

Minutes
Leadership Team of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon
October 2, 2019

Mission Statement: To ensure that the vision and values of the whole Presbytery are sustained by engaging in and encouraging ongoing reflection, exploration and prayer.

The Leadership Team commission of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon met for its stated October meeting at the Presbytery office. The meeting was called to order by John Poling, Moderator, at 6:00 p.m. with devotions and prayer. A quorum was present.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Carol Gerlach	John Poling	Craig Weber
Jan Palmer	George Saylor	Fred Warren

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT

Scott Fischer (Treasurer)	Brad Munroe (Pres Pastor)	Bob Schulz (St Clerk/Assoc)
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OTHERS PRESENT

Beth Kath (Assoc St Clerk)

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Mary Danforth	Cynthia Jennison	Kathryn Owens
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MEMBERS ABSENT

Joseph Ellis	Ben Seller	Ruby Smalls
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MINUTES APPROVED

The minutes of the September 4, 2019 meeting of the Leadership Team were approved as presented.

MONTLURE UPDATE

Bob Schulz reported that although Presbytery Corporate officers could not attend a recent meeting of the Montlure Council he had responded to the detailed agenda items for that meeting. Leadership reviewed Bob's memo to the Council, which outlined serious short- and long-term financial concerns and the need for realistic planning for the future. He had invited Montlure to make a 30-minute presentation at the October de Cristo and November Grand Canyon presbytery meetings for an update on the camp's status.

COMMUNITY WELLTON

Bob Schulz reported he had received a phone call from the Wellton Police Department regarding use of the church building as a shelter for feral cats. The police responded to a complaint and found a note on the outside declaring it a cat shelter. There was a strong odor but the police could not enter the premises without permission from the owner, thus the call to the Presbytery office. Bob had ascertained that permission had been given by a member for her daughter to use the building. It was noted that Lawn Griffiths had been in contact with Community while he served as their COM liaison and might be a valuable resource. The following was approved:

MOTION: Authorized Stated Clerk Bob Schulz to give permission to the Wellton Police Department to enter and secure the Community Wellton Presbyterian Church building property.

MOTION: Authorized Bob Schulz, Brad Munroe and John Poling to appoint an Administrative Commission to make recommendations to the Leadership Team regarding actions needed at Community Wellton Presbyterian Church.

2020 DRAFT BUDGET

Bob Schulz distributed copies of the proposed 2020 budget developed by Resources. He explained that staff salary increases would now be based on COLA percentages. Approval of the budget was scheduled for the November Presbytery meeting. He was encouraging both presbyteries to move up their budget proposals to the August meeting to make it easier for churches to plan budgets for the coming year. The following was approved:

MOTION: To receive the proposed 2020 Budget and recommend its submittal to the Presbytery for approval at the November 2, 2019 meeting.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/NETWORK REPORTS

Operations/Bob Schulz – working on nominations.

Resources/Scott Fischer – approved \$40,000 Presbytery loan to First Yuma for AC replacement.

COM/Brad Munroe – both Southminster and Celebration of Life to have gap interims as pastors depart; investigative team to look into elder’s claims about a member’s verbal abuse of female members at Mingus View.

CPM/George Saylor – two new CRE applicants.

Cong Resourcing/Jan Palmer – Anthem NWC seeking larger worship space; sponsored conflict management training; to hold 11/16 grant writing workshop; new focus on telling Presbytery how mission funds being used.

CNN (Native Ministries)/Brad Munroe – CNN meeting this month; also denai meeting at Tseyi Bidáá.

Peace & Justice/Bob – Bob went to dinner for visiting international peacemaker.

Older Adult Ministry/Brad Munroe – working with Desert Palms on a men’s retreat for Jan or Feb.

TREASURER REPORT

Scott Fischer reported the Presbytery finished the month of August in the black for both the connecting and mission budgets.

PRESBYTERY PASTOR REPORT

Brad Munroe reported he had compiled a church officer training booklet. He distributed “Growing New Ministries in Old Places.” He was planning a five-day Reconciliation Team training session to be held at Memorial the second week in February. Brad informed Leadership about Presbytery de Cristo’s growing budget crisis.

ADJOURN

The motion was made to adjourn and the meeting was closed in prayer at 8:05 p.m. The ministries and needs of our congregations and their staffs were lifted up. The next meeting of the Leadership Team was scheduled for November 6, 2019 at the Presbytery office.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Kath

Recording Secretary

Approved 11/6/19