technologies. This would be for observation only. Motion passed.

Actions taken on Behalf of Presbytery

Communicator Position

Kristie Berglund has announced her resignation from the Communicator role due to a move to Nevada to help her parents, effective in May. An exit interview will be coordinated with her through Personnel.

The Personnel sub-committee will seek to hire a new Communicator due to the resignation of Kristie Berglund.

Website Project

A motion was made to pay Caitlin Pisha \$958.50 to help complete the website project. The funds will come from the Emerging Needs fund. Motion passed.

Financial Services

A motion was made to take over our presbytery's cash management, recordkeeping, and payroll, and to no longer utilize the synod's Financial Services office for the aforementioned services, effective January 1, 2020. This motion also includes the purchase of Automated Church Systems software with the understanding that this software will be purchased no later than September 1, 2019. Motion passed.

General Assembly

A motion was made to initiate an application process for the selection of commissioners to General Assembly. Nominations will be made by Ministry Resource and forwarded to presbytery of final selection. Motion passed.

Presbytery Meeting Locations

A motion was made to move the Winter Stated meeting of presbytery to the end of January and to place it on a Saturday. This will go into effect on January 25, 2020, in Willow Lake. Motion passed.

Annual Stated Meeting of 2020

A motion was made to move the Annual Stated Meeting of Presbytery in 2020 to July 10-11, 2020, due to General Assembly. Motion passed.

For Presbytery's Action

Coaching and Visioning Team

The following submission to the presbytery's Manual of Administrative Operations will be presented as a motion to the June 21-22, 2019, Presbytery meeting:

The Coaching and Visioning Team (CVT) is established by the Presbytery of South Dakota as a ministry team consisting of specifically trained volunteers who will work directly with our congregations in times of visioning, in times of conflict, or in any times in which a greater level of expertise and care would be required. This team (CVT) will encompass the former work of Response Coordination (thus eliminating it.) CVT will work in partnership with the Congregational and Pastoral Care (CPC) Ministry Team and have a liaison designated to relate and to participate with CPC.

The Coaching and Visioning Team will engage with a local congregation by request of that congregation or through consultation between the Moderator of CVT, the Moderator of CPC, and the Mission Coordinator/Stated Clerk of the presbytery.

The Coaching and Visioning Team is a *non-authoritative* ministry team of the presbytery and is not subject to term limits nor the traditional nomination process. Members will be selected by the existing membership of the team and in consultation with Congregational and Pastoral Care, the Moderator of the Presbytery of South Dakota, and the Mission Coordinator/Stated Clerk of the presbytery. **Motion Adopted.**

MINISTRY RESOURCE

The presbytery is now offering an application process to help in the selection of General Assembly commissioners and Young Adult Advisory Delegate. The office will be sending out the applications next week, but they are also available through the office upon request.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

“**PW** the strongest, most faithful, productive, industrious, unselfish, dependable, necessary group within the PCUSA, supporting the denomination’s policies, interpreting mission, preaching the gospel, and giving our time and talents for no other reason than a desire to serve God and humankind.”

--Hazel Fuhrmeister, Moderator of PW 1994-97 ... A statement made over 20 years ago.

The six values of PW continue to play a vital leadership role within our congregations:

1. PW is committed to God and Church.
2. PW has courage, ingenuity, determination, and relentlessness.
3. PW is committed to diversity, inclusiveness, and antiracism.
4. PW is generous. PW is the largest mission organization in the PCUSA.
5. PW is committed to community, connectional, and ecumenical & interfaith relations.
6. PW is open to change.

Out of the Believers Heart was the theme for the annual PW Presbytery of SD Spring Gathering on Saturday, April 27, 2019, at the First Presbyterian Church in Brookings. **Ann Spitzenberger, C.R.E.**, led the worship service with communion.

