

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE 9

INDEPENDENT COMMISSIONS

Renewal and Reform Coalition (RRC)

Priority petitions in bold italics

UNITED METHODIST MEN

Pet 60267 Page 1003 Add Class Meetings Support

This petition encourages the addition of class meetings to men’s ministry. The goal of these class meetings is to discuss transformational questions as to where the men have intersected with Christ. This ought to be a major focus of our discipleship.

Pet 60954 Page 993 Plan UMC Revised – UM Men Support

This petition equalizes the structure of United Methodist Men with that of United Methodist Women.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Pet 60729 Page 977 Responsibilities of UMW Support

This petition encourages the incorporation of evangelism in the program efforts of United Methodist Women. Since evangelism is central to the mission of the church, it should be incorporated into all the ministries of the church.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE STRUCTURE

These petitions all propose changing “shall” to “may” to allow annual conferences to structure their ministry in the way that is most effective for them. We like the idea of more flexible structure, as long as the responsibilities inherent in the current structures are cared for by some part of the annual conference.

Pet 60958	Page 975	Permissiveness in AC Structure – Director of Communications	Support
Pet 60963	Page 975	Permissiveness in AC Structure - CCELCC	Support
Pet 60966	Page 975	Permissiveness in AC Structure - CCAH	Support
Pet 60968	Page 976	Permissiveness in AC Structure – CCORR	Support
Pet 60969	Page 976	Permissiveness in AC Structure – CCOSROW	Support
Pet 60970	Page 976	Permissiveness in AC Structure – CCSMC	Support

Further information on these and other issues facing the 2016 General Conference may be found on the RRC website: www.methodistcrossroads.org