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Suggested Title: Living into the Future
Interim Organization of GCOM
Discipline Paragraph: ¶907.1
Financial Implications: Yes
Agency Name: The General Council on Ministries

Delete ¶907.1 and substitute as follows:

Organization –1. Membership – a) The membership of the council shall consist of thirty-two members constituted in accordance with the General Provisions. The membership shall be constituted as follows:

- (1) Jurisdictional members – Clergy, laywomen and laymen shall be elected to the council by the jurisdictional conference. The representation is as follows: North Central – 3, Northeastern -- 4, South Central – 5, Southeastern – 5, and Western – 2.**
 - (2) Central Conference – one member.**
 - (3) Bishops - two from the jurisdictions and one from the central conference to be elected by the Council of Bishops.**
 - (4) Youth and young adults – three to be elected by the jurisdictional conference.**
 - (5) General Secretaries – one from a commission and one from a board as determined by the General Secretaries.**
 - (6) Director of Connectional Ministries - one to be elected by the Association of Directors of Connectional Ministries.**
 - (7) Three additional members - to be elected by the council.**
- b) Insofar as possible, the membership shall be one-third laywomen, one-third laymen, and one-third clergy and one-third racial/ethnic minority persons.**
- c) No member of the council shall serve on any other general board or commission.**
- d) The members of the council, with the exception of General Secretaries, shall serve for two years and are not eligible to serve on the Connectional Table after the tenure on the council is completed.**
- e) If a bishop is unable to attend a meeting of the council, that bishop may designate an alternate bishop from the same jurisdiction.**

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