

To the 58th Convention of
The South Dakota District of
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod
April 29 – May 2, 2009

1 **RESOLUTION: 1-01 (President’s Report – CW, pp. 20-25)**
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3 **SUBJECT:** CONVENTION THEME
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5 **WHEREAS,** “Called into Partnership” (Phil 1:3-6); has been chosen as the theme of this 58th
6 Convention of the South Dakota District of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod; AND
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8 **WHEREAS,** For over 100 years, our faithful God has provided abundant blessings to the men and
9 women of our beloved South Dakota District; AND
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11 **WHEREAS,** This convention’s essay and devotional Bible Studies remind us that it is a blessing to
12 walk together as congregations and as a District in The Lutheran Church – Missouri
13 Synod and we give God thanks for the fellowship that we have in Christ; THEREFORE
14 BE IT
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16 **RESOLVED:** That “Called into Partnership” be the overall theme and the underlying spirit of this
17 convention; AND BE IT FINALLY
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19 **RESOLVED:** That this theme motivate and guide us in our work together and serve as an important
20 focus for the activities of the South Dakota District in the coming triennium.
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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-02 (Overture 1-01, CW, pp. 113-115)**

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3 **SUBJECT:** TO RECOGNIZE THAT ALL CONGREGATIONS OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT
4 ARE CALLED INTO PARTNERSHIP

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6 **WHEREAS,** The theme of the Fifty-Eighth Convention of The South Dakota District of The Lutheran
7 Church – Missouri Synod is “Called Into Partnership,” AND

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9 **WHEREAS,** The Apostle Paul, writing by inspiration to the believers in the congregation at Philippi,
10 thanked God for their “partnership in the Gospel” (Phil. 1:6) both in the confession of faith
11 that they shared (cf. 1:7) and in their ongoing support of Paul throughout the course of his
12 work of mission and ministry (cf. 4:15-18); AND

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14 **WHEREAS,** The Apostle John, writing by inspiration to the congregations in Asia Minor, recognized
15 the “fellowship” or “partnership” (Greek: *koinonia*) that they shared together as a result of
16 their “fellowship” or “partnership” with God (cf. 1 John 1:3); AND

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18 **WHEREAS,** The word “synod” (Greek: *synodos*), which describes people who are traveling
19 companions, fellow-travelers, or people who are walking together on the same road, also
20 describes the partnership that congregations of The South Dakota District share as we
21 walk together in doctrine, in practice, and in our Lord’s mission; AND

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23 **WHEREAS,** One of the purposes of our synodical union is to enable congregations of The Lutheran
24 Church—Missouri Synod to “join with one another in the Synod to support one another
25 and to work together in carrying out their commonly adopted objectives” (LCMS 2007
26 Handbook, Bylaw 1.1), AND

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28 **WHEREAS,** Through action at District Conventions and Planning Conferences, and through action of
29 the Board of Directors of The South Dakota District on behalf of the congregations of the
30 District, the congregations of The South Dakota District have agreed as partners to
31 undertake and support various ministry and mission endeavors, including the following
32 (numbers from 2009 District Work Program):

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- Support of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (\$311,680);
 - Support of Missionary Amy Hartwig Kashenov through the LCMS “Together In Mission” program (\$30,000);
 - Missionary Work with Native Americans – Rosebud (\$86,140);
 - Missionary Work with Native Americans – Pine Ridge (\$43,070);
 - Missionary to the Deaf (\$71,125);
 - “Circuit Rider” Ministry – Northwest South Dakota (\$16,250);
 - Support to Mission Status Congregations (\$126,153);
 - New Mission Starts, Outreach, Mission Administration (\$69,042);
 - University Student Ministry Support (\$46,250);
 - Preparing Church Workers – Education Assistance (\$83,150); AND
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46 **WHEREAS,** Each of these ministry and mission endeavors is being used by God to carry out the
47 mission of Christ and His Church to seek and to save the lost (cf. Luke 19:10); AND

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49 **WHEREAS,** Support of the aforementioned ministry and mission endeavors is in addition to support
50 for direct services to congregations (\$254,177 – including: Lutheran Witness
51 subscriptions, Service Areas, Sioux Falls Hospital Chaplain, and Conferences and
52 Conventions) and for District administration (\$296,007); AND

