

**PRESBYTERY OF THE INLAND NORTHWEST**  
**STATED MEETING**  
**February 14, 2009**

The February Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Inland Northwest was held on Saturday, February 14, 2009 at Bethany Presbyterian Church of Spokane, Washington. The meeting was opened with prayer led by Moderator Rev. Marcia Taylor at 10:00 am. Moderator Taylor proceeded with the installation service for the new Moderator, Elder Richard Welch.

A quorum was present as shown by the following roll:

Roll

Ministers Present: 57

William Ailes	Diane Freeland	John Noah
Paul Anderson	Craig Goodwin	Kenneth Onstot
Richard Avery	Nancy Goodwin	Eric Peterson
Frank Beattie	Daniel Grether	Paul Rodkey
Gary Bowker	Cathy Harrison	Paul Seebeck
Ted Broadway	J Weaver Hess	Mindy Smith
Brad Buff	Jack Jennings	John Sowers
Erik Buhl	Heather Jepsen	Pamela Starbuck
Jim Burford	Scott Kinder-Pyle	Scott Starbuck
Cynthia Carter	Mark Klohe	Gail Stearns
Gregory Carter	Donald Liebert	Henry Sugden
Forrest Claassen	Grant MacLean	Marcia Taylor
Tim Dolan	Terry McGonigal	Larry Veith
Dennis Evans	Mark McIlraith	Bill Ward
Robert Eyman	Amy McNelly	Steve Watts
Kevin Finch	Matthew McNelly	Steve Wilbraham
Gary Foster	Donald Meekhof	Amy Willis
Norman Fowler	Richard Melin	Steve Willis
Ron Frase	Betsey Moe	Cynthia Wuts

Ministers Absent: 50

Russell Alsgaard	James Edwards	Ki-beom Lee
Janice Anderson	Walter Estelle	Daniel Loomis
Elizabeth Baker-Smith	Karen Finch	William Lutz
Gerritt Baker-Smith	Art Finney	Stanton McClenny
Odin Baugh	Bruce Glover	Paul McLarren
Keith Beebe	Jon Hoadley	Joshua Mikelson
Susie Beil	LuAnn Howard	Walter Miller
John Bruns	James Howell	Neil Munro
Michael Bullard	Jean Jenkins	Steve Neuder
Glenn Carlson	Jim Jensen	Matthew Paul
Karen Claassen	Phyllis Johnson	Howard Redmond
Douglas Clegg	Arthur Johnstone	Andrea Saccoccio
Nancy Copeland-Payton	Hunter Keen	Ray Smith
Donald Cornish	Sheryl Kinder-Pyle	Janeen Steer
Barbara Coyle	Charles Klaudt	Douglas Waltar
Robert Duryee	Gerard Kuiper	Mark Wheeler
Matthew Edminster	George Lacy	

Churches Represented: 32

Churches Not Represented: 17

Elders Present: 64

Ahsahka	Corbett Wheeler	Spokane, Bethany	Julie Crosse
Bovill	---	Emmanuel	#1 Della Stevens
Clarkston	#1 ---		#2 ---
	#2 ---	First	#1 Elaine Carter
Coeur d'Alene	#1 ---		#2 John Lindeblad
	#2 ---		#3 Keith Liptack
Colbert	#1 Jonelle Bellis		#4 Stan Webb
	#2 Leesa Birdsall		#5 Anne Trefry
Curlew	---	Hamblen Park	#1 Jon Riebe
Davenport	#1 Jim Linstrum		#2 Katie Stark
	#2 ---		#3 Steve Sparks
Fairfield	Fred Aronow	Knox	#1 Laverne Meekhof
Ferdinand	---		#2 ---
Hayden Lake	#1 ---	Korean	---
	#2 ---	Lidgerwood	#1 Patricia Kimmons
Hunters	Arlie Emerson		#2 Eugene Peden
Kamiah, Community	---	Manito	#1 Marianne Frase
Kamiah, First	---		#2 Jon Phillips
Kamiah, Second	---	Millwood	#1 Mae Johnson
Kooskia	---		#2 Diane Williams
Lapwai	Keith Hendrick	Mission Community	Bill Thompson
Lewiston	#1 Gary Chase	Northwood	#1 Marge Aukerman
	#2 ---		#2 ---
Marcus	Glen Morris	Opportunity	#1 Nancy Comstock
Moscow	#1 Kathleen Norris		#2 Gerrie Hobbs
	#2 Jean Bridges	Shadle Park	#1 Gary Ludke
Northport	Zoe Anderson		#2 Eileen Hartzog
Oakesdale	#1 ---	Westminster	---
	#2 ---	Whitworth	#1 Edward Turner
Otis Orchards	Edwes Wille		#2 Larry McDonald
Post Falls	31 John Keating		#3 Michael Renner
	#2 ---	St Maries	#1 Ina May Taylor
Potlatch	John Krebs		#2 Miriam Foster
Pullman	#1 Jill Cocking	Washtucna	Stephanie Coon
	#2 Mae Moore	Wilbur	#1 ---
Reardan	Erin Schulz		#2 ---
Republic	---		
Reubens	---		
Sandpoint	#1 ---		
	#2 ---		
Spalding	Thyra Stevenson		
Spirit Lake	Judy Stark		

Roll Cont.	<p>Additional Elders:</p> <p>David Hamilton Jr, Stated Clerk  Vern Osterback, Personnel Chair  John Rodkey, Past Moderator  James Hobbs, Chair Meeting Comm  Joe Bruce, CE Chair</p> <p>Commissioned Lay Pastors:</p> <p>Lucille Gump  Dave Roser  Ellen Sokolis</p>	<p>Patsy Soliday, Recording Clerk  Neil Prescott, Past Moderator  Jane Clark, Past Moderator  Patsy Peterson, PW Chair  Richard Welch, Presby. Moderator</p> <p>Richard Henry  Kathy Sandusky</p>
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### CONSENT AGENDA

The Stated Clerk moved that the Consent Agenda be adopted. By **approving** the Consent Agenda, the Presbytery:

