



January 14, 2020

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!

We have chosen not to bring in a guest speaker to this meeting in order to create the opportunity for us to connect with one another and to grow deeper in our connection. We encourage everyone to join us for this time of collaboration and fellowship.

January 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**

**Saturday, January 25, 2020**

**Lake Gospel Church, Willow Lake, 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 Lake Gospel Church  
Announcements of Moderator and Stated Clerk  
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- 11:00 a.m. PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD** The Rev. Kristi Holler
- 12:00 p.m. LUNCH & PASSING THE PEACE**
- 1:00 p.m. SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS**
- 2:00 p.m. OUR RESPONSE TO CHRIST'S CALL**  
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**INSTALLATION OF VICE MODERATOR**

*NEW BUSINESS*

*MISCELLANEOUS & UNFINISHED BUSINESS*

Mileage Committee Report

**4:30 p.m.**

**SENDING INTO THE WORLD**

Closing Prayer and Benediction  
Adjournment

**NEXT MEETING—FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JULY 10-11, 2020 at UNITED, HOT SPRINGS**

## Moderator's Report by Jane M. Hohm

Last January I received an e-mail from an unknown sender, Steve Allman. Often I delete such messages without reading, especially when the subject line is blank. Only God knows what prompted me to do otherwise on that particular day. Steve was writing on behalf of the Presbytery of South Dakota's Nominating Committee. He asked me to prayerfully consider a call to be Vice Moderator of the POSD in 2019, and if the way be clear, to serve as Moderator in 2020. Never had such a call entered my mind. As early as third grade, I began feeling passionate about becoming a teacher; I felt I was in control of my destiny and prepared in every way possible to see this passion to fruition. The call to eventually serve as Moderator of our Presbytery felt very different. I was certainly anything but prepared! What was God thinking? Was I worthy of this call? I immediately began prayers of discernment; God was not sending me any messages to decline. Before making a final decision, I turned to those people closest to me. Their support and encouragement can best be summed up in the idea that "if God led me to it; He would see me through it".

Throughout my life, God has been on board! I was born on St. Patrick's Day in 1952 and am one of five children, all of whom are believers. My youngest sibling is the Prioress of Sacred Heart Monastery in Yankton, SD. Yes, I was raised Catholic. In 1974 I married my husband, John (who, by the way, also has a St. Patrick's Day birthday)! We have two sons and three grandchildren. When our sons were young, I made the big decision to become Presbyterian to enable us to worship together as a family. I believed God would recognize me and love me wherever I attended church! I became Presbyterian in 1978, served as Clerk of Session in Hastings, NE, and now at Emmanuel Presbyterian Church in Marion, SD. John and I "retired" in 2013 from careers in education in Hastings and Kearney, NE. I don't think we were particularly good at retirement; however, as John still works at Ace Hardware part time, and I love substitute teaching! We are also in the process of flipping a house! Just for the record, I am practicing saying "no" to other projects at this time in order to fulfill my responsibilities as Moderator!

The past year I attended all of the Presbytery meetings, as well as committee meetings when available. In November I attended Moderators Training in Louisville and got crash courses in *Robert's Rules of Order*, strategies for conflict management, the role of Moderator as a spiritual leader, and took a tour of the Presbyterian Center. One presenter reminded participants that we are called to be faithful, not perfect! That was very reassuring! It resonated beautifully with what I once heard about God not calling only the qualified but rather qualifying the called! In December I met with Steven Johnson, Kevin Veldhuisen, and Diane Janssen Hemmen for the purpose of sharing transition components and updating calendars for January committee meetings.

My dream for Presbytery this year is that we grow in faithfulness and fellowship. Through the building of personal relationships, perhaps it can be a year where all churches have a renewed commitment to the Presbytery as evidenced by increased meeting attendance and participation in committee work.

My closing thoughts for each of you are shared from Susie Larson's *Blessings for Every Day*. "May you learn to trust God in increasing measures. When He calls, may you follow where He leads, step out without having all of the information, speak up without having all the answers, and look up when your circumstances threaten to weigh you down. May you live, breathe, and speak as one who is ensured victory and equipped to do the impossible."

## STATED CLERK AND MISSION COORDINATOR REPORT

January 25, 2020

### **Minister Transactions**

The following minister transactions have been completed and are registered with the Office of General Assembly: removed Don Barbalace from minister rolls (deceased).

