



# United Women in Faith

**Summer 2022**

**The Trinity  
Trumpeter**



**Welcome one another, therefore, just as  
Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.  
Romans 15:7**

The United Women in Faith of the Trinity District invite everyone to join us for our events and to share with us your stories of mission and love for Jesus.

United Women in Faith  
Trinity District Newsletter  
August 2022  
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## District and Conference Events

September 17	Trinity District Annual Gathering – SonRise UMC, Pueblo West and virtually
October 7-8 –	Mountain Sky UWF Conference Annual Gathering – Cheyenne, WY, and virtually
October 21-22 –	Mountain Sky Annual Conference - virtually

The Trinity District Leadership Team meets virtually on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month, at 2 pm

## Mountain Sky UMW Annual Gathering October 8-9, 2021 a virtual event

To register go to: [mtnskyumw.org](https://mtnskyumw.org)



*Taking Care of God's Children - Annual Gathering  
October 8-9, 2021 - a virtual event*

## News from Trinity District Leaders

### From our President:

### Y'all Come

Please join us for a morning of fellowship, food and worship  
We will be having our Annual Gathering on September 17, 2022 at SonRise UMC in Pueblo West. Along with our annual business meeting and installation of officers, we will learn about Anna's mission. The Board of Directors of Anna's Mission will be our guest speakers. Lunch will be provided by the SonRise UWF and will be \$6/person. Registration will begin August 22nd. You can go to the

Mountain Sky Conference UWF website. There will also be a Zoom Link for those of you who would like to Zoom. Please register in order to get the Zoom Link and we need a head count for food. If you need assistance in registering, please call, text, or email me.

Y'all Come

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### **From our Spiritual Growth Coordinator:**

Each year we recognize and remember the women in our UWF district who have passed away. We will have a memorial service for the during our annual meeting in September. It will be my privilege and honor to lead that service.

All women in our district's churches and local UWF Units are United Women of Faith because each woman serves God in her own unique ways. Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life" (John 11:25). This is the foundation of our faith and the spirit in which this service will be held.

We have a form for you to use to send me this information. You will find the form in this newsletter. If you have already forwarded the information to me, thank you. If not, I look forward to hearing from you soon. We need to have the information by September 1<sup>st</sup> to publish the booklets.

Blessings, Denise

### **From our Social Action Coordinator**

The last Just Energy 4 All webinar I attended was entitled ***Advancing 100% Renewable Energy at the State Level***. I will not share a lot of informational details but will say that 3 ladies presented, one discussing "Energy Democracy for Kentucky." One map slide caught my eye in particular: CO is a member of the US Climate Alliance!

The other two guest speakers dealt mostly with the state of Minnesota. First: "On the Road to 100% Renewables—Analysis" (Union of Concerned Scientists) and the second on "Community Engagement in Copal, MN."

One thing that struck me as I was listening is: **Making a Change is Not Easy**. I tend to think "small" about what I can do as one person to make a difference. But I am impressed by what a group of people can accomplish and, particularly, by what the United Women in Faith is doing.

Consider how much delaying climate action will cost the economies and communities of our land. Forests, air, rivers, towns, our bodies are all affected. According to Colorado College's 2022 State of the Rockies Project 69% of Western voters feel more worried than hopeful about the future of our land, water, air, and wildlife. Two-thirds want their representatives in

Congress to focus on protecting resources and natural lands over drilling or mining. Only 7% of voters in our region want to encourage the use of coal. (This according to the Editor-in-Chief of *High Country News* magazine, August 2022.)

The EPA has objected to Colorado's permit renewal for Suncor Refinery, one of the largest refineries in the Rocky Mountain region. Activists have long fought for more stringent regulation of the 91-year-old refinery's emissions which can form ground-level ozone, a dangerous toxic gas linked to asthma and heart disease. (*Solutions* at [edf.org](http://edf.org)/Summer 2022.)

