

WNCC LAY ORGANIZATION MEETING

SPRINGDALE AME CHURCH, BURLINGTON, NC

APRIL 14, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Penny Oliver at 10:00 a.m.

Sister Jessie Caldwell led devotion; the opening song, page #243, "*Down At the Cross.*" We were led in Prayer by Sister Myrtle Mayo, afterwards, the 23rd Psalms was read by Sister Caldwell and each verse was explained.

Welcome: Reverend Robert Goode, Pastor Springdale and Penny Oliver, Local Lay President.

The Agenda Packet was distributed upon payment of the \$5.00 registration fee and the meeting proceeded accordingly. Several **important announcements** were listed on the front page of the Agenda. (**See attachment #3**)

Elections: Brother Dwight, District Lay President, was presented to the Body to conduct the WNCCLO Election of Officers. He called Brother Kenneth Woods and the Nomination Committee to present the slate of officers. Brother Dale Wragg read the Nomination Committee' report and we received a motion by Brother John Smith, to accept the report as read, with the exception of Sister Renee White's request to President Oliver and the Nomination Committee to have her name removed from the ballot, (**See attachment #1**); seconded by Brother Adolphus Kelly and Sister Myrtle Mayo; Unreadiness by Brother McAdams. (After being recognized by President Patterson, Brother McAdams asked for his own understanding, "are the officers under the obligation to abide by the By-Laws, Discipline and Roberts Rule of Order?") President Patterson replied, yes.

After much discussion Sister Emma Devine moved that since there were no contested offices that the Recording Secretary, verbally cast the unanimous vote for the names on the ballot. It was seconded by Sister Starr Battle. The motion carried and Diane Foy, Recording Secretary of the WNCCLO verbally cast the unanimous vote for the slate of officers for 2018-2020. (**See attachment #2- listing of Officer's**).

Upon the promptness of Sister Star Battle, the vacant positions for **First Vice President, Parliamentarian** and the **Young Adult Representative** will be addressed by the end of the month.

Election Delegates to 17th SEDLO Convention

President Oliver presented Brother John Smith to conduct this part of the election. In order to determine the persons who are eligible to vote and in good standing, our Credentials/Membership Chair, Niki Allen, called the names of the churches and the number of paid registrants eligible to vote, which totaled **54**. Our instructions were to vote on **6 persons** in addition to our President; Director of Lay Activities and Young Adult Representative (open position/elect a youth), automatically will attend.

Brother Smith opened the floor for nominations of delegates to the Biennial they were;

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| 1. Barbara Smith | 6. Emma Devine |
| 2. Betty Parker | 7. Jessie Cardwell |
| 3. Kenneth Woods | 8. Adam Johnston |
| 4. Betty Duell | 9. Diane Foy |
| 5. Melissa Roberts | 10. Leavie Davis |
| | 11. Theresa Watson |

It was moved by Betty Duell that the nominations be closed on the eleven (11) said names; seconded by various persons. Brother Smith read the expenses cited for each delegate, totaling \$450.00 /each delegate attending. Two Tellers and two clerks volunteered, that were involved in the voting process. Each nominee was asked to stand as their name was called for recognition by the Lay Body. Further instructions were given by Brother Smith that you could vote for no more than six (6) persons, more than that your ballot would be considered null/void. **(54 voting = 27 +1 = 28)**

Sister Starr Battle moved that ***the six (6) highest vote getter's***, represent us from the conference; many seconded this motion.

Brother Dwight Patterson moved we determine our **Alternates** the same way, the next highest vote getter; seconded by Sonia Barbre; majority has it and had one to oppose, so moved.

While waiting for the final count of the Delegates, President Oliver entertained a motion on the number of disciples we should order, taking under consideration some of the churches have been supplied by the Elder. Sister Devine moved that two (2) boxes should be ordered and was seconded by various persons; cost \$30.00/each. The vote was unanimous and carried. Payment should be made to Director of Lay Activities, Sister Jackie Kanipe and she makes deposit to treasury.

RESULTS:

Delegates

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| 1. Adam Johnston | - 38 |
| 2. Kenneth Woods | - 36 |
| 3. Betty Duell | - 35 |
| 4. Betty Parker | - 30 |
| 5. Barbara Smith | - 28 |
| 6. Emma Devine | - 28 |

Alternates

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| 1. Jessie Cardwell | - 26 |
| 2. Diane Foy | - 21 |
| 3. Theresa Watson | - 15 |
| 4. Melissa Roberts | - 14 |
| 5. Leavie Davis | - 13 |

Praise Reports – President Oliver thanked everyone, again, for their participation and presence their today because a lot had been accomplished. She continued to thank everyone for their prayers as she left the country and returned safely and for her father who continues to be in the hospital but is doing much, much better....please keep him lifted in your prayers will have pacemaker surgery on Monday. Also, remember Rev. Reddon, Rev. Anita Thompson and Brother Dwight Patterson.

