

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 ten votes were cast against the prevailing position; 2) it has no financial implications; 3) the proposal does not require a constitutional amendment. Any ten delegates may have a consent calendar item removed by signing the ap

Corrections to the Calendar

1156-12.1

Subject: Increase the number of GC delegates

Committee Item: CO111-12.1-C

Petition:

31612-CO-12.1-C, Pg. 161
 Membership: 89; Present: 66;
 For: 56; Against: 8; Not Voting: 2;
 Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /1181

Calendar item 1156 has financial implications and is being referred to GCFA.

954-811

Subject: Any general appeals shall be subject to the provisions of this paragraph

Committee Item: FA148-811-N

Petition:

31175-FA-811-D, Pg. 439
 Page in DCA: (re moved from 2071)
 Membership: 97; Present: 85;
 For: 85; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend Petition Numbered 31175 by revising subparagraph 7 of paragraph 811 of The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church to read:

7. No general council, board, commission, or committee receiving general Church funds shall initiate or cause to be organized without approval of the General Council on Finance and Administration a foundation, endowment fund or similar organization for the purpose of securing, conserving, or expending funds for the direct or indirect benefit or support of any general agency or any of its programs or work. Founda-

tions, endowment funds, and similar organizations related directly or indirectly to any general Church agency receiving general Church funds shall report annually to the council in a manner determined by the council.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date

1181-200-MR

Subject: UMC affirms the Jesus Christ is one and only Savior of the world, Lord of all

Committee Item: FO75-200-A

Petition:

31606-FO-200-D, Pg. 520
 Page in DCA: (re moved from 2092)
 Membership: 116; Present: 103;
 For: 57; Against: 45; Not Voting: 1;
 Date: 5/5

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend Part V, Sec. I of the BOD (pg. 114) to read:

The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by proclaiming the good news of God's grace ... the vision Scripture holds before us. The United Methodist Church affirms that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, the one and only Savior of the world, and the Lord of all.

The Church affirms and shall be obedient to the words of Jesus Christ in John 14:6(NIV): "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." ~~Although~~ We respect persons of all religious faiths, we defend the right of religious freedom, and we affirm that "There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved." (Acts 4:12, NRSV)

Minority Report

Substitute the following sentence for the entire amendment to Paragraph 200:

The United Methodist Church affirms Jesus Christ as Son of God.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1182-NonDis-MR

Subject: Jesus is the only way.

Committee Item: FO76-NonDis-A

Petition:

30665-FO-NonDis-O, Pg. 535
 Page in DCA: (re moved from 2092)
 Membership: 116; Present: 103;
 For: 58; Against: 43; Not Voting: 2;
 Date: 5/5

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend the last paragraph to read:

~~Although we~~ **We respect and seek dialogue with** persons of all religious faiths and we defend the right of religious freedom; ~~we.~~ **We** reaffirm that, "there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved." (Acts 4:12 NRSV)

Minority Report

Substitute the following for the entire resolution:

Title: **A Call to Faithful Dialogue**

The Council of Bishops has affirmed that "The decisive victory has already been won in Jesus Christ" and "We know that in Jesus Christ, all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of the cross."

We are eager to bear witness to the deeper truths we find in such words, even as we seek greater understanding of the faith of others. We respect and seek dialogue with persons of all religious faiths, and we defend the rights of religious freedom for all.

We are saddened by the frequent misunderstandings and conflicts between people of different religious traditions. We do not seek to perpetuate such trag

dies, for the God we meet in Je sus Christ is love be yond mea sure. In the spirit of Christ, we gladly af firm what ever is good and true in other faiths. We are con fi dent that that same spirit will be re ceived as good news by many who en gage se ri ously in dia logue.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1183

-65.C-MR

Subject: Re tain pro hi bi tion against same gen der service
Com mit tee Item: FO97-65.C-C
Petition:

30052-FO-65.C-D, Pg. 484
Page in DCA: (re moved from 2092)
Mem ber ship: 116; Pres ent: 106;
For: 64; Against: 37; Not Voting: 5;
Date: 5/5

The Committee recommends con cur rence.

Minority Report

Amend the last sen tence in Para graph 65.C:

Substitute the word "should" for "shall" where it ap pears.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1184-304.3

Sub ject: Re move language excluding homosu xuals
Com mit tee Item: FO80-304.3-N
Petition:

30146-FO-304.3-D, Pg. 523
Mem ber ship: 116; Pres ent: 104;
For: 64; Against: 38; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/7

The Committee recommends noncon currence.

Cal en dar Item 1184 was orig i nally report as having a minority report. There is not mi nor ity re port.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1186-65.G-MR

Com mit tee Item: FO97-65.G-N
Petition:

30108-FO-65.G-D, Pg. 497
Page in DCA: (re moved from 2092)
Mem ber ship: 116; Pres ent: 113;
For: 76; Against: 34; Not Voting: 3;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Noncon currence.

Minority Report:

Amend fifth para graph, third sen tence of 65.G:

... Al though we do not con done the prac tice of homosexuality and consider this prac tice incom patable with some Chris tian teach ing, we af firm ...

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

710-65.G

Sub ject: Strict world wide laws against sexual exploi ta tion in clud ing me dia im ages

Com mit tee Item: FO103-65.G-A
Petition:

31066-FO-65-G, Pg. 500
Page in DCA: (re moved from 2042)
Mem ber ship: 116; Pres ent: 114;
For: 112; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends con cur rence as amended as fol lows:

Amend third para graph of 65G:

We de plore all forms . . . of hu man per sonality. We call for strict **worldwide global** en force ment of laws pro hib iting the sexual exploi ta tion or use of children by adults **in clud ing im ages in all me dia and encourage efforts to hold per pe tra tors le gally and finan cially re spon sible.** We call for the establish ment . . . children thus abused. We in sist that all per sons, re gard less of age, **gender,** sex, mar i tal sta tus, or sexual **ori en ta tion, prac tices,** are en ti tled to have their human and civil rights en sured.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1190-65-MR

Com mit tee Item: FO104-65-A
Petition:

30725-FO-65-D, Pg. 1280
Page in DCA: (re moved from 2093)
Mem ber ship: 116; Pres ent: 116;
For: 53; Against: 44; Not Voting: 19;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends con cur rence as amended as fol lows:

Do not de lete the words from ¶65.C, but add the words, also, to ¶331.10

Minority Report:

Amend by substituting the word "should" for the word "shall" in both places where it ap pears.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

964-NonDis-\$

Sub ject: En tend for one qua dren nium pen sion build-up of P.R.Meth.Ch pas tors n the plan on 12/31/92

Com mit tee Item: FA168-NonDis-N\$
Petition:

31505-FA-NonDis-O, Pg. 466
Page in DCA: (re moved from 2072)
Mem ber ship: 97; Pres ent: 76;
For: 75; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends con cur rence as amended as fol lows:

Re place the lan guage con tained in Petition Numbered 31505 with the following lan guage:

Effective January 1, 2001, amend the sec ond sen tence of sec tion 3.02d. of the version of the Com pre hensive Pro tec tion Plan, which has a ef fec tive date of Jan u ary 1, 1997, to read:

How ever, the spe cial ar range ments for those Partic ipants who were en rolled in the Plan on De cember 31, 1992, shall in clude, for a pe riod of eight twelve years there af ter, the ben e fits pay able un der Sec tion 5.05.

In ad di tion, ef fec tive Jan u ary 1, 2001, amend the second sen tence of section 3.02d. Of the version of the Com pre hensive Pro tec tion Plan, which has an ef fec tive date of Jan u ary 1, 2002, to read:

How ever, the spe cial ar range ments for those Partic ipants who were en rolled in the Plan on De cember 31, 1992, shall in clude, for a pe riod of eight twelve years there af ter, the ben e fits pay able un der Sec tion 5.05.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

702-1501

Sub ject: Cal ar ifi ca tion of du ties of the GBPHB
Com mit tee Item: FA193-1501-A
Petition:

31925-FA-1501-D, Pg. 1833
Page in DCA: (re moved from 2041)
Mem ber ship: 97; Pres ent: 86;
For: 85; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends con cur rence as amended as fol lows:

As a re sult of the work per formed by the Con nectinal Pro cess Team and the re port pre pared by the Con nectinal Pro cess Team, the Gen

eral Church may experience a period of transition. During any such ...

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

978-1506.17

Subject: Plan-sponsor responsible for pension & benefit contributions if the MPP/CPP participant isn't

Committee Item:
FA200-1506.17-N

Petition:

31135-FA-1506.17-D, Pg. 449
Page in DCA: (re moved from 2073)

Membership: 97; Present: 77;

For: 77; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1200-332-MR

Subject: Move prohibition against same sex union to ministry section

Committee Item: HE159-332-A

Petition:

30049-HE-332-D, Pg. 966

Page in DCA: (re moved from 2093)

Membership: 108; Present: 102;
For: 58; Against: 38; Not Voting: 6;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows: In place of "move the last sentence..." place the words, "insert after ¶332.5 a new ¶332.6 which reads, "ceremonies that celebrate homosexual..."

Minority Report:

Insert as ¶332.6 Ceremonies that celebrate homosexual unions shall not be required of our ministers nor be conducted in our churches without the permission of the pastor in charge.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

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1221 -1506.16

Subject: Change benefit percentage for surviving spouse

Committee Item: FA75-1506.16-A

Petition:

30670-FA-1506.16-D, Pg. 448
Membership: 97; Present: 77;
For: 76; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

b) In the event of the death of such clergy person prior to the annuity starting date, the spouse shall be eligible for a benefit equal to 70 per cent (75 percent, 85 or 100 percent.....

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1222 -806.12

Subject: Retain wording denying funds to any organization that is gay but be compassionate towards HIV folk

Committee Item: FA92-806.12-C

Petition:

30121-FA-806.12-D, Pg. 436
Membership: 97; Present: 67;
For: 56; Against: 7; Not Voting: 4;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1223 -621

Subject: Each church/charge is obliged to pay full compensation as approved by the CC

Committee Item: FA175-621-C

Petition:

31273-FA-621-D, Pg. 429
Membership: 97; Present: 84;
For: 76; Against: 6; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended:

621a

Move first line of paragraph to end of paragraph

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1224 -622.4

Subject: Conf Com on Equitable Comp. may fund a deacon in full connection in a local church appt

Committee Item: FA181-622.4-C

Petition:

30784-FA-622.4-D, Pg. 429
Membership: 97; Present: 85;
For: 78; Against: 6; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1225 -622.2

Subject: Equitable compensation for clergy support

Committee Item: FA191-622.2-A

Petition:

30783-FA-622.2-D, Pg. 429
Membership: 97; Present: 85;
For: 75; Against: 7; Not Voting: 3;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend 622.2:

It is the purpose of the commission on equitable compensation to support full-time clergy serving as pastors in the charges of the annual conference by: (a) recommending compensation standards for **clergy support pastoralsupport**; (b) administering funds to be used . . .

(C) providing counsel and advisory material on clergy **pastoral support** ... pastor-parish relations. **Once the base compensation supplementation has been paid by the annual conference, the annual conference shall have no further obligation or responsibility to the pastor, the charge or any one else regarding the pastor's compensation.**

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1226 -1508.6

Subject: Replacement of Annuity Schedule Provider

Committee Item: FA201-1508.6-C

Petition:

31998-FA-1508.6-D, Pg. 2030
 Mem ber ship: 97; Pres ent: 50;
 For: 50; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1227 -821

Subject: Finance Continuing Education Events

Com mit tee Item: FA202-821-C
 Petition:

31997-FA-821-D, Pg. 2030
 Mem ber ship: 97; Pres ent: 49;
 For: 49; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1228 -66

Subject: We deplore acts of hate against anyone

Com mit tee Item: FO106-66-C
 Petition:

31662-FO-66-D, Pg. 1283
 Mem ber ship: 116; Pres ent: 104;
 For: 102; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1229 -65

Subject: Encourage all individuals to be sensitive to others in language use

Com mit tee Item: FO113-65-C
 Petition:

31629-FO-65-D, Pg. 480
 Mem ber ship: 116; Pres ent: 97;
 For: 94; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1230 -66

Subject: Abhor forced abortion or sterilization

Com mit tee Item: FO117-66-A
 Petition:

31670-FO-66-D, Pg. 1285

Mem ber ship: 116; Pres ent: 105;
 For: 104; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence as amended as fol lows:

We **op pose** abhor any policy of forced
 abortion or **forced** sterilization.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1231 -266

Subject: Add a third special Sunday without offering: Organ and Tissue Donor Sunday

Com mit tee Item: GJ82-266-A
 Petition:

30604-GJ-266-D, Pg. 709
 Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 81;
 For: 76; Against: 3; Not Voting: 2;
 Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence as amended as fol lows add Peace with
 Justice, United Meth od ist Stu dent Sunday,
 and de lete aware ness and re place with Min-
 istries for Native American Ministries
 Sunday.

Also make three church wide Sundays
 Four and add Dis abil ity Aware ness Sunday.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1232 -268

Subject: Observe "Organ and Tissue Donor Sunday" on the second Sunday in November.

Com mit tee Item: GJ84-268-C
 Petition:

30605-GJ-268-D, Pg. 713
 Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 84;
 For: 81; Against: 1; Not Voting: 2;
 Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1233 -2625

Subject: Delete 2625.1 and .2

Com mit tee Item: GJ105-2625-C
 Petition:

30798-GJ-2625-D, Pg. 743
 Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 75;
 For: 75; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1234 -200

Subject: To Study Professional Lay Ministry

Com mit tee Item: HE171-200-A
 Petition:

30170-HE-200-D, Pg. 1019
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 103;
 For: 99; Against: 4; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence as amended as fol lows:

De lete the first para graph "Whereas, the
 Gen eral con fer ence of 1996, in seek ing to
 cre ate the new or der of per manent Or dained
 Dea con, dis con tin ued the Lay Min is try of
 Diaconal Min is try; and add a new where as
 just be fore "there fore"

"Whereas we cel e brate our broth ers and
 sis ters who are pro fession ally cer tified,
 com mis sioned and/or recog nized by our
 gen eral agen cies, as well as all la ity who
 faith fully re spond to Christ's call to ser vant
 min istry.

