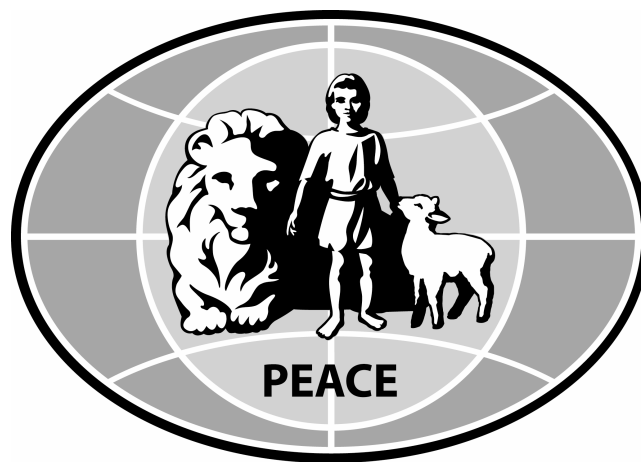


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# Resolutions

September 25, 2005

## ***Resolutions***

### **Ex Officio Status for Counselors to the Mission Center President and Counselors to the Mission Center Financial Officer**

*Adopted October 19, 2003*

1. Whereas, The Mission Center President and Counselors function as the Mission Center Presidency; and

Whereas, The Mission Center Financial Officer and Counselors function as the Mission Center Financial Team; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Coastal Bend Mission Center extend ex-officio status to the two Counselors of the Mission Center President and to the two Counselors of the Mission Center Financial Officer at all mission center delegate conferences; and

*Resolved*, That ex-officio status be automatically extended to the four Counselors of the Mission Center President and Mission Center Financial Officer at the time they are annually sustained at a Mission Center Conference.

### **Equal Representation for Mission Center Conferences**

*Adopted October 19, 2003*

2. Whereas, Each congregation in the Coastal Bend Mission Center should be entitled to an equal number of delegates at Mission Center Conferences; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That each congregation is authorized to elect five delegates and an equal number of alternates at a scheduled business meeting to represent the congregation at the next scheduled mission center conference; and

*Resolved*, That the Congregation report the election results to the Mission Center President at least 10 days prior to the scheduled mission center conference.

### **Equipment Reserve Fund**

*Adopted October 19, 2003*

*Amended September 24, 2005*

3. Whereas, Equipment generally has a life expectancy greater than one year; and

Whereas, The purchase of equipment is variable from year to year; and

Whereas, The creation of an Equipment Reserve Fund used for the purchase of equipment with a useful life greater than one year can reduce unpredictable annual fluctuations in the Operating Budget; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That an Equipment Reserve Fund be established for the purchase of equipment for the Coastal Bend Mission Center; and

*Resolved*, That \$10,000 of the undesignated receipts from the jurisdictions that will comprise the Coastal Bend Mission Center be allocated to the Equipment Reserve Fund; and

*Resolved*, That the annual Operating Fund budget include a transfer of funds to the Equipment Reserve Fund to reflect the declining value of the purchased equipment; and

*Resolved*, That the Coastal Bend Mission Center Leadership Team has the authority to spend available resources from this fund for the needs of the mission center. All income and expenses pertaining to the fund will be audited annually and reported to the mission center conference.

### **Endowment Fund**

*Adopted October 19, 2003*

4. Whereas, The Coastal Bend Mission Center will receive funds from the Southwest Region donated for use as an Endowment Fund; and

Whereas, An Endowment Fund can provide a long-term source of funding for the mission center; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That an Endowment Fund be established for the Coastal Bend Mission Center (hereafter Mission Center); and

*Resolved*, That the Endowment Fund utilize a spending rate philosophy with the actual amounts recommended by the Mission Center Leadership Team and approved annually by the Mission Center Conference; and

*Resolved*, That the Endowment Fund's primary purpose is to cover the administrative costs of the Mission Center Operating Budget and if there are remaining funds then they will be used to support program costs of the Mission Center Operating Budget or other costs as recommended by the Mission Center Leadership Team, and

*Resolved*, That final authorization to receive and spend resources from the Endowment Fund rests with the Mission Center Conference through approval of an annual budget as per the official "Bylaws" of the Community of Christ; and

*Resolved*, That all members of the Mission Center be encouraged to contribute to the Endowment Fund.