The meeting adjourned with prayer led by Sister Sonia Barbre and singing the Lay Benediction, led by Sister Diane Foy.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Foy

Attachments

ATTACHMENT #1

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE LAY ORGANIZATION

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT—April 14, 2018

Host Church: Springdale A.M.E. Church

5554 South NC Highway 62

The Nominating Committee of the Western North Carolina Conference Lay Organization met by way of conference call in September 2017, October 2017, November 2017, December 2017, 2 times in January 2018, February 2018, and March 2018.

The Nominating Committee did not receive a letter of intent for the office of First Vice President, Parliamentarian, and Young Adult Representative. We will accept no Nominations from the floor. (Article VI section 3).

We consulted the Credential Committee and local Lay Presidents and First Vice Presidents when the Candidate for office was the local Lay President.

ATTACHMENT #1-(cont'd)

We followed the Constitution and by Laws of the Western North Carolina Conference Lay Organization: Article VI – Nomination and Election Procedures, sections 1-7, Section 8. Duties of the Nominating Committee, Article IV - Membership and the directions of the Western North Carolina Conference Lay Organization.

The Western North Carolina Conference Lay Organization Nominating Committee has certified and found the following to be qualified to have their names placed on the ballot for:

President	Penny Oliver
Second Vice President	Betty Parker
Third Vice President	Adam Johnston
Recording Secretary	Diane Foy
Assistant Recording Secretary	Joy Grandy
Corresponding Secretary	Barbara Smith
Treasurer	Woodrow Winchester
Financial Secretary	Mozell Weston
Chaplain	Jessie Womack Cardwell
Historiographer	Melissa Roberts
Director of Lay Activities	Jacqueline Kanipe
Director of Public Relations	Angela Elam
Eastern District Coordinator	Bettie Duell
Western District Coordinator	Renee White
Western District Coordinator	Sonia Barbre

Renee White a candidate for Western District Coordinator by way of email Dated: April 3, 2018, notified President Penny Oliver and the Nominating Committed and requested that her name be removed from the ballot.

Nominating Committee:
Bro. Kenneth Woods, Chair
Sis. Gertrude Upperman,
Sis. Connie Jefferson
Sis. Audrey McCain
Bro. Dale Wragg

ATTACHMENT #2

**WNCC LAY ORGANIZATION OFFICER'S
2018-2020**

Penny Oliver, President

Betty Parker, Second President

Adam Johnston, Third Vice President

Diane Foy, Recording Secretary

Joy Grandy, Assistant Recording Secretary

Barbara Smith, Corresponding Secretary

Woodrow Winchester, Treasurer

Mozell Weston, Financial Secretary

Jessie Cardwell, Chaplain

Melissa Roberts, Historiographer

Jacqueline Kanipe, Director of Lay Activities

Angela Elam, Director of Public Relations

Bettie Duell, Eastern District Coordinator

Sonia Barbre, Western District Coordinator

ATTACHMENT #3

Devotion

Sis Jessie Cardwell, Chaplain

Welcome

Rev Robert L. Goode, Pastor
Sister Penny Oliver, Local Lay President

Important Information

- Voter Registration Deadline is: Friday, April 13, 2018. Application must be delivered to Board of Election by 5:00pm or must be postmarked by 5:00pm. Early voting begins in most counties Saturday, April 21, 2018 and ends May 5, 2018. (check with the Board of Elections in your COUNTY for date, time and place. During the early voting period you can register and vote same day. (one must bring ID, does not have to be photo ID). MAY 8, 2018 IS PRIMARY ELECTION DAY .
- Gospel Explosion – April 21, 2018 at Turner’s Chapel, High Point (see www.wncclay.org for more information)
- Presiding Elder J. Bernard Wilder Congratulatory Wishes (see April Lay Express @ www.wncclay.org for more information)
- Annual Lay Witness Service, Thursday, May 17, 2018 @ 7:30 pm North Raleigh, Hilton, Raleigh, NC 27609 (see April Lay Express @ www.wncclay.org for more information)
- 2018 Summer Summit (<http://www.ame2.com/>)
- 17th SED Lay Organization Convention Lay Registration – Contact person Barbara Smith - more information to come
- 17th SEDLO Outstanding Lay Person - more information to come.
- If there are questions regarding the Mirroring Ministry, please stay after the meeting.
- Lay Pins available for \$10.00 (see Jackie Kanipe)

Election

2018-2020 WNCCLO Officers

WNCCLO Delegates to 17th SEDLO Convention

Praise Reports

Lay Benediction: May God bless us with the true spirit of Christianity, that we may live together, not as man over man, but as Lay persons working with God. Amen
www.wncclay.org

Connectional Lay Organization Mission Statement: The Lay Organization of the African Methodist Episcopal Church is commissioned to teach, train and empower its members for Lay ministry, global leadership and service following the tenets of Jesus Christ.

WNCCLO use the www.goodsearch.com /www.goodshop.com search engine as a means of funds outside the offering plate. The organization collects a penny each time it is used with Western North Carolina Lay Organization as the cause.