

**PRESBYTERY OF YUKON
SPECIAL PRESBYTERY MEETING**

December 3, 2013

CONVENE

Moderator Rev. Duke Morrow convened a teleconference of the Presbytery of Yukon at 7:00 pm. Rev. Curt Karns led in the opening prayer.

ESTABLISH ROLL

Teaching Elder Members Present: Piper Cartland, David Jeong, Britt Johnston, Luke Jones, Curt Karns, Susan Knight, Tom Letts, Duke Morrow, Matthew Schultz, Henry Woodall

Ruling Elders (RE) Present: Mike Apatiki (Gambell PC), Ron Illingworth (New Hope Church), Lauri Kari (1st Wasilla PC), Will Tompkins (Trinity PC), Susan Woods (Jewel Lake Parish); and Leadership Team members Merle Apassingok (Gambell PC), Donna Davidson (Eagle River PC), Arlayne Knox (University Community PC), Mary Charlotte McCall (Immanuel PC), Shirley Novak (First Wasilla PC), Beulah Nowpakahok (Gambell PC), CRE Marjorie Poggas (Jewel Lake Parish), and stated clerk Sharon Rayt.

Others Present: presbytery treasurer Mary Kron

DECLARATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was present in accordance with G-3.0304, that ruling elders representing at least three churches and three teaching elders constitute a quorum. All other members were excused.

AGENDA

The teleconference was called by moderator Rev. Duke Morrow with the concurrence of Rev. Piper Cartland, Rev. Curt Karns, RE Dennis Berry (First Anchorage PC), and CRE Marjorie Poggas (Jewel Lake Parish) to act on the following business:

• **Set 2014 Presbytery per capita**

Presbytery treasurer Mary Kron reported that General Assembly 2014 per capita increased from \$6.87 to \$7.02. Synod has significantly reduced its operating expenses under the reduced function model, resulting in a per capita drop of \$1.50, from \$4.00 in 2013 to \$2.50 for 2014.

Mary laid out two options for consideration:

- Maintaining Presbytery per capita at the 2013 level of \$35.00, would decrease per overall per capita (Presbytery + Synod + General Assembly) from the 2013 level of \$45.87 to \$44.52 for 2014.
- Raising Presbytery per capita to \$36.35, would keep the overall per capita at the 2013 level of \$45.87.

The Leadership Team recommended that the second option be considered, i.e., raising Presbytery per capita. Presbytery **VOTED** to increase Presbytery per capita for 2014 to \$36.35.

It would be helpful for Presbytery to talk about how we understand the budgeting process and per capita at next fall's stated presbytery meeting. RE Mary Charlotte McCall suggested that the discussion include the importance of our connectionalism. Presbytery concurred.

- **Receive Report, per the Rules of Discipline.**

Upon receipt of a written statement of an alleged offense and in accordance with D-10.0103, the stated clerk shall report to the applicable council only that an offense has been alleged without naming the accused or the nature of the alleged offense. After the investigation has been completed, the council shall be informed as to whether or not charges will be filed.

On October 22, 2013 the Stated Clerk received a written allegation against a teaching elder member of the Presbytery of Yukon. Debbie Ossiander, Dr. Cathy King, and Rev. Ian MacInnes-Green were subsequently appointed to a committee to investigate the alleged offense. In keeping with D-10.0202, the Investigating Committee made a thorough inquiry into the facts and circumstances of the alleged offense and determined that there was insufficient cause to believe that the alleged offense had been committed by the accused. Therefore, charges will not be filed against the accused.

ADJOURN

The teleconference adjourned at 7:17 pm with Rev. Henry Woodall leading in the closing prayer.

Sharon Rayt
Stated Clerk