

1st Annual Meeting Mountain Sky Conference United Methodist Women Business Meeting, October 26, 2019 Christ United Methodist Church, Salt Lake City, UT The theme: Celebration: From 1869 to 2019

Legacy Rocky Mountain Conference President, Ellie Young, and Legacy Yellowstone Conference President, Stacey King, welcomed everyone to the Saturday portion of the Annual Gathering. Ellie and Stacey also welcomed all those in attendance at the satellite locations: Missoula, MT with 7 members; Grand Junction, CO with 12 members; Lander, WY with 3 members and Fort Collins, CO with 16 members. The satellite location in Billings, MT was cancelled due to snowstorm. They recognized the following: current Leadership Teams from Legacy Yellowstone and Legacy Rocky Mountain Conferences; Deaconess Laurie Fujinami; Former Rocky Mountain Conference Presidents Myrna Prentice, Margaret Hotze and Judy Hill; Former Yellowstone Conference President Jeannie Hall; Former Alaska Missionary Conference President Janet Ulrich; National Office members of Program Advisory Group Glenna Brayton and Jeannie Hall; Western Jurisdiction Vice President Jana Jones.

Ellie and Stacey gave a big thank you to the local hostesses, technical help and all the members of Christ UMC.

Linda Cockett, Legacy Rocky Mountain Conference Spiritual Growth Coordinator, led the group in the litany "Behold, a New Creation". As the litany was read, Ellie and Stacey retired the legacy conference banners and raised the new banner for the Mountain Sky Conference United Methodist Women.

Karen Smith, Vice President of Legacy Yellowstone Conference, introduced Rev. DeLyn Celec who lead a celebration of singing.

The Business Meeting was called to order by Presidents, Ellie Young and Stacey King.

Lauri Kiel, Secretary Legacy Rocky Mountain Conference, called for the minutes of the 2018 Annual Meetings to be approved. Some changes were accepted before the minutes were distributed.

Minutes of the 46th Annual Meeting of Legacy Rocky Mountain Conference, October 19-20, 2018, held at Scott UMC, Denver, CO were approved for filing by a motion from Margaret Hotze and seconded by Sandy McCormick. Passed by members in attendance locally and at satellite locations in Fort Collins, CO and Grand Junction, CO.

Minutes of the 46th Annual Meeting of Legacy Yellowstone Conference, September 26, 2018 held jointly (with internet connection) at Roberts UMC, Roberts, MT and First UMC, Missoula, MT were approved for filing by a motion from Leslie Heppe and seconded by Laurie Ball. Passed by members in attendance locally and at satellite locations in Missoula, MT and Lander, WY.

Lauri also presented the 2020 Proposed Standing Rules for Mountain Sky Conference United Methodist Women. The 2020 Proposed Standing Rules were compiled from the Standing Rules of Legacy Rocky Mountain Conference, Legacy Yellowstone Conference, and proposals from the working groups as assigned at the January, 2019 leadership team meeting. These working groups were the Program Group, the Officer Redo Group, the Finance Group and the Communications Group. The 2020 Proposed Standing Rules have been published and distributed in each Legacy conference newsletter, and published on each Legacy conference website. The Standing Rules will be printed in the 2020 Directory. (Copy will be attached to minutes.)

Mary Ann Tabor moved to accept the Standing Rules, seconded by Judy Eicher. Motion passed by members in attendance locally and at satellite locations.

Chairs of Nominations, Margaret Hotze and Cherie Mondragon, presented the first slate of officers for the Mountain Sky Conference United Methodist Women Leadership Team. The nominees for 2020: President, Linda Cockett; Co-Vice Presidents, Diann Eason and Karen Smith; Secretary, Lauri Kiel; Associate Secretary (with the expectation of being Secretary in 2021), Laurie Ball; Treasurer, Robin Ball; Coordinator for Spiritual Growth, Belinda Alkula; Co-Coordinators for Membership Nurture and Outreach, Jackie McCall and Cherie Mondragon; Coordinator for Social Justice and Action, Mary Ann Tabor; Coordinator for Education and Interpretation, Chesie Lee; Coordinator for Program Resources, Sandy McCormick; Co-Coordinators for Communications, Claudia Davis and Ann Heard; Co-Chairs, Committee on Nominations, Teresa Henry and Judy Scrimshire; Members, Committee on Nominations, Laurie Fujinami, Judy Hill, Beth McKee, Becky Messman, Teresa Rivera, Elouise Rossler.

President Ellie Young asked for nominations from the floor and from the satellite locations for each position.

There being no nominations from the floor or from the satellite locations, Judy Scrimshire moved to accept the slate of nominees as presented by the Nominating Committee. Sandy McCormick seconded the motion. The membership in attendance locally and at the satellite locations passed the motion.

Also presented by the Nominating Committee were nominees for Director to United Methodist Women National Office, Jeannie Hall and Jana Jones, with Michelle Huck as alternate.

Nominations from the floor and satellite locations for Director to National Office were opened. There were no nominations from the floor or from the satellite locations and the nominees presented were accepted.

The Nominating Committee also presented nominees for the National Office Program Advisory Group, Michelle Huck, Sherie Hill, and Megan Wieck. Nominations from the floor and satellite locations for National Office Program Advisory Group were opened. There were no nominations from the floor or satellite locations and the nominees were accepted as presented.

Jeannie Hall moved to elect the entire slate. Janet Wolfer seconded the motion. The membership in attendance locally and at the satellite locations passed the motion.

Ellie and Stacey congratulated the membership on electing the first slate of officers for the Mountain Sky Conference United Methodist Women.

