Diocesan Council

Exercises the power of the Convention and performs planning and policy-making between meetings of Convention. Oversees the policies, programs, mission, and budget of the Diocese and may initiate new work. Is also the legal corporate body of the Episcopal Church in Hawai'i and, as such, is responsible for the business and property of the Church. This is the Board of Directors of the Diocese. **Vote for**: one (1) Clergy At-Large Nominee, one (1) Lay At-Large Nominee, one (1) County Nominee (Big Island), and one (1) County Nominee (O'ahu), each for a three-year term.

Diocesan Council - Clergy At-Large Nominee

Nominee: Bruce DeGooyer

Church: Diocese of Hawai'i, Wailuku, Maui

Occupation: Priest

Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:

- 1. Vicar/Priest, Trinity by-the-Sea, Kihei, July 2016 November 2019; Supply Priest, St. Augustine's, Kapa'au, April-May, 2014 and February-June, 2015; Ordained Deacon 2004, Priest 2012, Diocese of Springfield (Illinois)
- Diocese of Hawai'i: Commission on Ministry 2019-present; Diocesan Council 2016-2019
- 3. Private sector Human Resources experience in various roles (35 years), most recently Director of Corporate Learning & Development, and Internal Consultant for Succession Planning 1997-2010

What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai'i for which you have been nominated)? Experience has allowed me to work collaboratively and well with others. I also enjoy efforts to advance mission and ministry in a prayerful and discerning way. My experiences, both as clergy, and in the Human Resources field would allow me to bring a useful perspective to the Diocesan Council.

What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai'i in the next five years? In this time of uncertainty and change, we have the challenge of living as faithful witnesses of Jesus in a stressed world, and also the opportunity of discovering *how* to do that as congregations get smaller, budgets get tighter, and much of our worship and community happen virtually.

What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai'i right now? We are in need of a unifying practical vision of who we are now, in 5 and 10 years, and our way forward. There is no going back to the way it was. Our call is to: look hopefully to the future, discern the Spirit's direction and act accordingly, and make Christ real and present in this time and place.

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Diocesan Council – Lay At-Large Nominee

Nominee: Nancy Rowe

Church: St. Peter's, Honolulu, O'ahu

Occupation: Small business owner

Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:

- 1. Treasurer, St. Peter's Church
- 2. Past member Diocesan Council
- 3. Team member congregation PPP application group

What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai'i for which you have been nominated)? Being active both in the church and business communities, I am aware of the secular and clerical views of the issues that currently face our congregations, Diocese, and community.

What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai'i in the next five years? New ways of financing and delivering hope and ministry will shape our future at every level. Innovative ways to connect our communities can be opportunities for sharing our faith.

What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai'i right now? The combination of strain of financial resources and inability to have in person church services. How will we draw people back to church?

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Diocesan Council - Lay At-Large Nominee

Nominee: Harrison Spiegelberg

Church: St. Andrew, Honolulu, O'ahu Occupation: Retired business consultant

Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:

- 1. Chapter at Saint Andrews Cathedral for eight years
- 2. Weekly usher
- 3. Scripture reader

What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai'i for which you have been nominated)? During these difficult times, I wish to be a part of a deciding body making sure all is accomplished furthering the goals of the Diocese. My organizational skills have been put to use as the chairman of the Newcomers Comm, the Pastoral Care comm. and as a Eucharistic Visitor in paritioners homes.

What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai'i in the next five years? I see that it is very important to to put into the minds of all

parishioners that their spirits are lifted and kept alive. We need to be sure that we all return to the traditions of our faith.

What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai'i right now? Again, during these tough times, I worry about the financial well being of the Diocese. My must instill in all that their financial stewardship is intact for the good of each parish and the Diocese

over all. We must give adequate appreciation where appropriate.

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Diocesan Council - Lay Big Island County Nominee

Nominee: Tim Bostock

Church: St. James', Waimea, Big Island

Occupation: Inn Owner

Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:

- 1. Junior Warden
- 2. Treasurer
- 3. Community Meal Co-Chair

What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai'i for which you have been nominated)? I believe the church is called to service in the community. Through this service the church will grow.

What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai'i in the next five years? Feeding the hungry in body and soul.

What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai'i right now? Inward-turning, theology of scarcity.

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Diocesan Council - Lay Big Island County Nominee

Nominee: Cindy Sakai

Church: St. Augustine's, Big Island

Occupation: retired accountant

Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:

- 1. St Augustine's Treasurer since 2011
- 2. Outreach activities including the Thrift Shop and Community Meals
- 3. Member of the Buildings and Grounds Committee

What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai'i for which you have been nominated)? After leaving my job as a bank auditor, I began working with a Christian school

and Indian Bible College in South Dakota. After moving to Hawai'i I have been the Treasurer of St. Augustine's since 2011. I also have been the Treasurer of Kohala Hospital Charitable Foundation for the last 5 years.

What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai'i in the next five years? I feel that the Diocese has a great opportunity to serve and help the people of Hawai'i in their recovery from the pandemic. The emotional and economic effects of the pandemic will be long lasting with a slow recovery. The church can serve as a focal point for this healing process.

What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai'i right now?

The changes required by the pandemic have isolated people and many have lost their sense of community. It has been a challenge to keep people connected, especially the kupuna who don't use electronic devices. We need to find ways to pull people together and re-establish a sense of belonging.

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Diocesan Council - Lay Honolulu County Nominee

Nominee: Felicidad "Phyllis" Miller

Church: St. Paul's, O'ahu

Occupation: Retired

Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:

- 1. Cathedral Chapter Representative (2 terms)
- 2. St. Paul's Bishop Committee (3 terms)
- 3. President of Women of St. Paul's

What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai'i for which you have been nominated)? After serving as a Federal Civil Servant for 40 years in various positions such as Chief Inspector and Deputy Port Director with the Department of Homeland Security I served on the St. Paul's Bishop committee. For my commitment, leadership and dedication, I was a Bishop's Awardee.

What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai'i in the next five years? To connect people and its churches to Jesus Christ and each other.

What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai'i right now? Due to the pandemic, many of the church members, their families and community have been affected in many ways especially financially. Therefore, their ability to tithe has drastically decreased leaving the churches in the Diocese in dire need of funds.

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Diocesan Council - Lay Maui County Nominee

Nominee: Cheryl Corbiell Church: Grace, Moloka'i

Occupation: Self-employed and college instructor

Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:

- 1. Grace Church Bishop's Committee
- 2. Moloka'i Land Trust cultural and enviornmental conservation (founding member)
- 3. Maui Electric Company Advisory Committee

What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai'i for which you have been nominated)? I immigrated to the US/Hawai'i from Canada and have lived on Moloka'i for 25 years. I am active in the community and have lived among and taught in Hawai'i's diverse community. I have taught or helped with projects in almost all of Moloka'i's elementary and secondary schools, and teach at UHMCC – Moloka'i

What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai'i in the next five years? Building diverse membership and encouraging youth and young adults to participate in the church. Continue to address the community needs for families in housing and job skills, as well as aging members housing and healthcare.

What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai'i right now? Churches have an aging membership; therefore, attracting and nurturning new members to take leadership roles in their churches.
