

Floor Committee 17: Northwestern Publishing House and Publication Coordinating Commission

Subject: Publication Coordinating Commission

Reference: *Book of Reports and Memorials*, pp. 171-172

Resolution No. 01

WHEREAS 1) The Publication and Coordinating Commission (PCC) has the task of coordinating and prioritizing the publishing and media production of the synod's boards and commissions and Northwestern Publishing House (NPH); and

WHEREAS 2) in the past the PCC has solicited publishing proposals that would not recover the cost of production and yet are deemed by the boards, commissions and NPH to be important; and

WHEREAS 3) a major portion of the Publication Fund was transferred to the Financial Stabilization Fund; and

WHEREAS 4) funding levels have not allowed the Synodical Council (SC) to restore the PCC publication fund as resolved by the 2011 and 2013 synod conventions; and

WHEREAS 5) at the present time the publication fund has just over \$115,000 available, and this balance is insufficient to fund any major project. but will likely be used to prepare materials for the Reformation 500 Project; and

WHEREAS 6) funding is still needed for several new professional books to be written by Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary professors for pastoral training and professional growth; and

WHEREAS 7) the goal of the *One in Christ: Moving Forward in Ministry* campaign is to retire the synod debt in 2016; and

WHEREAS 8) the SC has identified funding restoration of \$100,000 to the PCC publication fund as a Tier 2 priority; therefore be it

Resolved, a) that the PCC subcommittee continue to coordinate and prioritize the publishing and media production of the synod's boards and commissions and NPH; and be it further

Resolved, b) that we encourage the members of WELS to support the PCC publishing projects with their prayers and financial gifts; and be it finally

Resolved, c) that upon retirement of the synod's debt or sooner the \$100,000 be restored to the PCC publishing fund.

Teacher Mr. James Brandt, chairman

Pastor Paul Welke, secretary

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