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| November<br>Minutes<br>Approved    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Approved</b> the minutes of the November 21, 2008 Presbytery meeting.</li> <li>2. <b>Amended</b> the minutes of the May 22, 2008 Presbytery meeting as follows:</li> </ol>  |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| May Minutes<br>Amended             | <p>The following sentence be added to the end of the Commissioned Lay Pastor report:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">In addition, Volkhard Graf is authorized to perform a service of Christian marriage.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. <b>Granted</b> courtesies of the floor to those who are scheduled to speak but are not members of Presbytery.</li> </ol>  |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| Presbytery<br>Balance<br>Redressed | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. <b>Redressed</b> the imbalance between resident minister members and elder commissioner members to Presbytery (G-11.0101b), by inviting the following sessions to elect in 2009 one additional elder beyond those prescribed in G-11.0101a (procedure used to determine these churches summarized for your information in Stated Clerk's report <b>Appendix 1</b>): <table border="0" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>Spokane First</td> <td>Manito</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Whitworth</td> <td>Pullman</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hamblen Park</td> <td>Sandpoint</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Opportunity</td> <td>Northwood</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Millwood</td> <td>Post Falls</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lewiston</td> <td>Davenport</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Coeur d'Alene</td> <td>St Maries</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Colbert</td> <td>Wilbur</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Shadle Park</td> <td>Knox</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Moscow</td> <td>Emmanuel</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clarkston</td> <td>Oakesdale</td> </tr> </table> </li> </ol> | Spokane First | Manito | Whitworth | Pullman | Hamblen Park | Sandpoint | Opportunity | Northwood | Millwood | Post Falls | Lewiston | Davenport | Coeur d'Alene | St Maries | Colbert | Wilbur | Shadle Park | Knox | Moscow | Emmanuel | Clarkston | Oakesdale |
| Spokane First                      | Manito   |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| Whitworth                          | Pullman  |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| Hamblen Park                       | Sandpoint  |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| Opportunity                        | Northwood  |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| Millwood                           | Post Falls   |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| Lewiston                           | Davenport  |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| Coeur d'Alene                      | St Maries  |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| Colbert                            | Wilbur   |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| Shadle Park                        | Knox   |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| Moscow                             | Emmanuel   |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |
| Clarkston                          | Oakesdale  |               |        |           |         |              |           |             |           |          |            |          |           |               |           |         |        |             |      |        |          |           |           |

Nominating  
Report

## FROM NOMINATING COMMITTEE

1. **Confirmed** the appointment of Carolyn Holmes (Spokane First) as a member of the Justice for Women Committee, class of 2011.
2. **Confirmed** the appointment of Frank Beattie as a member of the Personnel Committee, class of 2011.

## FROM COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

A. Willis  
Ministry  
Validated

**Validated** the ministry of Amy Willis as Assistant Professor in religious Studies at Gonzaga University for 2009.

**REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK**For Action:Corresponding  
Members

**The Presbytery voted** to seat Eric Chavis, Presbytery of North Puget Sound and Rev. Mary Jane Miles, Presbytery of de Cristo as corresponding members.

For Information:Ministers  
Received

1. Ministers received by Presbytery
 

Brenna Robinson Stanfield	11/30/2008	Ordination
Betsey Ann Moe	11/25/2008	Presbytery of Denver
John Morris Noah	1/15/2009	Presbytery of Wyoming

Ministers  
Dismissed

2. Ministers dismissed by Presbytery:
 

Brenna Robinson Stanfield	12/2/2008	Presbytery of Boise
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Stanfield  
Administrative  
Commission

3. Report of the Administrative Commission:  
The Administrative Commission named by the Presbytery of the Inland Northwest to ordain Brenna Robinson Stanfield met at Whitworth Community Presbyterian Church at 3:30 pm on November 30, 2008. The Commission was convened by moderator Richard Welch and opened with prayer by the Rev. Richard Melin. Members present were: Julie Borrevik (Colbert), Rev Jim Edwards, Rev. Rob Eyman, Rev. Terry McGonical, and Richard Welch (Knox), Commission Moderator. Commission member Julie Pyle (Whitworth) was unable to attend. Also participating in the ordination service were Dr. Bill Robinson, Rev. Kevin Lind (Presbytery of Central Washington), and Rev Jerry Sittser (Whitworth University). The Commission moved to the worship service where Brenna Robinson Stanfield was ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament. The meeting concluded with the benediction by the Rev. Brenna Robinson Stanfield at 4:50 pm.

Colbert  
Review

4. Records of the Colbert Presbyterian Church have been reviewed and approved for the period 1/10/2007 – 12/7/2008.

- Annual Board Reports Received 5. Annual reports have been received from Westminster Outreach Board (**Appendix 2**), Camp Spalding Board (**Appendix 3**), Liberty Park Child Development Board (**Appendix 4**) and Presbyterian Women (**Appendix 5**). Copies of the reports are attached.
- Presbytery Balance Redressed 6. The Book of Order (G-11.0101b) requires that annually the Stated Clerk of each Presbytery shall ascertain the number of resident ministers who are members of the Presbytery and the number of elders which the churches are entitled to send as commissioners to Presbytery meetings. When the number of ministers is larger, the imbalance shall be redressed. Presbytery Standing Rule 4.102 specifies how the balance between ministers and elders will be maintained. The attached documents summarize how the Standing Rule was used to develop the proposal to maintain the balance (included as part of the Consent Agenda) based on statistics available January 1, 2009. (**Appendix 1**)

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

#### For Action:

- Glover Validated **The Presbytery voted** to validate the ministry of Bruce Glover as Wing Chaplain at Osan AFB in Korea.
- T.Stevenson Spalding Lord's Supper **The Presbytery voted** to authorize Thyra Stevenson to serve the Lord's Supper at First Presbyterian Church of Spalding, Idaho per G-6.0304 and G-11.0103z. The session at Spalding has invited her to do this.
- Miles Received **The Presbytery voted** to receive Rev. Mary Jane Miles upon receipt of paper work from the Presbytery of de Cristo.

#### For Information:

- Noah Received 1. Received John Noah as a member of Presbytery contingent upon receipt of paperwork from Wyoming Presbytery.
- Baker-Smith Transferred 2. Approved transferring Skip and Betsy Baker-Smith to Lehigh Valley Presbytery upon receipt of a request from Lehigh Valley Presbytery.
- Changes to Terms of Call 3. Approved the changes in terms of call for 2009 as attached. (**Appendix 6**)
- S.Leave Rpts 4. Received Study Leave reports from Doug Waltar/Post Falls, LuAnn Howard/Kamiah Community & Kooskia, Sandy Brockway/Westminster, and Jim Burford /Emmanuel.
- Rodkey/Bethany 5. Approved the Stated Supply contract between Paul Rodkey and Bethany Presbyterian Church for one year beginning January 1, 2009, ½ time: Salary \$3,210; Housing \$18,800; CE \$550; Prof \$550.
- Starbuck/Manito 6. Approved the Stated Supply contract between Scott Starbuck and Manito Presbyterian Church for one year beginning January 1, 2009: Salary \$30,655; Housing \$28,155; Dental \$1,217; CE \$3,000; Prof \$3,000.