Sub sti tute the ex ist ing "There fore" with
 a new one: "There fore let it be re solved that
 the 2000 Gen eral con fer ence in struct the
 Gen eral Board of Higher Edu ca tion and
 Min is try, work ing with the Gen eral Board
 of Dis ciple ship, seek ways of ex panding
 and rec og niz ing ex ist ing and new forms of
 pro fession al lay min istry and to more
 clearly ac knowl edge pro fes sional lay min-
 is try as a call to min is try through au then tic
 cat ing acts of rec og ni tion and cel e bra tion,
 and that they bring rec om men da tions to the
 2004 Gen eral Con fer ence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1235 -402.1

Subject: Add the word "facilitate"

Com mit tee Item: HE204-402.1-C
 Petition:

30359-HE-402.1-D, Pg. 991
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 52;
 For: 52; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1236 -403

Subject: Offices of bishop & district superintendent

Com mit tee Item: HE205-403-C
 Petition:

30767-HE-403-D, Pg. 991
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 54;

For: 54; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1237 -413

Subject: Complaints against bishops

Committee Item: HE207-413-C

Petition:

30769-HE-413-D, Pg. 995

Membership: 108; Present: 62;

For: 62; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1238 -416.6

Subject: Working with ordained, licensed, consecrated and commissioned personnel

Committee Item: HE208-416.6-C

Petition:

30770-HE-416.6-D, Pg. 999

Membership: 108; Present: 62;

For: 62; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1239 -419

Subject: Specific responsibilities of district super's

Committee Item: HE209-419-C

Petition:

30771-HE-419-D, Pg. 1000

Membership: 108; Present: 63;

For: 63; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1240 -422

Subject: Superintendents work with diverse personnel

Committee Item: HE210-422-C

Petition:

30773-HE-422-D, Pg. 1000

Membership: 108; Present: 63;

For: 63; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1241 -423.13

Subject: President of AC may affirm, modify or reverse a question or observation brought by a DS

Committee Item: HE211-423.13-C

Petition:

31208-HE-423.13-D, Pg. 1000

Membership: 108; Present: 64;

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

Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1242 -425

Subject: A district superintendent has three months for sabbatical

Committee Item: HE212-425-C

Petition:

30774-HE-425-D, Pg. 1000

Membership: 108; Present: 65;

For: 65; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1243 -433.7

Subject: Change "ordained minister" to "clergy person"

Committee Item: HE213-433.7-C

Petition:

31102-HE-433.7-D, Pg. 1003

Membership: 108; Present: 65;

For: 65; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1244 -315.5

Subject: Evangelism as alternate route requirement for candidates

Committee Item: HE216-315.5-C

Petition:

30624-HE-315.5-D, Pg. 953

Membership: 108; Present: 91;

For: 81; Against: 7; Not Voting: 3;

Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1245 -364

Subject: All clergy shall meet annually in a session to consider questions about ordination, character, etc

Committee Item: HE219-364-C

Petition:

30765-HE-364-D, Pg. 989

Membership: 108; Present: 93;

For: 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1246 -434

Subject: Lengthen pastoral appointments

Committee Item: HE221-434-A

Petition:

30031-HE-434-D, Pg. 1003

Membership: 108; Present: 65;

For: 63; Against: 1; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend 434:

Frequency—While the bishop shall report all pastoral appointments to each regular session of an annual conference, appointments to charges may be made at any time deemed advisable by the bishop and cabinet. **Appointments are made with the expectation that the length of pastoral needs of charges, communities, and pastors.** The bishop and cabinet ~~should~~ **shall** work toward longer tenure in local church appointments to facilitate a more effective ministry.

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Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1247 -633

Subject: Conference board of ordained ministry may include diaconal ministers plus other changes

Committee Item: HE224-633-A

Petition:

30788-HE-633-D, Pg. 1004
 Membership: 108; Present: 93;
 For: 91; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

See last line in first paragraph. The amended phrase "**who are elders**" is indicated in quotation marks.

Amend 633:

Conference Board of Ordained Ministry—1. Each annual conference, ~~at the first session following the General Conference,~~ shall elect for a term of four years a board of ordained ministry consisting of not fewer than six ordained elders and deacons in full connection. ~~During the 1997-2000 quadrennium, one fifth of the members of the board, in so far as possible, shall be diaconal ministers or persons who have previously served on the board of diaconal ministry.~~ Each annual conference shall elect at least one-fifth laypersons, **which may include diaconal ministers,** and may at its discretion elect further lay members, up to one third of the membership of the board. ~~Lay members shall have a vote, except on matters prohibited by ¶31, Article II, in the Constitution. An ordained minister in retired relationship may be included as a member of the board. At least one member of the board will be engaged in extension ministry and will represent to the board all other clergy so as signed.~~ The board membership shall include women and ethnic persons, **at least one ordained clergy person in the retired relationship, at least one or dained clergy person in extension ministry and a district superintendent named by the bishop to represent the cabinet. Two thirds of the members "who are elders" shall be graduates of seminaries listed by the University Senate.**

a. Members shall be nominated by the presiding bishop after consultation with the chair person of the board, the executive committee, or a committee elected by the board of the previous quadrennium, and with the cabinet. To ensure adequate board membership, consultation shall include an evaluation of the work load of the board in meeting disciplinary and annual conference responsibilities. Vacancies shall be filled by the bishop after consultation with the chair person of the board. An elected board member may serve a maximum of three consecutive four-year terms. The chairpersons of the Orders of Deacons and of Elders shall be members of the board of ordained ministry (633.1.c) and its executive committee.

a)b. This board shall be directly amenable to the annual conference, notwithstanding its organizational relationship within any other program or administrative unit of the annual conference. ~~At least two thirds of the members shall be graduates of seminaries listed by the University Senate. Members shall be nominated by the presiding bishop after consultation with the chair person of the board, the executive committee, or a committee elected by the board of the previous quadrennium, and with the cabinet. To ensure adequate board membership, consultation shall include an evaluation of the work load of the board in meeting disciplinary and annual conference responsibilities.~~ The annual conference council on finance and administration shall recommend adequate administrative funds for the board **and its staff** in light of its work load.

b) ~~It is recommended that each district be represented by a member of the board. The board may invite at least one member of the cabinet to serve as a member of the board if the cabinet is not already represented in its membership. Vacancies shall be filled by the bishop after consultation with the chair person or a committee of the board.~~

c) The board shall organize by electing from its membership a chair person, registrars, and such other officers as it may deem necessary. The board shall designate its executive committee, which shall include the chair persons of the divisions of elders, and deacons, **and laity.** The board shall organize in such manner as to care for its responsibilities, including the needs of certified persons, diaconal ministers, local pastors, deacons, and elders. **The organization of the board shall include a committee** ~~shall continue~~ to fulfill the governance responsibilities for diaconal ministers and those in process of becoming diaconal ministers, **(1992 Book of Discipline, para. 301-317 and 734) and shall provide for including** their certification, care, and continuing formation; and it shall further ensure professional certification in **specialized ministry careers** the areas of Christian education, evangelism, music, and youth ~~ministry as stipulated in ¶¶301-317 and ¶734 of the 1992 Book of Discipline~~ and under the guidelines of the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (see ¶1424). The board shall, as a part of its organization, ~~provide for a~~ **may include in its organization** a division of deacons and a division of elders.

f) The board shall select from its own membership an official representative to serve on **as a member of** each district committee on ordained ministry, ~~preferably from within said district,~~ **which shall function as sub-committees of the board.**

2. The duties of the annual conference board of ordained ministry shall be:

n) To provide support services for the ordained minister's career development, including personal and career counseling, continuing education, formation in servant leadership and continuing spiritual growth in Christ, assistance in preparation for retirement, and all matters pertaining to clergy morale. In providing such support, the board, in cooperation with the cabinet, shall give training and guidance to each local committee on pastor-parish relations regarding its work and role.

t) **To care for the administration of professional certification established by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry through (1) enlisting and recruiting clergy and laity to become certified in Christian education, music, youth, evangelism and other areas established by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry; (2) determining whether applicants meet the standards established by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry; (3) to recommend to the annual conference board and the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry; (4) to renew or discontinue professional certification bi-annually based on a review of their ministry; and (5) to report annually to the annual conference for publication in the conference journal a**

roster of all persons certified in professional careers for which they have received certification, including places of service address.

u) To administer the portion of the Ministerial Education Fund for use by the annual conference in its programs of enlistment, basic professional educational aid, continuing formation, ethnic ministry and language training, and professional growth of ordained ministers. **Priority shall be given to scholarships for seminary students preparing for ordination.**

u v) To cooperate with the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry and assist in: (1) the interpretation of current legislation concerning ordained ministry; (2) the interpretation and promotion of the Ministerial Education Fund; (3) the promotion and observance of Ministry Sunday; and (4) the supplying of a record of all information, recommendations, and action on each candidate for ordained ministry after each session of the annual conference; **(5) the promotion and addition of standards required for certification in specialized ministry careers.**

v w) To promote in the annual conference and/or jurisdictional conference a system of financial aid to ministerial students.

A conference transferring a person with less than three years of active service into another conference may require reimbursement either from the person or from the receiving conference for outstanding obligations for theological education financed through conference funds.

w) To work in cooperation with the board of diaconal ministry as long as such board is organized in the conference to enhance the total ministry of the Church.

x) To approve, train, and as sign mentors recommended by the cabinet (1346).

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1248 -333

Subject: Clarify goals of minimum equitable compensation standards

Committee Item: HE227-333-A

Petition:

31269-HE-333-D, Pg. 967
 Membership: 108; Present: 78;
 For: 71; Against: 5; Not Voting: 2;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend first sentence of 333:

To affirm the intent of strengthening strengthen the effectiveness of the connectional system, Assumption of the . . .

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1249 -532

Subject: Jur'l committee on ordained ministry to include chair of BOM, UM seminary and others

Committee Item: HE230-532-C

Petition:

30777-HE-532-D, Pg. 1003
 Membership: 108; Present: 94;
 For: 92; Against: 2; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1250 -634

Subject: Administrative review committee shall report its finding before AC takes action

Committee Item: HE231-634-C

Petition:

31164-HE-634-D, Pg. 1007
 Membership: 108; Present: 94;

For: 94; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1251 -315

Subject: Qualifications for election and consecration

Committee Item: HE235-315-A

Petition:

30737-HE-315-D, Pg. 951
 Membership: 108; Present: 97;
 For: 97; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows: <PLEASE BE SURE TO INSERT SPECIFIC AMMENDMENTS TO THE PETITION!>

On page 1 item #4 please note the following changes:

4a) a candidate for ordination as an elder shall have received a Master of Divinity or its equivalent from a school approved listed by the University Senate

4 1b received a master's degree from a graduate theological school recognized a seminary approved listed by the University Senate, or

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1252 -632.1

Subject: AC shall have a conf. bom or other structure to provide for these functions

Committee Item: HE243-632.1-C

Petition:

31229-HE-632.1-D, Pg. 1004
 Membership: 108; Present: 94;
 For: 94; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1253 -633.2

Subject: GBHEM will suggest guidelines to aid evaluation process

Committee Item: HE244-633.2-C

Petition:

30411-HE-633.2-D, Pg. 1007
 Membership: 108; Present: 93;
 For: 92; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1254 -365.1

Subject: Transitional provisions—entering ministry under which BOD

Committee Item: HE250-365.1-C

Petition:

30766-HE-365.1-D, Pg. 989
 Membership: 108; Present: 93;
 For: 90; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1255 -1902

Subject: Delete subparagraph 3

Committee Item: IC69-1902-C

Petition:

31430-IC-1902-D, Pg. 1093
 Membership: 73; Present: 69;
 For: 68; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
 Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1256 -2104.1

Subject: Additional members shall include 10 percent young adults

Committee Item: IC75-2104.1-C

Petition:

31257-IC-2104.1-D, Pg. 1094
 Membership: 73; Present: 73;
 For: 73; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1257 -1806.12

Subject: Cost of promotion of funds as set in approved promotional budget shall be charged to receipts

Committee Item: IC76-1806.12-C

Petition:

31186-IC-1806.12-D, Pg. 1093
 Membership: 73; Present: 73;

For: 73; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0; Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1258 -1704.2
Subject: Increase rep. of CC on GCAH

Com mit tee Item: IC77-1704.2-A
Pet i tion:

31579-IC-1704.2-D, Pg. 1092
Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 73;
For: 73; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows: Petition 31579 IC77.1704.2A:

In sert in Para 1704.2 line 9 “ elected by the gen eral Com mis sion en sur ing that all 3 regions

of the Central Conference are represented. It is rec om mended.....

