

Convening of the the **154th session** of the Eastern Shore District Conference.

Seventy-one (71) laity and clergy from our Eastern Shore United Methodist churches attended on Sunday, August 22, 2021, 4 pm via an Online Zoom session.

Theme: “United as One”

District Superintendent, **The Reverend Seonyoung Kim** welcomed everyone. **District Lay Leader Jennifer Hume** opened with prayer, **The Reverend Gary Miller** read Scripture from John 17: 20-23. **District Associate Lay Leader Annette Austin** reflected on the Scripture and **The Reverend Mikang Kim** provided the music.

The **business session of the Conference convened**. Eastern Shore District Superintendent Seonyoung Kim presided. DS Kim instructed conference members on the voting procedures. For consideration of 2020 District Conference Minutes, District Committee on Nominations, 2022 District Budget reports, Conference members will be utilizing a “thumbs up” method for approval with the exception of voting on District 2022 At-Large Members to Annual Conference. District At-Large paper Ballots will be mailed (USPS) to the District UMC Office postmarked by August 29.

Connie Owens was nominated as **Recording Secretary**. Doug Godbey moved to elect Owens. Jim Granger seconded. Motion carried.

The following **reports were unanimously approved:**

- 2020 District Conference Minutes
- 2022 District Committee on Nominations Report
- 2022 District Budget

Lay Members of the District Conference Session were asked to use their **ballots to vote for 7 District At-Large Members to the June 16-18, 2022 Virginia Annual Conference Session**, Hampton, VA. 11 nominees were on the Ballot: Annette Austin, Leslie Chandler, William Custis Sr., Dorraine Fisher, Jim Granger, Kathy Griffith, Lori Mitchell, Ida Nedab, Robin Nedab, Ella Roux, Rachel Watson. There were no nominations from the floor.

There were no youth or young adult nominees on the Ballot. DS asked for nominations from the floor for Youth (ages 12-18) and Young Adults (ages 18-30). Vote will be for 2 Youth and 2 Young Adults from our district. **Yasmine Johnson** was nominated by Rev. Harold White Sr. for a **Young Adult**. Nominated by Rev. Bob Talbott for a **Youth, was Jesse Burdette**. There being no other nominations, Kathy Griffith motioned to closed nominations. Jim Granger seconded. Motion carried. Conference Lay Members were asked to elect Burdette and Johnson.


DS Kim asked Lay Members to complete their paper Ballots and to draw a ★ (star) on the top left corner of the Ballot. Only those Ballots with the star will be valid. The DS asked Clergy to pray for the laity as they worked on their selections. Paper Ballots should be mailed (USPS) or brought to the District Office by August 29.

DS Kim asked if there were any questions not addressed. There being none, the ballot voting was closed.

Host church pastors, who provided an internet site for several attendees were acknowledged: Rev. Gary Miller (Saint John's), Rev. Heidi Bak (Market Street), and Rev. Cecelia Brooks (Franktown). Rev. Jon Woodburn was also recognized for his Zoom expertise during the conference.

District Conference closed with unison "A Covenant Prayer in the Wesleyan Tradition"

Adjournment: 5:15 pm


Connie M. Owens, Recorder