

**PRESBYTERY OF THE INLAND NORTHWEST
STATED MEETING
November 20, 2009**

The November Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Inland Northwest was held on Friday, November 20, 2009 at East Valley Presbyterian Church of Otis Orchards, Washington. The meeting was opened with prayer led by Moderator Richard Welch at 10:00 am.

A quorum was present as shown by the following roll:

Roll

Ministers Present: 36

William Ailes	Nancy Goodwin	Kenneth Onstot
Paul Anderson	Daniel Grether	Eric Peterson
Gary Bowker	Cathy Harrison	Paul Rodkey
Jim Burford	Heather Jepsen	Pamela Starbuck
Greg Carter	Susan Keim	Bill Stonebraker
Forrest Claassen	Scott Kinder-Pyle	Marcia Taylor
Karen Claassen	Sheryl Kinder-Pyle	Larry Veith
Cecil Corbett	Donald Liebert	Bill Ward
Gary Foster	Donald Meekhof	Steve Watts
Norman Fowler	Walter Miller	Mark Wheeler
Ron Frase	Betsey Moe	Steve Wilbraham
Diane Frelander	John Noah	Cynthia Wuts

Ministers Absent: 72

Russell Alsgaard	Robert Eyman	Terry McGonigal
Janice Anderson	Karen Finch	Mark McIlraith
Richard Avery	Kevin Finch	Paul McLarren
Odin Baugh	Art Finney	Amy McNelly
Frank Beattie	Bruce Glover	Matthew McNelly
Keith Beebe	Craig Goodwin	Richard Melin
Ted Broadway	J Weaver Hess	Joshua Mikelson
Josh Bruns	Jon Hoadley	Mary Jane Miles
Brad Buff	LuAnn Howard	Neil Munro
Erik Buhl	James Howell	Steve Neuder
Michael Bullard	Jean Jenkins	Matthew Paul
Bob Burdett	Jack Jennings	William Peterson
Glenn Carlson	Phyllis Johnson	Howard Redmond
Cynthia Carter	Arthur Johnstone	Paul Seebeck
Douglas Clegg	Hunter Keen	Mindy Smith
Nancy Copeland-Payton	Charles Klauadt	Ray Smith
Donald Cornish	Mark Klohe	John Sowers
Barbara Coyle	Gerard Kuiper	Scott Starbuck
Tim Dolan	George Lacy	Gail Stearns
Robert Duryee	Ki-beom Lee	Janeen Steer
Matthew Edminster	Daniel Loomis	Henry Sugden
James Edwards	William Lutz	Douglas Waltar
Walter Estelle	Grant MacLean	Amy Willis
Dennis Evans	Stanton McClenny	Steve Willis

Churches Represented: 19

Churches Not Represented: 30

Elders Present: 34

Ahsahka	Corbett Wheeler	Spokane, Bethany	---
Bovill	---	Emmanuel	#1 Della Stevens
Clarkston	#1 ---		#2 ---
	#2 ---	First	#1 Mary Beth Baker
Coeur d'Alene	#1 William Smith		#2 ---
	#2 ---		#3 ---
Colbert	#1 Julie Borrevik		#4 ---
	#2 Leesa Birdsall	Hamblen Park	#1 Joan Biddison
Curlew	---		#2 ---
Davenport	#1 ---		#3 ---
	#2 ---	Knox	#1 ---
Fairfield	---		#2 ---
Ferdinand	---	Korean	---
Hayden	Philip Clements	Lidgerwood	Jeanette Valentine
Hunters	---	Manito	#1 Diane Packard
Kamiah, Community	---		#2 ---
Kamiah, First	---	Millwood	#1 Kim McGiveran
Kamiah, Second	---		#2 Bronwyn Worthington
Kooskia	---	Mission Comm.	Marguerite Haverfield
Lapwai	---	Northwood	#1 Marge Aukerman
Lewiston	#1 ---		#2 Arne Stueckle
	#2 ---	Opportunity	#1 Nancy Comstock
Marcus	---		#2 Gerrie Hobbs
Moscow	#1 Randy Baukol	Shadle Park	#1 Jeff Mitchell
	#2 ---		#2 Gary Ludke
Northport	---	Westminster	Linda Kromm
Oakesdale	#1 ---	Whitworth	#1 ---
	#2 ---		#2 ---
Otis Orchards	Edwes Wille		#3 ---
Post Falls	#1 ---	St Maries	#1 Marv Wheeler
	#2 ---		#2 ---
Potlatch	---	Washtucna	---
Pullman	#1 ---	Wilbur	#1 ---
	#2 ---		#2 ---
Reardan	Sue Lani Madsen		
Republic	---		
Reubens	---		
Sandpoint	#1 ---		
	#2 ---		
Spalding	---		
Spirit Lake	---		

