FIRST REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
ADMINISTRATION, POLICY AND ECUMENICAL ISSUES

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was VOTED
11-11-EC-02 to adopt the printed agenda.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

It was VOTED
11-11-EC-03.a-g to approve the Consent Agenda as found on the Agenda of the

The consent agenda included the following actions:

a. Grant voice without vote to members of the Executive Council staff and others making
   presentations before the Executive Council and its committees: those granted voice are
   Bentley de Bardelaben, Christina Chapple, Jennifer Craig, Don Clark, Lee Foley, Ann
   Hanson, Jane Heckles, Don Hill, Kathy Houston, Ann Kiernozek, Chris Noffke, Barb Powell,
   Susan Sanders, Mark Thomas, Karen Georgia Thompson, Susan Towner-Larsen, Kimberly
   Whitney.

b. Approve the June 2011 Executive Council Minutes.

c. Approve the corrected Minutes of the Twenty-eighth General Synod, as presented by the
   panel of Executive Council proofreaders.

d. Receive the resignation of Josh Whistler as the representative of the Southwest Conference
   to the Executive Council.

e. The election of the Rev. J. Matthew Deal (Class of 2013) as the Chair of the Twenty-ninth
   General Synod Nominating Committee, in compliance with ¶200 c) of the Bylaws of the

f. The election of the Rev. Tony Fields (Class of 2013) as the Chair of the Twenty-ninth
   General Synod Credentials Committee, in compliance with ¶207 of the Bylaws of the United

g. Adoption of the following distribution for Conference Delegates to the Twenty-ninth
   General Synod, totaling 677: in compliance with paragraph 189 of the Bylaws of the United
   Church of Christ (2010 ed.) the distribution of Conference Delegates to the Twenty-ninth
   General Synod is based on Conference membership, as listed in the 2011 United Church of
   Christ Yearbook. Although the calculation is based on 675 delegates, the actual total number
   of Conference Delegates is set at 677. This occurs because paragraph 189 states no
Conference shall be allocated fewer than three delegates. The distribution schedule follows;

Total UCC membership = \(1,058,423 \div 675 = 1,568\) members = 1 delegate

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**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-01 to adopt the printed agenda as amended.

**APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-03.a-c to approve the Consent Agenda as found on the Agenda of the March 16-17, 2012 Executive Council Meeting (EC-12-03-01).
The consent agenda included the following actions:

a. Grant voice without vote to the following staff members and others making presentations before the March 2012 meeting of the Executive Council and its committees; Ms. Tracy Carnes, Ms. Chris Cheline, Ms. Elizabeth Clement, Mr. Don Clark, Mr. Bentley deBardelaben, Mr. Lee Foley, Ms. Ann Hanson, Ms. Jane Heckles, Mr. Don Hill, Ms. Kathy Houston, Ms. Ann Kiernozek, Ms. Kristina Lizardy-Hajbi, Mr. Chris Noffke, Ms. Ann Poston, Ms. Susan Sanders, Ms. Christina Sattler, Mr. Mark Thomas, Ms. Karen Georgia Thompson, Ms. Susan Towner-Larsen and Ms. Kimberly Whitney.

b. Approve the Minutes of its November 2011 meeting, as posted and circulated by the Secretary of the Corporation.

c. Receive appointments to the Governance Implementation Task Force by the Chair, the creation of which was requested by the Collegium of Officers. The appointees are: Associate General Minister Mr. W. Mark Clark Chair, 2009-2011 UGov Chair Mr. Bernard Wilson-member from the Executive Council, Ms. Marilyn Pagan-Banks-member from the Executive Council, Mr. Geoffrey Brace-member from the Justice and Witness Ministries Board of Directors, Ms. Sue Artt-member from the Local Church Ministries Board of Directors, Mr. Rich Pleva-member from the Council of Conference Ministers, 2009-2011 UGov facilitator Ms. Jacquie McLemore-member, A Proposal for Unified Governance Co-Author Ms. Anita Bradshaw-member and facilitator, Minister for Governing Body Relations Mr. Lee Foley-member, and staff and Special Assistant to the Collegium of Officers Ms. Kimberly Whitney-member and staff.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was VOTED
13-03-EC-01 to adopt the printed agenda.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

It was VOTED
13-03-EC-02a-c to approve the Consent Agenda as found on the Agenda of the March 9, 2013 Executive Council Meeting.