MISSION:

1. **Jeanne Jones Manzer** - Spoke about a grass root group of citizens in Brookings, which was formed to welcome the growing number of Latinos moving into the county to work. The project is called **Benevidas a Brookings** and provides food, clothing, minimal furniture, with services to Immigration and Custom Enforcement in Sioux Falls. The offering that day went to this cause.
2. **Linda Barnett** – Spoke about **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance**. She is a PDA-PW Disaster Preparedness Trainer. Being prepared can’t eliminate the chaos of a disaster, but it can reduce the chaos and suffering. She is willing to present to your church. Contact her. Be prepared!
3. **Lisa Heth** – Spoke on human trafficking. She is the Executive Director of **The Pathfinder Center** near Chamberlain. It provides essential services for survivors of human trafficking and needs funds. The waiting list is long. Additional staff is needed. This project is the mission focus for PWP-SD for 2019. Send contributions to PWP-SD Treasurer – Lois Stanfield, Sioux Falls.
4. **Judy Rops** – Spoke about **In His Steps: Pathways of Peace’s Holy Land Breast Cancer Project**. This was a previous PW Thank Offering recipient, but it is still in need of generous contributions.

NOW: The PW Synod Gathering is taking place in Ames, Iowa, June 20-23. – Guest speakers: Elona Street-Stewart, Synod Executive / Rev. Kathy Reeves, Retired Mission Coordinator for PW/PCUSA

PRESBYTERY IN RECESS

At the conclusion of the day on Friday, Moderator Steven Johnson put the meeting in recess until 9:00 A.M. Saturday morning.

SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2019**RECONVENING THE PRESBYTERY**

The Presbytery was called back to order by Presbytery Moderator, Steven Johnson, at 9:03 A.M. and opened the meeting with prayer.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION II: THE REV. DR. MARCIA MCFEE

Rev. Dr. Marcia McFee offered Part 2 of her presentation at this time.

MILEAGE COMMITTEE

Gayle Janzen gave the mileage committee report. The following report was **approved**:

Total Miles Driven: 4,938
Mileage subtotal: \$ 726.92
Donated to POSD: \$ 88.64
Final Cost: \$ 638.28

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**Salem Commission**

Upon request of Dick Poppen, moderator of the Salem Administrative Commission, the presbytery was asked to dissolve the current AC and to form a new one to continue discussions with the church in Salem. Members of this new AC will be appointed by the Moderator of the Presbytery of South Dakota and are given the authority to negotiate and transact all details associated with the dissolution of partnership between the Presbytery of South Dakota and the United Methodist District of SE South Dakota and to report their decisions at the next stated meeting of presbytery. **Motion postponed until a report of the AC can be offered at the next stated meeting.**

NEXT MEETING

Moderator Johnson announced the next stated meeting of presbytery is Friday, October 25, 2019, at First Presbyterian Church in Brookings, SD.

ADJOURNMENT

Moderator Johnson **adjourned** presbytery at 11:22 A.M. with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kevin Veldhuisen
 Stated Clerk and Transitional Mission Coordinator

Moderator's Report Presbytery of South Dakota October 2019

This is the day the Lord has made let us purpose within our hearts and minds to rejoice and be glad in it! In the June 2019 Presbytery meeting we were blessed to have Dr Marcia McFee from the Worship Design Studio with us as our guest speaker. I first met Dr McFee at the Pastor's School in Hastings, NE and I was impressed with her style of worship instruction. I found out she was teaching a class at the San Francisco Theological Seminary on Worship in the 21st Century and I eagerly enrolled in the fall semester of 2017. Working with the A & C Planning Subcommittee, we will be having Chip Hardwick in our October meeting speaking on Church Vitality. I am looking forward with anticipation to this meeting.

On September 29, 2019 I had the privilege to assist in the installation process of Paul Henschen at First Presbyterian Church in Sturgis. As Moderator of the Administrative Commission which consisted of John Pehrson, Bob Jacobs, Diane Janssen-Hemmen, Shari West-Twitero, Marcia Johnston and myself, we voted to proceed to install Paul Henschen as the Minister of Word and Sacrament at First Presbyterian Church. Congratulations to Paul Henschen and the people of First Presbyterian Church in Sturgis!

On October 6, 2019 I had the privilege to assist in the installation process of Jerry Bertelson at United Churches of Canistota in Canistota. As Moderator of the Administrative Commission which consisted of Carolyn Visser, Kristi Holler, Gayle Janzen, Jane Hohm and myself, we voted to proceed to install Jerry Bertelson as the Minister of Word and Sacrament at United Churches of Canistota. Congratulations to Jerry Bertelson and the people of United Churches of Canistota!

