

Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area  
NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT  
May 10, 2011

**1. We place in nomination the persons whose names are in BOLD CAPS below:**

PRESBYTERY OFFICERS & COUNCIL

Moderator of Presbytery: 5/12=2 **CYNTHIA RAY**, minister, PresHomes  
Vice-Moderator of Presbytery: 5/12=1 **BARBARA LUTTER**, elder, St. Paul, Arlington Hills  
Chair of Council: 5/12=6 **VINCENT GIN**, elder, Hudson, First  
At-Large 5/14 =3 **KAREN GASCHE**, elder, Minneapolis, Westminster  
At-Large 5/14 =3 **THOMAS J. PARLETTE**, minister, Rochester, First

*Continuing on Council*

Stated Clerk: 5/12=6 Nancy Grittman, elder, Buffalo, Buffalo  
Treasurer: 7/13=3 Edwin Martin, minister, HR  
At-Large 5/12=3 Gordon Doshier, elder, Plymouth, Plymouth  
At-Large 5/12 =3 Beverly Modlin, minister, Shakopee, First  
At-Large 5/13 =4 Carol Anderson, elder, Maple Plain, First  
At-Large 5/13 =3 David Lenz, minister, Richfield, Hope  
EP (ex-officio) Chaz Ruark, minister  
Representative of ... 5/12 (*chair or alternate*)  
Committee on Ministry: William Livingston, minister, HR  
Committee on Preparation for Ministry: William Davnie, minister, Member-at-Large  
Board of Trustees: Walter Rockenstein, elder, Minneapolis, Westminster  
Nominating Committee: Elizabeth Raitt, minister, HR  
Church Development Team:  
Mission & Witness Committee: Teresa Roberts, minister, Member-at-Large  
Personnel Committee: Margaret Taylor, elder, Minneapolis, Stadium Village  
GA Commissioner: 9/12=2 Marian Michael, elder, Golden Valley, Valley Community

ADVOCATES FOR INTEGRITY IN MINISTRY

Co-Chair 5/12 **SANDRA STUART GRAY**  
Co-Chair 5/12 **PETER SOULEN**  
5/14=6 **MICHAEL NGEURU KAMAU**, minister, St. Paul, Kenyan Fellowship  
5/14=3 *lay*  
5/14=3 *female*  
5/13=6 **SANDRA STUART GRAY**, minister, HR  
5/12=4 **ANNE KLUEH**, elder, Bloomington, Oak Grove

*Continuing on the committee*

5/12=2 Debbie Baker, elder, Hager City, Laurel  
5/12=6 Vaughn Jefferson, minister, Member-at-Large  
5/13=6 Bruce Beck, elder, North St. Paul, North  
5/13=5 Peter Soulen, elder, Minneapolis, Westminster

BILLS & OVERTURES COMMITTEE

Chair 5/12 **BARBARA ANNE KEELY**

5/14=4 **JAMES PAYNE**, elder, Stillwater, First

9/12=2

*Continuing on the committee*

5/13=6 Barbara Anne Keely, minister, United Seminary

5/12=3 Anne Foote, elder, Plymouth, Plymouth

9/12=2 Gale Robb, minister, Member-at-Large

9/12=2 Joy Smith, minister, Burnsville, Church of the Apostles

9/12=2 Peter Soulen, elder, Minneapolis, Westminster

9/12=2 Barbara Van Loenen, elder, Hudson, First

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chair 5/12 **WALTER ROCKENSTEIN**