The consent agenda included the following items:

a. to approve the Minutes of the October 2012 Meeting of the Executive Council;

b. to receive the Minutes of the November 2012 Meeting of the Executive Council’s Executive Committee; and

c. to accept the resignation of Anita Louise Poole as a member of the Executive Council, representing the Illinois-South Conference.
ELECTION OF GARY SCHULTE TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

It was VOTED
13-03-EC-03 to elect Mr. Gary Schulte to the Executive Council as a representative (New England Region) of the Council of Conference Ministers to a term ending with the conclusion of the Twenty-ninth General Synod.

GRANT VOICE WITHOUT VOTE

It was VOTED
13-03-EC-04 to grant voice without vote to the following persons: David Anderson, Tracy Carnes, Elizabeth Clement, Chris Cheline, Don Clark, Davida Crabtree, Bentley de Bardeleyan, Lee Foley, Jane Heckles, Don Hill, Kathy Houston, Ann Kiernozek, Peter Makari, Chris Noffke, Loey Powell, Susan Sanders, Christina Sattler, Denise Shimell, Ches Sumptier, Mark Thomas, Karen Georgia Thompson, Susan Towner-Larsen, and Kimberly Whitney.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS SUBMITTED TO THE TWENTY-NINTH GENERAL SYNOD

It was VOTED
13-03-EC-05 Executive Council receives items of business submitted to the Twenty-ninth General Synod and recommends referral as follows:

1. Calling for the United Church of Christ to Repudiate the Doctrine of Discovery Which Authorized the Genocide of Indian People and the Theft of Indian Lands
   A Resolution of Witness
   The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

2. On Making UCC Church Buildings More Carbon Neutral
   A Resolution of Witness
   The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

3. Resolution Against Bullying and Discrimination
   A Resolution of Witness
   The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

4. Mountaintop Removal Coal Mining in Appalachia
   A Resolution of Witness
   The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

5. Resolution Calling for an All Church Offering for Supporting the Educational Expenses of Member in Discernment Preparing for Authorized Ministry of the United Church of Christ
   A Prudential Resolution
   The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

6. Resolution Urging Divestment from Fossil Fuel Companies
A Resolution of Witness
The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

7. A Resolution In Support of Outdoor Ministries of the United Church of Christ
A Prudential Resolution
The Executive Council recommends referral directly to a plenary of the General Synod.

A Resolution of Witness
The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

9. The United Samoan Ministries of the United Church of Christ Request to be Recognized as a Historically Underrepresented Group and Member of the Council for Racial and Ethnic Ministries
A Prudential Resolution
The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

10. To recognize the need for compassionate care and healing to our veterans
A Resolution of Witness
The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

11. Resisting Actions Seeking to Undermine the Status of Women in Society
A Resolution of Witness
The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

12. Resolution on Advocating for Funding to Construct Quality Affordable Housing
A Resolution of Witness
The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

13. Restructuring of Conference Boundaries
A Prudential Resolution
The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

14. A Call to Respond to the Drug-Related Gang Violence in Honduras Resulting from the Illegal Drugs Market in the United States
A Resolution of Witness
The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

15. Resolution Supporting Compassionate Comprehensive Immigration Reform and the Protection of the Human Rights of Immigrants
A Resolution of Witness
The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.

Affirmation of Relationship between the United Church of Christ and the Fellowship of Affirming Ministries
A Prudential Resolution
The Executive Council recommends referral to a Committee of the General Synod.
PORTAGE LAKE CHURCH

It was VOTED 13-03-EC-06 at the request of the Portage Lake United Church of Christ in Houghton, Michigan, the Northwest Association of the Wisconsin Association of the Wisconsin Conference and the Wisconsin and Michigan Conferences of the United Church of Christ, the Executive Council approves of Portage Lake United Church of Christ, of Houghton, Michigan entering into ecclesiastic covenant as a member local church of the Northwest Association of the Wisconsin Conference of the United Church of Christ.

DESIGNATION OF OFFERINGS FROM THE TWENTY-NINTH GENERAL SYNOD

It was VOTED 13-03-EC-20 the designation of the offerings from the Twenty-ninth General Synod as follows: the Southern California-Nevada Conference Leadership Academy as the recipient of the Friday evening worship offering, Our Church's Wider Mission as the recipient of the Sunday worship offering and the Tuesday Evening offering split evenly among the United Church of Christ Scholarships for Ministerial Preparations.

