



MINUTES OF THE 2020 NALC MISSION CONVOCATION
AUGUST 7-8, 2020 | GOTOWEBINAR
LIVE FROM TRINITY SCHOOL FOR MINISTRY

Friday, August 7, 2020

5:30 p.m. EDT

Rev. Andrew Ames Fuller, North American Lutheran Church (NALC) director of communications, led attendees through a technology orientation, including a practice vote.

6:00 p.m. EDT

Word about Technology & Online Meeting

Rev. Eric Riesen, president of the North American Lutheran Seminary (NALS), welcomed attendees.

Rev. Ames Fuller introduced a technology orientation video. Then, the video was played.

Rev. Riesen opened the convocation in prayer.

Call to Order

Rev. Dan Selbo, NALC bishop, thanked those involved in the convocation and welcomed attendees to the convocation. He led the convocation through the opening of convocation litany.

Report on Delegates Registered

Rev. Mark Chavez, NALC general secretary, provided a report on the convocation delegates: 784 registered (267 lay, 300 clergy and 217 visitors).

Adoption of Rules of Procedure & Approval of Agenda

Rev. Carl Johnson, parliamentarian, provided details on the differences between an in-person and online convocation, in terms of voting and participating in discussions. He encouraged delegates to consider the amount of time needed to take a vote in an online convocation.

Rev. Melinda Jones, Executive Council secretary, on behalf of the Executive Council, moved the approval of the proposed rules of procedure for the 2020 Mission Convocation and the approval of the proposed agenda for the 2020 Mission Convocation.

Friendly Amendment to Proposed Rules of Procedure

Rev. Johnson provided a friendly amendment to the proposed rules of procedure. He moved that the third use of the words “or I would like to make a point of personal privilege” be stricken from Rules of Procedure #7.

The friendly amendment read as follows:

7. Delegates may request to speak to a motion or make a point of personal privilege by typing in the webinar question panel the following: their name, congregation and “I would like to speak (for or against) the motion” or “I would like to make a point of personal privilege.” Those requesting to speak to a motion ~~or make a point of personal privilege~~ will be recognized by the Bishop in the order received, alternating those speaking for and against. The Bishop will announce the speaker’s name and congregation. The speaker will then be unmuted in order to address the Convocation.

Seconded. Rev. Johnson spoke to the motion. He explained that it was pointed out in a pre-convocation forum that Rules of Procedure #7 violates Robert’s Rules of Order, because a point of personal privilege would not be put in the discussion queue because that speech takes precedents over the normal discussion.

The friendly amendment was adopted by unanimous consent.

Discussion on the Proposed Rules of Procedure

Rev. Ames Fuller provided instructions on how the discussion would work.

Rev. Selbo opened the discussion on the proposed rules of procedure. Questions of clarification were asked. Rev. Mark Daniels (Living Water – Centerville OH) explained he would like to call the question, Rev. Johnson clarified the process for calling the question and Rev. Daniels decided not to call the question in order to save time.

Discussion on the Proposed Agenda

Rev. Selbo opened the discussion on the proposed agenda. No discussion.

Vote on the Proposed Rules of Procedure & Agenda

Rev. Ames Fuller provided instructions on the voting process.

Rev. Selbo declared voting open on the rules of procedure and agenda. The voting link was provided on the screen.

After a few minutes of the vote being open, Rev. Selbo announced there was a technical error. Rev. Ames Fuller explained that the link on the screen and the link provided in the question panel did not match. The link on the screen was incorrect. No votes were counted.

Rev. Selbo opened a new voting session with a new link and asked delegates to revote.

Rev. Selbo declared voting on the agenda and rules of procedure closed. He also explained that there was a quorum.

Opening Devotion

Rev. Selbo led the convocation through a devotion based on Ephesians 3:14-21.

Report on Adoption of Rules of Procedure & Approval of Agenda

Rev. Selbo presented the results of the vote on the proposed rules of procedure and agenda.

Rules of Procedure

Number of ballots: 413

Number of votes necessary to adopt: 207

Votes received: 410 (yes) 2 (no) 1 (abstain)

The rules of procedure were adopted.

Agenda

Number of ballots: 410

Number of votes necessary to approve: 206

Votes received: 406 (yes) 2 (no) 2 (abstain)

The agenda was approved.

