

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- 1. How many positions are combined under one person on the Leadership Board?**  
*Most all positions can be combined, but Lay Leader, Lay Member to Annual Conference, SPRC Chair and Trustee Chair must be designated.*
- 2. What is the minimum for the Board?**  
*Nine is standard and recommended.*
- 3. Can family members serve on the Board?**  
*No.*
- 4. Does the Pastor have a vote on the Board?**  
*No. If a matter arises that would require the Pastor's vote, it should go back in to discussion until the Board reaches resolution.*
- 5. Should staff (paid and unpaid) serve on the Board?**  
*No.*
- 6. Who takes notes at the meetings?**  
*A member or non-member can be selected to take notes but only members may be present for SPRC conversations.*
- 7. Are the Financial Secretary and Treasurer required to be on the Board?**  
*No it is not recommended, but they can be.*
- 8. Who is liaison to the district superintendent for SPRC?**  
*The Board Chair.*
- 9. How long can a person serve on the Board?**  
*Except for the first Board, which has staggered one, two, and three year terms, there are three year terms with one third of the Board rolling off each year. After one year off, a member can be re-elected to the board.*
- 10. What about UMW, UMYF and UMM?**  
*A member of such groups can serve if requested as a Board member but not as a designee of the group.*
- 11. How many must be present to vote?**  
*A quorum is whoever is present and a simple majority of Leadership Board members can approve a motion.*
- 12. How is the Trustee Chair elected?**  
*At the first meeting of the new year the Board will elect them. This satisfies the corporate resolution requirement. It is recommended that the Board Chair serve in this role of Trustee Chair.*

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**13. Are Board Members assigned specialist roles for finance or personnel?**

*No. The entire Leadership Board acts on such decisions.*

**14. Is the Board self-nominating?**

*No. There is a requirement that a separate Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development nominate the Board Members to the Charge Conference each year.*

**15. How should we pick Leadership Board members?**

*By Discipline the members must be professing embers of the church and devoted disciples of Jesus who can think strategically about the church's mission, hold clergy, staff and fellow members accountable to that mission, and partner with other Leadership Board members to guide the congregation in making an impact. The Leadership Board should be as diverse as possible so that different voices are heard. Missing skills can be supplemented by work groups. Jesus' mission must come before any other considerations.*

**16. Who can attend the meetings?**

*Congregation members are invited but do not have a voice or a vote and will be excused when the Board enters executive session or discusses SPRC business.*