2012: Southwest Conference UCC Bylaw Resolutions

From the Southwest Conference UCC Executive Board

1. Change to Article IV, Section C: Mission Planning Board/ Composition & Membership Add paragraph 4. to read:

Any CHHSM agency operating within the boundaries of the Southwest Conference may elect one representative from their organization to serve on the Mission Planning Board.

2. Changes to Article 111, Section G: Responsibilities of the SWC/Committees

<u>Paragraph 1</u> to be amended by changing the closing period to a comma and adding these words: <u>Sections A and B.</u>

<u>Title to Paragraph 9</u> amended to add a comma after the word Ministry, and these words at the end: Section A – Pastoral Authorization

Paragraph 9, subsection a. to be replaced with the following:

a. The Conference shall elect to the Committee on Church and Ministry, Section A, twelve (12) members. There shall be at least four (4) lay members on the committee. There shall be at least two (2) members from the Central Arizona Association, and at least one from the other four Associations. Each Association shall be represented by at least one (1) clergy.

Paragraph 9, subsection b. to be replaced with the following:

b. The Committee on Church and Ministry, Section A, shall handle matters of ministerial authorization according to the policies, practices and recommendations of the United Church of Christ as well as its own rules, so long as they are consistent with those of the United Church of Christ. Terms of office shall be three (3) years. Terms shall be staggered such that members are elected in three (3) classes, each with four (4) members. One successive term is permitted. The Committee shall select its own chairperson annually.

Add Paragraph 10 with subsections a. and b. to read:

- 10. The Committee on Church and Ministry, Section B
- a. The Conference shall elect to the Committee on Church and Ministry, Section B, six (6) members. There shall be three (3) lay members on the committee. There shall be at least two (2) members from the Central Arizona Association, and at least one from the other four Associations.
- b. The Committee on Church and Ministry, Section B, shall handle matters of church standing and covenant relations according to the policies, practices and recommendations of the United Church of Christ as well as its own rules, so long as they are consistent with those of the United Church of Christ. Terms of office shall be three (3) years. Terms shall be staggered such that members are elected in three (3) classes, each with two (2) members. One successive term is permitted. The Committee shall select its own chairperson annually.