Additional Elders:

David Hamilton Jr, Stated Clerk
 Patsy Peterson, PW Chair
 James Hobbs, Meeting Comm. Chair

Patsy Soliday, Recording Clerk
 Richard Welch, Presby. Moderator
 Neil Prescott, Past Presby. Moderator

Commissioned Lay Pastors:

Kathy Sandusky
 Lucille Gump

Richard Henry
 Sandy Brockway

CONSENT AGENDA

The Stated Clerk moved that the Consent Agenda be adopted. It was requested that approval of the minutes of the September 19, 2009 Presbytery meeting be removed from the Consent Agenda. By **approving** the Consent Agenda, the Presbytery:

1. **Granted** courtesies of the floor to those who are scheduled to speak but are not members of Presbytery.

REPORT OF THE STATED CLERKFor Action:

Sept Minutes
 Approved

The Presbytery voted to correct the minutes of the September 19, 2009 meeting by adding to page 3: the category guest and the name of Bill Peterson, Presbytery of Olympia.

For Information:

Ministers
 Received

1. Ministers received by Presbytery
 William D. Peterson 10/27/2009 Presbytery of Olympia

Bullard
 Resign

2. Mike Bullard has submitted his resignation from the Committee on Ordained Leadership Development, Class of 2009.

Elmore
 Resign

3. Bob Elmore has submitted his resignation from the Westminster Outreach Board of Directors, Class of 2009.

PW
 Communion

4. Presbyterian Women celebrated the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at their fall meeting held at Millwood Community Presbyterian Church on October 22, 2009. Bill Ailes presided.

Church
 Record
 Review

5. Records of the following churches have been reviewed and approved:

Clarkston	1/21/08 – 9/21/09
Kamiah	1/13/08 – 10/11/09
Pullman	10/21/08 – 9/15/09
Washtucna	10/6/08 – 9/7/09
Lewiston	1/27/08 – 4/14/09

Marcus	9/18/07 – 7/16/09
Emmanuel	10/20/08 – 9/21/09
Sandpoint	2/22/07 – 7/16/09
East Valley	9/27/07 – 8/26/09
Hayden Lake	9/16/08 – 9/3/09
Hamblen Park	9/8/08 – 7/13/09
Spirit Lake	10/19/08 – 8/9/09
Shadle Park	9/16/08 – 12/09/08
Mission Community	3/29/08 – 7/28/09
Coeur d'Alene	7/2/08 – 8/25/09
Opportunity	1/09 – 8/09
Spokane First	9/26/08 – 9/22/09
Lidgerwood	9/11/07 – 5/12/09
Bethany	1/13/08 – 8/31/09
Oakesdale	9/18/08 – 9/17/09
Moscow	9/24/07 – 9/28/09

PJC Roll

6. Roll of Recent PJC Members (last 6 years)

Name	Last Year Served
Mark Wheeler	2009
John Estelle (Spokane First)	2009
Don Meekhof	2009
Jean Flechel (Hamblen Park)	2007
Greg Carter	2007
Craig Hall	2005
Ron Arkills (Bethany)	2005

REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY COUNCILFor Action:Nominating
Committee
Members

The Presbytery voted to elect Virgil Griep (Colbert), John Rodkey (Bethany) and Dick Avery (Shadle) to serve on the Nominating Committee, Class of 2012 with Don Meekhof serving as Co-Opted Chair.

For Information:

Nominating Committee:

A report was presented identifying vacancies and proposed nominees.

Nominees for Next Year's Nominating Committee:

Several names were suggested as possible members or chairs of the Nominating Committee.

Mission Study
Task Force

Mission Study Task Force:

The task force has met 3 times. At the February Presbytery meeting the task

force would like to have members of Presbytery separate into groups who would be asked to answer questions concerning Presbytery structure and mission vision. If it turns out that certain subsets of Presbytery are not represented in the groups, the Mission Study Task Force will seek their input through other sources.

The charge given to the Mission Study Task Force is to suggest a Vision statement, suggest needed personnel to carry out this vision, and suggest the committee structure needed to carry out the vision.

Marcus
Situation

Marcus:

Bill Ailes reported on the current status of things in Marcus. Ellen Sokolis and Walt Estelle are dealing with the situation. Paul Seebeck and Tom Sutherland have also placed their names on the visitor's list to gain permission to visit Craig Cosby in jail.

