

Exhibit H

OMNIBUS MOTION

(From the Coordinating Council)

1) That the attached Anti-Racism Policy be approved as a new policy of Presbytery.

Rationale: The Book of Order requires all councils to adopt and implement an anti-racism policy pursuant to G-3.0106.

2) That the attached Child Protection Policy be approved as a new policy of Presbytery.

Rationale: The Book of Order requires all councils to adopt and implement child protection policy pursuant to G-3.0106.

3) That the attached Boundary Training and Background Check Policy be approved.

Rationale: It moved and seconded at the Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of St. Augustine on February 3, 2024, that the Presbytery include in the appropriate policy the requirement that Presbytery conduct a mandatory national criminal background check for all ministers, CREs and CCEs serving in ministry in the Presbytery of St. Augustine at the beginning of their service and every three years thereafter; and that policy require all ministers, CREs and CCEs serving in ministry in the Presbytery of St. Augustine shall complete every three years training in the prevention of sexual misconduct and in protection of children and youth. Upon deliberation, it was then moved, seconded and carried to refer this motion to the Coordinating Council for further study and recommendation. Boundary Training is required every three years by the Book of Order G-3.0106.

4) That Presbytery Policy #28 (Resolution Clarifying and Reaffirming the Presbytery's Commitment to the Pastoral Counseling Center) be rescinded.

Rationale: The counseling centers referred to in this policy no longer exist.

5) That Presbytery Policy #30 (Scholarship Support For Pastoral Counseling Through the Gainesville Counseling Support Fund) be rescinded.

Rationale: The fund referenced has been replaced by the Community Ministry Fund as of the Presbytery meeting October 2023.

(From the Call Commission)

6) That Presbytery Policy #4 (Certified Christian Educators) be updated by the Stated Clerk to reflect current Book of Order citations and updated Presbytery Committee structures.

Rationale- No changes of substance are recommended. Our current committee structure and current Book of Order citations will replace the outdated ones.

7) That Presbytery Policy #6 (Authority Granted to Transfer Candidates between Meetings of Presbytery) be rescinded.

Rationale- Initially created in 1989, the policy is now unnecessary as the Call Commission is empowered by the Presbytery Manual of Operations to transfer Candidates.

8) That Presbytery Policy #13 (Guidelines for Collegial Relations Among Minister) be rescinded.

Rationale- Initially created during the time of reunion in 1983, this policy may have had a historical place in our Presbytery. The portions of this policy that are still appropriate currently exist in the Book of Order and in other policies. The portions of this policy that relate to “good behavior” are deemed unnecessary. Therefore, the entirety is recommended to be rescinded.

9) That Presbytery Policy #17 (Mentoring Policy for Incoming Clergy) be moved to an internal policy of the Call Commission and rescinded as a general policy of the Presbytery.

Rationale- The Mentoring Policy is a good policy for internal use by the Call Commission and should be used by the Call Commission for incoming clergy.

10) That Presbytery Policy #31 (Policy on Seminary Indebtedness) be rescinded.

Rationale- First created in 2005, this policy brought awareness to the issue of Seminary indebtedness. Since that time, many structures have been put in place by internal Call Commission efforts and by the Board of Pensions to help minimize Seminary indebtedness making this policy redundant to efforts both locally and nationally.

11) That Presbytery Policy #32 (Services of Installation and Ordination) remain in place, but to authorize the Stated Clerk to update the Book of Order citations to the current Book of Order and to define *coordinating the service with the “Presbytery office”* as coordinating with the Moderator of the Call Commission and the Moderator of Presbytery.

12) That Presbytery Policy #35 (Validating the Ministry of Continuing Members) be moved to an internal policy of the Call Commission and rescinded as a general policy of the Presbytery.

Rationale- This policy was first instituted in 2005. Subsequently, the Manual of Operations places the responsibility of validating a ministry within the Call Commission. The Call Commission will be presented with a revised internal Validated Ministry Policy, making this Presbytery policy no longer necessary.