

SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN DISTRICT

53rd Biennial Convention + June 14-15, 2022

Floor Committee #2 - District President's Report and Resolutions

Subject: CHANGES IN DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP

Reference: District President's Report, p. 51-64

Resolution No. 1

WHEREAS,

there have been numerous changes in ministry in the Southeastern Wisconsin District over the past two years as reported in the District President's Report;

therefore be it

RESOLVED

that the Southeastern Wisconsin District accepts the membership changes cited in the District President's Report with the following additions and one spelling correction:

"The following retired called workers transferred to congregations in our district during the biennium."

Pastors

Peter Kruschel from Arizona-California District

Paul Johnston from Arizona-California District

"The following members of the district entered the Church Triumphant during the biennium."

Pastor

Robert Johnston (04/24/2022)

"The following candidates were assigned by the Synod Assignment Committee to calls in the district in 2021 and were received into membership of the district at the last synod convention."

Pastors

Drew Day (First, Racine) should be Drew Dey

ADOPTED AS CORRECTED

Subject: ACCEPTANCE OF NEWLY ASSIGNED CALLED WORKERS

Reference: District President's Report, p. 56

Resolution No. 2

WHEREAS 1)

since the last synodical convention the Synod Assignment Committee assigned three pastors and ten male teachers to calls within the Southeastern Wisconsin District as reported in the District President's Report; and

WHEREAS 2)

these newly assigned called workers have applied for membership in the Southeastern Wisconsin District;

therefore be it

RESOLVED,

that the Southeastern Wisconsin District accepts these newly assigned pastors and teachers into membership of the Southeastern Wisconsin District.

Pastors:

Joshua Busch (Glory to God, Tinley Park and Our Redeemer, Grant Park)

Caleb Klatt (Abiding Peace, Elgin)

Joel Krieger (graduate assistant to the district president)

Teachers:

Zachary Bork (Salem, Milwaukee - assignment made permanent)

Elliot Butler (Risen Savior, Milwaukee – principal training program)

Carrington Cunningham (Kingdom Prep LHS, Milwaukee)

Aaron Fischer (Good Shepherd, Downers Grove - one year assignment - second year)

Christian Kuether (St. Marcus, Milwaukee – assignment made permanent)

Luke Meihack (Kettle Moraine LHS, Jackson)

Branden Mueller (Wisconsin Lutheran School, Racine - one year assignment)

Tyler Roecker (Shoreland LHS, Somers)

Ziwen Shi (Illinois Lutheran Schools, Crete - one year assignment)

Alexander Stoeberl (Atonement, Milwaukee - one year assignment)

ADOPTED

Subject: RATIFICATION OF PRAESIDIUM DISTRICT APPOINTMENTS

Reference: District President's Report, p. 64

Resolution No. 3

WHEREAS,

the praesidium made the following appointments to district positions during the biennium:

Pastor Joshua Free as Circuit Pastor, Central Circuit, Chicago Conference

Pastor Matthew Schaewe as District Forward in Christ Reporter

Layman John Isleb to the District Board of Appeals

Teacher James Hahm to the District Board of Appeals Staff Minister Paul Marquardt to the District Board of Appeals Teacher Mark Blauert to the District Nominating Committee Pastor Nate Bourman to the District Nominating Committee Layman Joel Smith to the District Nominating Committee Teacher Todd Gorsline to the District Nominating Committee Pastor Philip Schupman as Circuit Pastor, Central Circuit, Chicago Conference;

therefore be it

RESOLVED,

that the Southeastern Wisconsin District accepts and ratifies these appointments of our praesidium with thanks to our brothers for their willingness to serve.

ADOPTED AS CORRECTED

Subject: CONVENTION OFFERING

Resolution No. 4

WHEREAS,

The events of the world have brought about great need for our brothers and sisters in Christ in the country of Ukraine;

therefore be it

RESOLVED

that the convention communion service offering in the amount of \$2,334 be designated towards WELS Christian Aid and Relief to be used at its discretion for the relief and the encouragement of God's people.

