POSITION & COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS

SYNOD COUNCIL

SYNOD VICE PRESIDENT

- Layperson & Voting Member of a Synod Congregation
- 4 Year Term
- May Be Re-Elected
- Elected by Synod Assembly

- Chairs Synod Council - Responsible for planning and leading meetings, ensuring meetings are conducted effectively and business is well managed
- Serves on the Executive Committee of the Council
- Advises & Supports the Bishop
- Serves as Synod Assembly Co-Chair with the Bishop
- Participates in Vice Presidential Networks (Regional and Churchwide)
- Assist with Synod mission & vision planning & development processes

SYNOD SECRETARY

- Voting Member of a Nebraska Synod Congregation
- 4 Year Term
- May Be Re-Elected
- Elected by Synod Assembly

- Keeps meeting minutes and is responsible for the communication and coordination of their distribution
- Serves on the Executive Committee of the Council
- Is Authorized and empowered, in the name of the synod, to attest all instruments which require the same, and which are signed and sealed by the bishop
- Consults with the bishop, to classify and arrange all important papers and documents and deposit them in the archives of this synod

SYNOD TREASURER

- Voting Member of a Nebraska Synod Congregation
- 4 Year Term
- May Be Re-Elected
- Elected by Synod Assembly

- Serves on the Executive Committee of the Council
- Manages the monies and accounts of this synod
- Invests funds upon the authorization of the Synod Council
- Maintains and regularly communicates with congregations regarding their accounts
- Provides full and detailed reports of receipts and disbursements for meeting minutes

SYNOD COUNCIL MEMBER

- Voting Member of a Nebraska Synod Congregation
- 6 Year Term/Youth 2 year
- Elected by Synod Assembly
- No Consecutive Re-Election

- Participates in quarterly Synod Council Meetings
- Participates in Annual Synod Assembly
- Functions of the Synod Council Include:
  - Carry out resolutions of the Synod Assembly
  - Recommend budgets to the Synod Assembly
  - Provide annual reviews of rostered ministers to the Synod Assembly
  - Perform other functions set forth in the bylaws of the Synod

OTHER COMMITTEES

CONSULTATION COMMITTEE

- Voting Member of a Nebraska Synod Congregation
- 6 Year Term
- No Consecutive Re-Election
- Elected by Synod Assembly

- Serves when there is a disagreement between or among congregations on a substantive issue that cannot be resolved by the parties involved
- Works together as a committee to undertake efforts to find an appropriate solution

COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINE

- Voting Member of a Nebraska Synod Congregation
- 6 Year Term
- No Consecutive Re-Election
- Elected by Synod Assembly

- Members are available to work with the Bishop/Synod Council when there are issues involving disciplinary proceedings

AUDIT COMMITTEE

- Voting Member of a Nebraska Synod Congregation
- 3 Year Term
- May Be Re-Elected
- Elected by Synod Council

- Responsible for assisting the Synod Council in fulfilling its general oversight of the synod's accounting, financial reporting, internal control systems, and external audit processes as provided in †S15.31.

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

- Voting Member of a Nebraska Synod Congregation
- 4 Year Term
- May Be Re-Elected
- Elected by Synod Council

- Prepares and presents a comprehensive budget to the Synod Council, in consultation with the Bishop, for its consideration and presentation to the Synod Assembly.
- In the preparation of the budget the committee consults with committee and task force chairpersons as well as the chief executive officers of related institutions
- Reviews the finances of the synod during the fiscal year as needed or as requested by the bishop or Synod Council.

CANDIDACY COMMITTEE

- Voting Member of a Nebraska Synod Congregation
- 4 Year Term
- May Be Re-Elected
- Elected by Synod Council

- Register, supervise, endorse, and approve candidates for ministry in accordance with provisions set by the ELCA
- Disburse grants and scholarships for candidacy students

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

- Voting Member of a Nebraska Synod Congregation
- 3 Year Term
- May Be Re-Elected
- Elected by Synod Council

- Work with synod staff to secure nominees for Synod Assembly and Synod Council elections.