### **Sale of Victoria Property**

*Adopted May 16, 2004*

5. Whereas, the Victoria Congregation has been closed and there are no foreseeable opportunities for continuing ministry in the facility; and

Whereas, God's Church of Restoration is currently renting the facility and is willing to purchase the building; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Coastal Bend Mission Center authorize the sale of the Victoria facility.

### **Disposition of Proceeds from Victoria Sale**

*Adopted May 16, 2004*

6. Whereas, There is a commitment in the Mission Center to increase its Endowment Fund to cover basic administrative costs of the Mission Center; and

Whereas, There is a need to support the operating program of the Mission Center; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the proceeds from rent and the sale of the Victoria property be divided evenly between the Operating Fund and for Camperships to Youth Camps at Sionito and Spectacular.

### **Initiation and Consideration of Legislation**

*Adopted May 16, 2004*

7. Whereas, Common consent can be strengthened by timely discussion of issues at the congregational level; and

Whereas, Common consent is promoted by legislation that has the support of a congregation; and

Whereas, the Mission Center Leadership Team will need to bring administrative and policy concerns to the Conference; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That proposed legislation shall come to the Mission Center Conference with the approval of a congregational conference (business meeting) or from the Mission Center Leadership Team; and

*Resolved*, That proposed legislation shall be received by the Mission Center Presidency at least 45 days before a Mission Center Conference; and

*Resolved*, That proposed legislation will be communicated by the Mission Center Presidency to the Mission Center congregations 30 days before a Mission Center Conference.

### **Disposition of Dellcrest Facility**

*Adopted September 19, 2004*

8. Whereas, The Dellcrest Congregation was closed in 2002 and its membership was reassigned principally to Shenandoah and New Braunfels; and

Whereas, At the October 20, 2002 Texas Hills District Conference the following resolution was approved: "That pending a permanent resolution of the Dellcrest facilities

the Texas Hills District President be authorized to work with the Shenandoah Congregation to establish a custodial responsibility for Shenandoah over the Dellcrest facility. This would primarily be to support an emerging Community Outreach Program in San Antonio”; and

Whereas, There is a continuing need to explore other sources of income for the Coastal Bend Mission Center to reduce the need for congregational contributions, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Coastal Bend Mission Center extends its’ appreciation to the Shenandoah Congregation for their thoughtful custodial care for the Dellcrest facility; and

*Resolved*, That the Coastal Bend Mission Center assumes permanent responsibility for the care and disposition of the Dellcrest facility; and

*Resolved*, That the Coastal Bend Mission Center leadership team is authorized to explore alternatives including the lease or sale of the Dellcrest facility for the benefit of the mission center; and

*Resolved*, That if the Dellcrest facility is sold a recommendation regarding final disposition of the sale’s proceeds will be presented at the next mission center conference.

## **Receiving Congregational Loan/Gifts**

*Adopted September 24, 2005*

9. Whereas, Congregations are seeking ways to lend some of their cash reserves for a designated period of time to the mission center with the income generated by the reserves during this period to be made available for use by the mission center; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Mission Center will receive these loans and the conditions attached, if deemed advisable by the Mission Center Leadership Team, and incorporate them into the appropriate funds of the Mission Center; and

*Resolved*, That the Mission Center Financial Officer will report annually to the mission center conference the status of these congregational loans, and

*Resolved*, That in accepting a loan from a congregation, the Mission Center is committed to maintaining adequate reserve funds to repay the loan under the agreed terms in the event that the value of the investment falls below the original amount.

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