BUDGET AND FINANCE ISSUES

2011 AUDIT AND RELATED MATERIALS

It was VOTED 11-11-EC-08 the Executive Council receives the December 31, 2010 United Church of Christ Combined Financial Report and SAS 114 letter.

NATIONAL SUPPORT ALLOCATION BASE

It was VOTED 11-11-EC-09 (3 abstentions) the Executive Council approves the National Basic Support allocation base of $7,100,000 for 2012. The resulting funding for each Ministry is EC $770,190 (10.848%), OGM $1,857,215 (26.158%), JWM $1,069,720 (15.066%), LCM $1,770,114 (24.931%), WCM $1,198,122 (16.875%) and PB $434,639 (6.122%)
2012 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL BUDGET

It was VOTED 11-11-EC-10 the Executive Council adopts the 2012 Executive Council Budget of $770,190.

SUPPLEMENTATION OF SMALL ANNUITIES

It was VOTED 11-11-EC-11 (As amended) the Executive Council authorizes the Pension Boards to pay supplementation of small annuities, effective January 1, 2012 based on an income level of $26,000 with three-fourths of that amount as the level applicable in determining supplementation for a deceased member’s surviving spouse/partner.

CORRECTION TO THE 2011 GENERAL SYNOD CONFERENCE TRAVEL POOL

It was VOTED 11-11-EC-12 the Executive Council asks the CFO to contact the conferences that have 2011 travel pool dollars due them and ask the debt be forgiven. For those conferences that do not have the resources to forgive the obligation, we will honor the obligation and add the payments to the 2011 General Synod operating deficit.

STEPS NECESSARY TO OFFSET A PROJECTED DEFICIT IN THE 2012 BUDGET

It was VOTED 11-11-EC-13 the Executive Council authorizes staff to withdraw funds to offset the 2011 General Synod operating deficit from the EC Endowment Fund; not to exceed $250,000. The final amount of the deficit/withdrawal is to be reported to the Committee at their Spring, 2012 meeting.

2013 GENERAL SYNOD TRAVEL POOL

It was VOTED 11-11-EC-14 the Executive Council approves that the travel pool dollars for General Synod 2013 be calculated at a flat rate of $.0525 per mile. Further, that the cost and formula for supporting conference travel be discussed as part of the ongoing discussion and consideration of the cost and frequency of the meetings of General Synod.

ALLOCATION OF SHORTFALL IN BASIC SUPPORT

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-12 the Executive Council authorizes the Financial Services staff to allocate the shortfall in Basic Support receipts ($85,639.16) from the budgeted
amount after adjusting for savings in the Executive Council net revenues and expenses ($54,210.00) to the Covenanted Ministries and The Pension Boards recognizing that the resulting calculations will affect the approved percentages as presented at the October, 2010 meeting of the Executive Council.

The resulting net charge to each is EC $54,210.00, OGM $7,086.79, JWM $5,452.79, LCM $9,240.79, WCM $7,432.79 and PB $2,216.00.

The resulting effective allocation percentages for 2011 are EC 9.863%, OGM 26.376%, JWM 15.385%, LCM 25.099%, WCM 17.257% and PB 6.019%.

**2013 GENERAL SYNOD REGISTRATION FEES**

**It was VOTED 12-03-EC-13**

the Executive Council establishes the registration fees for the 2013 General Synod at the following rates:

**Adults**
Full Registration: $225 for delegates, associate delegates, all staff, exhibitors and visitors
Three Day Registration: $175
Partial Registration: $75 for visitors who attend for a single day.
(Available only to visitors)

**Youth**
$150 for youth ages 18 and under

**Local Registration Fee**
$75 for local area volunteers as designated by Conference staff and planner

**Meeting Space During Synod**
Morning Caucus $75
Workshop Space $275
Sponsored Meals $375
After Hour Events $500
24 Hour Space $750

**Exhibit Booths**
National – 1st 10x10 $900
National – additional space $350 each
Outside – 1st 10x10 $500 (still pay $225 registration)
Outside - additional space $350 each

**Pre Synod Events**
All Day Event $600
Half Day Event $300
As the cost of the General Synod is supported in large part by the cost of registration, all participants must register for Synod, thus sharing in the support of this event in the life of the Church.

