



2007 ELS Committee on Nominations

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Dear Pastors, Congregations, Standing Boards and Committees, and Synodical Officers:

Enclosed you will find the Nominee Solicitation for the 2007 convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and a description of duties and qualifications for the various boards and committees. We ask that you, your elders, the voters of your congregation, or the members of your board/committee offer the names of men who would be willing to serve on a synod board or committee. It is not necessary to have a meeting or for congregational action to place a name in nomination; recommendations from individuals are acceptable. It is not necessary to make nominations for every office. Even if you submit only one name, we appreciate your participation. If you are serving more than one congregation, please make a copy of the solicitation form for each congregation.

Please contact, if possible, those you wish to nominate and determine whether they are willing and able to serve.

When you make nominations, please do the following:

- 1) Read the brief description for the duties of each board or committee. Additional information is located in the **Synod Handbook**.
- 2) On the Nomination Form, indicate whether the nominee is lay or clergy, list his name, age, address, number of years in the ELS, number of consecutive terms in his current office, home congregation, vocation, education, and whatever relevant experience qualifies him for the position. ***It is important that we receive the personal information.*** The Nominating Committee uses it to determine a slate of candidates, and the pertinent information for the nominees selected will be printed in the **Book of Reports and Memorials** to the 2007 convention.
- 3) Complete and return this form as soon as possible. The deadline is **December 31, 2006**. Please return to: **Prof. Michael K. Smith, 6 Browns Court, Mankato, MN 56001**; or e-mail the information to **mksmith@blc.edu**. Blank nomination forms are also available on the synod web site (www.evangelicallutheransynod.org).

A note concerning nominations for Lutheran Schools of America (LSA): Clergy and teacher positions are nominated by the Board of the Lutheran Schools of America. Lay positions are nominated by the Board of Trustees. Please complete the section in the enclosed form and these nominations will be forwarded to the LSA and the Board of Trustees for consideration.

Thank you very much for your prompt cooperation in this important process.

In Christ,

Prof. Michael K. Smith, secretary