

FLORIDA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION
COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS
REPORT 2019

The Committee on Nominations of the Florida Baptist State Convention presents the following report for consideration and action by the Florida Baptist State Convention, November 11-12, 2019.

Persons listed in the sections “Nominees for Election” are **being recommended by the Committee on Nominations for election by the state convention.**

Names listed in the shaded areas are for **information only**. These members are currently serving and are not subject to action by the convention in the year 2019.

Additionally, this is the first year since the convention adopted the new State Board of Missions regional representation model at the 2018 annual meeting. The committee has worked diligently to move the convention towards this model of representation. However, it has been the desire of the committee to allow members currently serving as a member of the State Board of Missions the opportunity to complete all terms of service that they would have otherwise been eligible for and not to ask anyone to leave service early based on the change in the bylaws. The committee expects that all exceptions should resolve in the next 1-2 years based on the completion of terms. The committee has footnoted this report to be abundantly transparent where any exceptions to the bylaws have been recommended.

STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS (99 members)¹

The State Board of Missions is composed of members elected by the Florida Baptist State Convention from within the bounds of each of the six ministry regions. The regional distribution of Board members is to be made on the following basis of church membership as recorded in the annual statistical report for the prior year: (1) One Board member for 1-10,000 church members which shall increase by one for each additional 10,000 church members or portion thereof; (2) Total membership on the Board shall be no more than 99 members and no less than 90; (3) No ministry region may be permitted more than 22 elected Board members; (4) Each cooperating association shall be represented by a minimum of one member from one of its cooperating churches; (5) No association may be permitted more than five Board members; (6) At least one elected Board member shall come from a church affiliated with the FBSC as a Church-at-Large; (7) In no instance will more than six elected Board members come from churches affiliated with the FBSC as a Church-at-Large, with no more than two Church-at-Large representatives coming from any one of the six ministry regions.

CENTRAL REGION (22 members)²

Central Nominees for Election (6)	Association	Term	Previous Term(s)
Ralph Alderman (lay)	Tampa Bay	2019-22	15-16; 16-19
Matt Gilmore (ord)	South Florida	2019-22	16-19
Thomas Jamieson (ord)	Lake County	2019-21	18-19
Maria Monroe (lay)	Greater Orlando	2019-22	16-19
Douglas Watkins (ord)	Sumter	2019-22	None
Jeremy Westbrook (ord)	Suncoast	2019-22	None

Central Board Members Continuing Service (16)

Johnny Boatwright (lay) (18-20) (Tampa Bay)	Mike Kahn (ord) 18-21) (Tampa Bay)
David Crowe (ord) (18-21) (Greater Orlando)	Linda Maiden (lay) (17-20) (Ridge)
Lecio Dornas (ord) (18-21) (Greater Orlando)	Elbert Nasworthy (ord) (18-21) (Tampa Bay)
Karl Fennimore (lay) (17-20) (Greater Orlando)	Bobby Patton (ord) (18-21) (Tampa Bay)
Chester Gunn (lay) (17-20) (Tampa Bay)	Wayne Roberts (ord) (17-20) (South Florida)
Josh Gussler (lay) (17-20) (Lake County)	David Schorejs (ord) (17-20) (Greater Orlando)
Gary “Goose” McCray (lay) (18-21) (Nature Coast)	Brian Stowe (ord) (17-20) (Shiloh)
Teresa Juarbe (lay) (18-21) (Pasco)	Michael Wetzel (ord) (17-20) (Suncoast)

¹ If all exceptions are granted the SBM total membership will be 100 members.

² Re-election of Alderman puts Tampa Bay over association max of 5 with a total of 6 members.

EAST REGION (21 members)³

<u>East Nominees for Election (11)</u>	<u>Association</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Previous Term(s)</u>
Anna Guy (lay)	Jacksonville	2019-22	16-19
Asa Greear (ord)	St. Johns River	2019-22	16-19
Charlie Higgins (ord)	Seminole	2019-22	17-19
Peggy Hyatt (lay)	Northeast Florida	2019-22	None
Kevin Lautar (ord)	Halifax	2019-22	None
John Marsh (ord)	Halifax	2019-22	None
Jim Parrish (lay)	Jacksonville	2019-22	18-19
Steve Simmons (lay)	Northeast Florida	2019-22	16-19
Bill Tate (ord)	Seminole	2019-22	None
Bob Wilson (ord)	Brevard	2019-22	17-19
Scott Wilson (ord)	Brevard	2019-22	None

East Board Members Continuing Service (10)