On October 13, 2019 David Cook was installed as pastor of the United Churches of Hot Springs. I assisted with the preparing of the Administrative Commission but was unable to attend the actual installation service in Hot Springs. My thanks goes to John Pehrson for moderating the Administrative Commission and taking on the roll I was supposed to do in the service. Thanks, John! Congratulations to David Cook and the congregation of the United Churches of Hot Springs.

As Moderator, I continued the monthly moderator meetings via Zoom. In the past four months I have attended face to face meetings of Administration and Coordination in Huron and the CRE Commission meeting in Fedora. I have attended conference calls via Zoom of the following ministry teams: A&C Planning subcommittee, Congregational and Pastoral Care

ministry, Ministry of Development and Education, and the Camping and Faith Formation Commission. I appreciate all of you and the work you do for and with the Presbytery of South Dakota!

I am looking forward to our gathering together for worship at this coming Presbytery meeting at First Presbyterian Church in Brookings and our special guest Chip Hardwick! This will be the last Presbytery meeting that I will be the Moderator of as my term is coming to a close. I have appreciated the opportunity to serve as your Moderator for this past year or so. I have enjoyed working with the moderators of our Ministry Teams and being a part of the Ministry Team meetings. We have a great group of servants in our Presbytery and we are truly blessed by their service. My thanks to all of you! Also, our church, Lake Gospel Church in Willow Lake is looking forward to hosting the Presbytery meeting in January 2020!

The Peace of Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

Steven

STATED CLERK AND MISSION COORDINATOR REPORT October 25, 2019

Minister Transactions

The following minister transactions have been completed and are registered with the Office of General Assembly: transferred Jeffrey Kintner to Pueblo Presbytery; received Donald Buck from Peace River Presbytery, David Cook from Missouri Union and Paul Henschen from Northern Plains. Removed Sylvan K. Williams from rolls due to death. Added Jerry Bertelson as Temporary Member from American Baptist Church.

Annual Reports for Congregations

Annual reports for congregations will be sent out in early January once we're past the busy holiday season. Anyone wishing to receive their reports earlier will be granted that ability upon request.

Proof of Insurance

Our insurance for the presbytery is up to date and I will be meeting with our insurance agent to discuss any adjustments that may need to be made for 2020. Administration and Coordination will review these suggestions at their upcoming meeting.

Synod Coaching Program

I have been appointed by the synod to create a plan for a synod-wide coaching program for both sessions / congregations and also for pastors / CREs within the churches of the synod.

Conferences

I will be attending the Mid-Council Leader's gathering in Baltimore, Oct. 17-21. I have always found this to be a very fruitful conference and this year I am leading 2 workshops, one of the new digital pastor's files and one regarding our per capita based system of funding.

ADMINISTRATION AND COORDINATION MINISTRY

October 25, 2019

The following actions of A&C Ministry are taken from the minutes of July 11, August 22, October 4, and October 10, 2019 minutes.

For Presbytery Information

Line of Credit for Camping and Faith Formation

Don Nolting, moderator of the Commission on Camping and Faith Formation requested an additional line of credit for \$10,000 to help cover summer staff costs. A motion was made to extend a line of credit to the Commission on Camping and Faith Formation of \$20,000 that can be drawn upon through December 31, 2019. **Motion Approved.** It was also decided that a joint meeting between CCF and A&C would be held on August 22, 2019 to discuss the camp's financial condition and to find ways of better supporting the work of CCF.

Salem AC Request

The Salem AC has requested assistance from the Property and Legal sub-committee of A&C due to struggles in negotiating with the UMC. Steven Johnson will contact Jeff Nelson to see if he will agree to liaising with this AC. **Motion Passed.**

On August 22, 2019 a joint meeting of Camping and Faith Formation and Administration and Coordination was held. Decisions that were jointly agreed upon:

A motion was passed to challenge congregations to pledge \$100 a month in support of the outdoor ministries program.