NATIONAL BASIC SUPPORT ALLOCATION

It was VOTED
13-03-EC-09
To recommend that the Executive Council adopt and recommend to General Synod for adoption: 1) a National Basic Support allocation based on $6.304 million for the budget year 2014 and $6.017 million for the budget year 2015; and 2) that the percentage allocations for 2014 and 2015 be based on the recommendation of the United Church of Christ Board.

ALLOCATION OF EXCESS BASIC SUPPORT RECEIPTS

It was VOTED
13-03-EC-10
To recommend that the Executive Council authorize Financial Services staff to allocate the excess Basic Support receipts over the budgeted amount ($174,193) and excess revenues of the Executive Council ($25,000) to decrease the StillSpeaking Initiative deficit balance.

ADDITION OF WORDS TO MOTION

It was VOTED
13-03-EC-11
to add additional words to the motion: withdraw funds when needed and in order to supplement cash flow.

It was VOTED
13-03-EC-12
To recommend that the Executive Council authorize the General Minister & President, in conjunction with the Chief Financial Officer, to withdraw funds when needed from the Executive Council Endowment Fund at United Church Funds to decrease the StillSpeaking Initiative deficit balance when needed in order to supplement the cash flow of the Covenanted Ministries.

EVALUATION & PLANNING ISSUES

REVISED TRAVEL POLICY

It was VOTED
11-11-EC-15
(2 Nos) the Executive Council adopts the Revised Travel Policy recommended by the Evaluation, Policy, and Planning Committee including the provisions that the 30 day travel reservation policy be reduced to 21 days. It also recommends that there is a specific reference for reimbursement of any additional costs related to
disability access.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE CHHSM SCHOLARSHIP FUND

It was VOTED 11-11-EC-16

the Executive Council adopts the Proposed Changes in the Make a Difference CHHSM Scholarship Fund, which indicates that, in the first sentence of the proposal, the reference to UCC be dropped.

REPORT ON THE TWENTY-EIGHTH GENERAL SYNOD ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS AND OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-14

The Executive Council affirms the Report on the Twenty-eighth General Synod Adopted Resolutions and Other Business Items, with two exceptions;

A.) No report on Covenant on Youth Ministries was submitted.

B.) No report on To Form a Theological Forum was submitted.

The Committee requests that the Executive Council create a task force comprised equally of representatives of each of the (Affirming Health Care Coverage for United Church of Christ Authorized Ministers and Their Families) Resolution’s named constituencies, including the sponsor of the resolution, the Pacific-Northwest Conference.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON DISABILITIES

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-15

The Executive Council adopts the Report from the Committee on Disabilities.

OUR CHURCH’S WIDER MISSION ALLOCATIONS ALIGNING WITH RESOLUTIONS OF GENERAL SYNOD

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-16

The Evaluation, Policy and Planning Committee (EP&P) of the Executive Council (EC) moves to acknowledge and affirm Justice and Witness Ministries' (JWM's) concern about Our Church's Wider Mission allocations aligning with Resolutions of General Synod. As JWM takes further steps to make more specific recommendations to the EC, particularly around changes to the General Synod Resolution process, EP&P, as the body that monitors the progress and implementation of General Synod Resolutions, would like to work closely with the appropriate representatives of JWM, the Organizational Life and Budget & Finance committees of the EC, The Pension Boards and the other covenanted ministries, to report back to the EC at its April 2013
meeting with recommendations for next steps.

**UCC CALENDAR DATE WORKING COMMITTEE**

It was VOTED
12-03-EC-17 The Executive Council authorizes a Designated UCC Calendar Date Working Committee to consult on a needs basis to consider and determine new named date requests as well as make any updates or date shifts that are needed. The committee will consist of staff working directly with the Calendar, Worship, and the LCM Executive Minister or designee, consulting more widely if needed and as appropriate due to the nature and special focus of a request. The EP&P Committee requests a report from the Calendar Date Working Committee at its fall 2012 meeting.

**REPORT FROM THE PACIFIC ISLANDER AND ASIAN AMERICAN MINISTRIES**

It was VOTED
13-03-EC-07 to receive the report from the Pacific Islander and Asian American Ministries (PAAM).

