



Uniting Church in Australia
ASSEMBLY
Assembly Standing Committee

21 April 2024

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Title	Appointment of UCA Member of Religious Advisory Committee to the Services
Type of Paper (Information/Decision)	For decision
Assembly or ASC Minute	Not applicable
Consultation	Uniting Church Defense Force Chaplaincy Committee (UCDFCC)
Purpose	To (re)-appoint the UCA member of the Religious Advisory Committee to the Services (RACS).
Rationale & Findings Summary	Rev Kaye Ronalds is the current UCA member of the Religious Advisory Committee to the Services, and the Uniting Church Defense Force Chaplaincy Committee recommends that she should be re-appointed for a further five year term.
Attachments	Attachments – Email correspondence from UCDFCC, Expression of Interest Form
Proposal/s	That the Assembly Standing Committee: 1. On the recommendation of the Uniting Church Defense Force Chaplaincy Committee, appoint Rev Kaye Ronalds as the Uniting Church member for Religious Advisory Committee to the Services for a further five-year term.
Submitted by	Lindsay Cullen Assembly General Secretary (Interim) gensec@nat.uca.org.au , 0408 000 165

Subject: Fwd: Religious Advisory Committee to the Services (RACS) - Appointment of Uniting Church member
Date: Monday 15 April 2024 at 16:40:06 Australian Eastern Standard Time
From: Kaye Ronalds
To: Lindsay Cullen, Assembly Gen Sec, Kaye Ronalds, Ronalds, Kaye REV 1, Watters, Andrew CHAP
Attachments: Kaye Ronalds EOI Uniting Church RACS member.jpeg

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Good afternoon Lindsay,
Here is the minute and updated EOI for Uniting Church member of RACS.

Grace and peace,

Kaye Ronalds
M: 0418 907540

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From: <awatters@acenet.com.au>
Date: Mon, 15 Apr 2024 at 16:07
Subject: Religious Advisory Committee to the Services (RACS) - Appointment of Uniting Church member
To: <kayeronalds@gmail.com>

Good afternoon Kaye,

I would be most grateful if you could forward the following communication to the relevant person within the UCA Assembly body:

To Whom It May Concern,

At an out of session meeting of the Uniting Church Defence Force Chaplains Committee (UCDFCC) held on 15 April 2024, the following resolution was passed unanimously:

"Having clarified the appointment and re-appointment process of the Uniting Church member for RACS, UCDFCC resolves to nominate Rev'd Kaye Ronalds as the Uniting Church member for Religious Advisory Committee to the Services for a further five-year term."

Yours Sincerely,

Andrew Watters

Chaplain, RAN
Secretary UCDFCC

Expression of Interest Form for Assembly Committees or Task Groups or Boards

Basis of Union:

The Uniting Church recognises that responsibility for government in the Church belongs to the people of God by virtue of the gifts and tasks which God has laid upon them.

Constitution:

The Assembly shall have determining responsibility in matters of doctrine, worship, government and discipline, including the promotion of the Church's mission, establishment of standards of theological education and the reception of ministers from other denominations, and is empowered to make final decisions on all matters related to the Constitution of the UCA.

Name of the Committee / Task Group/Board:

Religious Advisory Committee to the Services (UCA representative)
Uniting Church Defence Force Chaplaincy Committee (UCDFCC) member

Brief description of the Mandate / Terms of Reference for this body:

UCADFCC provides oversight and discernment for candidates to be nominated as UCA Chaplains to the Defence Force. The RACs member, on behalf of the committee, provides pastoral care for serving Chaplains and their families and assists Defence Force Chaplains in the transitions into and out of Chaplaincy ministry. The UCADFCC promotes the calling to Chaplaincy ministry to the forces when the Uniting Church gathers at events such as Synod and Assembly meetings.

Personal Information:

<p><i>Affix photo here</i></p>	<p>Name: Rev Kaye Ronalds Congregation: Stanthorpe Uniting Church, Granite Belt Presbytery: The Downs Synod: Queensland</p>				
<p>What skills and experience will you bring to the Committee / Task Group/Board? I have 26 years experience as a Chaplain in the General Reserves. I served on the UCDFCC when it met in Queensland and I have experience on School Boards and served as Moderator of Queensland (2011-2014.) In that role I represented the Uniting Church in Heads of Churches meetings, in various public forums, chaired Synod meetings and served on the Uniting Care Board. I have been involved with the discipline processes of the Church and through Presbytery life I have been engaged in the recruitment, formation and ordination of candidates for ministry. I have served in the life of Presbyteries on Pastoral Relations Committee and as Presbytery Minister giving me experience in the pastoral care of ministry agents and their families. My skills are in preaching, teaching, pastoral care, governance and leadership</p>					
<p>What if any relevant experience have you had in the life of the Church? I was ordained in 1984, 40 years ago and I have served in various congregational placements as an ordained minister and two years in School Chaplaincy. Since 1992 I have also served in a parallel career and calling as a part-time Chaplain in the Army. My most recent posting prior to discharge from Defence was to The Australian Army Cadets HQ in Brisbane. I have attended the Assembly meeting four times.</p>					
<p>What if any relevant qualifications do you have? My initial training and formation for ministry happened 1981-1983 at Trinity Theological College in Brisbane. I have trained as an Army Chaplain through the channels required by the Australian Defence Force</p>					
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<p>What cultural and linguistic background do you have? English speaking Australian</p>					

Referees: (Please list the names and contact details of two people to act as referees for you in regard to this role)

Rev'd Dr Peter Woodward Email: pjewoodward@bigpond.com M: 0400 323060

Rev'd Christine Digby Email: cdigby6@gmail.com M: 0418 709867

If you are not appointed to this body, are you willing for Assembly to retain a copy of this form, and to consider you for appointment to a relevant task group in the future? YES / NO

Signature: _____

K. Ronalds

Date: 15 April 2024