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| Labor O/S<br>Bounds         | 7. Approved the following laboring outside the bounds of Presbytery:<br>Nancy Goodwin serving Lord's Supper Oct 19 in Anchorage AK and<br>Nov 16 in Houston TX.<br>Cathy Harrison at an ordination March 12 in Wyoming<br>Ray Smith at a wedding February 14 in Kansas City.  |
| Graf<br>Moderator           | 8. Appointed Volkhard Graf Moderator of Session at Kamiah First Church.   |
| Finney<br>Moderator         | 9. Appointed Art Finney Moderator of Session at Kamiah Second Church.   |
| Roser<br>Moderator          | 10. Appointed David Roser Moderator of Session at First Presbyterian Church in<br>Spirit Lake ID.   |
| Kinder-Pyle<br>Moderator    | 11. Appointed Scott Kinder-Pyle moderator of session at Knox for the March 9 session<br>meeting.  |
| G Carter<br>Moderator       | 12. Appointed Greg Carter moderator of session at Northwood Presbyterian Church.  |
| Harrison/<br>East Valley    | 13. Approved the Stated Supply contract with Cathy Harrison and East Valley<br>Presbyterian Church during Marcia Taylor's sabbatical leave – February 16-May 17:<br>Housing \$3,780; Travel 58.5 cents/mi.  |
| Taylor/<br>East Valley      | 14. Approved the Stated Supply contract with Marcia Taylor and East Valley<br>Presbyterian Church for one year beginning January 1, 2009: Salary \$31,898; Housing<br>\$3,000; Travel \$1,500; CE \$1,000; Professional \$500   |
| Finney/<br>Kamiah<br>Second | 15. Approved renewing the Temporary Supply contract between Art Finney and<br>Kamiah Second Presbyterian Church starting 11/1/08 for ¼ time: Salary \$6,340;<br>Housing \$1,500; Travel \$1,000; CE \$200.  |
| Colbert<br>Position         | 16. MSC to approve a job description for Colbert Presbyterian Church for part time<br>Temporary Supply Pastor, Ordained position, 15 hours/week, \$25/hr. for 3 months<br>starting January 12, 2009.  |
| Seebeck<br>Call             | 17. Approved the call for Paul Seebeck as Associate for Mission Communications in<br>the Communications and Funds Development Ministry Area at General Assembly<br>starting March 23, 2009.   |
| Family Leave<br>Policy      | 18. A draft of a Family Leave Guideline/Policy will be brought back to the March<br>COM meeting.  |
| Amendment<br>Recommend.     | 19. Amendment recommendations from the committee are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amendment A – No recommendation</li> <li>• Amendment B – Recommend the process be consistent with Presbytery policy<br/>and the floor debate and vote follow Roberts Rules of Order. Recommend not<br/>to affirm.</li> <li>• Amendment J – Affirm</li> <li>• Amendment K – Affirm</li> </ul> |

- Amendment L – Affirm
- Amendment M – Affirm
- Amendment N - Affirm

Coeur d'Alene Triennial      Triennial Visitation- First Presbyterian Church, Coeur d'Alene ID: There is a sense of optimism in the First Presbyterian Church at Coeur d'Alene as there is much to be celebrated in the program of the congregation. At the same time there is uncertainty and concern about the future. Pastor Mike Bullard had indicated his desire to retire no later than 2010. Concern about future pastoral leadership and the church building and its location in Coeur d'Alene are topics of discussion for the Session and congregation as it looks to the future.

### **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

#### For information:

Financial Review

Financial Review:

The financial review by Schoedel and Schoedel for the year ending December 31, 2007 has been completed. The results of the review were that Scheodel and Scheodel reported that they were not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles of the United States of America.

It was MSC to receive the financial review.

Reardan Building Project

Reardan:

The congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Reardan, Washington has approved the church obtaining financing for up to \$250,000 to remodel the church building. Major components of the remodeling would include the electrical system, the kitchen, bathrooms, and the sanctuary. They have already replaced the roof. Initial estimate of the cost of the remodeling is \$545,000. \$389,000 is available from capital campaigns and bequests. To do the entire project would require a loan of \$157,000 from Synod. The church is requesting a 12 year loan. A quick review by the Synod has indicted that based on current information provided by the church they could loan up to \$66,000 but there has been no formal evaluation by the Synod loan committee. The church has requested a second bid from the contractor and will evaluate what they can include in the current project based on that bid and on the availability of other sources of funding. They will come back to the Trustees when they are ready to make a formal request for funding to the Synod. Lindy DuPree offered prayer for this project and the ministry of the Reardan Church.

Camp Property

Camp Spalding

The Camp purchased 100 acres of land adjacent to the existing Camp in the last

few years. As part of the sales agreement, the seller had an option to repurchase 10 acres for 3 years. The seller has recently indicated that he would like to repurchase 4½ acres but he is also requesting a 3 year extension on his option to complete the repurchase. He will need practical access to the land he wishes to repurchase which includes access across other owner's property which we cannot provide.

The Trustees request that it be determined whether the option is transferable to the estate of the seller. They would also request the Camp Board of Director provide the Trustees with their recommendation concerning the requests.

It was reported that the Camp Board of Directors has contracted with the Goehner group to provide a review of the financial situation of the Camp.

#### Camp Finances

Cash flow remains a problem for the Camp. They currently owe the Presbytery \$67,000 in an interest free loan that was due November 15, 2008. It was MSC that a letter be sent to the Camp Board of Directors indicating that the Presbytery would be able to extend the interest free loan until December 31, 2008. After that date, because other financial obligations of Presbytery would require that we access our line of credit, it will be necessary for the Camp to pay interest on the loan.

#### Mission of Bethany Church

### **WELCOME AND MISSION OF BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SPOKANE, WASHINGTON**

Rev. Paul Rodkey welcomed the Presbytery to Bethany Presbyterian Church. Bethany was established as an outreach of First Presbyterian Church of Spokane in 1909. The congregation of Bethany has a strong ministry with the lower east side of Spokane and neighboring Sheridan Elementary School. Some of the activities of this congregation include a weekly lectionary-reading group, several 12-step groups, and a women's book group. They also sponsor "Tiger Time," an after school program for students from Sheridan Elementary.

### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAY PASTORS**

#### Henry CLP Northport

**The Presbytery voted** to recommission Richard Henry as Commissioned Lay Pastor to the First Presbyterian Church, Northport for a three year commission, ending February 14, 2012, with authorization to perform the following pastoral functions described in G-14.0562 a,b,d,e of the Book of Order: administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, administering the Sacrament of Baptism, having a Voice in Meetings of Presbytery, having a Vote in the Meetings of Presbytery, and permission to perform the Service of Christian Marriage.

#### Roser CLP Spirit Lake

**The Presbytery voted** to recommission Dave Roser as Commissioned Lay Pastor to the First Presbyterian Church, Spirit Lake for a three year commission, ending February 14, 2012, with authorization to perform the following pastoral functions

described in G-14.0562 a,b,e of the Book of Order: administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, administering the Sacrament of Baptism, having a Voice in Meetings of Presbytery, and having a Vote in the Meetings of Presbytery.

