

2024 Nomination Committee Report

In preparation for the election of new board members at Anglican Deacons Canada's 2024 Members Meeting, a call for nominations was sent to all members via email on April 15 and was posted on the ADC website. Five nominations were received prior to the May 13 deadline. A few more potential nominees were approached and encouraged to let their name stand for election with result that one additional nominee was added to the five received for a total of six.

The Nomination Committee is pleased to present to the ADC membership the attached slate of candidates for election and/or re-election (for an additional term) to the ADC board.

Collectively this group of Nominees includes:

- at least 1 deacon from each ecclesiastical province
- deacons who have been ordained for varying lengths of time
- deacons of varied ages
- a person of colour
- a person with a physical challenge
- deacons who are employed full-time and deacons who are retired from paid employment
- deacons who live and minister in small (population under 7,000), medium, and larger communities
- one lay person

The nominees also bring skills and experience which is directly relevant to the priorities and goals of ADC's strategic plan.

Appointed Positions

In addition to these nominees, there are two positions on the board which are not elected.

The President of the *Association for Episcopal Deacons* or their representative also serves as a member of the ADC board. We are grateful that the Ven. **Carole Maddux** will continue to serve in this capacity during her tenure.

Representative of the Presbyterate or Episcopate

The board of Anglican Deacons Canada also has the practice of appointing one additional member of the board who is a representative of one of the other orders of ordained ministry in the Anglican Church of Canada. Although, we hate to see her go, the Rev. Dr. **Eileen Scully** (Director, Faith, Worship and Ministry at General Synod and Assisting Clergy at St. John the Evangelist, Kitchener) who has ably served in this capacity for at least seven years has decided to step down. So, the newly elected board will need to fill this vacancy.

In the past, this appointed representative has always been an Anglican Church of Canada priest in good standing, often someone who is involved at the national level of our church. This committee recommends that going forward ADC consider the possibility of appointing either a bishop or presbyter to this position. Indeed, perhaps as Anglican Deacons continues to grow and develop, there may be wisdom to the ADC board including both a priest and a bishop. Not only would such

persons bring their unique vantage points to board deliberations, but such representation also adds credibility to the organization in the wider church.

Respectfully submitted by the Nomination Committee

- The Rev. Deacon Lisa Chisholm-Smith (chair, ADC President)
- The Ven. Kyn Barker
- The Rev. Deacon Roderick McDowell
- Consultant to the Committee - The Rev. Canon Deacon Nancy Ford (ADC Past President)