

1 WESTERN PLAINS DISTRICT
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9 ARTICLE I. GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS
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11 The Western Plains District of the Church of the Brethren (hereinafter “the District”)
12 is divided into geographical areas. The determination of the areas and any changes in the
13 designated areas is made by the District Board of Administration (hereinafter “the Board”).
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15 Each area functions as a smaller, more compact unit of the District for the purpose of
16 enhancing fellowship, inspiration, leadership recruitment and training, and promotion of
17 District and Annual Conference programs.
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21 ARTICLE II. DISTRICT CONFERENCE
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23 **A. Purpose.** District Conference is a mass meeting to
24 which delegates and other interested persons from the member congregations gather
25 in business sessions and for purposes of worship, education and fellowship. The
26 District Conference projects the program of the District as it relates to the General
27 Board and other denominational agencies. It approves budgets and adopts programs.
28 Through its delegates, it interprets and promotes the decisions of the District
29 Conference to the local congregations.
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31 **B. Delegate Body.** All in attendance at a business session have
32 the privilege of moving and discussing the business of District Conference; however,
33 only the official delegates have the right to vote. Any member and/or any active
34 participating youth of a Church of the Brethren congregation in the District may serve
35 as a delegate. For the purpose of this section ‘congregation’ shall also mean Church
36 of the Brethren fellowships that have been recognized by the Western Plains District
37 Conference. Congregational representatives are selected by their congregations.
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39 1. Congregations shall submit a certification (credential form) for each elected
40 delegate and alternate, to the Clerk early enough to give opportunity for the
41 Conference Program Book to be mailed to all delegates, but not later than one
42 week prior to the opening of the District Conference. Delegates may not be
43 seated by the District Conference unless properly certified by their congregation.
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45 2. In case elected delegates or alternates are unable to serve, the congregation
46 may certify delegates without council action as follows: any two church officers
47 may certify delegates and sign their credential forms. These shall be sent to the
48 District Writing Clerk, if time permits, or presented at the beginning of any
49 business session.
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51 3. A Credential Committee of three, appointed by the District Conference
52 Moderator, will be available at the opening of each business session to receive
53 and certify delegates and to report to the District Conference officers.
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C. Representation. Each congregation having a membership of two hundred or less may have three delegates. Congregations having three delegates may have all adults but are encouraged to have one delegate from their youth group. Congregations having more than two hundred members may have one additional congregational representative for each two hundred members or fraction thereof.

D. Tenure. Each congregation is encouraged to elect their delegates to a two year term of office. Delegates' duties begin when they are seated at District Conference, and will continue until the seating of the next delegate body. Terms of delegates from a congregation should be staggered so that a church does not elect all new congregational representatives in any one year.

E. Officers and Duties. Officers of the District Conference are the Moderator, the Moderator-elect, and the Clerk. The Board Chair and the District Executive(s) are ex-officio.

1. The Moderator-elect.

a) *Qualifications.* The Moderator-elect must be a member of a Church of the Brethren congregation within the District for at least one year prior to election, may not serve concurrently as an elected member on the Board, and must have demonstrated leadership ability.

b) *Election and Tenure.* The Moderator-elect serves for one year and then assumes the office of Moderator (optional – May serve on Planning Committee the year following Moderator year by mutual agreement with the current Moderator). If the Moderator-elect serves as Moderator during the entire District Conference s/he is presumed to have served as Moderator. At that District Conference a Moderator-elect would be elected.

c) *Duties.* The Moderator-elect performs all the duties of the Moderator when the Moderator is unable to serve; may assist at the Moderator's request in presiding over a portion of the business session; contacts local leaders and congregations in the interest of the District program; represents the Moderator on inter-church agencies and serves as an ex-officio member of the Board and the Executive Committee; serves on the Conference Program Committee; and serves as a member and convener of the Nominating Committee.