We want things to be different—and BETTER—but it will not happen without our involvement. For example, for Mining Reform, go to <https://p2a.co/FQOsWwX> to submit a public comment to reform mining laws and regulations. An urge Congress to prioritize Climate Justice Legislation and Funding at <https://p2a.co/fpd9ujd>. COMMENTS ARE IMPORTANT.

Michaele Ann Buell-McFeeters

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### From our Secretary

Life is full of changes and challenges. My husband and I have come to the time when we feel the need to move closer to our adult children and their families in Texas. Thus I will have to leave the position of Trinity District Secretary to someone else. It has been my honor and pleasure to serve on the Leadership Team. I look forward to greeting my successor and passing on the materials which are used in the job.

I pray God's blessings on all of you,  
Frances Graves,  
Secretary

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### Notes from Committee on Nominations

We say good bye to Fran McQuiston and Frances Graves as both move on to new adventures. Thanks to both of you. We are still looking for a secretary and additional members for the nominating committee. Remember even though you may not have a UWF in your local church, you can be a district member and also serve on the Leadership Team.

Please read the bio for our nominee for Coordinator for Education and Program Resources, Susie Henry.

Judy Hill

Please review the nominations, last year's minutes, the 2023 budget and the standing rules. During our meeting on September 17<sup>th</sup>, we will be voting on these items. Thank you.

Trinity District United Women in Faith Leadership Team

## Nominee for Coordinator for Education and Program Resources

Name: Susie Henry

Husband: Kenneth Henry

Address: 9049 S. Pine Drive  
Beulah, CO 81023

Two Daughters: Cynthia & Cheryl

Home phone: 719-485-1245

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Church: Beulah United Methodist Church

Hi,

I am Susie. I was born in Wichita Falls, Texas and was baptized in the Methodist church (a cradle Methodist). As I grew up, my family moved all over Texas & New Mexico so depending on my new friends I went to the Baptist and Presbyterian churches; but I always came back to the Methodist church. I took about a 10-year break from going to church in college and didn't return until after our oldest daughter was born.

In Ft. Worth, TX, I was among the founding members of Genesis United Methodist Church. I taught Sunday school to the kindergarten – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade age group for several years and was activity in UMW. We moved.

After returning to Ft. Worth in 1985, I joined Christ United Methodist Church near our home. Christ United Methodist church had been created by the combination of 2 churches that had shrunk so small they couldn't survive individually. During the 18 eighteen years there, I worked in the nursery, served on the Church Council Board and as Treasurer. The last 2 years there, I cooked a meal once a month for the college students who met at Texas Christian University for evening Bible study. And was activity in UMW and served as President for 2 years before moving to Beulah.

In Beulah, I became a liturgist for Sunday services and somehow was put in charge of recruiting new "volunteers" to read each Sunday. I was on the Finance Committee for several years. Joined Women's Circle (BUMC's version of UMW) and was President the first 2 years after I moved to Beulah. I am no longer involved with the Women's Circle. For the last 10 years, I have been the Lay Leader. This year I found I could join UWF and participate in District meetings of UMW. I am so happy to make this connection and attended the Mission u course last month.

Thank you for nominating me to be a part of the Trinity District UMW/United Women in Faith.

