

## 2015 Report of the Ohio Conference Nominating Committee

### Nominating Committee Members:

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Sam Buehrer

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Frank Isaacs

Jerry Kruse

Mindy Quellhorst

Tim Smith

Bob Tussing

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The Nominating Committee recommended and the Conference Board of Directors approved the following nominations to be presented as a slate of candidates for election to the Ohio Conference UCC Annual Gathering on September 26, 2015.

### Officers

Moderator – Mindy Quellhorst (2+2 years)

Vice Moderator – Catherine Green (2+2+2 years)

Treasurer – Sam Buehrer (3 years)

Secretary – Bob Tussing (3 years)

### Association Representatives

NWOA – Ken Daniel (2 years)

WRA – Colin Jones (2 years)

SONKA – Mike Castle (incumbent) (2 years)\*

EOA – Kevan Franklin (incumbent) (2 years)\*

CSEOA – Tom Brownfield (incumbent) (2 years)\*

Please note:

The two-year terms expire at the June 2017 Annual Meeting

The three-year terms expire at the June 2018 Annual Meeting

\* Indicates 2<sup>nd</sup> (and final) term

## Biographies of Recommended Candidates

### **Ken Daniel (NWOA)**

Ken has served as president and CEO of United Church Homes since 2011. He is a member of First UCC, Marion and is active with the NWOA Clergy Excellence in Ministry groups. His background includes nonprofit administration and leadership for more than 25 years in CHHSM member ministries. Ken also served as interim president of Lancaster Theological Seminary, and was pastor of St. Andrew's UCC in Reading for 9 years. He is a graduate of United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, MN and was ordained in 1981 by the Penn Northeast Conference.

### **Catherine Green (Vice-Moderator)**

After graduating from The Ohio State University and a stint at Wendy's, Cathy enjoyed a career in insurance with stops at AAA Michigan and Allstate Insurance. Most recently Cathy served as President and Chief Executive Officer of the UCC Insurance Boards.

Cathy is the current Vice-Chair of United Church Homes and volunteers at the Strongsville Senior Center. She is a previous Moderator and Secretary of the Central Southeast Ohio Association.

### **Colin Jones (WRA)**

Colin, born in Columbus, Ohio, fulfilled his dream of attending the prestigious Morehouse College, where he sang in the Glee Club. He married his wife Imani at age 22, and both earned a Master of Divinity degree at Princeton Theological Seminary.

Currently Colin serves as a Chaplain at Harbor Light Hospice and with Imani as the Pastors of Shaker Heights Community Church, at which they endeavor to bring forth real, relevant and radical ministry to the church, the community, the nation, and the world.

Colin and Imani have three kids: Tyshon, 19, Dominique, 12, and Colin, II.