Sandusky CLP **The Presbytery voted** to recommission Kathie Sandusky as Commissioned Lay Pastor to the Lidgerwood Presbyterian Church for a three year commission, ending February 14, 2012, with authorization to perform the following pastoral functions described in G-14.0562 a,b,d,e of the Book of Order: administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, administering the Sacrament of Baptism, having a Voice in Meetings of Presbytery, having a Vote in the Meetings of Presbytery, and permission to perform the Service of Christian Marriage.

### **REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY COUNCIL**

#### For action:

Camp Spalding Covenant Council recommends that the covenant between Camp Spalding/Clearwater Lodge and The Presbytery of the Inland Northwest (**Appendix 7**) be approved. **The Presbytery voted** to approve the Covenant.

Overture Process Proposal Paul Rodkey presented a letter to the Council with a proposal regarding a process to be used for voting on Overture 08-B. Following discussion the Council **VOTED** to recommend to Presbytery that Presbytery Policy 2.050 - OPERATING PROCEDURES TO GUIDE US THROUGH THE PROCESS OF DISCUSSING AND VOTING ON PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS be set aside for Amendment 08-B and that it be replaced by having commissioners:

- 1 Gather in small groups with facilitators
- 2 Reflect on and discuss a question that will be provided
- 3 Use a litany that will be provided
- 4 Vote by secret ballot
- 5 Conclude with prayer.

The Peacemaking Network and Eric Peterson will work with the Moderator of Council on the details of the proposed process. (see attached document for further details on proposed procedure) (**Appendix 8**). **Presbytery DEFEATED** this recommendation.

#### For information:

#### New Members of Council:

New Committee Chairs Don Meekhof introduced the new committee chairs who are new members of Council: Mark Klohe (COM), Cathy Harrison (Committee on Ordained Leadership Development) and Vern Osterback (Personnel).

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Camp Spalding Covenant	<p>Camp Spalding Covenant:</p> <p>Following discussion about the 2008 promotional brochure for Camp Spalding the Council <b>VOTED</b> to instruct the camp to clearly identify the Presbytery and Presbyterian connection to the camp.</p>
Proposed Amendments	<p>Proposed Amendments to the Constitution:</p> <p>There was discussion about committee recommendations for Proposed Amendments to the Constitution. COM meets on January 13 and will determine its recommendations that meeting. Justice for Women recommends concurrence with 08-E. The Committee on Representation recommends concurrence with 08-E and 08- G. The PJC recommends not concurring with 08-J. The Christian Education Committee recommends not concurring with 08-F and 08-I. (after the Council meeting, Nominating Committee recommended concurrence with 08-G)</p>
Council Retreat	<p>Next Meeting/Retreat:</p> <p>The Council set the next meeting date for 10a.m. – 3 p.m. on May 5, 2008 at Colbert Presbyterian Church. The retreat to work on future priorities for the Presbytery will be the major business of this meeting.</p>
Northport Letter	<p>Correspondence from Northport:</p> <p>Rick Melin read a letter from the First Presbyterian Church at Northport, WA. The letter was address to the Presbytery and expressed the Session’s concern about the ordination of homosexual persons. The Council <b>VOTED</b> to have Rick write a letter in response. Gary Foster indicated his willingness to accompany Rick on a visit with the Session if that was necessary.</p>
CE Committee Report	<p><b>REPORT OF THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>Joe Bruce, Chair of the Christian Education Committee introduced Kim McGiveran, Children’s Ministry Director at Millwood Community Presbyterian Church, who presented a report summarizing resources available for educational Ministry that she obtained at the APCE conference in San Antonio, Texas. Rev. Bill Ailes shared information he obtained at this same conference on resources available through the Presbyterian Publishing Corporation that help leaders in PC(USA) churches serve their fellow congregants in the most efficient way.</p> <p><b>WORSHIP</b></p> <p>The worship service, led by Rev. Betsey Moe included the installation service for Commissioned Lay Pastor’s Richard Henry, Dave Roser and Kathy Sandusky. Bethany’s Tiger Time after school program for students of Sheridan Elementary will be the recipient of the offering of \$679.50.</p>

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## LUNCH

The Presbytery recessed for lunch at 12:10 with the blessing offered by Rev. Paul Rodkey.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

### For Information:

Inquirers/

Thomson

Cate

Candidates/

Lang

Robinson

On December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008 the Committee met and approved the following actions:

1. To enroll Heather Thomson as an Inquirer.
2. To continue Inquirer Evan Cate as an Inquirer.
3. To approve Candidates Judy Lang and Ben Robinson certified ready to receive a call.

Candidates/

Preuningger

E. & B Raska

On January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009 the Committee met and approved the following actions:

1. To approve Candidates Nick Preuningger, Erin Raska, and Brent Raska certified ready to receive a call.

## REPORT OF NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

Latah Valley  
Report

Rev. Scott Kinder-Pyle presented an oral report on the status of the Latah Valley new church development.

## REPORT OF THE GUATEMALA TASK FORCE

Guatemala  
Task Force  
Report

Rev. Don Liebert along with John Philips and Rev. Ron Frase presented an oral report on the status of the Guatemala Task Force past, present and future.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENTS DISCUSSION AND VOTE

Amendment  
Discussion  
& Vote

**The Presbytery voted** as follows on the Proposed Amendments to the Constitution approved by the 218<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (2008)

08-A Negative	08-B Negative	08-C Affirmative
08-D Affirmative	08-E Affirmative	08-F Affirmative
08-G Affirmative	08-H Affirmative	08-I Affirmative
08-J Affirmative	08-K Affirmative	08-L Affirmative
08-M Affirmative	08-N Affirmative	

## ADMINISTRATION, MISSION STRATEGY AND INTERPRETATION COMMITTEE REPORT

PAMSI  
Report

Rev. Craig Goodwin reminded churches to return their mission pledge information to the Presbytery office so the committee can continue their work on the budget.

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**REPORT OF THE PEACE MAKING NETWORK**

Peacemaking Network Report      Rev. Paul Rodkey presented an oral report to the Presbytery. On behalf of the Peacemaking Network, John Philips presented the Peacemaking Banner to Rev. Garry Foster and representatives of the St. Maries Presbyterian Church.

**REPORT OF THE ODRAINED LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Ordained Ldrshp Report      Rev. Cathy Harrison reported on the ongoing “vital pastors” workshops and urged churches to check the committee web page for available training opportunities for elders, deacons, pastors, and commissioned lay pastors.

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER**

Executive Presbyter Report      Executive Presbyter Rev. Rick Melin reminded the Presbytery of happenings in the three priorities of the Presbytery of the Inland Northwest: New Church Development, congregational development and healthy leaders.

Adjourn      There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with prayer led by Moderator Richard Welch at 3:45 p.m.

