NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The Nominations Committee is responsible for reviewing nominations and submitting to the Regional Council, its Executive or the Executive Minister, as appropriate, recommendations for election to the following:

- a) Executive (including President, Past President or President-Elect and members)
- b) Communities of Faith Commission
- c) Intentional Interim Ministry Committee
- d) Pastoral Relations Commission
- e) Licensed Lay Worship Leaders Committee
- f) Social and Ecological Justice Commission
- g) Intercultural Diversity Commission
- h) Grants and Mission Support Committee
- i) Nominations Committee
- j) Equity Leads
- k) General Council Commissioners

In carrying out this responsibility, the committee:

- reflects theologically on the basis for appointed member participation in the church
- discerns who is equipped to serve
- develops and tests processes for selecting individuals and developing effective groups
- to the best of the committee's ability, strives to meet the region's commitments to its mission, including the equity policy and
 - becoming an intercultural church
 - the full inclusion of people with disabilities
 - developing new and young leadership
 - the Caretakers of Our Indigenous Circle Calls to the Church
 - any future commitments regarding the appointed leadership of the United Church

Members of the Nominations Committee actively seek out and encourage nominations from across the diversity of the church and try to ensure that at least one third of any nominations slate is reserved for diversity appointments.

The terms of office for most positions are typically for three years, renewable once. Remaining vacant positions may be appointed by the Executive.

The Nominations Committee offers thanks to all those completing their term with this regional meeting, to those who have agreed to a second term and to those who have put their name forward to fill a vacancy. The committee will continue to work on recruitment for the remaining vacant positions, with a particular focus in the coming weeks on the Social and Ecological Justice Commission and the Intercultural Diversity Commission.

a) Executive (including President, Past President or President-Elect and members)

The primary role of the Executive is to develop and monitor policies that enable the Region to live out its mission.

The Executive consists of the President, President-Elect or Past President and members to a maximum of 15 who are members of The United Church of Canada One member from the Indigenous community will be named at the Spiritual Gathering.

President

The President will be elected at the Regional Council meeting for one year as President-Elect, a two-year term as President and one year as Past President.

• Betty Lou McNabb (ministry personnel) (term as President ending 2023)

Past President

The Nominations Committee gives thanks for the leadership of David Leyton-Brown as President of Shining Waters Regional Council from 2019 – 2021. Prior to that, David served as co-chair of the Transition Commission from June, 2018 through May 2019.

• David Leyton-Brown (lay person) (term as Past-President ending 2022)

Members

- Jingle Ayupan (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Allan Holditch (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Steven Loweth (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
- Moon Ja Park (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Daniel Reed (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
- Kirsty Hunter (ministry personnel) (second term ending 2023)
- Isaac Kamta (ministry personnel) (second term ending 2024)
- Lynn Mooney (lay member) (second term ending 2024)
- Allyce Mutungi (lay member) (second term ending 2024)
- One position available for an Indigenous member named by the Spiritual Gathering on Indigenous Communities
- Five vacancies

b) Communities of Faith Commission

The Commission:

- sets policy and give direction within their mandate,
- cares for communities of faith and provide resources for collegiality and support amongst communities of faith,
- nurtures new ministries, and
- empowers and resources ministry in the Region. This includes supporting communities of faith in areas such as clusters, networks, visioning, amalgamation,

disbanding, and property matters.

Membership is a chair and six to ten members.

- Carolyn Harding (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Calin Lau (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
- Amy Lee (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
- Kevin Logie (ministry personnel) (term ending 2023)
- Sandra Nottegar (lay member) (term ending 2023)
- Chris Bennet (vice-chair) (lay member) (term ending 2023)
- Harry Ramsaran (lay member) (second term ending 2024)
- Gloria Tozek (chair) (lay member) (second term ending 2024)
- Patti Rodgers (ministry personnel) (term ending 2024)
- Two vacancies

c) Intentional Interim Ministry Committee

The Committee gathers expertise and retains and integrates best practices and knowledge into our intentional interim ministry.

Membership is six members.

- Jim Keenan (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
- Kathryn Moase (chair) (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Anne Hepburn (ministry personnel) (second term ending 2024)
- Sadekie Lyttle-Forbes (ministry personnel) (term ending 2024)
- Cynthia O'Connell (ministry personnel) (term ending 2024)
- One vacancy (lay member)

d) Pastoral Relations Commission

The Commission:

- sets policy and gives direction within their mandate, and
- provides support for ministry personnel throughout their ministry, including equipping, covenanting, pastoral relationships and retirement.

The Nominations Committee gives thanks for the leadership of Andrew Comar who has served as the chair of the Pastoral Relations Commission since January 2019 and prior to that as the chair of the Settlement and Pastoral Relations Committee of Toronto Conference beginning in 2012. Andy will continue as a member of the committee.

Membership is a chair and six to ten members.

- William Haughton (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
- Barbara Hendren (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Robin Pilkey (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Beth Moore (lay member) (term ending 2023)
- Lawrence Nyarko (ministry personnel) (term ending 2023)

- Andrew Comar (ministry personnel) (second term ending 2024)
- Donna Bowman-Woodall (ministry personnel) (second term ending 2024)
- Elizabeth Mackenzie (ministry personnel) (second term ending 2024)
- Paul Stott (lay member) (second term ending 2024)
- Sung Ran Kim (ministry personnel) (term ending 2024)

e) Licensed Lay Worship Leaders Committee

The Committee implements the License Lay Worship Policy of Shining Waters Regional Council.