Bill reported that both the church and the community are pretty devastated by the situation.

Bethany
Final
Service

Final Service at Bethany:

Bill Ailes reported that the service was one of the most upbeat services he has experienced. A representative from Ahsahka was present to symbolically receive the pews and cross for the newly reconstructed church in Ahsahka. The Bethany congregation received 10 new adult members, two by baptism. A member of the congregation built an ark that received the Bible that has been used in the church, the baptismal font, the cross on the communion table, and other symbolically significant items.

It was reported that the Camp Spalding Board will present nominees to the Camp Board for election at the November 20, 2009 Presbytery meeting.

The Christian Education Committee reported that they are more efficient ways to get information out to our churches, which they are exploring.

The Personnel Committee reported that they will interview three finalists for the Acting Stated Clerk position this afternoon (October 20, 2009). Next week they will conduct phone interviews with the three finalists for Transitional Executive position.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

For Action:

Ministries
Validated
For 2010

1. **The Presbytery voted** to validate the ministries of the following ministers for 2010:

Janice Anderson – Professor Philosophy & Religious Studies U of I
Keith Beebe – Assistant Professor of Religion, Whitworth University
James Edwards – Professor of Religion, Whitworth University

Kevin Finch – Big Table Ministries
 Grant MacLean – Chaplain, Hospice of North Idaho
 Paul McLarren – Wycliffe Bible Translators
 Gail Stearns – Director of the Common Ministry, WSU
 Amy Willis – Assist. Professor in Religious Studies at Gonzaga University
 Steve Willis – Pastor United Church of Christ, Newport WA
 Cindy Wuts – Pastor Harrington & Rocklyn Zion United Methodist Churches
 Ray Smith – Pastoral Counselor at A Brief Counseling Center

- Beal/Curlew
 Recommissioned 2. **The Presbytery voted** to recommission Donna Beal at Curlew for 3 years with authorization to perform the following functions: Administer the Lord's Supper, administer the Sacrament of Baptism, have voice in meetings at Presbytery and have vote in meetings at Presbytery.
- B. Peterson For Information:
 1. Received Bill Peterson into membership from Presbytery of Olympia.
- Bullard/Labor
 O/S Bounds 2. Approved Mike Bullard laboring outside the bounds of Presbytery to serve as interim/supply pastor half time from October 18 through the month of January at First Presbyterian Church in Cut Bank MT.
- Stonebraker/
 Hayden 3. Approved the Administrative Commission to install Bill Stonebraker as pastor of Faith Presbyterian Church in Hayden ID at 4 p.m. November 8, 2009: Richard Welch (Knox), Moderator; Sally Clutter (Hayden); Gary Payton (Sandpoint); Nancy Copeland-Payton; Scott Kinder-Pyle; and David Roser (Whitworth).
- Burdett/
 Sandpoint 4. Approved the Covenant for Intentional Interim Ministry between Robert Burdett and First Presbyterian Church in Sandpoint ID.
- Buff/Hamblen
 Park 5. Approved the Parish Associate contract between Brad Buff and Hamblen Park Presbyterian Church: Salary/Housing \$8,860.40; FICA offset \$677.90; Professional/Study \$542; Pension/Medical \$4,884.30.
- C. Corbett 6. Concurred with the Presbytery vote to transfer Cecil Corbett into membership from the Presbytery of Grand Canyon.
- Saccoccio 7. Approved receiving Andrea Saccoccio as a member at large.
- Smith/Colbert 8. Approved the request from Colbert Presbyterian Church for Mindy Smith to be Parish Associate with no compensation
- At Large Roll 9. Approved continuing the following people on the At Large roll of Presbytery:
 Brad Buff
 Karen Claassen
 Nancy Copeland-Payton
 Karen Finch
 Steve Neuder