In Christian Love, Susie

**Ballot for Trinity District UWF  
Annual Meeting – September 17, 2022**

**President**

Elaine Allison – 1<sup>st</sup> year of 2<sup>nd</sup> 2-year term

**Secretary** – to be filled

**Communications Coordinator**

Elise Rudolph – 1<sup>st</sup> year of 2<sup>nd</sup> 2-year term

**Coordinator of Education and Program Resources**

Susie Henry -1<sup>st</sup> year of 2-year term

**Coordinator for Membership, Nurture and Outreach**

Yolanda “Yolie” Dietz 1<sup>st</sup> year of 2<sup>nd</sup> 2-year term

**Coordinator for Social Action**

Michaele Ann Buell-McFeeters 1<sup>st</sup> year of 2<sup>nd</sup> 2-year term

**Committee of Nominations** (additional members to be filled)

# 2022 Memorial Report

To President or Coordinator of Spiritual Growth. Please send me the names of your members that have passed away since last year's Annual Meeting (Sept 2021). I plan to print this information in the Program Booklet. Their names will be read during the Memorial Service at the Annual Meeting on September 17, 2022 in Pueblo West, CO either live or via Zoom Meeting. Please give me a phonetic spelling for names that are not common. For example: Schovajoa = sco vi sa.

**USE THIS FORM ONLY FOR THIS REPORT**

**Please Print**

**Your name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your church's name:**  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Name of woman who passed away:**  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Phonetic spelling:**  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**Note: UWF financial matters will still be handled under “United Methodist Women” or “UMW,” and you should make checks out to “United Methodist Women – (name of unit, district, etc.)”**

**Please remember to send Trinity District UWF monies to our treasurer:  
Helen Taylor, PO Box 1947, Alamosa, CO 81101**

## **TRINITY DISTRICT UWF BUDGET AND PLEDGE 2023**

Spring Event	\$ 600.00
District Retreat	\$ 600.00
District Annual and Planning Meeting	\$ 600.00
Newsletter	\$ 200.00
Officer expenses (Visitations)	\$ 500.00
Directory	\$ 250.00
Miscellaneous	
Gift in Memory	\$ 150.00
Gift in Mission/honorariums	\$ 200.00
2022 Pledge to Mtn. Sky Conf. UMW	\$11,000.00
Request for A & MD FUNDS	\$ 3,100.00
Total working budget	\$ 3,100.00

*Helen Taylor,*

Trinity District UMW Treasurer



**Trinity District Annual Gathering**  
**September 18, 2021**  
**Fowler, Colorado and via zoom**

**Leadership Team present:** Elaine Allison, Berniece McClure, Helen Taylor, Frances Graves, Yolanda Dietz, Nancy Shultz, Netté Smith, Denise Logan, Judy Hill, Fran McQuiston. Elise Rudolph and Michaelae Ann Buell-McFeeters attended via zoom.

**Guests attending via zoom:** Ellie Young (Grand Junction and Manzanola) and Belinda Alkula, Conference Coordinator of Spiritual Growth (Boulder)

**Clergy present:** Pastor Janeen Hill (Fowler, Olney Springs and Manzanola) and Rev. Sarah Rettig (Limon and Hugo)

President Elaine Allison opened the Gathering and welcomed all. Pastor Janeen Hill and Netté Smith monitored the zoom screen as well as the camera and microphone for transmitting. Denise Logan, Coordinator for Spiritual Growth, gave a devotion, “A Moment to Breathe” based on Psalm 100:5. Prayer Requests were offered for Alyce Bouy, Millie Donaldson, Michaelae Ann Buell-McFeeters and families in Wiley who have lost their children.

Fran McQuiston, Coordinator for Program Resources and Education and Interpretation, read a passage from “Begin Again” by Max Lucado. Written in the midst of the COVID pandemic, we are reminded that our hope comes through faith in Jesus Christ. Members of the Leadership Team read related Scripture passages. The hymn, “This is a Day of New Beginnings” was sung in response.

Roll Call: Yolanda Dietz, Coordinator of Membership, Nurture and Outreach read the list of all the active UMW units in the district. Members present responded.

Alamosa (2, 1 on zoom)	Fowler (9 and pastor)	Wiley (2)
Fort Morgan (6 on zoom)	Hugo (pastor)	
Lamar (2)	Limon (2) and pastor)	
Manzanola (1 zoom, and pastor)	Olney Springs (1 and pastor)	
Pueblo SonRise (2)	Pueblo Wesley (1, 3 on zoom)	
Rocky Ford (5)	Stratton (1)	

There were 30 attending in person and 12 on zoom.

