

2022 Nominating Committee Annual Report

Rebecca Bancroft, Clerk

Rebecca Bancroft assumed the role of Clerk of nominating in February 2022. Since that time the Nominating Committee has filled a total of 21 Committee positions. Sixteen of those are up for approval today at Meeting for Business.

Among the most immediate tasks was to fill the position of Assistant Clerk of Newtown Meeting. After discernment and discussion, Janet Braker agreed to take on this role as her appointment was approved at the 9/11/2022 Meeting for Business along with Lorraine Muth's new term as Controller, Nancy Martin as Clerk of Children RE, Carolyn Evans and Twain Gonzalez to Adult RE and John Donato to Buildings & Grounds. Katherine Borish will be succeeding Mark Ratliff as he steps down from this term as Clerk of the Meeting on December 31, 2022. Mark has agreed to take a role on Nominating Committee as has been the pattern of other Meeting Clerks as they leave the role of Clerk of Meeting. His continued guidance will be greatly appreciated on this committee.

Meeting life has been feeling the lingering effects of Covid/lockdown in its Committee involvement. As a faith community, we are working our way back to a new normal as we regroup. Members of Nominating have suggested that we ask each Clerk and each committee to review the Committee descriptions and determine if they are accurate. For example, the Communication Committee wrote the monthly newsletter format often unwittingly communicated outdated information because it was sent out once a month so they pivoted to an emailed weekly update which provides the most up-to-date information. Also, Sharon Hulihan, Clerk of the Library Committee, believes the work of the committee no longer requires a lot of people and that the committee could be considered a position held by one or two people.

The Meeting as a whole may want to work at other ways of reaching out to our member community to encourage involvement.