Introduction of the Committee on Reference & Counsel

Rev. Chavez introduced the committee: Mr. Richard Jansak (Executive Council), Mr. Lyle Hollander (Court of Adjudication), Mr. Jerry Roehr (lay delegate), Rev. Jill Stellman (clergy delegate) and Rev. Mark Chavez (General Secretary). He reminded delegates, if they would like to submit a resolution for a matter that was not already on the agenda, they must submit by 9 p.m. EDT to mchavez@thenalc.org.

Acknowledgements

Rev. Selbo recognized and thanked the Mission Convocation Planning Team, staff, Executive Council, mission district deans and Ministry Partners.

Report of the Bishop

Rev. Selbo gave an overview of his first year in office, including: the call of Rev. Eric Riesen as seminary president, adjustments due to COVID-19, getting to know staff and leadership and making necessary adjustments, the addition of Rev. Phillip Gagnon to the staff, DiscipleLife 2020, considering partnerships with other seminaries, finding ways to prepare church workers throughout the world, contact with Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC). He provided encouragement for the years to come for the NALC.

2020 Vision

Rev. Selbo provided an overview of the *2020 Vision*, a 10-point vision for the NALC. The vision is available at thenalc.org/vision. He walked participants through each of the 10 points.

Q & A on 2020 Vision

Rev. Selbo invited participants to ask questions on the vision. Rev. Ames Fuller explained how to participate in discussion. Questions were asked and then answered by Rev. Selbo.

Motion to Endorse 2020 Vision

Rev. Catherine Braasch (Fort Wayne IN) made the following motion:

I move that the North American Lutheran Church, gathered in virtual convocation on August 7-8, 2020, resolves:

- i. To endorse, with great thanksgiving, the direction that the *2020 Vision* sets for the entire NALC for the next four years; and, further
- ii. To commit to fervent daily prayer and action for the *2020 Vision* to come to life in and among us; and further
- iii. To encourage collaboration of all disciples, congregations and entities of the NALC in implementing *Vision 2020*; and finally,
- iv. To call for and welcome annual reports on *Vision 2020* as well as frequent updates on how the *2020 Vision* is coming to life in individual discipleship, congregational renewal, mission district initiatives, with our mission partners, global and ecumenical partners, and throughout this church body.

Seconded. Rev. Braasch emphasized that participants are asked to put pocketbooks, time and energy behind the vision so the purpose of the motion is for the church to agree to support the vision.

Rev. Selbo explained the language of the motion would be made available for review and vote during Saturday's session.

Q & A on the vision continued.

Closing Prayer

Rev. Ames Fuller shared the procedures for joining Saturday's session. Rev. Riesen closed the session in prayer.

Rev. Selbo declared the convocation in recess. *9:10 p.m. EDT*

Saturday, August 8, 2020

2:00 p.m. EDT

Rev. Dan Selbo opened the day and introduced the Rev. Gemechis Buba, NALC assistant to the bishop for missions.

Devotion

Rev. Buba led a devotion based on Ephesians 3:20-21.

Presentation of Proposed Constitutional Amendments

A recording of the Rev. Melinda Jones, on behalf of the Executive Council, moved the approval of the proposed constitutional amendments.

On behalf of the Executive Council, Rev. Melinda Jones moved the approval of the proposed constitutional amendments to articles 11.01, 11.02 and 11.03, regarding the naming of a mission district. She then moved the approval of proposed constitutional amendment to article 7.02 regarding the apportionment of additional lay delegates and she moved the approval of proposed constitutional amendments to articles 6.05, 7, 7.01, 7.04, 9.08, 9.09, 10.02, 10.05, 10.06, 15.01 and 17.02 regarding a shift to a biennial convocation and the changes in the election cycles.

Rev. Mark Chavez explained that the amendments would be considered in three categories, in the following order: Mission District Amendments, Apportionment of Lay Delegates Amendment, Biennial Convocation & Election Cycle Amendments. There would be three separate discussions and three separate votes on the ballot.

Rev. Chavez explained why the Executive Council was proposing the amendments.

- Mission District Amendments: When the constitution was adopted, the name of the regional groups or subdivisions was not yet decided on. The term “mission districts” was settled on soon after the constitution was adopted.
- Apportionment of Lay Delegates Amendment: When the constitution was written, the number 750 was selected because it was the best estimate, based on the number of congregations in the NALC and the number of pastors. The number worked well in the beginning, but because of the number of pastors has consistently outgrown the number of congregations, the number no longer works for a 50% lay, 50% clergy ratio for the convocation. The amendment would allow the Executive Council to make the necessary adjustments each year.
- Biennial Convocation & Election Cycle Amendments (BC & EC): There is a significant investment of time, energy and finances in the yearly convocation. Also, there are goals in the 2020 Vision that will involve an increase in resources. It is important to come together, but there needs to an intentional shift in our allotment of resources towards the 2020 Vision and on the grassroots level.