A motion was passed to define an annual financial support of camping from the presbytery.

Moderator Diane Janssen Hemmen tasked Kevin Veldhuisen and Tami McGuire to research documents on each of our camp properties regarding their current deeds and other conditions relevant to their sale.

Actions taken on Behalf of Presbytery

Communicator

A motion was presented by the Personnel team to approve their candidate for the Communicator position. Louise VanPoll was nominated and approved at a salary of \$5,200 a year. **Motion Passed.**

Communicator

A motion was made to direct Kristie Berglund to train Louise VanPoll for the Communicator position. This training period should not exceed 3 months (ending Nov 30, 2019). **Motion Passed.**

Action Items for Presbytery Approval

A motion is made to approve the proposed budget for 2020 as presented by A&C. (Appendix A)

DRAFT BUDGET 2020

INCOME

4001.01 Per Capita (estimated \$1.00 increase)	\$165,000.00
4010.01 Presbytery Shared Mission	\$120,000.00
4050.01 Synod Support	\$ 15,000.00
4801.01 Interest/Net Realized Gains	\$ 20,000.00
4901.01 Misc. Donations	\$ 2,000.00
4990.01 Transfer from Other Designated Funds	\$ 5,000.00
Total Estimated Income	\$327,000.00

EXPENSE**Presbytery Expense**

5001.01 GA Per Capita Apportionment	\$ 54,299.65
5002.01 Synod Per Capita Apportionment	\$ 33,368.50
2101.01 GA Shared Mission (\$3k increase)	\$ 10,000.00
2121.01 Synod Shared Mission (\$2k increase)	\$ 15,000.00
5110.01 Presbytery Meetings	\$ 5,000.00
5120.02 Presbytery Moderator	\$ 1,500.00
5125.01 Moderator Conference	\$ 1,000.00
5163.01 Presbytery Commissions	\$ 2,000.00
Total Presbytery Expense	\$122,168.15

Administration and Coordination Expense

5210.01 Ministry Team Meetings	\$ 5,000.00
5220.01 Financial Review	\$ 1,500.00
5240.01 Insurance for Presbytery and Camps	\$ 17,500.00
Total A and C Expense	\$ 24,000.00

Camping and Faith Formation Expense

6390.01 Camp	\$ 10,000.00
5914.01 Youth Rally	\$ 7,000.00
5013.01 Trienium	\$ 1,500.00
Total Camping Expense	\$ 18,500.00

Congregational and Pastoral Care Expense

5320.01 Session and Record Review	\$ 500.00
5410.01 CPC Ops	\$ 1,500.00
5450.01 Pastors Retreat	\$ 2,000.00
Total Expense for Congregational and Pastoral Care	\$ 4,000.00

Ministry Development and Education Expense

6140.01 Mileage and Ops	\$ 2,000.00
6141.01 Ministry Development	\$ 2,000.00
6142.01 Education	\$ 2,000.00
Total Expense for Ministry Development	\$ 6,000.00

Certified Ruling Elders Commission Expense

TBD # Student Supplies	\$ 5,000.00
TBD # Team Meetings	\$ 1,000.00
Total Expense for Certified Ruling Elders	\$ 6,000.00

