

List of Candidates Nominated for District Convention Elections, June 14-16, 2010

Colorado Mission District Mission Board (lay member)

(6 year term)

1) Dr. Keith Eldred (incumbent)

Address: 903 S Greeley Hwy Cheyenne, WY 82007

Phone: 307-631-6756 E-mail: keithe@lonetree.com

Age: 65 Member of: Good Shepherd Cheyenne, Wyoming Occupation: Optometrist

Past service: Secretary, Treasurer, President, Chairman of Board of Elders

Current service: Colorado Mission Board member, elder

2) Mr. Martin Merklinger

Address: 5820 S Delaware Street, Littleton, CO 80120-2345

Phone: 303-798-5998 cell: 303-859-2788 E-mail: Merklinger@rocksol.com

Age: 52 Member of: Zion, Denver, Colorado Occupation: structural civil engineer

Past service: church treasurer, elder, Sunday School teacher, financial secretary for RMLHS

Current service: elder, teacher ESL at Christ Center, Denver, WELS Kingdom Workers

Colorado Mission District Mission Board (pastor member)

(6 year term)

1) Pastor David Olson

Address: 904 43rd Ave., Greeley, CO 80634-1401

Phone: 970-353-2170 E-mail: davestepholsen@hotmail.com

Age: 33 Member of: Shepherd of the Hills, Greeley, Colorado

Current service: Colorado Conference Secretary, Evangelism Committee member,
Youth Discipleship Committee member

2) Pastor Wayne Uhlhorn (incumbent)

Address: 2540 Norwich Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920

Phone: 719-574-7459 Email: pastor@fountoflife.com

Age: 46 Member of: Fount of Life, Colorado Springs, CO

Past service: Circuit pastor - Chesapeake Circuit, North Atlantic District

Parish School Coordinator - North Atlantic District; Adult Discipleship committee member

North Atlantic District; + LWMS pastoral advisor - Rocky Mountain circuit

Current service: Colorado Mission District Mission Board chairman

Nebraska Mission District Mission Board (pastor member)

(6 year term)

1) Pastor John Bortulin

Address: 107 N Asn, Ave PO Box 21, Plymouth, Nebraska 68424-0021

Phone: 402-656-4295 E-mail: bortulin@diodecom.net

Age: 32 Member of: St Paul, Plymouth, Nebraska

Current service: District Committee on Worship member

2) Pastor Steve Helwig (incumbent)

Address: 4742 N 150th St., Omaha, Nebraska 68116-1454

Phone: 402-491-4152 E-mail: pastorhelwig@cox.net

Age: 37 Member of Gethsemane, Omaha, Nebraska

Past service: Southern Conference Secretary

Current service: Nebraska District Mission Board member

Nebraska Mission District Mission Board (lay member)

(6 year term – no incumbent)

1) Mr. Loren Bloomquist

Address: 3711 Lakeview Dr. Norfolk 68701
Phone: 402-992-2164 E-mail: Lm2bloomquist@yahoo.com
Age: 65 Member of: St Paul, Norfolk, Nebraska Occupation: retired building contractor
Past service: School Board, Trustee, WELS Kingdom Workers: Cameroon, Africa 2004-2005

2) Mr. Bruce Burger

Address: 1613 N Columbia Ave., Seward, Nebraska 68434
Phone: 402-646-2155 E-mail: bruce.burger@channelbio.com
Age: 49 Member of: Grace, Seward, Nebraska; Occupation: technical sales manager, Channel Bio Seed Co.
Past service: Board of Elders and Church Council offices of 3 WELS congregations
Current service: Treasurer

Nebraska Mission District Mission Board (pastor member)

(6 year term – no incumbent)

1) Pastor Mark Haefner

Address: 638 N 7th, Seward, NE
Phone: 402-643-3717 E-mail: markhaefner@yahoo.com
Age: 55 Member of: Grace, Seward, NE; also serves Bethel, York, NE
Past service: Circuit Pastor (Atlanta area), Secretary of a Pastor's Conference (Atlanta), LWMS National Board, Chairman of the District Parish Services Committee (South Atlantic).