### **Annual Reports for Congregations**

Annual reports for congregations have been sent and are now be returning to the office. Deadline for reports is February 20.

### **Special Committee of General Assembly**

By the time of our meeting I will have largely completed my work on the GA special committee on per capita and financial sustainability. It has been a very long and difficult task that took me away from my presbytery work on a regular basis and I appreciate the support that I have received during this past year as we worked toward restructuring the denomination and the system that funds it.

### **Study Leave**

I am working diligently to plan and coordinate my study leave which will run March 5 – May 31. My first day back in the office will be June 1. I have completed a 2 day assessment at Leaderwise in the cities which included study leave planning and coaching that will assure the greatest level of return for both myself and the presbytery. Jim Hulbert (Iroquois) and Jerry Lutkemeier (Wilmot) have agreed to cover my day-to-day stated clerk responsibilities and Pam Prouty (Synod Stated Clerk) has agreed to be on call for all matters necessitated an acting stated clerk's guidance or presence. Cindy in the Presbytery Office will be the first point of contact for those needing resourcing or assistance and she will direct each person to the committee moderator that can best facilitate their need. I am very thankful for this time away from my day to day ministry work so I can separate myself for a while to exam be restored, to evaluate my leadership style, to grow in my faith and formation, and to reconnect with my family who has missed their daddy and husband when I am away as often as I am.

### **Annual Report Filed for State of SD**

Our Annual Report to the State of SD was filed in December to update our officers with the Secretary of State to maintain our organization.

**CONSENT AGENDA**  
**Presbytery of South Dakota**  
**January 25, 2020**

In order to optimize our time together we are heavily utilizing the Consent Agenda for this meeting. **Any Ruling Elder commissioner or Teaching Elder commissioner can remove any item on the Consent Agenda by standing and making that request.** The item would then be placed in the agenda and discussed. Questions for clarity about a particular item are welcome. To remove an item, no second is needed, and no discussion or vote are needed.

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 October 25, 2019 stated meeting.

## ADMINISTRATION AND COORDINATION MINISTRY

### January 25, 2020

*The following actions of A & C Ministry are taken from the minutes of November 22, 2019 and January 10, 2020 minutes.*

### For Presbytery Information

#### Staff Mileage Rates

A motion was made to specify within the Manual of Operations that Presbytery staff will be reimbursed for mileage at the current year's IRS rate for employees. **Motion was referred back to finance subcommittee for continued conversation in partnership with Personnel subcommittee.**

#### Presbytery and Installation Offerings

A motion was made to transfer the current balance of \$8,132 of the Presbytery and Installation Offerings fund over to the Leadership Development Fund. **Motion was approved.**

#### Study Leave for Kevin Veldhuisen

Personnel has approved for Kevin to take an extended study leave March 1 – May 30, 2020. A & C concurred that it is in the sole discretion of Personnel to make the decision. In the January meeting the study leave date was amended to March 5 – May 31, 2020. Kevin will return to work on June 1, 2020. Plans to cover for Kevin in his absence were discussed in the January meeting.

#### Additional Vacation Time for Cindy Bailey

Personnel made a motion to provide an additional 2 ½ days of vacation each year for Cindy Bailey beginning in 2020. This will bring her total annual vacation to 12 ½ days. **Motion was approved.**

#### CRE Vote at Presbytery Meetings

A&C took time to discuss the current policies regarding vote for CREs at Presbytery Meetings. After discussion the group affirmed the current policies within the Manual of Operations that broadly specifies that CREs may only have vote if they are currently serving as a moderator of session, with exception of those elected as the commissioner for their home congregation.

#### Discernment Team for Wilmot

A motion was made to approve the election of a 4 person discernment team to meet with First Presbyterian in Wilmot. The team presented by Diane Janssen Hemmen, and in concurrence of Nathan Esser on behalf of Congregational and Pastoral Care, is RE Holly Butrum, RE Jim Hulbert, and TE Janice Palmer. A 4th member of the team will be confirmed by Diane Janssen Hemmen and Nathan Esser. FPC of Wilmot will also provide 4 representatives for the discernment team. They will hold 3 meetings within the next 6 months and Kevin Veldhuisen will provide training for the team.

