



—| SYNOD CONVENTION 2015 |—

Floor Committees

No floor committees will meet before the convention begins.

Committee #1: President's Report

Pastor Jon Zabell, (NW), Chairman
Teacher Eric Brown (DM), Secretary
Pastor James Danell (MN)
Pastor George Ferch (SEW)
Pastor Joshua Hillman (NE)
Pastor Richard Kogler (AZCA)
Teacher David Malnes (PNW)
Teacher Robert Pagel (WW)

Layman John Enstad (MN)
Layman Damion Glisper (SEW)
Layman Al Jacobs (NA)
Layman Floyd Pinkney (AZCA)
Layman Randall Rathje (MI)
Layman Kenneth Rosenthal (NW)
Layman Don Rowe (SA)
Layman Michael Smith (WW)

Committee #2: Conference of Presidents

Pastor Bradley Bode (AZCA), Chairman
Pastor Stephen Helwig (NE), Secretary
Pastor Keith Bilitz (MN)
Pastor Jon Guenther (WW)
Pastor Jonathan Zietlow (NW)
Teacher Randy Cochran (SA)
Teacher Eric Kaesermann (MN)
Teacher Kevin Needham (MI)
Layman James Bennington (PNW)

Layman Bernie Cooper (NE)
Layman Sergio Dominguez (DM)
Layman Bill Schaumberg (NA)
Layman Craig Schuette (MI)
Layman Ken Sletten (NW)
Layman Alexander Titus (AZCA)
Layman Rod Werner (MN)
Layman Tom Wilde (NW)

Committee #3: Commission on Inter-Church Relations

Pastor Paul Janke (DM), Chairman
Pastor Paul Schuler (NW), Secretary
Pastor Frank Italiano Jr (SEW)
Pastor David Putz (MI)
Pastor Frederick Voss (PNW)
Teacher Michael Ash (AZCA)
Teacher Daniel Schulz (SEW)
Layman Craig Ehinger (MI)

Layman Robert Goggins (WW)
Layman Tom Heuer (WW)
Layman Brian Hoppe (NW)
Layman Andy Monday (NE)
Layman Raymond Kimbrough (MN)
Layman James Robinson (AZCA)
Layman Kim Starling (PNW)
Layman Danny Weimer (AZCA)

Committee #4: Ministry of Christian Giving

Pastor Robert Koester (DM), Chairman	Layman David Bertram (SC)
Pastor Jon Micheel (NE), Secretary	Layman Normal Blatter (WW)
Pastor Ross Henzi (NW)	Layman Russell Bratsch (MN)
Pastor Thomas Rothe (AZ)	Layman Dennis Enser (AZCA)
Pastor Michael Turriff (SEW)	Layman Fred Lintelmann (WW)
Teacher Andrew Bare (MN)	Layman Clayton Peterson (NE)
Teacher Peter Buege (AZCA)	Layman Gary Raffel (MI)
Teacher Andrew Dais (WW)	Layman Alan Vitense (SEW)

Committee #5: Communication Services

Pastor Philip Kieselhorst (NE), Chairman	Layman Gerald Baumann (SEW)
Teacher Carl Nolte (SEW), Secretary	Layman William Bittner (WW)
Pastor Darin Aden (NW)	Layman Paul Giovanazzo (NA)
Pastor Wayne Haldorson (NA)	Layman Paul Holzhueter (MN)
Pastor David Rockhoff (SEW)	Layman Dennis Malenke (NW)
Pastor Paul Schulz (AZCA)	Layman Jerry Pepke (DM)
Teacher Thomas Banaszak (SEW)	Layman John Schneider (SA)
Layman Lance Barton (PNW)	Layman David Sudhoff (MI)

Committee #6: Synodical Council

Pastor James Seelow (MI), Chairman	Layman Henry Berry (WW)
Teacher James Grunwald (MN), Secretary	Layman Steven DeMerritt (WW)
Pastor Kent Holz (SA)	Layman Jerry Merritt (SA)
Pastor David Huebner (MN)	Layman David Pawley (MI)
Pastor David Wietzke (NE)	Layman Joseph Purcell (DM)
Teacher Brian Mensching (SEW)	Layman Jack Riggs (SC)
Teacher Larry Zarnsdorff (AZCA)	Layman Walter Wendt (NE)
Layman Michael Baird (NA)	