Discussion on “Mission District” Amendments



Rev. Ames Fuller provided instructions on how delegates participate in discussion.

Rev. Selbo opened discussion on the “Mission District” Amendments.

Motion to Postpone Consideration of “Mission District” Amendments

Rev. Nathan Yoder (St. Martin’s – Maiden NC) moved to table the constitutional amendments concerning the mission district language, until the 2021 NALC Convocation.

Rev. Selbo clarified if Pr. Yoder’s intent was to table or postpone the amendments. Rev. Yoder amended his motion to postpone the amendments. Seconded.

Rev. Yoder explained that the proposed language does not make provisions for mission regions and thinks it is not a pressing enough amendment to not wait until 2021. Further discussion.

Vote on Motion to Postpone Consideration of “Mission District” Amendments

Rev. Ames Fuller provided instructions on voting.

Rev. Selbo declared the voting open. The voting link was provided on the screen.

Rev. Selbo declared the voting closed.

Discussion on “Apportionment of Lay Delegates” Amendment

Rev. Selbo declared the discussion open. Discussion.

Motion to change “Baptized member” to “Average Weekly Attendance”

Rev. Carl Johnson relayed Rev. Dennis Di Mauro’s (Trinity - Warrenton VA) motion to strike the words “baptized member” and change them to “average weekly attendance” in the amendment being discussed. Seconded.

On behalf of Rev. Di Mauro, Rev. Johnson shared that baptized membership does not necessarily reflect activity within a congregation and, therefore, changing the number based on average weekly attendance would more reflect the best allocation of delegates.

Rev. Mark Chavez recommended that Rev. Di Mauro asks the Executive Council to consider his motion as an amendment at next year’s convocation.

Rev. Di Mauro withdrew his motion.

Report of Vote on Motion to Postpone Consideration of “Mission District” Amendments

Number of ballots cast: 441

Number of votes necessary to approve: 221

Votes received: 353 (favor) 84 (against) 4 (abstain)



The motion was approved.

Discussion on “BC & EC” Amendments

Rev. Selbo declared the discussion open. Discussion.

Motion to Postpone Consideration of “BC & EC” Amendments

Rev. Jim Lehmann (Immanuel – Thomasboro IL) made a motion to postpone consideration of all amendments regarding a biennial convocation to the next in-person convocation. Seconded.

Rev. Lehmann explained that altering the constitution in this way has far reaching implications to the church, as far as a growing sense of enthusiasm. He explained there was ample time to consider the presented amendment with those around each other, but not being in-person made it difficult to discuss the amendment with people from across the continent.

Rev. Selbo gave the convocation the opportunity to accept the motion by unanimous consent. There was an objection.

Discussion on Rev. Lehmann’s motion.

Question Called

Rev. William Maki (Zion – Saint Mary’s OH) called the question. Seconded.

Vote to Close Discussion on Postponement Motion

Rev. Ames Fuller provided a reminder on instructions for the voting process.

Rev. Selbo opened the vote to end discussion on Rev. Lehmann’s motion. The voting link was provided on the screen.

Rev. Selbo declared voting closed.

Report of the Committee on Reference & Counsel

Rev. Chavez shared that no resolutions were submitted so there was no action for this convocation. He thanked the members of the committee.

Presentation of Proposed 2021 Nominating Committee

On behalf of the Executive Council, Rev. Jones moved for the approval of the proposed 2021 Nominating Committee. The following names were listed on the screen: Rev. Hugh Brewer, Rev. Dona Johnson, Ms. Carol Lattier, Rev. Kevin Scott and Rev. Richard Tomlinson.