**ORGANIZATIONAL LIFE ISSUES**

**ELECTION OF ROBERT GROVE-MARKWOOD TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

It was VOTED
11-11-EC-01 to elect Mr. Robert Grove-Markwood as a member of the Executive Council

**ELECTION OF PERSONS TO RESPECTIVE POSITIONS**

It was VOTED
11-11-EC-04 to elect the following persons to these respective positions.

*For Election to the Executive Council*


*For Election to the Justice and Witness Ministries Board of Directors*

2. the election of DeEtte (Dee) Lundberg to the Justice and Witness Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of the Rocky Mountain Conference, Class of 2013.
3. the election of Kelli Parrish Lucas to the Justice and Witness Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of the United Church of Christ Disabilities Ministries, Class of 2013.

   For Election to the Local Church Ministries Board of Directors

4. the election of Robbie Carlson to the Local Church Ministries Board of Directors as representative of the Rocky Mountain Conference, Class of 2015.

5. the election of John Selders to the Local Church Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of the Ministers for Racial, Social and Economic Justice, Class of 2017.

   For Election to the Wider Church Ministries Board of Directors

6. the election of Lee Barrett to the Wider Church Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of the Seminaries of the United Church of Christ, Class of 2013.

7. the election of Toni Dunbar, to the Wider Church Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of the Ministers for Racial, Social and Economic Justice, Class of 2015.


9. the election of Liza Torres to the Wider Church Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of the Council for Hispanic Ministries, Class of 2017.

   For Election to the Office of General Ministries Board of Directors

10. the election of Robert Molsberry to the Office of General Ministries, as a representative of the Council of Conference Ministers, Class of 2013.

    AMENDED STANDING RULES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR THE 2011-13 BIENNIAL

It was VOTED 11-11-EC-05 in compliance with Executive Council Standing Rule 32, approves the Executive Council Standing Rules, as amended, for the 2011-13 biennium.

    AMENDED GENERAL SYNOD NOMINATING COMMITTEE CODE FOR THE 2011-13 BIENNIAL

It was VOTED 11-11-EC-06 in compliance with Executive Council action 7-03-EC-28 approval of the General Synod Nominating Code, as amended, for the 2011-13 biennium.
DIRECTIVE TO THE GENERAL SYNOD NOMINATING COMMITTEE REGARDING THE PREPARATION OF SLATES OF CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION AT THE TWENTY-NINTH GENERAL SYNOD

It was VOTED 11-11-EC-07 the Executive Council directs the General Synod Nominating Committee to prepare a single slate of candidates for election by the Twenty-ninth General Synod to the Unified Board, under provisions of the Proposal for Unified Governance, as adopted by the Executive Council in October 2010, and under the provisions of the enabling amendments to the Bylaws of the United Church of Christ, as adopted by the Twenty-eighth General Synod in July 2011. Further, the Executive Council directs the Nominating Committee to be prepared to act during the summer of 2013 to build slates of candidates for the Executive Council and Covenanted Ministry Boards of Directors, Classes of 2019, for election by the Executive Council in September 2013 in the event the proposed structure is not implemented.

ELECTION OF SHEILA RUBDI TO THE LOCAL CHURCH MINISTRIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-02 to elect Ms. Sheila Rubdi to the Local Church Ministries Board of Directors as an At-large Representative, Class of 2013 and to the Executive Council as a representative of the Local Church Ministries Board of Directors, Class of 2013.

STANDING RULES OF THE TWENTY-NINTH GENERAL SYNOD

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-05 the Executive Council adopts the Standing rules of the Twenty-ninth General Synod as updated and revised.

ELECTION OF JEANETTE CARPENTER SCREIBER AND JANE TEDDER TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PENSION BOARDS

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-06 The Executive Council declares Jeanette Carpenter Schreiber and Jane Tedder eligible for election to the Board of Trustees of The Pension Boards-United Church of Christ, Inc.
ELECTION OF STEPHANIE DOESCHOT, WILLIAM EDWARDS, MARJORIE ELLIS, MARTA RODRIQUEZ, AND BERMIN LANGBATA TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-07

the election of Stephanie Doeschot to the Executive Council as a non-voting representative of the Reformed Church in America, Class of 2013;

the election of William Edwards to the Executive Council as a representative of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Class of 2013;

the election of Marjorie Ellis to the Executive Council as a non-voting representative of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Class of 2013;

the election of Marta Rodriquez to the Executive Council as a non-voting representative of the Presbyterian Church (USA), Class of 2013;

the election of Bermin Langbata to the Executive Council as a representative of the Southwest Conference, Class of 2013.