The Committee provides support and oversight to Licensed Lay Worship Leaders within Shining Waters Region and is a recommending and reporting body to the Pastoral Relations Commission.

The Nominations Committee gives thanks for the leadership of Patricia James who has served as the chair of the Licensed Lay Worship Leaders Committee since January 2019. Patricia will continue as a member of the committee.

Membership is a chair and four to six members.

- Patricia James (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
- Pat Edmonds (LLWL) (term ending 2022)
- Lisa Pfau (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Jeannette Schieck (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Emily Gordon (ministry personnel) (second term ending 2024)
- Glen Greenwood (LLWL) (second term ending 2024)

f) Social and Ecological Justice Commission

The Social and Ecological Justice Commission will encourage, support, and initiate social justice work within Shining Waters Regional Council, which encompasses but is not limited to anti-racism and becoming a critical intercultural church of justice. The Commission was given a provisional two-year mandate, in keeping with the proposal approved by the Regional council on May 26, 2019.

If the proposal: *Continuation of the Social & Ecological Justice Commission* is approved, the Nominations Committee will move that the terms of the following members be extended by one year to end in 2022:

- Susan Eagle (chairperson) (ministry personnel) (term ending 2021)
- Tina Conlon (lay member) (term ending 2021)
- Lois Brown (ministry personnel) (term ending 2021)
- Moon Ja Park (lay member) (term ending 2021)
- Cameron Watts (ministry personnel) (term ending 2021)
- Five vacancies

g) Intercultural Diversity Commission

The Intercultural Diversity Commission sets policy and gives direction within their mandate. The Intercultural Diversity Commission will encourage and engage Shining Waters Regional Council, its Executive and Commissions, and its Communities of Faith in honouring and living into intercultural mission and ministry and work to deepen intercultural awareness and respect.

- Joel Saavedra Aguirre (ministry personnel) (term ending 2023)
- Innocent Karuhanga (lay member) (term ending 2023)
- Amy Yea Kyong Lee (ministry personnel) (term ending 2023)
- John Joseph Mastandrea (ministry personnel) (term ending 2023)
- Néstor Medina (ministry personnel) (term ending 2023)
- Moon Ja Park (lay member) (term ending 2023)
- Six vacancies

h) Grants and Mission Support Committee

In October 2021, the Executive approved the merger of the Grants Review Committee and the Mission Support Committee to become the Grants and Mission Support Committee. The Committee receives all grant applications and determines where the application should be directed. This provides one point of entry for all grant requests.

Membership is seven to ten members.

- Peter Farwell (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Angus MacLennan (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Deborah Hart (chair) (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
- Sarah Lough (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Ron Wigle (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Tom MacNeil (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
- Paul Rose (lay member) (term ending 2023)
- Bruce Chappell (lay member) (term ending 2023)
- John Joseph Mastandrea (chair) (ministry personnel) (term ending 2023)
- Dan Clark (lay member) (term ending 2023)

i) Nominations Committee

Membership is eight members including at least two, but not more than four, members of the Executive and up to six members not currently serving on the Executive. These must be members of the United Church but not necessarily members of the Regional Council, at least two of whom are lay members and two are ministry personnel.

The Nominations Committee gives thanks for the leadership of Betty Lou McNabb as chair of the committee since October 2020 and wishes her well in her new role as President of the Regional Council.

- David Leyton-Brown (chair) (Past President) (lay member) (term ending 2022)
- Kirsty Hunter (Executive member) (ministry personnel) (term ending 2021)
- Steven Loweth (Executive member) (DLM) (term ending 2022)
- Lawrence Nyarko (ministry personnel) (term ending 2022)
- Sarah Jane Wetelainen (lay member) (term ending 2023)
- Three vacancies

j) Equity Committee/Equity Leads

The Equity Committee goal to identify, support and train leaders to help grow and care for a culture of belonging across the region will be implemented through a change in our governance model whereby the Equity Committee will evolve from a sub-committee of the Executive to a team of Equity Leads. The Nominations Committee will work with each Commission or Committee to identify an Equity Lead.

The Nominations Committee gives thanks for the leadership of Greg Daly and Karen King as co-chairs of the Equity Committee.

k) Commissioners to the 44th General Council

As the incoming President, Betty Lou McNabb is automatically a commissioner to the 44th General Council meeting.

On June 17, 2021, the Regional Council elected the following commissioners:

- Jingle Carolino-Ayupan (lay person)
- Hedy Baker-Graf (lay person)
- Maxwell Giffen (lay person)
- Isaac Kamta (ministry personnel)
- Barbara Lloyd (lay person)
- Steven Loweth (ministry personnel)
- Ken McEvoy (lay person)
- Lynella Reid-James (lay person)
- Dong-Chun Seo (ministry personnel)
- Heather Stevenson (ministry personnel)
- Cameron Watts (ministry personnel)

The following were elected as alternate commissioners and subsequently elected as commissioners by the Executive on September 15, 2021 to fill the remaining two vacancies:

- Lawrence Nyarko (ministry personnel)
- Jeannette Schieck (lay person)

The following were elected as alternate commissioners:

- Jan Breuls-Dorang (lay person)
- David Leyton-Brown (lay person)