

Current Bylaws Language

ARTICLE II. CHURCH OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 3. Deacons

4) Service

d) In case of the pastor's inability to serve, and during any period when the church is without a pastor, the deacons will arrange for temporary pulpit supply. The pastor will be responsible for securing pulpit supplies during his normal absences from the church.

Section 4. Moderator and Assistant Moderator and Parliamentarian

The moderator, assistant moderator, and a parliamentarian shall be elected from the lay membership of the church annually...

Section 6. Treasurer

2) Each check must have a signature from two of the following who are authorized by the church to sign checks: treasurer, financial secretary, budget analyst, and chairperson of the stewardship committee.

Proposed Changes

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2) Each check must have a signature from two of the following who are authorized by the church to sign checks: treasurer, ~~financial secretary~~, budget analyst, chairperson of the stewardship committee, *and other persons as designated by the stewardship committee.*

ARTICLE III. COMMITTEES AND COORDINATING GROUPS

Section 2. Nominating Committee

- 1) A nominating committee initially consisting of six members shall be nominated by the deacons for one and two year terms, on a rotating basis, three new members to be nominated each year. These yearly elections to this committee shall be completed four months prior to the beginning of the church year.

Section 3. Stewardship Committee

- 1) The stewardship committee shall be composed of at least six persons in addition to the treasurer and budget analyst who serve as non-voting ex officio members. This committee shall develop and recommend to the church an overall stewardship promotion and information plan. The church council will become non-voting members of this committee when budget planning is initiated and meet with the committee until the proposed budget is approved by the church.

Section 3. Stewardship Committee

- 2) The stewardship committee will be responsible for overseeing the counting of all receipts, the depositing of the receipts in the bank, and the certification of the deposit to the treasurer and financial secretary. This committee shall appoint a committee of one to three individuals with formal education, training or job experience in the field of accounting to be known as the auditing committee, which shall audit annually the records and reports of the treasurer.

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- 1) A nominating committee initially consisting of *three members* shall be nominated by the deacons for *one, two, and three year terms*, on a rotating basis, *one new member* to be nominated each year. These yearly elections to this committee shall be completed four months prior to the beginning of the church year.

Section 3. Stewardship Committee

- 1) The stewardship committee shall be composed of at least *four persons including the treasurer and budget analyst*. This committee shall develop and recommend to the church an overall stewardship promotion and information plan. The church council will become non-voting members of this committee when budget planning is initiated and meet with the committee until the proposed budget is approved by the church.

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- 2) The stewardship committee will be responsible for overseeing the counting of all receipts, the depositing of the receipts in the bank, and the certification of the deposit to the treasurer and financial secretary. *The stewardship committee shall conduct or recommend an audit of church records and reports as necessary.*

ARTICLE VI. CHURCH MEETINGS

Section 3. Regular Business Meetings

The church shall hold regular business meetings during the months of September, November, January, March and May. Regular business meetings shall be at the regular time established for prayer meeting on Wednesday following the second Sunday of each month.

ARTICLE VIII. CHURCH CALENDAR

The fiscal year and the church year shall be determined by the church.

ARTICLE VI. CHURCH MEETINGS

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The church shall hold regular business meetings *once per quarter. The date and time will be determined by the pastor and church officers, and shall be announced at least one week prior and advertised publicly.*

ARTICLE VIII. CHURCH CALENDAR

The church's fiscal year will begin on January 1 and the church year will begin on September 1.