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1259 -2404
Subject: Covenantal or conciliar relationships

Com mit tee Item: IC79-2404-A
Pet i tion:

31441-IC-2404-D, Pg. 1100
Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 69;
For: 67; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows: As amended: Add mod i fied text from p.1420

in sert 2c (on pe ti tion 31441 page. 1100) “c. The UMC shall seek ob server sta tus in the Nat’l Assn. Of Evan gel i cal. U.M. ob servers to these bod ies shall be ap pointed by the Coun cil of Bishops [IN SERT] 3c. [on 31441 p 1100]

“c. The UMC shall seek ob server sta tus in the World Evan gel i cal Fel low ship. U.M. ob servers to these bod ies shall be ap pointed by the Coun cil of Bishops.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1260 -705.5
Subject: Remove GCUMM from jurisdictional election pool

Com mit tee Item: IC84-705.5-C
Pet i tion:

30283-IC-705.5-D, Pg. 719
Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 62;

For: 61; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1; Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1261 -705.1
Subject: Remove GCUMM from jurisdictional pool process and refine language related to GCUMM election process

Com mit tee Item: IC86-705.1-C
Pet i tion:

30281-IC-705.1-D, Pg. 718
Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 59;
For: 51; Against: 3; Not Voting: 5;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1262 -262.1
Subject: Rename committee on nominations and personnel

Com mit tee Item: LC123-262.1-A
Pet i tion:

30468-LC-262.1-D, Pg. 1128
Mem ber ship: 98; Pres ent: 60;
For: 59; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend 262.1:

262.1 [De lete cur rent text.] **There shall be elected an nu ally, by the charge confer ence in each lo cal church, a com mit tee on lay lead er ship that is com posed of pro fessing full mem bers of the lo cal church. The charge of this com mit tee is to iden tify, de velop, de ploy, eval uate, and mon i tor Chris tian spir i tual lead er ship for the lo cal con gre ga tion. Mem bers of the com mit tee shall en gage in and be at ten tive to de velop ing and en hanc ing their own Chris tian spir i tual life in light of the mis sion of the Church (Part V, Chap ter One, Sec tion 1).**

In con duct ing its work, the com mit tee shall en gage in bib li cal and the olog i cal re flec tions on the mis sion of the church, the pri mary task, and min is tries of the lo cal church. It shall pro vide a means of iden tify ing the spir i tual gifts and tal ents ab ilities of the mem ber ship. The com mit tee shall work with the church coun cil, or al ter na tive ad min is tra tive bod ies, to as cer tain de ter mine the di verse min istry tasks and com mu nicate to of the con gre ga tion and the com pe ten cies skills needed

for lead er ship, in clud ing Bible study, edu ca tion and train ing ex pe ri ences, and skills in the cri te ria of the par tic u lar min is tries-

a) The com mit tee on lay lead er ship shall serve through out the year to guide the church coun cil, or al ter na tive struc ture, on mat ters re gard ing the lead er ship (other than em ploy ed staff) of the con gre ga tion so as to fo cus on mis sion and min is try as the con text for ser vice; guide the de velop ment and train ing of spir i tual lead ers; re cruit, nur ture, and sup port spir i tual lead ers; and as sist the church coun cil, or al ter na tive struc ture, in as sess ing the chang ing lead er ship needs.

cb) The com mit tee shall rec om mend to the charge confer ence, at its annual ses sion, the names of peo ple to serve as off i cers and lead ers of de signed min is tries of the church coun cil, ~~ad min is tra tive board, coun cil on min is tries, ad min is tra tive coun cil, and/or other such struc tures or al ter na tive ad min is tra tive body~~ re quired for the work of the church and as the law of the church re quires or as the charge con fer ence deems nec es sary to its work.

c b) This com mit tee is to be com posed of not more than nine per sons, in ad di tion to the pas tor and the lay leader. *At least one young adult elected by the charge confer ence shall serve as a mem ber of the com mit tee. One or more mem bers elected by the charge confer ence may be youth.* The pas tor shall be the chair per son. A lay per son elected by the com mit tee on lay lead er ship shall serve as the vice chair per son of the com mit tee.

d) In or der to se cure ex pe ri ence and sta bil ity, the mem ber ship shall be di vided into three classes, one of which shall be elected each year for a three-year term. (The lay mem ber of the an nual con fer ence is ex empt from the three-year term.) To begin the pro cess of ro ta tion where such has not been in place, in the first year, one class shall be elected for one year, one class for two years, and one class for three years. *Each year’s new class, and va can cies as they oc cur at the time of charge con fer ence, shall be elected from nomi nees, ei ther from the floor of the charge con fer ence and/or through the rec om mendation of the Com mit tee on Lay Lead er ship.* Retiring mem bers of the com mit tee shall not suc ceed them selves. Only one per son from an im me di ate fam ily *re sid ing in the same house hold* shall serve on the com mit tee. When va can cies oc cur dur ing the year, nomi nees shall be elected at by the church coun cil, or al ter na tive church struc ture, with the per mis sion of the dis trict su per in ten dent.

~~e) At least one young adult elected by the charge conference shall serve as a member of the committee. One or more members elected by the charge conference may be youth.~~

~~f) In the identification and selection process, care shall be given that the leadership of ministries reflects the inclusivity of membership and diversity, so as to deploy people reflecting a diversity of abilities and disabilities, ages, genders, cultures, races, and ethnicities, as well as economic, social and theological orientations. The committee is urged to recruit baptized children and youth for service on all committees and ministries not reserved for professing membership, in which case they may be members with voice but not vote.~~

~~g) The committee shall monitor and assess the status of the ministries of the congregation on a quarterly basis and report findings to the church council or alternative administrative body amenable to the charge conference. The report is to include recommendations for continuing, improving, or eliminating ministry activity and/or changes in leadership if warranted.~~

~~h) It is the responsibility of the committee on lay leadership, working collaboratively with the church council or alternative administrative body, to provide training and continuing learning opportunities for all officers and leaders of designated ministries.~~

[] Con cur ren ce [] Non con cur ren ce Date /

1263 -262.2

Subject: Restate PPR committee language for focus on spiritual leadership & mission of the Church

Com mit tee Item: LC150-262.2-A
Petition:

30469-LC-262.2-D, Pg. 1130

Mem ber ship: 98; Pres ent: 68;

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

Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concur ren ce as amended as fol lows:

Amend 262.2; sixth sen tence of 262e); re place text in 262.2f (1) through (4) and re num ber cur rent text ac cord ingly; add a new sub para graph at the end:

262.2 [De lete cur rent text.] **There shall be elected an nu ally by the charge con fer ence in each lo cal church a com mit tee on pastor-parish relations or staff-parish re la tions who are professing full mem bers of the lo cal church or charge or as so**

ciate members (§228), except in cases where cen tral con fer ence leg is la tion or lo cal law pro vides other wise. Peo ple serv ing on this com mit tee must be en gaged in and at ten tive to their Chris tian spiri tual de velop ment so as to give prop er lead er ship in the re spon si bil i ties with which the com mit tee is en trusted.

In con duct ing its work, the com mit tee shall iden tify and clar ify its val ues for min is try. It shall en gage in bib li cal and the o log i cal re flec tions on the mis sion of the church, the pri mary task, and min is tries of the lo cal church. The com mit tee shall re flect bib li cally and the o log i cally on the role and work of the pas tor(s) and staff as they carry out their lead er ship re spon si bil i ties.

The com mit tee shall as sist the pas tor(s) and staff in as sess ing their gifts and set ting pri or i ties for lead er ship and ser vice. It is the re spon si bil i ty of the com mit tee to com mu ni cate with com mit tee on lay lead er ship and/or the church coun cil when there is a need for other lead ers or for em ploy ed staff to per form in ar eas where uti li za tion of the gifts of the pas tor(s) and staff proves an in ap pro pri ate stew ard ship of time.

a) The com mit tee shall be com posed of not fewer than five nor more than nine per sons rep re sen ta tive of the total charge. One of the mem bers shall be a young adult and one mem ber may be a youth. In ad di tion, the lay leader and a lay mem ber of the annual con fer ence shall be mem bers. No staff mem ber or im me di ate fam ily mem ber of a pas tor or staff mem ber may serve on the com mit tee. Only one per son from an im me di ate fam ily re sid ing in the same house hold shall serve on the com mit tee.

b) In or der to se cure ex pe ri ence and sta bil i ty, the mem ber ship shall be di vided into three classes, one of which shall be elected each year for a three-year term. The lay mem ber and the lay leader of the annual con fer ence are ex empt from the three-year term. To be gin the pro cess of ro ta tion where such a pro cess has not been in place, on the first year one class shall be elected for one year, one class for two years, and one class for three years. Retiring mem bers of the com mit tee shall not suc ceed them selves. When va can cies oc cur dur ing the year, nom i nees shall be elected at the church coun cil (oral ter na tive church struc ture).

262.2e) However, the pas tor or any mem ber of the staff under con sid er a tion shall be no ti fied prior to such meet ing at which his or her ap point ment/ em ploy ment is dis cussed and be brought into con sul ta tion im me di ately there af ter.

262.2f) The du ties of the com mit tee shall in clude the fol low ing:

(1) [De lete cur rent text.] **To confer with, con sult, and coun sel the pas tor(s) and staff on the mat ters per tain ing to the ef fec tive ness of min is try; re la tionships with the con gre ga tion; con ditions that may im pede the ef fec tive ness of min is try; and to in ter pre ta tion of in ter pre t the na ture and func tion of the min is try; as the con text of ser vice;**

(2) [De lete cur rent text.] **To confer with, con sult, and coun sel the pas tor(s) and staff on mat ters per tain ing to pri or i ties in the use of gifts, skills, and time and pri or i ties for the de mands and ef fec tive ness of the mis sion and min is try of the con gre ga tion;**

(3) [De lete cur rent text.] **To pro vide eval u a tion at least an nu ally for the use of the pas tor(s) and staff in an on go ing ef fec tive min is try and for iden ti fy ing con tin u ing ed u ca tional needs and plans;**

(4) [De lete cur rent text.] **To com mu ni cate and in ter pre t to the con gre ga tion the na ture and func tion of min is try in The United Meth od ist Church re gard ing cross-racial ap point ments, ap point ments of women, open it in er a ncy, the pre pa ra tion for or dained min is try, and the Min is terial Edu ca tion Fund;**

(5) [De lete cur rent text.] **To de velop and ap prove writ ten job de scrip tions and ti tles for as so ci ate pas tors and other staff mem bers in co op er a tion with the se nior pas tor. The term as so ci ate pas tor is used as a gen eral term to in di cate any pas toral ap point ment in a lo cal church other than the pas tor in charge (see ¶ 330). Com mit tees shall be en cour aged to de velop spe cif ic ti tles for as so ci ate pas tors that re flect the job de scrip tions and ex pec ta tions.**

Add new sub para graph at end:

Members of the committee on pastor-parish relations (or staff-parish relations) shall keep them selves in formed of per son nel mat ters in re la tion ship to the Church's policy, pro fes sion al stan dards, li a bil i ty is sues, and civil law. They are re spon si ble for com mu ni cat ing and in ter pre ting such mat ters to staff. Com mit tee mem bers should make them selves avail able for ed u ca tional and train ing op por tu nities pro vided by the con fer ence, dis trict, and/or other are nas, that will en able them to be ef fec tive in their work.

[] Con cur ren ce [] Non con cur ren ce Date /

1264 -263

Subject: Clarify process of developing a local church

Committee Item: LC152-263-A
Petition:

30470-LC-263-D, Pg. 1133
Membership: 98; Present: 73;
For: 72; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend 263 and add a new subparagraph:

263.1 A new local church or mission congregation shall be established only with the consent of the bishop in charge and the cabinet and with due consideration of the conference board of global ministries' ~~programs of home missions and church extension (if any, see ¶631)~~ **entity assigned the responsibility for congregational development.** The bishop shall designate the district within whose bounds the church or mission congregation shall be organized. The district superintendent of that district, or his or her designee, shall be the agent in charge of the project and shall recommend to the district board of church location and building (p. 2518) ~~the site for the proposed new congregation method of organization, and whether a specific site shall be selected or an area of organization be designated.~~ **The district superintendent shall avail him/herself of existing demographic, lifestyle and ethnographic information in the process of establishing a new congregation, and its location, or shall recommend to the board of trustees of a selected local church that they share their facility with the proposed congregation.** If there is a city or district missionary or organization, ~~or if funds for the project are anticipated from a conference organization, that those bodies shall also be asked to approve this site, the method of organization and location for a new congregation.~~

2. [Deletere text.] **The bishop may appoint a pastor to launch a new local church, or with the bishop's approval the district superintendent may authorize a local church or group of local churches to launch a new church by gathering interested people in small groups for Bible study, outreach, community building, and worship at a site in an area approved**

by the district board of church location and building.

3. [Deletere text.] **A pastor of The United Methodist Church, while serving as the pastor of a new church prior to the convening of a constituting conference (¶263.6), may receive a person into the membership of The United Methodist Church under the conditions of ¶215. When a person is received and/or baptized into the church, the pastor shall send the name, address, and related facts to the annual conference secretary for recording on a general membership roll. These names shall be transferred as soon as possible to the roll of the new church, when constituted, or to another church upon the member's request. If the new church is being sponsored by an existing church, membership may be recorded on the roll of that church.**

4. [Deletere text.] **Each annual conference or its equivalent may determine the minimum number of members and other criteria required for the organization of a local United Methodist church.**

5. [Deletere text.] **When the number of people interested in being charter members of the new church reaches the number necessary as set by the conference to charter a new church, the district superintendent shall call the interested people to meet at an appointed time for the purpose of organizing them into a chartered (organized) local church, or may by written authorization designate an elder in the district to call such a meeting. The district superintendent or the designated elder shall preside and shall appoint a secretary to keep a record of the meeting. Following a time of worship, opportunity shall be given to those in attendance to present themselves for membership.**

6. [Deletere text.] **People desiring to become members on profession of their faith in Christ shall also be given opportunity to present themselves for membership. Any who have not been baptized shall receive the sacrament of baptism. If they profess their faith and are confirmed, they will be received as members. When the district superintendent or designated elder is satisfied as to**

the genuineness of their faith and purpose, they shall be received into the membership of the church. Other baptized people are to be entered on the roll of those who are baptized.

7. [Deletere text.] **A list shall be made of all the people received into the membership of the proposed church by transfer and on profession of faith. Those people shall be members of the constituting church conference, and each shall be entitled to vote.**

8. [Deletere text.] **The constituting church conference shall then be called to order by the district superintendent or by an elder whom the superintendent designates (see ¶248.5). A committee on nominations, elected on nominations from the floor as the conference may determine, shall nominate members of the proposed church council. The chairperson of the committee on nominations shall be the appointed pastor (see —262.1). When the members have been chosen, the district superintendent or the designated elder shall declare the church properly constituted.**

9. [Deletere text.] **The district superintendent or an elder whom the superintendent designates shall then adjourn the constituting church conference and call to order the charge conference and call to order the charge conference membership of the charge conference shall be those newly elected, and any others entitled to membership. The charge conference shall then elect such officers of the church as the *Discipline* requires, including trustees of church property, and shall organize its structure as provided in the *Discipline*. When such officers have been duly elected and such structure put in place, the church is duly organized, and from this point its work shall proceed as described in the *Discipline*, provided that when a newly organized church is attached to a circuit, the charge conference shall not be held until such time as representatives from all the churches of the charge can be properly assembled for that purpose.**

10. **The charge conference may take action, at its discretion, authorizing and directing the newly elected trustees to incorporate the newly organized church in accordance with local laws and the provisions of the *Discipline*.**

[] Concurrence [] Non concurrence Date /

1265 -NonDis**Subject: Acts of hate**

Com mit tee Item: CS82-NonDis-A

Petition:

30588-CS-NonDis-O, Pg. 80
 Mem ber ship: 120; Pres ent: 76;
 For: 65; Against: 10; Not Voting: 1;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

The world has been in un dated with acts of hate in the re cent years. Per sons from around the world have lashed out in an ger and fear, per se cut ing those whom they see as dif fer ent, such as:

In the United States: Jasper, Texas, a black man was dragged to his death be hind a truck by white driv ers; in Wy o ming; a gay stu dent was vi ciously at tacked and left to die; and **In countries such as Kosovo, Rwanda and oth ers: Geno cide and Eth nic Cleansing.** ~~In Kosovo: Geno cide; and In Rwanda: Eth nic Cleansing.~~

Thou sands of sto ries ap pear around the world in the media where persons have acted out of fear and big otry to harm oth ers emotionally, phys ically, and/or spir it u ally. Je sus said: "Love your en e mies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you." (Luke 6:27 NRSV) In stead of tak ing lives, we are called as Chris tian peo ple "to lay down our lives for one an other." (I John 3:16 NRSV) We must be will ing to walk into the houses of sin and erad i cate the sin that tears lives apart.