2. The Moderator

a) *Qualifications.* The same qualifications are required of the Moderator as for the Moderator-elect.

b) *Election and Tenure.* The Moderator normally moves from the position of Moderator-elect and takes office immediately following the District Conference at which s/he served as Moderator-elect or in the case of a vacancy in the office. S/he serves for a one-year term and then becomes ineligible for re-election as Moderator-elect for four years. Should the office of Moderator become vacant, the Moderator-elect succeeds to the office for the remainder of the term.

c) *Duties.* The Moderator prepares the business agenda

1 for District Conference, in cooperation with the officers of District
2 Conference and the District Executive(s); becomes familiar with
3 parliamentary procedure; presides at the business sessions of the District
4 Conference; appoints tellers, timekeepers and the Credential Committee;
5 serves as a member and chair of the District Conference Planning
6 Committee; serves as convener and chair for the reorganization of the new
7 Board; leads the new Board in a planning retreat; serves on the Board and
8 its Executive Committee as an ex-officio member; studies the needs and
9 program of the District and makes reports and recommendations to the
10 Board; serves as the duly elected spiritual guide who measures and
11 influences the spiritual tone of the District congregations; may deliver a
12 Moderator's address at the annual District Conference; and in consultation
13 with the District Executive(s) and District Board, assist with District and
14 ecumenical matters.

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16 3. The Clerk.

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18 a) *Qualifications.* The Clerk must be a member of a Church of a
19 Brethren congregation within the District at least one year prior to election.

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21 b) *Election and Tenure.* The Clerk is elected for a three-year term and
22 may serve two consecutive terms. Filling an unexpired term does not
23 constitute a full term. The term begins immediately following the District
24 Conference at which s/he is elected.

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26 c) *Duties.* The Clerk records the minutes of the District
27 Conference and Planning Committee and, in cooperation with the District
28 Executive(s), prepares the minutes for publication and distribution to the
29 local congregations; forwards to the Annual Conference Secretary any
30 queries passed to Annual Conference by the District Conference; and
31 assists in the interpretation of the minutes of the District Conference.

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33 **F. Time and Place.** District Conference is held annually in August
34 as determined by the Conference Planning Committee. The location of the meeting is
35 determined by the Conference Planning Committee alternating in the eastern and
36 western areas of the District, when possible.

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38 All sessions of the District Conference are open to those present, except when the
39 delegate body convenes in closed session.

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41 Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the District Conference officers in
42 consultation with the Board.

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44 **G. Rules of Order.** The Moderator conducts the business
45 according to Robert's Rules of Order, which will be the standard for any point not
46 covered in the Constitution and By-laws.

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48 Nominations from the floor must have the prior consent of the nominee.

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50 Length and number of speeches allowed are determined by the District Conference
51 Officers.

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53 Election by District Conference shall be by majority vote except where indicated on
54 the ballot.

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56 **H. Quorum** A quorum consists of sixty percent of the total

1 elected delegates representing sixty percent of the churches of the District.
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3 **I. District Conference Committees**
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5 1. Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee consists of five
6 members: Moderator-elect, Chair of the Board and three members elected by the
7 District Conference. An elected member serves for three years and may not
8 serve successive terms. Terms are staggered so that one member is elected each
9 year. The Moderator-elect convenes the first meeting, at District Conference, at
10 which the committee elects its chair. Members who serve by virtue of office
11 serve for the duration of the office they fill.
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13 Nominating Committee attempts to present to the District Conference a ballot
14 that has at least two nominees for each vacancy within the following positions,
15 except Moderator-Elect and Standing Committee Delegate & Alternate, which
16 will be limited to two nominees:
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- 18 a) Moderator-Elect (one-year term followed by one year as Moderator)
- 19 b) Board of Administration members (three-year term)
- 20 c) Nominating Committee members (three-year term)
- 21 d) District Conference Program Committee members (three-year term)
- 22 e) Clerk (three-year term)
- 23 f) Standing Committee Delegate & Alternate (three-year term)
- 24 g) Cedars Trustee Board (three-year term)
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33 An effort will be made to have balanced distribution of laymen, laywomen, and
34 clergy, with representation from the several areas of the district.
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36 The Committee shall, in consultation with the District Youth Advisor(s), name,
37 for ratification on the ballot, not more than six high school youth or college
38 freshmen youth to serve a one-year term on the Board.
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40 Permission must be obtained before a nominee's name may be placed on the
41 ballot. Information regarding the qualifications of nominees is provided to the
42 delegates before the vote. Information pertinent to each office, such as length of
43 term and number of persons to be elected is included on the ballot.
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45 2. District Conference Planning Committee. The District Conference
46 Planning Committee consists of six members: Moderator, Moderator-elect,
47 Clerk, and three persons elected by the District Conference. An elected member
48 serves for three years and may serve two successive terms. Terms are staggered
49 so that one member is elected each year. The committee is responsible, in
50 consultation with the Moderator, for planning the conference program and
51 theme, obtaining leadership, and making all necessary arrangements for the
52 conference, in cooperation with on-site representatives.
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54 **J. Standing Committee Delegate.** The delegate is elected by the District
55 Conference to represent the district on the Annual Conference Standing Committee.