Report of 2020 Nominating Committee



Rev. Hugh Brewer, chair, provided a report on behalf of the committee. He explained the process the committee followed. The committee put forward the following candidates:

Executive Council, Clergy, Four-year Term (one to be elected)

Rev. Dr. Catherine Braasch

Rev. Susan Elizabeth Fox

Rev. Carl Rasmussen

Executive Council, Lay, Four-year Term (one to be elected)

Ms. Lynn Kickingbird

Dr. Beverly Miller

Court of Adjudication, Clergy or Lay, Four-year Term (one to be elected)

Mr. Samuel Duncomb

Board of Regents, Clergy or Lay, Six-year Term (three to be elected)

Rev. Maurice C. Frontz, III

Rev. Paul Gruetter

Rev. Dr. Paul Krueger

Rev. James Lehmann

Rev. Daryl Olson

Rev. Christopher Ryan Porter

Rev. Dieter Punt

Rev. Dr. Eric Waters

Mr. Roger Weyersberg

Report of Vote to Close Discussion on Postponement Motion

Rev. Selbo presented the results of the vote to close discussion on Rev. Lehmann's motion.

Number of ballots: 449

Number of votes necessary to approve: 300

Votes received: 437 (yes) 10 (no) 2 (abstain)

The discussion was closed.

Vote on Motion to Postpone Consideration of "BC & EC" Amendments

Rev. Andrew Ames Fuller provided a few words on the voting process.

Rev. Selbo declared the vote open on Rev. Lehmann's motion. The voting link was provided on the screen.

Rev. Selbo declared the voting closed.

Discussion on Resolution to Endorse 2020 Vision

Rev. Selbo opened discussion on the resolution related to endorsing the 2020 Vision brought forward by Rev. Catherine Braasch. Discussion.

Rev. Selbo closed the discussion.

Report of Vote to Postpone Consideration of Amendments Related to “BC & EC”

Number of ballots: 443

Number of votes necessary to pass: 222

Votes Received: 219 (yes) 220 (no) 4 (abstain)

The motion was defeated.

Reopened Discussion on Motion to Postpone Consideration of Amendments Related to “BC & EC”

Rev. Selbo reopened discussion on the amendments related to “Biennial Convocation and Election Cycles.” Discussion.

Friendly Amendment to Article 2.74

Delegate (Pasadena MD) asked if a motion needed to be made to article 2.74 to amend it to read “adoption of a budget for the subsequent two calendar years.” Rev. Chavez consulted the constitution to review the suggested motion.

Further discussion.

Rev. Chavez shared that the delegate was correct in his proposed amendment. He suggested that the Executive Council accept the motion as a friendly amendment. Rev. Selbo said, unless there is an objection, the motion will be moved forward with the Executive Council.

Further discussion on the “Biennial Convocation and Election Cycles” amendments.

Motion to Amend Article 10.05L

Rev. Catherine Braasch made the following motion:

To amend the proposed changes to 10.05.L by substituting the following language:
The duties and function of the Executive Council shall be to: I. Report all actions quarterly to the congregations and clergy of the NALC, as well as to each convocation.
Seconded.

Rev. Braasch explained the language of the constitution currently requires an annual report to the convocation. She emphasized the importance of hearing reports from the executive council each time they meet.

Discussion.

Voting on Motion to Amend Article 10.05L

Rev. Selbo declared voting open on Rev. Braasch's motion.

Rev. Selbo declared voting closed.

Report on Youth & Family Ministry

Mr. Gary and Ms. Laurie Pecuch, youth and family ministry coaches, provided a report on their ministry and the resources they offer NALC congregations.

Report on Lutheran Benefits

Mr. Verlyn and Mr. Luke Hahn, Hahn Financial Group, explained the current offerings for rostered NALC pastors.

Report of Vote on Motion to Amend Article 10.05L

Rev. Dan Selbo announced the results of vote on the motion to amend 10.05.L.

Number of ballots: 438

Number of votes necessary to approve: 220

Votes received: 298 (yes) 133 (no) 7 (abstain)

The motion was approved.

Reopened Discussion on "BC & EC" Amendments as Amended

Rev. Selbo returned the convocation to the discussion on the amendments related to "Biennial Convocation and Election Cycles" as amended by the approved motion. Discussion.

Previous Question Moved

Rev. Maurice Frontz (St. Stephen – Pittsburgh PA) moved the previous question. Seconded.

Vote to Close Discussion on "BC & EC" Amendments as Amended

Rev. Selbo declared the vote open to close discussion on the amendments being considered.

The voting link was provided on the screen.

Rev. Selbo declared voting closed.

Report on Life-to-Life Discipleship

Rev. Phillip Gagnon, NALC assistant to the bishop for domestic mission & discipleship, provided a report on behalf of the Life-to-Life Discipleship Team. The team is working on developing a manual and six introductory videos. Rev. Gagnon also provided an overview of CREDO and an outline of the team's plan for the next year.