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- 54 **WHEREAS,** Funding support needed from congregations in order to carry out the Work Program of
55 our partnership in The South Dakota District amounts to an annual commitment of
56 \$42.98 per communicant member (83¢ weekly) or \$100.25 per worshipper (\$1.93
57 weekly); AND
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- 59 **WHEREAS,** The 2006 South Dakota District Convention Resolution 2-06 (adopted without dissenting
60 vote) resolved “That the congregations of The South Dakota District be encouraged to
61 consider an annual increase in their pledges to the Work Program of The South Dakota
62 District equal to the annual cost of living increase,” AND
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- 64 **WHEREAS,** The Board of Directors of The South Dakota District has made significant changes to the
65 District Work Program in recent years resulting in staff reduction, modifying the benefit
66 packages of all District workers, and eliminating various expenses with the combined
67 result of significant cost savings, yet the District continues to face the necessity of deficit
68 spending in order to maintain the mission and ministry endeavors mandated by District
69 Conventions, Planning Conferences, and actions of the Board of Directors; AND
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- 71 **WHEREAS,** Sound stewardship and continuing deficit spending are incompatible; AND
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- 73 **WHEREAS,** Jesus taught that “...to whom much is given, of him will much be required” (Luke 12:48);
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- 76 **WHEREAS,** Even as the Apostle Paul thanked the believers in the congregation at Philippi for their
77 partnership in the Gospel, he also gave them this assurance: “My God will supply every
78 need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus” (Phil. 4:19); AND
79
- 80 **WHEREAS,** The same assurance that was spoken to the believers at the congregation at Philippi is
81 also an assurance that God brings to His Church today, including to individual believers,
82 congregations, districts, and synods as we are “Called Into Partnership” in the Gospel;
83 THEREFORE BE IT
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- 85 **RESOLVED:** That every congregation of The South Dakota District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri
86 Synod *be encouraged to* make special effort over the coming triennium to emphasize
87 thankfulness that God has “Called Into Partnership” each member and each
88 congregation; AND BE IT FURTHER
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- 90 **RESOLVED:** That every congregation, in partnership with all of the other congregations that make up
91 The South Dakota District *be encouraged to*, strive to support the District Work Program
92 by prayer and by generous gifts that come from faithful stewardship; AND BE IT
93 FURTHER
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- 95 **RESOLVED:** That the congregations of The South Dakota District *be encouraged to* set as a priority an
96 annual increase in their mission giving for the Work Program of The South Dakota District
97 equal to the annual cost of living increase; AND BE IT FINALLY
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- 99 **RESOLVED:** That congregations that God has blessed with greater membership and with greater
100 financial resources welcome and prioritize the opportunity to help “make up the
101 difference” in the District Work Program where partner congregations with small
102 membership and financial resources have been limited in their giving.
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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-03 (Overture 1-02, CW, pp. 116-121)**

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3 **SUBJECT:** TO REALIGN CIRCUITS

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5 **WHEREAS,** The 2006 Convention of The South Dakota District of The Lutheran Church – Missouri
6 Synod resolved that "...an Ad Hoc Committee be elected in convention to prepare
7 recommendations on Circuit Realignment for the 2009 Convention of the South Dakota
8 District – LCMS" (2006 Substitute Resolution 1-36A); AND

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10 **WHEREAS,** The Ad Hoc Committee membership included a representative from each existing circuit
11 so that the interests of each circuit would be represented fairly in all discussions
12 concerning circuit realignment; AND

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14 **WHEREAS,** Each electoral circuit shall consist either of one or two adjacent visitation circuits, as shall
15 be determined by each district on the basis of the following requirements: each pair of
16 delegates shall represent from 7 to 20 member congregations, involving an aggregate
17 communicant membership ranging from 1,500 to 10,000, with exceptions granted only by
18 the President of the Synod upon request of a district board of directors (2007 Handbook
19 3.1.2, cf. 5.1.1); AND