Treasurer, Robin Ball presented the proposed budget for 2020 at \$94,811. Robin thanked the District Treasurers for submitting their budgets so the Conference budget could be generated. Robin reminded members that Smile Amazon is a benevolent fund set up by Amazon. When members sign into Smile Amazon, Amazon gives a small percentage of their purchases to their designated charity. The budget item labelled Officer's Travel is for travel expenses other than regular events. Travel expenses for the regular events is included in the cost of that event. If a unit changed to a new district, that change takes effect on January 1, 2020. For the remainder of this year, districts should remit pledges to previous district. **Michelle Huck moved the acceptance of the budget of \$94,811 for 2020. Coming from committee a second was not needed. Membership locally and at the satellite locations passed the motion.**

Robin reminded everyone all 2019 funds need to be to District Treasurers by December 10th in order to be counted for 2019.

Robin presented the recommendation for Pledge to National Office of \$170,000. Karen Smith moved to approve the Pledge to National Office of \$170,000. Coming from committee no second is needed. Membership locally and at satellite locations passed the motion.

The offering was taken; 18.69% of collected funds will be sent to the Legacy 150 Fund with the balance to be divided between the two legacy conferences and applied to each conference's Pledge to Mission.

Stacey and Ellie announced that a limited number of pieces of the commemorative artwork are available for sale. The artwork reflects fall as a time of transition and change; at dawn, the birds are bringing gifts to the new creation (conference); the legacy conferences are now one new conference.

The meeting broke for lunch at 12 noon and reconvened at 1:30 pm

A pending snowstorm has begun to thin the attendance as members are anxious to travel home ahead of the storm. A total of 92 members were in attendance locally. The satellite locations reported there were 12 members in attendance in Grand Junction (CO), 16 in Fort Collins (CO), 3 in Lander (WY), and 7 in Missoula (MT).

Ellie Young and Stacey King presented the outgoing leadership recognitions. The outgoing officers from Legacy Rocky Mountain Conference are Karen Jaeger, Pat Chase, Judy Eicher, Margaret Hotze, Sandy Garlick, and Glenna Brayton. On behalf of Legacy Rocky Mountain Conference, Margaret Hotze presented outgoing President, Ellie Young, with a Special Mission Recognition Pin. The outgoing officers from Legacy Yellowstone Conference are Roxanne Roehl, Laurie Ball, and Jeannie Hall. On behalf of Legacy Yellowstone Conference, Teresa Henry presented outgoing President Stacey King with a Special Mission Recognition Pin and a President's Pin.

Lander, Grand Junction, Fort Collins and Missoula remote sites sent their thanks to the outgoing officers.

Ellie and Stacey declared the 1st Annual Meeting of Mountain Sky Conference United Methodist Women closed at 1:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lauri Kiel, Secretary

Minutes to be audited by: Elouise Rossler, Judy Scrimshire



1st Annual Meeting Mountain Sky Conference United Methodist Women Afternoon Activities, October 26, 2019 Christ United Methodist Church, Salt Lake City, UT The theme: Celebration: From 1869 to 2019

Announcements:

The remote feed will stop at 4 pm and the McCurdy Ministries Congratulations video will be sent to each attendee.

Roxanne announced that the offering total was \$1871 with \$351 to the Legacy fund, \$760 to Yellowstone Legacy Conference and \$760 to Rocky Mountain Legacy Conference.

Laurie Fujinami spoke about the Deaconess and Home Missioner program and her Deaconess role at the Denver VA as a mental health administrator. She encouraged attendees to visit the UMW website for more information and scheduled discernment events.

Jana Jones, Western Jurisdiction Vice President, invited everyone to attend Calling U, the Western Jurisdiction Quadrennial Event, April 17-19, 2020, in Tempe, Arizona.

Gael Jennie Fleurant reported on her education as a UMW scholarship recipient. She will earn her Associate degree in Water Quality Management from Red Rock Community College. In two years Jennie will compete her Bachelor degree in Environmental Science.

2:00 pm - **Memorial Service** – Linda Cockett offered recognition for Ellen Hill, Big Horn District President who passed while in office during 2019. Laurie Ball read a tribute to Ellen. Linda lead us in a litany followed by Linda reading the names on the 2019 Memorial list from all the UMW districts.

2:20 pm – **Installation of Officers** – Kenya Roberts, National UMW Legacy 150 representative. Kenya spoke of her mother's passion for mission and United Methodist Women turning Faith into Action. The elected officers were duly installed.

2:30 pm – **Legacy 150 –** Kenya Roberts. The Mountain Sky UMW Legacy goal over the next 5 years is \$135,000. Yellowstone Legacy budget is \$32,922 and Rocky Mtn Legacy budget is \$105,000. Kenya explained the 1869 Society and Legacy Builder programs. Roxanne Roehl, Jeannie Hall and Linda Cockett challenged us to find 135 women to pledge \$1000 to the Legacy Fund over the next 5 years. More than 23 attendees including those at the remote sites made pledges.

2:45 pm – **Celebration** Rev. Delyn Celac led us in song and a fun improvisation based on things that made the business meeting fun. Attendees shared their fundraising projects that support their community and UMW mission.

4:00 pm – **Closing Worship and Communion** with Rev. Elizabeth McVicker, Senior Pastor at Salt Lake City Centenary UMC and Pastor at Salt Lake City First UMC.

5:00 pm – Celebration Reception in the Gymnasium

Respectfully submitted, Laurie Ball, Associate Secretary