#### Yankton Property

A motion was made to send Chad Ensz and Paul Penn of the Coaching and Visioning Team (CVT) to continue meeting with the Yankton session prior to any decisions and concurrence of the presbytery regarding the sale of the property. The session is encouraged to have at least two additional meetings with the CVT. Administration and Coordination will make its decision after a final report of the visioning team representatives. **Motion was approved.**

### **November 2019 Financials**

The November financials were presented for discussion.

### **Removal of Nolting from Bank Accounts**

With the transition of moderators within the Camping and Faith Formation Commission a motion was made to remove Don Nolting from all bank accounts. **Motion was approved.**

### **January 25 Presbytery Meeting**

Agenda Planning team presented the agenda for the January 25, 2020 presbytery meeting. **Motion was approved.**

### **Call Seekers Video**

The creation of a Call Seekers video was discussed and received wide support. For now, it was referred back to Kevin Veldhuisen and Caitlin Pisha to research the perceived benefits of other such videos that are currently in use by other mid-councils around the country. This data will be presented at the February 21, 2020 meeting of A&C for final decision of this video at that time.

### **Ministry Team Roundtable**

A discussion of bringing the ministry teams together in some sort of roundtable discussion was had. This had a favorable response and was referred to the ministry team moderators to discuss at their next Zoom call.



Presbytery of South Dakota  
Camping & Faith Formation Commission Report  
January 25, 2020

- Camping Financials have transitioned to SD Presbytery Treasurer – Tami McQuire.
  - Exploring financial audit options
  - Financial deficit for 2019
  - No pending reservations at either camp at this time.
  - Ongoing financial and camp attendance support is essential to continuation of our ministry.
- Update on process / plan to build partnership with all churches in our camping ministry, mission and support.
  - Approximately \$3500 received in 2019
  - Still compiling 2020 pledges.
  - Anticipate additional contacts to pastors / session clerks

**2020 Camp Dates – Mark Your Calendars**

Event	Date
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

**Camp Tidbits / Needs**

- Do you know someone who would make a great camp counselor? Talk to Jason W.
- Register early!
- Always a need for Chaplains...
- Be on the watch for camp packet coming to your church.

**Did You Know??**

- Camp Pioneer is just 30 miles from Terry Peak?
- User fees for both Camp Rimrock and Pioneer to \$25 per person per night with \$75 per family maximum.
- Meal fees: \$6 - \$8 - \$10 – with a minimum of 12 guests established.

- Presbyterian Youth Rally
  - April 3-5, 2020, Ramkota Hotel in Pierre.
  - Theme for rally will be based on Jeremiah 17:10 "But I the Lord search all hearts and examine secret motives. I give all people their due rewards according to what their actions deserve."
  - Speaker - Lance Griese, from Britton. will speak on living a life of a servant and he will help us discover how we can serve our Lord and others in a way that will better our own being.

### **Commission on Ruling Elder Commission Report**

The CRE Commission is currently training nine elders. They meet monthly at Willow Lake. Continuing education for current Commissioned Ruling Elders takes place twice a year; in Bison and Watertown. CRE's also complete two independent studies each year. Eleven churches in the Presbytery of South Dakota are being served by CREs. Others, including Eleanor Harle, are available to work with congregations in various capacities.

For more information please contact a commission member (Jerry Lutkemeier, Steven Johnson, Gayle Janzen, Carolyn Visser, Janice Palmer, or Dick Poppen[520-3098])

## **PWP REPORT 2019**

### **Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of South Dakota**

PW held their Spring Gathering on April 27, at First Presbyterian Church in Brookings. Overnight and morning snow kept some at home, but 45 attended. Presentations about Bienvenidos a Brookings, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and the Pathfinder Center filled the morning. Worship with communion, dedication of special offerings, necrology, installation of new officers, and a business meeting filled the afternoon. ( Trudi Nelson finished her second term as Moderator, and Mary Jenner began her term as Moderator.)

PWPCT( Coordinating Team) met in February to finalize details for the Spring Gathering, and again in October to hear reports and make plans for 2020. Meeting were at First Presbyterian in Huron.