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21 **WHEREAS,** Because the number of circuit exceptions both requested and granted has increased over
22 the years [56 in 2001, 88 in 2004, and 65 in 2007], "some have begun to question the
23 propriety and wisdom of the general practice of granting circuit exceptions" (September 4,
24 2008 Joint Statement to the Council of Presidents from the Committee of Five and the
25 Committee of Four and the President of the Synod); AND

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27 **WHEREAS,** The President of the Synod, in his reports to the Council of Presidents both prior to and
28 following the 2007 Synod convention, has repeatedly given his counsel "that where
29 necessary and appropriate, district presidents should ask their district conventions to
30 approve any amendments to the reconfiguration of electoral circuits that will ensure fair
31 and adequate voting representation to national Synod conventions, avoiding the need for
32 requesting exceptions" (Report of the Synod President to the COP, November 18-20,
33 2008); AND

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35 **WHEREAS,** A specially appointed synodical Convention Delegate Review Committee, in its May 14,
36 2007 report to the Synod, recognized "that a comprehensive study of concerns
37 associated with the Synod's delegate representation process is needed, such as is
38 included in the overall study currently underway by the Blue Ribbon Task Force on
39 Synodical Structure and Governance"; AND

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41 **WHEREAS,** The 2010 Convention of Synod, upon recommendation by the Blue Ribbon Task Force
42 on Synodical Structure and Governance (BRTFSSG), will consider proposals to change
43 significantly the delegate representation process and the nature of electoral circuits; AND

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45 **WHEREAS,** The action of the 2010 Convention of Synod will result in either no change to the current
46 electoral circuit structure or significant change in the delegate representation process and
47 the nature of electoral circuits; AND

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49 **WHEREAS,** Current statistics indicate that some circuit realignment is necessary in the South Dakota
50 District in order to meet the minimum requirements for electoral circuits under the current
51 Bylaws of Synod in preparation for the 2010 Convention of Synod; AND

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- 53 **WHEREAS,** Current trends in the membership of congregations of the circuits in the South Dakota
54 District indicate that further significant realignment of circuits soon will be necessary in
55 order to meet the minimum Synod Bylaw requirements for electoral circuits; AND
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- 57 **WHEREAS,** Considerable time and expense was spent prior to both the 2006 and 2009 South Dakota
58 District Conventions studying the statistics of the South Dakota District congregations
59 and circuits and making proposals for the 2006 and 2009 Conventions; AND
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- 61 **WHEREAS,** The Circuit Realignment Ad Hoc Committee has proposed a “Short Term Proposal”
62 (attached) which will allow all circuits in the South Dakota District to meet the electoral
63 circuit requirements for the 2010 Convention of Synod; AND
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- 65 **WHEREAS,** The Circuit Realignment Ad Hoc Committee has proposed a “Long Term Proposal”
66 (attached) which will allow all circuits in The South Dakota District to meet the electoral
67 circuit requirements well into the future if there is no change to the delegate
68 representation process and the nature of electoral circuits at the 2010 Convention of
69 Synod; AND
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- 71 **WHEREAS,** The “Long Term Proposal” results in two fewer circuits (from eleven to nine), thereby
72 reflecting a fairer representation of The South Dakota District in proportion to the total
73 representation of circuits and districts in Synod; THEREFORE BE IT
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- 75 **RESOLVED:** That, in preparation for the 2010 Convention of Synod, we adopt the “Short Term
76 Proposal” for circuit realignment moving Emmanuel-Creighton/First-Wall, and Our
77 Redeemer-Philip from Circuit F to Circuit G; and Risen Savior-Tea from Circuit K to
78 Circuit J; and that these changes take effect immediately; AND BE IT FURTHER
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- 80 **RESOLVED:** That, if no changes to the delegate representation process and the nature of electoral
81 circuits are adopted at the 2010 Convention of Synod, at the conclusion of the 2010
82 Convention of Synod we immediately institute the “Long Term Proposal” which involves
83 the following changes:
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- 85 + Present Circuit G is eliminated.
 - 86 + St. Peter-Midland/St. John-Norris, Messiah-Murdo/St. Paul-Draper, Zion-
87 Presho/ Trinity Reliance *and the Rosebud Mission work* are added to
88 present Circuit C (“Pierre”).
 - 89 + ~~The Rosebud Mission work~~ Zion-Chamberlain, Redeemer-
90 Clearfield/Christ-Winner/Zion-Hamil, and St. John-Gregory are added to
91 present Circuit H (“Mitchell”).
 - 92 + Concordia-Cresbard/Immanuel-Wecota are added to present Circuit A
93 (“Aberdeen”).
 - 94 + St. John-Howard and Our Savior-Madison are added to present Circuit D
95 (“Huron”).
 - 96 + Circuits B (“Milbank”) and E (“Brookings”) combine.
 - 97 + St. John-Chester/St. Peter-Wentworth are added to present Circuit K
98 (“Freeman”).
 - 99 + ~~Risen Savior-Tea is added to the present Circuit J (“Sioux Falls”).~~
 - 100 + Circuits are re-alphabetized appropriately.
- 101 AND BE IT FURTHER
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- 103 **RESOLVED:** That if Long Term Proposal is implemented, the circuit counselors for current Circuits A,
104 C, D, F, H, I, J and K who are elected at this convention continue to serve as the circuit
105 counselors of their respective circuits, but that convention delegates of current Circuits B
106 and E caucus during this convention to recommend to the District President who should
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107 be appointed as circuit counselor if Circuits B and E are combined; AND BE IT
108 FURTHER