Nancy Shultz moved, seconded by Beth Grap to approve the minutes from the 2020 Annual Gathering. The motion passed.

The Budget for 2022 was presented by Helen Taylor, Treasurer. Pat Wolfchief-Minton moved to accept the budget. It was seconded by Yolanda Dietz and the motion passed. Helen led the pledge service based on Matthew 5:16, “Let your light shine before people, so they can see the good things you do and praise your father who is in heaven.” Participants came forward to light a candle as they submitted their unit’s pledge to the district.

Michaelae Ann Buell-McFeeters, Chair of the Committee on Nominations, moved to combine the offices of Education and Interpretation and Program Resources. Denise Logan seconded and the motion passed. Fran McQuiston has filled both these positions and now it will be one position on the Leadership Team.

Michaele Ann read the slate of officers for 2022, then moved that the names be accepted as read. The motion was seconded by Yolanda Dietz and passed.  
Trinity District Leadership Team for 2022:

**President** Elaine Allison

**Vice-President** Annette “Netté” Smith

**Treasurer** Helen Taylor

**Secretary** Frances Graves

**Communications** Elise Rudolph

**Mission Coordinators:**

**Social Action** Michaele Ann Buell-McFeeters

**Program Resources & Education and Interpretation** Fran McQuiston

**Spiritual Growth** Denise Logan

**Membership, Nurture and Outreach** Yolanda “Yolie” Dietz

**Nominating Committee**

**Chair** Judy Hill

**Members** Nancy Shultz & Berniece McClure

Denise Logan presented the names of members throughout the district who have died in the past year. The memorial service lifted their lives to the Lord’s love.

Ellie Young, past Conference President, led an installation service via zoom. The theme was “Make sure, your lamp is lit”. The hymn, “Make me a Servant” followed.

The Rev. Sarah Rettig, presented an inspiring sermon on “The Gift Closet”. She pointed out that underwear is the least donated item to homeless shelters and thrift stores. However, the need is great for all ages. Underwear insecurity makes school days miserable for children. It is awkward for us to talk about the problem, but it is more awkward and embarrassing to ask for help. She encouraged churches to have an “Undie Sunday” to collect underwear and socks to be given to those in need in schools, homeless shelters or neighbors.

The Communion service was celebrated by Rev. Sarah Rettig and Pastor Janeen Hill. The hymn, “How Great Thou Art” followed. Accompanist was Pat Perue.

President Elaine closed with the benediction and blessing of the food. Lunch was served by the UMW of Fowler.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Graves, Secretary

# 2022 Trinity District Leadership Team

## **President:**

Elaine Allison  
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2nd year of 1st 2-year term

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2nd year of 1st 3-year term

## **Secretary:**

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1st year of 2nd 2-year term

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## **Coordinator for Social Action:**

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## **Committee on Nominations:**

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## **Event Planning Committee**

Annette Smith, Chair  
All members of the leadership team

**TRINITY DISTRICT ~~UNITED METHODIST WOMEN~~**  
**UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH**  
**Standing Rules – ~~2021~~ 2023**

Preface- ~~The United Methodist Women~~ **United Women in Faith dba United Methodist Women** of Trinity District of the Mountain Sky Conference shall function in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws for District Women's Division of the ~~United Methodist Women's~~ **United Women in Faith's** National Office. These Standing Rules are supplementary thereto.