The SLAP ( Synod of Lakes and Prairies) held their triennial Synod Gathering, June 20-23, at Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa. Eleven from SD attended (Linda Barnett, Dianne Boatright, Pat Boelman, Margaret Ellefson, Diane Helin, Betty Huebner, Mary Jenner, Trudi Nelson, Judy Rops, Lois Stanfield, and Louise Van Poll ).

Mission has always been a focus of PW. Local groups gave as they felt led, to the Birthday Offering, Thank Offering, Fellowship of the Least Coin, and Centsability (formerly Hunger Fund ).

Mission project for June-December (and on into 2020) was the Pathfinder Center which ministers longterm to victims of trafficking. Through hard work and generosity, over \$7,000 was donated in 2019. Donations will continue to be received through April, 2020.

Though many of SD's PW's struggle, due to small numbers and rural locations, they strive to fulfill 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 community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (USA) and witnesses to the promise of God's Kingdom.

In the planning stages are the 2020 Spring Gathering, April 25, at Marion, SD, and the Faithful Women's Fall Retreat ( triennial event ), September 19, at the Crossroads in Huron, SD.

Mary Jenner,

PWP Moderator (2019-2022)



**STATED MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF SOUTH DAKOTA****FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH****October 25, 2019**

The Presbytery of South Dakota of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) held its Fall Stated Meeting at First Presbyterian Church in Brookings, SD on Friday, October 25, 2019.

**CONVENING THE PRESBYTERY**

The Presbytery was called to order by acting Presbytery Moderator, Steven Johnson, at 9:59 A.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:

**Teaching Elders:** Jerry Bertelson, Marcus Brooks, Donald Buck, Lew Christensen, Ruth Clendenin, David Cook, William Cooper, Lisa Danielson, Terence Drew, Chad Ensz, Nathan Esser, Sarah Hagena, David Halleen, Pat Hammond, Paul Henschen, Kristi Holler, Bob Jacobs, Diane Janssen Hemmen, David Johnson, Brian Jones, Yeongsik Nam, Abigail Ozanne, Janice Palmer, Richard Poppen, Kathy Saxbury, Carolyn Visser, Steven Voris, Barbara West, Diane Wonnenberg.

**Commissioned Ruling Elders:** Eleanor Harle, Gayle Janzen, Cheryl Jenner, Steven Johnson, Carolyn Petik, Paul Penn, Gary Pribyl, Shirley Scotter, Cheryl Van Asperen, Mary Van Buskirk, Paula Zavitz.

**Commissioners:** Judy Ann Barnard – Bonilla Presbyterian, Bonilla; Brenda Johnson – First Presbyterian, Britton; Rick Salonen – First Presbyterian, Brookings; Marsha Kurtenbach – Bemis Holland Presbyterian, Clear Lake; Dianne Larson – Spirit Lake Presbyterian, DeSmet; Sue Gose – First Presbyterian, Huron; Dave Gilbert – First Presbyterian, Madison; Martha Gesick – Emmanuel Presbyterian, Marion; Richard Palmer – First Presbyterian, Miller; Bob Sprang – First Presbyterian, Mitchell; Nina Ripley – First Presbyterian, Onida; Duane Jenner – Oahe Presbyterian, Pierre; Jane Alberda – Olive Presbyterian, Platte; Claire Gillaspey – First Presbyterian, Sioux Falls; Paul Penn – First Presbyterian, Sioux Falls; Suk Kludt – Korean Church of Sioux Falls, Sioux Falls; Deb Hout – Westminster Presbyterian, Sioux Falls; Judith Symens – First Presbyterian, Sisseton; Wanda Blair - First Presbyterian, Sturgis; Grace Gleason – Presbyterian Church of Veblen, Veblen; Lon Greenfield – Presbyterian Church of Watertown, Watertown; Jim Major – First Presbyterian, Wessington; Ron Berger – First Presbyterian, Whitewood; Alana Hansen – First Presbyterian, Wilmot.

