

Summary of Action Items

(Communications, Overtures, and Resolutions)

- 45-01 The **Nominating Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **ELECT** TE Dave Strunk as Moderator of the 45th General Assembly.
- 45-02 The **Nominating Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **ELECT** RE Jack Cathey as Moderator-elect of the 45th General Assembly.
- 45-03 The **Nominating Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **ELECT** the slate of nominees for the 45th EPC General Assembly permanent committees, standing committees, and boards.
- 45-04 The **Moderator of the 44th General Assembly** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** the 2025-2026 Chairman for the BRI Board of Directors, the slate of nominees to fill vacancies of the Permanent Nominating Committee, the chair of the Nominating Committee, and the Chaplain Endorser.
- 45-05 **Cherry Creek, Englewood, CO, INVITES** the 45th General Assembly to hold the 46th General Assembly on its campus June 16-18, 2026.
- 45-06 The Stated Clerk recommends that the 45th General Assembly **RATIFY** an amendment to the *Book of Government* 10-7 and 9.5C.3. Overture 44-A (16 Presbyteries voted to approve).
- 45-07 The **Fraternal Relations Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** the revised Articles of Agreement with the St. Andrew's Presbytery of Argentina through 2030.
- 45-08 The **Fraternal Relations Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** entering into a formal Fraternal relationship with the Presbyterian Church in Ireland (as described in *Acts of Assembly* 12-10.1a).

- 45-09 The **Fraternal Relations Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** the Affirmation of fraternal and confessional relations between the Presbyterian Church in Ireland and the EPC(USA), upon which a more detailed Memorandum of Understanding will be developed. (as described in *Act of Assembly* 12-10.1.a.7)
- 45-10 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** revisions to **G. 11-2**.
- 45-11 The **Permanent Judicial Commission** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** revisions to **G. 11-2**.
- 45-12 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** a new section titled **G. 18-3.E.**, defining Session's authority in the Session Endorsement process and renumbering the current **G. 18-3.E** to **G. 18-3.F**.
- 45-13 The **Permanent Judicial Commission** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** a new section titled **G. 18-3.E.**, defining Session's authority in the Session Endorsement process and renumbering the current **G. 18-3.E** to **G. 18-3.F**.
- 45-14 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** revisions to **G. 19-4 B**.
- 45-15 The **Permanent Judicial Commission** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** revisions to **G. 19-4 B**.
- 45-16 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** revisions to **G. 21-2 D.1**
- 45-17 The **Permanent Judicial Commission** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** revisions to **G. 21-2 D.1**

- 45-18 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **AMEND** *Rules for Assembly* X.C.5 to eliminate “extraordinary” language and replace with CEEP. Additionally, add X.C.7 to clarify MVC’s authority over all standardized forms in the ordination process.
- 45-19 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** a new *Act of the Assembly* that supersedes *Act of Assembly* 82-07 to clarify all written exams are governed by the MVC and eliminate language of “extraordinary circumstances”.
- 45-20 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** a new *Act of Assembly* that supersedes *Act of Assembly* 12-12, eliminating the requirement for a Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college/university.
- 45-21 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **REQUIRE** a criminal background check with a three-year expiration date to be submitted by the Session prior to endorsing an individual for Candidacy.
- 45-22 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **REQUIRE** all candidates to undergo a standardized National Background Check conducted through the Office of the General Assembly and paid for by the Candidate’s Presbytery prior to being approved for ordination.
- 45-23 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **REQUIRE** individuals seeking to be taken under care as Candidates to submit the forms “Application for Candidacy” and “Preliminary Questionnaire” available on the EPC website.

- 45-24 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **REQUIRE** all candidates under care to have a current physical exam and a psychological exam (which includes the most current version of the MMPI), including a personal assessment with the psychologist administering the exam.
- 45-25 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **REQUIRE** all candidates, prior to final examination by the Presbytery, to submit a completed and current PIF.
- 45-26 The **Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** a “third year” for this committee to review and recommend any changes to our ordination standards.
- 45-27 The **Midwest Presbytery** respectfully **OVERTURES** the 45th General Assembly to direct the Permanent Committee on Theology to review the current position paper on Divorce and Remarriage.
- 45-28 The **Benefit Resources Inc., Board of Directors** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** ordained ministers drawing retirement income from the EPC 403(b)(9) Defined Contribution Retirement plan be allowed to designate up to 100% of their retirement income for housing allowance as permitted by applicable regulations, adopted pursuant to the internal revenue code.
- 45-29 The **Permanent Judicial Commission** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** the Rivers and Lakes overture recommendation 45-30 as edited by the PJC.

- 45-30 The **Rivers and Lakes Presbytery** respectfully **OVERTURES** the 45th General Assembly to edit the *Rules for Assembly VII* section 7-3 *as addressed through recommendation 45-29 from the PJC*.
- 45-31 The **Permanent Judicial Commission** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** the Rivers and Lakes overture to edit *Rules for Assembly VII* section 7-5; recommendation 45-32 as edited by the PJC.
- 45-32 The **Rivers and Lakes Presbytery** respectfully **OVERTURES** the 45th General Assembly to edit *Rules for Assembly VII* section 7-5 *as addressed through recommendation 45-31 from the PJC*
- 45-33 The **Permanent Judicial Commission** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** edits to the *Rules for Assembly XIII* 13.
- 45-34 The **New River Presbytery** respectfully **OVERTURES** the 45th General Assembly to **DIRECT** the Stated Clerk and/or the National Leadership Team to communicate with the Presbyterian Church (USA) requesting the release of foreign mission endowments and bequests to Presbyterian mission agencies actually engaged in foreign mission.
- 45-35 The **Presbytery Review Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **DIRECT** the Office of the General Assembly to upload digital copies of General Assembly Minutes from meetings 1 through 26.
- 45-36 The **Rivers and Lakes Presbytery** respectfully **OVERTURES** the 45th General Assembly to direct the National Leadership Team to investigate and report on the potential use of in-person electronic voting devices for use at the annual General Assembly meeting.

- 45-37 The **National Leadership Team** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** the FY26 Administrative Budget.
- 45-38 The **National Leadership Team** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** the FY26 Special Projects
- 45-39 The **Permanent Judicial Commission** recommends to the 45th General Assembly that recommendation 45-40 **be ANSWERED** by the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards revisions to **G. 11-2** as addressed in recommendation 45-10.
- 45-40 The **Midwest Presbytery** respectfully **OVERTURES** the 45th General Assembly to **AMEND** the *Book of Government* 11-2.E.
- 45-41 The **Presbytery Review Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **ADOPT** a change to the current policy regarding the approval and recording of ministers' Terms of Call.
- The Permanent Judicial Commission has acknowledged there is no constitutional conflict with recommendation 45-41*
- 45-42 The **Presbytery Review Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** the Exceptions requiring a response as found in the 2024 minutes of 12 of our 16 Presbyteries.
- 45-43 The **Presbytery Review Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly recognize the **APPROVAL** of the responses from the Presbyteries to those exceptions sent to them by the 44th General Assembly.
- 45-44 The **Permanent Judicial Commission** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **SUSTAIN** the PJC's rulings related to Beverly Heights Church.

- 45-45 The **World Outreach Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** Crossworld as a Cooperative Agency.
- 45-46 The **Fraternal Relations Committee** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **WITHDRAW** its formal fraternal relationship with the Church of Jesus Christ in Madagascar and that future relationship be through the World Reformed Fellowship.
- 45-47 The **National Leadership Team** recommends that the 45th General Assembly **APPROVE** the 44th General Assembly Minutes.
- 45-48 **Omnibus items from the Standing Committees**