

2009 General Convention Resolutions That Passed

RESOLUTION: General Bylaw Revisions

Be it Resolved, That the General Bylaw Revisions be adopted as amended.

Amendment: ARTICLE EIGHT (Order of Business)

- Number 2: General Administrative Financial Report shall be placed before the Report of the Auditor.
- Number 2: STRIKE “unfinished business”

Amendment: ARTICLE 21, Paragraph 6a & 6b

- Paragraph 6a - ADD: male
- Paragraph 6b - ADD: or accepts another position

RESOLUTION: Relocation

Be it Resolved, The General Board be empowered to investigate the feasibility of relocating the Headquarters and Messenger College, and if this proves feasible, to grant the General Board the power to act and to relocate the Headquarters and Messenger College.

RESOLUTION: General Board Meetings

Be it Resolved, That Article Nine, paragraph four, page 35 be changed to read, “The General Board shall meet in the months of June and November for the purpose of transacting such business of the corporation that shall come before it. Written notice shall be provided to each member thirty days prior to the meeting. Special sessions shall be called with notice to be provided within not less than ten days of the session.”

RESOLUTION: General Council

Be it Resolved, That Article Ten, paragraph one, page 36 be changed to read, “There shall be a General Council consisting of the following:

- 1 General Bishop
- 1 General Secretary
- 6 Assistant General Bishops”

RESOLUTION: Dependent Districts

Be It Resolved, That Article Eleven, paragraph 6, page 37 be changed to read, “In emergency situations the General Council or the General Board is authorized to place the district on dependent district status following the guidelines established by the General Board.”

RESOLUTION: Business Manager Oversight

Be it Resolved, That Article Seventeen, paragraph 1, letter b, page 50 be changed to read, “The business manager shall have responsibility to maintain accurate accounting of all corporate funds in compliance with generally accepted accounting principles.”

RESOLUTION: Auditor's Report

Be it Resolved, That Article Seventeen, paragraph 1, letter c, page 51, be changed to read: "He shall keep accurate records which shall be audited annually by a certified public accountant, approved by the General Board."

RESOLUTION: Terminology Deletion

Be it Resolved, That Article Seventeen, paragraph 1, letter 3, page 51 be stricken which states: "His books shall be balanced at the end of the fiscal year, and he shall furnish such written reports and records of the activities of his office as may be required by any and all General Conventions, General Board meetings and General Council meetings. Furthermore, his books shall be audited annually by a certified public accountant."

RESOLUTION: Fiscal Year

Be it Resolved, That Article Seventeen, paragraph 13, page 52 be changed to read, "The fiscal year of the Pentecostal Church of God shall be established as a period from January 1 to December 31 of each year for the Pentecostal Church of God Incorporated, its departments, and all its subsidiaries. The fiscal budget shall be submitted at each November General Board Meeting."

RESOLUTION: Exhorter's Study Series & Specialized Ministry Credential

Be it Resolved, That Article Fourteen, paragraph 2, letter a, page 42, be changed to read, "The Minister's Study Series shall consist of the Exhorter's Study Series, License Study Series, and Ordination Study Series and shall be the official study course for ministers of the Pentecostal Church of God. It shall be a mandatory program for credentials for all new ministers and those advancing from exhorters to license and from license to ordination. Upon the completion of the Minister's Study Series, a comprehensive test..." (Only the portion affected by the change is noted.)

Be it Resolved, That Article 14, paragraph 2, letter e, page 43 be deleted from the bylaws, and all those who currently hold a specialized license be given an option to receive a licensed credential or a local church ministry license.

RESOLUTION: Special Rules Of Order

Be it Resolved, That this convention request the General Bishop to appoint a committee of three persons to work on revising the Recommended Special Rules of Order for General Convention; and be it further

Be it Resolved, That this committee utilize the services of a professional registered parliamentarian as an advisor in helping to shape necessary rules; and be further

Be it Resolved, That the recommendations of this committee be presented to the General Board for its review and approval in November of 2010; and be it further

Be it Resolved, That these new recommended special rules be presented for final approval to the General Convention in 2011.

RESOLUTION: Credential Fee

Be it Resolved, That the bylaws be amended to increase the credential fee \$5.00 per month to be invested in the National Youth Ministries Department with implementation January 1, 2010.

RESOLUTION: Home Missions Restructure

Be it Resolved, That Article Twenty-Three, page 67 be revised according to the Home Missions Restructure Proposal. (See Home Missions Restructure Proposal)

Amendment for PARAGRAPH 4 Sub-paragraph C: Add one representative for Evangelists.

RESOLUTION: Women's Ministries Logo

Be it Resolved, That Article Twenty-Two, paragraph 1, letter d, page 65 be removed from the bylaws and placed into the policies of the Women's Ministries Central Committee.

"The emblem of the Women's Ministries shall be a combination of the fruitful vine and the tilted cup."

RESOLUTION: Women's Ministries Colors

Be it Resolved, That Article Twenty-Two, paragraph 1, letter e, page 65 be removed from the bylaws and placed into the policies of the Women's Ministries Central Committee.

"The colors of the Women's Ministries shall be red, for the blood of Christ, and white, for purity."

RESOLUTION: Women's Ministries Central Committee, Restricted Funds, & Bylaw Revision

Be it Resolved, That Article Twenty-Two, paragraph 4, letter a, page 66 be amended to add the six assistant general bishop's wives.

Be it Resolved, That Article Twenty-Two, paragraph 7, letter f, page 67 be removed from the bylaws and that the \$15,000 be released from the restricted funds and distributed among viable Pentecostal Church of God Ministries to children and youth as determined by the Women's Ministries Central Committee.

Be it Resolved, That Article Twenty-Two, paragraph 6, page 66, titled "Promotions" be stricken from the General Bylaws and placed in the Women's Ministries Policy Manual. (This action would change paragraph 7 to 6 and paragraph 8 to 7)