That is why we as United Methodists must stand in di rect op po si tion to any per son or group that would choose to harm another in di vid ual's life, lib erty, prop erty, or fam ily. We must unite around the world to make a Chris tian wit ness that acts against per sons be cause of their na tional ori gin, re li gion, gen der, age, race, or sex ual ori en ta tion will not be tol erated. We will then "Com mit our selves to be in min is try for and with all per sons" (§65G Social Prin ciples).

There fore be it re solved, that the Gen eral Con fer ence of The United Meth od ist Church re affirms its his tor ical com mit ment not to tol erate acts of hate in side or out side the church. The church shall re spond to the vic tims and the per pet rat ors of these acts with com pas sion as wit nessed in Je sus Christ. We op pose any and all acts of hate, or at tempts to make peo ple feel of less worth, fear for their well-be ing, or lose spir it ual pres ence in their lives.

Further, be it re solved that The United Meth od ist Church, with as sis tance from the

ap pro priate boards, agencies, and local churches con tinue to ed u cate:

Chris tians on faith ful re spon ses to acts of hate;

Child ren and youth on the sins of hate and big otry through Sunday School ma te ri als, United Meth od ist Youth Fel low ship re sources, and spe cial pro jects that are done in sev eral lan guages;

Sem inary stu dents and clergy on the trends of hate in the world and how the church can faith fully pre vent and re spond to acts of hate;

and edu cate all per sons in The United Meth od ist Church about the sins of ha tred and big otry that have been com mit ted in our United Meth od ist Church against our mem bers and against those with whom we seek to min is ter.

Be it fur ther re solved, that the mem bers of The United Meth od ist Church,

Be an ac tive par tic i pant in civic or re li gious or ga ni za tions that pro mote unity and di ver sity and work to erad i cate acts of hate.

Take strong non-vi o lent ac tion in op po si tion to hate groups.

Work to ful fill a min is try to those in di vid u als who would choose to be a part of hate groups and show them the com pas sion and sav ing grace of Je sus Christ.

Promote di ver sity dia logue and pro grams in all churches, an nual con fer ences, cen tral con fer ences, gen eral agen cies, cam pus min is try units, and any other place where the United Meth od ist Church has a wit ness.

En list the var i ous boards and agen cies to work to gether to cre ate a Me di a tion Team Re source Kit that fo cuses on hate me di a tion for dis tri bu tion to local churches and an nual con fer ences.

Sup port a Re stor a tive Jus tice re sponse to hate crimes, which aims at di a logue, ac count abil ity, and heal ing be tween vic tims and of fend ers rather than at add ing more pun ish ment of of fend ers if their crime was mo ti vated by hate.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1266 -NonDis**Subject: Expressing grief for acts of violence**

Com mit tee Item: CS134-NonDis-A

Petition:

31723-CS-NonDis-O, Pg. 304
 Mem ber ship: 120; Pres ent: 90;
 For: 88; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;
 Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Whereas, violence permeates our society, per pe trated by those who hurt oth ers be cause of the color of their skin, their sex ual ori en ta tion, their re li gious iden tity, or no rea son at all; and

Whereas, violence exists in **many** na tions ~~such as those that made up~~ **includ ing but not lim ited to North ern Ire land**, the former Yu go sla via, Is rael, Pa lest in ian-con trolled ter ri to ries, Iraq, Li be ria, My an mar, Pa ki stan, Af ghani stan, Su dan, West Timor, **and** the Rus sian fed er a tion and oth ers, where "eth nic cleans ing," de por ta tions, ty ran nical rul ers, re li gious in tol erance, war and civil un rest scar the lives of mil lions and have re sulted in de spi ca ble acts of mur der and geno cide; and

Whereas, The United Meth od ist Church grieves over this vi o lence;

Be it there fore re solved that The United Meth od ist Church be in min is try to our griev ing com mu nities. Our con gre ga tions shall in clude av e nues for young peo ple to share joys, con cerns, fears and as pi ra tions in a vi o lence-free en vi ron ment. Our Coun cil of Bish ops shall ex press a voice of hope for our na tion, work ing with mem bers of con gress, the pres i dent, and state gov ern ments to sup port fund ing for pro gram ming that gives youth al ter na tives to vi o lence and crim i nal ac tivity;

Be it fur ther re solved that United Meth od ist con gre ga tions, youth and cam pus min is tries and church agen cies pro mote op por tu ni ties where we may be a wit ness to a griev ing na tion, help ing to heal wounds of vi o lence in our com mu nities, wit nessed through work groups, Bi ble stud ies, com mu nity out reach, prayer and in volve ment in ec u men i cal and in ter faith groups and co ali tions;

Be it fur ther re solved that the United Meth od ist Coun cil of Bish ops and the lead ers of our pan-Meth od ist fam ily ex press a voice of hope for those who suf fer from vi o lence through out the world com mu nity, and that the bish ops act as beacons of light, work ing with the United Na tions and lead ers of na tional states to bring about more peace and jus tice in our global com mu nity;

Be it fur ther re solved that we as United Methodists and individuals within the global com mu nity seek to rec on cile the vi o lence found within our own hearts, seek for give ness for the in jus tices we our selves have com mit ted to each other, our friends and fam ily, and the larger com mu nity. Whether it be our ac tions or our thoughts, our words or our deeds, our voice or our sil ence, if we have done wrong, we seek for give ness. We pray for mercy as we seek to walk more hum bly with our God, with our

families and friends, with our communities, and with our selves;

Be it further resolved that we United Methodists express our grief for the broken covenants of the church, both in The United Methodist Church and the church universal; we define a broken covenant as being actions that we may have committed in the name of faith that have locked persons out of relationships with Jesus Christ and the church, whether it be because of differences, prejudices, or through ignorance. We seek for give-ness for acts of violence committed in the name of faith.

We accept the call of our living God as presented in Scripture, in Micah 6:8, where God's requirements are presented: "He has shown you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God." As we grieve we know that Jesus Christ calls us to rise up and to minister to a broken community that it may heal and that we may one day live in a community free from violence.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1267 -R620
Subject: In support of self determination & nonintervention

Com mit tee Item: CS145-R620-C
Peti tion: 30523-CS-R620-U, Pg. 150
Mem ber ship: 120; Pres ent: 66;
For: 61; Against: 0; Not Voting: 5;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1268 -R464
Subject: Products made with sweatshop labor

Com mit tee Item: CS146-R464-A
Peti tion: 31812-CS-R464-U, Pg. 1267
Mem ber ship: 120; Pres ent: 79;
For: 75; Against: 0; Not Voting: 4;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

31812 CS R464 U Amend "Policy and Implementation of Policy," p. 464 *Book of Resolutions* by adding a **two** new sub paragraphs after 1B1(d):

first new subparagraph after 1B1(d):

Work to assure that companies that manufacture or purchase through sub-contracting do not purchase products made with sweat shop or forced labor.

Second new subparagraph after 1B1(d)

1.B.1.(e) Manufacture, or purchase through subcontracting, a significant amount of products made with sweat-shop or forced labor.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1269 -NonDis
Subject: Develop Resources for Discussion on all Theories of Creation and Evolution

Com mit tee Item: CS147-NonDis-A
Peti tion: 31750-CS-NonDis-O, Pg. 101
Mem ber ship: 120; Pres ent: 84;
For: 68; Against: 9; Not Voting: 7;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

~~Whereas, Darwin's theory of evolution is still being published in our nation's textbooks as the au then tic and only ap proach to the ori gin of life; and~~

~~Whereas, this theory standing alone teaches that time, chance and nat u ral se lec tion ac count for all things that ex ist to the to tal ex clu sion of a cre ator God; and~~

~~Whereas, to day Dar win and his the o ries have been dis counted in the fields of bi ol ogy, ge net ics, bot any, chem is try, ge ol ogy, as tron omy, phys ics, pa le on tol ogy, ar chae ol ogy, mat he mat ics and other re lated fields; and~~

~~Whereas, each new day brings new ev i dence of the closer re la tion ship of sci en tific fact and a cre ated or der; and~~

~~Whereas, as Chris tians we must not over look the im pact of teach ing only evo lu tion to our chil dren; and~~

~~Whereas, these chil dren, our hope for the fu ture, de serve the in tel lec tual chal lenge of re view ing the sci en tific facts on both sides of the is sue, equally pre sented, so that they can make in formed de cisions based on logic, rea son and data and not on her esy, con jec ture or spec u la tion;~~

~~Therefore be it re solved that the 2000 Gen eral Con fer ence direct the Board of Church and So ciety to be ing mean ing ful con sul ta tion for the pur pose of bring ing to~~

~~our schools text books which pre sent both evo lu tion and cre ation, with all sci en tific facts avail able, in an at mo sphere of equal em phas is and in struc tion.~~

Be it re solved:

The 2000 General Conference direct the Board of Discipleship, working within its own struc ture, to de velop study ma te ri als for all lev els of the church which will bring all the the o ries of evo lu tion and cre ation to the churches in a man ner which will com pare emerg ing ar eas of com pat i bil ity and ar eas yet un re solved in a re con cil ing ap proach to the re la tion ship in volved.

[] Con cur rence [] Non con cur rence Date /

1270 -NonDis
Subject: Adopt services for the ordering of ministry in the UMC

Com mit tee Item: DI112-NonDis-A
Peti tion: 30420-DI-NonDis-O, Pg. 300
Mem ber ship: 109; Pres ent: 89;
For: 89; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Whereas, the 1996 Gen eral Con fer ence adopted changes to the or der ing of min is try that re quired ad ap ta tion of the church's of fi cial ser vices for or der ing min is try pub lished in *The United Methodist Book of Worship* (1992); and

Whereas, the General Conference re ferred the work of re vi sion to the Gen eral Board of Dis ci ple ship in con sul ta tion with the Gen eral Board of Higher Ed u ca tion and Min is try, and the Coun cil of Bish ops; and

Whereas, there con tinue to be a num ber of peo ple who began the process toward con se cra tion or or di na tion un der the pro vi sions of the 1992 *Discipline* and there are now many peo ple in the process toward com mis sion ing or or di na tion un der the pro vi sions of the 1996 *Discipline*,

We, there fore, pe ti tion the 2000 Gen eral Con fer ence to adopt *Services for the Or der ing of Min is try in The United Methodist Church*, found on pages 239 to 277 of the Ad vance Edi tion of the *Daily Chris tian Ad vocate*, Vol ume 1, Sec tion 1, with the fol low ing changes as a re source for use by the bish ops and an nual con fer ences dur ing the 2001-2004 qua dren nium:

Page 240, Col umn 2, be gin ning with line 11

As or dained min is ters,

you are to be coworkers with the laity, bishops, deacons, diaconal ministers, commissioned ministers, and elders.

~~and all of the faithful.~~

Remember that you are called to serve rather than to be served, to proclaim the faith of the Church and no other, to look after the concerns of God above all.

Page 240, Column 2, after line #40 add the following lines:

Will you do your best to pattern your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ?

I will, with the help of God.

Will you, in the exercise of your ministry,

lead the people of God

to faith in Jesus Christ,

to participate in the life and work of the community,

and to seek peace, justice, and freedom for all people?

I will, with the help of God.

Page 241, Column 1, beginning at line 12

~~The people stand and sing the ancient or di-nation hymn "O Holy Spirit, By Whose Breath." The suggested tune is HAMBURG LM. As an alternative, "Come Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire" (UMH 651) may be said or sung an or di-nation hymn or hymn~~

in praise of the Holy Spirit.

1. O Holy Spirit, by whose breath life rises vi-brant out of death;

come to create, re-new, in-spire; come, kin-dle in our hearts your fire.

2. You are the seeker's sure re-source, of burn-ing love the liv-ing source,

pro-tec-tor in the midst of strife, the giver and the Lord of life.

3. In you God's en-ergy is shown, to us your var-ied gifts made known.

Teach us to speak, teach us to hear; yours is the tongue and yours the ear.

4. Flood our dull senses with your light, in mu-tual love our hearts unite.

Your power the whole creation fills; con-firm our weak, un-cer-tain wills.

5. From in-ner strife grant us re-lief; turn na-tions to the ways of peace.

~~To fuller life your peo-ple bring that as one body we may sing:~~

~~6. Praise to the Fa-ther, Christ his Word, and to the Spirit: God the Lord;~~

~~to whom all honor, glory be both now and for eter-nity.~~

Page 242, Col-umn 1, last line

Name, take au-thor-ity as a dea-con

to pro-claim the Word of God,

and to lead God's peo-ple to serve the world,

in the name of the Fa-ther, and of the Son.

and of the Holy Spirit.

Page 243, Col-umn 2, be-gin-ning at line 28

Name, take au-thor-ity as an el-der to preach the Word of God,

and to ad-min-is-ter the Holy Sac-raments,

in the name of the Fa-ther, and of the Son.

and of the Holy Spirit.

Page 248, Col-umn 2, be-gin-ning at line 17

As con-se-crated and or-dained min-isters,

you are to be co-work-ers with the la-ity, bishops,

dea-cons, dia-conal min-isters, com-mis-sioned

min-isters, and el-ders.

and all of the faith-ful.

Page 249, Col-umn 1, af-ter line 5 add

Will you do your best to pattern your life

in ac-cord-ance with the teach-ings of Christ?

I will, with the help of God.

Will you, in the exercise of your ministry,

lead the peo-ple of God

to faith in Je-sus Christ.

to par-tic-i-pate in the life and work of the com-mu-nity.

and to seek peace, jus-tice, and free-dom for all peo-ple?

I will, with the help of God.

Page 250, Col-umn 1, be-gin-ning with line 24

Name, take a au-thor-ity as a dia-conal min-ister

to teach the Word,

to prac-tice jus-tice,

and to serve God's peo-ple, in the name of the Fa-ther, and of the Son

and of the Holy Spirit.

