

Northwest District Conference
April 18, 2021

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| *Welcome | Ron Carlson |
| *Call District Conference to Order | Ron Carlson |
| *Election of Secretary | Ron Carlson |
| *Approval of 2020 minutes | Ron Carlson |
| *dCOM report | Dennis Tevis and Dave Peterson |
| *Lay Servant report | Neil Peck and Lorene Dykstra |
| *Nominations | Ron Carlson |
| *District Asking | Ron Carlson |
| 2022 District Asking proposal of \$3.75/member.
Divided into
\$1.50 for Vida Nueva
\$1.50 for the French Ministry in Sioux City and LeMars
\$0.75 to Outreach Ministries (divided equally between Iowa Migrant Movement for Justice (formally JFON),
Mobility Worldwide and Shesler Hall) | |
| *Update from Camps | Eric Scheve |
| *Update from Missions | Beth Odor |
| *100% Apportionments | Ron Carlson |
| *Goodbyes to those leaving the district | Ron Carlson |
| *Prayer and Adjournment | Ron Carlson |

2020 North Central District Conference

Sunday, April 26, 2020

ZOOM Meeting hosted by Ames, Collegiate & Wesley Foundation

At 3:00 PM on Sunday afternoon – Rev. Carol Kress, North Central District Superintendent welcomed everyone to the North Central District Conference.

The virtual choir sang ‘Christ the Lord is Risen Today’ (www.resourceumc.org)

Acting as the Ames, Collegiate and Wesley Foundation host, Rev Jen Hibben offered an orientation regarding use of ZOOM features available to participants in the virtual Conference.

Rev Les Green, Chair of D.C.M.C. welcomed and opened the meeting.

Duane Kruckenberg, Co Lay Leader of the NCD presented scripture and prayer.

Rev Green introduced the Bishop’s Address to the District. Followed by comments from Rev Carol Kress, District Superintendent.

The Business of the District Conference commenced

Election of Secretary, District Administrative Assistant, Alanna Warren was nominated – Duane Kruckenberg motioned – Brent Hamilton (per ZOOM Chat 2nd) ALL **APPROVED** by ZOOM poll

The May 4, 2019 NC District Conference minutes – Duane Kruckenberg motioned – 2nd by many via Chat per ZOOM – ALL **APPROVED** by ZOOM poll.

✚ **Clergy Milestones** – Rev. Carol Kress recognized those who were retiring and those who are moving to or from the North Central District. Rev. Kerrin Kirkpatrick recognized those who graduated from Iowa Licensing school in 2019. The North Central District had four graduates (one from NE District who was appointed to the NC District as of 7/1/2019). There are 17 students enrolled for 2020 licensing school. Of those 17 – two of them are currently from the NC District.

✚ **Matthew 25 recipients** – Duane Kruckenberg recognized the recipients of the 2020 Matthew 25 grant monies.

✚ **District Asking** – *MOTION: By Duane Kruckenberg - 2nd by many via Chat per ZOOM – ALL APPROVED* by ZOOM poll

The North Central District Connectional Ministries Council moves that the NCD Asking for 2021 be \$5.00/member split three ways;

North Central District Conference 2021 District Askings –

- **\$5.00 per member**
 - 40% - Ames, Korean UMC
 - 40% - Vida Nueva – NC District Hispanic Ministries
 - 20% - Ames, Collegiate-Wesley Foundation

- ✚ **Celebration of Apportionments** – Lorene Dykstra spoke on behalf of the Conference Finance and Administration; mentioned the Contingency plan that the Conference has had to put into place. Thanked the Churches that have paid their apportionments in full!
- ✚ **Church Building & Location** – Bruce Dykstra mentioned his report and also mentioned the Alexander, Community UMC. The Alexander, Community UMC is closing as of June 30, 2020. A special moment of silence followed by a word of prayer by Lorene Dykstra.
- ✚ **Certified Lay Speaker, Servant, & Class** – Lorene Dykstra spoke in regard to Lay Servants – Currently the NC District has about 10 Lay Speakers and 25 Lay Servants. Lorene also mentioned that all of the districts are being encouraged to grant an extra year of grace for Lay Servants and Lay Speakers.
- ✚ **District Operational Team** – Rev. Kerrin Kirkpatrick & Rev. Erling Shultz discussed the District Operational Team. The District Operational Team is currently in a time of transition. The DOT plans to be in conversation with the District and Conference Parish Development Team to move forward.
- ✚ **Nominations report** – Alaire Willits, Chair of the North Central District Nominations Committee thanked everyone that helped with the committee work. There are still a few seats that we need filled.
 - Motion made by Alaire Willits: Disband NC District Hispanic Ministries Committee – 2nd by many via Chat per ZOOM – ALL **APPROVED** by ZOOM poll
 - Motion made by Alaire Willits: Nominations for District and Conference Board, Agencies and Committees - 2nd by many via Chat per ZOOM – ALL **APPROVED** by ZOOM poll
 - Motion by Alaire Willits: Allow DCMC to fill vacancies between now and District Conference 2022 (amend motion to 2021 – APPROVED) - 2nd by many via Chat per ZOOM – ALL **APPROVED** by ZOOM poll
- **Other Business:** It was noted that other District Committee, Matthew 25 grant and District Asking recipients and reports are available for review on the NC District website.