**Other Voting Members:** Jane Hohm, Mary Jenner, Don Nolting

**Others in Attendance:** Mary Ann Berger, Nancy Jensen-Miller, John Hohm, Lance Griese, Eunhi Kim, Chip Hardwick.

**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 as amended on the floor. **Agenda adopted.**

### **INTRODUCTIONS**

**Teaching elders present for the first time:** Jerry Bertelson, Canistota; Dylan VanMeveran, Parker; David Cook, Hot Springs; Paul Henschen, Sturgis; Donald Buck, Brittan;

**Ruling elders present for the first time:** Suk Kludt – Korean Church of Sioux Falls; Rick Salonen – First Presbyterian, Brookings

### **MILEAGE COMMITTEE**

Moderator Johnson appointed the following to the mileage committee: CRE Gayle Jansen, TE Kristi Holler.

### **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 June 21-22, 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! 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!

## **STATED CLERK AND TRANSITIONAL MISSION COORDINATOR REPORT**

### **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 passed 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.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

### **Financials**

Year to date financials are strong with a net income of approximately \$13,000 as of Sept 30, 2019.

### **Bookkeeping**

We will continue the transition over to our own bookkeeping with an effective start date of January 1, 2020.

## **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**Sermon:** Rev. Donald Buck, First Presbyterian, Brittan

## NECROLOGY REPORT

The Necrology Report was read aloud in honor of the leaders who passed in 2018. Appendix A.

## ADMINISTRATION AND COORDINATION MINISTRY

*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) **Budget approved.**

## MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

On behalf of Hope Co-Op, Chad Ensz submitted an application to the Mission Development Resources Committee (MDRC) for a New Worshiping Community Investment Grant of \$25,000. Chad has since learned that Hope Co-Op has received the grant! The ministry of Hope Co-Op is growing, and Chad is excited about the future of the ministry there.



MDE is walking with Eleanor Harle on her process of discernment in ministry. Eleanor has been enrolled as an inquirer, and Dick Poppen has been designated as her liaison to MDE.

A new process is being initiated in the CRE training program. There are currently 9 -10 people enrolled in the program for Fall of 2019, meeting at Willow Lake. The fall Continuing Education sessions will be held at Bison on Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> and at Watertown on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>.

The Raymond mission project was a big success! 36 people worked on the project during June, July, and August. Volunteers worked on the Sanctuary, bathroom, stained glass, and painting inside and outside. Many thanks to all who helped! MDE will discuss the possibility of future similar projects at their next meeting.

A possible Presbytery mission trip for 2020 is being discussed. Please watch your mailboxes and inboxes for details.

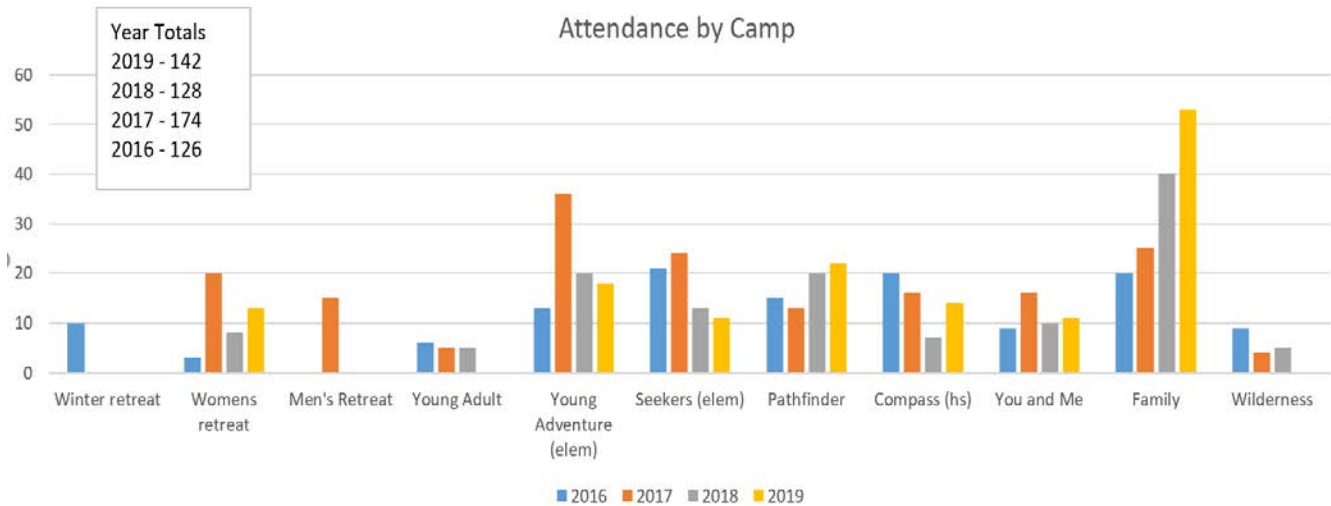
MDE authorized up to \$3000 from the Leadership Development Fund to send additional commissioners from the Camping Commission to the PCCCA conference in North Carolina in November.