Page 251, Col-umn 2, be-gin-ning with line 18

Name, take au-thor-ity as a dea-con to pro-claim the Word of God, and to lead God's peo-ple to serve the world,

in the name of the Fa-ther, and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Page 252, Col-umn 2, be-gin-ning with line 47

Name, take au-thor-ity as an el-der to preach the Word of God, and to ad-min-is-ter the Holy Sac-raments,

in the name of the Fa-ther, and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Page 256, Col-umn 1, fol-low-ing line 12 add

Will you do your best to pattern your life

in ac-cord-ance with the teach-ings of Christ?

I will, with the help of God.

Will you, in the exercise of your ministry,

lead the peo-ple of God

to faith in Je-sus Christ,

to par-tic-i-pate in the life and work of the com-mu-nity.

and to seek peace, jus-tice, and free-dom for all peo-ple?

I will, with the help of God.

Page 256, Col-umn 2, be-gin-ning with line 12

~~The peo-ple stand and sing the an-cient or di-nation hymn "O Holy Spirit, By Whose Breath." The suggested tune is HAMBURG LM. As an al-ter-na-tive, "Come Holy~~

~~Ghost, Our Souls Inspire" (UMH 651) may be said or sung an or di-nation hymn or hymn in praise of the Holy Spirit.~~

1. O Holy Spirit, by whose breath life rises vi-brant out of death;

come to create, re-new, in-spire; come, kin-dle in our hearts your fire.

~~2. You are the seeker's sure resource, of burning love the living source,~~

~~protector in the midst of strife, the giver and the Lord of life.~~

~~3. In you God's energy is shown, to us your varied gifts made known.~~

~~Teach us to speak, teach us to hear; yours is the tongue and yours the ear.~~

~~4. Flood our dull senses with your light, in mutual love our hearts unite.~~

~~Your power the whole creation fills; confirm our weak, uncertain wills.~~

~~5. From inner strife grant us relief; turn nations to the ways of peace.~~

~~To fuller life your people bring that as one body we may sing:~~

~~6. Praise to the Father, Christ his Word, and to the Spirit: God the Lord, to whom all honor, glory be both now and for eternity.~~

Page 257, Column 1, beginning with line 35

Name, take authority as a deacon

to proclaim the Word of God,

and to lead God's people to serve the world,

in the name of the Father, and of the Son.

and of the Holy Spirit.

Page 257, Column 2, beginning with line 8

Name, take authority as a deacon

to proclaim the Word of God,

and to lead God's people to serve the world,

in the name of the Father, and of the Son.

and of the Holy Spirit.

Page 261, Column 1, after line 12

Will you do your best to pattern your life

in accordance with the teachings of Christ?

I will, with the help of God.

Will you, in the exercise of your ministry,

lead the people of God to faith in Jesus Christ,

to participate in the life and work of the community,

and to seek peace, justice, and freedom for all people?

I will, with the help of God.

Page 261, Column 1, beginning with line 39

The people stand and sing the ancient or di na tion hymn "O Holy Spirit, By Whose

Breath." The suggested tune is HAMBURG LM. As an alternative, "Come Holy

Ghost, Our Souls Inspire" (UMH 651) may be said or sung an or di na tion hymn or hymn.

in praise of the Holy Spirit.

1. O Holy Spirit, by whose breath life rises vi brant out of death;

~~come to create, renew, inspire; come, kin dle in our hearts your fire.~~

~~2. You are the seeker's sure resource, of burning love the living source,~~

~~protector in the midst of strife, the giver and the Lord of life.~~

~~3. In you God's energy is shown, to us your varied gifts made known.~~

~~Teach us to speak, teach us to hear; yours is the tongue and yours the ear.~~

4. Flood our dull senses with your light, in mutual love our hearts unite.

Your power the whole creation fills; confirm our weak, uncertain wills.

~~5. From inner strife grant us relief; turn nations to the ways of peace.~~

~~To fuller life your people bring that as one body we may sing:~~

~~6. Praise to the Father, Christ his Word, and to the Spirit: God the Lord,~~

~~to whom all honor, glory be both now and for eternity.~~

Page 262, Column 2, beginning with line 29

Name, take authority as an elder

to preach the Word of God, and to ad min is ter the Holy Sac ra ments,

in the name of the Fa ther, and of the Son.

and of the Holy Spirit.

Page 270, Col umn 1, last line

Gracious God, with the power of your Holy Spirit,

send Name to lead and equip your people for min is try.

May he/she be a faithful servant leader among the peo ple,

to lead the church in ser vice

to pro claim the Word of God Your Word,

and equip oth ers for min is try,

in the name of the Fa ther, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Page 274, Column 2, beginning with line 11

Strong Word of God, by whom the world was cre ated,

in whom the world is re deemed,

ble ss these your ser vants.

May these heralds bear the good news,

that your sav ing way grace may be known in ev ery place and time,

in ev ery land and to ev ery peo ple,

for your sake and for the sake of the world. Amen.

Page 275, Column 1, beginning with line 19

Almighty God, whose Word is truth,

in the keep ing of which is eter nal life:

We thank you for these per sons, whom we set aside apart in your name as lo cal pas tors.

Prepare them in body, mind, and spirit for their task,

and con tinue them in your grace,

that they may in crease and bless your church

through their la bors;

through Je sus Christ our Sav ior. Amen.

Page 275, Column 2, beginning with line 22

By God's grace we are called into ministry.

In God's strength we will go where we are sent and called.

With God's help, we will strive to be faithful, loyal servants of Christ.

Page 275, Column 2, beginning with line 37

We joyfully reaffirm our faith in Christ

and our commitment to the ministry of his church.

We will receive these persons as servants among us,

and we will support them in ~~their~~ our shared ministries.

We also petition the 2000 General Conference to direct the General Board of Discipleship to further revise these services to conform to the 2000 legislation and to present them for adoption by the 2004 General Conference.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1271 -NonDis
Subject: Ministerial Pension Plan retirement benefits
Committee Item: FA77-NonDis-A

Petition:

30253-FA-NonDis-O, Pg. 455
Mem ber ship: 97; Pres ent: 76;
For: 75; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended:

Amend by substitution to Petition Number 30253. Replace the language as follows:

Effective January 1, 2002, amend section E.02b of Supplement One to read:

On or after the Early Retirement Date, and upon application, a Participant shall receive a monthly retirement benefit equal to the sum of such Participant's Service Annuity and, if any, the Personal Contributions Annuity. **How ever, if the Participant retires on his/her Late Retirement Date, occurring on or after January 1, 2002, his/her benefit shall be actuarially adjusted to reflect the delay in retirement date. The actuarial adjustment shall be determined pursuant to procedures developed by the Administrator.** If the Participant is married at the time of retirement

and the marriage took place prior to the cessation of service rendered by the Participant while Under Episcopal Appointment, the form of the annuity shall be a life annuity with 70% (75% or 100% if elected by the applicable Conference and so set forth in the Adoption Agreement) payable to the Contingent Annuitant. The Participant shall be the primary annuitant and the spouse shall be the Contingent Annuitant. If the Participant is not married at the time of retirement or if the Participant's marriage took place after he/she ceased serving Under Episcopal Appointment, the form of the annuity shall be a single-life annuity.

1) The first payment of the monthly retirement benefit shall be due as of the first day of the month following the month in which retirement occurs or application for the pension is made, whichever is later.

2) Notwithstanding this provision, an Annual Conference may designate the date of first payment to be the first day of the month in which the retirement takes place.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1272 -NonDis
Subject: Commend and affirm commitment to rural chaplains
Committee Item:
HE214-NonDis-C
Petition:
31691-HE-NonDis-O, Pg. 1032
Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 65;
For: 65; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1273 -NonDis
Subject: Make available to clergy families spousal rights during a marital separation/divorce
Committee Item:
HE240-NonDis-A
Petition:
31722-HE-NonDis-O, Pg. 1033
Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 93;
For: 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Delete "will" and insert "be encouraged to" after Annual Conference

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1274 -NonDis
Subject: Annual conferences' responsibility in eradicating racism

Committee Item: IC56-NonDis-A
Petition:

31779-IC-NonDis-O, Pg. 1421
Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 72;
For: 71; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

Committee recommends concurrence as amended: Change to Petition 3779 IC NonDis O

Page 1422, add the following words to the last paragraph after the words Religion and Race: "or other conference

structure dealing with those responsibilities" to the General Commission on Religion and Race.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1275 -NonDis
Subject: Continue membership in COCU
Committee Item: IC57-NonDis-C
Petition:
31373-IC-NonDis-O, Pg. 95
Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 72;
For: 69; Against: 2; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1276 -NonDis
Subject: Steps toward wholeness: learning and repentance
Committee Item: IC63-NonDis-C
Petition:
30803-IC-NonDis-O, Pg. 1399
Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 71;
For: 71; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1277 -R1
Subject: Yom HaShoah: the holocaust remembered
Committee Item: IC68-R1-C
Petition:
30534-IC-R1-U, Pg. 1396
Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 70;

For: 70; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1278 -R1
Subject: Ecumenical dialogues on native spirituality
Com mit tee Item: IC81-R1-C
Petition:
30106-IC-R1-U, Pg. 45

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 56;
For: 54; Against: 1; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

Consent Calendar C05

1279 -2201.b
Subject: Provisional Annual Conference
Com mit tee Item: CC13-2201.b-R
Petition:
30199-CC-NonDis-O, Pg. 1149
Mem ber ship: 39; Pres ent: 16;
For: 16; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/1

The Com mit tee rec om mends re fer ral to the Africa Central Con fer ence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1282 -510.2
Subject: Eight-year expiration for resolutions
Com mit tee Item: CO107-510.2-N
Petition:
31518-CO-510.2-D, Pg. 172
Mem ber ship: 89; Pres ent: 78;
For: 78; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1285 -1207.2
Subject: To include at least one ethnic youth on NMYO steering committee
Com mit tee Item: DI113-1207.2-N
Petition:
30959-DI-1207.2-D, Pg. 293
Mem ber ship: 109; Pres ent: 93;
For: 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/3

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1280 -NonDis
Subject: Three new Episcopal Areas add to the Philippines
Com mit tee Item: CC14-NonDis-R
Petition:
31991-CC-NonDis-O, Pg. 1886
Mem ber ship: 39; Pres ent: 17;
For: 15; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/1

The Com mit tee rec om mends re fer ral to the Col lege of Bishops in the Phil ip pines and the Central Con fer ence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1283 -R145
Subject: Understanding living and dying
Com mit tee Item: CS148-R145-N
Petition:
31343-CS-R145-U, Pg. 112
Mem ber ship: 120; Pres ent: 74;
For: 70; Against: 0; Not Voting: 4;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1286 -NonDis
Subject: Extend a quadrennium the pension build-up of P.R. Methodist pastors participating as of 12/31/92
Com mit tee Item: FA72-NonDis-N

Petition:
31206-FA-NonDis-O\$, Pg. 460
Mem ber ship: 97; Pres ent: 75;
For: 71; Against: 1; Not Voting: 3;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1281 -2201.1
Subject: Provisional Annual Conference
Com mit tee Item: CC15-2201.1-R
Petition:
31974-CC-2201.1-D, Pg. 1886
Mem ber ship: 39; Pres ent: 17;
For: 16; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/1

The Com mit tee rec om mends re fer ral to the Africa Central Con fer ence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1284 -NonDis
Subject: UMC endorse Am.Health Security Act of 1995 to allow freedom to choose health care provider
Com mit tee Item:
CS149-NonDis-N
Petition:
30481-CS-NonDis-O, Pg. 868
Mem ber ship: 120; Pres ent: 75;
For: 74; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1287 -806
Subject: Regarding funding for abortion rights groups
Com mit tee Item: FA130-806-N
Petition:
31871-FA-806-D, Pg. 1295
Mem ber ship: 97; Pres ent: 61;
For: 54; Against: 6; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1288 -NonDis

Subject: Give institutions and agencies of UMC freedom to pursue creative "self-funding" ventures

Committee Item:
FA190-NonDis-N

Petition:

31835-FA-NonDis-O, Pg. 1329
Member ship: 97; Present: 88;
For: 81; Against: 6; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con currence Non con cur rence Date /

1289 -825

Subject: Jurisdictional episcopal budget distributed to each A.C. and each A.C. apportion to each church

Com mit tee Item: FA197-825-N

Petition:

30060-FA-825-D\$, Pg. 724
Member ship: 97; Present: 71;
For: 71; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con currence Non con cur rence Date /

1290 -66

Subject: We abhor all violence esp. that inflicted on folks because of ethnic, religious, sexual/gender diff.

