

The Ohio Mission Region of the North American Lutheran Church met for its annual business meeting at the Ohio Convocation at Grace Lutheran Church (Springfield OH) on May 7, 2016.

Convener Don Allman called the business meeting to order.

For elections this year, the secretary's position is up for election. Paul Gruetter is not available for re-election. Paula Caso has agreed to be a candidate for the secretary's position, which is a 2 year term. Convener Allman asked for nominations from the floor. It was moved and seconded to close nominations and elect Paula Caso as secretary. Motion carried. Paula was declared elected.

The treasurer's report was presented by Convener Allman, in the absence of the Ohio Mission Region treasurer Don Karger, who was attending a family graduation. Current assets are \$23,936.04, and current liabilities are zero. For the four months ended April 30, 2016, income for the region was \$2,100.00, and expenses were \$3,544.07.

Convener Allman reminded participants that congregations are directed to send their financial support to their Mission District, not to the Ohio Region. The Region will be funded through contributions from the Mission Districts. There is no current request that the Mission Districts send money to the Region, but as the regional balance gets spent down, that request will certainly come at some time in the future.

It was moved and seconded to approve the report of the treasurer. Motion carried

The proposed budget was considered. Expected income is \$3,700.00 (largely from Convocation registrations), and budgeted expenses are \$10,710.00, for a deficit of -\$7,100.00.

Adoption of the budget is moved and seconded by action of the executive council of the Ohio Mission Region. During discussion, it was discovered that the final line item "OMR Contribution to each Mission District" was mislabeled, and should read instead "Designated offering from OMR Convocation". That correction was made as an editorial change. The proposed budget, with that one editorial change, was approved.

Dan Powell shared about the work of the Navigators, which is the discipleship emphasis in the NALC. 10 congregations in the Ohio mission region are currently in partnership with Navigators.

Convener Don Allman installed all of the regional executive council, all the deans, and all of the officers and members of the Mission District executive councils.

It was moved and seconded that the business meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul Gruetter, secretary