1 The directives of Annual Conference are followed to determine their eligibility, the
2 number allowed, and the length of their term.

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4 Any member of the Church of the Brethren who has been a member of a congregation
5 in the District for one year may be elected for a term of three years and is eligible to
6 be reelected for an additional full term. After service on the Standing Committee, a
7 member is ineligible to serve for a period of four years. If a Standing Committee
8 delegate moves from the District or is unable to serve, that delegate's alternate will
9 serve. The alternate will be the one who receives the second highest number of votes
10 on the ballot. An alternate serving the first or second year of the delegate's first or
11 second term shall also serve the successive year(s) and would be eligible for
12 reelection to one additional term of three years.

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14 The Standing Committee delegate is expected to interpret the decisions and
15 recommendations of Annual Conference to the District Conference in a written
16 report. The delegate shall serve as ex-officio member of the District Board.

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18 **K. Committees Appointed by the District Conference.** The District
19 Conference may constitute or authorize continuing or short-term committees as
20 necessary to assist with the ongoing work of the District. When the specific
21 assignment of a committee is achieved, the committee will be dismissed.

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25 **ARTICLE III. BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION**

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27 **A. Purpose.** The purpose of the Board is to manage and
28 administer the religious and business activities of the District as authorized by the
29 District Conference. The Board is the legal agent of the District and is empowered to
30 act on behalf of the District ad interim except for those actions specifically reserved
31 for the District Conference as set forth in the Constitution and By-laws.

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33 **B. Membership.** The Board consists of twenty-five (25) adult
34 members elected by the District Conference with terms so arranged that eight terms
35 expire one year, eight expiring every second year, and nine every third year. In
36 addition, not more than six high school youth or college freshmen youth may serve a
37 one-year term on the Board. The Moderator and Moderator-elect serve as ex-officio
38 members of the Board.

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40 **C. Qualifications.** A Board member must be a member of a
41 Church of the Brethren congregation or fellowship within the district for at least one
42 year prior to election and must have demonstrated leadership ability.

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44 **D. Tenure.** The term of service is three years. Filling an
45 unexpired term does not constitute a full term. A member is entitled to serve two
46 consecutive full terms. Eligibility is restored after one year out of office. In the event
47 that any elected member of the Board is unable to complete their term, an alternate
48 will be named by the Board to complete the unexpired term.

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50 **E. Attendance.** It is expected that Board members will
51 maintain attendance at Board meetings. If a member misses three consecutive
52 meetings, the Board should consider declaring the position vacant and appointing a
53 replacement to fill the vacancy.

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55 **F. Organization.** The Board is organized annually, under the

1 direction of the Moderator, following election by the District Conference. The Board
2 selects from its elected members a Chair, Vice Chair, and the chairs of all
3 commissions. All members of the Board, excluding the Board Chair and ex-officio
4 members, are assigned to commissions. The District Executive(s), Board Chair,
5 Moderator, and Moderator-elect are ex-officio members of all commissions. The
6 Treasurer meets with the Commission on Stewardship and is an ex-officio member of
7 the Board, without vote. The Standing Committee member and any member of the
8 General Board residing in the district are ex-officio members of the Board and its
9 commissions.

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11 1. The Chair. The Chair performs all duties ordinarily pertaining to the
12 office and other duties that may be assigned by the Board and these By-laws and
13 serves on the Nominating Committee and as ex-officio member on all
14 commissions of the Board. The Chair shall not serve as chair of a commission.

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16 2. The Vice Chair. The Vice Chair performs all duties and has all
17 authority of the Chair when the Chair is absent and performs other duties as may
18 be assigned by the Board. The Vice Chair shall not serve as chair of a
19 commission.

