

Consent Calendar Explanation

There are three consent calendars: A) concurrence with proposed changes to the *Discipline*. B) concurrence with petitions on non-Disciplinary matters. C) non-concurrence on Disciplinary and non-Disciplinary items. The first day items will be listed as 01. The second day will be listed 02, and so forth. Items can be placed on the consent calendar if: 1) no more than five votes were cast against the prevailing position; 2) it has no financial implications; 3) the proposal does not require a constitutional amendment. Any five delegates may have a consent calendar item removed by signing the appropriate form found in Room 204. This form must be returned to the secretary by 3 p.m. on the day it appears in the *DCA*.

Consent Calendar A02

Correction:

90-2203.7

The correct vote for this Calendar Item was: For: 65; Against: 0. This vote requires this calendar item to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

93-604.1

Subject: Election of Secretary-Designate
Committee Item: CO23-604.1-C
Petition:
21610-CO-604.1-D, Pg. 180
Membership: 86; **Present:** 78;
For: 77; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 1;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

94-605

Subject: Responsibilities of the Secretary-Designate
Committee Item: CO24-605-A
Petition:
21611-CO-605-D, Pg. 180
Membership: 86; **Present:** 79;
For: 78; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 1;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Renumber ¶ 605 as ¶ 604.2 and .3 and amend:

2. Assumption of Office.The secretary-designate shall assume the responsibilities of the office of secretary as soon after the adjournment of the General Conference as all work in connection with the session has been completed, including the corrections to the *Daily Christian Advocate*, which serves as the official journal of the General Conference. The exact date

of the transfer of responsibility to the secretary-designate shall be determined by the Commission on the General Conference, but shall not be later than December 31, following the adjournment of the General Conference.

3. Assigned Duties.The secretary, shall, at the request of the General Commission on the General Conference, assist in initiating procedures to inform delegates from outside the United States concerning both the operation of the General Conference and materials it will consider in cooperation with the General Commission on the General Conference, shall initiate procedures to prepare delegates from Central Conferences for full participation in the General Conference by providing information concerning both the operation of the General Conference and materials it will consider. As far as possible, the materials should be provided in the languages of the delegates.

After consultation with the Council of Bishops and the General Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns the secretary shall issue invitations to ecumenical representatives.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

95-608.2

Subject: General Conference Petitions
Committee Item: CO25-608.2-C
Petition:
20709-CO-608.2-D, Pg. 181
Membership: 86; **Present:** 82;
For: 79; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 3;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

96-703

Subject: Annual Conference Accessibility
Committee Item: CO31-703-A
Petition:
20362-CO-703-D, Pg. 187
Membership: 86; **Present:** 82;
For: 78; **Against:** 1; **Not Voting:** 3;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Insert a new sub-paragraph after ¶703.3 and renumber accordingly:

The Annual Conference sessions and all conference meetings shall be held in places which are accessible to persons with disabilities. The following are guidelines as to what makes a place accessible:

Architectural Guidelines

a. All meeting rooms to be used are accessible to those in wheelchairs. Examples of things which may make a room accessible:

1) Everything is at ground level with no steps.

2) An elevator is available.

3) A ramp of size and maximum angle of 1/12 that wheelchairs can negotiate is available.

4) Door openings are at least 36 inches wide.

5) Pews or chairs are arranged to include space for wheelchairs.

b. Accessible washrooms.

c. Convenient parking for those with disabilities.

d. Curb cuts if curbs must be negotiated.

e. Adequate hand rails for safety.

f. Adequate lighting.

g. For overnight meetings, accessible lodging for participants.

Communications Guidelines

a. A loud speaker system.

b. ~~Sound equipment for the more profoundly hearing impaired.~~

c. ~~Signing for the deaf.~~

d. ~~Large print program materials or tape recordings available.~~

e. ~~Programs and directions making use of visuals, symbols, images, and sounds for persons who have difficulty communicating via the printed or spoken word.~~

Transportation Guidelines

~~If at all possible that Annual Conference and other major meetings be held at sites accessible by public or arranged transportation.~~

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

97-707.4

Subject: Membership on Annual Conference Councils, Boards & Agencies

Committee Item: CO35-707.4-C

Petition:

22180-CO-707.4-D, Pg. 1268

Membership: 86; Present: 78;

For: 75; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

98-608.6

Subject: Petitions to General Conference

Committee Item: CO42-608.6-C

Petition:

22168-CO-608.6-D, Pg. 1263

Membership: 86; Present: 82;

For: 79; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

99-608.3

Subject: Petitions to General Conference

Committee Item: CO43-608.3-C

Petition:

22167-CO-608.3-D, Pg. 1263

Membership: 86; Present: 82;

For: 79; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

100-608.1

Subject: Petitions to General Conference

Committee Item: CO45-608.1-C

Petition:

22166-CO-608.1-D, Pg. 1263

Membership: 86; Present: 82;

For: 79; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

101-608.9

Subject: Petitions to General Conference

Committee Item: CO61-608.9-C

Petition:

22171-CO-608.9-D, Pg. 1264

Membership: 86; Present: 76;

For: 73; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

102-608.8

Subject: Petitions to General Conference

Committee Item: CO62-608.8-C

Petition:

22170-CO-608.8-D, Pg. 1263

Membership: 86; Present: 76;

For: 73; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

103-71

Subject: An Amendment on Men and Women

Committee Item: CS1-71-A

Petition:

20283-CS-71-D, Pg. 119

Membership: 102; Present: 95;

For: 89; Against: 4; Not Voting: 2;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

(Additions added by the Legislative Committee are underlined)

Add a new sub-paragraph after ¶71E:

