



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA

THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION

Notice of 2008 Elections

To: Members of the Clergy and Lay Orders of the 192nd Annual Convention
From: Joseph S. Ferrell, Secretary of the Convention

The following positions will be filled by election at the 192nd Annual Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina.

Body	Positions	Term
Deputies to General Convention	4 Clergy	3 years
	4 Lay	3 years
Alternate Deputies to General Convention	4 Clergy	3 years
	4 Lay	3 years
Standing Committee	2 Clergy Members	3 years
	1 Lay Member	3 years
Diocesan Council	2 Clergy Members	3 years
	3 Lay Members	3 years
Ecclesiastical Court	1 Clergy Member	3 years
	1 Clergy Member	1 year
	1 Lay Member	3 years
Board of Directors of Penick Village	10 Members, Clergy or Lay	3 years
Trustee, University of the South	1 Lay Member	3 years

The nomination deadline is 12:00 noon, Monday, December 10, 2007. Nomination forms may be submitted by mail or by email to [address]. Nominations received after the deadline will be returned to the nominator. Late nominations are in order at the first legislative session of the Convention. A late nomination must have a nominator and two seconders, all from different parishes or missions.

Nomination forms are enclosed. Forms will also be available at the Convention and on the website. Please submit a small photograph of the nominee, attached to the form with a paperclip. Do not paste or staple the photograph; it will be scanned for publication in *The Disciple*. Nominees for Deputy to General Convention, Standing Committee, Diocesan Council, and Ecclesiastical Court must be enrolled, confirmed, adult communicants in good standing in this Diocese or members of the clergy entitled to seat and voice in the Convention. Nominators must be members of the Convention (lay delegates or members of the clergy) and the consent of the nominee is required.

Rules of Order concerning nominations and elections are included on page 3 of this memorandum.

Below, you will find the current membership of the bodies listed in the above chart. Sitting members of the Standing Committee and Diocesan Council who are completing a full three-year term are not eligible for immediate re-election. They are identified below by an asterisk (*).

Deputies and Alternates to General Convention

The General Convention of the Episcopal Church meets every three years. Each diocese elects four deputies in the clergy order, four deputies in the lay order, and up to four alternates in each order. Alternate deputies are elected after election of deputies is complete and are chosen from among the remaining nominees, in the order of the number of votes received. The 76th General Convention will meet July 8-17, 2009, in Anaheim, California. The diocese pays all expenses of the deputies.

75 th General Convention	
<i>Clergy Deputies</i>	<i>Lay Deputies</i>
The Rev. Timothy Kimbrough, Chair The Rev. Virginia N. Herring The Rev. Winston B. Charles The Rev. Donald Goodheart	Joseph S. Ferrell Margaret (Meg) McCann Martha Bedell Alexander Alice B. Freeman
<i>Clergy Alternates</i>	<i>Lay Alternates</i>
The Rev. Lorraine Ljunggren The Rev. L. Murdock Smith The Rev. Robert C. Sawyer The Rev. Katherine B. Johnson	Thomas L. Fennimore Sydenham B. Alexander, Jr. Josephine Hicks

The Standing Committee

<i>Until 2008</i>	<i>Until 2009</i>	<i>Until 2010</i>
*The Rev. Dr. Robert Sawyer *The Rev. Harmon Smith *May Sherrod	The Rev. Sealy Cross Alfred L. Purrington III Mahlon W. DeLoatch, Jr.	The Rev. Timothy E. Kimbrough The Rev. Lisa G. Fischbeck Robert E. Holtzclaw

The principal functions of the Standing Committee are (1) to consent to the election and consecration of bishops throughout the Episcopal Church, (2) to approve candidates for Holy Orders at each stage of the ordination process beginning with admission to candidacy, (3) to consent to sale or encumbrance of real property by the Trustees of the Diocese or by any parish or diocesan institution, (4) to participate in cases of ecclesiastical discipline as directed by the national canons, (5) to act as a council of advice to the Bishop, and (6) to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority in certain extraordinary circumstances. When there is to be an episcopal election in this diocese, the Committee organizes the nomination process, recommends to the Diocesan Council a budget for the election and transition, and oversees the transition process. The Committee meets monthly, except in July.

The Diocesan Council

<i>Until 2008</i>	<i>Until 2009</i>	<i>Until 2010</i>
*H. Wade Gresham *Carroll McCullough *Thomas F. Womble III The Rev. Kimberly Lucas *The Rev. Barbara Platt-Hendren	The Rev. Stephen J. Elkins-Williams The Rev. Brad Mullis William E. Urquhart, Jr. Charles C. Lucas III Gertrude L. Murchison	The Rev. Jamie L'Enfant The Rev. Sarah Hollar W. Stuart Collins Lyndon K. Jordan Richard M. Taylor, Jr.

The Diocesan Council is responsible for the development, implementation and oversight of the Diocesan program and budget. Between Diocesan Conventions, the Council functions much like the vestry of a congregation, establishing policies, planning the work of the church, and overseeing its administration. The Council is organized into the Departments of Outreach, Christian Formation, Congregational Support and Development, Youth and Young Adults, Finance, and Business Affairs and Administration. Council members serve as liaisons with individuals and entities assigned to their departments (such as the chartered committees). The Diocesan Bishop is the presiding officer. The Secretary of Convention also serves as Secretary of Diocesan Council, and the Treasurer of the Diocese and the Canons to the Ordinary attend Council meetings. The Council meets monthly except in January and July, usually on the third Thursday of the month. Meetings are held at Diocesan House and other locations around the diocese. There is an overnight retreat in February, and sometimes a day-long retreat later in the year.

