

Committee No. 4
RESOLUTIONS AND PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Report No. 1

Reference: President's Report

We concur with President Degner's focus on continuing education for called workers. We urge congregations to consider the blessings for themselves and the kingdom and to find ways to help with tuition and provide time for study.

Report No. 2

Reference: President's Report

Entering Ministry / Pastors				
Date	Last	First	Where	Officiant
8/23/2010	Degner	Abram	Martin Luther College, New Ulm MN	
5/8/2011	Emde	Kelly R	St. John, New Ulm	Pastors J. Bovee & W. Laitenen
2/13/2011	Glowicki	Jeremy	St. Paul, Jordan	Pastor John Meyer
9/4/2011	Hartwig	Thomas	St. John, Hasting, MN	Pastor Percy Damrow
2/12/2012	Hartwig	Thomas	Grace, South St. Paul, MN	Pastor Mark Kom
7/31/2011	Kempfert	Benjamin	Grace, Oronoco, MN	Pastor Dean Gunn
7/11/2010	Lee	Titus	Missionary to Hmong, Milwaukee, Sheboygan	
7/17/2011	Nitz	Aaron	St. Mark, Bemidji, MN	Pastor Mark Falck
6/22/2011	Pundt	Gerald A	Emeritus	
7/17/2011	Schmiel	Stephen	Faith, Prior Lake	Pastor Mark Schwertfeger
8/23/2010	Schmoller	Nicolas	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
3/11/2012	Sheppard	Michael	Immanuel, LaCrescent, MN/ Zion, Hokan, MN	Pastor Chris Christenson
9/13/2010	Sutton	Nathan	Saint Croix LHS, West. St. Paul, MN	
8/7/2011	Tews	Steven	St. Peter, Balaton, MN	Pastor Keith Schreiner
12/1/2010	Uhlhorn	Ronald W	The Lutheran Home, Belle Plaine, MN	
9/11/2011	Voigt	Daniel	St. John, St. Paul, MN	Pastor Mark Kom
6/13/2010	Wahl	Timothy	Shepherd of the Lakes, Milford, IA	
9/25/2010	Wegner	Martin N	St. John, Spring Valley, WI	
8/22/2011	Westendorf	Daniel	Martin Luther College, New Ulm MN	Pres. Mark Zarling
8/7/2011	Zhao	Wei	Salem, Stillwater, MN	Dr. John Lawrenz/ Pastor Marcus Birkholz
Leaving District Ministry / Pastors				
Date	Last	First	TO	TO /FOR
2/21/2011	Baldauf	Paul	Retirement	
7/15/2012	Birkholz	Marcus	Salem, Stillwater, MN	
6/30/2010	Balge	Jonathan R	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
9/15/2011	Boettcher	David M	Cross of Christ, Coon Rapids, MN	
10/24/2010	Bushaw	Robert D	St. Paul, Jordan, MN	

6/30/2012	Damrow	Percy	St. John, Hastings, MN	Retirement
11/19/2011	Ehlers	John P	Grace, So. St. Paul, MN	
7/31/2012	Hellman	Robert	St. Paul, Montrose, MN/ Trinity, Buffalo, MN	Retirement
4/30/2012	Koeplin	David E	Beautiful Savior, Eagan, MN	
5/31/2011	Kuether	Lon P	St. Mark, Bemidji, MN	
6/30/2011	Lehmann	Stephen C	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
6/4/2011	Luebchow	Roderick	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	Retirement
8/31/2010	Myslik	Luke J	Trinity, Nicollet, MN	
8/13/2010	Piepenbrink	Leon E	Asian Ministry Coordinator, St. Paul, MN	
6/30/2010	Robinson	Aaron T	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
8/31/2011	Schaefer II	William J	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
3/31/2011	Schumann	Daniel L	Faith, Prior Lake, MN	
6/30/2010	Sievert	Dustin D	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
6/30/2010	Stern	Jesse A	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
6/30/2010	Vomhof	Roger E	The Luth. Home/Jesus Cares, Belle Plaine, MN	
11/30/2011	Wall	Steven T	Zion, Hokah, MN	
3/31/2012	Windsperger Jr.	Donald C	St. John, Lake Benton, MN	
2/7/2011	Wolff	Jon	Semiretirement	
4/30/2011	Zander	Mark F	St. Peter, Balaton, MN	

