

Committee on Representation

Chair: Rev. Dr. Shavonn Lynch – Northminster

Members: RE Roger Dilmore – Westminster, RE Barbara Adams – Scipioville

After a short hiatus, the Committee on Representation met on April 30th via Zoom with the chair of the COR from Susquehanna Valley, Rev. John Helgeson. We discussed the challenges of creating racially diverse committees and commissions when churches in both our presbyteries consist of predominantly white congregations. We also discussed the importance of ensuring that our LGBTQIA+ siblings are included in our discussion around representation and inclusion on committees and commissions. We want our committees to be a well-rounded representation our congregations, as best we can. This also includes finding ways for our busy working families to be heard and validated even if they cannot always participate on a committee or commission.

Although, some members of the Susquehanna Valley COR were not able to the attend the first meeting, the meeting was fruitful. We are planning to meet again via Zoom with the hopes that other members Susquehanna Valley's COR will be able to join in.

Respectfully submitted,

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