Report of the Vote to Close Discussion on the "BC & EC" Amendments as Amended



Rev. Selbo provided the results of the motion to close discussion on the “Biennial Convocation & Election Cycles” amendments, as amended.

Number of Ballots: 418

Number of Votes Necessary to approve: 279

Votes received: 405 (yes) 12 (no) 1 (abstain)

The motion was approved.

First Ballot

Rev. Selbo introduced the first ballot. Rev. Chavez provided instructions on the ballot. Rev. Eric Riesen provided a word of prayer.

Rev. Selbo declared the first ballot open. The first ballot included the following: motion related to the endorsement of the 2020 Vision, “Apportionment of Lay Delegates” Amendment, “Biennial Convocation and Election Cycles” Amendments, Executive Council (clergy and lay), Court of Adjudication, Board of Regents and confirmation of the 2021 Nominating Committee. The voting link was provided on the screen.

Rev. Selbo declared voting closed.

Recognitions

Rev. Selbo recognized pastors celebrating an ordination anniversary, congregations celebrating congregational anniversaries, NALC chaplains and NALC seminarians.

Rev. Selbo recognized female clergy serving the NALC in celebration of the 50th anniversary of women’s ordination.

Rev. Selbo recognized pastors who entered the church triumphant in the past year — Rev. George M Rushe and Rev. Paul Lorentzen.

Rev. Riesen provided a prayer of gratitude for all that Rev. Selbo recognized.

Greeting from the North American Lutheran Seminary

Rev. Riesen brought greetings on behalf of the North American Lutheran Seminary. He introduced the document titled, “Overview of Standards for Theological Education and Pastoral Education.” He thanked Rev. Roy Schwarz and Rev. Paull Spring for their work on the Board of Regents. He then presented a video report including comments from members of the Board of Regents, seminary students and staff.

Recognition of Newly Ordained Pastors

Rev. Selbo recognized newly ordained pastors.

Report of First Ballot

Rev. Selbo presented the results of the first ballot:

Endorsement of the 2020 Vision

Number of ballots: 432

Number of votes necessary to endorse: 217

Votes Received: 383 (yes) 30 (no) 19 (abstain)

The 2020 Vision was endorsed.

“Apportionment of Lay Delegates” Constitutional Amendment

Number of ballots: 431

Number of votes necessary to approve: 288

Votes Received: 400 (yes) 25 (no) 6 (abstain)

The amendment was approved.

“Biennial Convocation and Election Cycles” Constitutional Amendment

Number of Ballots: 431

Number of votes necessary to approve: 288

Votes Received: 289 (yes) 135 (no) 7 (abstain)

The amendment was approved.

Rev. Selbo explained that the constitutional amendments will need to be ratified by the congregations within six-months.

Executive Council, Clergy, Four-year Term

Number to be elected: 1

Number of ballots: 423

Number of votes necessary to elect: 212

Votes received:

Rev. Dr. Catherine Braasch: 98

Rev. Susan Elizabeth Fox: 121

Rev. Carl Rasmussen: 201

There was not an election.

Executive Council, Lay, Four-year Term

Number to be elected: 1

Number of ballots: 409



Number of votes necessary to elect: 205

Votes received:

Ms. Lynn Kickingbird: 216

Dr. Beverly Miller: 193

Ms. Lynn Kickingbird was elected.

Court of Adjudication, Clergy or Lay, Four-year Term

Number to be elected: 1

Number of ballots: 407

Number of votes necessary to elect: 204

Votes received:

Mr. Samuel Duncomb: 407

Mr. Samuel Duncomb was elected.

Board of Regents, Clergy or Lay, Six-year Term

Number to be elected: 3

Number of ballots: 434

Number of votes necessary to elect: 218

Votes received:

Rev. Maurice C. Frontz, III: 96

Rev. Paul Gruetter: 78

Rev. Dr. Paul Krueger: 158

Rev. James Lehmann: 169

Rev. Daryl Olson: 88

Rev. Christopher Ryan Porter: 106

Rev. Dieter Punt: 153

Rev. Dr. Eric Waters: 217

Mr. Roger Weyersberg: 115

There was not an election.

Confirmation of the 2021 Nominating Committee

Number of ballots: 427

Number of votes necessary to confirm: 214

Votes received: 423 (yes) 4 (no)

The 2021 Nominating Committee was confirmed.

Second Ballot

Rev. Riesen offered a word of prayer. Rev. Selbo declared voting open. The voting link was provided on the screen.

Rev. Selbo declared voting closed.