ELECTION OF DONALD BARNES, ROXANNE GOULD, AND LAURI HASLER TO THE JUSTICE AND WITNESS MINISTRIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-08

the election of Donald Barnes to the Justice and Witness Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of The Pension Boards, Class of 2013;

the election of Roxanne Gould to the Justice and Witness Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of the Council of American Indian Ministries, Class of 2015;

the election of Lauri Hasler to the Justice and Witness Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of the Southwest Conference, Class of 2013.

ELECTION OF DOUGLAS LANDER AND FREDERICK YOUNG TO THE LOCAL CHURCH MINISTRIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-09

the election of Douglas Lander to the Local Church Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of the Penn Northeast Conference, Class of 2017;
the election of Frederick Young to the Local Church Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of the Penn Central Conference, Class of 2015.

ELECTION OF JOHN KLEIMAN TO THE OFFICE OF GENERAL MINISTRIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-10 the election of John Kleiman to the Office of General Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of The Pension Boards, Class of 2013.

THE ELECTION OF NICHOLAS BERROTH TO THE WIDER CHURCH MINISTRIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It was VOTED 12-03-EC-11 the election of Nicholas Berroth to the Wider Church Ministries Board of Directors as a representative of the Kansas-Oklahoma Conference, Class of 2013.

HONORARY TELLERS TO THE TWENTY-NINTH GENERAL SYNOD

It was VOTED 13-03-EC-13 in compliance with Rule 25 of the Standing Rules to the Executive Council, the appointment of the 12 member Southern California-Nevada Conference Delegation as Honorary Tellers to the Twenty-ninth General Synod. Those delegates are; Kathie Blakley, Sally Buffington, Paul Clay, Melissa Fine, Sam Greening, Sandy Healy, Kevin Johnson, Paul Lance, Alison Morales, Diane Ryder, Madison Shockley and Karen Steward.

GENERAL SYNOD CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

It was VOTED 13-03-EC-14 in accordance with Section 207 of the Bylaws of the United Church of Christ (2010 Ed.), the Executive Council appoints the named delegates to the Twenty-ninth and Thirtieth General Synods to the General Synod Credentials Committee, Class of 2015; Debora Blood, Carol Burke, John LaMasters, Anita Saunders and Kalani Wong and the following delegates to the Twenty-ninth General Synod to the Class of 2013, filling vacancies, Celestine Brooks and Diana K. Jahn.

VOICE WITHOUT VOTE – TWENTY-NINTH GENERAL SYNOD

It was VOTED 13-03-EC-15 the Executive Council recommends the following listed groups be granted voice without vote at the Twenty-ninth General Synod in
compliance with Rule 10 of the Standing Rules of the Twenty-ninth General Synod;

1—UCC Military Chaplains
2—Faithful and Welcoming Churches
3—Association of United Church Educators

HISTORICAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

It was VOTED 13-03-EC-16 the election of Brenda Billips Square, African American female holding Ministerial Authorization, 60+, to serve on the Historical Council as a Member at Large in the Class of 2019;

the election of Yvonne V. Delk, African American female, 60+, to serve on the Historical Council as a Member at Large in the class of 2019.

PENSION BOARDS ELECTION

It was VOTED 13-03-EC-17 to declare Curtis O. Rueter eligible for election to the Board of Trustees of The Pension Boards – United Church of Christ, Inc.

GENERAL SYNOD NOMINATING COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

It was VOTED 13-03-EC-18 the nomination of the accompanying list of 14 members of the United Church of Christ to the General Synod Nominating Committee, for election by the Twenty-ninth General Synod, in compliance with Bylaws (2013Ed.) paragraph 201.

Megan Culbertson     Dan De Leon     Christina Held
Marlene Helgemo      Pierson Kemp    Sharon MacArthur
Daryl Malena         Drew McLaren    Ann Mellott
 Angela Myers         Bladimer Paeste Eric C. Smith
 Chandra Soans        Ivy Tillman

ELECTION OF MARY WELLS NELSON ABBOTT TO JUSTICE AND WITNESS MINISTRIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It was VOTED 13-03-EC-19 the election of Mary Wells Nelson Abbott to the Justice and Witness Ministries Board of Directors as the representative of the Vermont Conference, Class of 2013.