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110 **RESOLVED:** If restructuring of the Synod at the 2010 Convention is approved, resulting in changes to
111 the delegate representation process and the nature of electoral circuits, only the “Short
112 Term Proposal” will remain in effect until the restructuring mandated by the Synod
113 Convention takes place; AND BE IT FURTHER

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115 **RESOLVED:** That The South Dakota District, gathered in convention, re-affirm its commitment to
116 circuits, their activities, mission and purposes, and encourage every congregation to be
117 involved in its circuit activities as much as possible; AND BE IT FINALLY

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119 **RESOLVED:** That we thank the Circuit Realignment Ad Hoc Committee for its work.

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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-04 (CW, pp. 36, 40, 43)**

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3 **SUBJECT:** TO RECOGNIZE INDIVIDUALS AND WELCOME THEM INTO THE SOUTH DAKOTA
4 DISTRICT

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6 **WHEREAS,** With Praise to the Lord for His gifts to the Church, we would like to recognize the
7 following individuals who were received into membership in the synod, Ministers of
8 Religion – Ordained (Pastors) and Ministers of Religion – Commissioned (Teachers and
9 DCE's) and welcome them into the South Dakota District of The Lutheran Church –
10 Missouri Synod.

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12 **Pastors**

13 Jonathan P. Boehne	Jenina Gatnoor
14 Christen E. Prumm	Daniel T. Redhage
15 Levi R. Willms	Eugene W. Haug
16 Joshua H. Jones	David Knepelkamp
17 Christoher K. Lockie	Lynn J. Wilson
18 Jeffrey T. Kalb	Steven A. Weispfennig
19 Robert Fedde	

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22 **Teachers**

23 Karen M. Dooley	Lianne I. Geidel
24 Kristie L. Hoyme	Michael R. Kipp

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27 We pray God's blessing upon these workers and pray that the Holy Spirit may use them
28 to build God's Kingdom here on earth.

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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-05 (CW, pp. 45-46)**

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3 **SUBJECT:** TO RECOGNIZE PASTORS AND TEACHERS ANNIVERSARIES, CONGREGATIONAL
4 CENTENNIALS AND 125TH ANNIVERSARIES OF CONGREGATIONS

5
6 **WHEREAS,** A number of District pastors and teachers have been privileged to serve a number of
7 milestone years (Convention Manual pages 45-46); AND

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9 **WHEREAS,** A number of South Dakota District congregations have celebrated centennials and 125th
10 anniversaries during this triennium (Convention Manual, page 45); THEREFORE BE IT

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12 **RESOLVED:** That this convention rejoice with these pastors, teachers and congregations by rising and
13 singing the Common Doxology.

