

Standing Rules – Edits and Corrections Suggested by STC January 5, 2023

Concerns

1. There needs to be a listing of the Acronyms that are used in the document.
Another way to address would be to spell out the Words of the Anacronym the first time it is used Example is it IM or BIM
2. American Baptist Women's Ministries
 - a. In Rule 14.4.1 (pg.32-33) The American Baptist Women are listed as a Caucus (which can request funding.)
 - b. In Rule 17.1 (pg.41) The American Baptist Women's Ministries are listed as an AMO (Associated Ministry Organization) (as an AMO cannot receive funds)
 - c. Question can they be both??
3. Suggestion that Addendums #1 & #2 should be in the BGM New Member Packets

Rules Reviewed

- 1) Rules 1-5 No changes
- 2) Page 12. Rule 6.1.2.1 Typo First line of its should be of its
- 3) Page 13. Rule 6.1.3.2- Requirements (v.& vi) Are these legal requirements Is the Postal permit necessary in today's time?
- 4) Page 18. Rule 10.1.3.2 Do we have a two year mentoring system in place? If not, This needs to change
- 5) Page 19. Rule 10.3.2 This does not reference how the meeting takes place – in person, virtual Do we need to add it in or does it include as it stands?
- 6) Page 22. Rule 11.1.2 Beginning in line 4 "Members may participate in any meeting in which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time. Such participation shall constitute presence in person at the meeting."
- 7) Page 22. Rule 11.1.3 Can we add in line 4 the words electronic signature after writing/electronic signature Legal Question
- 8) Page 23. Rule 11.2.3 Should we add after the first sentence "Members may participate in any meeting in which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time. Such participation shall constitute presence in person at the meeting." Legally necessary??

- 9) Page 26. Rule 11.7.2.1 (b) Add after the end of the current rule – The SRC would provide a complete list of proposals to the Executive Board by the Fall BGM meeting preceding a Biennial.
- 10) Page 31. Rule 14.2.4 (e) Should IM be added after ABFMS ABFMS/IM in both places
- 11) Page 32. Rule 14.3.2, 14.3.5 This section refers to the 2013 Biennial and sets dates for terms on the Biennial committee. Since none of us were familiar with this change in 2013 we were looking for input on whether or not the dates that are listed for terms are still correct and being followed.
- 12) Page 33. Rule 14.4.1 The list of Caucuses needs to be updated. We know there is one new Caucus _The Kachin Caucus But are the rest still active or have any been dismissed??
- 13) Page 34 Rule 14.6.1 ABFMS/IM
- 14) Page 35. Rule 14.7.1 ABFMS?IM in three places
- 15) Page 38. Rule 15.7 Typo in first line “authority to act **as** officers’
- 16) Page 41. Rule 17.1 Needs a current list of Associated Ministry Organizations and who are the three American Baptist Centers for Ministry