Coaching and Visioning Expense

TBD # Team Meetings	\$ 5,000.00
Total for Coaching and Visioning	\$ 5,000.00

Staff Expense

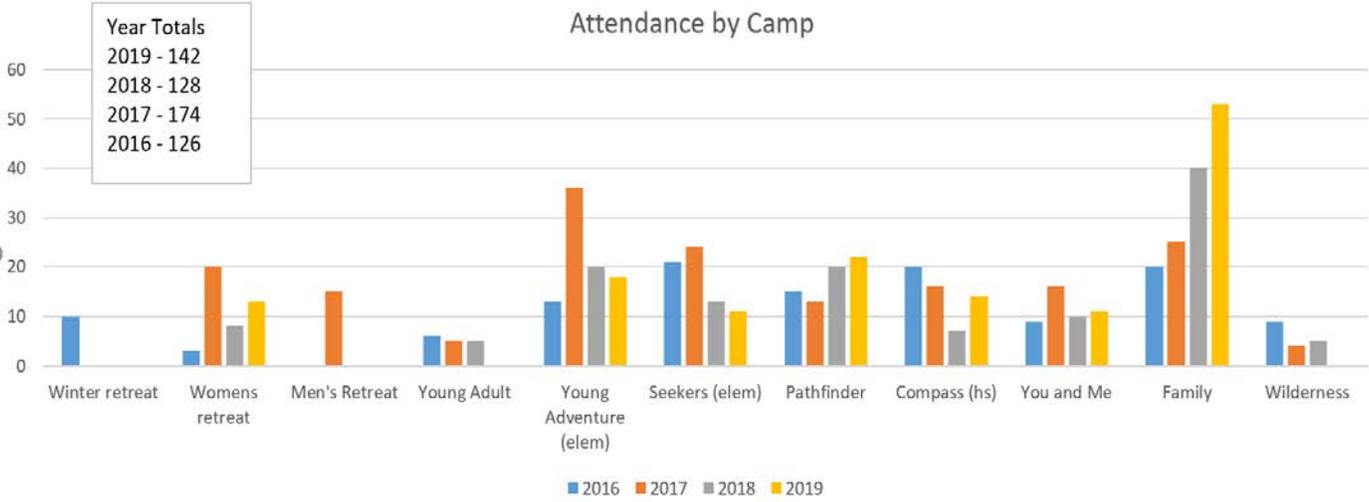
7120.01 Stated Clerk Salary 2% cola	\$ 49,980.00
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7125.01 Stated Clerk SSI	\$ 3,823.47
7217.01 Pension and Insurance	\$ 17,890.00
7220.01 Stated Clerk Travel	\$ 10,000.00
7225.01 Stated Clerk Professional Expense	\$ 2,000.00
7230.01 Stated Clerk Continuing Ed	\$ 2,000.00
7880.01 Treasurer with 2% cola	\$ 5,304.00
TBD # Treasurer SSI	\$ 405.75
7782.01 Treasurer Travel	\$ 1,000.00
7701.01 Administrative Secretary with 2% Cola	\$ 25,350.99
TBD # Administrative Secretary SSI	\$ 1,939.35
TBD # Administrative Secretary Bonus	\$ 1,000.00
7701.01 Bookkeeping Fees/Annual Software Subscription	\$ 2,500.00
7771.01 Payroll Expense	\$ 500.00
Total Staff Expense	\$123,693.56
Office Expense	
7810.01 Supplies	\$ 3,000.00
7820.01 Postage	\$ 2,500.00
7830.01 Telephone	\$ 2,500.00
7845.01 Background	\$ 1,000.00
7850.01 Equipment Repair	\$ 1,000.00
7855.01 Maintenance	\$ 500.00
7870.01 Rent	\$ 9,000.00
7880.01 Misc/Website support	\$ 2,500.00
Total Office Expense	\$ 22,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$327,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$331,361.71
PROJECTED NET INCOME/LOSS	- \$ 4,361.71

Camping & Faith Formation Commission Report
 October 26, 2019

• **Camping and Retreat Ministry Numbers**

- Camping Attendees in 2019 represented 14 churches within the state, as well as 3 campers from North Dakota.



	2016	2017	2018	2019
Retreat Ministry Groups	37	34	32	31 YTD
Estimated Totals		423	801	TBD
		P = 158	P = 345	
		R = 265	R = 456	

• **2019 Presbyterian Youth Triennium**

- South Dakota presbytery was represented by 20 youth and adults, with youth from Britton, Huron, Lemmon, Onida and Brookings attending.
- Sisseton Presbyterian youth also attended, but were registered through the Minnesota delegation.
- The South Dakota delegation partnered with Minnesota Presbytery in providing bus transportation.