The Ecclesiastical Court

<i>Until 2008</i>	<i>Until 2009</i>	<i>Until 2010</i>
The Rev. Fred Paschall Thomas C. Fennimore	Vacancy	The Rev. Frederick Warnecke Thomas H. Wellman

The Ecclesiastical Court conducts trials on presentment of charges against members of the clergy for offenses that, if proven, call for sentences of admonition, suspension, or deposition from Holy Orders. The jurisdiction and procedures of the Court are governed by Title IV of the Canons of General Convention.

Trustees of the University of the South

<i>Until 2008</i>	<i>Until 2009</i>	<i>Until 2010</i>
Peter DeSaix	The Rev. Winston B. Charles	Jonathan M. Ingram

The University of the South, located in Sewanee, Tennessee, is owned by the Episcopal dioceses of the southeast, each of which elects two lay persons and one member of the clergy to its Board of Trustees. The Trustees meet once each year for two days. Between annual meetings, trustees serve the University by promoting its mission, encouraging enrollment, and supporting it financially.

The Board of Directors of the Penick Village

<i>Until 2008</i>	<i>Until 2009</i>	<i>Until 2010</i>
Nancy W. Anderson Carolyn Cheshire Dr. William E. Easterling, Jr. A. Root Edmonson Douglas R. Gill John A. Greer Marian L. Safriet Eugenia E. Simons The Rev. Ty Smithdeal Vacancy	William O. Bryant William C. Findt W. Kirby Kilpatrick The Rev. W. Carter Lofton The Rev. Albert L. Moore Brent D. Nash Alice Haywood Robbins Rob Reese Robert Ellis Stemler Ann Poindexter Taws	Gray Angell Betty Atwell Sarah Bahner Louis F. Gentry Keith Junk Bridget Gibbons MacNair Patricia G. Rosenthal Watson N. Sherrod, Jr. Julie Tampa Harriet Holt Whitley

The Board of Directors of the Penick Village is the governing board of the corporation. Its primary responsibility is to define the mission of the organization and to oversee its accomplishment. The Board meets at least quarterly.

Excerpt from the Rules of Order

XXI. (a) No nomination shall be received unless the person to be nominated has indicated assent thereto. When elections are to be conducted for different terms of office on the Standing Committee, Diocesan Council, or other Diocesan agency or institution, the nominator shall state for what term the candidate is proposed. Nominations for election by the annual Convention, unless otherwise provided for, may be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the Convention at least 40 days before the opening session thereof by delegates eligible to vote in that Convention. Any nomination received by the Secretary after the specified date shall be returned to the nominator and may be submitted from the floor of the Convention in accordance with the provisions of this rule of order. At the first business session of the Convention the presiding officer shall call for nominations from the floor, at which time the Secretary shall read the names of all persons whose nominations have been received at least 40 days before the opening of the Convention, after which additional nominations may be received from the floor, provided that any such nomination is seconded by two delegates other than the nominating delegate, each of the seconds being from a parish or mission other than that of the nominator and different from that of each other. Each nomination, whether by voice from the floor or in writing, shall be accompanied by a brief biography of the nominee on a form prepared by the Commission on Dispatch of Business and made available by the Secretary of the Convention to all delegates who are properly certified to the Secretary. The information to be included on the biographical form (to be signed by the nominator) shall include at least the following: nominee's name, age, address and home congregation, occupation, and prior as well as present parochial and diocesan offices.

(b) The names and biographies of all persons nominated in writing to the Secretary at least 40 days before the opening session of the Convention shall be given to the deans of the convocations and shall be included in the advance materials distributed by the Secretary to members of the Convention prior to the meetings of each convocation which are to be held not later than 10 days prior to the Convention. The Secretary shall also post the biographical forms in a conspicuous place in or adjacent to the room in which the Convention meets so that they may be seen throughout the Convention session by all delegates.

(c) All nominations shall be reported to the Convention by the Secretary in the form of an official ballot on which the names of nominees for the designated office shall be printed in alphabetical order, with space opposite each name in which to indicate a choice, and with instructions as to the number of nominees to be voted for and the manner of marking the ballots. Delegates may vote for fewer candidates than the number of positions to be filled, but ballots containing votes for more than the number of positions to be filled shall be rejected.

(d) All elections shall be conducted by secret ballot. The results shall be determined by a majority of votes cast on the ballot or by such larger majority as may be required by the Constitution or by canon. If candidates are to be chosen for different terms to the same office, the Secretary shall assign terms to those elected in the order of the number of votes received.

(e) Nominees receiving a majority vote (as herein defined) on any ballot shall be declared elected. If subsequent ballots be required, the nominees to be voted on shall be limited to the number remaining which is equal to twice the number of offices to be filled and who received on the preceding ballot the highest number of votes exclusive of those declared elected.

(f) After the election of Deputies to the General Convention or delegates to other meetings, the alternates for these deputies or delegates shall in like manner be elected from among those already nominated for deputies or delegates.