

Convention 2007 Minutes

**ELEVENTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA
UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA, WINNIPEG MB
JUNE 21–24, 2007**

Session Four: Friday, June 22, 2007, 7:00 p.m. - Approved

Report of the Committee of Registration and Credentials

(Chair) reported the following registration figures:

Lay delegates registered	223
Ordained delegates registered	171
Total voting delegates registered	394
Visitors registered	161
Total persons registered	555

Report of the Elections Committee

Results of fifth ballot for the election for National Bishop

Votes cast	383
Needed to elect	192
Spoiled ballots	2
Cindy Halmarson	71
Susan Johnson	152
Edward Skutshek	160

Sixth ballot for the election for National Bishop was distributed, marked and collected.

Prayers led by Convention Co-Chaplain, Mark Harris.

Greetings

Sister Anne Keffer, Executive Director, ELCA Deaconess Community brought greetings.

First ballot for the election for National Secretary was distributed, marked, and collected.

Report of the National Treasurer

Approval of 2006 Audited Financial Statements

NC-07-16 MS that the audited financial statements for the period ending December 31, 2006 be adopted as presented. **Carried.**

Appointment of auditors for 2007

NC-07-17 MS that the firm of Ernst & Young be reappointed auditors for the year 2007. **Carried.**

Authorization to NCC to approve auditors for 2008

NC-07-18 MS that National Church Council be authorized to appoint the auditors for the year 2008. **Carried.**

Approval of 2007 Budget

NC-07-19 MS that this convention approve the submitted budget for the year 2007. **Carried.**

Authorization to NCC to approve 2008 and 2009 budgets

NC-07-20 MS that NCC be authorized to approve the 2008 and 2009 budgets. **Carried**

Report of the Nominations Committee

NATIONAL CHURCH COUNCIL			
Synod	Type	Term	Nominee
BC	Ordained	4 years	Nolan Gingrich (e) *
	Ordained		Robert Goos
ABT	Lay	4 years	Carl Sorensen (e)
	Lay		Donald E. Belke
SK	Lay	4 years	Irene Adams
	Lay		Cindy Lea Hoppe
	Ordained	4 years	Roger Haugen (e)
	Ordained		Kathleen Schmitke
MNO	Lay	4 years	Tom Brook
	Lay		Beverly Wahl
EASTERN	Lay	4 years	Maaike Froelich (e)
	Lay		Marquise Sopher
	Ordained Position 1	4 years	Lori Pilatzke
	Ordained Position 1		Claudine Carlson
	Ordained Position 2	4 years	Peter Mikelic (e)
	Ordained Position 2		E. Stephen Weber

ELCIC GROUP SERVICES INC.		
Type	Term	Nominee
Ordained Position 1	4 years	Loretta Jaunzarins (e)
Ordained Position 1		Greg Kern
Ordained Position 2	4 years	Richard M. Smith
Ordained Position 2		Glen C. Bergson
Lay Position 1	4 years	George Bridge
Lay Position 1		Edna Bjorgan
Lay Position 2	2 years	Douglas M. Peterson
Lay Position 2		Jacqueline Dojack

COURT OF ADJUDICATION		
Type	Term	Nominee
Ordained Position 1	4 years	Eric Krushel (e)
Ordained Position 1		Craig Moeller
Ordained Position 2	4 years	Cameron R. Harder
Ordained Position 2		Dennis Aicken
Lay Position 1	4 years	Janet Morck (e)
Lay Position 1		Lauren Wray

Lay Position 2	4 years	Barbea Flath
Lay Position 2		Rochell Shafer (e)

- Eligible for re-election

Nominations from the floor for National Church Council were as follows:

BC Ordained	Edward Skutshek
SK Lay	Dr. Daniel Glaeske
SK Ordained	Dan Haugen
MNO Lay	H. Georg Schreckenbach
MNO Lay	Dr. Brent Kvern
Eastern Lay	Evelyn Swanson
Eastern Ordained Position 1	Samuel King-Kabu
Eastern Ordained Position 2	Dr. Peeter Vanker

Nominations from the floor for ELCIC Group Services Inc.

Ordained Position 1	Martin Olsen
Lay Position 1	Dale Schmekel
Lay Position 1	Dave Wylie

Nominations from the floor for Court of Adjudication

Ordained Position 1	Stewart Miller
Ordained Position 1	Phil Gagnon
Lay Position 1	Frederic Schroeder
Lay Position 2	Keith Odegard

NC-07-21 MS that National Church Council nominate Ken Hartviksen for the position of national treasurer for the next four years (2007–2011). **Carried. Declared elected.**

Report of the National Bishop

Rev. Paul Johnson, Assistant to the Bishop for Ecumenical Relations introduced two international guests.

Greetings received from The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Peru given by a member of their council Edelvis Iraida Rodriguez Cadillo. Rev. Katharine Bergbusch served as translator.

Greetings received from the United Evangelical Lutheran Church in Germany (VELKD), Norbert Denecke, an officer of that church.

A taped greeting from Bishop Munib Younan from the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Jordan and the Holy Land.

Remarks from Bishop Raymond Schultz about his term as the ELCIC National Bishop.

Bishop Schultz introduced Betty St. Onge, National President of Evangelical Lutheran Women. Betty shared with the gathering the work of the ELW.

Report of the Elections Committee

Results of the sixth ballot for the election for National Bishop

Votes cast	378
Needed to elect	190
Spoiled ballots	0
Susan Johnson	206
Edward Skutshek	172

Rev. Susan Johnson was declared elected as the new National Bishop of the ELCIC.

Results of the first ballot for the election of National Church Secretary

Votes cast	350		
Needed to elect	263		
Spoiled ballots	0		
Aicken, Dennis	1	Lapointe, Marc	3
Baglo, Kevin	1	Miller, Norman	1
Baribeau, Judy	1	Miner, Doug	1
Belke, Don	1	Moore, Doug	1
Bjorgan, Edna	1	Odegard, Keith	2
Bjornstad, Rolf	1	Pannell- Haugen, Roger	2
Changul, Sherland	1	Ramer, Tanya	1
Chell, Jim	1	Roper, Lois	1
Eriksson, Bart	1	Schenk, Gary	1
Eriksson, David	1	Schmermund, Trish	1
Gallop, Trina	1	Schmitke, Kathleen	1
Gelhorn, Bruce	2	Simonson, Pat	1
Gellner, David	1	Skutshek, Ed	3
Genery, Patricia	1	Smith, Jordan	1
Gingrich, Nolan	1	Smith, Richard	1
Granke, Robert	1	Smith, Jeff	1
Hachborn, Elizabeth	1	Stewart, Don	1
Halmarson, Cindy	1	Storch, Don	278
Haugen, Roger	2	Theiss, John	1
Haugen, Sid	1	Tubbe, Rosalynn	1
Hink, Phil	1	Ulrich, Larry	1
Johnsen, Karl	5	Vanker, Peeter	3
Johnson, K Glen	6	Voss, Ron	2
Krushel, Eric	1	Weiterman, Maureen	1
Kurtz, Michael	1	Wunderlich, David	4

Don Storch was declared re-elected as National Church Secretary.

Convention Co-Chaplain, Mark Harris offered closing prayer.

Recess.