Highlights from Annual Commission Retreat

- Projected \$11,000 deficit for 2019
 - Some funds to come in yet before final numbers can be determined.
- Established process / plan to build partnership with all churches in our camping ministry, mission and support.
- Camping Financials are transitioning to SD Presbytery Treasure – Tami McQuire.
- Camp Rimrock Retreat Center on hold for now due to financial constraints.
 - Commission did propose gathering construction bids to determine cost.
- Adding second Family Camp next year.
- Standardized Retreat User fees for both Camp Rimrock and Pioneer to \$25 per person per night with \$75 per family maximum.
- Increased provided meal fees to \$6 - \$8 - \$10 – with a minimum of 12 guests established.
- Looking into the purchase or grant opportunity for an AED.
- Part time admin assistance position is currently vacant.
 - In depth review of job description planned before proceeding.
- 2020 Officers
 - Moderator – Denise Lutkemeier
 - Vice Moderator – Carolyn Visser
 - Secretary – TBD

2020 Camp Dates – Mark Your Calendars!

Youth Rally	April 3-5
Women's Retreat	May 1-3
Pioneer Disc Tourney	May 16
Work Camp	May 22-25
Young Adventure Camp	June 7-12
Day Camp	June 15-19
Seekers	June 21-26
You and Me	June 27-30
Family Camp 1	July 2-5
Compass	July 5-11
Trailblazer	July 12-18
Adventure Camp	July 19-24
Day Camp	July 27-30
Family Camp 2	July 31- Aug 3
Men's Retreat	Oct 9-12



October 4, 2019

Dear Friends/Sessions,

We are deeply proud to provide a meaningful and life-changing ministry opportunity for youth and adults across the Presbytery of South Dakota through our programs at Camp Rimrock and Pioneer. We truly do love the camping and retreating ministry of the Presbytery of South Dakota and we hope that your congregation loves it, too!

The camping ministry makes a difference in many people's lives. Here is what one camper says:

"Camp has become like a second home to me. I have made so many new friends at camp. I feel safe enough at camp to be who I am without feeling like I am going to be judged. Thank you for an amazing week and thank you for creating a safe space to feel God's love." ~ 2019 high school camper

Every outdoor ministry, regardless of size and numbers, needs a broad base of direct support from congregations like yours, as well as individuals throughout our presbytery to sustain our camping program. Over the past two years we have largely supported our outdoor ministries through the annual presbytery budget, additional financial support for \$25,000 – \$50,000 annually provided by presbytery reserve funds, and from generous gifts from congregations and individuals throughout the presbytery. Our ministry heavily relies on these contributions from individuals and churches and we are grateful for each and every dollar received. In fact, we are asking your congregation to prayerfully consider a designated annual gift to help us continue providing these ministries and hopefully help them grow!

As you consider your 2020 budget and beyond, we have a specific request of each congregation in our Presbytery: could you give an additional \$100 on a monthly basis in *new* financial support? This is the additional financial support needed to sustain our current camping and retreat programs and properties, and to do so in a meaningful way.

Any additional gifts committed or increased in 2020 will be a gauge for the Commission on Camping and Faith Formation and the Presbytery's Administration and Coordination ministry team to continue to discern how we offer a camping and retreating ministry in our presbytery, and to what extent we offer it, so if your congregation can provide more then please prayerfully consider that option! Your congregation's choice to financially support this ministry, and at what level you commit, will be your way of voicing your desire to partner with us and guide future decisions relative to our properties and the ministries provided.

Thank you for joining with us in our mission of providing unique spaces and opportunities for all people to connect with God, self and others. We look forward to seeing the ways God works through our Presbytery in 2020!

In Christ,

Commission on Camping and Faith Formation and Administration and Coordination Ministry Team

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Presbytery Report- October 25, 2019
Congregational and Pastoral Care Ministry

Action taken on behalf of the Presbytery:

- a. Approved a request from First Presbyterian Church of Brookings to form a PNC.
- b. Approved Jerry Bertelson to administer the sacraments and moderate Session for the United Church of Canistota.
- c. Approved the following Ruling Elders from First Presbyterian Church of Huron to serve communion Huron (for a period not to exceed one year): Cris Peterson, Diane Clayton, Robert Brooks, Matt Gilbert, Brandon VanOverschelde, Louise Van Poll, Doug Pietz.
- d. Approved the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between Rev. Jeffery Kintner and First Presbyterian Church of Rapid City. The committee voted to dismiss Rev. Kintner to the Presbytery of Pueblo in Colorado.
- e. Approved Denzel Nonhof's request to labor outside the bounds of the Presbytery at a 150th anniversary celebration of a church in Kansas.
- f. Approved CRE Eleanor Harle to administer the sacraments at First Presbyterian Church of Mitchell.
- g. Approved a request from First Presbyterian Church of Rapid City to form a PNC.