Entering Ministry / Vicars

Date	Last	First	Where	
8/15/2010	Freese	Patrick	St. John, Hastings, MN	Pastor Percy Damrow
8/15/2010	Sonntag	Jeffrey	Christ, Zumbrota, MN	Pastor Wayne Schoch
8/15/2011	Kimmel	Matthew	Christ, Zumbrota, MN	Pastor Wayne Schoch

Deaths

Date	Last	First	Funeral	
6/3/2011	Baur	Ralph N.		
9/26/2011	Birkholz	Gerhard		
2/7/2012	Henrich	Warren		
5/29/2012	Knippel	Darrell		

Congregation Closings / Transfers

Date	Congregation	What	
7/25/2011	Living Word, Dawson, MN	Congregation closed	

Entering Ministry / Teachers

Date	Last Name	First	Where	Officiant
9/12/2010	Deno	Apryl	God's Treasures Child Care, Winthrop, MN	Pastor Paul Tessmer
7/1/2011	Beilke	Jonathan G	Salem, Greenfield, MN	
7/1/2010	East	Danielle N	Christ, No. St. Paul, MN	
7/10/2011	Ehnert	Amy	Holy Trinity, New Hope, MN	Pastor Dennis Klatt
7/1/2011	Evans	Matthew J	Crown of Life, W. St. Paul, MN	

8/29/2011	Friend	Emily	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
5/30/2011	Gawrisch	Daniel	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	President Mark Zarling
7/3/2011	Glodowski	Ted	St. John, Goodhue, MN	Pastor Andrew Krause
8/22/2011	Grubbs	Paul	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	President Mark Zarling
7/1/2011	Haukoos	Sarah	Mt. Olive, Shakopee, MN	
8/30/2010	Hennig	Karen	Saint Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	Pastor Jon Hackbarth
7/18/2010	Henning	Michael	Holy Trinity, New Hope, MN	
7/1/2010	Hulse	Erin M	Salem, Woodbury, MN	
10/3/2010	Kapanke	Lorna	Crown of Life, West St. Paul, MN	Pastor Mark Kom
8/31/2010	Kionka	Rachel	West LHS, Plymouth, MN	Pastor Mark Neitzel
8/15/2010	Kneprath	Tracy	Risen Savior, N. Mankato, MN	Pastor Gary Wong
7/10/2011	Korth	Samuel	Trinity, Belle Plaine, MN	Pastor John Zeitler
8/29/2011	Krause	Emily	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
7/1/2010	Krause	Justin W	Salem, Stillwater, MN	
7/18/2010	Kutz	Heidi	St. John, Nodine, MN	
8/22/2011	Mehlberg	Jennifer	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	President Mark Zarling
7/1/2011	Monthie	Sarah K	Brooklyn Bridge, Brooklyn Park, MN	
8/1/2010	Nolte	Emily	Trinity, Belle Plaine, MN	
7/1/2011	Ohm	Justin M	Crown of Life, West St. Paul, MN	
8/22/2010	Pappenfuss	Paul	Trinity, Nicolet, MN	Pastor Ron Siemers
2/2/2012	Pekrul	Peggy L	Prairie Lutheran School, Gibbon, MN	
8/21/2011	Polzin	Barb	Risen Savior, N. Mankato, MN	Pastor Keith Siverly
8/8/2010	Retzlaff	David	Good Shepherd, Burnsville, MN	
7/3/2011	Rick	Dan	St. John, Sleepy Eye, MN	Pastor Kevin Draper
8/30/2010	Roberts	Emily	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	Pastor Jon Hackbarth
5/16/2011	Rosenbaum	Derick	Petra, Sauk Rapids, MN	
10/18/2010	Rudolph	Tammy M	St. John, Redwood Falls, MN	
8/15/2010	Rupnow	Jason	Risen Savior, N. Mankato, MN	Pastor Gary Wong
8/30/2010	Sauer	Sarah	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	Pastor Jon Hackbarth
7/1/2011	Scheuerlein	Eric A	St. John, Redwood Falls, MN	
8/29/2011	Shambeau	Marc	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
8/30/2010	Shoop	Andrew	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	Pastor Jon Hackbarth
7/3/2011	Shrum	Stacy	St. John, Sleepy Eye, MN	Pastor Kevin Draper
9/11/2011	Siverly	Kathleen	St. John, Lake City, MN	Pastor Dennis Valleau
8/1/2010	Sonntag	Ann	St. John, Goodhue, MN	
8/22/2011	Stein	Mark	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	President Mark Zarling
9/13/2010	Sutton	Nathan	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	Pastor Jon Leach
7/1/2011	Tacke	Mark W	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
8/29/2010	Thiesfeldt	Greg	St. Paul, New Ulm, MN	Pastors D. Sutton/Tim Smith
7/1/2011	Tiarks	Karen B	Christ, North St. Paul, MN	
5/16/2011	Valus	Nolan	Mt. Olive, Delano, MN	