ADOPTED

Subject: SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF THANKS

Resolution No. 5

WHEREAS

we recognize that many individuals and organizations have been most helpful in putting together and carrying out this convention;

therefore be it

RESOLVED, a)

that we thank the faculty and staff of Wisconsin Lutheran College for hosting our convention; and be it further

RESOLVED, b)

that we offer our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Karen Plamann, Director of Events and Conferences, and her staff; and be it finally

RESOLVED, c)

that we thank our District Praesidium and all those who fed body and soul at this convention.

ADOPTED

Subject: NON-PRAESIDIUM ASSISTANT TO THE DISTRICT PRESIDENT

(INTERIM CAPACITY)

Reference: District President's Report, p. 51-52

Resolution No. 6

WHEREAS 1)

outgoing District President David Kolander has "worked with President Schroeder and our district praesidium on transition plans in case the new superintendent of schools position for our district would not be filled;" and

WHEREAS 2)

the superintendent of schools position for our district has not yet been filled; and

WHEREAS 3)

outgoing District President David Kolander has graciously offered to fill a role as "non-praesidium assistant to the district president in an interim capacity for a period of six and possibly twelve months" while the district continues to call to fill the new superintendent of schools position in our district; and

WHEREAS 4)

Synod President Schroeder "has approved this position, the call for which will be extended by our district praesidium;"

therefore be it

RESOLVED, a)

that the Southeastern Wisconsin District accepts with gratitude the approved plan for interim assistance for our newly elected district president, Pastor Daniel Leyrer; and be it further resolved

RESOLVED, b)

that the Southeastern Wisconsin District accept with thanks the offer and the service of outgoing District President David Kolander in filling this position of non-praesidium assistant to the district president in an interim capacity for the next six to twelve months.

ADOPTED

Subject: SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF THANKS

Resolution No. 7

WHEREAS 1)

the Lord of the church gifts his leaders with men like Aaron and Hur to assist in the shepherding of God's people; and

WHEREAS 2)

the Spirit of God exhorts God's people to "remember your leaders, who spoke the Word of God to you;" and

WHEREAS 3)

Pastor Michael Woldt served faithfully as the second vice president of the Southeastern Wisconsin District for four-plus years, bringing the faithful witness of the Savior to his duties;

therefore be it

RESOLVED

that the members of the Southeastern Wisconsin District in convention give thanks to the Lord of the Church for giving his people the Christ-centered wisdom and service of Pastor Woldt.

ADOPTED

Subject: SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF THANKS

Resolution No. 8

WHEREAS 1)

Christ himself gave to his Church apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, teachers and other servants to carry out the public ministry of the gospel; and

WHEREAS 2)

the Spirit of God exhorts God's people to "acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in highest regard in love because of their work;" and

WHEREAS 3)

Pastor David Kolander served faithfully his Savior and God's people as the district president of the Southeastern Wisconsin District for six years;

WHEREAS 4)

Luann Kolander has helped her husband faithfully during his years of public ministry and has been a blessing to Pastor Kolander as he carried out the duties of his office; and

WHEREAS 5)

many congregations, members and called workers were counseled, guided and blessed by the service of Pastor Kolander and his wife during his six years as district president;

therefore be it

RESOLVED, a)

that the members of the Southeastern Wisconsin District in convention thank Pastor David Kolander and his wife, Luann, for the six years of faithful service that Pastor Kolander has given to the Southeastern Wisconsin District as district president; and be it finally

RESOLVED, b)

that the members of the Southeastern Wisconsin District in convention express their thanks by rising to give Pastor and Mrs. Kolander a standing ovation for their service to the Lord and his Church, and give God the glory by singing the common doxology.

ADOPTED

Pastor Nathan Strobel, Chairman Teacher Paul Scriver, Secretary