General Assembly 2018 Board Statement on Bylaw Amendment for Regions/Districts

Motion Maker: Moved that the Proposed Bylaw Amendment to add "or region" to bylaw section 4.4, relating to the eligibility and the geographic distribution of congregations needed to call for a Special General Assembly be adopted

Moderator: The motion to adopt the Proposed Bylaw Amendment to add "or region" to Bylaw Section 4.4 has been made and seconded.

The chair calls on Kathy Burek, Trustee-At-Large, to make the board's statement in support of the bylaw amendment.

Kathy Burek: Over the past several years, most, but not all, UUA districts have disbanded in favor of becoming regions. This amendment reflects that structural change by including both districts and regions in determining the eligibility and geographic distribution of congregations needed to call for a Special General Assembly. In the absence of this change, congregations which are located in regions rather than districts would be ineligible to call for a Special General Assembly. The Board strongly endorses this change.