

The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church, 2012 Errata 03//01/2013

United Methodist Bishops, page 8, column 2, fourth line from bottom. Remove second hyphen. Correct: Hee-soo Jung.

¶ 139, page 98, second line from the bottom. Following the words “Service (¶ 328)” add the words “compassion and justice.”

¶ 139 now correctly reads: ...deacons are called to ministries of Word, Service (¶ 328), Compassion, and Justice....

¶ 310.2e, page 226. Insert the word “written” between the words “individual” and “ballot.”

¶ 310.2e. now correctly reads: “be voted on by individual written ballot by committee members present.”

¶ 316.6, page 231. Add to the end of subparagraph 6 this following sentence:
“Local pastors who have completed course of study or an M. Div. degree and have served a minimum of two consecutive years under appointment before the election may vote to elect clergy delegates to general and jurisdictional or central conferences (see Judicial Council Decision 1181 and ¶ 35, Article IV).”

Decision No. 1181

In Re: IN RE: Request for a Declaratory Decision as to the Meaning, Effect, and Application of the Amended Division Two, Section VI, ¶ 35, Article IV of the 2008 Discipline

DIGEST OF CASE

The persons who are eligible to be elected as clergy delegates to the General Conference, the jurisdictional conference, or the central conference by the annual conference or the provisional annual conference are the full clergy members of the annual or provisional conference. Eligibility to be elected is conferred by full conference membership without regard to ordination or to years of service.

The persons who are eligible to cast ballots as electors in choosing the clergy delegates to the General Conference, the jurisdictional conference, or the central conference, are (a) the persons who are eligible for election, (b) the associate members, (c) the provisional members who have been judged by the annual conference to have completed the educational requirements and have been elected to provisional membership, and (d) the local pastors who have met two criteria: they have, by either of two options as determined by the annual conference, completed the constitutionally specified level of education; and they have been appointed by the bishop and served for two consecutive years, immediately preceding the election, during which time no withdrawal of the appointed status has occurred.

¶ 327.2b, c, page 244. (See Judicial Council Decision #1181 above.) In subparagraph b capitalize “General” Conference.

Add this following sentence to the end of subparagraph c:
“Provisional clergy members who have completed all of their educational requirements may vote to elect clergy delegates to General and jurisdictional or central conferences (see Judicial Council Decision 1181 and ¶ 35, Article IV).”

¶ 334.5, page 259. Change “incapacity leave” to “medical leave.”

¶ 339, page 267, line 2. Add the phrase “(according to 1992 *Book of Discipline*)” after the words “provisional deacon.”

¶ 353, page 287, last line. Change “incapacity leave” to “medical leave.”

¶ 354.11, page 290. Insert the phrase “except for transitional leave” after the word “requested” and before “it.”

¶ 354.11 now correctly reads: When an end to voluntary leave of absence is requested, except for transitional leave, it shall be by written request....

¶ 407, page 320, 8th line from bottom. Change “incapacity” to “medical leave.”

¶ 410.4. Page 326. Change “*Incapacity Leave*” to “*Medical Leave*.”

¶ 431.b.1, page 343. Lower case “catholic.”

¶ 511.4.c. Page 358, line 7. Change “60-day period” to “90-day period.”

¶ 602. b, c, d, page 395. (See **Judicial Council Decision #1181 above.**) In subparagraph b capitalize “General” Conference.

Add the following sentence to the end of subparagraph b:

“Provisional clergy members who have completed all of their educational requirements may vote to elect clergy delegates to General and jurisdictional or central conferences (see Judicial Council Decision 1181 and ¶ 35, Article IV).”

In subparagraph c line 1 delete the words “and affiliate.”

In subparagraph c lines 3 and 4 delete the words “election of clergy delegates to the general and jurisdictional or central conferences.”

In subparagraph c add the following sentence at the end:

“Affiliate clergy members shall have the right to vote in the annual conference on all matters except the constitutional amendments, election of clergy delegates to the General, jurisdictional or central conferences, and matters of ordination, character, and conference relations of clergy (see Judicial Council Decision 1181 and ¶ 35, Article IV).”

In subparagraph d capitalize “General” Conference.

In subparagraph d add to the end the following sentence:

“Local pastors who have completed course of study or an M. Div. degree and have served a minimum of two consecutive years under appointment before the election may vote to elect clergy delegates to General and jurisdictional or central conferences (see Judicial Council Decision 1181 and ¶ 35, Article IV).”

¶ 635.2.1.6, page 461. Change “incapacity leave” to “medical leave.”

¶ 906.1, page 573. Change “49 persons” to “47 persons.”