

2023 PROPOSED BY-LAW AMENDMENT

(Current Language)

ARTICLE V Governance

The Conference Board shall consist of no fewer than fourteen (14) members, nominated through the Conference Governance Team and elected at Conference Annual Meeting. The Conference Board will have as members: the Conference Minister, Moderator, Vice Moderator, Treasurer, Secretary, one member from each association of the Conference, among whom at least one member will have administrative expertise, one member will have Congregational Development expertise, one member will have Wider Church expertise, one member will have Leadership Development expertise. Elected Conference Board members will be eligible to serve for two three-year consecutive terms. A representative of the Conference Personnel Committee shall serve as ex-officio member.

(Proposed Amendment) (changes in bold/italic)

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170 The Conference Board shall consist of **members**, nominated
171 through the Conference Governance Team and elected at Conference Annual Meeting. The
172 Conference Board **will include the Officers:** the Conference Minister, Moderator, Vice
173 Moderator, Treasurer, **and** Secretary. The Board membership shall be one member from
174 each association of the Conference ***and three (3) additional at large seats. The at-large***
175 ***seats shall be reserved exclusively for Persons of Color selected from the diversity within***
176 ***the Conference. The Governance Committee should make every effort to expand the***
177 ***breadth of the Conference geography in filling at-large seats. Each at large seat must be***
178 ***filled from differing associations so that no association holds more than two seats on the***
179 ***board, excluding the Officers.*** Elected Conference Board members will be eligible to serve
180 for two three-year consecutive terms. A representative of the Conference Personnel
181 Committee shall serve as ex-officio member.