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15 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
16 Praise Him, all creatures here below;
17 Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
18 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-06 (CW, pp. 37-38)**

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3 **SUBJECT:** TO REPORT CORPORATE DOCUMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF
4 DIRECTORS

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6 **WHEREAS,** Paragraph 2.4.1, pp. 51-52 of the “2007 Handbook” of the Synod stipulates that the
7 action of the District Board of Directors approving revised Articles of Incorporation,
8 Constitutions and Bylaws be reported to the District Convention; AND

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10 **WHEREAS,** In pursuance of the above named paragraph, the Board has approved the documents of
11 the congregations listed on page 38 of the Convention Workbook; THEREFORE BE IT

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13 **RESOLVED:** That the Convention acknowledge the Board’s action and the receipt of this report; AND
14 BE IT FINALLY

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16 **RESOLVED:** That each congregation contemplating the revision of its Constitution, Articles of
17 Incorporation and/or Bylaws follow the requirements of the Synod with respect to review
18 of said Articles of Incorporation, Constitutions and/or Bylaws.

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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-07 (Overture 1-06, CW, p. 127)**

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3 **SUBJECT:** TO AMEND DISTRICT BYLAW 5.01

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5 **WHEREAS,** In the past, the newly-elected District President and other newly-elected members of the
6 Board of Directors of The South Dakota District have been installed into office during the
7 District Convention in which they were elected, thus immediately beginning the duties of
8 their offices; AND

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10 **WHEREAS,** The Board of Directors of The South Dakota District has recognized that the newly-
11 elected District President would benefit from a time of transition, allowing him to conclude
12 the matters of his parish before assuming the full-time responsibilities of his new office;
13 THEREFORE BE IT

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15 **RESOLVED:** That The South Dakota District Handbook be amended as follows:

16 5.01 Time of Election and Term of Office

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19 a. The President, Vice-Presidents, the Secretary, the Treasurer and the two
20 laymen on the Board of Directors shall be elected in the District Convention
21 following the regular election of the officers of the Synod.
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23 b. All officers and members of the Board of Directors shall serve for terms of
24 three years or until their successors shall have qualified.
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26 c. The duties of the newly-elected officers and members of the Board of
27 Directors shall begin at the time of their installation which will occur within 60
28 days of their election.

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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-08 (CW, pp. 22-25, 57-58, 47-56, 26-35, 65, 66-70, 58-64)**
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3 **SUBJECT:** THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT, TREASURER'S
4 REPORT, BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES, CIRCUIT COUNSELOR REPORTS,
5 MISSION CONGREGATION REPORTS, DISTRICT ARCHIVES REPORT, SIOUX
6 FALLS HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM REPORT, CHURCH EXTENSION FUND
7 REPORT, CONTINUING EDUCATION REPORT, CHURCH WORKER EDUCATION
8 DEBT ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE REPORT; LAY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE REPORT;
9 PARISH SERVICES REPORT, YOUNG ADULT REPORT, YOUTH SERVICES REPORT
10 AND OUTREACH SERVICES REPORT
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12 **WHEREAS,** The President's Report, Executive Secretary's Report, Treasurer's Report, Board of
13 Directors Minutes, Circuit Counselor Reports, Mission Congregation Reports, District
14 Archives Report, Sioux Falls Hospital Chaplaincy Program Report, Church Extension
15 Fund Report, Continuing Education Report, Church Worker Education Debt Assistance
16 Committee Report; Lay Leadership Institute Report; Parish Services Report, Young Adult
17 Report, Youth Services Report and Outreach Services Report have been submitted to
18 the Convention; THEREFORE BE IT
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20 **RESOLVED:** That we accept the Reports and Minutes of the above entities and BE IT FINALLY
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22 **RESOLVED:** That we give thanks and praise to God for the dedicated leadership of these entities of
23 our South Dakota District.
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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-09 (CW, pp. 66-68)**

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3 **SUBJECT:** TO THANK THE SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT OFFICE STAFF AND PROMOTE CEF

4
5 **WHEREAS,** Randy Gayken, the South Dakota District Business Manager, has generously and aptly
6 given of himself as a servant to our District in a dedicated manner and has benefited our
7 District richly as manager of The South Dakota District Church Extension Fund in its
8 unique ministry of supporting the mission of our District; AND