James Davis (lay) (18-21) (Jacksonville)	Benjamin Rodda (lay) (18-21) (St. Johns River)
Orvin Feliciano (ord) (18-21) (Jacksonville)	Glenn Rogers (ord) (17-20) (Seminole)
Robert Neiman (ord) (17-20) (Treasure Coast)	John Shultz (ord) (18-21) (Jacksonville)
Adam Page (ord) (18-21) (Northeast Florida)	Elijah Simmons (ord) (17-20) (Jacksonville)
Lynne Phillips (lay) (17-20) (Brevard)	David Tarkington (ord) (17-20) (Jacksonville)

NORTH REGION (16 members)⁴

<u>North Nominees for Election (6)⁵</u>	<u>Association</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Previous Term(s)</u>
Christy Adams (lay)	Middle Florida	2019-22	None
Stella Cottrell (lay)	Florida	2019-22	16-19
Patrick Inglett (lay)	North Central Florida	2019-22	16-19
Shawn Johnson (ord)	Suwannee	2019-22	16-19
Scott Stanland (ord)	New River	2019-22	17-19
David Warr (ord)	Gadsden County	2019-22	17-19

North Board Members Continuing Service (10)

David Chauncey (ord) (17-20) (North Central Florida)	Funmi Ojetayo (lay) (18-20) (Florida)
Alan Cotney (ord) (18-21) (Marion)	Al Paulson, Jr. (ord) (18-21) (Lafayette)
Terry Elixson (ord) (17-20) (North Florida)	Steven Ruff (ord) (18-20) (Taylor)
Trent Gann (ord) (18-21) (Florida)	Chris Spears (lay) (17-20) (Marion)
Tom Keisler (ord) 18-21) (Harmony)	Matt Swain (ord) (18-21) (Black Creek)

³ Re-election of Guy and Parrish puts Jacksonville over the association max of 5 with a total of 7 members.

⁴ North Region eligible for 13 members. Exception must be made to allow for 1 additional member to fulfill Bylaw requirement of at least 1 member for each association.

⁵ Re-election of Cottrell and Inglett puts North Region over region max by 2 more. A second exception must be made to allow 2 additional members to serve giving North Region a total of 16 members.

SOUTHEAST REGION (18 members)⁶

<u>Southeast Nominees for Election (10)</u>	<u>Association</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Previous Term(s)</u>
Eddie Bevill (ord)	Gulf Stream	2019-22	18-19
Josh Dryer (ord)	Florida Keys	2019-22	None
Joel Lamour (ord)	Gulf Stream	2019-22	18-19
Noel Lozano (ord)	Miami	2019-22	16-19
Alberto Ocana (ord)	Miami	2019-22	18-19
Jeff Robinson (ord)	Palm Beach	2019-22	None
Charles Rosenbalm (ord)	Florida Keys	2019-22	17-19
Jerome Symonette (ord)	Gulf Stream	2019-22	18-19
Julie Thomas (lay)	Palm Beach	2019-22	None
Angel Turbeville (lay)	Palm Beach	2019-22	None

Southeast Board Members Continuing Service (8)

Lourdes Fernandez (lay) (17-20) (Miami)	James Melton (lay) (18-21) (Miami)
Garfield Francis (lay) (18-21) (Gulf Stream)	Guy-Ernst Philippi (lay) (17-20) (Gulf Stream)
Wadler Jules (ord) (18-21) (Miami)	Danny Slavich (ord) (18-21) (Gulf Stream)
Travis Laney (ord) (18-21) (Palm Beach)	Freslaine St. Louis (lay) (18-20) (Palm Beach)

SOUTHWEST REGION (9 members)

<u>Southwest Nominees for Election (3)</u>	<u>Association</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Previous Term(s)</u>
Susan Bassler (lay)	Manatee Southern	2019-22	18-19
David Gold (ord)	Royal Palm	2019-22	None
Mike Landry (ord)	Church-at-Large	2019-22	None

Southwest Board Members Continuing Service (6)

Paula Butler (lay) (18-21) (Royal Palm)	Mitchell Landress (ord) (17-20) (Orange Blossom)
Rick Giles (ord) (17-20) (Big Lake)	Timothy Pigg (ord) (17-20) (Royal Palm)
Phillip Hamm (ord) (18-21) (Manatee Southern)	Ron Tipton (ord) (18-21) (Peace River)

