BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT FY2022

The Board of Directors of the NACCC is responsible to the delegates of the Annual Meeting and Conference. The Board oversees the financial and legal affairs of the Association. In the past year the Board of Directors approved a trial run of a new budgeting process which encourages aspirational giving. Rather than present a specific but limited amount of funding, we offered our Ministry Councils the opportunity to dream about new projects that will benefit our churches. We were pleased with the approach and thank the Ministry Councils, the special Budget subcommittee, and the Finance Committee for their patience and creativity. We are grateful for the cooperation and support of the Board of Governors of the Congregational Foundation. Dan Drea, our Chief Financial Officer, was instrumental in shepherding this process. We congratulate Dan on his retirement as we make plans to find someone to follow his footsteps.

We will present to the Annual Meeting a list of by-laws changes. We thank the Rev. Dr. Martin Hall for his help in this endeavor. Most of the changes involve how we might best proceed in hybrid (face-to-face and virtual) meetings. The Board of Directors is looking forward to the Wichita meeting as a celebration of meeting together after three years and also as an example of how our meetings might look in the future. Through the Nominating Committee, we will present a list of officers and board and council members for your approval. A complete list of all motions voted on by the Board of Directors from June 2021 to June 2022 will be provided to all delegates and attendees of the Annual Meeting in Wichita.

Members of the Board of Directors include: Kate O'Dell (Secretary), Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Bingham, Claudia Kniefel, Jodee Lord, Rev. Tom VanTassell, the Rev. Dr. Cynthia Bacon Hammer (Moderator of the NACCC) and me. The final member of our Board was Jeff Dillon, who is leaving his position of NACCC Treasurer. We express our heartfelt thanks to Jeff for the financial expertise and many hours of service that he has provided. We are grateful to Rev. Dr. Ashley Cook Cleere for her direction and inspiration and to all of the Oak Creek office staff for their hard work and commitment. We thank you for your faithful support of the NACCC in giving and in service. We appreciate the opportunity to serve you.

Rev. Arthur P. Ritter
Vice Moderator and Chair of the Board of Directors