

**2009 ATLANTIC DISTRICT CONVENTION
SESSION 2 - FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2009**

1. GREETINGS FROM CONCORDIA COLLEGE

President Viji George extended greetings on behalf of the college. He shared how Concordia is addressing the challenges presented by a downturn in the economy. He requested three things: 1. Hold the college and its mission and ministry in your prayers; 2. Become a member of the East Coast Association of Congregations; 3. If you have young men and women in your congregations encourage them to consider Concordia as an option.

Former President of Concordia, Ralph Schultz, was recognized.

2. ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

Chairman Elwell announced the results of the election ranking the regional vice-presidents

RANKING OF REGIONAL VICE-PRESIDENTS:

2nd Vice President – Rev. Deric Taylor 332

3rd Vice President – Rev. James Jaekel 341

4th Vice President – Rev. Charles Byer 434

The following candidates were announced as running uncontested for positions.

Rev. Christoph Schulze – Region 2 Pastor, District Board of Directors

Dr. David Hahn – Commissioned Minister, District Board of Directors

Matthew Dummann – Commissioned Minister, District Board of Directors

Bonnie Mueller – Commissioned Minister, District Board of Directors

Rev. John Fleischmann – District Nominations 2012 AD Convention - Pastor

Rev. Adam Wiegand - District Nominations 2012 AD Convention - Pastor

Maureen Consiglio - District Nominations 2012 AD Convention – Lay

Sonia Holder - District Nominations 2012 AD Convention – Lay

Dr. LuJuana Butts - District Nominations 2012 AD Convention - commissioned

Ben Herbrich - District Nominations 2012 AD Convention – commissioned

Motion #8: To elect by common consent all uncontested positions for the District Board of Directors and District Nominations committee.

Motion #8: M/S/A (without dissent)

Ballots we distributed for District Board of Directors, Synod Convention 2010 nominations, and Concordia Board of Regents.

3. BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE ON SYNOD STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE (CONTINUED)

Vice-President Diekelman continued his presentation of the task force proposals on a point-by-point basis. For more information you can go to www.lcms.org/lcmsfuture
To leave feedback on the proposals: lcmsfuture@lcms.org

4. MISSION MOMENT # 2

Our Saviour, Rego Park

5. FLOOR COMMITTEE #2, PRACTICAL CONCERNS AND TASK FORCE 3 PARISH SUPPORT AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The Rev. Derek Lecakes, chairman of the floor committee thanked the committee for their work on the resolutions.

Chairman Lecakes recognized Task Force 3 chairman Col. Michael Meese.

Col. Meese invited individuals to join the task force in helping to spread good ideas among congregations about being good stewards and maintaining good financial practices.

Congregational “check-ups” are being conducted by the task force to help congregations focus on parish financial management issues.

Task Force #3 is looking at Pastoral Salary guidelines which are now 10 years old, and will be sending out a questionnaire to pastors to help them provide feedback and hard data to the taskforce.

Floor Committee Chairman Lecakes introduced RESOLUTION #02-02-09: TO ENCOURAGE INTENTIONAL STEWARDSHIP EDUCATION AND PROMOTE PRACTICAL APPLICATION

Motion #9: Resolution #02-02-09 Adopted (without dissent)

6. TREASURERS REPORT

President Benke introduced outgoing treasurer John Mesloh and thanked him for his 12 years of volunteer service to the District.

The District had a balanced budget last year, and is on target for a balanced budget this year. President Benke presented John Mesloh with a plaque in gratitude for his faithful service to the District.

7. TASK FORCE #1: INTRODUCTION OF REGIONAL MISSION COORDINATORS

Task Force Chairman Lecakes introduced and thanked the members of the Task Force on Missions for their service over the past three years.

Former District Mission executive the Rev. Neil Mittelstaedt returned to full time parish work after 5 years of service to the district. Chairman Lecakes recognized Rev. Mittelstaedt for his service. Three regional mission coordinators (Rev. Johnson Rethinasamy – Metro New York ; Rev. Charles Beyer – Long Island ; and an upstate coordinator as yet unidentified) have been chosen to continue the work previously done by the mission coordinator.

Chairman Lecakes recognized Johnson Rethinasamy to introduce the work of our missionaries. A Mission Moment highlighting the challenge and opportunity of missions in New York.

Chairman Lecakes introduced RESOLUTION 02-07-09: TO REAFFIRM ATLANTIC DISTRICT CONVENTION RESOLUTION 01-02-06: TO THANK GOD FOR ABLAZE
Motion #10: Resolution #02-07-09 Adopted (without dissent)

8. LCMS WORLD MISSIONS

President Benke introduced the Rev. David Birner, a regional coordinator for LCMS World Mission.

Rev. Birner shared some of the history of LCMS World Mission, and its current work with partner churches around the world in supporting mission in 88 countries around the world. For more information about LCMS World Mission log onto lcmsworldmission.org

9. MISSIONS MOMENT #3 *Brooklyn*

St. Peter's Lutheran Church in

10. ELECTIONS REPORT

Elections Committee Chairman Elwell was introduced to provide election results

Board of Directors, Region I, Pastor:

Rev. Derek Lecakes 84

Rev. Mark A. Mueller 42

Rev. Lecakes Elected

Board of Directors, Region I, Layperson:

Mrs. Nancy Graf Peters 100

Mr. Victor Mazzotti, 71

Ms. Susan Stewart 71

Mrs. Peters elected. Runoff between Mr. Mazzotti and Ms. Stewart

Board of Directors, Region II, Layperson:

Col. (Ret.) Melvin Butts	112
Dr. Joy Elwell	81
Mrs. Lula Urquhart	51
<i>Col. Butts and Dr. Elwell elected</i>	

Board of Directors, Region III, Pastor:

Rev. Charles Bell	44
Rev. Bruce A. Nathan	27
Rev. Wayne Puls	28
Rev. Marvin Griffin	41

Runoff between Rev. Bell, Rev. Puls, and Rev. Griffin

Board of Directors, Region III, Layperson

Mrs. Kathleen Funfgeld	79
Mr. Donald G. Bracken, Jr.	62
Mr. Earl Lessey	34
Mr. James Darden	67
<i>Mrs. Funfgeld and Mr. Darden elected</i>	

Concordia College Board of Regents, Pastor

Rev. Dr. Thomas N. Green	13
Rev. Richard Jones	7
Rev. Dr. Elwood Mather III	10
Rev. William J. Meyer	59
Rev. Dr. Robert Scudieri	19
Rev. Dr. James C. Zwernemann	16
<i>Runoff between Rev. Meyer and Rev. Scudieri</i>	

Concordia College Board of Regents, Commissioned Minister

Mr. Thomas Roemke	81
Mr. Michael J. Schultz	41
<i>Mr. Roemke elected.</i>	

Concordia College Board of Regents, Layperson

Mr. James A Brese	21
Mr. Richard G. Neubauer	30
Ms. Hope Wittrock	73
<i>Ms. Wittrock elected.</i>	

Committee for Convention Nomination – Synod Convention 2010

Mrs. Judith Benke	97
Mr. Robert Saul	27
<i>Mrs. Benke Elected.</i>	

Ballots were distributed for the run-off elections

11. CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Deric Taylor was brought forward for announcements. The reception is moved to the basement of Schoenfeld hall due to weather. Rev. Taylor introduced Dr. LuJuana Butts to lead the closing prayer.

12. CLOSING PRAYER