Prayers, Blessings, and best wishes to District Superintendent, Carol Kress for all her work in the North Central District! We all wish her the best!

North Central District Conference adjourned with a closing benediction at 4:25 PM. All Approved via Chat.

Concluding music: “We are Marching in the Light of God” sung by the African University Choir and accompanied by photos of the global church. Easter Joy. (www.resouceumc.org)

Respectfully Submitted – Alanna Warren – April 26, 2020

Northwest District Conference
May 7, 2020

The Northwest District Conference met on May 7, 2020 via a Zoom meeting.

Rev. Ron Carlson welcomed all. There were 119 members present. Ron introduced Alex Stambaugh from the Conference IT Department to explain how voting would work.

A video from Bishop Laurie was shown. She led a devotional based on Habakkuk 2:1-4.

Ron called the District Conference to order. Judi Calhoon was elected as District Conference Secretary. The minutes from the 2019 District Conference were approved.

Dennis Tevis presented the district committee on ordained ministry report. There are 16-18 members on the committee. They interview about 30 people per year who are serving in local churches and those who are hoping to enter into ministry. They meet about 3 times per year.

Neil Peck presented the lay servant reports. He reminded everyone that the lay servants need to submit their yearly reports to charge conference and also be approved at their charge conference. This year, those who are in need of a class to stay certified will be given a year of grace due to COVID.

Ron presented the nominations ballot for district committees, conference boards and agencies nominations, and District At Large Members to Annual Conference. The ballot passed. The committee requested approval to continue their work and find the right people to serve on committees. This motion passed.

The 2021 District Asking proposal was presented. \$3.00 per member to be divided as follows: \$0.75 for District Outreach Ministries: (divided equally: JFON, Mobility Worldwide, Shesler Hall, ESL Programing); \$0.75 for Leadership Development Scholarships and Grants; \$0.75 for Church Revitalization; and \$0.75 for New Places for New People. The proposal passed.

Ron recognized and celebrated those who paid 100% Apportionments in 2019.

Eric Scheve, Director of Okoboji UM Camp and Retreat Center gave an update from Camps. Safety will be a priority. A tough decision was made to suspend camps for this summer. They are working on an at-home program for campers.

Ron asked for prayer requests. He also gave a special thank you to all for the notes, cards and messages in the loss of his father. Ron closed with prayer.

**North Central District Committee on Ministry
Summary of Actions (2020 - 2021)**

RECOMMENDATION

(IAC 2016 Book of Discipline)

NAME

DATE

LOCAL PASTOR CONTINUANCE (Par. 319) As FULL TIME Local Pastors (Par. 318.1)

FLP	Deb Devine	November 14, 2020
FLP	Todd Hartsock	November 14, 2019
FLP	Rob Lanphere	November 14, 2019
FLP	Erling Shultz	November 14, 2019
FLP	Kay Christie	November 14, 2020

LOCAL PASTOR CONTINUANCE (Par. 319) As PART TIME Local Pastors (Par. 318.2)

PLP	Ward Richards Jr.	November 14, 2019
PLP	Susan Rohden	November 14, 2019
PLP	Jerry Spencer	November 14, 2020
PLP	Fredrick Killian	November 14, 2020
	Jason Ellingson- Eligible for Appointment	November 14, 2020
	Shannon Chapman- Eligible for Appointment	November 14, 2020

APPROVED AS AN ASSIGNED SUPERVISED CERTIFIED LAY SERVANT (Par. 266)

	Barb Clabaugh	November 14, 2020
	Jonathon Williams	November 14, 2020

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Retirement - Local Pastor (Par. 320.5)

