

ATTACHMENT A – Coordinating Team Proposed By-Law Change

PROPOSED

Article V

Presbytery Council

Bylaw 5.1 Purpose

- A. Vision: Based upon the mission statement and current priorities of the presbytery the Council shall set the overall mission, goals and objectives of the presbytery.
- B. Oversight: The Council shall be responsible for oversight of the Board of Trustees, Personnel Committee, finances and any other ministry units or interest groups that do not report directly to the presbytery.
- C. Coordination: The Council shall manage the work of the Presbytery between meetings of the Presbytery, with all decisions reported to the Presbytery at its next stated meeting.

Bylaw 5.2 Membership

The membership shall include at least one person from each of the four regions of the presbytery plus two at large members. Additional members of the Council shall include the moderator and vice moderator of the Presbytery, moderators of the Nominating Committee, Mission Coordination Committee, COM, CPM, and Board of Trustees. The Executive Presbyter and Stated Clerk shall serve as non-voting members with the privilege of voice.

Comment [1]: With personnel coming under Council, the moderator will already be on the Council

Bylaw 5.3 Meetings

The Council shall meet at least quarterly. The moderator may call special meetings as needed

Bylaw 5.4 Team Duties

- A. Make decisions on the presbytery's behalf between meetings, with the following exceptions: elections; approving the annual budget and per capita assessments; forming, closing, merging, or dividing congregations; assuming or restoring original jurisdiction of church sessions; conducting examinations for ordination, and approving such ordinations; approving the full-time staffing model of the presbytery; amending by-laws, standing rules, or manuals of operations; approving or concurring with overtures to the General Assembly; voting on proposed amendments to the Constitution; approving the Presbytery mission statement; decisions delegated to other entities of the Presbytery.
- B. Advise of or recommend to the Presbytery, as appropriate, the formation of work or ministry teams and conduct periodic reviews of their work.
- C. Make arrangements for presbytery meetings.

- D. Review the work of the Board of Trustees of the Presbytery corporation
- E. Oversee the management and administration of the Presbytery office and staff;
- F. Maintain and enforce Presbytery policies as may be required or necessary, and recommend policy changes to the Presbytery;
- G. Administer scholarship and grant programs which are not delegated to other entities of the presbytery.
- H. Nominating persons to serve on the Presbytery nominating committee
- I. Manage the ecumenical relations of the Presbytery

Bylaw 5.5 Structure

- A. The team shall ordinarily be moderated by the immediate past presbytery moderator. In the event that person is unwilling or unable to serve, the Council may select another of its members to moderate, or may request the presbytery to elect a moderator through its nomination and election process.
- B. The council may set its own structure. Standing committees of council shall ordinarily be chaired by regional or at-large members. No member of the council may chair more than one standing committee.
- C. Standing committees may include, but are not limited to:
 - 1. Budget and Finance
 - 2. Planning/Equipping/Vision
 - 3. Personnel
 - 4. Bills and Overtures