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10 **WHEREAS,** Julie Pike, Administrative Assistant; Chad Zinnel, Office Accountant; Wayne Steensma,
11 District Archivist; and Sherree Gayken, Building Custodian, contribute loyal talent and
12 commitment to the smooth functioning of the work in our District Office, THEREFORE BE
13 IT

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15 **RESOLVED:** That we accept the Church Extension Report and thank Randy Gayken for his faithful
16 and dedicated service; AND BE IT FURTHER

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18 **RESOLVED:** We thank the entire staff for their faithful and dedicated service; AND BE IT FINALLY

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20 **RESOLVED:** That we encourage pastors and congregational leaders to share information with our
21 South Dakota District congregations about our District Church Extension Fund and that
22 the congregations and individuals be encouraged to invest in the District Church
23 Extension Fund that we might continue to support the mission expansion of the District.
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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-10 (CW, pp. 20-25)**

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3 **SUBJECT:** TO ENCOURAGE SUPPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN THE BUDGETING
4 AND WORK PROGRAM PROCESS

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6 **WHEREAS,** Our country has entered an economic down turn; AND

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8 **WHEREAS,** The District Board of Directors is entrusted by the Convention to make difficult budgetary
9 and work program decisions that may be affected by unseen events; THEREFORE BE IT

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11 **RESOLVED:** The congregations and Pastors of the South Dakota District are encouraged to put into
12 practice Luther's admonition from the eighth commandment "to put the best construction
13 on everything;" AND BE IT FINALLY

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15 **RESOLVED:** To show Christian love and charity concerning the budgetary process.

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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-11 (Overture L1-07, CW p. 127-B)**

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3 **SUBJECT:** TO *DECLINE THE OVERTURE TO* CHANGE THE DATE OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA
4 DISTRICT CONVENTION

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6 **WHEREAS,** The fiscal year ends January 14; AND

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8 **WHEREAS,** It would impose an undue hardship on the District Treasurer and District Business
9 Manager to complete the financial statements in 30 days; AND

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11 **WHEREAS,** The February Convention date would require committee work to be completed by late
12 December or early January; THEREFORE BE IT

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14 **RESOLVED:** That Overture L1-07 be respectfully declined.

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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-12 (Overture 1-04, CW, pp. 124-125)**
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3 **SUBJECT:** TO *DECLINE THE OVERTURE TO* ELIMINATE THE OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE
4 SECRETARY IN THE SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT LC-MS
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6 **WHEREAS,** Duties and tasks of past District Resolutions require the position of the Executive
7 Secretary; AND
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10 **WHEREAS,** The elimination of the position would require rewriting District By-laws and reassignment
11 of these responsibilities; THEREFORE BE IT
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13 **RESOLVED:** That Overture 1-04 be respectfully declined.
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1 **RESOLUTION: 1-13 (Overture 1-05, CW, p. 126)**
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3 **SUBJECT:** TO CONTINUE THE DISTRICT BLANKET SUBSCRIPTION TO THE LUTHERAN
4 WITNESS
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6 **WHEREAS,** The previous conventions of the South Dakota District have affirmed the value of the
7 blanket subscription to The Lutheran Witness and have encouraged congregations to
8 remit their subscriptions; THEREFORE BE IT
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10 **RESOLVED:** That Overture 1-05 be respectfully declined
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RESOLUTION: 1-14 (Overture 1-03, CW, pp. 122-123)

SUBJECT: TO *DECLINE THE OVERTURE* TO REDUCE DISTRICT REMITTANCE TO THE NATIONAL SYNODICAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, Our convention theme reminds us that we are “Called Into Partnership,” involves congregations, District and Synod; AND

WHEREAS, In Matthew 28:19-20 Christ commands us to go into the world to extend His Kingdom and make disciples of all nations; THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED: That Overture 1-03 be respectfully declined.

Respectfully Submitted,

Reverend Daniel Deardoff, Chairman

Reverend David Otten

Mr. Allen Schmuck

Mr. Paul Konrad