20 21 **G. Duties of the Board.**

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23 The Board:

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25 • fulfills the directives of the District Conference and makes an annual report to
26 the Conference;
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28 • assigns, defines, and interprets responsibilities of the commissions;
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30 • creates and dissolves commissions/committees, except those specifically named
31 in the By-laws;
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33 • decides the number of members on each commission depending on size of the
34 work load;
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36 • projects long-range planning, sets goals, and initiates new program in harmony
37 with decisions of the District Conference;
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39 • promotes and administers the total church program in the District;
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41 • defines the number of and geographical boundaries of the areas of the District;
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43 • acts on recommendations from the Executive Committee regarding employment
44 of the District Executive(s) and other staff;
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46 • fills vacancies in elective district offices occurring between District Conferences;
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48 • fills such other vacancies not provided for otherwise;
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50 • has custody of and manages all District capital funds, endowments and annuities,
51 or arranges for such custody and management;
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53 • holds title to District properties;
- 54 • negotiates the purchase and sale of property and the borrowing and lending of
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- allocates and defines authority with respect to the establishment of bank accounts and the signing of checks;
- prepares the District budget for presentation to the District Conference;
- provides for an annual audit and submits the audit to District Conference;
- arranges for bonding of persons handling large sums of money, in an amount set by the Board;
- receives, considers and responds to concerns brought by individuals or church groups;
- brings queries and other business items to the District Conference and processes queries from local churches for District Conference action;
- acts on recommendations from the Commission on Ministry regarding nominees for licensing and ordination;
- makes appointments;
- annually appoints a Treasurer from outside its membership and a Recording Secretary who may be from outside its membership;
- affirms commission appointments.

1. The Treasurer. The Treasurer accounts for all District funds received and disburses same as authorized by the Board; makes written reports available to meetings of the Board; submits accounts for an annual audit; is an ex-officio member without vote of the Commission on Stewardship; and serves as Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation.

2. The Recording Secretary. The Recording Secretary records all Board and Executive Committee proceedings and performs other duties as may be assigned by the Board. No commission chair shall serve as Recording Secretary. The Recording Secretary is ex-officio without vote, unless serving as an elected Board member.

H. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee is composed of the Board Chair, Vice-Chair, and the chair of each commission. Officers are Chair and Vice Chair. The Moderator and Moderator-elect serve as ex-officio members. The District Executive(s) and Treasurer serve as ex-officio members without vote. The Recording Secretary is ex-officio without vote, unless serving as an elected Board member.

The Executive Committee:

- consults with and evaluates the work of the District Executive(s) on at least an annual basis and establishes annual salary and benefits for the District Executive(s); recommends employment and termination of the District Executive(s) subject to approval of the Board and in consultation with the denominational Director of District Ministries; and reviews staff employment contracts;

- 1 • serves ad interim when the work of the Board can be expedited without
2 infringing upon the Board’s responsibilities and authority, understanding that
3 such action shall be ratified by the Board at its next regular meeting;
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- 5 • fills, with the confirmation of the Board, any vacancy that may occur in the
6 Board, District Conference officers, or other elected officers when provisions for
7 fulfilling such a vacancy are not specifically stated;
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- 9 • nominates members of the District Committee of Discipleship and
10 Reconciliation.

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13 **I. Commissions.**

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15 Each commission:

- 16 • selects from its elected members a vice chair and recording secretary;
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- 18 • maintains and reviews annually a list of specific responsibilities as outlined in
19 the By-laws or assigned by the Board;
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- 21 • establishes job descriptions for positions accountable to the commission;
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- 23 • prepares an annual budget request and submits it to the Commission on
24 Stewardship;
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- 26 • reports activities, needs, and special opportunities to the Board;
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- 28 • recommends for Board approval persons and committees to perform specific
29 responsibilities related to the commissions;
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- 31 • works cooperatively with other commissions and staff to promote the programs
32 of the church.
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36 1. Commission on Ministry.

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38 The Commission on Ministry:

- 39 • gives counsel and guidance to all ministerial matters in the District;
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- 41 • counsels and assists churches and individuals in extending and
42 receiving calls to the ministry, becoming equipped and trained for
43 ministry, and licensing and ordaining ministers;
- 44 • reviews annually the status of licensed ministers and lay speakers in
45 the District and makes recommendations to the Board regarding any
46 change in status;
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- 48 • reviews status of ordained ministers in accordance with
49 denominational policy;
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- 51 • seeks ways to strengthen the relationships and understandings between
52 congregations and pastors;
- 53 • encourages and assists pastors in their professional and personal
54 growth;
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- along with the local congregations, the Commission on Ministry, on behalf of the Board, has the authority for licensing persons to the ministry and for overseeing their nurture in the process of preparing for ordination;
- reviews all applications for ordination to the ministry and makes recommendations to the Board. The Commission shall proceed with ordination when the candidate has completed one of the approved denominational study programs for ordination and the Board and local congregation have voted approval.

