46th Diocesan Convention 
October 2nd & October 9th, 2021 
Online – Zoom 

Names submitted for Nomination: as of September 30, 2021

Commission on Ministry

Arctic Coast Lay:
- None

South Central Clergy:
- Mtr. Dawn Allen-Herron*, St. Mary’s, Anchorage
- Fr. David Terwilliger, All Saints, Anchorage

Standing Committee

Seat #4 - South Central Lay:
- Sandy Solenberger*, St. James-the-Fisherman, Kodiak

Seat #5 Bishop’s Nominee:
- Nancy Burke, St. Mary’s, Anchorage

Seat #6 Southeast Lay:
- Don McConachie*, St. Philip’s Wrangell

Disciplinary Board

Seat C - Clergy: (3yr term)
- Mtr. Jan Hotze*, St. Michael & All Angels, Haines

Seat D - Lay: (4yr term)
- Michele Bifelt, St. Jude’s, North Pole

Seat E – Clergy: (5yr term)
- None

Seat G – Clergy: (4yr term)
- None

FIT Committee (Faith Into Tomorrow Endowment):

Seat B - Clergy:
- Mtr. Caroline Malseed*, St. Brendan’s, Juneau
- Fr. Wilson Valentine*, Church of the Holy Trinity, Juneau

(*) indicates nomination by deaneries.
Thank you to all the nominees for accepting the nomination.

Submit Names for Nomination, by October 2, 2021, 3:20pm, on-line at: episcopalak.org/event/2021-convention-clergy-conference/
Episcopal Diocese of Alaska  
Diocesan Positions Currently Held, as of June 2021

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**Standing Committee:**

| Seat #1: Arctic Coast     | Lay                                    | Austin Swan, Sr.            | 48th, Year A, 2023 |
| Seat #2: Interior         | Clergy                                 | The Rev. Betty Glover       | 48th, Year A, 2023 |
| Seat #3: Southeast        | Clergy                                 | The Rev. Julie Platson      | 48th, Year A, 2023 |
| Seat #4: South Central    | Lay                                    | Peg Fisher                  | 46th, Year B, 2021 |
| Seat #5: At Large         | Appointee                              | Dan Hall                    | 46th, Year B, 2021 |
| Seat #6: Southeast        | Lay                                    | Bob Coghill, Jr            | 46th, Year B, 2021 |
| Seat #7: Arctic Coast     | Clergy                                 | The Rev. Mary Norton        | 47th, Year C, 2022 |
| Seat #8: South Central    | Clergy                                 | The Rev. Lauran Pifke       | 47th, Year C, 2022 |
| Seat #9: Interior         | Lay                                    | Mabel Vent                 | 47th, Year C, 2022 |

**Disciplinary Board:**

| Seat A:                  | Clergy                                 | The Rev. Dawn Allen-Herron  | 47th, 2022  |
| Seat B:                  | Lay                                    | Mary Alice McKeen           | 48th, 2023  |
| Seat C:                  | Clergy                                 | The Rev. Jan Hotze, filled  | 49th, 2024  |
| Seat D:                  | Lay                                    | Chele Bifelt, filled resignation| 50th, 2025 |
| Seat E:                  | Clergy                                 | The Rev. Gayle Nauska       | 46th, 2021  |
| Seat G:                  | Clergy                                 | The Rev. Shirley Lee, filled | 50th, 2025  |

**FIT (Faith Into Tomorrow Endowment) Committee:**

| Seat A: Elected         | Lay                                    | Bella Schjenken             | 49th, 2024  |
| Seat #1: Appointed      | Ron Moore                              | 49th, 2024                 |
| Seat B: Elected         | Clergy                                 | The Rev. Wilson Valentine   | 46th, 2021  |
| Seat #2: Appointed      | Alice Holinger                         | 46th, 2021                 |
| Seat C: Elected         | Lay                                    | Maggie McKay               | 47th, 2022  |
| Seat #3: Appointed      | Maggie McKay                           | 47th, 2022                 |
| Seat D: Elected         | Clergy                                 | The Rev. Julie Platson      | 48th, 2023  |
Committee/Commission of Nomination:

Commission on Ministry

South Central Clergy - must be a clergy person from South Central

Nominee’s Information:

Name:  Dawn Allen-Herron
Clergy

Church/Parish:  St. Mary's, Anchorage

Briefly tell us about the Nominee:
I have been serving on the Commission on Ministry, and am passionate about our work, particularly as we focus on the ministries of all the baptized. Although COM is often thought in relation to the process toward ordination, our charge is much bigger than that. I am committed to - and enjoy - working to identify and equip both lay and clergy persons for ministry in our diocese in ways that are informed by and appropriate for our many cultures.
Committee/Commission of Nomination:

Commission on Ministry
South Central Clergy - must be a clergy person from South Central

Nominee’s Information:

Name:  David Terwilliger  
Clergy

Church/Parish:  All Saints, Anchorage

Briefly tell us about the Nominee:
I am the current rector of All Saints' Episcopal Church (since January 2016).  I have served the Church both here in Alaska and in British Columbia (Anglican Church of Canada - Priest in Charge, St Mary Magdalene, Fort Nelson).  I believe that searching out and discerning future leadership in the Church is a very high priority; and so I am glad to offer my name as a Nominee for The Commission on Ministry.
Episcopal Diocese of Alaska
Nominee Profile Form

Committee/Commission of Nomination:

Standing Committee

Seat #4: Southeast Lay - must be a lay person from the Southeast

Nominee’s Information:

Name: Donald J McConachie
Lay

Church/Parish: St. Philip's, Wrangell

Briefly tell us about the Nominee:
I have been a member of St Philips for over 30 years and a Lay Reader/Eucharist minister for 27 years. I enjoy serving in any capacity that I can, and have served on the Vestry, FIT Committee, and Deanery. Church live is sometimes a lot of work but I believe it should also be fun. I enjoy keeping this lively and do so at every opportunity. thank you for considering me in this new adventure. - Don McConachie
Episcopal Diocese of Alaska
Nominee Profile Form

Committee/Commission of Nomination:

Standing Committee

Seat # 5: Bishop’s Appointment/Nominee

Nominee’s Information:

Name: Nancy Burke
Lay

Church/Parish: St. Mary’s, Anchorage

Briefly tell us about the Nominee:

Nancy is an active and faithful member of St. Mary’s. She has a passion for social justice, particularly the homelessness in Anchorage and around the state. She is honor to accept the Bishop’s Nomination to the Standing Committee.
Nominee’s Information:

**Name:** Suzanne (Sandy) Solenberger

Lay

**Church/Parish:** St. James-the-Fisherman, Kodiak

**Briefly tell us about the Nominee:**

Over more than 30 years Sandy and her family have been active in Episcopal churches in Silver City, NM, St. Louis, MO, and Kodiak, Alaska. She teaches Sunday School, has served as Senior Warden and concerns herself with the business side of our parish. She is 75 years old and has had a career in non-profit management starting when she was an undergraduate at Harvard. She has served as director or president of almost every organization she was connected with and would bring management skills to the Standing Committee.
Episcopal Diocese of Alaska
Nominee Profile Form

Committee/Commission of Nomination:

Disciplinary Board

Seat C: Clergy seat, Term 3 years

Nominee’s Information:

Name: Janice Hotze
Clergy

Church/Parish: St. Michael & All Angels, Haines

Briefly tell us about the Nominee:
Running for disciplinary board seat C as nominated by Southeast Deanery. I have been trained by national church conferences on clergy misconduct, participated in writing original diocesan Canon, and am currently serving as an appointed member.
Nominee Profile Form

Committee/Commission of Nomination:

Disciplinary Board

Seat D: Lay seat, Term 4 years

Nominee’s Information:

Name: Michele Bifelt
Lay

Church/Parish: St. Jude’s, North Pole

Briefly tell us about the Nominee:
I have been a member of St. Jude’s since 1999. I currently serve as Senior Warden. I previously been a member of Good Shepard, Huslia, and St. Mark’s, Nenana. I have completed the EfM courses.
Episcopal Diocese of Alaska
Nominee Profile Form

Committee/Commission of Nomination:

FIT Committee

Seat B: Clergy seat

Nominee’s Information:

Name: Caroline Malseed
Clergy

Church/Parish: St. Brendan's, Juneau

Briefly tell us about the Nominee:

Many years in parish and community ministries, including prison ministries, child protection, hunger & poverty response, issues regarding racism, classism & sexism. Have served on Diocesan Council in other dioceses and 6 years on Standing Committee in Alaska. Priest-in-Charge at St. Brendan's, Juneau.
The Episcopal Diocese of Alaska  
46th Diocesan Convention  
Brief Committees Overview of those open for Election/Appointment

**Commission on Ministry:**  
**Summary of Responsibilities:** Assist the bishop in matters pertaining to the needs for the Ordained Ministry including enlistment and selection of persons for the Ministry, and in the guidance and pastoral care of all Postulants and Candidates for Holy Orders, Deacons and Priests, administering examinations required by Canon for Ordination and continuing education. Assist the bishop in challenging, training, and providing continuing education of the Laity for its ministry.  
**Commitment needed:** attend regular teleconference (10-12 annually), receive and disburse documents (preferably electronically), meet face to face for a 2-3 day meeting at least once a year.

**Standing Committee:**  
**Summary of Responsibilities:** Serve as a Council of Advice to the Bishop. Exercise Ecclesiastical Authority in the absence or disability of the Bishop. Act as the reviewing body in the selection, examination, and ordination of persons for Holy Orders. Advise and consent to the purchase, construction, encumbrance, and disposition of real property of the Diocese. Implement actions assigned by the Convention of the Diocese, including the regular review and oversight of the budget.  
**Commitment needed:** attend regular teleconference (6-8 annually), receive and disburse documents (preferably electronically), meet face to face for a 2-3 day meeting two/three times a year.

**Disciplinary Board:**  
**Summary of Responsibilities:** The Disciplinary Board handles complaints and cases of clergy misconduct and other matters set forth in Title IV of the Canons of the Episcopal Church including the Trial of any Priest or Deacon of the Diocese.  
**Commitment needed:** Be available to meet via teleconference and/or in person should a case/need present itself. Unless there is an active case this committee typically does not meet.

**FIT (Faith Into Tomorrow Endowment) Committee:**  
**Summary of Responsibilities:** Oversee the on-going grants and operating budget funding provided by the FIT Endowment. Manage the granting process including distributing, advertising, and evaluating annual grant applications for the multiple grant cases. Review the spending allocation annually and make recommendations for approval to the Standing Committee.  
**Commitment needed:** attend regular teleconference (4-6 annually), receive and disburse documents (preferably electronically), meet face to face for a 2-3 day meeting at least once a year.