

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES, SPRING 2021

Article IV – Members and Friends

1, Membership List – The list of Members in good standing shall be maintained by the church staff, who shall report changes every six (6) months to the Board of Directors. Such report is to be made in March and September, at least one week prior to the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting.

SUGGESTED CHANGE: The Active Members list shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors or their appointee and will be reviewed by the Board of Directors prior to each Congregational Meeting.

2. Membership Review – The Board of Directors shall review the membership list in the months of March and September.

SUGGESTED CHANGE – The Board of Directors shall review the membership list prior to each Congregational meeting.

Article V – Congregational Meetings

Time and Place

A. Time and Place – Two Congregational meetings will be held annually, one in the Spring and the other in the Fall. The Spring meeting will focus on elections and the Fall Meeting will focus on the next year's Budget and Ministry Plan. Other items may be added to either Agenda at the discretion of the Board of Directors or as outlined in Article V.F.2. The Congregational Meeting may be held virtually, by telephone conference call, or other electronic means of communication in which all participants can communicate with each other at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

SUGGESTED CHANGE - Two Congregational meetings will be held annually, one in the Spring and the other in the Fall with the location to be determined as needed. The Congregational Meeting may be held virtually, by telephone conference call, or other electronic means of communication in which all participants can communicate with each other at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

B. Voting Rights – Each Member in good standing has the right to vote. Proxy or any other form of absentee voting shall not be allowed.

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Article VI – Local Church Administrative Body

E. Term of Office – The term of office for members of the Board of Directors, except the Pastor, shall be three-year staggered terms, with half being elected at each Spring Congregational Meeting.

SUGGESTION CHANGE The term of office for members of the Board of Directors, except the Pastor, shall be three-year staggered terms, with two positions being elected each year at the Spring Meeting.