7/1/2011	Valus	Courtney M	Mt. Olive, Delano, MN	
8/1/2010	Vandenberg	Stephanie	Immanuel, Hutchinson, MN	
8/1/2010	Vandenberg	Alex	Immanuel, Hutchinson, MN	
1/24/2011	Vieth	Judith	St. John, Goodhue, MN	
8/12/2010	Weigand	Deborah G	Trinity, Osceola, WI	
7/1/2010	Welke	Dawn M	St. John, Caledonia, MN	
6/8/2011	Wendland	James R	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
4/23/2011	Yukich	Lori	Shepherds LL Preschool, Duluth, MN	

Leaving Ministry / Teachers

Date	Last Name	First	Where	
6/30/2012	Boehm	Carol	Cross of Christ, Coon Rapids, MN	
6/30/2011	Bode	Glenn E	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
5/31/2011	Brown	Amber L	St. John, Sleepy Eye, MN	
6/30/2011	Brutlag	Ronald D	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
6/30/2010	Buske	Deborah L	Trinity, Belle Plaine, MN	
6/30/2011	Carr	Emily R (Babinec)	St. John, Goodhue, MN	
6/30/2011	Detjen	Julie L	Minnesota Valley LHS, New Ulm, MN	
6/30/2010	Dolan	Jeffrey D	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
6/30/2010	Duncan	David M	Trinity, Nicollet, MN	
6/30/2012	Fluegge	Michele	St. John, Redwood Falls, MN	
2/18/2011	Graf	Terrence A	Salem, Stillwater, MN	
6/30/2012	Groeler	Barbara	Prairie Lutheran School, Gibbon-Fairfax, MN	
6/30/2010	Groth	Justin E	Immanuel, Hutchinson, MN	
6/30/2010	Groth	Heidi B	Children of Grace, Hutchinson, MN	
6/30/2011	Grundmeier	Erika	Crown of Life, West St. Paul, MN	
6/30/2010	Guzman	Laura M	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
6/30/2012	Hansen	Rachel	St. John's, Lake City, MN	Resignation
6/30/2012	Hopmann	Marlene	St. Paul, New Ulm, MN	
6/30/2012	Hulse	Erin M	Salem, Woodbury, MN	Resignation
6/30/2010	Jaeger	Ryan A	Risen Savior, Mankato, MN	
10/31/2011	Jaspersen	Jennifer	Prairie Lutheran School, Gibbon-Fairfax, MN	Resignation
6/30/2011	Kelley	Jason W	St. John, Redwood Falls, MN	
6/30/2011	Koch	Katie E	Brooklyn Bridge, Brooklyn Park, MN	
6/30/2010	Kohler	Anthony D	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
6/30/2010	Leitz	Karla M	St. John, St. Paul, MN	
8/25/2010	Leitz	Jason T	Crown of Life, West St. Paul, MN	
2/1/2011	Lemke	Carl M	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
6/30/2010	Leonhard	Lorien S	St. John, Goodhue, MN	
6/30/2010	Leyrer	Philip M	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
6/30/2011	Luehring	Rachel M	Mt. Olive, Delano, MN	
6/30/2011	Meitner	Matthew S	Salem, Greenfield, MN	

