

**Synod of the Mid-Atlantic  
Committee on Representation  
ZOOM Meeting  
August 20, 2018**

**OPENING:** Olivia Haney, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. with prayer.

**ATTENDANCE: Present:** Olivia Haney (Shenandoah), Donna Bowers (New Castle), Steve Mabie (New Hope), Kevin Powell (National Capital), Donna Fair (Charlotte) and Tami Scott (Synod Administrative Assistant). **Absent:** Abington, AKAP, Baltimore, Coastal Carolina, Salem, James, Peaks and Western North Carolina

**INTRODUCTIONS:** Introductions of committee members were made and Donna Fair (Charlotte) was appointed as recorder. The Moderator attested that a quorum was present and the docket was approved as presented.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes from the last SCOR meeting held on July 16, 2018 were presented and approved.

**MINUTES:** The Committee also received the report of the Nominating Committee and accepted it as information.

A motion was approved by the committee that we will send the same form as last year to our church clerk's for the COR annual report. However, we will look to make revisions for next year that will allow us to better capture who all are serving in our presbyteries.

2018 COR reports will be due to the Synod Office by October 1, 2018.

The Committee on Representation reviewed the following Synod Committee reports and will make the following recommendations:

- PJC – need to include more non-white, males and teaching elders.
- Jubilee Fund – seek more non-white, male teaching elder.
- Speer Fund – seek to include more black female teaching elders. Also, consider seeking representation from New Castle since The Speer Trust Commission has been disbanded and the Speer funds are now part of a unified budget.
- COR – seems to be pretty equally represented.

The committee would also like to offer as a general suggestion that when recruiting for vacancies to look at underutilized members (disabled, home-bound, stay-at-home parents, etc.) since many of the meetings can now be conducted via ZOOM or other online meeting platforms.

The next meeting of the Synod COR was scheduled for November 1, 2018 at the Synod Office in Richmond at which time we will review the Presbytery's COR annual reports.

**ADJOURNED:** After a closing prayer by Steve Mabie, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Donna Fair, Recorder