**ARTICLE A – Nominations, Elections and Appointive Procedures**

1. The slate of nominees submitted by the Committee on Nominations shall reflect the diversity of women throughout the church in age, race, marital status, ethnic and cultural backgrounds, physically challenging conditions and employment or non-employment. Nominees shall affirm their commitment to uphold the program and PURPOSE of ~~United Methodist Women~~ **United Women in Faith**
2. Elections shall take place annually in the Annual Gathering electing leaders for a two-year term.
3. In *ODD* years elect Vice-president, Treasurer, Mission Coordinator for Social Action, Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation, Secretary of Program Resources and Chairperson of Committee on Nominations.
4. In *EVEN* years elect President, Secretary, Mission Coordinator for Spiritual Growth, Mission Coordinator for Membership, Nurture and Outreach and Communications Coordinator.
5. No elected leader will hold the office for more than 4 (four) years except the treasurer, who can hold the same office for 6 (six) years.
6. An elected leader already serving a two-year term in one office may be considered for another office when a vacancy occurs.
7. Voting shall be by voice unless more than one candidate for each office has been nominated, then voting shall be by ballot.
8. The voting body of the Annual Gathering of the Trinity District shall be composed of all persons from the Local Units of the churches within the District in attendance at said meeting.
9. The slate of nominees shall be mailed to District Leaders and ~~UMW~~ **UWF** Local Units thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Gathering. Other nominations may be made from the floor at said meeting. The nominee must consent to serve if elected. The nominee shall meet qualifications and be approved by the Nominating Committee before election.
10. ~~The newly elected leaders assume office immediately upon election with the exception of the Treasurer, who will continue until the end of the calendar year. If the Treasurer is elected to another office, she shall continue to function in both capacities until the end of the calendar year.~~  
**Newly elected leaders assume office on January first (1st) following the Annual Gathering.**
11. Outgoing leaders shall transfer all files to incoming elected leaders as soon as possible after election.
12. Vacancies in the elected leadership of the District shall be filled by the Leadership Team upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations. The Leadership Team may appoint an acting temporary replacement in the interim. Vacancies in the elected leadership of the District may also be filled by appointment of the District President. Appointed leaders have all rights as an elected District leader. The appointment is for one (1) year.
13. Any elected leader may be requested to resign if three (3) required meetings are missed without adequate reason.
14. The conference shall request the District Leadership Teams to also include as voting members on their Leadership Teams, members of the Conference Leadership Team, the Western

Jurisdiction Leadership Planning Team, the ~~United Methodist Women's~~ **United Women in Faith's** National Organization Directors, and Program Advisory Group Members who reside within the district. Western Jurisdiction Committee on Nominations who are residing within the conference boundaries are members without vote on the Leadership Team in the District where they reside.

## **ARTICLE B – Committees**

1. Leadership Team: The Leadership Team shall include all elected leaders.
  - a. The District President shall appoint a District leader to represent her when she is unable to attend a meeting.
  - b. In the absence of both the District President and Vice-President the Secretary shall preside.
  - c. All elected leaders are expected to attend all District Leadership Team Meetings and events. In the event an elected leader cannot attend she must notify the District President in advance.
2. Committee on Finance
  - a. The Leadership team shall function as the Committee on Finance with the Treasurer as Chairperson and shall meet by telephone or electronic communication approximately 90 days prior to the District Annual Gathering. The Treasurer shall also electronically send out copies of the budget for approval prior to the meeting.
  - b. The final proposed budget shall be sent out 30 days prior to the District Annual Gathering as well as copies available for review at the District Annual Gathering. The District Treasurer shall ~~then~~ present it with recommendation for approval at the Annual Gathering.
  - c. The Treasurer shall submit to the Conference Committee on Finance the District Pledge to Mission and budget to cover the estimated expenses for Administration and Membership Development for the coming year by August 1<sup>st</sup>.
3. Committee on Nominations
  - a. Committee on Nominations shall be composed of five (5) persons, preferably with at least one member from each area. The Trinity District member serving on the Conference Committee on Nominations shall be an ex-officio member of the District Committee.
  - b. The Nominating Committee shall have a rotating membership divided into four classes. Members shall be elected for a four-year term, with members of a new class elected annually to replace the class which is rotating out.
  - c. The Committee shall keep a Talent Bank of recommended leaders. The Committee shall keep accurate and up-dated records of term and tenure of elected leaders and report this annually to the Leadership Team.
  - d. The Committee on Nominations shall hold its first meeting at the first Leadership Team meeting after the Annual Gathering.
  - e. Names of nominees shall be completed in sufficient time to allow the proposed slate of leaders to be circulated thirty (30) days prior to the District Annual Meeting.
  - f. All members of the committee on Nominations will be expected to attend all Mission Team Meetings at District expense, but only the Chairperson may vote.