Committee #7: Support Services

(Financial Services, Human Resources, Technology, Facility Services, Capital Projects)

Teacher Frederick Uttech (WW), Chairman	Layman Richard Fischer (MI)
Pastor Martin Luchterhand (SA), Secretary	Layman Wayne Heuer (DM)
Pastor Charles Found (AZCA)	Layman Brian Hughey (NA)
Pastor Beck Goldbeck (NW)	Layman Dan Meyer (SA)
Pastor Dale Hella (WW)	Layman Tim Russow Sr (MN)
Pastor Peter Unnasch (SEW)	Layman Brian Saatkamp (PNW)
Teacher Daniel Ebeling (SEW)	Layman Ronald Zahrt (SC)
Teacher Marv Wittig (SEW)	
Layman Don Ascoli (AZCA)	

Committee #8: WELS Historical Institute and WELS Archives

Pastor James Janke (WW), Chairman	Teacher William Hinz (WW)
Teacher Steven Rosenbaum (AZCA), Secretary	Layman Ken Baumann (NW)
Pastor Adam Horneber (AZCA)	Layman John Chapas (MN)
Pastor Richard Krahn (NW)	Layman Gene King (DM)
Pastor Stephen Mueller (SA)	Layman Joseph Maples (MI)
Pastor Terry Schultz (Missionary)	Layman Loral Mills (NA)
Staff Minister Kelly Emde (MN)	Layman Lee Niethammer (SC)
	Layman Ron Przybyla (SEW)

Committee #9: Christian Aid and Relief

Pastor Aaron Christie (SEW), Chairman	Layman Harold Brown (MN)
Pastor Robert Gurgel (SEW), Secretary	Layman Dennis Duessler (SA)
Pastor William Finn (NW)	Layman William Hayes (MI)
Pastor Paul Marggraf (MN)	Layman Daniel Mayhew (NE)
Pastor Luke Myslik (NW)	Layman Gary Savelli (AZCA)
Pastor Robert Pasbrig (SEW)	Layman Marvin Schlomer (DM)
Teacher Alan Ash (PNW)	Layman William Steinbrenner (SW)
Teacher Justin Liepert (NW)	Layman David Stuhlmiller (PNW)

Committee #10: Finance and Budget

Pastor Heath Butler (NA), Chairman	Layman Jeremy Doherty (NA)
Teacher John Meyer (MN), Secretary	Layman Matt Glaeser (AZCA)
Pastor Robert Duehlmeyer (MI)	Layman Dan Meihak (NE)
Pastor Dan Sims (WW)	Layman John Meiselwitz (NW)
Pastor Aaron Steinbrenner (SEW)	Layman Anthony Rekeweg (SEW)
Pastor Thomas Westra (MI)	Layman Dave Szczublewski (MI)
Teacher Darwin Schram (SEW)	Layman Fred Wegner (MN)
Teacher Keith Wordell (SEW)	

Committee #11: World Missions, Joint Mission Council

Pastor John Boggs (NW), Chairman	Teacher Jeremiah Strassburg (AZCA)
Pastor Raymond Schumacher (WW), Secretary	Layman James Brenner (AZCA)
Pastor Paul Cerny (NW)	Layman Robert Eberhardt (NW)
Pastor Mark Kaesmeyer (MN)	Layman Ronald Harrison (NW)
Pastor Scott Miller (MI)	Layman Elwood Heldt (MN)
Teacher Brett Baade (SEW)	Layman Earl Lackey (PNW)
Teacher Adam Mateske (NW)	Layman Michael Lahmann (MI)
Teacher Mark Moldenhauer (SEW)	Layman Ronald Nichol (MI)
	Layman Doug Ruhter (NE)

Committee #12: Home Missions

Pastor Timothy Bode (MN), Chairman	Layman Roger Francois (NW)
Teacher Scott Wagner (SEW), Secretary	Layman David Mays (SEW)
Pastor William Mayhew (MI)	Layman Gary Morgan (MI)
Pastor Matthew Schwartz (SEW)	Layman William Prue (NW)
Pastor James Pope (MN)	Layman Gerald Ramthun (MN)
Teacher Matthew Groth (MI)	Layman Tom Sieker (NW)
Teacher Frederick Horn (SEW)	Layman Harold Wellnitz (PNW)
Layman Neil Detloff Jr (AZCA)	