5/14=3 **WALTER FASTER**, elder, Wayzata, St. Luke

5/14=4 **SHEILA GUSAFSON**, minister, HR

5/14=3 **LINDA LEICHT**, elder, Minneapolis, Lake Nokomis

5/12=6 **JOEL FRETTE**, elder, Burnsville, Church of the Apostles

5/12=1 **DAVID BAHLS**, elder, Plymouth, Plymouth

*Continuing on the Board*

5/12=6 Fred Johnson, elder, Apple Valley, Spirit of Life

5/12=6 Jerald Peterson, elder, Roseville, North Como

5/12=6 Thomas Radio, elder, St. Paul, The House of Hope

~~5/12=3 Christopher Carlson, minister, Member-at-Large~~

5/13=5 Greg Bigwood, elder, Roseville, North Como

5/13=3 Walter Rockenstein, elder, Minneapolis, Westminster

5/13=5 Barbara Van Loenen, elder, Hudson, First

5/13=6 James York, minister, North St. Paul, North

CHURCH DEVELOPMENT TEAM

*-- elders with redevelopment passion/experience needed*

Chair 5/12

5/14=3 *lay*

5/14=3 *lay*

5/14=3 **BARBARA FREEMAN**, elder, Woodbury, Trinity

5/12=6 **BILL YOUNG**, minister, Frontier Fellowship

*Continuing on the committee*

5/12=3 Gary Elg, minister, Red Wing, First

5/12=6 John Ivers, elder, Shoreview, Church of the Way

5/12=6 Stan Martin, minister, St. Louis Park, Peace

5/13=4 Stephen Muhia, minister, member-at-large

5/13=3 Rochelle LeTourneau, elder, South St. Paul, First

COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR

Co-Chair 5/12 **KEN RIBE**  
 Co-Chair 5/12 **ROBERT BOLLAR**  
 5/14=3  
 5/14=3  
 5/13=3 *lay - female preferred*

*Continuing on committee*

5/12=4 Robert Bollar, elder, Columbia Heights, Church of All Nations  
 5/12=6 John Hougen, elder, Richfield, Hope  
 5/12=3 Kathleen Macosko, minister, Minneapolis, Stadium Village  
 5/13=6 Ken Ribe, minister, St. Paul, Randolph Heights

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

Co-Chair 5/12 **PATRICIA MILLOY**  
 Co-Chair 5/12 **WILLIAM LIVINGSTON**  
 5/14=6 **MYRA CARROLL-PEZZELLA**, minister, Howard Lake, First  
 5/14=6 **JANICE DICKINSON**, elder, St. Paul, The House of Hope  
 5/14=6 **REBECCA FLETCHER**, minister, St. Paul, St. Joseph's Hospital  
 5/14=6 **JULIE GEBBENGREEN**, minister, St. Paul, Edgumbe  
 5/14=3 **ELIZABETH REMFERT**, elder, Rochester, First  
 5/14=3 *elder*  
 5/14=3 *elder*  
 5/13=2 *elder*  
 5/12=1 **RICHARD BULLER**, minister, Golden Valley, Valley Community

*Continuing on the committee*

5/12=6 Kathryn Breithbarth, elder, Burnsville, Church of the Apostles  
 5/12=2 Donald Patterson, minister, Member-at-Large  
 5/12=3 Jerry Ganfield, elder, Owatonna, Associated  
 5/12=6 Amy Kosari, minister, Ellsworth, First & Hager City, Laurel  
 5/12=6 Patricia Milloy, elder, Minneapolis, Westminster  
 5/12=3 Susan Rutford, elder, Stillwater, First  
 5/13=3 Karyn Arazi, elder, Bloomington, Oak Grove  
 5/13=3 William 'Buck' Day, minister, Minnetonka, Faith  
 5/13=3 Robert Hamilton, minister, Claremont, First  
 5/13=3 William Livingston, minister, HR  
 5/13=3 Mary McNamara, minister, United Seminary  
 5/13=5 Frank Uvodich, elder, Bloomington, Oak Grove  
 5/13=3 William Yeager, minister, HR

COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

Chair 5/12 **WILLIAM DAVNIE**

5/14=6 **WILLIAM DAVNIE**, minister, Member-at-Large

5/14=6 **DON GENEREUX**, minister, Belle Plaine, First

5/14=5 **LOIS RHOADES**, St. Paul, Dayton Avenue

5/14=4 **PAULA SANDERS**, minister, Member-at-Large

5/14=5 **TERRY SCHERMER**, elder, Buffalo, Buffalo

5/14=3 **MAURO SOUZA**, elder, Columbia Heights, Church of All Nations

5/14=6 **LISA WATSON**, minister, Regions Hospital, St. Paul

5/14=3 **JANET YOUEL**, elder, White Bear Lake, First

5/13=2 *lay*

5/13=2 *minister*

5/13=2 *lay*

*Continuing on the committee*

5/12=3 Robert Bratnober, elder, Richfield, Hope

5/12=3 Susan Goodspeed, elder, Minneapolis, Lake Nokomis

5/12=3 Daniel Graham, minister, HR

5/12=6 Elisabeth Marlow, minister, Macalester College

5/12=3 Philip Park, elder, Baldwin, First

5/12=6 Martha Rockenstein, elder, Hudson, First

5/12=3 Joy Smith, minister, Burnsville, Church of the Apostles

5/12=3 Louise Woodberry, elder, Coon Rapids, Church of the Master

5/13=5 April Davis Campbell, minister, Member-at-Large

~~5/13=3 Barbara Freeman, elder, Woodbury, Trinity~~

5/13=6 William Hoffman, minister, Rochester, Community

5/13=3 Ethel Kay Livingston, minister, HR

5/13=3 Janet Ruark, minister, Baldwin, First

5/13=3 Jacqui deVries, elder, Minneapolis, Westminster

COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATION

Chair 5/12 **ROBERT CROSS**

5/14=6 **LUCY MUNGAI**, elder, Columbia Heights, Church of All Nations

5/14=3 **ESTELLE BONHAM**, elder, Burnsville, Church of the Apostles

5/14=3 *male R/E*

5/13=2 *female*

5/13=2 *female*

5/12-14=1-3 *youth male (age 17-23)*

*Continuing on the committee*

5/12=6 Robert Cross, elder, Golden Valley, Valley Community

5/12=3 LeRoy Haynes, minister, HR

5/12=6 Kayton Palmer, minister, HR

5/13=5 Elizabeth Brazill, elder, South St. Paul, First

MISSION AND WITNESS COMMITTEE

Chair 5/12 **TERESA ROBERTS**

5/14=5 **HIKARI NAKANE**, member, Columbia Heights, Church of All Nations

5/14=5 **TERESA ROBERTS**, minister, Member-at-Large

5/14=3

*Continuing on the committee*

5/12=3 Walter Chuquimia, minister, Minneapolis, Familia de Fe

5/12=3 Brenda Martins, elder, St. Louis Park, Peace

5/12=2 Ruth Jones, elder, North St. Paul, First

5/13=3 Rollie Baldwin, elder, Minneapolis, Westminster

5/13=3 Aruewell Benifield, elder, Minneapolis, Kwanzaa

5/13=4 Matthew Johnson, minister, Minneapolis, Aldrich Avenue

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Chair 5/12 **MARGARET TAYLOR**

5/14=3 **DAVID JONES**, elder, Bloomington, Oak Grove

5/14=6 **SUSAN MARVIN**, minister, Member-At-Large

*Continuing on the committee*

5/12=3 T. Ewen Holmes, minister, Plymouth, Plymouth

5/12=3 Margaret Taylor, elder, Minneapolis, Stadium Village

5/13=3 Roger Jensen, elder, St. Paul, The House of Hope

5/13=4 Tom Phillips, elder, St. Louis Park, Peace

SELF DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE COMMITTEE

12/13=3 **DOUG MITCHEL**, minister, Minneapolis, Westminster

12/13=3 **RISLEY PRAKASIMI**, member, St. Paul, Knox

*Continuing on the committee*

Chair 12/11 Karen Kennerly

12/11=3 Robert Endeley, member, Coon Rapids, Church of the Master

12/11=3 Karen Kennerly, minister, HR

12/11=6 Phyllis Thomas, Bloomington, Speak the Word Church

12/12=3 Grace Muengai, elder, Columbia Heights, Church of All Nations

12/12=3 Mauro Souza, elder, Columbia Heights, Church of All Nations

12/12=3 Tomas Ruter, elder, St. Paul, Knox

12/13=3 Anne Bushnell, elder, St. Paul, MacPlymouth

PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION*Continuing on this commission -- No one to be elected this year*