Com mit tee Item: FO105-66-N

Petition:

30225-FO-66-D, Pg. 506
Member ship: 116; Present: 104;
For: 102; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con currence Non con cur rence Date /

1291 -65.D

Subject: Remarriage while ex-spouse is living is incompatible w/Christian teaching

Com mit tee Item: FO110-65.D-N

Petition:

31057-FO-65.D-D, Pg. 492

Mem ber ship: 116; Pres ent: 105;
For: 96; Against: 4; Not Voting: 5;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1292 -65.C

Subject: Ceremonies that marry divorced person to another while ex-spouse alive are forbidden in UMC

Com mit tee Item: FO111-65.C-N

Petition:

31058-FO-65.C-D, Pg. 492
Member ship: 116; Present: 106;
For: 100; Against: 4; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1293 -NonDis

Subject: Opposition to dilation and extraction aka partial birth abortion

Committee Item:

FO114-NonDis-N

Petitions:

30114-FO-NonDis-O, Pg. 528;
30127-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 487;
31082-FO-NonDis-O, Pg. 544;
31984-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 1888;
31985-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 1889
Member ship: 116; Present: 110;
For: 109; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1294 -65.J

Subject: Adoption instead of abortion for unwanted pregnancies

Com mit tee Item: FO116-65.J-N

Petition:

30102-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 487
Member ship: 116; Present: 106;
For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1295 -65.J

Subject: Limit conditions for abortion

Com mit tee Item: FO118-65.J-N

Petitions:

30008-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 501;
30021-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 486;
30201-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 501;
30204-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 489;
30241-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 490;
30270-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 1280;
30287-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 501;
30615-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 491;
31059-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 492;
31076-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 502;
31077-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 502;
31078-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 503;
31079-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 505;
31080-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 503;
31081-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 1826;
31083-FO-NonDis-O, Pg. 1826;
31088-FO-66-D, Pg. 507;
31092-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 503;
31355-FO-NonDis-O, Pg. 546;
31359-FO-R126-U, Pg. 557;
31390-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 503;
31656-FO-65-D, Pg. 485;
31657-FO-65-D, Pg. 485;
31658-FO-65-D, Pg. 485;
31659-FO-65-D, Pg. 486;
31660-FO-65-D, Pg. 486;
31680-FO-68-D, Pg. 515;
31701-FO-R126.U-5, Pg. 557;
31735-FO-NonDis-O\$, Pg. 100;
31836-FO-NonDis-O, Pg. 1291;
31959-FO-65-D, Pg. 1658;
31992-FO-65-D, Pg. 1888
Member ship: 116; Present: 106;
For: 105; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1296 -NonDis

Subject: Support the Book of Discipline

Committee Item:

GJ103-NonDis-N

Petition:

30266-GJ-NonDis-O, Pg. 774
Member ship: 92; Present: 80;
For: 68; Against: 10; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1297 -2627**Subject: Trial procedures—fundamental principles for trials**

Com mit tee Item: GJ110-2627-N
Petitions:

30118-GJ-2627.1-D, Pg. 765;
30393-GJ-2627.1-D, Pg. 766;
30394-GJ-2627.1-D, Pg. 766;
30395-GJ-2627.3-D, Pg. 767;
30396-GJ-2627.4-D, Pg. 767;
30397-GJ-2627.4-D, Pg. 767;
30398-GJ-2627.4-D, Pg. 1751;
30718-GJ-2627-D, Pg. 753;
30874-GJ-2627-D, Pg. 766;
30984-GJ-2627.1-D, Pg. 766;
30985-GJ-2627.2-D, Pg. 765;
30986-GJ-2627.1-D, Pg. 766;
30987-GJ-2627.3-D, Pg. 767;
31715-GJ-2627.1-D, Pg. 765;
31858-GJ-2627.3-D, Pg. 1338;
31860-GJ-2627.1-D, Pg. 1338

Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 69;
For: 69; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1298 -2626**Subject: Procedures for referral and investigation of a judicial complaint**

Com mit tee Item: GJ111-2626-N
Petitions:

30389-GJ-2626.3-D, Pg. 753;
30464-GJ-2626.3-D, Pg. 752;
30678-GJ-2626.1-D, Pg. 752;
30719-GJ-2626-D, Pg. 743;
30873-GJ-2626.2-D, Pg. 752;
30981-GJ-2626-D, Pg. 751;
30982-GJ-2626-D, Pg. 751;
30983-GJ-2626.3-D, Pg. 753;
31029-GJ-2626.3-D, Pg. 752;
31603-GJ-2626-D, Pg. 752;
31856-GJ-2626.3-D, Pg. 1338;
31857-GJ-2626.6-D, Pg. 1338

Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 69;
For: 69; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1299 -2625**Subject: Charges—statute of limitations, time of offense, form of charge, amendments to bill of charges**

Com mit tee Item: GJ112-2625-N
Petitions:

30720-GJ-2625-D, Pg. 743;
31855-GJ-2625-D, Pg. 1338
Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 69;
For: 69; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1300 -2624**Subject: Chargeable offenses and the statute of limitations**

Com mit tee Item: GJ113-2624-N
Petitions:

30013-GJ-2624.1-D, Pg. 741;
30642-GJ-2624.1-D, Pg. 743;
30655-GJ-2624.1-D, Pg. 740;
30721-GJ-2624-D, Pg. 740;
30731-GJ-2624-D, Pg. 741;
30797-GJ-2624-D, Pg. 741;
30980-GJ-2624.1-D, Pg. 743;
31600-GJ-2624-D, Pg. 741;
31602-GJ-2624.1-D, Pg. 742;
31854-GJ-2624-D, Pg. 1337;
31939-GJ-2624.4-D, Pg. 1658

Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 69;
For: 69; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1301 -2623**Subject: The judicial process terminates at the end of any appeal or right of appeal**

Com mit tee Item: GJ114-2623-N
Petitions:

30722-GJ-2623-D, Pg. 735;
30796-GJ-2623-D, Pg. 736;
31601-GJ-2623-D, Pg. 739;
31853-GJ-2623-D, Pg. 1338

Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 63;
For: 63; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1302 -4**Subject: Make constitution consistent with theology in the baptism of young children**

Com mit tee Item: GJ115-4-N
Petitions:

30111-GJ-4-C, Pg. 707;
30177-GJ-4-C, Pg. 705;
30200-GJ-4-C, Pg. 1816;
30212-GJ-4-C, Pg. 773;
30300-GJ-4-C, Pg. 705;
30807-GJ-4-C, Pg. 706;
31040-GJ-4-C, Pg. 706;
31042-GJ-4-C, Pg. 706;
31607-GJ-4-C, Pg. 707;
31608-GJ-4-C, Pg. 707;
31609-GJ-4-C, Pg. 707;
31795-GJ-4-C, Pg. 1333

Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 62;
For: 59; Against: 1; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1303 -4**Subject: UMC seek to eliminate racism in every facet of its life and society at large**

Com mit tee Item: GJ116-4-N
Petition:

30727-GJ-4-C, Pg. 706

Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 61;
For: 61; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1304 -266-\$**Subject: Laity Day Offering**

Com mit tee Item: GJ120-266-N\$
Petition:

31971-GJ-266-D\$, Pg. 1892

Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 58;
For: 55; Against: 1; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1305 -NonDis**Subject: Justice denied in Vieques, Puerto Rico**

Committee Item:
GM80-NonDis-N

Petition:

30532-GM-NonDis-O, Pg. 60
Membership: 113; Present: 75;
For: 75; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con currence Non con cur rence Date /

1306 -NonDis

**Subject: Ending Puerto Rico's
colonial status**

Committee Item:
GM81-NonDis-N

Petition:

30529-GM-NonDis-O, Pg. 52
Membership: 113; Present: 75;
For: 71; Against: 0; Not Voting: 4;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con currence Non con cur rence Date /

1307 -351.1

**Subject: Clergy on involuntary
leave won't be eligible for any
agency membership**

Com mit tee Item: HE165-351.1-N
Petition:

30574-HE-351.1-D, Pg. 952
Membership: 108; Present: 103;
For: 100; Against: 3; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con currence Non con cur rence Date /

1308 -412

**Subject: Nonre-elected
C.C.bishops return to original
A.C. as traveling elders**

Com mit tee Item: HE206-412-N
Petition:

30054-HE-412-D, Pg. 993
Membership: 108; Present: 62;
For: 62; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con currence Non con cur rence Date /

1309 -NonDis

**Subject: Bishops give dinner for
explaining opportunity for
pastors to work with civic youth
leaders**

Committee Item:
HE217-NonDis-N

Petition:

31839-HE-NonDis-O, Pg. 1374
Membership: 108; Present: 91;
For: 91; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con currence Non con cur rence Date /

1310 -NonDis

**Subject: Simplifying complaint
process**

Committee Item:
HE218-NonDis-N

Petition:

31819-HE-NonDis-O, Pg. 1371
Membership: 108; Present: 93;
For: 93; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con currence Non con cur rence Date /

1311 -331.1

**Subject: Homosexual unions
may be performed by consenting
pastors when 2/3 of charge conf.
vote to permit it**

Com mit tee Item: HE222-331.1-N
Petition:

30907-HE-331.1-D, Pg. 1826
Membership: 108; Present: 92;
For: 86; Against: 6; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con currence Non con cur rence Date /

1312 -331.1

**Subject: UM clergy are
forbidden to conduct same-sex
unions**

Com mit tee Item: HE226-331.1-N
Petition:

30168-HE-331.1-D, Pg. 965
Membership: 108; Present: 92;
For: 90; Against: 0; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1313 -1407.2

**Subject: CC board members of
GBHEM be elected by Comm.
on Conf. Affairs**

Committee Item:
HE228-1407.2-N

Petition:

31575-HE-1407.2-D, Pg. 1010
Membership: 108; Present: 95;
For: 90; Against: 1; Not Voting: 4;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1314 -1426.2

**Subject: Course of Study shall
be done under the direction of a
Regional or Extension Course of
Study School**

Committee Item:
HE233-1426.2-N

Petition:

30964-HE-1426.2-D, Pg. 1015
Membership: 108; Present: 95;
For: 94; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1315 -659

**Subject: DCOM member to be
present at candidates interview
by PPR or SPRC**

Com mit tee Item: HE234-659-N
Petition:

31109-HE-659-D, Pg. 1008
Membership: 108; Present: 94;
For: 94; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1316 -1426

**Subject: GBHEM section of
elders shall encourage diversity
to include charismatics and
evangelicals**

Com mit tee Item: HE236-1426-N
Petition:

31022-HE-1426-D, Pg. 1015
Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 95;
For: 95; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1317 -659

**Subject: District com. on ord.
min. include 6 clergy and at
least one local pastor or assoc.
member**

Com mit tee Item: HE237-659-N
Petition:

31108-HE-659-D, Pg. 1008
Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 97;
For: 88; Against: 8; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1318 -633.2

**Subject: Candidates for
ordained ministry must
subscribe to UM doctrine**

Com mit tee Item: HE239-633.2-N
Petition:

30229-HE-633.2-D, Pg. 1007
Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 95;
For: 89; Against: 3; Not Voting: 3;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1319 -562

**Subject: Add GBHEM as
additional caretaker for mission
work**

Com mit tee Item: HE241-562-N
Petition:

30940-HE-562-D, Pg. 173
Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 97;
For: 97; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1320 -315

**Subject: Reinstate transitional
diaconate**

Com mit tee Item: HE242-315-N
Petitions:

30999-HE-315-D, Pg. 1027;
31462-HE-317.2-D, Pg. 956;
31864-HE-1409.1-D, Pg. 1369;
31865-HE-1418.3-D, Pg. 1369;
31866-HE-1426-D, Pg. 1369;
31867-HE-1426-D, Pg. 1369;
31973-HE-2626.2-D, Pg. 1892

Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 97;
For: 96; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1321 -315.9

**Subject: Include question about
five Wesleyan theological
concepts and evangelical
doctrines**

Com mit tee Item: HE245-315.9-N
Petition:

31460-HE-315.9-D, Pg. 954
Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 93;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1322 -364.1

**Subject: Remove part-timers as
part of annual conference**

Com mit tee Item: HE247-364.1-N
Petition:

31032-HE-364.1-D, Pg. 989
Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 93;
For: 92; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1323 -358.2

**Subject: Complainant shall have
the right to be heard by BOM
before action is taken**

Com mit tee Item: HE251-358.2-N
Petitions:

30116-HE-358.1-D, Pg. 988;
30304-HE-358.1-D, Pg. 986;

30669-HE-358.2-D, Pg. 985;
30921-HE-358.1-D, Pg. 987;
30922-HE-358.1-D, Pg. 987;
30923-HE-358.2-D, Pg. 988;
30924-HE-358.3-D, Pg. 987;
30925-HE-358.1-D, Pg. 988;
30926-HE-358-D, Pg. 986;
31489-HE-358.1-D, Pg. 987;
31905-HE-358-D, Pg. 1364;
31906-HE-358.1-D, Pg. 1364;
31907-HE-358.2-D, Pg. 1364;
31908-HE-358-D, Pg. 1365;
31909-HE-358.3-D, Pg. 1367;
31910-HE-358.3-D, Pg. 1367

Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 96;
For: 96; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1324 -355.6

**Subject: Retired clergy working
in general agency may be
appointed to it**

Com mit tee Item: HE252-355.6-N
Petitions:

31485-HE-355.6-D, Pg. 983;
31486-HE-355.6-D, Pg. 983
Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 92;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1325 -355

**Subject: Inactive retired
relationship to A.C.**

Com mit tee Item: HE253-355-N
Petition:

31005-HE-355-D, Pg. 981
Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 92;
For: 91; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1326 -355.5

**Subject: Retired pastors report
to charge conf. shall become a
permanent record**

Com mit tee Item: HE254-355.5-N
Petition:

30918-HE-355.5-D, Pg. 980

Membership: 108; Present: 92;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur Non con cur Date /

1327 -355

**Subject: Provide a right of
appeal from involuntary
retirement or administrative
location**

Committee Item: HE255-355-N
Petitions:

30051-HE-355.7-D, Pg. 983;
30251-HE-355.2-D, Pg. 983;
30252-HE-355.2-D, Pg. 984;
31484-HE-355-D, Pg. 982

Membership: 108; Present: 91;
For: 91; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur Non con cur Date /

1328 -355.1

**Subject: Clergy age 70 may be
appointed conditionally**

Committee Item: HE258-355.1-N
Petitions:

30029-HE-355.1-D, Pg. 981;
30053-HE-355.1-D, Pg. 1375;
30294-HE-355.1-D, Pg. 982;
30759-HE-355.1-D, Pg. 982;
30919-HE-355.1-D, Pg. 982;
31482-HE-355.1-D, Pg. 982;
31483-HE-355.1-D, Pg. 982;
31970-HE-355.1-D, Pg. 1891

Membership: 108; Present: 95;
For: 91; Against: 4; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur Non con cur Date /

1329 -NonDis

**Subject: Set up study team to
examine the elimination of
mandatory retirement age**

Committee Item:
HE260-NonDis-N

Petition:

30184-HE-NonDis-O, Pg. 1020

Membership: 108; Present: 95;
For: 91; Against: 4; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur Non con cur Date /

1330 -355.2

**Subject: Delete entire
paragraph 355.2a**

Committee Item: HE261-355.2-N
Petition:

30250-HE-355.2-D, Pg. 983

Membership: 108; Present: 92;
For: 92; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur Non con cur Date /

1331 -355.6

**Subject: Retired clergy may be
appointed but with no claim on
the annual conference**

Committee Item: HE262-355.6-N
Petition:

30030-HE-355.6-D, Pg. 983

Membership: 108; Present: 92;
For: 89; Against: 1; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur Non con cur Date /

1332 -0

**Subject: Have no mandatory
retirement age listed in Book of
Discipline**

Committee Item: HE263-0-N
Petition:

30726-HE-0-D, Pg. 1026

Membership: 108; Present: 95;
For: 91; Against: 4; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur Non con cur Date /

1333 -R347

Subject: Pan Methodist unity
Committee Item: IC58-R347-N

Petition:

30539-IC-R347-U, Pg. 1397

Membership: 73; Present: 73;
For: 73; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur Non con cur Date /

1334 -2402.3

**Subject: Continue membership
in WCC and pay our fair share
financially as per 2402.3**

Committee Item: IC59-2402.3-N
Petition:

31590-IC-2402.3-D, Pg. 1420

Membership: 73; Present: 71;
For: 70; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur Non con cur Date /

1335 -2402.1

**Subject: Continue UMC
membership in COCU per
2402.1**

Committee Item: IC60-2402.1-N
Petition:

31588-IC-2402.1-D, Pg. 1420

Membership: 73; Present: 72;
For: 72; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur Non con cur Date /

1336 -R220

**Subject: In support of
continuing membership in the
Consultation on Church Union**

Committee Item: IC61-R220-N
Petition:

30536-IC-R220-U, Pg. 1664

Membership: 73; Present: 73;
For: 73; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur Non con cur Date /

1337 -NonDis

**Subject: Re-evaluate UMC
support of COCU**

Committee Item: IC62-NonDis-N
Petition:

30259-IC-NonDis-O, Pg. 49

Membership: 73; Present: 73;
For: 71; Against: 2; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1338 -NonDis

Subject: UMC withdraw from National Council of Churches by 12/31/00

Com mit tee Item: IC64-NonDis-N Petition:

30680-IC-NonDis-O, Pg. 86

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 72;
For: 69; Against: 3; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1339 -2402.2

Subject: Continue membership in NCCC and support it w/money as per 2402.2

Com mit tee Item: IC65-2402.2-N Petition:

31589-IC-2402.2-D, Pg. 1420

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 72;
For: 72; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1340 -2402

Subject: Responsible relations with the National Council of Churches

Com mit tee Item: IC66-2402-N Petition:

30969-IC-2402-D, Pg. 1099

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 72;
For: 68; Against: 1; Not Voting: 3;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1341 -2402

Subject: Financial support of ecumenical organizations

Com mit tee Item: IC70-2402-N Petition:

31442-IC-2402-D, Pg. 1099

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 70;

For: 69; Against: 0; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1342 -1902

Subject: Commission may appoint task force and committees as it deems necessary

Com mit tee Item: IC71-1902-N Petition:

31429-IC-1902-D, Pg. 1093

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 68;
For: 65; Against: 0; Not Voting: 3;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1343 -2400

Subject: Covenantal or conciliar relationships

Com mit tee Item: IC72-2400-N Petition:

30833-IC-2400-D, Pg. 1419

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 73;
For: 72; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1344 -2008.7

Subject: Change name of Minority Group Self-Determination Fund

Com mit tee Item: IC74-2008.7-N Petition:

31580-IC-2008.7-D, Pg. 1094

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 73;
For: 73; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1345 -NonDis

Subject: Embracing the gift of the historic episcopate

Com mit tee Item: IC78-NonDis-N Petition:

31770-IC-NonDis-O, Pg. 1421

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 73;
For: 67; Against: 1; Not Voting: 5;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1346 -2400

Subject: UMC become an observer in National Assoc. of Evangelicals and World Evangelical Fellowship

Com mit tee Item: IC80-2400-N Petition:

30971-IC-2400-D, Pg. 1420

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 49;
For: 49; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1347 -NonDis

Subject: UMC leave COCU

Com mit tee Item: IC82-NonDis-N Petition:

31754-IC-NonDis-O, Pg. 1644

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 56;
For: 54; Against: 1; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1348 -NonDis

Subject: Support UMM's position supporting Boy Scout policy excluding homosexuals

Com mit tee Item: IC83-NonDis-N Petition:

31760-IC-NonDis-O, Pg. 306

Mem ber ship: 73; Pres ent: 58;
For: 52; Against: 1; Not Voting: 5;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Non concurrence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1349 -263.1

Subject: Adjust the method of organizing a new local church

Com mit tee Item: LC151-263.1-N Petition:

31440-LC-263.1-D, Pg. 1134

Membership: 98; Present: 70;
For: 70; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Concur re nce Non con cur re nce Date /

1350 -NonDis
**Subject: Every church set up a
church media library ministry**
Committee Item:
LC153-NonDis-N
Petition:
31848-LC-NonDis-O, Pg. 1428

Membership: 98; Present: 19;
For: 19; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur re nce Non con cur re nce Date /

Calendar Items

1351 -NonDis-!
**Subject: Establish an
Evangelical Missionary
Conference in Western
Jurisdiction**

Committee Item:
CO104-NonDis-N!

Petition:
31279-CO-NonDis-O!, Pg. 1341

Membership: 89; Present: 80;
For: 47; Against: 28; Not Voting: 5;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Noncon-
currence.

Con cur re nce Non con cur re nce Date /

1352 -510.2
**Subject: Resolution life shall be
eight years rather than twelve**
Com mit tee Item: CO108-510.2-C
Petition:

30939-CO-510.2-D, Pg. 172
Membership: 89; Present: 78;
For: 55; Against: 18; Not Voting: 5;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concur-
rence.

Con cur re nce Non con cur re nce Date /

1353 -NonDis
**Subject: GBCS and Women's
Division alert constuencies re
crisis in reproductive and
end-of-life health care**
Com mit tee Item: CS96-NonDis-C
Petition:

31756-CS-NonDis-O, Pg. 101
Membership: 120; Present: 84;
For: 62; Against: 20; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concur-
rence.

Con cur re nce Non con cur re nce Date /

1354 -NonDis
**Subject: The prison industrial
complex and privatization of
prisons**

Committee Item:
CS109-NonDis-C

Petition:
30589-CS-NonDis-O, Pg. 81
Membership: 120; Present: 77;
For: 45; Against: 21; Not Voting:
11;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends concur-
rence.

Con cur re nce Non con cur re nce Date /

1355 -614-\$
**Subject: Apportionment
Formula**
Com mit tee Item: FA23-614-A\$
Petition:
30707-FA-614-D, Pg. 344
Membership: 97; Present: 90;
For: 76; Against: 13; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/5

The Committee recommends concur-
rence as amended as follows:

The term "old for mula" in the tran si tion
pro cess re fers to the for mula ap proved by
the 1996 Gen eral Con fer ence for cal cu lat-
ing, **subject, however to the following
changes to GCFA Re port #16. In the def-
inition E, subtract from total local ex-
penses (1) amount spent on debt ser vice
from capital expenditures and (2) all
other benevolent giving.**

Con cur re nce Non con cur re nce Date /

1356 -NonDis-MR\$
**Subject: Connectional Ministry
Funding Patterns Task Force**

Committee Item:
FA24-NonDis-A\$

Petition:
30715-FA-NonDis-O\$, Pg. 364
Membership: 97; Present: 90;
For: 76; Against: 13; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/5

The Committee recommends concur-
rence as amended as follows:

Pg. 374 1.a. "Net Ex pen di tures" (E) con-
sists of the to tal lo cal church ex pen di tures
in the annual conference less (1) current
capital ex pen di tures, (2) **ex pen di tures on
cap i tal debt ser vice**, (3) pay ments to ward
gen eral church ap por tion ments, and (4) **all
other benevolence giving**. The net ex pen-
di tures will be cal cu lated with the most re-
cent year for which complete data are
avail able. All the com po nents are cur rently
re ported through lo cal church sta tis ti cal re-
ports.

Minority Report:

Con curs with the Pe ti tion ex cept that we
pro pose it be amended to de lete Para graph
VII-B-3

Titled "**World Ser vice And Confer ence
Benevolences.**"

Con cur re nce Non con cur re nce Date /

1357 -821.1-MR\$
**Subject: Fifty percent of MEF
monies retained by A.C. and
fifty percent remitted to GCFA**
Com mit tee Item: FA28-821.1-N\$
Petition:

30110-FA-821.1-D\$, Pg. 445
Membership: 97; Present: 88;
For: 87; Against: 1; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends Non concurrence - Minority Report submitted:

The Minority Report asks for concurrence with Petition #30110 by amending as follows:

a) In ¶ 821.1 ...Ministerial Education Fund, ~~25~~ **40** per cent shall...

B) In ¶ 821.2 ...Ministerial Education Fund, ~~75~~ **60** per cent shall...

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1358 -NonDis-\$
Subject: Sundays with general church offerings
Committee Item:

FA29-NonDis-C\$

Petition:

30708-FA-NonDis-O\$, Pg. 345
Member ship: 97; Present: 76;
For: 39; Against: 34; Not Voting: 3;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends concurrence with a Minority Report submitted as follows.

Keep ¶ 816 in its present form, except for the following changes:

1. Human Relations Day - a Human Relations Day ~~shall~~ **should** be observed...

3. United Methodist Student Day - The United Methodist Student Day Offering, taken each year, preferably on the last Sunday in November, shall **should** be received...

5. Peace with Justice Sunday - Peace with Justice Sunday shall **should** be observed...

Rationale:

This would give local churches the opportunity to receive these offerings, without making them mandatory. This also preserves one of the best opportunities to allow choice in the benevolences we support.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1359 -818-\$
Subject: Interdenominational Cooperation Fund
Committee Item: FA30-818-A\$

Petition:

31178-FA-818-D, Pg. 443
Member ship: 97; Present: 73;
For: 73; Against: 0; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend 818:

~~2.4~~ The General Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns, in consultation with the Council of Bishops, shall recommend to the General Council on Finance and Administration the amounts of the several annual allocations from the Interdenominational Cooperation Fund budget amount of the annual ~~interdenominational Cooperation Fund allocation to each of the recipients of the fund;~~ **The General Council Financial Administration** shall recommend to the General Conference the amounts to be included in the annual Interdenominational Cooperation Fund budget.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1360 -NonDis-\$
Subject: Africa University Fund

Committee Item:

FA35-NonDis-C\$

Petition:

30703-FA-NonDis-O\$, Pg. 333
Member ship: 97; Present: 65;
For: 32; Against: 28; Not Voting: 5;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends concurrence - Minority Report submitted:

We move that the 2001-2004 quadrennial goal for the Africa University Fund be increased to \$20,000,000.00. The increased apportionment will:

1. Implement a new faculty of Health Sciences \$2 million

2. Place in new library a state-of-the-art learning program and communication center. Also, establish satellite campuses. \$2 million.

3. A new major academic facility \$2 million.

4. Day-to-day operational funding \$4 million

We further request that \$20,000,000.00 also be budgeted for the 2005-2009 quadrennium to support the operations and development of Africa University.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1361 -NonDis-MR\$
Subject: World Service Fund

Committee Item:

FA38-NonDis-C\$

Petition:

30700-FA-NonDis-O\$, Pg. 326
Member ship: 97; Present: 88;
For: 56; Against: 30; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends concurrence - Minority Report submitted.

Minority Report From Financial Administration

We propose the following amendment to the original GCFA World Service Budget Report:

"In the World Service Fund Budget (ADCA page 329), increase the line item allotted to Innovative and Emerging Ministries by **\$10 million** to a total of **\$26,330,000** by directing the Council on Finance and Administration to reallocate, at their discretion, the amounts allotted to other line items, thus producing the same bottom line total.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1362 -806.12-MR
Subject: Continue study and dialogue about homosexuality
Committee Item: FA63-806.12-N

Petition:
31547-FA-806.12-D, Pg. 437
Member ship: 97; Present: 81;
For: 56; Against: 24; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends Non concurrence - Minority Report submitted:

Add new text at the end of the last sentence of 806.12:

This restriction shall not limit the Church's ministry in response to the HIV epidemic, **nor limit the Church's support of events for its members which would provide for the sharing of diverse perspectives in our denomination.**

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1363 -NonDis-!
Subject: Shared financial support for the Native American Center

Committee Item:

FA78-NonDis-C!

Petition:

31301-FA-NonDis-O\$, Pg. 461
Member ship: 97; Present: 78;
For: 52; Against: 17; Not Voting: 9;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Non concurrence Date /

1364 -NonDis-\$**Subject: Amendment & restatement of the CPP**

Committee Item:
FA91-NonDis-C\$

Petition:

31305-FA-NonDis-O, Pg. 1299
Member ship: 97; Present: 80;
For: 73; Against: 1; Not Voting: 6;
Date: 5/6

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Nonconcurrency Date /

1365 -823-\$**Subject: Episcopal Fund dispensed from the date of the bishop's consecration**

Committee Item: FA93-823-C\$

Petition:

30958-FA-823-D, Pg. 446
Member ship: 97; Present: 65;
For: 36; Against: 28; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Nonconcurrency Date /

1366 -249.13**Subject: Change "apportionment" to "asking" in all the BoD paragraphs including but not limited to these**

Committee Item: FA176-249.13-N

Petition:

31336-FA-249.13-D, Pg. 463
Member ship: 97; Present: 83;
For: 66; Against: 16; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Nonconcurrency.

Concurrence Nonconcurrency Date /

1367 -612.1**Subject: Annual conference CFA may reduce amounts apportioned to districts, charges or churches**

Committee Item: FA177-612.1-N

Petition:

30112-FA-612.1-D, Pg. 427
Member ship: 97; Present: 85;
For: 68; Against: 16; Not Voting: 1;

Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Nonconcurrency.

Concurrence Nonconcurrency Date /

1368 -612**Subject: Funding requests including apportionments shall be suggested amounts and not mandatory**

Committee Item: FA178-612-N

Petition:

30944-FA-612-D, Pg. 426
Member ship: 97; Present: 85;
For: 71; Against: 13; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends Nonconcurrency.

Concurrence Nonconcurrency Date /

1369 -2501**Subject: Titles to all real, personal property shall be held in trust for the UMC**

Committee Item: FA183-2501-C

Petition:

31188-FA-2501-D, Pg. 449
Member ship: 97; Present: 88;
For: 58; Against: 30; Not Voting: 0;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrence Nonconcurrency Date /

1370 -NonDis**Subject: Establish narrow guidelines for grant support given by UM boards/agencies**

Committee Item:
FA195-NonDis-A

Petition:

31335-FA-NonDis-O, Pg. 463
Member ship: 97; Present: 85;
For: 57; Against: 27; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Change title to read:

Scrutinize/Establish Policies For Use/Retention of Unrestricted Reserves by Boards/Agencies of UMC.

