

2026 Administrative Board of Austin Global Methodist Church

Austin Global Methodist Church Administrative Board: Hybrid Administrative Board- Updated from Nominations Committee Meeting on 12/14/2025

One-year terms voted upon yearly, 3 years consecutive maximum, minimum board of 9 people, no maximum

Total Board Committees/Teams: Nominations, Trustees, Finance, PPRC, Worship, Hospitality, Prayer, Missions, Communications, Discipleship/Education, Membership Care, Men's Ministry, Women's Ministry

Total Board Member Positions: 42 (some members holding two positions)

Administrative Chairman (1): Randy Berry (BOD P442)

Administrative Board Secretary (1): Anita Bradbury (BOD P442)

Lay Leader (1): Larry Russell (BOD P442, 443)

Lay Delegate (1): Phyllis Cram, (Alternate Dick Cram) (BOD P207, 709)

Board Members at Large (5): Carol Fullerton, Barbara Weiss, Martha Robertson, Nancy Adams, Dave Chatfield, Duties: Members of the church with voting privileges who do not chair a committee

Nominations Committee (5): Rev. Lauren Green Yates (Chairwoman), Jim Deitrick (Vice Chairman), Ron Ruple, Jo Nell Morris, Edi Sowers (BOD P444)

Trustee Committee (9): Dick Cram (Chairman), David Williams (Vice Chairman), Linda Winn (Secretary), Danny McSpadden, Melanie Carstarphen, Mary Richter, Barto Arnold, JoNell Morris, Daniel White (BOD P446)

Finance Committee (2): Jon Lander (Chairman), Carol Fullerton (Treasurer) (BOD P447)

PPR Committee (5): Larry Russell (Chairman), Curtis Sims, Ron Ruple, JoNell Morris, Sam Aguirre (BOD P445)

Worship Committee (1): Pam Williams (Chairwoman), Duties: Attend weekly worship planning meeting, decorate for Sunday service and special occasions, hold special meetings around Lent and Christmas to prepare for holidays, coordinate with pastor to help plan for holidays

Hospitality Committee (1): Phyllis Cram (Chairwoman), Duties: Our responsibility is primarily to bring and coordinate food for anything involving celebrations and Sunday morning fellowship and help with the cleanup and put away each Sunday. We have been the go-to committee for missions that happen on days other than Sundays as well. We are also in charge of the coordination foods for special occasions (ex: Christmas Eve, anniversary, and Mother's Day)

Prayer Team (1): - Anita Bradbury (Chairwoman), Duties: Host weekly prayer zoom and prayer for each Sunday service, coordinate Austin Awake prayer vigils, promote prayer within the church,

attend special community prayer events, etc. The overall purpose of the prayer team is to support the vision and mission of Austin Global Methodist Church, and to follow God's directive that His church shall be a House of Prayer.

Missions Committee (1): Vickie Koelling (Chairwoman), Duties: We are a relational missions outreach team that seeks to engage the church in serving the physical and spiritual needs of the community by partnering with other non-profits and local churches to be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ. We believe that through love and compassion we can lead people to know Jesus Christ by fostering meaningful relationships with those in need of hope, both locally, regionally, and globally.

Communications Committee (1): Sarah Kitten (Chairwoman), Duties: The AGMC Communications Committee manages various ongoing and potential tasks to maintain and enhance church communications. These tasks currently include website maintenance, weekly and daily checks, Search Engine Optimization (SEO), managing the ChurchTrac app, updating the events calendar, graphic design, announcement reels, Order of Worship flyers, email newsletters, social media posts, and weekly sermon video uploads. Future potential improvements include adopting Google Drive for document management, enhancing blog content with series (e.g., faith, volunteering, mission opportunities, etc.) and guest writers, improving the 'about us' page, adding contact forms, monitoring multiple platforms for contacts, and creating automated email campaigns. If time permits in the future, we will work on keyword strategies for SEO, website optimization techniques including page speed and meta tags, and miscellaneous tasks such as image resizing, contact cleanup, email automation, and exploring YouTube live-streaming.

Discipleship and Education Committee (1): Michele Smith (Chairwoman), Duties: Coordinate with Board Chairperson regarding purchases of new materials, classroom locations, and logistics of education. Coordinate with Pastor to vet theological material taught in the classes. Act as point of contact for those who need small group connection and those interested in teaching a class.

Membership Care (4): Co-Chairs Melanie Carstarphen, Linda Winn, Patti Breaux, Becky Travelstead, Duties- The care team monitors our congregation for anyone with problems-sick, surgery, members passing, birthdays, family emotions, "missing you" postcards, etc. We send cards, visit homebound, drive members to appointments, lift up prayers, send birthday cards, visit hospital and/or care units and simply try to bring a smile and hope to our people.

Men's Ministry (1): Dave Thies (Chairman), Duties: Organize meetings and outreach opportunities for the men of Austin Global Methodist Church, coordinate with men's ministry events within the MidTexas Conference.

Women's Ministry (1): Susan Monroe (Chairwoman), Duties: Organize meetings and outreach opportunities for the women of Austin Global Methodist Church, coordinate with women's ministry events within the MidTexas Conference.

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Candidate for Certified Lay Ministry- Susan Monroe