

Proposed Elimination of the Commission on Appraisal of the UUA
Proposed Bylaw Amendments
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[N.B.: Several of these sections will need to be renumbered if we recommend these bylaw changes.]

4.11 Tentative Agenda for Regular General Assemblies

The Board of Trustees shall prepare a Tentative Agenda for each regular General Assembly which shall include:

- a. reports and other matters required by these Bylaws to be submitted to the General Assembly;
- b. proposed amendments to these Bylaws which are submitted as prescribed in Article XV, Section 15.2;
- c. items referred by the preceding General Assembly;
- d. ~~Business Resolutions and proposed amendments to Bylaws and Rules submitted by the Commission on Appraisal;~~
- e. all proposed amendments to Rules and all Business Resolutions as defined in Rule G-4.18.2, submitted by:
 1. the Board of Trustees or the Executive Committee;
 2. not less than fifteen certified member congregations by action of their governing boards or their congregations; or
 3. a petition by not less than 250 members of certified member congregations with no more than 10 members of any one member congregation counted as part of the 250;
- f. proposed amendments to Rules and Business Resolutions submitted by a district by official action at a duly called meeting at

which a quorum is present but not in excess of three Business Resolutions per district; and

- g. Proposed Congregational Study/Action Issues submitted by the Commission on Social Witness pursuant to Section 4.12(a).

Resolutions submitted under (d), (e)(2), (e)(3) and (f) must be received by the Board of Trustees by February 1 whenever the regular General Assembly opens in June. If the General Assembly opens in a month other than June, the Business Resolutions submitted under (d), (e)(2), (e)(3) and (f) must be received no later than 110 days before the date set for the opening of that General Assembly. The UUA Statements of Conscience process deadlines are established by Sections 4.12(a) and (c) and by the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 4.13 whenever one or more regular General Assembly is scheduled to begin in a month other than June. The Board of Trustees shall include on the Tentative Agenda all items so submitted. It may submit alternative versions of Business Resolutions in addition to the original ones submitted if in its judgment such alternatives clarify the resolutions and may make such changes in the Business Resolutions as are necessary to make each conform to a standard format. It may also submit one or more alternative versions for the purpose of combining two or more Business Resolutions. Adoption of Business Resolutions by a General Assembly shall be by two-thirds vote. The Tentative Agenda shall be mailed to each member congregation, associate member organization and trustee by March 1 if the General Assembly opens in June, otherwise, not less than 90 days before the opening of the General Assembly.

4.14 Final Agenda for Regular General Assemblies.

The Board of Trustees shall prepare a Final Agenda for each General Assembly which shall include:

- a. all reports and other matters required by these Bylaws to be submitted to the General Assembly and all proposed amendments to Bylaws and Rules appearing on the Tentative Agenda that meet the requirements of Rule G-4.18.3;
- b. those Business Resolutions, including alternative versions, on the Tentative Agenda which meet the requirements of Rule G-4.18.3;
- c. Business Resolutions, amendments to Rules or Bylaws or other items submitted by the Board of Trustees or the Executive Committee, which did not originally appear on the Tentative Agenda, provided, however, that any such items appear on the Final Agenda accompanied by an explanation for the delayed submission;
- d. ~~additional proposed amendments to Bylaws submitted by the Commission on Appraisal;~~
- e. those proposed Congregational Study/Action Issues on the Tentative Agenda which meet the requirements of Rule G-4.18.3, and if applicable pursuant to Sections 4.12(a); and
- f. the UUA Statement of Conscience submitted by the Commission on Social Witness pursuant to Section 4.12 (c) and (d), if applicable.

The Board of Trustees shall mail the Final Agenda to each member congregation, associate member organization and trustee not less than 30 days before the General Assembly.

5.1 Committees of the Association

The standing committees of the Association shall be:

- a. the Nominating Committee;
- b. the Presidential Search Committee;
- c. the General Assembly Planning Committee;
- d. ~~the Commission on Appraisal;~~
- e. the Commission on Social Witness; and
- f. the Board of Review.

The President shall be a member, without vote, of the General Assembly Planning Committee, ~~the Commission on Appraisal,~~ and the Commission on Social Witness.

5.9 ~~Commission on Appraisal.~~

~~The Commission on Appraisal shall consist of nine members elected to terms of six years. One third of the members shall be elected at the regular General Assembly held in each odd-numbered year. After serving a term in office, a member shall not be eligible for re-election until after an interim of at least six years.~~

~~The Commission on Appraisal shall:~~

~~review any function or activity of the Association which in its judgment will benefit from an independent review and report its conclusions to a regular General Assembly;~~

~~study and suggest approaches to issues which may be of concern to the Association; and~~

~~report to a regular General Assembly at least once every four years on the program and accomplishments of the Association.~~

15.2 Submission of Proposed Amendment.

Proposed amendments to these Bylaws may be submitted only by:

- a. the Board of Trustees;
- b. the General Assembly Planning Committee;
- c. ~~the Commission on Appraisal;~~

not less than fifteen certified member congregations by action of their governing boards or their congregations; such proposed amendments to Bylaws must be received by the Board of Trustees on February 1 whenever the regular General Assembly opens in June; otherwise, not less than 110 days before the General Assembly; or

a district by official action at a duly called district meeting at which a quorum is present, such proposed amendment to be received by the Board of Trustees on February 1 whenever the regular General Assembly opens in June; otherwise, not less than 110 days before the next General Assembly.