Sanderson/ Spo. First	10. Approved the call for Jeremy Sanderson as Associate Pastor at Spokane First Presbyterian Church starting January 1, 2010: Salary \$31,000; Housing \$20,000; S.S. Reimb. \$3,902; Travel \$1,500; C.E. \$1,500; Prof. \$1,500; Moving expenses \$4,500.
Keim/ Northwood	11. Approved the Administrative Commission to install Sue Keim as Pastor at Northwood Church on January 10 at 2 p.m.: Rev Doug Waltar, Moderator; Rev Gary Bowker; Elder Joe Simpson (Northwood); Elder Tom Tiffany (Knox). One more person will be added.
Northport Triennial Visitation	Triennial Visitation – First Presbyterian Church, Northport WA: Northport describes themselves as an authentic fellowship. They have come through a traumatic experience, have a strong healthy fellowship, several expressions of mission locally and beyond and a good relationship with their pastor. They have taken in new members, spread leadership responsibilities and provided for the needy. Another sign of health is that they changed their request of \$4,000 from PAMSI last year to not needing any support this year and were pleased others could benefit in that change.
Welcome to East Valley Presbyterian Church	<p>WELCOME AND MISSION OF THE EAST VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF OTIS ORCHARDS, WA</p> <p>Rev. Marcia Taylor welcomed the Presbytery to East Valley Presbyterian Church. Chartered in 1986, the Presbytery considered closing the church at one time. Having benefited from many fellow congregations, East Valley considers itself a very connectional church. It is now an active community center for the Otis Orchards area. The church has benefited from the local Boy Scout Troop members, who have used numerous projects for the church as their Eagle projects. Activities of the members include an intergenerational Vacation Bible School, an Easter egg hunt for the community children, and special worship services with lots of intergenerational activities. Five years ago, the women’s group started a “Community Garden” on the church grounds. In co-operation with students from Gonzaga University, the project has grown into a “leadership garden.” The Spokane Valley Food Bank is the recipient of most of the produce.</p> <p>WORSHIP – Part 1</p> <p>Rev. Cathy Harrison led part one of the Worship service celebrating the 500th birthday of John Calvin</p>
Camp Spalding Board Report	<p>REPORT OF THE CAMP SPALDING BOARD</p> <p><u>For Action:</u></p> <p>The Presbytery voted to elect the members of the previous class of 2009 for the class of 2012 as listed on the Nominating Committee Report. Appendix 1 Rev. Eric Peterson presented an oral report from the Camp Spalding Board. The Board has been awarded a grant that will allow the hiring of a Development Officer.</p>

REPORT OF THE PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY COMMITTEE

For Action:

Inquirers
Removed

The Presbytery voted to remove from the roles as Inquirer the following people:

Jonathon Zemke for inactivity in church or process for several years
 Kyle Dresback as per his request
 Will Stuck as per his request
 Jeremy Wynne as per his request

For Information:

Pulei

1. The Committee met with Moses Pulei and affirmed his ministry.

Sutherland

2. The Committee met with Tom Sutherland and affirmed his works as a student supply pastor.

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

David Hamilton
Recognized as
Stated Clerk

Rev. Gary Bowker recognized Stated Clerk David Hamilton on his retirement, expressing appreciation to Dave on behalf of the Presbytery for his many years of outstanding service to the Presbytery and presented him with a gift from the Presbytery.

For Action:

Claassen/
Stated Clerk

The opportunity being given for nominations from the floor, **The Presbytery voted** to elect Rev. Forrest Claassen as Acting Stated Clerk.

Joyce Bippes
Recognized

In recognition of her dedicated service to the members of the Presbytery of the Inland Northwest, **the Presbytery voted** to present a gift of \$5,000 to Administrative Assistant Joyce Bippes. The source for this gift is from the difference in Administrative salaries for the retired Executive Presbyter and the Interim Executive Presbyter.

WORSHIP – Part 2

Rev. Marcia Taylor led part two of the Worship service.

LUNCH

The Presbytery recessed for lunch at 12:10 with prayer led by Moderator Richard Welch.

WORSHIP – Part 3

The Presbytery reconvened with worship at 1:25. Rev.'s Marcia Taylor and Cathy Harrison conducted the service that included the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Nominating Committee Report	<p>REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE</p> <p>Opportunity having been given for nominations from the floor, the Presbytery elected the slate of nominees presented by the Nominating Committee. (Appendix 1)</p>
Peacemaking Network Report	<p>PEACEMAKING NETWORK</p> <p>Rev. Paul Rodkey presented a video and oral report from the Peacemaking Network.</p>
New Church Development Report	<p>NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENT REPORT</p> <p>Rev. Ken Onstot presented an oral report on the progress and financial status of the New Church Development at Latah Valley Presbyterian Church. The Presbytery voted to request a special offering to be received by the churches of the Presbytery during the winter or spring of 2010 for the Stage Two Capitol Campaign for New Church Development.</p>
Special Offering	<p>WORSHIP – Part 4</p> <p>Part four of the worship service included a power point and oral presentation with an update from the Guatemala Task Force. The offering total of \$345.00 will go to the Spokane Valley Partners Food and Clothing Bank.</p>
EP Report	<p>REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER</p> <p>Interim Executive Rev. Bill Ailes presented an oral report on the happenings of the Presbytery of the Inland Northwest.</p>
Moderator Welch	<p>In closing, Moderator Richard Welch recapped his year as Moderator expressing thanks to the Presbytery.</p>
Adjourned	<p>There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with prayer led by Moderator Richard Welch at 3:15 p.m.</p>

