

January 26, 2021 with Treasurers

Presentation: Responsibilities per Book of Discipline presented by Rick King

00:02:56 Lauren Michelle Stevens (she/her): Hey y'all, sorry but just wanted to check, if we're doing CFA training there's nothing until 1pm?

00:20:45 Kendall Waller: Good morning all.

00:25:33 GCFA Tech: It will be CF&A link later

00:34:53 Sarah Sneider: Sorry I'm going to only be here for about 10 minutes. We have our monthly CF&A meeting at 11:15. I'll catch you all on video later.

00:35:04 GCFA-Lynne Neiderland: OK, no worries

00:35:06 GCFA-Lynne Neiderland: Thank you

00:35:18 GCFA-Lynne Neiderland: Good Morning Everyone,
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00:38:34 Lonnie Chafin: hi everyone good to be with you.

00:38:53 Kendall Waller: Hi Lonnie. Good to hear from you

00:40:22 Christy Drenner: Will you be sending out the slide decks as well?

00:40:35 GCFA-Lynne Neiderland: Yes we are

00:40:42 Christy Drenner: Thank you!

00:40:56 GCFA-Lynne Neiderland: It will be on a website and Connectional Relations will send a link to it

00:50:38 David Andersen: Good morning! It is my opinion that the Index of the BOD is rather limited so I was interested in the free online version of the BOD from Cokesbury. I missed the link so I just went to Cokesbury to find it and couldn't. Also the online chat person at Cokesbury couldn't find it either. can you please provide that again?

00:52:57 GCFA-Lynne Neiderland: See if this works for you <https://www.cokesbury.com/book-of-discipline-book-of-resolutions-free-versions>

00:58:26 Kendall Waller: Campus ministries are included

01:11:28 Kendall Waller: Not sure how that is done everywhere, but we do a breakout session at annual conference where every attendee can ask line item specific questions and they bring the budget to the floor. Everyone gets their questions answered in advance.

01:13:08 David Andersen: We prepare a 35 page detail budget and put that on the Conference website but present an appreciated narrative/missional budget in our reports which is what is presented at AC. Rarely does anyone look at the 35 page budget.

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01:14:38 Lonnie Chafin: how does the delay of GC impact the choice of stat year when applying the formula?

01:15:28 Lonnie Chafin: is it right that bishops can only retire on August 31?

01:15:44 Lonnie Chafin: I can wait for answers if that's appropriate

01:19:38 Brant Henshaw: does the removal apply for closures as well?

01:19:46 David Andersen: Bishops cannot retire ad interim

01:20:38 James Brown: Does the removal happen automatically?

01:21:24 Ian Hall: Is there an official method of notification?

01:22:22 Brant Henshaw: and what is the timing / deadline?

01:22:46 Dan Wilson-Fey: My understanding is that churches can only disaffiliate by action of the Annual Conference session. I assume this is reported to GCFA in the BAC.

01:24:05 Maggie Biggs: Thank you, Rick.

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02:35:42 Dan Bryant (East Ohio): Thank you.

02:38:18 GCFA-Lynne Neiderland: <https://www.cokesbury.com/book-of-discipline-book-of-resolutions-free-versions>

02:55:45 Barry Robison: So, if CF&A members are not permitted to discuss, much less vote, on items that may impact their personal salary/compensation or business or place of employment in which they have an interest, does this mean that clergy members of CF&A cannot discuss or vote on matters that pertain pensions, equitable compensation, or other programs that may affect pastor salaries/benefits, as well as the churches they serve (place of employment)?

03:00:19 Dan Bryant (East Ohio): But in regards to a general setting of salary, I don't think we, as clergy, are excluded.

03:00:58 Chris Lantz: What about moving policies? Do clergy have to sit out on those kinds of policies because they are technically a benefit?

03:03:09 Jerry Eyster: I thought the Discipline did not allow voting members of CCFA to serve as a voting member of any group that receives funding in the conference budget that is recommended by CCFA. They either resign from the other organization or cease to be a voting member of CCFA.

03:03:21 Jim Mitchell: These questions came up when I served on the Conference Board of Pensions. The answer of conflict of interest was only directly related to individual compensation. Clergy could vote on general policies which may be related to parts of the compensation. Otherwise clergy members could not vote on any compensation issues.

03:05:37 Jerry Eyster: My comment should have been phrased as a question. Is my statement correct?

03:06:20 GCFA-Lynne Neiderland: I apologize Jerry. Will raise your question

03:07:37 Jerry Eyster: In the New York Annual Conference such memberships in groups receiving funds from the conference budget lead to either resignation from the committee or a non-voting status on CCFA.

03:10:05 Jerry Eyster: I will find the reference and provide it

03:11:33 Zach Anderson- Great Plains AC: 612.b is the paragraph I think Jerry is looking for.

03:11:51 Zach Anderson- Great Plains AC: 612.2b

03:12:40 GCFA-Lynne Neiderland: Thank you

03:16:32 Timothy Baer: 612.2b would seem to indicate that members, employees, directors, etc. of agencies/institutions would not be eligible for voting membership of CF&A.....so people who receive compensation (salary, health, pension, etc.) could serve and vote as they are not "agencies"???

03:21:59 Paul Nasman (California-Nevada Conf): What is giving rise to the 25% issue in 613.3. Is this a Covid-related item?

03:23:41 GCFA-Lynne Neiderland: The petition was submitted before the pandemic so I would say it is not

03:24:05 Paul Nasman (California-Nevada Conf): Thanks.

03:24:23 GCFA-Lynne Neiderland: YW

03:27:20 Jerry Eyster: What role does CCFA have over special funds or
programs established by Annual Conference
03:27:40 Carolyn Hindel: Thank you Rick!
03:27:58 George Coates: Thank you.
03:28:26 Jerry Eyster: Not an appear but the ongoing program
03:28:51 Stephanie Uhl: Thanks Rick! Great overview!
03:28:56 Joy Morgan: Thank you.
03:29:09 Brad Bartelmay: Thanks
03:29:10 Burke Owens St Helena UMC, Cal-Nevada AC: Thank you!