Ministry Resource Report of Nominations

Administration and Coordination (A & C)

PW – Mary Jenner

TE – class of 2022 .. Rolly Kemink (2nd term)

TE – class of 2022 _____

TE – class of 2022 _____

RE – class of 2022 _____

RE – class of 2022 _____

Camping and Faith Formation

(This Committee has limits of 3 terms)

TE - class of 2022 Kristi Holler

TE - class of 2022 ..Abigale Ozanne (2nd term)

RE - class of 2022Robert Brooks

RE – class of 2022Andrew Belisle

Congregational Pastoral Care Commission (CPC)

TE – class of 2021 Katherine Saxby

TE – class of 2021Ruth Clendenin

TE – class of 2020 _____

TE – class of 2022 _____

TE –class of 2022Sara Hagen, (2nd term)

RE – class of 2022Ken Miller

RE – class of 2022 Tacey Braithwaite

Ministry Development & Education (MD&E)

TE - class of 2021 Donald Buck

TE – class of 2022 _____

RE – class of 2020Jane Alberdo

RE – class of 2022.Eric Noyes (2nd term)

RE – class of 2022 Eleanor Harle

Commissioned Ruling Elder Commission

RE – class of 2022 Gayle Janzen

Permanent Judicial Commission (PJC)

PJC terms are for 6 years.

TE/RE – class of '24Larry Froistad

Readers for Ordination Exams

These positions are not subject to term limits.

TE – Terry Drew, (2nd term)

TE Alternate –Mike McCullum

RE –Claire Gillaspey, (3rd term)

RE Alternate -Jerry Lutkemeier

Presbytery Vice Moderator

Vice Moderator 10/19-10/20, Moderator 10/20-10/21

TE _____

General Assembly Commissioners

TE Janice Palmer

TE Alternate Sarah Hagen

REPaul Penn

RE AlternateAnna Nielson

Young Adult Advisory Delegate _____

YAAD Alternate _____

Ministry Resource Committee

Current Members

TE.Lisa Danielson

RE.Larry Froistad

RE Carolyn Petik

RE Denise Lutkemeier

PW REPORT

35 Presbyterian Women groups are active in the South Dakota Presbytery, always keeping in mind the PW Purpose:

Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ,

And empowered by the Holy Spirit,

We commit ourselves:

- **To nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study**
- **To support the mission of the church worldwide**
- **To work for justice and peace, and**
- **To build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian church (U.S.A.) and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom.**

These groups carry out this creed from the April Spring Gathering through the following April Gathering. The **2020 Spring Gathering** will be **April 25** at **Emmanuel Presbyterian Church in Marion, SD**. The theme will be: "Who's My Neighbor?"

The current Mission project, the Pathfinder Center in central SD, is a focus until next April. So far, about \$1000.00 has been received and will be sent. Funds will be sent to the designated mission quarterly, so the funds are readily available and can be used as needed. The PW Coordinating Team was glad to learn of a mission in SD, but needs to consider a mission for 2020-2021. Please give ideas to anyone on the coordinating team.

A year from now, **Sept. 25-26, 2020**, PW has scheduled a **Faithful Women Fall Retreat**. It will be held at the **Crossroads in Huron**. Registration will be 2-3 PM Friday afternoon. A meal and evening session will complete the day. After a continental breakfast, the morning session and noon meal follows. After a closing session, guests will head home, about 2 or 3 PM. More details will be given to PW's later.

PW operates on a three-year cycle. One year (2018) a Churchwide Gathering is held. The next year (2019) there is a Synod Gathering (this past summer, in Ames, Iowa). (Eleven from SD Presbytery attended). The third year (2020) there is a fall retreat in each Presbytery. (See previous paragraph.)

Mary Jenner
NEW Moderator of PW in the Presbytery