WEST REGION (14 members)⁷

<u>West Nominees for Election (3)</u>	<u>Association</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Previous Term(s)</u>
Grady Gambill (lay)	Chipola	2019-22	15-16; 16-19
Michael Orr (ord)	West Florida	2019-22	16-19
Ronnie Wade (lay)	Santa Rosa	2019-22	18-19

West Board Members Continuing Service (11)

Tadd Anderson (ord) (17-20) (Okaloosa)	Timothy Francis (lay) (18-21) (Walton County)
Nathan Brown (ord) (18-21) (Pensacola Bay)	Rod Martin (lay) (18-21) (Emerald Coast)
Brian Calhoun (ord) (18-21) (Pensacola Bay)	Freddie McIntosh (lay) (18-20) (Holmes)
Steven Davies (ord) (18-20) (Emerald Coast)	James Thorpe (lay) (17-20) (Apalachee)
Carl Fondren (ord) (17-20) (Northwest Coast)	Christina Vargas (lay) (17-20) (Pensacola Bay)
David Flatt (ord) (18-21) (Northwest Coast)	

⁶ Re-election of all who are eligible puts Gulf Stream over association max of 5 with a total of 6 members.

⁷ West Region eligible for 13 members. Exception must be made to allow for 1 additional member to fulfill Bylaw requirement of at least 1 member for each association giving West Region a total of 14 members.

COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS (9 members)

<u>Nominees for Election (4)</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Previous Term(s)</u>
Janey Frost, Pensacola (chst)	2019-2022	None
Pablito Lucas, Lakeland (ord)	2019-2022	None
Jonathan Russell, Milton (ord)	2019-2022	None
Eric Stitts, Daytona Beach (ord)	2019-2022	None

Chairman: Dan Glenn, DeLand (ord)

Vice-Chairman: James Ross, Niceville (ord)

Committee Members Continuing Service (5)

Dan Glenn, DeLand (ord) (17-20)	Kevin Mays, Land O'Lakes (ord) (18-21)
Richard Stewart, Tallahassee (ord) (17-20)	James Ross, Niceville (ord) (18-21)
Daniel Dieg, New Smyrna Beach (ord) (18-21)	

FLORIDA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES (24 members)

<u>Nominees for Election (9)</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Previous Term(s)</u>
Jose Abella, Miami (ord)	2019-2022	18-19
Monique Cummings, Coconut Creek (lay)	2019-2022	None
Lanelle Pickett, Lakeland (ord)	2019-2022	17-19
Melody Scott, Live Oak (lay)	2019-2022	16-19
Anna Shanks, Seminole (lay)	2019-2022	None
Daniel Walker, Plant City (lay)	2019-2022	16-19
Janet Wicker, Naples (lay)	2019-2022	16-19
Stephanie White, Pensacola (lay)	2019-2022	None

Trustees Continuing Service (16)

Susan Krause, Wauchula (lay) (18-21)	Kevin Ahrens, Lake Josephine (ord) (17-20)
Cliff Lea, Leesburg (ord) (18-21)	Patricia Davis, Lake City (lay) (17-20)
Sherri Martin, Destin (lay) (18-21)	William Hild, Sarasota (ord) (17-20)
Robert McNorton, Pensacola (lay) (18-21)	Spike Hogan, Jacksonville (ord) (17-20)
Sam Rainer, Bradenton (ord) (18-21)	Sheri Jamieson, Mt. Dora (lay) (17-20)
Diane Strack, Orlando (lay) (18-21)	Ron Locke, Gainesville (lay) (17-20)
Kim Wilbanks, Lakeland (lay) (18-21)	Phillip Nation, Palmetto (ord) (17-20)
Ken Whitten, Lutz (ord) (18-21)	David Wilkins, Tallahassee (lay) (17-20)

FLORIDA BAPTIST FINANCIAL SERVICES (21 members)⁸

<u>Nominees for Election (9)</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Previous Term(s)</u>
Stephen Sweitzer, Live Oak (chst)	2019-2020	None
Nita Waugh, Jacksonville (lay)	2019-2020	None
William Bartlett, Okeechobee (lay)	2019-2022	
Robert Bray, Port Charlotte (lay)	2019-2022	13-16; 16-19
Albert Byrd, Jacksonville (ord)	2019-2022	13-16; 16-19
Clell Coleman, Davie (ord)	2019-2022	16-19
Donald Cooley, Jacksonville (ord)	2019-2022	16-19
Robert Gramley, DeFuniak Springs (lay)	2019-2022	16-19
Archie Jackson, Green Cove Springs (ord)	2019-2022	16-19

Directors Continuing Service (12)

