

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON, D.C. SYNOD OF THE ELCA**  
**ELECTRONIC SYNOD COUNCIL MEETING**  
**January 8-10, 2025**

The Synod Council conducted a meeting through electronic communications in order to address the following motion:

**SC25.01.01** To extend a call to specialized ministry through the synod council to Katie Evans in her role as a Community Engagement Associate with Church World Service. This is moved by Bishop Ortiz and seconded by Barbara Bilodeau. The reason for the virtual vote, rather than waiting until the next Council meeting, is for scheduling the date of an ordination with Bishop Ortiz's availability.

Secretary Barbara Bilodeau presented the motion in an email to all Synod Council members sent on Wednesday, January 8, 2025. The voting was held open until 7pm on Friday, January 10, 2025.

The following identifies the members who voted on the motion by means of a responding electronic mail message:

**Voting:**

Bishop Leila Ortiz, Bishop  
Jennifer Slagle Peck, Vice President  
Barbara Bilodeau, Secretary  
Julie Hamre, Treasurer  
Sheena Foster, DC – Lay  
Rachad Ya Ntima Esengo, Maryland – Lay  
Pr. Eric T. Randolph, Maryland - Rostered  
Pr. Alexander P. Stall, Jr., Potomac – Rostered  
Pr. Henry Langknecht, Virginia – Rostered  
Pr. Betty Landis, Montgomery – Rostered  
Patrick Anderson, Potomac – Lay  
Breeze Lawless, Fairfax - Lay  
Pr. Judith VanOsdol, DC – Rostered  
Pr. Elijah Mwitanti, Fairfax - Rostered  
Anita Smallin, Montgomery - Lay

**Not Voting:**

Don Wallace, Virginia - Lay  
Nolan G, At-Large Youth

All 15 votes cast were in favor, no abstain, and no votes opposed. The motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara A. Bilodeau  
Secretary