Attest:

David A. Hamilton, Jr.  
Stated Clerk

# Presbytery of the Inland Northwest

## Appendix 1

Elder-Minister **BALANCE** (per G11.0101b) as of January 1, 2009  
Minister Members of Presbytery

### Resident Ministers

1. AILES, William B.
2. ALSGAARD, Russell
3. ANDERSON, Janice C
4. ANDERSON, Paul\*
5. AVERY, Richard M.
6. BAKER-SMITH, Gerritt W.
7. BAKER-SMITH, Elizabeth C.
8. BAUGH, Odin
9. BEATTIE, Frank A.
10. BEEBE, Keith
11. BEIL, Susie Crawford
12. BOWKER, Gary A.
13. BROADWAY, Ted
14. BRUNS, Joshua
15. BUFF, Brad
16. BUHL, Erik Edward
17. BULLARD, Michael
18. BURDETT, Bob
19. BURFORD, James W.\*
20. CARLSON, Glenn C.
21. CARTER, Cynthia
22. CARTER, Gregory
23. CLAASSEN, Forrest Scott
24. CLAASSEN, Karen
25. CLEGG, Douglas
26. COPELAND-PAYTON, Nancy
27. CORNISH, Don E.
28. COYLE, Barbara
29. DOLAN, Tim
30. DURYYE, Robert
31. EDWARDS, James
32. ESTELLE, Walter
33. EVANS, Dennis
34. EYMAN, Robert
35. FINCH, Kevin
36. FINCH, Karen
37. FOSTER, Gary
38. FOWLER, Norman Edward
39. FRASE, Ronald
40. FREELANDER, Diane Lynn
41. GOODWIN, Craig
42. GOODWIN, Nancy
43. GREETHER, Daniel
44. HARRISON, Catherine Rice
45. HESS, J. Weaver
46. HOADLEY, Jon L.
47. HOWARD, LuAnn
48. HOWELL, James H.
49. JENKINS, Jean
50. JENNINGS, Jack A.
51. JENSEN, James P.
52. JEPSEN, Heather Ruehle
53. JOHNSON, Phyllis
54. JOHNSTONE, Arthur H.
55. KEEN, Hunter
56. KINDER-PYLE, Charles Scott
57. KINDER-PYLE, Sheryl L.
58. KLAUDT, Charles L.
59. KLOHE, Mark
60. LACY, George
61. LEE, Ki-beom\*
62. LIEBERT, Donald H.
63. LOOMIS, Daniel
64. LUTZ, Robert
65. MacLEAN, Grant
66. McCLENNY, Stanton
67. McGONIGAL, Terry
68. McILRAITH, Mark
69. McNELLY, Amy Elizabeth
70. McNELLY, Matthew
71. MEEKHOF, Donald
72. MELIN, Richard E.
73. MILLER, Walter
74. MOE, Betsey Ann
75. MUNRO, Neil
76. NEUDER, Steve
77. NOAH, John
78. ONSTOT, Kenneth
79. PAUL, Matthew M.
80. PETERSON, Eric
81. REDMOND, Howard
82. RODKEY, Paul
83. SEEBECK, Paul R.
84. SMITH, Mindy
85. SMITH, Ray W.
86. SOWERS, John
87. STARBUCK, Pamela
88. STARBUCK, Scott
89. STEARNS, Gail J.
90. STEER, Janeen
91. SUGDEN, Henry L.
92. TAYLOR, Marcia
93. VEITH, Lawrence
94. WALTAR, Doug
95. WARD, Bill
96. WATTS, Steve W.
97. WHEELER, Mark
98. WILBRAHAM, Stephen
99. WILLIS, Amy
100. WILLIS, Steve
101. WUTS, Cynthia Austin

### Non-Resident Ministers or Inactive

1. GLOVER, Bruce
2. KUIPER, Gerard
3. McLARREN, Paul
4. MIKELSON, Joshua
5. SACCOCCIO, Andrea
6. EDMINSTER, Matthew Scott

### Dismissed in 2008

1. AYARS, Charles O.
2. FISHER, James W.
3. WEBSTER, David Jackson
4. ROBINSON-STANFIELD, Brenna

### Deceased in 2008

**2009 Session Commissioners to the Presbytery (based on 2008-2009 directory)**

Churches with membership over 500 shall be represented as follows (G-11.0101a):

501-1000 2 elders    1501-2000 4 elders  
 1001-1500 3 elders    2001-3000 5 elders

	<u>Members</u>	<u>Commissioners per FG</u>	<u>Commissioners in 2009</u>	<u>Other Elder Members of Presbytery</u>
<b>500 or More</b>				
1. Spokane First	1286	3	4	1. Richard Welch, Presbytery Moderator
2. Whitworth	881	2	3	2. David Hamilton, Stated Clerk
3. Hamblen Park	829	2	3	3. Bob Bangerter, Treasurer
<b>200 to 499</b>				
4. Opportunity	470	1	2	4. Patsy Soliday, Recording Clerk
5. Millwood	467	1	2	5. Joe Bruce, Christian Education Chair
6. Lewiston	432	1	2	6. Jim Hobbs, Meeting Committee Chair
7. Coeur d'Alene	340	1	2	7. Patsy Peterson, Presbyterian Women Moderator
8. Colbert	336	1	2	8. Lois Batson, Representation Committee Chair
9. Shadle Park	327	1	2	9. Corbet Wheeler, Moderator Nez Perce Joint Session
10. Moscow	276	1	2	10. Donna Beal, Commissioned Lay Pastor
11. Clarkston	225	1	2	11. Marilyn Bowen, Commissioned Lay Pastor
12. Manito	225	1	2	12. Sandy Brockway, Commissioned Lay Pastor
<b>100 to 199</b>				
13. Pullman	184	1	2	13. Volkhard Graf, Commissioned Lay Pastor
14. Sandpoint	179	1	2	14. Jeff Guillory, Commissioned Lay Pastor
15. Northwood	165	1	2	15. Lucille Gump, Commissioned Lay Pastor
16. Post Falls	161	1	2	16. Richard Henry, Commissioned Lay Pastor
17. Davenport	145	1	2	17. David Roser, Commissioned Lay Pastor
18. St. Maries	141	1	2	18. Wanda Rudolph, Commissioned Lay Pastor
19. Wilbur	122	1	2	19. Kathy Sandusky, Commissioned Lay Pastor
20. Knox	108	1	2	20. Ellen Sokolis, Commissioned Lay Pastor
<b>Up to 99</b>				
21. Emmanuel	96	1	2	21. Bob Wofford, Commissioned Lay Pastor
22. Oakesdale	94	1	2	22. John Rodkey, Past moderator
23. Korean	91	1	1	23. Phyllis Thoney, Past moderator
24. Lidgerwood	90	1	1	24. Jane Clark, Past moderator
25. Fairfield	88	1	1	25. Vern Osterback, Past moderator
26. Reardan	77	1	1	26. Neil Prescott, Past moderator
27. Bethany	74	1	1	
28. Bovill	73	1	1	
29. Hayden Lake	72	1	1	
30. Washtucna	67	1	1	
31. Otis Orchards	62	1	1	
32. Mission Community	56	1	1	
33. Westminster	47	1	1	
34. Kooskia	45	1	1	
35. Kamiah, First	43	1	1	
36. Potlatch	32	1	1	
37. Kamiah, Community	27	1	1	
38. Spirit Lake	25	1	1	
39. Republic	22	1	1	
40. Kamiah, Second	22	1	1	
41. Ferdinand	20	1	1	
42. Lapwai	20	1	1	
43. Curlew	17	1	1	
44. Hunters	16	1	1	
45. Ahsahka	15	1	1	
46. Spalding	14	1	1	
47. Northport	13	1	1	
48. Reubens	12	1	1	
49. Marcus	11	1	1	
<b>Total</b>		<b>53</b>	<b>75</b>	

