



October 2024

Dear Presidents of Texas District Congregations:

Greetings in the name of our living and loving Lord Jesus!

In preparation for the 2025 Texas District Convention in Houston (June 5-7, 2025), it is my responsibility as District Secretary to solicit nominations from the congregations of the Texas District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod for the offices of District President and District Vice Presidents for the next triennium. The nomination process for these respective offices is detailed in the district bylaws, in part, as follows:

From the 2021 District Handbook Regarding Nomination of President:

- 1.021.a Each voting congregation shall be entitled to nominate from the ordained roster of the synod two ordained ministers as candidates for president;
- 1.021.c Each nominating ballot shall be signed by the president and the secretary of the voting congregation and shall be sent to the secretary of the district not later than four months prior to the opening date of the convention;

From the 2021 District Handbook Regarding Nomination of District Vice Presidents:

- 1.045.a Each voting congregation shall be entitled to nominate for its area (A, B, C, and D) two ordained ministers for vice president from the ordained roster of the district who shall be members of congregations of the designated region.
- 1.045.c Each nominating ballot shall be signed by the president and the secretary of the voting congregation and shall be sent to the secretary of the district not later than four months prior to the opening date of the convention.

Therefore, my encouragement is that you include, as soon as possible, an agenda item for prayerful action by your congregation in accord with your local governing practice as per your congregation's bylaws, e.g. voter's assembly, board of directors, etc., to nominate up to two candidates for District President and up to two candidates from your district geographic area for Area Vice President. To assist in your considerations, please find with this letter a summary from the synod and district bylaws about the duties of the District President and District Vice Presidents.

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Then, complete (with signatures) the nomination ballot included with this letter and return it by the deadline to my office at the address provided on the ballot, The deadline for your District President and Area Vice President Nomination Ballot is February 4, 2025.

For your reference, lists of pastors by Area A, B, C and D are available on the Texas District convention website <https://txlcms.org/2025-texas-district-convention/>. These lists are included in the specific Area Board and Committee Nomination Packets. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me via email: secretary@txlcms.org. Please keep this nomination and election process in your prayers.

God's blessings in Christ Jesus, our Lord!

Rev. Dr. Brian Hesse
Secretary, Texas District

ENCLOSURES:

District President and Area Vice President Nomination Ballot
Description and Requirements of the District President and District Vice Presidents

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