

Floor Committee 21: Ad Hoc Commission 2

Subject: Topic Four: Nomination for election to the praesidium of a district

Reference: *Book of Reports and Memorials*, pp. 188, 189

Resolution No. 03

WHEREAS 1) the Ad Hoc Commission 2 (AHC2) is recommending to the synod in convention that the twelve districts of our synod use their district nominating committee for the offices of the presidium in the same way that they do for any other office that is elected in convention; and

WHEREAS 2) the AHC2 also recommends that the nominees who are not elected to one office be considered as candidates for the next lower office; and

WHEREAS 3) this recommendation does not allow for delegates to nominate candidates from the floor of the convention; and

WHEREAS 4) this recommendation provides the nominating committees minimal guidelines for choosing candidates to be nominated; and

WHEREAS 5) this recommendation could make it difficult to certify that the individual making the nomination is eligible to make the nomination; and

WHEREAS 6) this recommendation places the responsibility for selecting a list of candidates in the hands of a small percentage of the district; and

WHEREAS 7) the present practice of nominating from the floor has served our synod well for many years; and

WHEREAS 8) it has been the practice of some district presidents to alert potential candidates and their congregations of possible nominations so that they may consider before the convention the effect their election may have on current ministry; therefore be it

Resolved, a) that the synod in convention reject the AHC2 recommendation that the twelve districts of our synod use their district nominating committees for the offices of the presidium in the same way that they do for any other office that is elected in convention; and be it further

Resolved, b) we encourage district conventions to make procedural adjustments to allow for delegates to become better acquainted with the list of candidates for their presidium.

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ADOPTED