



NEW ENGLAND Synodical Women's Organization CALL FOR OFFICER AND BOARD NOMINATIONS

2022 is the year of the 12th Biennial Convention for New England Women of the ELCA. This year it will be held at Camp Calumet, West Ossipee, New Hampshire on Thursday to Saturday, October 27 - 29, 2022.

Nominations are being taken. The Board members to be elected consist of a Convenor (Communicator, President); Co-Communicator (Vice President); Recorder (Coordinator, Secretary); Treasurer (Bookkeeper, Accountant); and eight (8) Board members.

The responsibility as a member of the Board is a two-year commitment. There are usually 4-5 regular board meetings each year plus a pre and post biennial convention meeting that each board member attends. All expenses for travel to the meetings are borne by the organization. The commitment to the Board is a commitment of time, energy, and spirit rather than a financial one. If you believe that you are able to make this two-year commitment by giving to your fellow sisters in Christ and the WELCA organization in New England, please fill out the New England Women of the ELCA SWO Region 7b Nomination Form for Leadership positions application form. **The Nomination Forms should be mailed to Marilyn Pearson to the address at the bottom of the form. If you have questions about Board membership, please reach out to Alice Carlson at pcarlson99@comcast.net or 508-697-3445.** You may make copies of this form if you need additional ones.

Please send to be presented at Convention (DEADLINE FOR NOMINATION FORM IS SEPTEMBER 21, 2022 for inclusion in the Bulletin of Reports).

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JOB DESCRIPTIONS

THE CONVENOR (Communicator / President) SHALL:

- Preside at all conventions, the Synodical Women's Organization and at meetings of the Board and Administrative Committees.
- Ensure that the constitution and bylaws of the organization are duly observed and that the actions thereof are carried into effect, and appoint all committees not otherwise provided for.
- Be an ex-officio member of all committees of the Synodical Women's Organization except the Nominating committee.
- Submit a report to each regular convention of the Synodical Women's Organization concerning her work, with observations and recommendations affecting the Synodical Women's Organization as she may deem important.
- Serve as a liaison with the Church-wide Women's Organization and attend the meetings of the Conference of Synodical Communicators / Presidents.
- Represent the Synodical Women's Organization or appoint representatives to inter-Lutheran and ecumenical association and councils in which the organization participates.
- Serve as representative to the Synod Council or appoint a representative.

THE CO-CONVENOR (Co-Communicator / Vice President) SHALL:

- Act in the absence, disability or resignation of the president. She shall assume the duties of the president until the vacancy is filled by the Board of the Synodical Women's Organization at its next regularly scheduled meeting.
- Shall perform such other duties as requested by the president of the Board.

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THE RECORDER (Secretary) SHALL:

- Be the Recorder of the Board and the Administrative Committee of the Synodical Women's Organization.
- Be responsible for recording and distributing minutes of the Synodical Women's Organization convention, the Board, and the Administrative Committee.
- Shall give the Units notification of the regular convention at least (3) months in advance and of special conventions at least (1) month in advance.
- Shall keep a correct register of the roll of the congregational, inter-congregational or special units along with the names of the officers of these units.
- Shall secure from the units such reports as from time to time may be required.
- Perform such other duties as the Board may from time to time direct.
- Shall provide for the gathering and preserving of historical records and documents of the Synodical Women's Organization.

THE TREASURER SHALL:

- Provide for the keeping of all financial records and be accountable for all funds.
- Be responsible for disbursing funds in accordance with the financial policies of the Women of the ELCA and the budget of the Synodical Women's Organization.
- Present a complete report, including an audit as specified by board-established procedures, to the Synodical Women's Organization convention and an interim report to each Board and Administrative Committee meeting.

A BOARD MEMBER SHALL:

- Carry out the purpose of the organization of the Women of the ELCA as stated in the constitution and the bylaws of the organization.
- Work in partnership with the Church-wide Women's Organization, conferences, and congregational/ inter-congregational units in the New England Synod territory.
- Attend the Board meetings as well as the pre-and -post convention meetings.
- Represent the Synodical Women's Organization at conference assemblies.
- Serve on Synodical Women's Organization committees as appointed by the Convenor of the organization.

A MENTOR SHALL:

- Be available to help with specific tasks. Your mission is to help mobilize women to act boldly on their Faith in Jesus Christ.



New England Women of the ELCA - Region 7B
Synodical Women's Organization NOMINATION FORM

2022 - 2024 BOARD LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Convenor • ___ Co-Convenor • ___ Secretary • ___ Treasurer • ___ Board Member :

Check the position(s) for which you are nominating. Please be sure you have the permission of the nominee.

NAME of Nominee: _____

Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Congregational Unit: _____ City/State _____

Conference: _____ Age Category: Under 35 () 36 -55 () Over 55 ()

Does Nominee qualify for either category?

- A woman of color and/or whose primary language is other than English?
• A woman living with a disability (hearing, sight, physical, other)?

Highlights of present and past activities in Women of the ELCA, congregations, conferences, synod, church-wide, community and career: (Use additional pages if necessary)

What vision do you have for the Women of the ELCA?

Please list this nominee's qualifications and special gifts that would help her perform the duties of a synodical executive board member or officer. (e.g. formal training, degrees obtained, acquired abilities.)

Submitted by _____ with permission of the nominee (if other than nominee).

Nominee's signature _____ I will serve if elected.

Return by: September 21, 2022 to be included in the Bulletin of Reports.

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**New England Women of the ELCA - Region 7B
Triennial Convention Voting Member – Registration**

The basic costs of attending the Triennial Churchwide Convention as a voting member are paid by the Churchwide Organization. *These covered expenses include round trip transportation, meals, registration, and double hotel room for the Convention (business) only scheduled for September 19-21, 2023 in Phoenix AZ. Triennial Convention Gathering expenses are the responsibility of the attendee.*

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION BELOW

Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____ City / State: _____ Zip code: _____

Telephone: (W) _____ E-mail: _____

(H) _____ (Cell) _____

Congregational Unit: _____ City/State: _____

Conference: _____

Age Category: 18 -25 26 - 35 36 -49 50 - 65 Over 65

Have you served as a Triennial Delegate before? Yes No If so, what year(s)? _____

Have you attended a Triennial Convention before? Yes No If so, how many? _____

Are you a woman of color and / or whose primary language is other than English? _____

Are you a woman living with a disability (hearing, sight, physical, other)? _____

Experience:

Occupation: _____

Congregational Activities: _____

Synodical/Church-wide Women's Organization Activities: _____

Community Activities: _____

**New England Women of the ELCA - Region 7B
Nomination Form - Triennial Voting Member**

Name _____

What vision do you have for the Women of the ELCA? _____

How do you plan to use what you learn at the Triennial Gathering with other women locally and within the synod?

(Name) _____ is an active member of our congregational unit and active in the life of this church. I recommend her to serve as a **Triennial Convention Voting Member** from New England.

Signature: _____ (Congregation Unit President or designee)

Church: _____ City/State: _____

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The Triennial occurs every three years in a rotating time zone of the USA. It is the Churchwide Organization of Women of the ELCA's Convention. It is an awesome experience to be with and praise God with so many Lutheran Women. Transportation for the Convention is paid through Churchwide (CWO) and Synodical (SWO) Funds. For the Triennial Gathering, we all split room cost not covered by the organization funds and become forever friends.

2026 is on the West Coast – 2029 is on the East Coast - Plan ahead!