Report of the Treasurer

Rev. Selbo thanked Mr. Ryan Schwarz, treasurer, for his service over the past ten years. Mr. Schwarz presented his report, as well as the proposed 2021 Budget.

Rev. Selbo opened discussion on the Treasurer's Report. Discussion.

Presentation of Proposed 2021 Budget

Mr. Schwarz presented the proposed 2021 Budget.

Rev. Selbo opened discussion on the proposed 2021 Budget. Discussion.

Mr. Howard Reinhart (St. Martin's - Maiden NC) moved that the convocation approve the budget as presented. Rev. Selbo explained that no motion was officially needed.

Rev. Selbo explained the process the NALC will follow to find the next treasurer and thanked Mr. Schwarz, again, for his service.

Recognition of Newly Ordained, cont.

Rev. Selbo explained that Rev. Andrew Loomis, serving Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Sumter, S.C., was accidentally excluded from the list of newly ordained pastors. Rev. Selbo congratulated and thanked Rev. Loomis.

Report of the Second Ballot

Rev. Selbo presented the results of the second ballot.

Executive Council, Clergy, Four-year Term

Number to be elected: 1

Number of ballots: 408

Number of votes necessary to elect: 205

Votes received:

Rev. Susan Elizabeth Fox: 152

Rev. Carl Rasmussen: 256

Rev. Carl Rasmussen was elected.

Board of Regents, Clergy or Lay, Six-year Term

Number to be elected: 3

Number of ballots: 420

Number of votes necessary to elect: 211

Votes received:

Rev. Dr. Paul Krueger: 209

Rev. James Lehmann: 203



Rev. Christopher Ryan Porter: 129
Rev. Dieter Punt: 177
Rev. Dr. Eric Waters: 289
Mr. Roger Weyersberg: 138
Rev. Dr. Eric Waters was elected.

Third Ballot

Rev. Eric Riesen prayed. Rev. Selbo declared voting open. The third ballot included the following: Board of Regents, approval of the Treasurer's Report and approval of the 2021 Budget. The voting link was provided on the screen.

Rev. Selbo declared voting closed.

Report of the Living & Giving Stewardship Team

Rev. Dona Johnson, chair, presented a report on behalf of the Living & Giving Stewardship Team. She shared that the team developed monthly stewardship devotions that are available on the NALC website. The team will be working on a vision for stewardship for the NALC, in support of the *2020 Vision*. Finally, she introduced a new study titled, *RESET*.

Report of NALC Life Ministries

Ms. Rebecka V.A. Frontz, chair, explained the mission of the Life Ministries Team and shared about the annual NALC Life Conference.

Report of the Women of the NALC

Ms. Jacqui El Torro, chair, shared about the work of the WNALC and details on the 2021 WNALC Annual Gathering.

Report of the Disaster Response Team

Ms. Mary Bates, NALC disaster response coordinator, shared on the work of the Disaster Response Team over the past year.

Report on Missions

Rev. Dr. Buba and leaders of the five mission teams presented a report on missions. A written report with additional details was provided at lutheranweek.com.

Report of the Third Ballot

Board of Regents, Clergy or Lay, Six-year Term
Number to be elected: 2
Number of ballots: 392
Number of votes necessary to elect: 197
Votes received:
Rev. Dr. Paul Krueger: 248



Rev. James Lehmann: 218

Rev. Dieter Punt: 171

Mr. Roger Weyersberg: 108

Rev. Dr. Paul Krueger and the Rev. James Lehmann were elected.

Approval of the Treasurer's Report

Number of ballots: 384

Number of votes necessary to approve: 193

Votes received: 381 (yes) 1 (no) 2 (abstain)

The Treasurer's Report was approved.

Approval of the 2021 Budget

Number of ballots: 384

Number of votes necessary to approve: 193

Votes received: 378 (yes) 3 (no) 3 (abstain)

The 2021 Budget was approved.

Reminder of 2021 Events

Pastors' Conference | February 2-4, 2021 | San Antonio, Texas

Canadian Rockies Theological Conference | April 13-16, 2021 | Canmore, Alberta

Lutheran Week | August 2-6, 2021 | Corpus Christi, Texas

Closing Devotion

Installation of Newly Elected Officers

Close of Mission Convocation

Rev. Selbo led a closing devotion and the installation of newly elected officers. Rev. Riesen closed the convocation with prayer.

Rev. Selbo declared the convocation closed. ~9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maddie Benson