

Committee on Women’s Ministry

**Standing Committee Report
37th General Assembly**

The Standing Committee on Women’s Ministry convened at 3:15 p.m. on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 and met once. Chairman RE Connie Badgley opened the meeting with prayer.

A. Business Referred to Committee:

1. **Recommendation #43** [WRC 37-11]
2. **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee

B. Recommendations:

1. That **Recommendation #43**, “that the Assembly amend *Rules for Assembly X.10-1E*, clarifying the role of the Executive Committee of the Women’s Resource Council as a permanent committee of the General Assembly, the selection of additional Council members, and the election of the Chair.” be **adopted**.

Current Rules for Assembly X.10-1E	Proposed Rules for Assembly X.10-1E Additions in <i>bold italics</i>.
<p>E. Women’s Resource Council</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Women’s Resource Council will recruit, administer, and coordinate the activity of women’s ministry established by the Assembly. 2. The Executive Committee of the Council will consist of six women, each a currently active member of an EPC congregation or presbytery with three classes equal in size to the extent possible. Council members may serve all or part of two consecutive terms and are then ineligible for re-election for one year. 	<p>E. Women’s Resource Council</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Women’s Resource Council, <i>consisting of an Executive Committee and General Membership</i>, will recruit, administer, and coordinate the activity of women’s ministry established by the Assembly. 2. The Executive Committee, of the Council, <i>which serves as a Permanent Committee of the General Assembly</i>, will consist of six women, each a currently active member of an EPC congregation or presbytery with three classes equal in size to the extent possible. Council Executive <i>Committee</i> members may serve all or part of two consecutive terms and are then ineligible for re-election for one year. Members shall

<p>3. Members shall be nominated to the Women’s Resource Council by the nominating process prescribed in the Rules of Assembly XI.11-4.3.</p> <p>4. The Chair for the succeeding Assembly year will be elected by the Council at the spring meeting prior to the convening of the General Assembly.</p>	<p>be nominated to the Women’s Resource Council <i>Executive Committee</i> by the nominating process prescribed in the Rules of Assembly XI.11-4.3.</p> <p>3. <i>The General Membership shall be made up of at least seven women, each currently an active member of an EPC congregation or presbytery. The Executive Committee and General Membership shall collectively have representatives from each Presbytery. The Executive Committee will select the General Membership according to skills needed to run the ministry. These General members will serve two year terms, with a maximum of three full or partial terms. After three terms, General Members are ineligible for re-election for one year.</i></p> <p>4. The Chair of the <i>Women’s Resource Council</i> for the succeeding Assembly year will be elected by the Council <i>from eligible Executive Committee members</i> at the spring meeting prior to the convening of the General Assembly. <i>The Chair of the Council also serves as Chair of the Executive Committee.</i></p>
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2. That the **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee dated August 30-31, 2016 and March 7-8, 2017 be **approved as corrected**.

C. Additional Recommendations from the Standing Committee:

1. Per *Rules for Assembly 9-6*, the Committee voted to place the following eligible recommendation(s) on an omnibus consent motion:
 - **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee

The Standing Committee commends the members of the Women's Resource Council for their good work during the past year.

RE Connie Badgley closed the meeting with prayer at 3:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

_____, Chairman
RE Connie Badgley

_____, Clerk
TE Anne Horton