## Appendix 2

Presbytery of the Inland Northwest  
Westminster Outreach Food Bank  
2008 Annual Report

The Westminster Food Bank served One thousand four hundred eleven West Central Spokane neighbors in Two thousand eight; Eight hundred twenty were new to the system. Forty one thousand three hundred eighty-seven pound of food was purchased, sorted, stocked on shelves and distributed under the direction of Ross Sommers and volunteers. The food bank was open every Wednesday and Friday from eleven A.M. to one forty-five P.M.

Participating churches as well as Second Harvest, Yokes and Safeway Stores donated food which was helpful in making up some of the shortfall in donations. Private donations increased because of the advocacy of the Westminster Food Bank board members. The Shadle Park mens group presented several challenges to their congregation giving several large donations in March and May. Whitworth stepped up with sizable financial gifts as well as Northwood. Volunteers from Emmanuel, Hamblen Park, Manito, Northwood, Shadle Park, Westminster and Whitworth churches served clients at the interview and computer desk as well as in the food distribution room.

We continue to invite others to join in this ministry as volunteers. Maintaining accurate records, keeping up with continual changes in programming and serving with a gifted heart are vital. Several of the participating churches during their Mission Sunday have painted and, repaired which keeps our facility bright and fresh.

Joyce McNamee served as the Board Chair, a twelve member Board from six churches oversee all aspects of work. Westminster Pastor Sandy Brockway serves as ex officio member to ensure communication with the Church and Session.

Respectively,

Joyce McNamee  
Board Chair

## Appendix 3

### Annual Written Report for 2008 Camp Spalding & Clearwater Lodge January 2009

This past year saw many positive developments in Camp Spalding's ministry, but a significant struggle financially. Among the highlights were record summer camp attendance (1,608 campers, compared with 618 in 1990), continued growth among high school campers (over 500 in 2008, compared with 60 in 1990), a near-record 3,905 adult guests for mid-year conferences, several significant facility additions (horse facility, beach volleyball court and a new deck at the lower level of the administration building) and perhaps most significantly, our new, summer-long program for graduating high school seniors: Compass – Student Leadership Development.

While there were many hundreds of significant, spiritual decisions among our summer campers, Compass established a new, intensive focus on discipleship. Created by Jerry Sittser and me, the program seeks to inspire students about to enter college to consider first the question: "How has God equipped me, and how can I use my gifts to further the Kingdom?" The program included three weeks of theology classes with Whitworth University professors Jerry Sittser, Scott Starbuck and Adam Neder. We had a number of field trips to places like Christ Kitchen, Quest Aviation (they make planes for missionary aviation) and others. The program also included a backpacking trip, led by Tall Timber Ranch staff (Presbytery of Central Washington) and a nine-day urban mission experience in Vancouver, B.C. A week of counseling Junior High campers and a week of Service Crew rounded-out the summer. It was, truly, a life-changing experience for these students. Further, during a recent weekend retreat at Camp Spalding at the start of Christmas break, the continuing impact of the summer was evident in abundance. We look forward to welcoming several of these students to our summer staff this summer.

We also encountered a severe financial challenge. Record attendance actually made our problem worse, as we lose a significant amount of money for every camper. Undercharging, combined with over-reliance on major gifts for our operating budget, made for the most serious budget shortfall in my 18 years as director. While saved once again by a few major donors, as we look forward to 2009 the board will set a summer fee that is in-line with our actual and reasonable level of support income, will not undertake any new facility additions, is looking to cut summer personnel and/or program costs, and establish more efficient and effective budgeting practices to give us timely information through the year. Stabilizing the budget is our first priority for 2009.

As we look forward, I am encouraged that we face this challenge from a position of strength – strong attendance and waiting lists for summer camps give us more room to succeed than if we were losing campers. My great hope, prayer and expectation is that the coming year will be a major step forward as we continue to transition from a small, local church camp to a Presbyterian-affiliated, regional camp and conference center.

In Christ,

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Andrew Sonneland  
Director

## Appendix 4

### Liberty Park Child Development Center Annual Report 2008

Mission Statement: "Liberty Park Child Development Center is a Christian outreach of the Presbytery of the Inland Northwest serving children and families in the community through quality education, childcare and family services."

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The center is located at 1417 Hartson Avenue, on the lower south side of Spokane. The center has programs for children and families all twelve months of the year. We offer a Christian pre-school, before and after school and summer programs, adult and family education and ECEAP (Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program).

As a board, we continue to try to balance the needs of the staff, the clients and the budget. This year, much time and study have gone into providing qualifying staff with better health and retirement coverage. We also approved a new staff pay scale to better address education, experience and performance.

Balancing the budget is always a challenge and this year is no exception. Our main feeder school, Grant Elementary, started all day kindergarten this fall. That took students from our program and thus effected funding. We also had an unexplained drop in our preschool numbers for three months. December snowfalls and school closings put added stresses on our staff and budget. We are very glad to report the center is full of children now and we hope to be able to make up the shortfall in the budget by the end of the fiscal year.

Fundraising continued with two successful events. An "Evening in the Garden" in July and "Dinner by Candlelight" in December. These are planned and carried out by the board with the help of staff and children and many friends of the center. Liberty Park also receives funding from Presbytery, supporting churches and individuals and grants.

We participated in a few Mission Fair Sundays and are working on expanding that outreach. We are also looking for new board members to fill the vacancies that arise, as our present board members need to leave the board after their years of dedicated service.

Our year is best summed up by a poignant question from director Rev. Susie Beil --- "What is God doing in the midst of all this?" It has been a year of departures and arrivals for staff, board and children. We hired a new Family Service Coordinator in March and a new Executive Director in April. Over the summer and fall we had many more staff changes. We are all praying that these transitions are complete and we can move on to continuing our mission of providing a loving and caring environment for children, staff and families.

