Penn West Conference – Nominations Report June 8, 2024

Board of Directors

Officers to be Elected (two year terms)

Secretary – Class of 2026 (second term) Ms. Wendy Bigelow

Wendy is a lifelong and 3rd generation member of First United Church of Christ in Irwin where she serves on the Consistory, Christian Board of Education, and multiple committees. She currently serves on the Penn West Conference's Youth Ministry Team. After retiring from 35 years in public education, she enjoys camping, traveling, and volunteering.

Treasurer – Class of 2026

Ms. Deborah Long

Deb Long is currently serving on the Conference Financial Steward committee and the Investment Committee. She has been active in her local church for many years, serving in all capacities on Consistory and in the office. Recently retired, she enjoys spending time training and hiking with her 3 dogs, working part time at a local greenhouse, and making quilts.

Assistant Treasurer – Class of 2026

Ms. Nancy Harclerode

Nancy Harclerode and her husband, Larry, live on their farm in southern Bedford County. They attend Friends Cove Trinity UCC where Nancy has served as President of the 2-charge consistory, Trinity consistory and lay speaker; as well as, Treasurer of the Juniata Association. She has 30 years in corporate finance at Hedstrom Corporation and 10 years as a product development systems instructor at Kennametal Inc. Now retired, Nancy is trying to pack in everything that she has wanted to do for the last 40 years.

Continuing Officers:

Moderator – Class of 2025 Rev. Dave Mears Assistant Moderator – Class of 2025 Rev. Liddy Barlow

Association Representatives – elected by the Associations (two year terms)

Class of 2025 – note: "2nd" indicates second term

Clarion – Rev. Frank Sapp, Jr. (1) Juniata – Rev. Joseph Ward (1) Lake Erie – Rev. Nicole Pickens (1) Pittsburgh – Rev. Dr. Leanna Fuller (2) Somerset – Rev. Sharon Fox (2) Westmoreland – Rev. Paul Sarver (1) St. Paul's Community, Chicora Gladeland Charge, Manns Choice St. Mark's, Fredonia

Trinity, Dorseyville St. Paul's, Stoystown First, Mt. Pleasant

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Clarion – Ken Tack (2)

Juniata – TBA (1)

Lake Erie – Alice Niebauer (1)

Pittsburgh – Robin Stemple (1)

Somerset – Rev. Diane Smith (2)

Westmoreland – Mark Brautigam (2)

St. Paul's Community, Chicora

St. Paul's, Erie

First (Millvale), Pittsburgh

Salem, Frostburg MD

Denmark Manor, Export

General Synod Delegates

Class of 2025

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UCC Board of Directors Member from PWC

Tom Croner 3872 Huckleberry Hwy., Berlin PA 15530 Trinity UCC, Berlin 814-442-6740; tomcroner@yahoo.com

Respectfully submitted by the Penn West Conference Nominating Committee:

Sam Swick (Clarion)

Rev. Jay Shaffer (Somerset)

Rev. Don Watkins (Westmoreland)

Rev. Mary Hendricks (Juniata)

Alice Niebauer (Lake Erie)

Rev. Liddy Barlow (Pittsburgh & Assistant Moderator)

Rev. David Ackerman (Conference Minister)