Rudie Guda, Panama City Beach (ord) (17-20)	John Bozard, Orlando (lay) (18-21)
John Clifford Huxton, Miami (lay) (17-20)	Niel Hampton, Callahan (lay) (18-21)
Gary Linton, Tallahassee (ord) (17-20)	Perry Hodges, Fort Lauderdale (lay) (18-21)
Timothy Russell, Lake City (lay) (17-20)	Nayra Montanez, Oviedo (lay) (18-21)
Lester Wilkinson, Port Orange (ord) (17-20)	Harvey Webb, Vero Beach (ord) (18-21)
Linda Anderson, Jacksonville (lay) (18-21)	Richard Young, Jasper (lay) (18-21)

THE BAPTIST COLLEGE OF FLORIDA (25 members)⁹

<u>Nominees for Election (11)</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Previous Term(s)</u>
Craig Conner, Panama City (ord)	2019-2020	
Kathy Pickett, Lakeland (lay)	2019-2020	None
Richard Williamson, Lakeland (ord)	2019-2022	None
Timothy Maynard, Jacksonville (ord)	2019-2022	13-16; 16-19
Douglas Nellums, Pensacola (lay)	2019-2022	16-19
Alfred Guettler, Chipley (lay)	2019-2022	16-19
Martin Pittman, Bartow (lay)	2019-2022	16-19
Ronny Raines, Bradfordville (ord)	2019-2022	16-19
Chris Coram, Jacksonville (ord)	2019-2022	
Dianne Lovett, Mt. Dora (lay)	2019-2022	
Timothy Williams, Winter Haven (ord)	2019-2022	

Trustees Continuing Service (14)

Joe Butler, Wauchula (ord) (18-21)	Heath Woolman, Kissimmee (ord) (18-21)
Shelley Chandler, Bonifay (ord) (18-21)	Ron Burks, Bartow (ord) (17-20)
Otto Fernandez, Miami (ord) (18-21)	Calvin Carr, Gainesville (ord) (17-20)
Ronald Gainey, Bryceville (lay) (18-21)	Dan Mauldin, Gainesville (lay) (17-20)
Daniel Hewett, Marianna (lay) (18-21)	Mark Mercer, Panama City (lay) (17-20)
Michael Kennedy, Parrish (ord) (18-21)	R. C. Mills, Jacksonville (lay) (17-20)
Jeffery Stading, Perry (ord) (18-21)	Michael Tatem, Lake City (ord) (17-20)

⁸ Bray and Byrd are being nominated to serve additional terms due to their service on the FBFS Presidential Search Committee.

⁹ Maynard being nominated to serve additional term due to crucial involvement in Lakeland campus startup.

LAKE YALE BAPTIST CONFERENCE CENTER (9 members)

Nominees for Election (3)	Term	Previous Term(s)
Mike Ballard, Apopka (ord)	2019-2022	17-19
Donna Perman, Eustis (chst)	2019-2022	17-19
Marlene Dordoye, Homestead (lay)	2019-2022	None

Trustees Continuing Service (4)	
David Burton, Middleburg (ord) (17-20)	Eric Blamick, Eustis (lay) (18-21)
Joel Griffing, Howey-in-the-Hills (lay) (17-20)	Kent Merrill, Umatilla (lay) (18-21)
Alberto Ocana, Miami Lakes (lay) (18-20)	Donald Miller, Leesburg (ord) (18-21)

The report of the Committee on Nominations was developed by the following:

2019 COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS MEMBERS

TERM	CENTRAL	EAST	NORTH	SOUTHEAST	SOUTHWEST	WEST
2019 (1 year)	*Alan Hair Orlando	Member Resigned 10/19	Douglas Harris Quincy	Louis Egipciaco Miami	Jonas Louis-Jeune Ft. Myers	Tim Patton <i>Vice-Chairman</i> Chipley
2019 2020 (2 year)	Wesley Baldwin Winter Park	Angel Santiago Jacksonville	*Donna Jordan First, Waldo	*Julie Thomas Delray Beach	*Gail Adams Parrish	Doug Kimsal Pensacola
2019 2020 2021 (3 year)	Jon Matthews St. Petersburg	Chris Coram Jacksonville	Phillip Herrington <i>Chairman</i> Live Oak	Sherard Burns Miami	Joe Butler Wauchula	Janey Frost Pensacola
Ex Officio Members of Committee on Nominations Florida Baptist State Convention Officers				Erik Cummings President Carol City	Mike Wiggins 1 st Vice-President Milton	*Ralph Alderman 2 nd Vice-President Tampa
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