Committee #13: Ministerial Education

Pastor Jason Zahn (SA), Chairman	Layman Roger Carter (AZCA)
Teacher Dale Rundgren (NE), Secretary	Layman Tom Kuzenski (WW)
Pastor Philip Paustian (NW)	Layman Scott Richert (NE)
Pastor Mark Wagner (SEW)	Layman Bob Strenad (SA)
Pastor Paul Werner (SA)	Layman Loren Wondrasch (MN)
Teacher Jonathan Romsdahl (SA)	Layman Daryl Wuenne (SEW)
Teacher Andrew Van Weele (SC)	

Committee #14: Congregation and Ministry Support Group A

(Worship, Evangelism, Congregational Counseling)

Pastor Jeremiah Gumm (NA), Chairman	Layman Jeff Bare (SA)
Teacher Jeremy Dennings (MI), Secretary	Layman Glenn Bechler (NW)
Pastor Gary Kraklow (PNW)	Layman Ronald Butt (SEW)
Pastor Charles Papenfuss (SEW)	Layman Thomas Klaudt (DM)
Pastor Tim Smith (MN)	Layman John Thibaudeau (NE)
Pastor Matthew Vogt (AZCA)	Layman Luke Wegner (MN)
Teacher David Brightsman (SEW)	Layman Peter Yee (AZCA)
Teacher Steve Merten (MN)	

Committee #15: Congregation and Ministry Support Group B
(Special Ministries, Adult Discipleship, Youth and Family Ministry)

Pastor Michael Helwig (SEW), Chairman	Layman Alan Geisthardt (NW)
Teacher Joshua Schmidt (NW), Secretary	Layman William Gutowski (MI)
Pastor Kevin Hundley (SEW)	Layman Scott Lee (SEW)
Pastor Daniel Kramer (PNW)	Layman Ken Morris (SA)
Pastor David Warskow (AZCA)	Layman Gordon Nessler (MI)
Pastor Jonathan Bilitz (WW)	Layman Erv Schadler (DM)
Teacher Michael Falk (MI)	Layman Ron Schebel (SA)
Teacher Benjamin Rank (WW)	

Committee #16: Congregation and Ministry Support Group C
(Lutheran Schools)

Teacher Carl Hochmuth (WW), Chairman	Layman Albert Demaske (WW)
Pastor Robert Edwards (WW), Secretary	Layman Lee Erickson (MN)
Pastor Thomas Gumm (PNW)	Layman Ronald Fregian (WW)
Pastor John Paustian (SEW)	Layman George Kempf (MI)
Pastor Eugene Roecker (DM)	Layman Andrew Krentz (SC)
Teacher Nathaniel Kallies (NW)	Laymann Tim Kiefer (WW)
Teacher Shaun Riesop (SEW)	Layman John Penhalegon (AZCA)

Committee #17: Northwestern Publishing House and Publication Coordinating Commission

Teacher James Brandt (SEW), Chairman	Layman Frank Camacho (SEW)
Pastor Paul Welke (WW), Secretary	Layman Richard Einert (NE)
Teacher Tim Hemling (NW)	Layman Brent Nemmers (SC)
Pastor Charles Gumm (AZCA)	Layman Shawn Harrington (MI)
Pastor David Koehler (MI)	Layman Bernard Pieper (MN)
Pastor William Russow (DM)	Layman Bud Rusch (NW)
Pastor Robert Wilke (WW)	Layman Michael Schottey (SA)
Teacher Stephen Berg (WW)	

Committee #18: Church Extension Fund

Layman Joel Rhoads (AZCA), Chairman	Teacher Courtney Schmidt (SEW)
Teacher Thomas Hunter (MN), Secretary	Layman Bruce Beussman (MN)
Pastor Charles Degner (MN)	Layman Owen Clayton (NE)
Pastor Pheng Moua (MN)	Layman Dale Kelm (NW)
Pastor Mark Panning (Missionary)	Layman Michael O'Brian (SEW)
Pastor Wayne Halldorson (DM)	Layman Ron Schmitz (SA)
Pastor Paul Stratman (WW)	Layman Thomas Wood (MI)