2. Commission on Nurture.

The Commission on Nurture:

- encourages and promotes programs in local churches that foster the spiritual growth and development of members;
- promotes Christian education;
- provides opportunities for training lay church leaders and workers;
- works cooperatively with related organizations on matters of religious program and leadership;
- encourages fellowship opportunities among the churches;
- counsels and coordinates age and interest groups;
- performs related tasks that may nurture the inner life of the church.

3. Commission on Outdoor Ministry.

The Commission on Outdoor Ministry:

- shall represent the Board in planning, promoting, coordinating and supervising the outdoor ministry curriculum of the district;
- gives oversight to the district camps and camping program as it establishes procedures, sets policies, names program directors,
- prepares district camp allocations and assists with long range planning;
- recommends to the Board persons for employment as camp managers and program staff;
- recommends to the Board persons to be named as Trustees for Camp Mt. Hermon as an unincorporated camp;

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- assists staff or camp directors in securing and training volunteer personnel for outdoor ministries;
- provides for other outdoor ministries as needs and opportunities arise.

4. Commission on Stewardship.

The Commission on Stewardship:

- encourages support for the general work of the Board and commissions and for specific projects;
- promotes programs of general stewardship education and enlistment;
- aids and challenges the churches and other District groups to be faithful stewards of God-given resources;
- safeguards and utilizes the property, assets and equipment of the District;
- recommends the annual budget;
- nominates a person to serve as District Treasurer for appointment by the Board.

5. Commission on Witness.

The Commission on Witness:

- directs and undergirds the witness of the churches to the world;
- encourages and assists congregations toward the fulfillment of the Great Commission;
- urges each congregation to share the love of God and the Gospel of Christ to meet the needs of the world;
- provides training and educational aids to teach churches how to share their faith;
- encourages congregations to support missions at home and abroad and to act on social concerns;
- appoints leadership and provides oversight for the District's Disaster Response program.

6. Commission on Church Development and Renewal.

The Commission on Church Development and Renewal:

- directs the work of church growth through the planting of new congregations and the renewal of existing congregations;
- surveys the district to discover promising areas for new church starts;

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- carries out careful and intentional planning, and develops a budget for each project;
- recommends to the Board leadership for each project;
- appoints a steering committee for each project that will give guidance and support to the project and its leaders, encouraging partner relationships with strong existing churches;
- facilitates leadership training opportunities;
- assesses the progress of each project monthly;
- assists in the renewal of existing churches;
- assists local congregations in self-evaluation and increase awareness of diverse ministry opportunities in order to facilitate church growth renewal.

J. Quorum. The Board may do business when 2/3 of its elected members are present.

K. Board Committees.

NOTE: The section below on Discipleship and Reconciliation needs to be updated in conversation with the Area Ministry Team members and the District Board. A recommendation will be proposed in 2005.

1. Discipleship and Reconciliation Committee. A committee of eight persons nominated by Executive Committee and approved by the Board for a term of five years, with terms staggered so that new members are appointed each year. Members of the Discipleship and Reconciliation Committee serve in teams of two in specific geographic areas. Tenure is limited to two terms. The District Executive(s) serves ex-officio. The committee follows the directives of Annual Conference as set forth in its polity on Discipleship and Reconciliation.

The committee, on behalf of the Board, is responsible for working at discipleship and reconciliation concerns between any member and those with whom the person may have difficulty. It may also be called upon to work at discipleship and reconciliation concerns within a congregation or between congregations and the district.

The committee reports to and makes recommendations to the Board. Only the Board has authority to take official action. Persons have the privilege of presenting any written or oral statement in their behalf.

2. Other Committees. Other committees may be appointed to assist with the work of the District. When the assignment is completed, the committee is dismissed.

L. Group Fellowships. The activities of subsidiary or fellowship groups (such as groups for women, men, youth, deacons, pastors, etc.) are subject