Due to the uncertainty of the weather, no educational program will be slated for the January 25 POSD meeting in Willow Lake.

### CAMPING AND FAITH FORMATION

- **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

**CONGREGATIONAL AND PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY TEAM****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 150<sup>th</sup> 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.

**COMMISSION ON COMMISSIONED RULING ELDERS**

Currently 23 ruling elders have received their commissioning. Of those, 13 are leading congregations and at least 4 others are moderating sessions. Others are serving congregations in significant areas.

Required continuing education events are scheduled on each side of the state twice a year. Two approved independents studies are also a part of the program.

Newest class of ruling elders are meeting monthly in Willow Lake with nine students enrolled in the program.

**MINISTRY RESOURCE**

The Ministry Resource Committee submits the following **bold face** nominations for the positions and classes indicated. **Docket of nominations approved.**

**Administration and Coordination (A & C)**

- PW – ..... Mary Jenner
- TE – class of 2022 . . . Rolly Kemink (2<sup>nd</sup> term)

**Camping and Faith Formation**

*(This Committee has limits of 3 terms)*

- TE – class of 2022. . . . . Kennen Barber-Ensz
- TE - class of 2022 . . . . . Kristi Holler
- TE - class of 2022. . . . . Abigale Ozanne (2<sup>nd</sup> term)
- RE - class of 2022 . . . . . Robert Brooks
- RE – class of 2022 . . . . . Andrew Belisle

**Congregational Pastoral Care Commission (CPC)**

- TE – class of 2021 . . . . . Katherine Saxby
- TE – class of 2021 . . . . . Ruth Clendenin
- TE –class of 2022 . . . . . Sara Hagen, (2<sup>nd</sup> term)
- RE – class of 2022 . . . . . Ken Miller
- RE – class of 2022 . . . . . Tacey Braithwaite

**Ministry Development & Education (MD&E)**

- TE - class of 2021 . . . . . Donald Buck
- TE – class of 2022 . . . . . Paul Henschen
- RE – class of 2020 . . . . . Jane Alberdo
- RE – class of 2022. . . . . Eric Noyes (2<sup>nd</sup> term)

RE – class of 2022 . . . . . Eleanor Harle

**Commissioned Ruling Elder Commission**

RE – class of 2022 . . . . . Gayle Janzen

**Permanent Judicial Commission (PJC)**

TE/RE – class of '24 . . . . . Larry Froistad

**Readers for Ordination Exams**

*These positions are not subject to term limits.*

TE – . . . . . Terry Drew, (2<sup>nd</sup> term)

TE Alternate – . . . . . Mike McCullum

RE – . . . . . Claire Gillaspey, (3<sup>rd</sup> term)

RE Alternate - . . . . . Jerry Lutkemeier

**General Assembly Commissioners**

TE . . . . . Janice Palmer

TE Alternate . . . . . Sarah Hagen

RE . . . . . Paul Penn

RE Alternate . . . . . Anna Nielson

**MILEAGE COMMITTEE**

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

**Total Miles Driven: 9,454**

**Mileage subtotal: \$ 1392.21**

**Donated to POSD: \$ 455.41**

**Final Cost: \$ 936.80**

**INSTALLATION OF PRESBYTERY MODERATOR**

Moderator Johnson led a service of installation to install Jane Hohm as Moderator of the Presbytery of South Dakota, effective January 1, 2020.