Alaire Willits

Respectfully submitted,

David Peterson, Vice Chair, North Central District Committee on Ministry

Northwest District Committee on Ordained Ministry Report

April 18, 2021

Discontinued as a certified candidate

Barbara Dinelli

Recommended as Continued Certified Candidates (§666.10, 2016 Book of Discipline)

Carl Bengé	Kevin Moore
Kristin Boysen	Kristina Mullen
Jill Clem	JR Kamanda Naninzeye
Kim Dewey	Cathleen Newman
Michael Eeten	Elizabeth Odor
Kari Etherington	Nancy Peterson
Barbara Johnson	Jacob Sandholm
Barbara Joy	Scott Squires
Betty Kiboko	Michael G. Stevens
Heather Kraai	James Sweers
Mary Suzanne (Suzi) Larson	Steven Swenson
Berth Lundula	
Kenneth Miller	

Recommended as Licensed Local Pastor (§318, 2016 Book of Discipline)

Request not to be appointed

Kristin Boysen
Jill Clem
Kristina Mullen

Recommended as Continuing as Licensed Local Pastor (§318, 2016 Book of Discipline)

Carl Bengé	Kevin Moore
Kim Dewey	JR Kamanda Naninzeye
Michael Eeten	Cathleen Newman
Kari Etherington	Elizabeth Odor
Barbara Johnson	Nancy Peterson
Barbara Joy	Jacob Sandholm
Betty Kiboko	Scott Squires
Heather Kraai	Michael G. Stevens
Mary Suzanne (Suzi) Larson	James Sweers
Berth Lundula	Steven Swenson
Kenneth Miller	

Recommended to be appointed as Other Denomination Minister

Lyndon Roesler

Recommended for Probationary Membership

Lana Williams

Introductory Meetings

Melanie Hauser

Travis Remme

North Central District Lay Speaking:

Our committee is responsible for the certification of Lay Servants and Lay Speakers. While these people may fill a variety of roles in their local churches, one of the most visible is that of pulpit supply for pastors who are ill, on vacation, or must be absent from their pulpits for another reason. We always have need of more laity willing to take the training to fill this important role.

The pandemic has curtailed our ability to offer courses in person. While it is possible to take a number of courses on-line, we are aware of the burden this places on our laity. Some have limited access to the internet, and the cost is prohibitive for some as well. We have therefore removed the requirement of taking a class for the last two years. That means if you were a Lay Servant or Lay Speaker whose certification would have lapsed in 2019 or 2020, we have continued to approve your application, **PROVIDED YOU FILED YOUR REQUIRED PAPERWORK AT CHARGE CONFERENCE.**

If you forgot to file those papers, or have questions about your own status, please contact Lorene Dykstra directly. (lwdykstra@yahoo.com, 641-210-5619)

May we find relief from this devastating plague in the near future.

Lorene Dykstra, Chairperson

**2021 Lay Servants
Northwest District**

LAY SPEAKERS

Tamme Saul

Don Wood

Neil Peck

Jim Stevens

John Roberts

Robin Wissink

Ann Trimble-Ray

CERTIFIED LAY SERVANTS

Kathy Miller

Barbara Siebrecht

Jane Moen

Jeanelle Stokes

Julie Montandon

Sarah Strohman

Scott Peterson

Valerie Watters

Sue Ritts

Carmen Wilson

Darla Rock

Jeff Wilson

Janice Scholtman

John Wood

Earl Sides

BASIC LAY SERVANTS

Cynthia O'Hara

Dennis Ross

2021 District At Large Members to Annual Conference

North Central District

1. Barb Clabaugh Duncombe
2. Denise Lindamenn Corwith
3. Russ Jacobsen Buffalo Center & Thompson
4. Bruce Dykstra Garner
5. Yanileth Guzman Vida Nueva
6. Janet Williams Nevada, First
7. Nicole Smith Ames, First
8. Jim Barnett Jefferson, First
9. Linda Barnett Jefferson, First
10. Orville Berbano Ames, Collegiate
11. Kathy Van Pelt Ames, First
12. Jason Ellingson Ames, Collegiate
13. Helen Wall Lee Center
14. Rubi Guido Vida Nueva

Young Adults

1. Sarah Blackburn (YA) Belmond
2. OPEN

High School Youth

1. OPEN
2. OPEN

Northwest District

1. Jon Williams Emmetsburg
2. Shirley Nelson Anthon
3. Heather Kraai Sanborn
4. Kathy Miller Schaller
5. Beth Carlson Storm Lake
6. Jane Moen Spencer, Grace
7. Beth Schlitter Sioux City, Wesley
8. Doug Johnson Sioux City, Grace
9. Amy Madden Sioux City, First
10. Daina Powers Peterson
11. Julie Sweers Doon
12. Austin Boger Early
13. Carol McDowell Archer
14. OPEN

