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From the Ad-Interim Committee on Same-Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards

Proposed Amendments to the *Book of Government* 12

Current Language: G. 12-2, 3, 6	Proposed Language: G. 12-2, 3, 6 <i>additions, in bold italics, deletions</i>
<p>G. 12-2.B The Candidate shall be examined in Christian experience of the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ and progress in spiritual growth</p> <p>G. 12-3.A Examination of an EPC Teaching Elders seeking to transfer into a Presbytery EPC Teaching Elders shall be examined on views of the areas indicated in G.12-2 and they shall relate their experience of the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ and progress in spiritual growth.</p> <p>G. 12-3.B.1 Examination of an ordained Minister from another Reformed denomination: A Minister seeking to become a Teaching Elder in a Presbytery of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church from another denomination from within the Reformed family shall present credentials of education required by those seeking ordination in the EPC. The Minister shall be examined on views and beliefs and may be examined on knowledge.</p> <p>G. 12-6 The Session shall confer with each person elected to office in the local church to determine if that person feels called to office and is willing to serve faithfully. The Session shall examine candidates for ordination to the office of Ruling Elder or Deacon on 1) personal experience of the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ and progress in spiritual growth, 2) theology and Sacraments of the Church, 3) the government, discipline, worship, and history of the Church, and 4) an understanding of the office to which one is elected.</p>	<p>G. 12-2.B The Candidates shall be examined in Christian experience of the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ, <i>faithful conformity to his character, obedience to him as Lord,</i> and <i>steady</i> progress in spiritual growth.</p> <p>G. 12-3.A Examination of an EPC Teaching Elders seeking to transfer into a Presbytery EPC Teaching Elders shall be examined on views of the areas indicated in G.12-2 and they shall relate their experience of the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ, <i>faithful conformity to his character, obedience to him as Lord,</i> and <i>steady</i> progress in spiritual growth.</p> <p>G. 12-3.B.1 Examination of an ordained Minister from another Reformed denomination: A Minister seeking to become a Teaching Elder in a Presbytery of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church from another denomination from within the Reformed family shall present credentials of education required by those seeking ordination in the EPC. The Ministers shall be examined on views and beliefs and may be examined on knowledge <i>and shall relate experience of the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ, faithful conformity to his character, obedience to him as Lord, and steady progress in spiritual growth.</i></p> <p>G. 12-6 The Session shall confer with each person elected <i>nominated</i> to office in the local church to determine if that person feels called to office and is willing to serve faithfully. The Session shall examine candidates for ordination to the office of Ruling Elder or Deacon on 1) personal experience of the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ <i>their faithful conformity to his character, obedience to him as Lord,</i> and <i>steady</i> progress in spiritual growth, 2) theology and Sacraments of the Church, 3) the government, discipline, worship, and history of the Church, and 4) an understanding of the office to which one is elected.</p>