

# LUTHER COLLEGE'S CORPORATE STRUCTURE

## 1. Description

Luther College, located in Decorah, Iowa, is a liberal arts college of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), independently incorporated under the state laws of Iowa.

## 2. Membership of the Corporation

- Voting members of the Churchwide Assembly of the ELCA
- Members of the Board of Regents
- The President of the college operated by this corporation
- The officers of the administration of the college

## 3. Meetings of the Corporation

The regular meeting of the corporation is held at the time of the churchwide assembly of the ELCA and acts to approve amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and ratify the election and re-election of members to the Board of Regents.

## 4. Management and Control

The management and control of the corporation is vested in the Board of Regents and includes:

- Establishment of policy with respect to all management issues
- Oversight of business and financial affairs

## 5. The Board of Regents

- Regents are elected for a term of four years. A regent may serve a total of three terms (12 years). After completing three terms, regents may be re-nominated for an additional three terms but not without an interruption of at least two years.
- Membership consists of not less than 12 nor more than 31 members, including the president of the college and a bishop of the ELCA, Region 5. The president is an ex-officio member, without vote.
- When new members are nominated, attention is given to creating a diverse board membership.
- The board fills vacancies until the next meeting of the corporation.

## 6. The President

The President of the College shall be elected by the Board of Regents for a term of six years and shall be an active member of a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). A newly elected president who is not currently part of the ELCA must have experience within the Lutheran tradition and must be willing to become an active member of a local ELCA congregation upon election as President.

## 7. Other Representatives to the Board

These representatives to the Board of Regents have voice but no vote:

- Three faculty members, elected by the faculty, and three students, elected from Student Senate, who serve as resource persons to the board.
- The president of the Alumni Council during his or her two-year term.
- A staff member or representative from the ELCA churchwide organization.