**NEXT MEETING**

Newly-elected Moderator Jane Hohm announced the next stated meeting of presbytery is Saturday, January 25, 2020 at Lake Gospel Church in Willow Lake.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Newly-elected Moderator Jane Hohm **adjourned** presbytery with prayer and a benediction at 4:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kevin Veldhuisen  
Mission Coordinator and Stated Clerk

## **APPENDIX A**

### **2020 Approved Budget for Presbytery of South Dakota**

**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
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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

**Commissioned Ruling Elder Commission Expense**

TBD # Student Supplies	\$ 5,000.00
TBD # Team Meetings	\$ 1,000.00
Total Expense for Commissioned 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
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**

**APPENDIX B****Presbytery of South Dakota Necrology Report for 2018**

<u>Church</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Passing</u>	<u>Comments</u>
<b>Aberdeen, First</b>	Janelle Kapperich	October 10, 2018	Elder since 1993, Deacon since 1997
	Jerroll (Jerry) Erdmann	March 17, 2018	Deacon since 1993
<b>Bison, First</b>	Patricia A. Poseley	January 28, 2018	Deacon
	Alice I. Vetter	May 20, 2018	Deacon
<b>Brookings, First</b>	Harland (Lindy) Wickstrom	November 7, 2018	Elder since 2003
	Elizabeth (Betty) Berg	October 17, 2018	
	Robert Peterson	January 7, 2018	
<b>DeSmet, Spirit Lake</b>	Calvin Poppen	January 8, 2018	Elder since 1971
<b>Hot Springs, United</b>	Verna Schur (Goehring)	November 11, 2018	Elder
	Cleo Gameaux	January 17, 2018	
<b>Lemmon, Spencer Memorial</b>	Laura Mosley	March 1, 2018	
	Laorraine Dietterle	July 26, 2018	
	Hazel Kruse	August 30, 2018	
	Alfred Gabe	August 20, 2018	
	Neil Hoff	October 21, 2018	
<b>Lake Andes, First</b>	Dorothy Beemer	February 24, 2018	Elder since 1969
<b>Marcus, First</b>	Vern Simons	June 1, 2018	Longtime Member
<b>Marion, Emmanuel</b>	Gary L. Wieman	May 21, 2018	Elder since 1973
	Marlene Miller	July 11, 2018	Longtime Elder
<b>Martin, Lindsey Memorial</b>	Nancy Allen	March 1, 2018	Three term Deacon
<b>Miller, First</b>	Ethel (Mrs Fred) Brown	March 12, 2018	
	Ruth Siverston	July 19, 2018	
	Donna Widmayer	December 21, 2018	
<b>Mitchell, First</b>	Geneva Delber	November 11, 2018	Elder since 1975
	Jessie Garton		Elder since 1997, Life-long member
<b>Parker, First</b>	Don Langerock	March 1, 2018	Elder since 2000
	Grace Stratton	September 2, 2018	
	Lila Langrehr	July 20, 2018	



<b>Platte, SD</b>	Bruce Bakken	November 18, 2018	Elder since 1966
<b>Rapid City, First</b>	Daniel Redin	May 30, 2018	Elder since 2007
<b>Sioux Falls, First</b>	Stan Van De Berg	May 1, 2018	Deacon since 1981
	Bette Joan Callis	March 9, 2018	
	Therese "Teri" Dickmeyer	February 20, 2018	Longtime PW member
	Donald Herrick	December 30, 2018	
	Marcene Sveen	August 26, 2018	
<b>Sioux Falls, Westminster</b>	Ronald L Hines	March 22, 2018	Elder since 1964, Charter member
	Marv Roelofs	July 25, 2018	
	Geraldine (Gypsy) Hines	September 1, 2018	Elder since 1983, Charter member
	Nancy McGowan	June 15, 2018	Deacon since 2012
	Phyllis Tuch	August 18, 2018	Deacon
<b>Sioux Falls, Wild Flower</b>	Ardello Kjergaard	April 10, 2018	
<b>Sturgis, First</b>	Robert Hobernicht	January 9, 2018	Elder since 1988
	Tae Hoshino	May 5, 2018	Elder since 1987
	Jim Sigman	April 18, 2018	Elder since 1999
	Morris Hallock	August 11, 2018	Elder since 2005
	Gladys Edwards	November 4, 2018	Elder since 1994
	Marcella Nonnast	November 7, 2018	Elder since 2004
<b>Tyndall Presbyterian</b>	Bernard Winkler	March 19, 2018	
<b>Veblen, Presbyterian</b>	Earl, Risdall	March 4, 2018	
	Jeanne Risdall	November 11, 2018	Active member and PW
<b>Yankton, Peace</b>	Jerry Shade	November 2, 2018	Elder since 1996