Women and Men.—We affirm with scripture the basic similarity of the sexes and assert that it is human similarities and not differences that allow persons to find intimacy and partnership in accordance with Gods intention. We reject ~~the ancient dualism between male and female which has led to the erroneous notion that one gender is superior to another, and that one gender must strive against another, and that members of one gender may receive love, power and esteem only at the expense of another.~~ We especially reject the idea that God made individuals as incomplete fragments made whole only in ~~relationship to union with another.~~ We call upon women and men alike to share power and control, to learn to give freely and to receive freely, to be complete and to respect the wholeness of others. We seek for every individual opportunities and freedom to love and be loved, and to seek and receive justice and to practice moral ethical self-determination. We understand our gender diversity to be a gift from God, intended to add to the rich variety of human experience and perspective; and we guard against attitudes and traditions that would use this good gift to leave members of one sex more vulnerable in relationships than members of another.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

104-71

Subject: Divorce

Committee Item: CS2-71-A

Petition:

20922-CS-71-D, Pg. 122

Membership: 102; Present: 95;

For: 91; Against: 3; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

(Legislative Committee additions are underlined. First para. was split into two parts)

Delete ¶71D and substitute new text:

D) Divorce. When a married couple is estranged beyond reconciliation, even after thoughtful consideration and counsel, divorce is a regrettable alternative in the midst of broken-

ness. It is recommended that methods of mediation be used to minimize the adversarial nature and fault finding that is often part of our current judicial processes.

Although divorce publicly declares that a marriage no longer exists, other covenantal relationships resulting from the marriage remain, such as the nurture and support of children and extended family ties. We urge respectful negotiations in deciding the custody of minor children, and support the consideration of either or both parents for this responsibility, in that custody not be reduced to financial support, control or manipulation and retaliation. The welfare of each child is the most important consideration.

Divorce does not preclude a new marriage. We encourage an intentional commitment of the church and society to minister compassionately to those in the process of divorce, as well as members of divorced and remarried families in a community of faith where Gods grace is shared by all.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

107-72

Subject: Right to Health Care
Committee Item: CS23-72-C
Petition:
20927-CS-72-D, Pg. 124
Membership: 102; Present: 88;
For: 87; Against: 0; Not Voting: 5;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

108-72

Subject: Media Violence and Christian Values
Committee Item: CS24-72-C
Petition:
20926-CS-72-D, Pg. 123
Membership: 102; Present: 92;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

109-72

Subject: Rights of Religious Minorities
Committee Item: CS27-72-C
Petition:
20924-CS-72-D, Pg. 123
Membership: 102; Present: 92;
For: 91; Against: 0; Not Voting: 5;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

110-76

Subject: Our Social Creed
Committee Item: CS28-76-C
Petition:
20306-CS-76-D, Pg. 125
Membership: 102; Present: 92;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

111-72

Subject: Rights of Persons with Handicapping Conditions
Committee Item: CS31-72-C
Petition:
22317-CS-72-D, Pg. 1226
Membership: 102; Present: 91;
For: 91; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

112-72

Subject: The Social Community: Rural Life
Committee Item: CS32-72-C
Petition:
22319-CS-72-D, Pg. 1226
Membership: 102; Present: 91;
For: 89; Against: 1; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

113-72

Subject: Basic Rights of all Persons
Committee Item: CS33-72-C
Petition:
20023-CS-72-D, Pg. 123
Membership: 102; Present: 93;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

105-70

Subject: Animal Life
Committee Item: CS6-70-C
Petition:
20919-CS-70-D, Pg. 117
Membership: 102; Present: 92;
For: 90; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

106-70

Subject: Space
Committee Item: CS9-70-C
Petition:
20920-CS-70-D, Pg. 117
Membership: 102; Present: 88;
For: 84; Against: 3; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

114-1115

Subject: Bylaws
Committee Item: CS63-1115-C
Petition:
20951-CS-1115-D, Pg. 129
Membership: 102; Present: 93;
For: 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

115-1114

Subject: Headquarters
 Committee Item: CS65-1114-C
 Petition:
 20950-CS-1114-D, Pg. 129
 Membership: 102; Present: 93;
 For: 92; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

116-1113.1

Subject: Staff
 Committee Item: CS68-1113.1-C
 Petition:
 20948-CS-1113.1-D, Pg. 129
 Membership: 102; Present: 93;
 For: 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

117-1112

Subject: Internal Organization
 Committee Item: CS69-1112-C
 Petition:
 20947-CS-1112-D, Pg. 128
 Membership: 102; Present: 93;
 For: 91; Against: 1; Not Voting: 1;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

118-1111.2

Subject: Financial Support
 Committee Item: CS70-1111.2-C
 Petition:
 20946-CS-1111.2-D, Pg. 128
 Membership: 102; Present: 93;
 For: 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

119-1111.1

Subject: Financial Support
 Committee Item: CS71-1111.1-C
 Petition:

20945-CS-1111.1-D, Pg. 128
 Membership: 102; Present: 93;
 For: 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

120-74

Subject: Civil Obedience and Civil Disobedience
 Committee Item: CS89-74-C
 Petition:
 20933-CS-74-D, Pg. 125
 Membership: 102; Present: 88;
 For: 85; Against: 1; Not Voting: 2;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

121-74

Subject: Education
 Committee Item: CS90-74-C
 Petition:
 20932-CS-74-D, Pg. 125
 Membership: 102; Present: 88;
 For: 88; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

122-68

Subject: Our Theological Task
 Committee Item: DI7-68-C
 Petition:
 20267-DI-68-D, Pg. 236
 Membership: 112; Present: 104;
 For: 104; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

123-67

Subject: A Resolution of Intent
 Committee Item: DI18-67-C
 Petition:
 22865-DI-67-D, Pg. 1278
 Membership: 112; Present: 104;
 For: 103; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

