

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF ELDERS MEETING  
MARCH 9-11, 2008 – Abilene, Texas

Present: Rev. Elder Nancy Wilson, Moderator; Rev. Elder Jim Mitulski, Region 2; Rev. Elder Arlene Ackerman, Region 3; Rev. Elder Glenna Shepherd, Region 4; Rev. Elder Diane Fisher, Region 5; Rev. Elder Darlene Garner, Vice Moderator and Region 6; Rev. Elder Lillie Brock, Region 7 (from March 11)

Absent due to illness: Rev. Elder Ken Martin, Region 1

Staff: Rev. Dr. Cindi Love; Irma Bauer Levesque; Connie Meadows

MOTION 08.03.11.BOE.01 Motion by Rev. Elder Diane Fisher, Seconded by Rev. Elder Lillie Brock to appoint Rev. Wesley Mullins to the Board of Pensions to a term expiring the day prior to the Board of Pensions 2012 Annual Meeting.

M/S Approved

MOTION 08.03.11.BOE.02 Motion by Rev. Elder Glenna Shepherd, Seconded by Rev. Elder Arlene Ackerman to approve the below stated Ecumenical-Inter-religious protocol of relationships and authorities.

M/S Approved

<b>Type of Relationship</b>	<b>Responsible</b>
<b>(A) Denominational / Judicatory relationships</b>	
(A-1) Major global or cross-regional bodies (i.e. World Council of Churches, US National Council of Churches, Pan-European bodies...)	MCC Moderator with full BoE agreement. Supported by the Ecum/IR team
(A-2) US State bodies (i.e. State Council of Churches), Provincial bodies and country (other than US) bodies	Applicable Regional Elder(s) with support from the Ecum / IR team and local churches
(A-3) Regional (large city, county) bodies with 2 or more MCCs in territory	Local churches with Regional Elder approval / Support
(A-4) Bodies requiring denominational relationship but only 1 MCC in territory	Local church recommend but Regional Elder approval needed since it is a denominational commitment
(A-5) Denominational / Movement Relationships and Affiliations (i.e. with	MCC Moderator with BoE involvement

The Fellowship, UCC...)	
<b>(B) Individual church relationships</b>	
(B-1) Any global / national group other than dual affiliations that takes individual church memberships (i.e. Center for Progressive Christianity)	Local church. However, Ecum / IR team can provide a recommended list and church can ask Regional Elder for opinion / support.
(B-2) Local groups that take individual church involvement	Local church. Recommend informing “around the fellowship” as a vehicle to inform MCC of involvement and activities

MOTION 08.03.11.BOE.03 MOTION 08.03.11.BOE.03 Motion by Rev. Elder Diane Fisher, Seconded by Rev. Elder Lillie Brock, that the current Disability Forum be recognized as an informal network and that the Board of Elders shall appoint an Accessibility Team.

M/S Approved

Connie Meadows  
March 26, 2008