

Proposed UMC Bylaws Change

The leadership team is proposing a small and technical change in the bylaws. There is currently a reference to certain things being done at the spring and summer meetings. Because we want greater flexibility in scheduling these activities, we are suggesting a change in the wording.

The parts which are proposed to be changed are underlined and in red.

The second paragraph of Article X currently states:

“At least four congregational business meetings shall be held annually and shall be open to all members and active participants of University Mennonite Church. Participation in voting shall be consistent with the guidelines in Article IV. A spring meeting shall be held for the purpose of filling congregational offices, functions, and committees. A summer meeting shall be held for the purpose of adopting a budget. Additional meetings may be called at the discretion of the congregational chair.”

We are proposing a change to the following words:

“At least four congregational business meetings shall be held annually and shall be open to all members and active participants of University Mennonite Church. Participation in voting shall be consistent with the guidelines in Article IV. Meeting purposes shall include the affirmation/election of persons to congregational offices, functions, and committees, adoption of a budget, the discussion of church policy and practices, and for any other business related to the congregation. Additional meetings may be called at the discretion of the congregational chair.”