6/30/2010	Meitner	Cinda L	Holy Trinity, New Hope, MN	
6/30/2010	Minch	Jack N	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
6/30/2011	Moeller	Michelle	St. John's, Lake City, MN	
6/30/2010	Moldenhauer	Amanda J	Immanuel, Tyler, MN	
6/30/2010	Nelson	Jeffrey D	St. John, Redwood Falls, MN	
6/30/2011	Peitsmeyer	Stephanie L	Petra, Sauk Rapids, MN	
6/30/2011	Reiter	Lynn	Christ, North St. Paul, MN	Retirement
6/15/2012	Riediger	Sue	St. John, Dakota, MN	Resignation
6/30/2010	Rosenow	Stephanie M	Petra, Sauk Rapids, MN	
6/30/2010	Ross	Michelle L	Christ, North St. Paul, MN	
8/31/2010	Sauer	Constance	Christ, Eden Prairie, MN	
6/30/2012	Schmeling	Beth	Faith, River Falls, WI	
6/30/2010	Schoenherr	Carol A	St. Paul, New Ulm, MN	
6/30/2010	Schroeder	Anne M	West LHS, Plymouth, MN	
6/30/2012	Schroeder	Howard	West LHS, Plymouth, MN	Leave of absence until 2014
6/30/2012	Schroeder	Rachel (Kionka)	West LHS, Plymouth, MN	Resignation
7/31/2010	Schroeder	Timothy J	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
6/30/2010	Schultz	Jeffrey D	St. John, Sleepy Eye, MN	
6/30/2010	Shambeau	Michelle	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
7/13/2011	Spanovich	Andrea	St. Croix LHS, West St. Paul, MN	
6/30/2011	Sponholz	Martin P	Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN	
6/30/2010	Tarr	Jayne M	Christ, North St. Paul, MN	
5/31/2012	Tessmer	Deborah	Prairie Lutheran School, Fairfax, MN	
6/30/2010	Tess	Elizabeth C	Minnesota Valley LHS, New Ulm, MN	
6/30/2010	Traucht	George L	Good Shepherd, Burnsville, MN	
6/30/2011	Uhlenbrauck	Dale M	Christ, North St. Paul, MN	
6/30/2010	Van Houten	Susan M	Good Shepherd, Burnsville, MN	
6/30/2010	Van Loon	Betty S	St. John, Caledonia, MN	
6/30/2012	Walz	Debra	West LHS, Plymouth, MN	Resignation
6/30/2011	Wendorff	Carol	Mt. Olive, Delano, MN	
6/30/2010	Wenzel	Melodie L	Good Shepherd, St. Peter, MO	
5/31/2011	Zastrow	Stephanie H	St. John, Sleepy Eye, MN	
6/30/2012	Wehrenberg	Cindy	Good Shepherd, Burnsville, MN	

Leaving Ministry / Staff Ministers

Date	Last Name	First	Where	
2/29/2012	Boggs	James	Good Shepherd, St. Peter, MO	
1/6/2012	Esmeier	Jim	The Luth. Home/Jesus Cares, Belle Plaine, MN	
8/31/2011	Meyer	John A	Ascension, Plymouth, MN	

Resolution No. 1

Reference: Convention Activity
Subject: Opening Worship Offering

WHEREAS Martin Luther College is building an Early Childhood Learning Center to serve the synod; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the opening worship offering be given to the Let the Children Come campaign.

Resolution No. 2

Reference: Minnesota District Nominating Committee Report
Subject: Ratification of Delegates to 2013 Synod Convention

WHEREAS the District Nominating Committee is to submit a list of teachers, staff ministers, pastors, and congregations for nomination to serve as delegates at the 2013 Convention of the WELS; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the convention ratify the following list of teachers, staff ministers, pastors and congregations to serve as delegates at the 2013 Convention of the WELS.

Resolution No. 3

Reference: Convention Activity
Subject: Ratification of conference officers

WHEREAS 1) the following pastors have been elected to serve as chairmen of their conferences:

Rev. Donald Main, Crow River Conference
Rev. Bruce Hanneman, Mankato Conference
Rev. David Bendix, Minnesota River Valley Conference
Rev. Wayne Schoch, Red Wing Conference
Rev. John Dolan, Saint Croix Conference
Rev. Roger Neumann, Southern Conference; and

WHEREAS 2) the following pastors have been elected to serve as secretaries of their conferences:

Rev. Stephen Daley, Crow River Conference
Rev. Dennis Reichow, Mankato Conference
Rev. Michael Gorte, Minnesota River Valley Conference
Rev. Timothy Learman, Red Wing Conference
Rev. David Barkow, Saint Croix Conference
Rev. Wayne Shevey, Southern Conference; therefore, be it

Resolved, that these officers be ratified by the convention.