Committee #19: WELS Foundation and WELS Investment Funds

Teacher James Sievert (SEW), Chairman	Layman Mark Brandau (SEW)
Teacher Philip Stern (NE), Secretary	Layman Karl Breitreutz (MN)
Pastor Gregory Bey (Missionary)	Layman Gary Frey (SA)
Pastor David Kehl (SEW)	Layman Dale Hadler (MN)
Pastor Peter Kruschel (AZCA)	Layman Dana Rabenberg (NE)
Pastor Marcus Schulz (NW)	Layman Mark Stair (SEW)
Teacher Matthew Schiebel (WW)	Layman Veryl Tisch (MI)
Layman Bill Apmann (SEW)	

Committee #20: Benefit Plans (VEBA and Pension)

Layman James Freer (WW), Chairman	Layman Brandon Hughes (MI)
Pastor Nathaniel Bourman (SC), Secretary	Layman Kurt Kopplin (SEW)
Pastor James Kleist (SEW)	Layman Dean Lind (MN)
Pastor Jonathan Rossman (WW)	Layman Kevin Riley (WW)
Pastor Jason Schulz (MN)	Layman Tom Siegel (SEW)
Pastor Jeffrey Sonntag (MI)	Layman Brad Techlin (SEW)
Teacher Michael Marquardt (SEW)	Layman Gary Vanderheyden (NW)
Teacher James Nowack (SEW)	
Teacher Daniel Whitney (MN)	

Committee #21: Ad Hoc Commission 2

Pastor Charles Vannieuwenhoven (SA), Chairman	Layman Mark Bergemann (SEW)
Teacher Kevin Ehlke (NW), Secretary	Layman Daniel Butler (MI)
Pastor Patrick Feldhus (WW)	Layman LaVern Georgson (WW)
Pastor Cary Grant (MI)	Layman John Houchins (AZCA)
Pastor Christopher Goelzer (NW)	Layman Harold Miller (WW)
Pastor Daniel Iwinski (WW)	Layman Ronald Schneider (WW)
Pastor Paul Koelpin (MN)	Layman Del Werner (MN)
Teacher Kyle Gut (SEW)	Layman Fred Westrich (SEW)

Committee #22: Miscellaneous Memorials

Pastor Robert Dick (SEW), Chairman	Teacher Donovan Zastrow (SEW)
Teacher Kevin Walker (NA), Secretary	Layman Edward Cohrs (MN)
Pastor Mark Cordes (MN)	Layman John McLaughlin Jr (AZCA)
Pastor David Karow (WW)	Layman Brian Schluntz (SEW)
Pastor Andrew Retburg (SC)	Layman David Siegler (SEW)
Pastor Robert Serrila (Missionary)	Layman Norm Trier (WW)
Teacher Jonathan Biedenbender (WW)	Layman Jordan Wenzel (WW)

Committee #23: Committee on Constitutional Matters

Pastor Daniel Simons (MI), Chairman	Teacher Daniel Plath (MN)
Pastor Steven Bauer (MI), Secretary	Layman Chris Abel (WW)
Pastor Troy Jacobs (NE)	Layman Donald Becker (SEW)
Pastor Keith Free (SEW)	Layman Robert Collier (SC)
Teacher Joe Archer (SEW)	Layman Douglas Schaal (SEW)
Teacher Robert Buschkopf (SEW)	Layman Wayne Schember (MI)
Teacher Mark Kutz (MN)	Layman Raymond Zunker (WW)

Committee #24: Elections

Teacher Robert Klindworth (MN), Chairman	Layman Greg Busse (SEW)
Teacher Daniel Plath (MN), Secretary	Layman Brian Dickey (DM)
Pastor Spencer Biga (MI)	Layman Robert Putz (WW)
Pastor Jonathan Kruschel (MN)	Layman John Sempert (AZ)
Pastor Kevin Mau (SC)	Layman Dennis Thiesse (MN)
Pastor Bradley Pearson (WW)	Layman Matt Weseloh (SC)
Teacher Paul Strutz (SEW)	

Committee #25: Membership and Attendance

Pastor David Kipfmiller (MI), Chairman	Layman Dave Edison (DM)
Teacher Aaron Schleusener (MN)	Layman Justin Laufman (MN)
Pastor Dennis Valleau (MN)	Layman Doug Luttrell (SEW)

Committee #26: Resolutions

Teacher Martin Moldenhauer (SEW), Chairman	Steven Grosinske (MI)
Pastor Michael Gehl (NA)	Teacher Nathan Sievert (MI)
	Layman Kenneth Kaepernick (SEW)

Committee #27: Steering

Pastor John Guse, Chairman
Pastor Don Tollefson
Pastor Joel Zank