Concurrence Nonconcurrency Date /

1371 -R132**Subject: Pornography and sexual violence**

Committee Item: FO66-R132-A

Petition:

30836-FO-R132-U, Pg. 558
Member ship: 116; Present: 104;
For: 92; Against: 11; Not Voting: 1;
Date: 5/5

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Delete the last sentence of the fourth paragraph: ~~Pornography is not obscene because it is erotic; it is obscene because it is dehumanizing.~~

In the seventh paragraph, delete the first sentence: ~~Erotica is sexual material... that does not portray... degradation. Sex education material...~~

Paragraph 13: Delete first sentence and amend to read:

Care should be taken that children and youth are protected from pornographic materials. The supervision and love of Christian parents and other caring adults, supported by the extended church family, are the primary source of sex education. A comprehensive approach to sex education offers an additional basis for countering pornography. Children and youth need...

Amend line 7 to read: carefully prepared, **age-appropriate** sex education materials.

Amend line 9 to read: mutually-consenting relationships between **married** adults.

Amend last sentence to read:

If we fail to provide such materials, **accompanied by parental and adult supervision**, we ~~force~~ **risk** the reliance of children and youth pornography as ~~a~~ **the** primary source of information about sexuality.

Paragraph 16: add a new number 4 to read:

4. Monitor and limit access by children and youth to pornography and sexually explicit material.

Number 4 becomes 5; 5 becomes 6; and 6 becomes 7, which is combined with 8 and reads:

7. Provide educational sessions for parents... Internet usage. **Encourage parents to establish** (~~such as establishing~~ basic rules for teenagers and children; **encourage parents to utilize** ~~utilizing~~ screening technology, etc.); ~~Encourage parents to utilize~~ filtering software to prevent children from...

Number 8 is amended to read:

8. Call for social responsibility in all media, including the Internet, **and in all public libraries**, and work with local, national and international groups that advocate for global media monitoring of images of women, **men**, and children; and

Concurrency Non concurrency Date /

1372 -65.G-MR

Subject: Retain current language not condoning practice of homosexuality but God's grace is available to all
Committee Item: FO79-65.G-C
Petition:

30083-FO-65.G-D, Pg. 484
Membership: 116; Present: 104;
For: 59; Against: 43; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/7

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Minority Report:

Substitute for the last two sentences of ¶65.G:

We acknowledge with humility that the church has been unable to arrive at a common mind on the compatibility of homosexual practice with Christian faith. Many consider this practice incompatible with Christian teaching. Others believe it acceptable when practiced in a context of human covenantal faithfulness. The church seeks further understanding through continued prayer, study, and pastoral experience. In doing so, the church continues to affirm that God's grace is bestowed on all, and that the members of Christ's body are called to be in ministry for and with one another, and to the world.

Concurrency Non concurrency Date /

1373 -304.3-MR

Subject: Keep language excluding homosexuals from ordained ministry
Committee Item: FO81-304.3-C
Petition:

30208-FO-304.3-D, Pg. 523
Membership: 116; Present: 104;
For: 67; Against: 35; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/7

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Minority Report:

In stead of retaining current language in ¶304.3, delete restrictive language of ¶304.3 and add one sentence to end:

~~Since the practice of homosexuality is incompatible with Christian teaching, self-avowed practicing homosexuals (1) are not to be accepted as candidates, or ordained as ministers, or appointed to serve in The United Methodist Church. Each individual, therefore, is examined through the candidacy process to discern his/her fitness for or ordained ministry.~~

Concurrency Non concurrency Date /

1374 -NonDis

Subject: GCCUIC sponsor a series of dialogues in next quadrennium on homosexuality & church unity

Committee Item:
FO107-NonDis-C
Petition:

31708-FO-NonDis-O, Pg. 554
Membership: 116; Present: 104;
For: 77; Against: 19; Not Voting: 8;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrency Non concurrency Date /

1375 -NonDis

Subject: Church dedicate itself to be in ministry to all persons.
Committee Item:
FO108-NonDis-C
Petition:

30649-FO-NonDis-O, Pg. 533
Membership: 116; Present: 106;
For: 60; Against: 37; Not Voting: 9;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence.

Concurrency Non concurrency Date /

1376 -65.D

Subject: Divorce & remarriage is incompatible with the teachings of Jesus Christ
Committee Item: FO109-65.D-N
Petition:

30226-FO-65.D-D, Pg. 495
Membership: 116; Present: 108;
For: 87; Against: 14; Not Voting: 7;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Non-concurrence.

Concurrency Non concurrency Date /

1377 -117

Subject: Inclusiveness should include encouragement to full participation against discrimination

Committee Item: FO112-117-N
Petition:

30301-FO-117-D, Pg. 520
Membership: 116; Present: 86;
For: 45; Against: 39; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Non-concurrence.

Concurrency Non concurrency Date /

1378 -65.J-MR

Subject: Late term abortion is a violation of Christian teaching

Committee Item: FO115-65.J-A
Petition:

30045-FO-65.J-D, Pg. 487
Membership: 116; Present: 111;
For: 77; Against: 32; Not Voting: 2;
Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concurrence as amended as follows:

Amend 65J to read:

... We cannot affirm abortion as an acceptable means of birth control, and we unconditionally reject it as a means of gender selection. **We oppose the use of late-term abortion known as dilation and extraction (partial-birth abortion) and call for the end of this practice except when the physical life of the mother is in danger and no other medical procedure is available, or in the case of severe fetal anomalies incompatible with life.** We call all Christians to a searching and prayerful inquiry ...

Minority Report

Amend the amended petition to read:

... extraction (sometimes called partial-birth abortion)...

... the physical life and health of the mother ...

Concurrency Non concurrency Date /

1379 -NonDis-!

Subject: National UMC Native American Center

Committee Item: GJ81-NonDis-A!

Petition:

31394-GJ-NonDis-O!, Pg. 603
 Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 80;
 For: 78; Against: 1; Not Voting: 1;
 Date: 5/8

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence as amended as fol lows: In ad di tion to
 that which had pre vi ously been pub lished a
 de tailed bud get had been at tached.

See page 2159 for de tailed bud get.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1380 -4**Subject: Perfect language in response to Judicial Council decision number 811**

Com mit tee Item: GJ124-4-A
 Peti tion:

30313-GJ-4-C, Pg. 705
 Mem ber ship: 92; Pres ent: 72;
 For: 64; Against: 4; Not Voting: 4;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence as amended as fol lows:

Amend be gin ning with sec ond
 sen tence, 4 Arti cle IV:

. . . The United Meth od ist Church ac-
 knowl edges that all per sons are of sa cred
 worth. All per sons without regard to
 race, color, na tional origin, sta tus, or
 economic con di tion, shall be eli gi ble to
 at tend its wor ship ser vices, par tic i pate in
 its pro grams, re ceive the sac ra ments,
 upon bap tism be ad mitted as bap tized
 mem bers, and upon tak ing vows de clar-
 ing the Chris tian faith, be come pro fess-
 ing mem bers in any lo cal church in the
 con nec tion. In the United Meth od ist
 Church no con fer ence or other or ga ni za-
 tional unit of the Church shall be struc-
 tured so as to ex clude any mem ber or any
 con stit u ent body of the Church be cause
 of race, color, na tional or i gin, sta tus, or
 economic con di tion. There fore all per sons,
 with out re gard to race, color, na tional or i-
 gin, sta tus, or eco nomic con di tion shall be
 eli gi ble to at tend its wor ship ser vices, par-
 tic i pate in its pro grams, and, when they take
 the ap pro pri ate vows, to be ad mitted into its
 mem ber ship in any lo cal church in the con-
 nec tion.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1381 -333**Subject: Responsibility for paying pastor's salary rests with the Charge Conference**

Com mit tee Item: HE215-333-N
 Peti tion:

31270-HE-333-D, Pg. 967
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 82;
 For: 36; Against: 25; Not Voting:
 21;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
 currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1382 -333.1**Subject: Clarify grounds for seeking subsidy grant from Equitable Compensation Fund**

Com mit tee Item: HE220-333.1-C
 Peti tion:

31271-HE-333.1-D, Pg. 967
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 91;
 For: 42; Against: 33; Not Voting:
 16;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1383 -331.1**Subject: Ordained clergy may perform holy covenants between persons of the same sex**

Com mit tee Item: HE223-331.1-N
 Peti tion:

30187-HE-331.1-D, Pg. 965
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 91;
 For: 75; Against: 15; Not Voting: 1;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
 currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1384 -633.1**Subject: Add two local pastors as observers to Conference Board of Ordained Ministry**

Com mit tee Item: HE225-633.1-N
 Peti tion:

30186-HE-633.1-D, Pg. 1006
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 95;
 For: 78; Against: 16; Not Voting: 1;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
 currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1385 -635.3**Subject: Delete "sex" add "color, social status, etc."**

Com mit tee Item: HE232-635.3-N
 Peti tion:

30645-HE-635.3-D, Pg. 1008
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 95;
 For: 82; Against: 13; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Noncon-
 currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1386 -633.1**Subject: BOD members to include 12 elders/deacons and 2 assoc. or local pastors**

Com mit tee Item: HE238-633.1-A
 Peti tion:

31105-HE-633.1-D, Pg. 1007
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 97;
 For: 75; Against: 21; Not Voting: 1;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends concur-
 rence as amended as fol lows: <PLEASE
 BE SURE TO INSERT SPECIFIC
 AMMENDMENTS TO THE PE TITION!>

Amend 633.1: Please note the fol-
 lowing changes that have been
 made to this sec tion:

"six" has replaced twelve in the
 sec ond line of the para graph. In the
 second sen tence "**who have com-
 pleted course of study**" and "**with
 voice but no vote**" has been added.

Each an nual con fer ence, at the first ses-
 sion fol lowing the Gen eral Con fer ence,
 shall elect for a term of four years a board of
 or dained min is try con sisting of not fewer
 than . At least six ~~twelve~~ six or dained el-
 ders and dea cons in full con nec tion. **and at
 least two asso ci ate mem bers or lo cal pas-
 tors who have com pleted course of study
 shall be in cluded as mem bers of the
 board "with voice but no vote".** Dur ing
 the 1997—2000 qua dren nium, one fifth of
 the mem bers of the board, in so far as pos si-
 ble, shall be dia conal min isters or per son
 who have pre vi ously served on the board of
 dia conal min is try. Each an nual con fer ence
 . . .

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1387 -315.9**Subject: Remove fidelity and celibacy**

Com mit tee Item: HE246-315.9-N
 Petition:
 31459-HE-315.9-D, Pg. 954
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 93;
 For: 82; Against: 11; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Non con-
 currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1388 -365.2
**Subject: Lengthen time for
 associate members to meet
 transition requirements**

Com mit tee Item: HE249-365.2-N
 Petition:

30090-HE-365.2-D, Pg. 989
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 97;
 For: 77; Against: 15; Not Voting: 5;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Non con-
 currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1389 -306.4
**Subject: Remove fidelity and
 celibacy**

Com mit tee Item: HE256-306.4-N
 Petition:

31458-HE-306.4-D, Pg. 948
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 90;
 For: 78; Against: 12; Not Voting: 0;

Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Non con-
 currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

1390 -306.4
**Subject: Add “all covenant
 relationships”**

Com mit tee Item: HE259-306.4-N
 Petition:

30635-HE-306.4-D, Pg. 947
 Mem ber ship: 108; Pres ent: 89;
 For: 74; Against: 15; Not Voting: 0;
 Date: 5/9

The Committee recommends Non con-
 currence.

Con cur rence Non con cur rence Date /

Removed from the Consent Calendar

665 -273

Re moved from con sent cal en dar A04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

Euper, Jac que line
Knight, Mar ga ret F.
Young, Carl W.
Rob in son, Burnham
Ed wards, P. Jack

671 -816

Re moved from con sent cal en dar A04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

Soliz, Dan iel
McCullough, June
Hayenga, Mary A.
Wil liams, Don ald
Denardo, Nancy L.

793 -NonD

Re moved from con sent cal en dar B04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

Goodwin, Kevin G.
Ma son, Howard J.
Powell, Larry P.
McIlvain, Mel ody
Thomp son, Jer e miah

804 -NonD

Re moved from con sent cal en dar B04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

Thomas, Holtsclaw G.
Parker, Rhonda
Dassama, Sr. Mousa A.
Bennett, Jana M.
Howie, Bill F.

836 -NonD

Re moved from con sent cal en dar B04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

Jones, Scott J.
Twigg, Aimee W.
Schenck, Carl L.
Yoost, Charles D.
Bagwell, Tim o thy J.

838 -NonD

Re moved from con sent cal en dar B04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

Jones, Scott J.
Twigg, Aimee W.
Schenck, Carl L.
Yoost, Charles D.
Bagwell, Tim o thy J.

846 -R683

Re moved from con sent cal en dar B04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

Capen, Beth
Parker, Rich ard
Olson, Rich ard L.
Scott, Wil liam D.
Paulsmeyer, Ja son A.

857 -13

Re moved from con sent cal en dar C04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

Jones, Dale E.
Olds, J. Howard
Bowdan, Jr. Mel R.
Gwinn, Al W.
Pearson, An drew C.

916 -NonD

Re moved from con sent cal en dar C04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

Fredsby, Bent
Soerensen, Ove S.

Helliesen, Oyvind
Rickardsson, Ulf
Elfring, Andreas

987 -65.C

Re moved from con sent cal en dar C04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

Clardy, Jr. James C.
Sikes, Marget
Ottjes, James
Ladd, J. Rob ert
Elias, Car o lyn

991 -66.H

Re moved from con sent cal en dar C04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

Haase, Becky
Fukumoto, JoAnn Y.
Dixon, Gaunnie H.
Park, SongJa
Moore, Mary-Eliz a beth M.

1042 -401

Re moved from con sent cal en dar C04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

McGarvey, Greg ory
Dur ham, Fred L.
Ford, Marla H.
Shunk, Dale
Hines, Wil liam A.

1064 -1417.2

Removed from consent calendar C04 by the fol low ing peo ple:

McGarvey, Gregory
Durhan, Fred
Ford, Marla
Shunk, Dale R.
Hines, Wil liam A
Ault, Wil liam C.

Corrections to Consent
Calendar B01

76 -NonDis

This Calendar Item was removed from Consent Calendar B01 because it was incorrectly reported as having no financial implications.

77 -NonDis

This Calendar Item was removed from Consent Calendar B01 because it was incorrectly re-