124-1216

Subject: Ministry of the Laity
 Committee Item: DI27-1216-C
 Petition:
 21408-DI-1216-D, Pg. 251
 Membership: 112; Present: 105;
 For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

125-1212

Subject: Evangelism Responsibilities
 Committee Item: DI28-1212-C
 Petition:
 21406-DI-1212-D, Pg. 250
 Membership: 112; Present: 105;
 For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

126-1210

Subject: Cooperation
 Committee Item: DI30-1210-C
 Petition:
 21404-DI-1210-D, Pg. 249
 Membership: 112; Present: 103;
 For: 103; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

127-1208.1

Subject: Education Responsibilities
 Committee Item: DI31-1208.1-C
 Petition:
 21402-DI-1208.1-D, Pg. 249
 Membership: 112; Present: 103;
 For: 102; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

128-1208**Subject: Education Responsibilities and Standards**

Committee Item: DI32-1208-C

Petition:

21401-DI-1208-D, Pg. 248

Membership: 112; Present: 105;

For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

129-1207**Subject: Christian Education and Age-Level Ministries**

Committee Item: DI34-1207-C

Petition:

21400-DI-1207-D, Pg. 248

Membership: 112; Present: 105;

For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

130-1202.4**Subject: Board of Discipleship Responsibilities**

Committee Item: DI35-1202.4-C

Petition:

22204-DI-1202.4-D, Pg. 1283

Membership: 112; Present: 105;

For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

131-1202**Subject: Responsibilities of the General Board of Discipleship**

Committee Item: DI37-1202-C

Petition:

21398-DI-1202-D, Pg. 246

Membership: 112; Present: 105;

For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

132-1201**Subject: Purpose of the General Board of Discipleship**

Committee Item: DI38-1201-C

Petition:

21397-DI-1201-D, Pg. 246

Membership: 112; Present: 105;

For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

133-216**Subject: Admission into the Church**

Committee Item: DI39-216-A

Petition:

21430-DI-216-D, Pg. 946

Membership: 112; Present: 101;

For: 99; Against: 1; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend ¶ 216:

1. [Delete existing text.] Christ constitutes the Church as his Body by the power of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:13, 27). The Church draws new persons into itself as it seeks to remain faithful to its commission to proclaim and exemplify the Gospel. Baptism is the sacrament of initiation and incorporation into the Body of Christ. An infant, child, or adult who is baptized becomes a member of the catholic (universal) Church, of the denomination, and a baptized member of the local congregation. (See ¶ 209.) After baptism, the Church provides the nurture which makes possible a comprehensive and lifelong process of growing in grace. Becoming a professing member requires the answer of faith of the baptized person made visible in a service of Profession of Christian Faith and Confirmation using the vows of the baptismal covenant (see ¶211).

a) Baptized infants and children are to be instructed and nurtured in the meaning of the faith, the rights and responsibilities of their baptism and in spiritual and moral formation, using materials approved by The United Methodist Church. Using the Services of the Baptismal Covenant youth will profess their faith, commit themselves to a life of discipleship and be confirmed. Confirmation is both a human act of commitment and the gracious action of the Holy Spirit

strengthening and empowering discipleship.

b) Youth and adults who have not been baptized and who are seeking to be saved from their sins and profess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, are proper candidates for baptism in The United Methodist Church. It shall be the duty of the congregation, led by the pastor, to instruct them in the meaning of baptism, in the meaning of the Christian faith, and the history, organization, and teachings of The United Methodist Church, using materials approved by The United Methodist Church for that purpose. After the completion of the period of nurture and instruction, the sponsor(s) and pastor shall bring them before the congregation and administer the Services of Baptismal Covenant in which persons are baptized, confirmed and received into the Church.

2. [Delete existing text.] a) Formation in the baptismal covenant and in the call to ministry in daily life is a lifelong process and is carried on through all the activities which have educational value. The pastor gives specific leadership that prepares youth for their profession of faith and commitment to discipleship, and for the Holy Spirit's action confirming them in their faith and empowering their discipleship. This preparation focuses attention upon the meaning of discipleship and the need for professing members to be in mission in all of life's relationships.

b) There are many occasions as persons mature in the faith when the Holy Spirit's confirming action may be celebrated, such as in the reaffirmation of the baptismal covenant or other services related to life passages. Unlike baptism, which is a once-made covenant and can only be reaffirmed, not repeated, confirmation is a dynamic action of the Holy Spirit that can be repeated.

3. Preparation for the experience of ~~confirmation~~ profession of faith and confirmation shall be provided for all ~~candidates for full membership~~ persons, including adults, but ~~y~~ Youth who are completing the sixth grade shall normally be the youngest persons recruited for ~~confirmation preparation and full membership~~ such preparation. When younger persons, of their own volition, seek enrollment in ~~confirmation~~ preparation for profession of faith and confirmation, such preparation shall be at the discretion of the pastor.

4. ~~Persons in preparation for full membership make up the preparatory roll of~~

the church. All baptized persons, including infants, children, youth, and adults shall be listed on the preparatory membership roll. Roll of Baptized Members, and other persons who have declared their interest in church membership and have been rolled in confirmation preparation may be listed as preparatory members. (See also ¶¶ 223, 232-2.)

~~5. Statistics of church membership are counts of professing members rather than of all baptized members. For statistical purposes church membership is equated to the roll of professing members.~~

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

134-211

Subject: The Meaning of Membership
Committee Item: DI40-211-A
Petition:
21429-DI-211-D, Pg. 946
Membership: 112; Present: 102;
For: 99; Against: 3; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Change last sentence to read:

7. Such persons may also be asked to receive and profess the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

135-209

Subject: Membership of a Local United Methodist Church
Committee Item: DI41-209-A
Petition:
21427-DI-209-D, Pg. 945
Membership: 112; Present: 102;
For: 99; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend ¶ 209:

The membership of a local United Methodist church shall include all baptized persons.—1. The baptized membership of a local United Methodist church shall include all baptized persons who have received Christian baptism in the local congregation or whose membership has been transferred to the local United Methodist church subsequent to baptism in

some other congregation. In valid baptism, water is administered in the name of the Triune God (specified in the ritual as Father, Son and Holy Spirit) by an authorized person and the Holy Spirit is invoked with the laying on of hands, ordinarily in the presence of the congregation.

