

Committee No. 9
BOARD FOR MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

Resolution No. 1

Reference: RTD pp. 72, 79, 90, 93
Subject: Ministry Recognition and Thanks

- WHEREAS 1) Prof. John Schuetze (WLS) celebrated his 40th anniversary in the ministry; and
- WHEREAS 2) Prof. Paul Wendland (WLS) will be retiring following 2022-23 school year after serving 43 years in public ministry; and
- WHEREAS 3) In 2019-20, Prof. Paul Bases (MLC), Prof. William Pekrul (MLC), Prof. Mark Zarling (MLC) celebrated their 40th anniversary in the ministry; in 2020-21, Prof. Cheryl Loomis (MLC), Prof. James Pope (MLC), Prof. Mark Tacke (MLC) celebrated their 40th anniversary in the ministry; in 2021-2022, Prof. Robert Klindworth (MLC), Prof. Douglas Lange (MLC), Prof. Thomas Nass (MLC), Prof. James Unke (MLC), celebrated their 40th anniversary in the ministry; and
- WHEREAS 4) In 2019-20, Prof. Peter Baganz (MLC) celebrated his 25th anniversary in the ministry; in 2020-21, Prof. Greg Diersen (MLC), Prof. Lori Unke (MLC), and Prof. Jennifer Krause (MLC) celebrated their 25th anniversary in the ministry; and in 2021-22, Prof. Theodore Klug (MLC) celebrated his 25th anniversary in the ministry; and
- WHEREAS 5) Prof. Lawrence Lotito (MLC) retired from service in the public ministry at the conclusion of the 2018-19 school year, Prof. Mark Zarling (MLC) retired from the public ministry at the end of the 2019-20 school year; Prof. Thomas Hunter (MLC), Prof. James Pope (MLC), Prof. John Schmidt (MLC), Prof. Paul Tess (MLC), retired from the public ministry at the end of the 2020-21 school year; Prof. Paul Bases (MLC), Prof. David Bauer (MLC), Prof. Daryl Hanneman (MLC), Prof. Cheryl Loomis (MLC), and Prof. Steven Thiesfeldt (MLC) have retired from service in the public ministry at the end of the 2021-2022 school year; and
- WHEREAS 6) Prof. Leonard Proeber (MLS) retired from the public ministry at the end of the 2020-2021 school year; and
- WHEREAS 7) Prof. Marcus Bode (MLS) has retired from the public ministry at the end of the 2021-2022 school year; and

WHEREAS 8) Prof. Steve Ehlke (LPS) and Prof. Tom Lindloff (LPS) have retired at the end of the 2021-2022 school year; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that we thank the Lord of the Church for the gift of these faithful servants and thank them for their service to his kingdom.

Resolution No. 2

Reference: RTD pp. 31, 76-88
Subject: MLC Tuition Assistance

- WHEREAS 1) enrollment at MLC continues to be on a downward trend; and
- WHEREAS 2) it is becoming increasingly difficult for MLC to be competitive with room, board, and tuition costs in comparison with other institutions of higher education; and
- WHEREAS 3) MLC students are graduating with an average debt of about \$26,000; and
- WHEREAS 4) MLC continues to make great strides in the area of financial literacy and the reduction of student debt; and
- WHEREAS 5) the percentage of WELS vacancies has exceeded synod goals adopted in 2017; and
- WHEREAS 6) the MN District agrees that continued encouragement and financial assistance be made within our congregations, schools, and homes for future called worker candidates; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED that the Synod in convention vote to substantially increase its annual budgeted subsidy to support Martin Luther College, further reducing student costs.

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