Marge Cusworth, President  
Liberty Park Child Development Center Board of Directors

## Appendix 5

### ANNUAL REPORT 2008 MODERATOR PWP INLAND NORTHWEST

Due to the very long winter and unpredictable weather, our Spring CT meeting was held by e-mail and phone. We made our plans for the Spring Gathering, and other business.

Our Spring Gathering was held In Reardan, WA. April 12, 2008. We celebrated the 200 years of Presbyterian Women and the 20 years anniversary of the joining together with the Southern Church's. We celebrated with a 'birthday party', even birthday cake! Ladies brought past issues of Concern and Horizons magazines, t-shirts, tote bags, pictures and programs of past local and CW gatherings. We were blessed with many old hymns played by the church pianist and organist. There were posters of history of PW. We also showed 2 segments of the "200 Years of Presbyterian Women" video that told a Broad History of PW and the Issues and Accomplishments from 1900 to 1988. The last segment from 1988 to the present and into the future entitled "We're Not Done Yet" will be shown next Spring. Special guests were PWS Moderator Joan Wilson from Seattle and soon to be PWS Moderator Marjorie Freeman from Central Washington PWP.

Our new PWP Scholarship Recipient for this year is from Hamblen Park Church in Spokane. Elizabeth Hartnett has been awarded \$1000 to help pursue her education. She is majoring in Communication disorders at EWU. She wants to be a Speech Pathologist and intends to go to graduate school at WSU.

I attended the PWS Gathering in Anchorage May 22-24 2008. This was my first trip to beautiful Alaska. There were six ladies from our Presbytery that attended. Five of us stayed in a lovely Bed & Breakfast right across the street from the Church and one had a 'home stay'.

Our Fall Gathering was held October 21, 2008 at First Presbyterian Church, Coeur d'Alene, ID. Joan Wilson PW Synod Leadership Coordinator and Nancy Cabe from our Presbytery gave a presentation on leadership training for officers in our Presbytery at the Church level and Presbytery level. Communion was served by Pastor Mike Bullard. We have several offices that need to be filled at our Spring 2009 Gathering, place and date yet to be named.

Our Presbytery has offered us use of their web page for our newsletters. Our next newsletters will be e-mailed to each Church to copy and post for their Presbyterian Women.

Our PW Purpose calls us to commit ourselves to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible Study, to support the mission of the Church worldwide, work for Justice and Peace and build an inclusive caring community of women that strengthen the PCUSA and witness to the promise of God's Kingdom.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patsy Peterson, Moderator, Presbyterian Women PIN.





Presbytery of the Inland Northwest

Church Pastor	Year	Cash Salary	Housing Allow.	Deferred Income	Other Comp.	Manse Value	Pension Plan	Cont. Ed. Allow.	Auto Allow.	Prof. Allow.	Cont. Ed. Time	Vacation Time
SPALDING *See Nez Perce Jt Session												
SPIRIT LAKE (1/4 time) David Roser, CLP	08 09	\$455/mo \$455/mo				9,408 9,408			400 400			1 week 1 week
WASHTUCNA Dennis Evans	08 09	29,500 29,685	1,100 1,100			8,283 9,236	11,342 12,606	250 250	3,500 3,500	500 500	2 wks 2 wks	4 wks 4 wks
WILBUR Heather Jepsen	08 09	29,325 33,530	9,000 9,000	2,400 2,400			13,114 13,397	1,150 1,150	2,660 2,660	2,000 2,000	2 wks 2 wks	2.5 day/mo 2.5 day/mo
SPOKANE CHURCHES												
BETHANY (1/2 time) Paul Rodkey, St.Supply	08 09	3,100 3,210	19,360 18,800		1,720		8,960 10,350	570 550		570 550	2 wks 2 wks	2.5 days/mo 2.5 days/mo
#EMMANUEL Jim Burford, Stated Supply	08 09	32,000 32,000	16,000 16,000				15,120 15,120	280		280	2 wks 2 wks	1 mo 5 wks
#SPOKANE FIRST John Sowers	08 09	70,000 70,000	28,000 30,000					1,000 1,000	1,500 1,500	2,000 2,000	2 wks 2 wks	4 wks 4 wks
SPOKANE FIRST Janeen Steer	08	7,500	15,000					1,000			2 wks	4 wks
#HAMBLEN PARK Kenneth Onstot	07 09	44,805 46,294	19,570 20,220				20,278 20,952	900 900		3,000 3,000	2 wks 2 wks	4 wks 4 wks
#HAMBLEN PARK Betsey Moe, Assoc.	08 09	31,115 30,917	27,000 27,540				18,414	900 2,000		3,000 1,900	2 weeks 2 wks	2.5 days/mo 2.5 days/mo
#KNOX Paul Seebeck	08 09	22,660 19,508	22,660 20,000		3,022		14,276 12,445	1,300 1,300	700 700	1,300 1,300	15 days 15 days	2.5 days/mo 3 days/mo
KOREAN Ki-beom Lee	08	22,000	20,000									
LIDGERWOOD (90%) Mark Wheeler	08	20,000	16,981				11,649	500	750	1,000	2 wks 2 wks	30 days/yr 30 days/yr
LIDGERWOOD (1/5 time) Kathy Sandusky, CLP	08	6,272							300		2 wks 2 wks	30 days
MANITO Scott Starbuck	08 09	30,655 30,655	28,155 28,155				18,525 19,742	3,000 3,000		3,000 3,000	2 wks 2 wks	2.5 days/mo 2.5 days/mo
MANITO (2/3 time) Kathy Sandusky, CLP	08	21,417						500	.485/mi	300	2 wks 2 wks	2.5 days/mo 2.5 days/mo
MILLWOOD Craig Goodwin	08	41,728	20,000					500		2,000	2 wks	30 days
MISSION COMMUNITY Lucille Gump,CLP (1/2time)	08 09	7,369 8,184	8,316 8,316					500 500	500 600		2 wks	4 wks
NORTHWOOD Jim Jensen, Interim	08	13,000	26,200								1 wk	4 wks