2. The professing membership of a local United Methodist church shall include all baptized persons who have come into membership by confession profession of faith at baptism or confirmation, or by transfer, as expressed in services of baptism, confirmation, Profession of Christian Faith, reaffirmation of baptismal vows or transfer. (See ¶¶ 230, 232, 236, 243.) and whose names have not been removed from the membership rolls by reason of death, transfer, withdrawal, or removal for cause. (See ¶¶ 230, 232, 236-243.)

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

136-243

Subject: Membership Rolls
Committee Item: DI94-243-C
Petition:
21446-DI-243-D, Pg. 952
Membership: 112; Present: 104;
For: 103; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

137-221

Subject: Care of Children and Youth
Committee Item: DI95-221-C
Petition:
21433-DI-221-D, Pg. 947
Membership: 112; Present: 101;
For: 100; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

138-105

Subject: The General Ministry of all Christian Believers
Committee Item: DI98-105-C
Petition:
21425-DI-105-D, Pg. 942
Membership: 112; Present: 104;
For: 104; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

139-232

Subject: Membership Records and Reports
Committee Item: DI99-232-A
Petition:
21444-DI-232-D, Pg. 952
Membership: 112; Present: 101;
For: 100; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Add a new ¶ after current ¶ 232:

For purpose of record, a permanent list of congregational baptisms with dates, birthdates, full names, addresses, full names of parents, godparents or sponsors, and officiating minister shall be kept by each local church. In the case of transfer to another congregation, death, or withdrawal notation of this shall be made in the baptismal record.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

140-243

Subject: Transfer and Termination of Membership
Committee Item: DI100-243-A
Petition:
21446-DI-243-D, Pg. 953
Membership: 112; Present: 103;
For: 103; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Add a second new ¶ following current ¶ 243:

Persons may be removed from the roll of professing members by death, transfer, withdrawal, charge conference action or removal for cause (See ¶¶ 230, 232, 236-243, 2626.4.)

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

141-230

Subject: Care of Members
Committee Item: DI102-230-A
Petition:
21441-DI-230-D, Pg. 950
Membership: 112; Present: 101;
For: 96; Against: 4; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Renumber ¶ 230 as ¶ 228.2b and amend as follows:

2.b) While primary responsibility and initiative rests with each individual professing member faithfully to perform the vows of the baptismal covenant membership which have been solemnly assumed, if the professed member should be neglectful of that responsibility, these procedures shall be followed:

(1) If a professed member residing in the community...the membership secretary shall report that professed members name to the Administrative Council or the Council on Ministries, which shall do all in its power to reenlist the professed member in the active fellowship of the Church. It shall visit the professed member and make clear that, while the professed members name...and that, since the professed member is not attending the church where enrolled, the professed member is requested to do one of four things: (a) renew the vows and become a regular worshiper return to living in the community of the baptismal covenant in the church where the professed members name is recorded, (b) request transfer to another United Methodist church where the professed member will be a regular worshiper return to living in the community of the baptismal covenant, (c) arrange transfer to a particular church of another denomination, or (d) request withdrawal. If the professed member does not comply with any of the available alternatives over a period of three two years, the professed members name may be removed. (See § (4).)

(2) If a professed member whose address is known...encourage a transfer of the professed membership shall be followed each year until that professed member joins another church or requests in writing that the name be removed from the roll of professing members membership roll; provided, however, that if after three two years the council has not been able to relate that professed member to the church at the new place of residence, the name may be removed from the roll of professing members by the procedure of § (4) below.

(3) If the address of a professed member is no longer known...If the professed member can be located, the directives of either § (1) or § (2) above shall be fol-

lowed, but if after three two years of such efforts the address is still unknown, the professed members name may be removed from the roll of professing members membership roll by the procedure of § 4 below.

(4) If the directives of §§ (1), (2), or (3) above have been followed for the specified number of years without success, the professed members name may be removed from the roll of professing members membership roll by vote of the Charge Conference...provided that the professed members name shall have been entered in the minutes of the annual Charge Conference for three two consecutive years preceding removal...and if the action is on the basis of § (3), there shall be added: Reason: address unknown. The membership of the person shall thereby be terminated, and However the record thereof shall be retained; provided that upon request the member may be restored to membership by recommendation of the pastor; in order that upon reaffirmation of the baptismal covenant the person may be restored as a professing member, and provided further, that should a transfer of professing membership be requested, the pastor may, after consultation with the person, restore the persons membership for this purpose and issue the certificate of transfer.

(5) Recognizing that the Church has a continuing moral and spiritual obligation to nurture all persons, even those whose names have been removed from the roll of professing members membership roll; it is recommended...

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

142-232

Subject: Local Church Membership Rolls

Committee Item: D1103-232-A
Petition:

21443-DI-232-D, Pg. 951
Membership: 112; Present: 100;
For: 99; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend ¶ 232:

Each local church shall accurately maintain the following membership rolls:

[Delete existing 1-6.]

1. Roll of Baptized Members (¶ 209).

2. Roll of Professing Members, containing all persons who have professed Christian faith at services of baptism, confirmation, Profession of Christian Faith, reaffirmation of baptismal vows, or by transfer.