2) Pastor James Tauscher

Address: 4007 NW Barry Rd. Kansas City, Missouri 64154-1116
Phone: (cell) 303-304-9318 E-mail: jwtausch0202@yahoo.com
Age: 60 Member of: Rock of Ages, Kansas City, Missouri
Past service: Circuit Pastor (Colorado Conference-north); Neb. Dist. Comm. on Evangelism Coordinator; (South Central District) Mission Board Chairman; Circuit Pastor-(South Central District); South Central District Stewardship Board
Current service: member of the WELS VEBA Commission

Adult Discipleship Coordinator (6 year term)

1) Pastor Mark Hayes (incumbent)

Address: 572 S McCulloch Blvd W. Pueblo West, CO 81007
Phone: 719-547-9496 E-mail: pwcrown@gmail.com
Age: 37 Member of: Crown of Life, Pueblo West, Colorado
Current service: Adult Discipleship Coordinator

2) Pastor Phillip Sievert

Address: 12051 Northaven Cir, Thornton, CO 80241-3643
Phone: 720-872-2190 E-mail: pdsievert@aol.com
Age: 42 Member of: Lord of Life, Thornton, CO
Past service: Dakota/Montana District Youth Discipleship Committee member
Current service: Nebraska District Secretary; Evangelism Committee member

Youth Discipleship Coordinator (6 year term)

1) Pastor Timothy Kemnitz

Address: 1821 Morton Ct. Lincoln, Nebraska 68521-5643
Phone: 402-438-7378 E-mail: pastor@mtolivewels.org
Age: 45 Member of: Mt Olive, Lincoln, Nebraska
Current service: Youth Discipleship Committee member; Chairman Constitution Committee, District Forward in Christ Reporter

2) Pastor Kurt Schaser (incumbent)

Address: 1112 E 47th Street Pl., Kearney, Nebraska 68847-8412
Phone: 308-234-2999 E-mail: pastorschaser@gmail.com
Age: 35 Member of: Good Shepherd, Kearney, Nebraska
Past service: Youth Discipleship Committee Member
Current service: Youth Discipleship Coordinator

District Board of Appeals Chairman (pastor)

(6 year term - no incumbent)

1) Pastor David Olson

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 Age: 33 Member of: Shepherd of the Hills, Greeley, Colorado
 Current service: Colorado Conference Secretary, Evangelism Committee member,
 Youth Discipleship Committee member

2) Pastor Jonathan J. Rockhoff

Address: 9225 W Meadow Knoll Ct., Wichita, KS 67205-2123
 Phone: 316-722-1771 E-mail: revrock1@yahoo.com
 Age: 49 Member of: Messiah, Wichita, Kansas
 Past service: Ministry of Christian Giving (CCFS) 1991-98;
 Current service: District Mission Board (member: 1992-present; chairman: 1996-present)

District Board of Appeals Lay Member (6 year term)**1) Dr. Marlin Braun**

Address: 88920 550 Ave. Crofton, Nebraska 68730
 Phone: (cell) 406-223-8761 Member of: St Paul, Norfolk, Nebraska
 Age: 55 Occupation: chiropractor
 Past service: Dakota Montana District Evangelism Committee
 Current service: teacher of public school catechism classes, St Paul, Norfolk, Nebraska

2) Mr. Mark Maurer (incumbent)

Address: 19075 E. Bethany Place
 Phone: 303-617-1188 E-mail: mmaurers@comcast.net
 Age: 55 Member of: Christ Our Redeemer, Aurora, CO
 Occupation: Technical Support Engineer, Medical Mfg.
 Past Service: President, Board Chairman for Education and Stewardship, Financial Secretary,
 Vision Coordinator
 Current Service: Child & Family Ministry, Chairman elect, Synod Board of Appeals member

District Board of Appeals Pastor Member (6 year term)**1) Pastor Steven Kahrs** (incumbent)