Attest:

David A. Hamilton, Jr.
Stated Clerk

PRESBYTERY NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

November 20, 2009

Moderator of Presbytery --- Rev. Doug Waltar (Post Falls)

Vice Moderator --- Elder Gary Ludke (Shadle Park)

General Assembly Commissioners – 2010 - Rev. Mark Klohe, Rev Mark Wheeler
Elder Julie Borrevik (Colbert), Elder Corbett Wheeler (Ahsahka)

General Assembly Alternates. - 2010 - Rev. Gary Bowker, Rev. Paul Rodkey
Elder Arne Stueckle (Northwood), Elder Eileen Hartzog (Shadle Park)

Youth Advisory Delegate - Caitlin Wheeler (Lidgerwood)

Synod Commissioner – 2013 Elder – Arne Stueckle (Northwood)

Nominees for Committees

Personnel Committee

'11

'12 Elder Tom Hipple (Moscow, ID)

'12 Elder Lenore Chambers (Pullman)

Presbytery Meeting Committee

Needs a Chairperson

'11 Elder

'12 Elder

'12 Rev Heather Jepsen

Committee on Ministry

'11 Elder

'12 Rev. Paul Rodkey

'12 Rev. Walt Estelle

'12 Elder Julie Borrevik (Colbert)

'12 Elder James Hobbs (Manito)

'12 Elder

'12 Rev Cecil Corbett

Preparation for Ministry Committee

'10 Rev Heather Jepsen (Chairperson)

'12 Elder Doris Liebert (Whitworth)

'12 Elder Pat Goetter (Opportunity)

'12 Rev Diane Freeland

Co-Opt – Rev Ron Frase

Committee on Lay Pastors

'12 Rev. Cynthia Wuts (Chairperson)

'12 Elder Lucille Gump (Northwood)

Co-Opt – Kathy Sandusky (Whitworth)

Committee on Ordained Leadership Development

- '11 Elder Stephen Wieber (Opportunity)
- '12 Deac. Shannon Harrison
- '12 Lay Liane Roser (Whitworth)

Christian Education Committee

- '12 Rev. Marcia Taylor
- '12 Rev Norman Fowler

PAMSI (or Missions Committee)

- '12 Elder
- '12 Rev Bill Ward
- '12 Rev

Justice for Women Committee

- '10
- '10
- '11
- '12 Rev. Brad Buff
- '12
- '12

Representation Committee

- '11 Rev Marcia Taylor (Chairperson)
- '12 Deac Sid Becerra (Hamblen Park)
- '12 Eld Cynthia Lambarth (Millwood)

Technology Committee

- '11 Eld Scott Lockwood (Lidgerwood), Chairperson
- '10
- '11
- '12 Lay Michael Haines (First Pres. Spokane)
- '12 Lay Brandon Jelinek (Whitworth)

New Church Development

- Co-Opt – Rev Ken Onstot (Chairperson)
- '11 Elder Kay White (Colbert)
- '12 Rev. Steve Watts
- '12 Elder Nancy Comstock (Opportunity)

Permanent Judicial Commission

- Needs Chairperson
- '15 Rev. Bill Ailes
- '15 Elder Bruce Gore (Spokane First)
- '15 Rev. Weaver Hess

Board of Trustees

- '12 Elder Sandra Dehle (Colbert)
- '12 Elder Phin Haglin (Wilbur)
- '12 Elder Keith Brandon (Pullman)

Westminster Board

- '12 Carla Walls (Hamblen Park)
- '12 Mary Ann Shell (Manito)
- '12 Mike Renner (Whitworth)
- '12 Jesse Wills (Westminster)
- Co-Opt – Doug Brockway (Westminster)

Liberty Park Child Development Board

- '10 Lay Ryan Best (Spokane First)
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- '11
- '11
- '11
- '11
- '12 Rev. Cynthia Carter
- '12 Lay April Friend (Whitworth)
- '12 Lay Linda Lysne (Hamblen Pk)
- '12 Lay Mikel Allen (Latah Valley)

Camp Spalding/Clearwater Lodge Board

- '12 Elder Tad Wisenor (Whitworth)
- '12 Lay Keith Hegg (Whitworth)
- '12 Rev. Josh Bruns
- '12 Lay Dick Mandeville (Spokane First)
- '12 Lay Patti Benson (Whitworth)