10/10/2024:

At the June 2024 Board of General Ministries meeting at Green Lake, Wis., a motion presented by Past President Jim Wolfe was passed that American Baptist Women's Ministries be recognized as a national board, resulting in changes to the Bylaws and Standing Rules to follow. Specifically, a rewrite to Bylaw Article XIII was needed.

Once the motion passed at the June BGM meeting, the Standing Rules Committee began to work on Bylaws and Standing Rules changes.

The Standing Rules Committee completed their work and submitted the items to the Board of General Ministries Executive Committee.

At the September 2024 Executive Committee meeting in Omaha, Neb., the BGM EC approved these documents, and now they need to go to the full Board of General Ministries for approval at the November 2024 meeting.

Items for the BGM to approve include:

- 1. <u>Rewrite of Bylaw Article XIII (906-924)</u>
- 2. Additional resulting Bylaws proposals
- 3. <u>Standing Rules Article 15.1.1.3 Proposed Change</u>