

Submitted by: Conference Board of Directors

PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION:

Bylaw Change to Extend Annual Meeting Voting Privileges to
Members of the Conference Board of Directors and Association Moderators
Who Are Not Otherwise Accorded the Privilege to Vote

Purpose & Background:

Members of the Conference Board of Directors are deeply involved in the life of the Conference, and are responsible for carrying out the decisions of the Conference Annual Meeting. Many members of the Board of Directors currently have vote at the Annual Meeting because they are either Authorized Ministers with standing in the Northern California Nevada Conference or are among the delegates sent by their local church to the Annual Meeting. However, at each Annual Meeting there are several members of the Conference Board of Directors who do not fall into either of those two categories and who therefore are not accorded vote in the decision-making processes.

Similarly, Association Moderators are elected to positions of responsibility in the Associations and may currently have vote at the Conference Annual Meeting based on either ministerial standing or being delegates from their local churches, but, in cases where neither of those categories are applicable, an Association Moderator may not vote at the Conference Annual Meeting.

This proposed change in the Conference bylaws would extend vote at Annual Meeting to those Association Moderators and members of the Conference Board of Directors who are not currently afforded vote.

Administrative Action To Be Voted:

Amend Article IV, Section 2.A, of the Conference Bylaws, "Voting Body," by inserting the underlined words and deleting the bracketed word as noted below:

"The voting body of any membership meeting shall be lay delegates representing member churches, [and] member ministers, Association Moderators who are not otherwise delegates and members of the Conference Board of Directors who are not otherwise delegates..."

Fiscal Impact: None

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