## ARTICLE C: MEETINGS –

Planning events is a group effort of the entire District Leadership Team with the Vice President as Chair. Time and location for all District Meetings will be determined by the District Leadership Team.

1. Annual Gathering: Fall
2. Spiritual Retreat: Spring
3. Seminars, Workshops, etc.
4. Mission u/Mission u Events
5. District Annual Gathering Representation

Each District Annual Gathering shall have one member of the Conference Committee on Nominations or one Conference Officer (from outside her own District) representing the Conference Leadership Team. The Conference will be responsible for travel expenses and the host district will provide lodging, meals, meeting registration and any program expenses. Each District Annual Meeting shall have printed information to include:

- a. An Itinerary
  - b. Minutes from the last Annual Gathering
  - c. Slate of Officers (with bios from the Nominations Chair)
  - d. Budget (from the Treasurer)
  - e. Standing Rules (from the Leadership Team)
  - f. List of deceased members during the year (from the Spiritual Growth Coordinator)
  - g. A short bio of Guest Speaker
  - h. A list of upcoming Conference/District events
6. Insurance
    - a. Insurance for Spiritual Retreat, Annual Meeting, and other District events as determined by the District Leadership Team shall be covered.
    - b. The Treasurer shall be responsible for obtaining insurance by notifying the Conference Treasurer.
  7. Display Policy: Using application process only pre-approved project/displays shall be allowed at any District ~~United Methodist Women's~~ **United Women in Faith's** event as determined by the District Leadership Team

## ARTICLE D– Funds

1. The District President and Treasurer are bonded by Women's Division ~~United Methodist Women's~~ **United Women in Faith's** National Office through the Conference Treasurer.
2. An annual audit shall be made of District financial records. A copy of the audit shall be sent to the Conference Treasurer, the District President, the District Secretary and one copy kept for the Treasurer's file. When a new treasurer is elected complete records including financial books, and properties of the office such as computers shall be turned over to the newly elected treasurer as soon as the audit is completed.
3. In the event of serious illness or death of the District Treasurer, all books and property of the office shall be released and given immediately to the District President. The District Leadership Team shall appoint a temporary Acting Treasurer until the Committee on Nominations can submit a nominee for election at the next Annual Gathering.
4. Bank Accounts, stocks and savings accounts must carry the signature of both the District President, the District Treasurer and one additional member of the Leadership Team. Checks may be signed by any of the three (3) designated signatures. The Treasurer shall keep an up-to-date record and shall file an annual report with the Leadership Team.