3. Roll of Constituents, containing the names and addresses of such persons as are not members of the church concerned, including unbaptized children, church school members, and other non-members for whom the local church has pastoral responsibility.

4. Roll of Affiliate Members (¶ 227).

5. Roll of Associate Members (¶ 227).

6. Persons Removed From The Roll of Professing Members (See ¶ 230.4).

7. Persons Removed From The Roll of Baptized Members (See first new ¶ following current ¶ 243.)

78. In the case of a Union or Federated Church...may report an equal share of the total professing membership to each judicatory....

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

143-1601

Subject: Name

Committee Item: FA1-1601-C
Petition:

21481-FA-1601-D, Pg. 374
Membership: 113; Present: 96;
For: 96; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

144-1603

Subject: Legal Entities

Committee Item: FA2-1603-C
Petition:

21483-FA-1603-D, Pg. 375
Membership: 113; Present: 98;
For: 97; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

145-1604

Subject: Authorizations
Committee Item: FA3-1604-C
Petition:
 21484-FA-1604-D, Pg. 376
Membership: 113; **Present:** 103;
For: 101; **Against:** 1; **Not Voting:** 1;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

146-1605

Subject: Permanent Funds
Committee Item: FA5-1605-A
Petition:
 21485-FA-1605-D, Pg. 379
Membership: 113; **Present:** 98;
For: 97; **Against:** 1; **Not Voting:** 0;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows: In the first sentence of petition 21485-FA-1605-D, replace the words World Service Fund, the General Administration Fund, the Episcopal Fund, or any authorized general benevolent or administrative fund with the words general church funds.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

147-1606.1

Subject: Powers, Duties, and Responsibilities
Committee Item: FA6-1606.1-A
Petition:
 21486-FA-1606.1-D, Pg. 379
Membership: 113; **Present:** 100;
For: 97; **Against:** 1; **Not Voting:** 2;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

In Paragraph 7, line 7, following the word However insert: for plan years beginning after December 31, 1998.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

148-2512

Subject: The Methodist Corporation
Committee Item: FA10-2512-C
Petition:
 21591-FA-2512-D, Pg. 383

Membership: 113; **Present:** 96;
For: 96; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

149-2519

Subject: Board of Church Location and Building
Committee Item: FA12-2519-C
Petition:
 20318-FA-2519-D, Pg. 383
Membership: 113; **Present:** 97;
For: 97; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

150-2521

Subject: Approval of construction, purchase, or remodeling plans for local churches
Committee Item: FA13-2521-C
Petition:
 20319-FA-2521-D, Pg. 383
Membership: 113; **Present:** 97;
For: 97; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

151-905.5

Subject: Staff
Committee Item: FA24-905.5-C
Petition:
 21571-FA-905.5-D, Pg. 367
Membership: 113; **Present:** 98;
For: 98; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

152-905.4

Subject: Committee on Audit and Review

Committee Item: FA25-905.4-C
Petition:
 21570-FA-905.4-D, Pg. 366
Membership: 113; **Present:** 98;
For: 98; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

153-907.7

Subject: Other Administrative Responsibilities
Committee Item: FA38-907.7-C
Petition:
 21578-FA-907.7-D, Pg. 369
Membership: 113; **Present:** 102;
For: 102; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

154-907

Subject: Other Administrative Responsibilities
Committee Item: FA39-907-C
Petition:
 21577-FA-907-D, Pg. 369
Membership: 113; **Present:** 102;
For: 102; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

155-907.15

Subject: Other Administrative Responsibilities
Committee Item: FA47-907.15-C
Petition:
 21582-FA-907.15-D, Pg. 370
Membership: 113; **Present:** 101;
For: 101; **Against:** 0; **Not Voting:** 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

156^{-907.14}**Subject: Other Administrative Responsibilities**

Committee Item: FA48-907.14-C

Petition:

21581-FA-907.14-D, Pg. 370

Membership: 113; Present: 101;

For: 100; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

157^{-907.13}**Subject: Other Administrative Responsibilities**

Committee Item: FA50-907.13-C

Petition:

21580-FA-907.13-D, Pg. 370

Membership: 113; Present: 102;

For: 101; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

158^{-907.8}**Subject: Other Administrative Responsibilities**

Committee Item: FA51-907.8-C

Petition:

21579-FA-907.8-D, Pg. 370

Membership: 113; Present: 103;

For: 102; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

159⁻⁹⁰⁹**Subject: Responsibilities of the Treasurer**

Committee Item: FA52-909-C

Petition:

21583-FA-909-D, Pg. 370

Membership: 113; Present: 103;

For: 102; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

160^{-911.1}**Subject: General Policies**

Committee Item: FA94-911.1-C

Petition:

21585-FA-911.1-D, Pg. 371

Membership: 113; Present: 103;

For: 103; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

161⁻¹⁷⁰⁶**Subject: Reduction in size of the Executive Committee of the****General Board of Publication**

Committee Item: FA111-1706-C

Petition:

20775-FA-1706-D, Pg. 382

Membership: 113; Present: 102;

For: 101; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

162⁻¹⁷⁰⁷**Subject: Reduction in the number of members required to call a meeting****of the Executive Committee**

Committee Item: FA112-1707-C

Petition:

20776-FA-1707-D, Pg. 382

Membership: 113; Present: 102;

For: 102; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

163^{-915.4}**Subject: Advance Specials**

Committee Item: GJ12-915.4-C

Petition:

21305-GJ-915.4-D, Pg. 704

Membership: 98; Present: 92;

For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

164^{-915.5}**Subject: Promotion of Advance Specials and One Great Hour of Sharing**

Committee Item: GJ13-915.5-C

Petition:

21306-GJ-915.5-D, Pg. 704

Membership: 98; Present: 92;

For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

165⁻²⁶²²**Subject: Fair Process**

Committee Item: GJ26-2622-C

Petition:

21265-GJ-2622-D, Pg. 1092

Membership: 98; Present: 87;

For: 87; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

166^{-1007.1}**Subject: Length of Service on General Council on Ministries**

Committee Item: GJ30-1007.1-C

Petition:

21542-GJ-1007.1-D, Pg. 1332

Membership: 98; Present: 93;

For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

167^{-1006.6}**Subject: Responsibilities of the General Council on Ministries**

Committee Item: GJ32-1006.6-C

Petition:

21658-GJ-1006.6-D, Pg. 706

Membership: 98; Present: 90;

For: 90; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconurrence Date /

168-1006.13

Subject: Responsibilities of the General Council on Ministry
Committee Item: GJ34-1006.13-C
Petition:

21262-GJ-1006.13-D, Pg. 707
Membership: 98; Present: 91;
For: 91; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

169-821

Subject: Closed Session
Committee Item: GJ35-821-C
Petition:

21540-GJ-821-D, Pg. 1330
Membership: 98; Present: 92;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

170-821

Subject: Meetings
Committee Item: GJ36-821-C
Petition:

21594-GJ-821-D, Pg. 703
Membership: 98; Present: 92;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

171-814.5

Subject: Provisions Pertaining to Staff
Committee Item: GJ40-814.5-C
Petition:

21490-GJ-814.5-D, Pg. 702
Membership: 98; Present: 92;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

172-814.3

Subject: Provisions Pertaining to Staff

Committee Item: GJ43-814.3-C

Petition:
21489-GJ-814.3-D, Pg. 701
Membership: 98; Present: 90;
For: 90; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

173-802.4

Subject: Amenability and Program Accountability
Committee Item: GJ44-802.4-C
Petition:

21650-GJ-802.4-D, Pg. 695
Membership: 98; Present: 90;
For: 90; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

174-815

Subject: Policies relative to nondiscrimination
Committee Item: GJ48-815-C
Petition:

20321-GJ-815-D, Pg. 702
Membership: 98; Present: 92;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

175-814.10

Subject: Provisions Pertaining to Staff
Committee Item: GJ49-814.10-C
Petition:

21657-GJ-814.10-D, Pg. 702
Membership: 98; Present: 92;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

176-816

Subject: Policies Relative to Socially Responsible Investments
Committee Item: GJ50-816-C

Petition:
21593-GJ-816-D, Pg. 702
Membership: 98; Present: 92;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

177-1460

Subject: Training of Disaster Response Coordinators: Responsibility of U.M.C.O.R.
Committee Item: GM18-1460-C
Petition:

22282-GM-1460-D, Pg. 1359
Membership: 126; Present: 115;
For: 114; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

178-1403.1

Subject: Objectives of the General Board of Global Ministries
Committee Item: GM49-1460.1-C
Petition:

22281-GM-1403.1-D, Pg. 1358
Membership: 126; Present: 116;
For: 116; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Modify petition to read National United Methodist Native American Center

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

179-1531

Subject: Schools of Theology
Committee Item: HE7-1531-C
Petition:

21338-HE-1531-D, Pg. 824
Membership: 86; Present: 80;
For: 80; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrency Date /

180-1515.3

Subject: Responsibilities of the Board of Higher Education

Committee Item: HE12-1515.3-A

Petition:

20326-HE-1515.-D, Pg. 824

Membership: 86; Present: 79;

For: 74; Against: 1; Not Voting: 4;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

In the second line, delete people with disabilities and insert persons with disabilities.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

181-1505.3

Subject: Objectives of the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry

Committee Item: HE19-1505.3-C

Petition:

21273-HE-1505.3-D, Pg. 822

Membership: 86; Present: 79;

For: 78; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

182-1508.1

Subject: Divisions of General Board of Higher Education and Ministry

Committee Item: HE20-1508.1-C

Petition:

22946-HE-1508.1-D, Pg. 1508

Membership: 86; Present: 80;

For: 79; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

183-732

Subject: Conference Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry

Committee Item: HE49-732-A

Petition:

21662-HE-732-D, Pg. 821

Membership: 86; Present: 77;

For: 76; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

In the first sentence of petition 21662-HE-732-D, restore the word equivalent

and delete the word other immediately before the phrase structure to provide...

At the end of subparagraph 2, add or equivalent structure, after the words Campus Ministry.

Also, retain subparagraph 3 with the insertion of the words or equivalent structure after the words Campus Ministry.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

184-1803

Subject: Purpose of the General Commission on Archives and History

Committee Item: IC27-1803-C

Petition:

20765-IC-1803-D, Pg. 906

Membership: 71; Present: 68;

For: 64; Against: 0; Not Voting: 4;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

185-1808

Subject: Executive Committee

Committee Item: IC28-1808-C

Petition:

20767-IC-1808-D, Pg. 907

Membership: 71; Present: 62;

For: 59; Against: 2; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

186-1812.1

Subject: Historic Sites, Historic Shrines, and Historic Landmarks

Committee Item: IC29-1812.1-C

Petition:

20769-IC-1812.1-D, Pg. 907

Membership: 71; Present: 68;

For: 67; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

187-1812.2

Subject: Present Historic Shrines

Committee Item: IC30-1812.2-C

Petition:

20770-IC-1812.2-D, Pg. 907

Membership: 71; Present: 68;

For: 64; Against: 0; Not Voting: 4;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

188-1812.3

Subject: Present Historic Landmarks

Committee Item: IC31-1812.3-C

Petition:

20771-IC-1812.3-D, Pg. 907

Membership: 71; Present: 68;

For: 66; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

189-1811.3

Subject: Procedures

Committee Item: IC51-1811.3-C

Petition:

20768-IC-1811.3-D, Pg. 907

Membership: 71; Present: 65;

