

Appointments

MC/23/21

***RESOLUTION

21/1. The Council appoints David Jones and the Revd Nicholas A Oborski to the Safeguarding Committee.

David Jones (professional member)

David has a professional background in safeguarding. He is a registered social worker and an experienced senior manager of Social Services, having worked at Director, Deputy, and Assistant Director Level since 1988 in some of the most challenging Local Authorities. Over recent years, he has specialised in safeguarding (adults and children), integration with Health, personalisation, and service transformation. He has extensive experience of risk assessments of individuals in a work and church capacity. He is a member of a number of Safeguarding Adults Boards (SABs). Currently he is a member of Portsmouth's SAB, and chair the local Safeguarding Adults Reviews subgroup, the Quality subgroup and the Policy Group covering the four boards within the broader Hampshire / Isle of Wight area. David was the independent chair of the Northampton DSG (2017 – 19) and is currently the safeguarding officer for the Milton Keynes Circuit.

The Revd Nick Oborski (senior member)

Nick has served in four circuits, three as Superintendent (currently Superintendent of the Hants-Surrey Border Circuit) with seventeen years of ministerial experience. During his ministry he has been committed to ensuring safeguarding is seen as part of who we are as the people of God. He has been a safeguarding trainer both for Foundation and Advanced training. He brings strategic knowledge of the church's direction having formerly served on the Methodist Council and currently serving on the Strategy and Resources Committee. Nick has been a lead panel member on the connexional complaints team for a number of years and led on a number of complaints that have directly or indirectly related to safeguarding issues. This has involved meeting and working closely with survivors of abuse, hearing their story and supporting them as they shared their concerns often having to retell stories and pain already told to others within the church. In so doing he has worked closely with the Safeguarding Team to develop processes which reduce the impact on survivors of having to retell their story multiple times.

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21/2. The Council appoints Sheryl Young as a non-executive director of Methodist International Centre Ltd.

Sheryl is an experienced non-executive director, with specialisms in climate technologies/sustainability and a background in luxury hotel turnarounds and repositioning. She is a strategist who thrives on cultivating a collaborative environment in the boardroom whilst building strong relationships with executives and stakeholders. She is an energetic non-executive leader with first class business acumen and hospitality experience with a focus on commercial growth and ethical practices.

Sheryl has over 30 years' experience in finance and business with a particular emphasis on strategy and growing private companies. She has been a Vice President of JP Morgan Securities in New York, as a Senior Equity Analyst focused on information technology companies. She sits on the boards as a non-executive director of several companies and acquired FCA status for a \$200m venture capital fund as well as for herself personally. She

has recently completed five years at European Marine Energy Centre as a NED and as the Chair of the Remuneration Committee.

Sheryl is a dual citizen of the UK and USA and holds an MBA from the Stern School of Business at New York University in New York. She grew up in Oklahoma and was baptized in the Methodist Church at the age of 10.

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21/3. The Council appoints the Revd David Goodall to the Pay and Grading Sub-Committee.

David Goodall is a presbyter serving as the Missional Communities Enabler in the Yorkshire West District. He is a former member of the SRC and a former chair of the Pay and Grading Sub-Committee. The SRC makes this nomination to the Council.

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21/4. The Council appoints a scrutiny group of the Revd Leslie Newton, Mrs Val Mayers and Mr Alister McClure to consider a reinvitation for a member of the Connexional Team.

The group is comprised of three members of the Council.

The Council is also asked to note that Sylvester Deigh has stepped down from the Candidates' Appeal Committee.