Young Adults

1. Jacob Sandholm Sheldon
2. OPEN

High School Students

1. Baily Swanson Spencer, Grace
2. OPEN

2021-2022 Camp Clear Lake District Committees

Board of Church Location and Building

(elected by the Annual Conference – 3-year terms) (2016 BOD ¶2519)

Ron Carlson	District Superintendent	
Ann Trimble-Ray	District Lay Leader	Early
Bruce Dykstra	Conf Trustee Rep	Garner
Don McClain	Conf Trustee Rep	Hope UMC of Pocahontas County
Luann Bengé	Disabilities	Ida Grove, First
Class of 2022	Lynn Gardner	Goldfield
Class of 2023	Allyn Waddingham	Klemme-Goodell-Thornton
	Randy Fiscus	Iowa Falls, First
	Lonnie Hohl	Sioux City, Grace
Class of 2024	Steve Swensen	Sibley-Ocheyeden
	Scott Squires	Sioux City, Crescent Park-Trimble
	Roger Madden	Sioux City, First
	Duane Schulz	Iowa Falls, First
	John Weber	Early

Nominating Committee

(2017 IACJ Rules of Order 2110.5)

Ron Carlson	District Superintendent	
Ann Trimble-Ray	District Lay Leader	Early
Luann Bengé	Disabilities	Ida Grove, First
MacKenzie Carlson	COSROW	Storm Lake
Michel Lundula	CORR	LeMars
Class of 2022	Phyllis Warren	Humboldt, Faith
	Lewis Flanagan	Hampton
Class of 2023	Barb Shultz	Iowa Falls, First
	Dean Gabhart	Rock Valley, Pioneer
	Gary Fridley	Pierson
Class of 2024	Rachel Bell	Fort Dodge, Trinity
Class of 2025	Dave Lundquist	Dayton-Harcourt
	Linda Ferguson	Hope UMC of Pocahontas County

Old NC District Committee on Missions will not be a committee, per se – rather specific mission projects/locations/ministries will have specified representatives to take questions, coordinate activities, etc. New circuits may be mission organizing groups as well. The District Office will relay contact info, and churches/circuits can connect directly. Many congregations are focusing locally, and ecumenically.

Committee on Superintendency

(2016 BOD ¶1669)

Class of 2022	Cindy Finn Barb Trulson	Clergy At Large Member	Algona Garner
Class of 2023	Karen Day Rick Hecht	Lay Woman Lay Man	Sioux City, Wesley Sac City
Class of 2024	Carol Kress Deb Eastin Ann Trimble-Ray	Appointed by DS Lay Woman Lay Leader	Mason City, First Graettinger Early
Class of 2025	Anita Bane Kyle Bennett Ruben Mendoza Olympia Marcos	Clergy Lay Man At Large Member Appointed by DS	Rockwell City-Jolley Schaller Vida Nueva Kanawha-LuVerne

Committee on Lay Servant Ministries

(2016 BOD ¶1668)

District Superintendent	Ron Carlson	
District Lay Leader	Ann Trimble-Ray	Early
Class of 2023	Barbara Clabaugh Robbi Stevens	Duncombe Hampton
Class of 2024	Neil Peck (Co-Chair) Shirley Nelson (Co-Chair) Barb Joy Tamme Saul	Sioux City, First Anthon Hawarden-Ireton Sioux City, Whitfield
Class of 2025	Erling Shultz Dale Krueger Travis Stevick Anita Bane	Iowa Falls, First Dolliver Marcus Rockwell City-Jolley

Committee on Grants

District Superintendent	Ron Carlson	
District Lay Leader	Ann Trimble-Ray	Early
Class of 2022	Kay Christie Jorge Martinez Ruben Mendoza Barb Joy (Chair)	Dayton-Harcourt Vida Nueva Vida Nueva Hawarden-Ireton
Class of 2023	Barb Johnson Dean Gabhart Jerry Robertson Camille Rogers	Sioux City, Rustin Ave-Rock Branch Rock Valley, Pioneer Lake Mills, Asbury Corwith