For: 60; Against: 0; Not Voting: 5;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

190-2402.2

Subject: Representatives to the National Council of the Council of the Church of Christ Governing Board

Committee Item: IC70-2402.2-C

Petition:

21074-IC-2402.2-D, Pg. 914

Membership: 71; Present: 68;

For: 68; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

191-248

Subject: The Local Church Historian

Committee Item: LC50-248-C

Petition:

21644-LC-248-D, Pg. 954

Membership: 89; Present: 77;

For: 75; Against: 2; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

192-2525

Subject: Local Church Board of Trustees—Qualifications

Committee Item: LC55-2525-C

Petition:

21597-LC-2525-D, Pg. 965

Membership: 89; Present: 79;

For: 78; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

193-244

Subject: Organization and administration of the local church

Committee Item: LC101-244-A

Petition:

20342-LC-244-D, Pg. 953

Membership: 89; Present: 79;

For: 78; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend the first paragraph ¶244: Insert **growth in** in first sentence after strengthening and and before spiritual formation.

Amend the second paragraph of ¶244:

In carrying out its primary task, it shall be organized so that adequate provision is made for these basic responsibilities: (1) planning and implementing a program of nurture, outreach, and witness for persons and families within and without the congregation, including ministries with children, youth, younger adults, adults, older adults, singles, families, church school, Christian unity, interfaith relations, social justice issues, education, evangelism, campus ministry, spiritual formation, religion and race, community, national and global missions, stewardship, worship, and communications; (2) providing for effective pastoral and lay leadership; (3) providing for financial support, physical facilities, and the local obligations of the church; (4) utilizing the appropriate relationships and resources of the district and annual conference; (5) providing for the proper creation, maintenance, and disposition of documentary record material of the local church.—See

~~¶1811.16;~~ and (6) seeking inclusiveness in all aspects of its life without regard to race, gender, age, national origin or handicapping conditions disabilities.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

194-245

Subject: Basic Organizational Plan for the Local Church

Committee Item: LC104-245-A

Petition:

20696-LC-245-D, Pg. 953

Membership: 89; Present: 79;

For: 76; Against: 3; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend Paragraph 1 of petition by adding as follows:

Each local congregation shall provide a comprehensive program of nurture, outreach, and witness, along with leadership training, and the planning and administration of the congregations organizational and temporal life, in accordance with the mission of the United Methodist Church (See Paragraphs 101-114).

Amend Paragraph 2 of petition as follows:

1. [Delete existing text.] **The Church Council and all other administrative and programmatic structures of the local church shall be amenable to the Charge Conference (see ¶247) The Church Council shall function as the executive agency of the Charge Conference.**

Amend Paragraph 3 of the petition by eliminating 245.2, as follows:

[Delete existing text.] **The pastor shall be the chief administrative officer of the local church and charge and shall be a member of the Charge Conference and an ex officio member (with vote) of all boards, councils, commissions, committees, and task forces elected or appointed in the church/charge, except as otherwise provided by the Discipline.**

Amend Paragraph 4 of the petition:

[Delete existing text.]

2. Alternative plans may be developed in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 248.2. Such alternatives include: Nurture, Outreach, and Witness Ministries; Administrative Council; or Administrative Board/Council on Ministries.

4. [Delete.]

The new Paragraph 245 would read as follows:

The basic organizational plan for the local church shall include provision for the following units: a Charge Conference, a Church Council, a Committee on Pastor-Parish Relations, a Board of Trustees, a Committee on Finance, a Committee on Nominations and Personnel, and such other elected leaders, commissions, councils, committees, and task forces as the Charge Conference may determine. Every local church shall develop a plan for organizing its administrative and programmatic responsibilities. Each local congregation shall provide a comprehensive program of nurture, outreach, and witness, along with leadership training, and the planning and administration of the congregations organizational and temporal life, in accordance with the mission of the United Methodist Church (See Paragraphs 101-114).

1. The Church Council and all other administrative and programmatic structures of the local church shall be amenable to the Charge Conference (see ¶247) The Church Council shall function as the executive agency of the Charge Conference.

2. Alternative plans may be developed in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 248.2. Such alternatives include: Nurture, Outreach, and Witness Ministries; Administrative Council; or Administrative Board/Council on Ministries.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

195-101

Subject: The Mission and Ministry of the Church

Committee Item: LC105-101-A

Petition:

20244-LC-101-2, Pg. 941

Membership: 89; Present: 80;

For: 78; Against: 2; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Create a new ¶ 101:

Amend Section I, The Mission, by:

Substituting in Paragraph 2 of the Rationale for This mission...God intends, the sentence: **This mission is our grace-filled response to the Reign of God in the world announced by Jesus.**

Inserting at the front of Paragraph 3 the sentence: **John Wesley and our other spiritual forebears understood this mission in this way.**

Substituting, in The Process, bulleted item 4: **servants of Christ for disciples**

and adding after the oppressed, the phrase: **and working to have social structures consistent with the Gospel;**

Inserting after —continue...Body of Christ, a new subhead: **The Global Nature of Our Mission**

In last paragraph:

Substitute fulfill for fulfills.

Insert after The Church and before fulfills the words: **seeks to.**

Insert after Spirit-given the word: **servant.**

I. The Mission

The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ.

Rationale for Our Mission

Jesus' words in Matthew 28:19-20 provide the Church with our mission: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you."

This mission is our grace-filled response to the Reign of God in the world announced by Jesus. God's grace is active everywhere, at all times, carrying out this purpose as revealed in the Bible. It is *expressed* in God's covenant with Abraham and Sarah, in the Exodus of Israel from Egypt, and in the ministry of the prophets. It is fully *embodied* in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is *experienced* in the ongoing creation of a new people by the Holy Spirit.