Presbytery of the Inland Northwest

Church Pastor	Year	Cash Salary	Housing Allow.	Deferred Income	Other Comp.	Manse Value	Pension Plan	Cont. Ed. Allow.	Auto Allow.	Prof. Allow.	Cont. Ed. Time	Vacation Time	
OPPORTUNITY Matthew Paul	08 09	33,782 33,782	31,052 31,050				20,422 20,422	3,000 3,000		3,000 3,000	4 wks 4 wks	4 wks 4 wks	
#SHADLE PARK Richard Avery	08 09	38,947 38,947	19,781 19,781				18,499 18,500	644 644		3,565 3,565	2 wks 2 wks	2.5 days/mo 2.5 days/mo	
#SHADLE PARK (1/2 time) Cynthia Carter	08 09	10,769 10,769	14,769 14,769	1,560 1,560			8,536 6,471	462 462		1,782 1,782	2 wks 2 wks	30 days 30 days	
#SHADLE PARK (1/2 time) Greg Carter	08 09	10,769 10,769	14,769 14,769	1,560 1,560			8,536 6,471	462 462		1,782 1,782	2 wks 2 wks	30 days 30 days	
WESTMINSTER (1/2 time) Sandy Brockway, CLP	08 09	12,189 12,189	6,500 7,370		1,419				300	1,500	1,850	2 wks 2 wks	2.5 days/mo 2.5 days/mo
WHITWORTH Rob Eyman	08 09	60,945 60,945	18,250 18,250				24,950 24,950			5,200 5,200	2 wks 2 wks	2.5 days/mo 2.5 days/mo	
WHITWORTH Steve Watts	08 09	27,050 27,050	30,000 30,000				17,980 17,980			3,800 3,800	2 wks 2 wks	2.5 days/mo 2.5 days/mo	
WHITWORTH Mark McIlraith	08 09	27,885 27,885	27,885 27,885				17,570 17,570			3,600 3,600	2 wks 2 wks	2.5 days/mo 2.5 days/mo	

**COVENANT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN  
CAMP SPALDING  
and the  
PRESBYTERY OF THE INLAND-NORTHWEST  
October 2008**

**A Historical Perspective**

The relationship between Camp Spalding and the Presbytery of the Inland-Northwest began in 1956 when the Presbytery purchased 120 acres of land on which to operate its own Christian summer camp program.

Since its founding over fifty years ago, the now 500 acre site has experienced dramatic development in its programs and its physical infrastructure. Still, the dream of the ministry's founders – "To help young people experience the reality of the Gospel of Jesus Christ" – remains the solid foundation upon which it continues to build.

Over the years, thousands of young lives have been eternally changed during summer experiences at Camp Spalding. With the opening of Clearwater Lodge in 1999, the ministry has expanded to include adult guests throughout year as well. That legacy of evangelism and discipleship is having a greater impact today than ever before. Due to this growth, the Presbytery, in 2008, decided to establish the Camp as a separate corporation with its own distinct governing body so that it could be more ecumenically and effectively administered. This legal and organization veil of separation, however, does not dilute the strong, ongoing covenantal relationship that exists between the Camp and the Presbytery.

With the firm conviction that the Camp and the Presbytery have a historically-rooted and mutually-binding relationship to serve the Kingdom of God, the following covenant has been developed as a basis to encourage our conversations as colleagues, and our partnership in ministry.

**THE COVENANT**

In keeping with the spirit of the Covenant and to encourage the common ministry of the two participants, **Camp Spalding agrees to:**

- ✚ Offer programs and conduct ministries in ways and through means which are consistent with Reformed theology and our Presbyterian heritage.
- ✚ Maintain a Presbyterian majority on the board of directors.
- ✚ Assure prompt and thorough communication through the sharing of meeting minutes.

- ✚ Provide financial statements to the Presbytery's Executive and Treasurer by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month.

In keeping with the spirit of this Covenant and to encourage the common ministry of the two participants, the **Presbytery of the Inland-Northwest agrees to:**

- ✚ Affirm a continuing relationship of mutual ministry goals and interests.
- ✚ Provide encouragement as well as spiritual and financial support to the Camp as it serves the Church.
- ✚ Facilitate channels of communication between the two entities.
- ✚ Promote the Camp's ministry.

#### **Amendment and Review**

Either participant to this Covenant may initiate a review or amendment of the Covenant. The request for such a review shall be in writing to the Camp's Board of Directors or the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery. There shall be a comprehensive review of this Covenant by a joint committee of the Camp's Board and the Council of Presbytery every five years, beginning in 2013.

Camp Spalding and the Presbytery of the Inland Northwest hereby affirm these agreements and this covenant relationship. In witness thereof we do hereto affix our signatures.

Camp Spalding

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
President, Board of Directors

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary, Board of Directors

Presbytery of the Inland-Northwest

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stated Clerk

*Further Information from Council regarding the Procedure of Proposed Amendment 08-B.*

*The Setting*

The Book of Order, G-6.106b currently reads:

Those who are called to office in the church are to lead a life in obedience to Scripture and in conformity to the historic confessional standards of the church. Among these standards is the requirement to live either in fidelity within the covenant of marriage between a man and a woman (W-4.9001), or chastity in singleness. Persons refusing to repent of any self-acknowledged practice which the confessions call sin shall not be ordained and/or installed as deacons, elders, or ministers of the Word and Sacrament.

The 218<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, responding to an overture from the Presbytery of Boston, has sent to presbyteries for their consideration and vote the following suggested change to G-6.106b, which would delete all of the current wording and replace it with:

Those who are called to ordained service in the church, by their assent to the constitutional questions for ordination and installation (W-4.403), pledge themselves to live lives obedient to Jesus Christ the Head of the Church, striving to follow where he leads through the witness of the Scriptures, and to understand the Scriptures through the instruction of the Confessions. In so doing, they declare their fidelity to the standards of the Church. Each governing body charged with examination for ordination and/or installation (G-14.0240 and G-14.0450) establishes the candidate's sincere efforts to adhere to these standards.

This same suggested amendment (08-B Ordained Officers) would add the phrase "and readiness to assent to the constitutional questions for ordination and installation" to both G-14.0240 and G-14.0450.

## **Task of the Small Groups**

***Invite members of the group to share their biblical and theological understanding in response to the question that will be provided.***

### ***Respectful Communication Guidelines***

- R = take RESPONSIBILITY for what you say and feel without blaming others
- E = use EMPATHETIC listening
- S = be SENSITIVE to differences in communication styles
- P = PONDER what you hear and feel before you speak
- E = EXAMINE your own assumptions and perceptions
- C = keep CONFIDENTIALITY
- T = TRUST ambiguity because we are NOT here to debate who is right or wrong.

### ***Mutual Invitation***

- Begin with silence
- Leader or designated person shares first
- After that person has spoken, he/she invites by name another person to share (doesn't have to be the person next to you)
- Allow short time of silence before sharing
- Invite the next person to share
- If not ready to share yet, say "pass for now." You will be invited again later
- If you do not wish to share at all, say "pass"
- If what you wish to say has already been said, go ahead and say it again in your own words. This helps give the group a sense of everyone's perspectives.
- Do not interrupt others. Ask questions for clarification only after they have finished speaking.
- Do not comment about another person's thoughts/opinions.
- Express yourself in terms of "I think" or "I believe" or "I feel".
- Avoid use of "we" and "they" statements.