Conference Boards and Agencies

CFA	Lorene Dykstra Ryan Odor Daryl Sherman Kevin Moore Jon Disburg	Garner Hinton Lake Mills, Asbury Estherville Faith (Humboldt, Gilmore City, Rutland, Livermore)
TRUSTEES	Don McLain Bruce Dykstra	Hope UMC of Pocahontas County Garner
PENSIONS	Ellen Dickey Allan Allard Dave Peterson	Sioux City, First Manly Clear Lake
ARCHIVES & HISTORY	OPEN	
EQUITABLE COMPENSATION	Peg Ellingson	Webster City, Faith-Kamrar
SESSIONS PLANNING	Cory Allard	Manly-Bolan
HUMAN RESOURCES	OPEN	
EPISCOPACY	Barb Shultz Chris Ebbers	Iowa Falls Forest City
NOMINATIONS	OPEN	
RESOLUTIONS	Marcia Grabinski	Clear Lake
RULES OF ORDER	OPEN	
DCMC Chair	Les Green	Forest City
CCMC Program Review	Karen Berg	Alta-Peterson
CAMPS, CONF, RETREAT MINISTRIES	Susan Klein	Sheldon
CHURCH & SOCIETY	OPEN	
DISCIPLESHIP	Sue Martens	Hinton
BOARD OF GLOBAL MINISTRIES	Alaire Willits	Eagle Grove
COMMUNITY & INSTITUTIONAL MINISTRIES	Jerry Robertson Jim Shirbroun	Lake Mills Sioux City, Grace
MISSION EDUCATION	Beth Odor	Hinton-Merrill, Melbourne
HISPANIC/LATINO MINISTRIES	Dori Collogan	Holstein

VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION

Kathy Martin

Sioux City, Grace

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

John Newman
Catie Newman

Hornick
Hornick-Salix

JFON

Dori Collogan

Holstein

HIGHER EDUCATION

Darrian Adkins

Hinton

BOARD OF LAITY

Ann Trimble-Ray

Early

CHRISTIAN UNITY

Les Green

Forest City

CORR

Michel Lundula
Olympia Marcos

LeMars
Kanawha-LuVerne

COSROW

Mackenzie Carlson

Storm Lake

DISABILITIES

Luann Bengé
Lydia Bengé

Ida Grove
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Shesler Hall

North Central 100 % Apportionments 2020

Church Name
Algona, First UM Church
Ames, Collegiate UM Church
Bolan, Trinity UM Church
Boxholm UM Church
Corwith (UM-ELCA)
Fort Dodge, Trinity UM Church
Garner UM Church
Geneva UM Church
Gifford UM Church
Goodell UM Church
Gowrie UM Church
Grand Junction UM Church
Huxley, Trinity UM Church
Iowa Falls, First UM Church
Jefferson, First UM Church
Jolley Community UM Church
Kamrar UM Church
Lake Mills, Asbury UM Church
Lee Center UM Church
Loring UM Church
Mackey UM Church
Manly, Bethel UM Church
Mason City, First UM Church
Mason City, Grace UM Church
Morgan/Bradford UM Church
Napier UM Church
Nevada, First UM Church
Northwood UM Church
Pilot Mound UM Church
Radcliffe, St. John's UM Church
Rockwell City UM Church
Sheffield, First UM Church
Sheldahl UM Church
Somers UM Church
South Marion UM Church
Story City, Grace UM Church
Stratford, Calvary UM Church
Swaledale UM Church
Thornton, First UM Church
Webster City, Asbury UM Church
West Fork UM Church
North Central District Totals

2020 Northwest District 100% Apportionments Paid

Adaville	Merrill, First
Anthon	Moville
Archer	Nemaha
Armstrong	Ocheyedan
Charter Oak	Odebolt
Correctionville, Grace	Peterson
Cushing, First	Rock Branch
Dickens	Rock Rapids
Dolliver	Rock Valley, Pioneer
Estherville	Royal
Everly	Sanborn, St. Andrew's
Excelsior	Schaller
Gillett Grove, Community	Seney
Harris	Sibley
Hawarden	Silver Creek
Holstein	Sioux City, Riverside
Hope UMC of Pocahontas County	Sioux City, Wesley
Hornick	Sioux City, Whitfield
Ida Grove, First	Spencer, Grace
Ireton	Storm Lake
Kingsley	Sutherland
Lake Park	Terril
Lakes	Varina
LeMars	Webb, Trinity
Marcus, Grace	West Bend
Melvin	

Retirements 2021

Karen Berg Currier

James Chesnutt

Ed Frank

Paul Frederiksen

Lyn Roesler (will be serving in retirement)

Alaire Willits (will be serving in retirement)

Moves 2021

Cris Decious

Kim Dewey

Kris Frank

Andrea Kraushaar

Hojin Shin

Lana Williams