5. Vouchers for all expenses shall be approved by the District President and the District Secretary, and shall be paid by the District Treasurer as soon as possible. Receipts and documentation of expenses to be reimbursed shall be attached to vouchers when they are presented for approval. All vouchers with receipts and other documentation should be submitted to the Treasurer within 30 days of the event.
6. The expenses of the members of the Leadership Team shall be paid according to the budgeted expenses.
7. Rates for Travel Expenses
  - a. Travel allowances for meetings shall be by the least expensive way which is reasonable and practicable. Carpooling is required unless not possible or impractical. It is expected that if persons are able to carpool and choose not to, they only voucher one-way mileage. If for an appropriate reason an officer opts to drive her car alone, she may receive mileage both ways. Mileage for auto travel to District meeting/event shall be reimbursed at a rate of 20 cents (\$.20) per mile if the price of gas is less than \$3 per gallon or twenty-five cents (\$.25), per mile if the price of gas is less than \$4 per gallon and no more than \$5 per gallon for District Leaders traveling from legal residence to an allowable event. Mileage will be paid at a rate of thirty cents (\$.30) per mile when there are three (3) or more elected leaders in a single vehicle and their names shall be listed on the voucher. Mileage for one round trip shall be allowed for attendance at meetings/events unless cost of multiple trips is less than cost of housing in motel/hotel. Carpooling is encouraged.
  - b. Meals shall be allowed at a maximum total of \$18 per day, or in conformity with the Rocky Mountain Conference ~~UMW~~ **UWF** allowance. Maximum allowances per meal are \$4 for breakfast, \$6 for lunch and \$8 for dinner. Receipts must be submitted with vouchers. These prices will also be used to reimburse groups who provide meals for meetings.
  - c. Motel accommodations for Leadership Team members attending meetings away from home shall be allowed for the night before or after an all-day meeting, if desired. An additional night before or after an all-day meeting may be requested by attending elected leaders. The Leadership Team will evaluate each request.
  - d. When housing and meals have been arranged for, at a special rate, only that amount shall be paid. Leaders are expected to have three ladies in a room with two queen size beds. Therefore, housing will be reimbursed to each leader at 1/3 of the room cost.
8. Allowable Expenses
  - a. Office expenses of the District Leadership Team shall include: postage, telephone calls, audio-visual materials, stationery, copying, ledger forms and related supplies necessary to carry on the work of the office.
  - b. The cost of subscriptions to Response and New World Outlook Magazines, if not provided from another source, shall be ordered for each elected leader and vouchered.
  - c. The Mission Resource Sampler shall be ordered from the Mission Resource Center for the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Coordinators for: Education and Interpretation; Spiritual Growth; Membership, Nurture and Outreach; Social Action; Communications; Secretary of Program Resources; Chairperson of the Nomination Committee and the Nomination Committee members.
  - d. Dependent care shall be arranged by host units, at District expense, when needed at District meetings for the District Leadership Team members to participate in required activities. Minimum wages are to be paid for childcare. Necessary dependent care will be provided in accordance with Women's National Office policy (as of July 1992) up to \$30 per day; amount to be reviewed annually.
9. Other Expenses for Conference and District events not paid for by Conference.
  - a. Expenses shall be allowed from District funds for all Leadership Team members including members of the Nominating committee.

- b. Trinity District will pay expenses for attendance of District elected leaders at any Mission u event held in the Trinity District unless a Leadership Team member has attended the School of Missions at Conference expense or has attended a Mission u event in another District at Conference expense.
- c. Trinity District Spiritual Retreats
- d. Trinity District Annual Gathering  
Each District Annual Gathering shall have one member of the Conference Committee on Nominations or one Conference Leader (from outside her own District) representing the Conference Leadership Team. The Conference will be responsible for travel expenses and the host district will provide lodging, meals, meeting registration and any program expenses.
- e. Trinity District leadership training events or workshops
- f. Leadership Team meetings
- 10. Expenses of Guest Speakers shall be paid by the District. If an expression of appreciation is desired, it shall be a Gift to Missions in honor of the person. An appropriate honorarium shall be offered to outside program participants. The amount shall be determined by the Leadership Team.
  - a. Expenses for any Guest Speakers (Conference/District Officer, Missionary, etc.) invited to participate in a program or workshop for District or local events shall be the responsibility of the inviting group for travel, food, lodging and program materials.
  - b. If a scheduled event is cancelled the Leadership Team will decide whether to award the guest speaker(s) an honorarium and/or reimburse expenses incurred.
- 11. A special Mission Recognition pin shall be presented to the out-going President. It shall be the responsibility of the District Treasurer to order the pin and arrange for its presentation.
- 12. A gift to Mission shall be made on behalf of any member of the Leadership Team who has a serious illness. This gift shall be for \$5. A Gift in Memory shall be given in the event of a death in the Leadership Team member's family. This gift will be for \$10 and a card will be sent to the member
- 13. For District Events and the District Annual Gathering the hosting ~~UMW~~ **UWF** Local Unit will be paid \$6 (six) per plate for lunch and \$8 (eight) for dinner for the elected leaders and speakers in attendance.