John Wesley and our other spiritual forebears understood this mission in this way. Whenever United Methodism has had a clear sense of mission, God has used our Church to save persons, heal relationships, and transform social structures, thereby changing the world. In order to be truly alive, we embrace Jesus' mandate to make disciples of all peoples.

The Process for Carrying Out Our Mission

We make disciples as we:

— proclaim the gospel, seek, welcome and gather persons into the Body of Christ;

— lead persons to commit their lives to God through Jesus Christ;

— nurture persons in Christian living through worship, baptism, communion, Bible study, prayer, and other means of grace;

— send persons into the world to live lovingly and justly as servants of Christ by healing the sick, feeding the hungry, caring for the stranger, and freeing the oppressed; and working to have social structures consistent with the Gospel; and

— continue the mission of seeking, welcoming and gathering persons into the community of the Body of Christ.

The Global Nature of Our Mission

The Church seeks to fulfill its global mission through the Spirit-given servant ministries of all Christians, both lay and clergy. Faithfulness and effectiveness demand that all ministries in the Church be shaped by the mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ.

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196-101

Subject: The Mission of the Church
Committee Item: LC106-101-C

Petition:

20241-LC-101-D, Pg. 941

Membership: 89; Present: 81;

For: 81; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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197-103

Subject: The Churches
Committee Item: LC107-103-C

Petition:

20243-LC-103-D, Pg. 942

Membership: 89; Present: 81;

For: 81; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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198-102

Subject: The Ministry of all Christians
Committee Item: LC108-102-C

Petition:

20242-LC-102-D, Pg. 942

Membership: 89; Present: 81;
For: 81; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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199-112

Subject: The Journey of a Connectional People
Committee Item: LC114-112-A
Petition:

21641-LC-112-D, Pg. 943

Membership: 89; Present: 81;

For: 81; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Change language from third person to first person.

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200-206.2

Subject: Cooperative Parish Ministries
Committee Item: LC116-206.2-A
Petition:

20901-LC-206.2-D, Pg. 944

Membership: 89; Present: 81;

For: 80; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend ¶ 206:

2. [Next to last sentence] A ~~superintendent or conference~~ director of parish development ~~may~~ shall be appointed to work with the Cabinet(s) and other appropriate agencies in the implementation of these ministries in a conference or an area. In addition, district superintendents shall submit to the director of parish development recommendations annually...

4. [Delete existing text.] Each general board and agency shall arrange for its directors and staff to be trained in cooperative ministry concepts better to provide support resources for annual conferences and local churches.

5. Bishops, district superintendents, conference staff, and other leaders shall become familiar, through training, with the benefits of cooperative ministries. They shall provide leadership and training opportunities for pastors and local church leaders as to the value of co-

operative ministries in moving toward excellence in nurture, outreach, and witness ministries. They are to explore and develop meaningful ministries to persons in congregations, communities, and the global community.

56. Cabinets shall be urged to give priority in the appointment process to appointing directors and clergy staff of cooperative parishes, especially cooperative parish ministries, who have been trained in cooperative ministry concepts and who have demonstrated effective ministries of nurture, outreach, and witness and to development and im-

plementation. The Cabinet shall develop and implement of strategies designed to enable and equip pastors presently appointed to cooperative parishes parish ministries to provide...

7. Annual conferences and cabinets are urged to assist in the development and strengthening of cooperative ministries by pursuing funding assistance from general church, annual conference, and other sources for each cooperative ministry, including cooperative parish ministries.

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201-201

Subject: **The Mission of the Church**
Committee Item: LC119-201-C
Petition:

20223-LC-201-D, Pg. 944
Membership: 89; Present: 79;
For: 79; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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202-R633

Subject: **Ratification of United Nations Covenants and Conventions by the United States**

Committee Item: CS44-R633-C
Petition:

21050-CS-R633-U, Pg. 159
Membership: 102; Present: 88;
For: 77; Against: 5; Not Voting: 6;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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203-R648

Subject: **In Support of the United Nations**

Committee Item: CS48-R648-C
Petition:

21052-CS-R648-U, Pg. 163
Membership: 102; Present: 88;
For: 82; Against: 2; Not Voting: 4;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Concurrence [] Nonconcurrence Date /

204-R561

Subject: **Peace, The United Methodist Church and**

Committee Item: CS50-R561-C
Petition:

21049-CS-R561-U, Pg. 157
Membership: 102; Present: 88;
For: 78; Against: 3; Not Voting: 7;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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205-R643

Subject: **Terrorism**

Committee Item: CS51-R643-C
Petition:

21051-CS-R643-U, Pg. 162
Membership: 102; Present: 88;
For: 87; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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206-NonDis

Subject: **Removal of reduction of U.S. military bases in Okinawa**

Committee Item: CS52-NonDis-C
Petition:

20361-CS-NonDis-O, Pg. 149
Membership: 102; Present: 88;
For: 80; Against: 5; Not Voting: 3;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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207-NonDis

Subject: **Campaign Finance Reform in the United States**

Committee Item: CS92-NonDis-C
Petition:

22889-CS-NonDis-O, Pg. 1248

Membership: 102; Present: 88;
For: 83; Against: 2; Not Voting: 3;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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208-R245

Subject: **Ecumenical Interpretations of Doctrinal Standards**

Committee Item: DI14-R245-C
Petition:

21056-DI-R245-U, Pg. 265
Membership: 112; Present: 104;
For: 101; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;
Date: 4/19

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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209-NonDis

Subject: **Report Three: Petitions Referred By The 1992 General Conference**

Committee Item: FA8-NonDis-C
Petition:

21512-FA-NonDis-O, Pg. 532
Membership: 113; Present: 98;
For: 94; Against: 3; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 4/18

The Committee recommends concurrence.

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