Address: 11460 W State Highway 41, Clatonia, Nebraska 68328-8424
 Phone: 402-989-4775 E-mail: stevenkahrs@diodecom.net
 Age: 45 Member of: Zion, Clatonia, St John, Cortland
 Past service: LWMS pastoral advisor (Rosebud)
 Current service: Circuit Pastor (Eastern Circuit Southern Conference); Chairman of the Southern
 Conference; Secretary of Nebraska District Adult Discipleship Committee; Pastor Member
 Board of Appeals; Advisory Member of the NELHS Board of Directors

2) Pastor Matthew Kiecker

Address: 500 N 37th St., Norfolk, NE 68701-3257
 Phone: 402-379-1846 E-mail: mjkiecker@yahoo.com
 Age: 32 Member of: Shepherd of Peace, Norfolk, Nebraska

District Nominating Committee – Chairman (4 year term)**1) Pastor Joel B. Schroeder**

Address: 13220 W 84th St. Shawnee Mission, KS 66215-2850
 Phone: 913-888-7286 E-mail: joel@everestkc.net
 Age: 60 Member of: Mt Olive, Overland Park, Kansas
 Past Service: South Atlantic District BPE, South Atlantic District Circuit Pastor, Nebraska District
 BPE, WELS: Chairman Board of Trustees, Coordinating Council, CICR
 Current Service: Circuit Pastor, LWMS Spiritual Growth Advisor

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2) Pastor Phil Spaude (incumbent)

Address: 711 W 45 St., Casper, Wyoming 82601

Phone: 307-235-2770 E-mail: philspaude@aol.com

Age: 53 Member of: Lord of Lords, Casper, Wyoming

Past Service: Nebraska District CCFS Chairman, Adult Discipleship Coordinator, (Northern Wis. District) WALES Conference secretary, LWMS Advisor, NELHS Board chairman

Current Service: WELS: Adult Discipleship Commission Member, Nominating Comm. chairman.

District Nominating Committee Member -Colorado Conference (4 year term)

1) Pastor Paul Biedenbender

Address: 3530 Race St., Denver, Colorado 80205-4048

Phone: 303-901-8789 E-mail: ptbieds@hotmail.com

Age: 31 Member of: Christ, Denver, Colorado

2) Pastor Joel Spaude (incumbent)

Address: 3036 Skimmerhorn St., Fort Collins, Colorado 80526-6233

Phone: 970-282-9544 E-mail: pastorspaude@stpeterwels.com

Age: 46 Member of: St Peter, Fort Collins, Colorado

District Nominating Committee Member- Rosebud Conf.(4 year term, no incumbent)

1) Pastor Thomas Biedenbender

Address: 353 E 2nd St., PO Box 309, Mission, South Dakota 57555-0309

Phone: 605-856-4943 E-mail: pastorbieds@hotmail.com

Age: 59 Member of: Zion, Mission, South Dakota, St John, Witten, SD

2) Pastor Michael Killinger

Address: PO Box 877, Martin, SD 57551-0877

Phone: 605-685-6740 E-mail: kilinger@gwtc.net

Age: 30 Member of: Our Redeemer's, Martin, South Dakota, St Paul's Batesland, SD

District Nominating Committee Member – Southern Conference (4 year term)

1) Pastor Timothy Kemnitz

Address: 1821 Morton Ct. Lincoln, Nebraska 68521-5643

Phone: 402-438-7378 E-mail: pastor@mtolivewels.org

Age: 45 Member of: Mt Olive, Lincoln, Nebraska

2) Pastor Joel Pankow (incumbent)

Address: 1014 SW Lilly Cir. Topeka, KS 66604-2180

Phone: 785-272-3992 E-mail: topekawels@hotmail.com

Age: 41 Member of: Beautiful Savior, Topeka, Kansas

District Nominating Committee Member– Three Rivers Conf. (4 yr term, no incumbent)

1) Pastor Anthony Allard

Address: 3312 Macomb Ave., Sioux City, IA 51106-1623

Phone: 712-274-9429 E-mail: allardtony@hotmail.com

Age: 37 Member of: Grace, Sioux City, Iowa

2) Pastor Michael Ewart

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Phone: 402-553-6512 E-mail: ewartmj@gmail.com

Age: 41 Member of: Good Shepherd, Omaha, Nebraska