5/12=6 Manley Olson, elder, Roseville, North Como

5/12=6 Jack Schaffer, minister, Member-at-Large

5/14=6 Andrew Lindahl, minister, Austin, First

5/14=6 Margaret Newswanger, minister, Maple Plain, First

5/14=6 Burton Nygren, elder, Minneapolis, Westminster

5/16=6 Mark Pridgeon, elder, Bloomington, Oak Grove

5/16=6 Kathy Van Schooten, elder, Richfield, Hope

*This report submitted by your 2010-2011 NOMINATING COMMITTEE,*

5/11 Chair – Elizabeth Raitt  
 5/11=3 – Bette Buelow, elder, Richfield, Hope  
 5/11=1 -- Katherine Michael, minister, Minneapolis, Westminster  
 5/11=3 – John Nelson, church member, Columbia Heights, Church of All Nation  
 5/11=1 – *vacancy, for lay female*  
 5/11=1 – *vacancy, for lay male*  
 5/12=6 – James Barge, minister, HR  
 5/12=6 – Elizabeth Raitt, minister, HR  
 5/12=6 – Jack Reddan, elder, White Bear Lake, First  
 5/12=2 -- Pamela von Gohren, elder, Eden Prairie, Eden Prairie  
 5/12=2 – *vacancy, for lay female*  
 5/13=3 -- Margaret Thomas, minister, HR  
 5/13=6 -- Susan Whiteman, minister, Member-at-Large  
 5/13=3 -- Al Zdrazil, elder, St. Paul, Macalester Plymouth  
 5/13=3 -- *vacancy, for lay female*  
 5/13=3 – *vacancy, for lay male*

*Members of the Nominating Committee are nominated by Presbytery Council.*

## **2. CONSIDERATIONS RE: FILLING VACANCIES ON COMMITTEES**

In light of our new **Strategic Plan**, "*We fearlessly follow the Holy Spirit into a changing world,*" in which Goal # 6 states:

**Three-Year Goal** Institute a new nominating process that encourages persons with vision, passion, and unique gifts to serve in a capacity that best fits those qualities.

**First Year Goal** By 12/31/11, experiment with recruiting methods to fully staff committees: Empower Nominating Committee to nominate at least half the membership of a committee based on present criteria, and further empower that constituted committee to recruit and nominate for any other vacancies based on passion/talent/experience/etc. Constitutional Committees must continue to meet constitutional guidelines.

**With the nominations in this Report**, at least half the membership of all committees is complete. In the past year, we of the Nominating Committee have repeatedly asked Minister and Elder Commissioners for your suggestions of persons to serve; a few names have been given, and most have been contacted, as openings occurred. We look now to the committee members themselves, folks who already have the knowledge and enthusiasm for the work to be done, for the final recruitment of new members with passion/talent/experience to complete the tasks necessary. We will continue to work with them in this task. Committees may always invite adjunct members to assist them with specific tasks or to bring additional talents/viewpoints to their work.

## **3. GUIDLINES FOR THE SELECTION OF COMMISSIONERS TO THE GA**

**FOR YOUR ATTENTION AND COMMENTS:** Attached is a DRAFT document revising our process for electing General Assembly Commissioners, YAADs, and Alternates. Alternate readings related to the current Book of Order and to nFOG are included, since the vote on that is not final as of today's date. Note also the Election Options at the end.. Please send your comments/suggestions/revisions/option choice to [nominating@ptcaweb.org](mailto:nominating@ptcaweb.org) by **May 31, 2011**.

## **4. SYNOD COMMISSIONERS**

Applications are being accepted for Minister & Elder Commissioner + YAD; terms begin 1/2012.