

## GENERATIONS UNITED FEDERAL CREDIT UNION – 2026 ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting will be held at 2 pm on March 10, 2026, virtually and at the Credit Union office in New York.

### 2026 Nominees for Elections

The Nominating Committee has nominated 7 members to fill 7 vacancies on the Board of Directors. Additional nominations for the Board of Directors may be made by petition. If no nominations by petition are received, a mail ballot election will not be necessary.

Nominations from the floor at the Annual Meeting on March 10, 2026 will not be entertained unless unforeseen circumstances prior to the election result in an insufficient number of candidates for the vacancies. **Election results will be announced at the March 2026 Meeting.**

### HOW TO NOMINATE BY PETITION

The petition must contain the signatures, printed names and access or share account numbers of at least 20 members. Nominations must be accompanied by a brief statement of qualifications, a short biography for publication similar in format to those found below and a signed/dated statement from the nominee that he/she is agreeable and will serve if elected. Generations United Federal Credit Union bylaws stipulate that all members of the Board of Directors must be members of the credit union. **The petition must reach Generations United Federal Credit Union, 420 Lexington Avenue, Room 850, New York, NY 10170, no later than January 30, 2026.** If valid nominations are received by petition, the name(s) of the candidates will be included on the mail ballot along with a restatement of the biographies of each ballot candidate.

## NOMINEES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (Listed Alphabetically)

### The Rev. Dr. Rodney Franklin

Rev. Dr. Rodney Franklin is an ordained United Church of Christ minister and staff chaplain at the University of Alabama Birmingham Hospital. He has served churches in ministerial positions in Savannah, Georgia; Cleveland, Ohio; and Birmingham, Alabama. Rev. Franklin organized an inter-church fellowship among congregations in Birmingham's Smithfield neighborhood.

Rev. Franklin has served the UCC in many regional and national leadership capacities, including on the Boards of the Wider Church Ministries and Global Ministries. Rev. Franklin is a graduate of Talladega College (BA), Candler School of Theology at Emory University (M.Div.), and United Theological Seminary (D.Min.)

Rev. Franklin is Chair of the Board of Trustees; Chair of the Executive, Personnel, and Governance Committees; and an ex officio voting member of all other Committees of Trustees of the Pension Boards. He is also a Director of the United Church Board for Ministerial Assistance.

### David A. Klassen

David A. Klassen is the President and Chief Executive Officer for the Pension Boards-United Church of Christ, Inc. Previously, David served as Chief Investment Officer for the Pension Boards and United Church Funds for 14 years. David has significant experience in the fields of investment and finance. His Wall Street credentials include working as V.P. and Portfolio Manager at Morgan Stanley Dean Witter and Managing Director and Head of Equities at JPMorgan Chase.

In a productive decade away from Wall Street, David graduated from divinity school, earned 4 units of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) and was Partner of Springboard Leadership LLC, working with top leaders and organizations to build diverse leadership capacity in the finance, not-for-profit, and government sectors.

David earned a B.A. in Accounting from Franklin & Marshall College and a Master of Divinity from Union Theological Seminary, and attended Tavistock Institute's Leicester Conference on Authority, Leadership and Organization. He is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and currently is a member of the Board of Trustees of Union Theological Seminary in NYC. In the past, he has served on the Investment Committee of United Church Funds and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Irvington, New York.

## **John E. Linzey**

John E. Linzey is the founding President and Chief Executive Officer of Generations United Federal Credit Union (GUFCU), a financial institution dedicated to serving the United Church of Christ (UCC) community. John's career has spanned over three decades in finance and corporate development, and he brings a wealth of experience, strategic vision, and a deep commitment to economic justice.

Before assuming the leadership role at GUFCU, Mr. John held senior executive positions at The Pension Boards—United Church of Christ, overseeing portfolios valued in the billions of dollars and leading enterprise-wide initiatives across finance, operations, and corporate development.

John also served on the Supervisory Committee of Jovia Financial Credit Union, where he contributed to audit oversight and the protection of members. John holds a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance and a Master of Business Administration from Baruch College, as well as a Master of Arts in Professional Writing from New York University, combining financial expertise with strategic communication skills.

## **The Rev. Dr. Leslie Schenk**

Rev. Dr. Leslie Schenk is Pastor of Plymouth Congregational United Church of Christ in Madison, Wisconsin, where she has served since 2015. After her ordination in 2008, she served as Pastor for over seven years for the yoked UCC congregations in Ladysmith and Conrath, Wisconsin. At Ladysmith, she also served a mission congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Originally from Buffalo, New York, Rev. Dr. Schenk relocated to Wisconsin in 1995 to join a Madison-based economic consulting firm. She worked as an economic consultant, primarily doing cost and productivity analysis and statistical studies for a major U.S. company in a regulated industry.

The Rev. Dr. Schenk earned her Ph.D. in Economics from Michigan State University and earned a Master of Divinity degree from Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri, one of the seminaries of the United Church of Christ. Rev. Dr. Schenk serves as Vice Chair of the Pension Boards Executive, Governance, and Personnel Committees, a member of the Investment Committee, a Director of the United Church Board for Ministerial Assistance, and a Director of Generations United Federal Credit Union.

## **Rev. Andrew B. Warner, CFRE,**

Rev. Andrew B. Warner serves as President of the Wisconsin Foundation UCC, a community foundation created by the Wisconsin Conference to help churches and agencies of the Wisconsin Conference. In that role he leads the fundraising efforts of the conference, supports the planned giving efforts of local congregations, and teaches best practices for fundraising. Andrew concurrently serves as the Director of Finance and Development for the Michigan Conference. Previously, Andrew served with the National Ministries of the UCC and as a local church pastor.

## **Robert J. Wild**

Robert J. Wild has been a Director and Board Secretary of Generations United Federal Credit Union since its charter was issued. Bob served as the General Counsel, Chief Risk Officer, and Corporate Secretary of The Pension Boards - United Church of Christ, Inc. Prior to joining the Pension Boards, Bob focused his practice on corporate governance, securities offerings and compliance, and mergers and acquisitions for over 30 years in the Chicago offices of Mayer Brown, Katten Muchin Rosenman and Krieg DeVault. Bob has served on the Audit Committees of nonprofit boards as well as the Finance and Investment Committee of St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Chicago. Bob has an undergraduate business degree in public accounting and a law degree from Loyola University Chicago, as well as a Master of Science in Taxation from the Kellstadt Graduate School of Business of DePaul University.

## **Lawrence E. Yunaska, CPA**

Lawrence E. Yunaska was the managing partner in the nine-person Cleveland accounting firm of Baumgarten & Company LLP, where he specializes in accounting, tax and management advisory services for closely held businesses. Mr. Yunaska has been with the firm since 1978 and a partner since 1983. He with his wife of forty-seven years reside on the West side of Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Yunaska is a 1973 graduate of Westlake High School and a 1977 graduate of Wittenberg University. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants as well as the Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants. Mr. Yunaska has served on various state committees for the Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants as well as local Cleveland committees. He also serves as an advisor to various boards of directors of local Cleveland companies and nonprofit organizations. Mr. Yunaska was the President of the Lakewood/Rocky River Rotary club and treasurer of North Coast Health Ministry and Deaconess Foundation. He served as treasurer of the Dover Congregational Church in Westlake, Ohio for seventeen years. Larry currently serves the Pension Boards of the United Church of Christ as assistant Chair of the Board, chair of the ERM, Audit and Budget Committees.