1 to the coordination and concern of the District and accountable to the Board
2 through the commission related to its area of interest. Each fellowship group
3 may elect the officers necessary for its activities and hold meetings as necessary
4 to care for the business of the fellowship. Fellowship events should be
5 coordinated with the District Calendar.
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8 **ARTICLE IV. DISTRICT PERSONNEL**
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10 **A. District Executive(s).** The Board employs a District
11 Executive(s) or Co-Executives, to manage the business of the District. The District
12 Executive(s) is a member of the Church of the Brethren and qualified by training,
13 experience and personal dedication to Christ and the Church to guide, counsel, and
14 encourage District and local church workers in the development of vital and well-
15 balanced district, denominational and ecumenical programs.
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17 In the case of Co-Executives, one of the Executives will be designated by the District
18 Board as the Executive Secretary of the Corporation and a legal officer, and is
19 custodian of all official papers of the District. The District Executive(s) is an ex-
20 officio member without vote of the Board and its commissions and the committees of
21 the District.
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23 The District Executive(s) gives guidance and assistance for pastoral placement in the
24 District.
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26 **B. Ministry Team.** The District Board, in consultation with the
27 District Executive(s), may implement a Ministry Team leadership model in which
28 persons from geographic areas of the District serve alongside the District
29 Executive(s) in specific leadership functions. The District Executive(s), in
30 conversation with the Executive Committee, is responsible for calling, supervising,
31 reviewing, and terminating Ministry Team members.
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33 **C. Other Staff.** The District Executive(s) is responsible, in
34 consultation with the District Executive Committee, for the employment, review and
35 termination of other District staff.
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39 **ARTICLE V. GENERAL PROVISIONS**
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41 **A. Endorsement of Documents and Contracts.** Any note, contract or
42 instrument in writing entered into between the corporation and any other person,
43 when signed by the legal officers of the Corporation, shall be valid and binding on the
44 Corporation in the absence of actual knowledge on the part of the other person that
45 the signing officers had no authority to execute it. Unless authorized by the board, no
46 other officer or agent or employee shall have any authority to bind the Corporation by
47 any contract or to pledge its credit or to render it liable for any purpose or amount.
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49 **B. Representation of Shares of Other Corporation.** The District
50 Executive(s) or any other officer or officers designated by the Board are each
51 authorized to vote or represent on behalf of the Corporation all rights incident to any
52 and all shares of any other corporation standing in the name of the Corporation. The
53 authority may be exercised by proxy or power of attorney executed by that officer.
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55 **C. Indemnification.** The District may reimburse and indemnify

1 any officer or employee for and against all amounts paid and all costs and expenses,
2 including attorney's fees, imposed in connection with any claim or proceeding or
3 appeal thereof, civil or criminal, asserted because of his or her having been an officer
4 or employee of the District; provided that the District shall not reimburse or
5 indemnify any officer or employee with respect to any such matter unless such
6 reimbursement is expressly authorized according to the process and the criteria set
7 forth in the paragraphs immediately below in this Section C.

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9 Upon settlement of any matter of the character referred to above, the District may
10 reimburse and indemnify any officer or employee, if it is determined by a
11 disinterested majority of the Board, or by a disinterested person or group to whom the
12 question may be referred by the Board, that the person was not guilty of misconduct
13 in the performance of his or her duties in relation to the matter, or that the person was
14 acting in good relation to the matter, or that the person was acting in good faith with
15 in what s/he reasonably believed to be the scope of his or her employment or
16 authority, and for a purpose that s/he reasonably believed to be in the best interest of
17 the District, and in the case of criminal action, s/he reasonably believed was not
18 illegal.

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20 Solely for the purpose of this Section C on indemnification, the term "officer" shall
21 be defined to include:

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23 1. Any person duly elected by the District Conference to serve on a board or
24 committee authorized by that body or to carry out a specific function
25 delegated by that body.
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27 2. Any person elected or appointed by the District Board or its Executive
28 Committee to serve on a committee or subcommittee of that body or to
29 carry out a specific function delegated by that body.
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31 3. Any person who has, through documented procedures required by the
32 District Board, been elected or appointed as a camp trustee, camp director,
33 or camp counselor at Camp Mt. Hermon or at Camp Colorado.

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35 This Section C is intended to be supplemental to and in addition to whatever
36 provisions of controlling corporate law may mandate indemnification for
37 officers, directors, employees, or agents. However, nothing in this Section C
38 shall be construed as permitting indemnification of any person acting for the
39 District on an independent contractor basis as opposed to that of officer, director,
40 employee, or agent.

41 42 43 44 ARTICLE VI. RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

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46 The District relates to other organizations and agencies that further the
47 purposes of the District. Such other organizations as The Cedars; McPherson College;
48 Association of Brethren Caregivers; Bethany Seminary; Brethren Benefit Trust; General
49 Board; On Earth Peace; state-wide ecumenical agencies; and Prairie View, Inc. are separate
50 corporate entities under the control of governing boards that are free of direct ownership
51 and control by the District, and that are solely responsible for their actions and dealings.

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53 The District elects or nominates persons to serve on the boards as follows:
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