Resolution No. 4

Reference: Convention Activity
Subject: Ratification of circuit pastors

WHEREAS 1) the following pastors have been elected to serve as circuit pastors in the Crow River Conference:

Rev. Mark Falck
Rev. Dennis Strong
Rev. Craig Engel
Rev. Michael Neumann; and

WHEREAS 2) the following pastors have been elected to serve as circuit pastors in the Mankato Conference:

Rev. Ronald Siemers
Rev. Bruce Hanneman; and

WHEREAS 3) the following pastors have been elected to serve as circuit pastors in the Minnesota River Valley Conference:

Rev. Paul Tessmer
Rev. Jeffrey Bovee
Rev. Jon Kruschel
Rev. Keith Schreiner; and

WHEREAS 4) the following pastors have been elected to serve as circuit pastors in the Red Wing Conference:

Rev. Wayne Schoch
Rev. Dennis Valleau
Rev. Chris Christenson
Rev. Dean Gunn; and

WHEREAS 5) the following pastors have been elected to serve as circuit pastors in the Saint Croix Conference:

Rev. Mark Kom
Rev. Ellery Groth
Rev. Matthew Hennig
Rev. Martin Bentz
Rev. David Tiarks
Rev. Dennis Klatt; and

WHEREAS 6) the following pastors have been elected to serve as circuit pastors in the Southern Conference:

Rev. Wes Bruss
Rev. Edward Lehmann; therefore, be it

Resolved, that these circuit pastors be ratified by the convention.

Resolution No. 5

Reference: Convention Activity
Subject: Ratification of District Officers

WHEREAS the convention has elected the following men to serve in district offices;

President: Rev. Charles Degner
First Vice President: Rev. Donald Sutton
Second Vice President: Rev. Mark Schwertfeger
Secretary: Rev. Mike Hatzung; therefore, be it

Resolved, that these officers be ratified by the convention.

Resolution No. 6

Reference: Convention Activity
Subject: Expressions of Gratitude

WHEREAS 1) our district and our convention require the efforts of many people in order to function; and

WHEREAS 2) the Lord has blessed us with many faithful and diligent servants; and

WHEREAS 3) it is fitting to acknowledge their time and effort; therefore, be it

Resolved, a) that we thank Martin Luther College for hosting us and providing for our needs; and be it further

Resolved, b) that we thank our worship leaders, presenters, organists, musicians and reporters; and be it further

Resolved, c) that we thank the committee members, chairmen, and secretaries for their efforts in bringing reports and resolutions, and be it further

Resolved, d) that we thank Teacher Dan Whitney for his years of service on the Board for Parish Schools; and be it further

Resolved e) that we thank Rev. Mark Cordes for his years of service to the Board for Home Missions; and be it finally

Resolved f) that we thank Rev. Duane Schmeichel for his years of service to the Ministry of Christian Giving.

Rev. Eugene Devries, Chairman

Rev. Nathan Sutton, Secretary

Pastor John Baumann

Pastor Jonathan Brohn

Pastor Craig Engel

Pastor Michael Geiger

Pastor Bruce Janisch

Pastor Michael Kuschel

Pastor Mark Lenz

Pastor Kurt Lueneburg
Pastor Dallas Miller
Pastor Mark Neitzel
Pastor Timothy Redfield
Pastor Thomas Schultz
Pastor David Shilling
Pastor Daniel Westendorf
Pastor William Ziebell

Benjamin Bain
David Biedenbender
Philip Ewerdt
John Gunderson
Michael Henning Jr.
Paul Kanzenbach
Philip Meitner
Daniel Plath
Michael Ross
Eric Scheuerlein
Paul Tess
Andrew Wehausen
Adam Wiechmann

Don Beguhl
Troy Benson
Len Biermann
Delmar Christianson
Dennis Cunningham
Curt Hall
Jerry Hallis
Daniel Heins
Joe Kelly
Marvin Kollos
Robin Kramer
Ernie Latorre
Ron Peterson