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April 8, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Due to uncertainties surrounding the Covid-19 pandemic, the Board of Directors, in accordance with the Statutory Bylaw change at the October 2020 special convention of LCC, has moved the **Twelfth Regular Convention of Lutheran Church–Canada** to **June 10-13, 2022 in Edmonton, Alberta**.

The Commission on Nominations and Elections (CNE) has prepared the enclosed documents for your participation in the nominating process of individuals to serve on the board and various commissions of our Synod, as well as on the Board of Regents of our seminaries. This letter, as such, constitutes the **official notice of solicitation of names for nomination** as specified in the synodical bylaws of Lutheran Church—Canada.

Recommendations received by the CNE **prior to the postponement** of the convention **do <u>not</u>** have to be **resubmitted.**

Any pastor, deacon, or individual communicant member of a congregation of Lutheran Church-Canada may recommend one or more persons for nomination to the following positions. A description of the major responsibilities and desirable qualifications for each position is attached.

Board of Directors (BOD)

To be elected: 5 lay persons; 3 pastors; and 1 deacon (with at least 1 individual from each region)

Commission on Adjudication (COA)

To be elected: 2 rostered workers (the other members of the COA are 3 lay persons appointed by each regional pastor, at least 1 of whom must be a lawyer)

Commission on Constitution Matters and Structure (CCMS)

To be elected: 3 rostered workers, 1 of whom may be a deacon; and 3 laypersons, 1 of whom must be a lawyer (the other member of the CCMS is the secretary of the BOD who is appointed to that office from among the Board members)

Commission on Nominations and Elections (CNE)

To be elected: 4 rostered workers, at least 3 of whom shall be pastors and 1 may be a deacon; and 3 laypersons (each region is to be represented, if possible, by at least 1 member)

Commission on Theology and Church Relations (CTCR)

To be elected: 2 rostered workers serving congregations, at least 1 of whom must be a pastor
or pastor emeriti; and 2 lay persons (the other members of the CTCR are a faculty member from
each of our two seminaries who is appointed or elected by the faculty, and a member appointed
by the synod president)

Regional Mission and Ministry Council (RMMC)

To be elected: 1 lay person from each circuit (the RMMC consists of a lay person and the circuit counsellor from each circuit in the region)

Board of Regents (Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Catharines)

To be selected: 1 pastor; and 1 lay person from each region (the names of those selected at the convention are submitted to the BOR which makes the final official election or appointment)

Board of Regents (Concordia Lutheran Seminary, Edmonton)

To be selected: 1 pastor; and 1 lay person from each region (the names of those selected at the convention are submitted to the BOR which makes the final official election or appointment)

The Commission on Nominations and Elections is to review all recommendations submitted and nominate at least two individuals for each elected position. Additional nominations, however, may be made from the floor of the convention provided certain requirements have been met; e.g., written consent from the nominee, biographical and other information received, vetting of nominee, etc.

Please note the following:

- Individuals may be recommended for as many positions as you desire.
- Names of individuals currently serving are listed in the *Together, One* 2021 special publication and may also be found on our synod's website: (*WHO WE ARE* → *Governance and Leadership* → *Board of Directors*).
- Duplicate the form(s) should you wish to recommend more than one individual.
- ▶ Return Recommendation for Nomination forms by June 30, 2021 if possible. Deadline is October 10, 2021.
- Return all Recommendation for Nomination forms to:

Commission on Nominations and Elections c/o Lutheran Church—Canada 3074 Portage Avenue Winnipeg, MB R3K 0Y2

OR Scan completed form and email to: convention@lutheranchurch.ca

OR Online submissions may be made at: www.lutheranchurchcanada.ca/synod-convention-2022/

Contact Angela Honey, Senior Administrative Assistant, at the LCC office if you have any questions concerning this process. (1-204-895-3433 ext. 210 or a.honey@lutheranchurch.ca)

Thank you in advance for your participation in this important task that we are doing together as part of our synodical family. May the Lord bless and guide you in your deliberation on this matter.

In Christ's service,

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Rev. Lorne Reddemann, Chairman

Commission on Nominations and Elections (CNE)

P.S. According to our Synodical Bylaws, a different process is used for **the nomination of President and Vice-President, Regional Pastors, and Circuit Counselors.** Such is done by duly called official meetings of the congregation. A **separate letter** containing official nomination ballots and further explanation of this process **will be sent to all congregations**.