## ARTICLE E–Trinity Trumpeter

- 1. The Communications Coordinator will be the editor of the Trinity Trumpeter.  
Approximate deadlines are:
  - Feb. 15 for publication on March 1
  - April 15 for publication on May 1
  - July 15 for publication on Aug. 1
 Must be done 30 days prior to the Annual Gathering and include
  - 1. Slate of Officers (from the Nominations Chair)
  - 2. Budget (from the Treasurer)
  - 3. Standing Rules (from the Leadership Team)
  - 4. Request from Units list of deceased members during the year (from the Spiritual Growth Coordinator)
  - 5. Minutes from the last Annual Gathering
 Oct. 15 for publication on Nov. 1
- 2. The District Leadership Team will determine the dates and number of copies to be sent yearly, and to whom. There should be one (1) copy sent to each ~~UMW~~ **UWF** Local Unit for the purpose of duplicating for their local leaders. One (1) copy shall also be sent to each member of the District Leadership Team; each Conference elected leader; each of the other District



Presidents and one (1) copy sent to a designated person in each church which does not have a ~~UMW~~ **UWF** unit.

3. Distribution of the newsletter may be in hard copy format and mailed or emailed as an attachment.

## **ARTICLE F – Minutes, Directory, Designated Mailings and Records**

1. Copies of the minutes of the Leadership Team and Annual Meeting sessions shall be sent to each member of the Leadership Team.
2. The Directory should include:
  - a. A list of all Conference elected leaders for the current year
  - b. A list of all District elected leaders for the current year
  - c. A list of all District ~~UMW~~ **UWF** Local Unit Leaders for the current year
  - d. A list of District churches with no ~~UMW~~ **UWF**
  - e. The Minutes from the last Annual Gathering, which should be approved prior to printing by District Leadership team.
  - f. The Budget for the current year which was approved by the last Annual Gathering
  - g. A list of Conference & District Planned Events for the current year.
    - i. Spiritual Retreats (District & Conference)
    - ii. Special Events (District & Conference)
    - iii. All Mission u Events throughout the Conference
    - iv. Annual Gathering (District & Conference)
  - h. Standing Rules which was approved by the last Annual Gathering with those approved corrections

The Directory should be ready for distribution by March 1<sup>st</sup>. A copy is to be distributed to all of the District Leadership Team members, the Conference Leadership Team members, the District Superintendent, 1 (one) copy sent to each Trinity District ~~UMW~~ **UWF** Local Unit and in the absence of an active ~~UMW~~ **UWF** Local Unit, to the church. Distribution may be made by sending hard copies or as an e-mail attachment.

3. The District minutes and Annual Directories shall be kept with the Secretary. These may be kept as a hard copy or copied to external computer storage. Older above mentioned items shall be boxed, labeled and archived by the Secretary.

## **ARTICLE G– Provisions for Changes in Standing Rules**

The Standing Rules are procedural statements and are supplementary to the current Constitution and Bylaws. No Standing Rule is in order that conflicts with those documents. The Standing Rules are designed to insure continuity of procedures. They may be amended at the Annual Meeting by a majority vote of the voting members of the District when 30 (thirty) day's previous notice has been given.

Date of adoption: September 13, 1980

Amendments: September 19, 1981

September 14, 1985

September 13, 1986

September 19, 1987

September 17, 1988

September 16, 1989

September 26, 1992

September 11, 1993

September 10, 1994

September 28, 1996

September 18, 1999

September 19, 2009

September 27, 2013

September 23, 2017

September 19, 2020

**September 17, 2022**