

Summary of Constitution Changes for June 20, 2011 All-Church Gathering

Article 4 – Doctrinal Statement of Faith

Actual Statement of Faith is now included.

Article 5 Section 1 – Governance

Updated to reflect our congregational governance.

Article 5 Section 3 – Membership

Completely rewritten to improve our membership definition and process.

Note: This section represents the most significant changes to the Constitution.

Article 6 Section 1 – Officers

- Election and Term modified to require that officers be members
- Dismissal modified to dismiss upon removal from membership
- For Clerk, dismissal updated to define the process by which the Deacons may dismiss the Clerk.

Article 6 Section 2 – Boards

- Election and Term modified to require that board members be members
- Dismissal modified to dismiss upon removal from membership
- Deacon responsibilities updated to match our new definition of Deacon.

Appendix A – Membership Commitment

New section to include the Membership Commitment

Other changes in the Constitution:

- Several typographical errors have been cleaned up
- The word ‘congregation’ has been changed to ‘membership’ in a number of places