

CYPU Spring 2026

Great Lakes/Gulf Presbytery RPCNA Report

Board Members:

Bryan Planalp – President/Treasurer

Joy Whitt – Secretary/Clerk

Kevin Duffey

Jon Sturm

Elsa Sturm

Aaron Murray – Director

Board Activity: The Board met four times beginning in June of 2025 with several key areas of focus.

- Focus on support for Aaron Murray and the YSLT (Youth Servant Leadership Team) event planning and coordination
- Coordination of the budget for CYPUP.
- Oversight for CPP administration.
- Addition of Jon and Elsa Sturm to the Board
- Established Cell Phone Policy for CYPUP events
- CPP Implementation review – No issue was at a CYPUP Event. (see October CYPUP Board minutes and Proposal 4 below)

Key Successes during the last year.

- Aaron Murray has effectively led the CYPUP events and encouraged YSLT leadership in each of the events held.
- Events Held in 2025 (see Aaron's Directors reports for more details)
 - Summer Bash
 - TFW - Theological Foundations Weekend
 - Fall Ministry
 - Winter Conference
 - Psalm Sings
- All events were completed in compliance with the CPP (Child Protection Policy).
- Budget schedule was completed and submitted (See Attachment.)

CYPU Board Proposals for Presbytery consideration:

Proposal 1:

We propose:

Board member changes:

- We accept the resignation of Kevin Duffey from the board and request Presbytery to make an addition to the CYPUBoard. Namely, a ruling elder from a church within Presbytery.
- We make officer changes to the CYPUBoard as follows:
 - o Jon Sturm – President
 - o Joy Whitt – Secretary/Clerk
 - o Bryan Planalp – Treasurer
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Proposal 2:

We Request: \$4,500 budget allocation from Presbytery to fund the CYPUBoard Director and Events. See attached CYPUBoard 2026 Financial Schedule.

Proposal 3:

That the CYPUBoard request the GLG Presbytery to appoint Sunday, May 3, 2026, as a special day of voluntary giving to support CYPUBoard ministry, and that this request be formally communicated to all congregations within the presbytery.

Rationale:

The GLG is a geographically large presbytery. Additional financial support would enable us to better serve students, especially those from outlying regions. Increased funding would help cover travel and registration expenses for these students. It would also allow us to purchase recreational equipment and educational materials to enhance our events.

Proposal: 4:

We Request: A review of our CPP implementation and our administration of the CPP incidents by the CYPUBoard.

Recommendation: The CYPUBoard's decision regarding attendance at CYPUBoard events be referred to a committee for review and instruction.