Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of the PC(USA)

Approved by the 225th General Assembly (2022)

		Foundations of Presbyterian Polity	CPM	COM	PJC	COUNCILS	Congregations	Review	Pro/Con
22- A	F- 1.0302 c	THE CATHOLICITY OF THE CHURCH (POL-16 1a) Expands inclusive language with reference to gender identity	X	X	X	X		LT	
22- B	F- 1.0404	OPENNESS (POL-16 1b) Expands inclusive language with reference to gender identity	X	X	X	X		LT	
		Form of Government							
22- C	G- 1.0501	MEETINGS (ROD-06 2) Establishes Robert's Rules of Order (RONR) as the default parliamentary authority for congregational meetings, and authorizes electronic congregational meetings				X	X	LT	
22- D	G- 1.0503	BUSINESS PROPER TO CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS (ROD-06 1) Adds receiving a disciplinary decision against a church member (as opposed to a minister) to the list of proper business at a congregational meeting				X	X	LT	
22- E	G- 2.0503	CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP (POL-07) Removes "honorably" before "retired" as the category for retired ministers				X		LT	
22- F	G- 20505a (1)	TRANSFER OF MINISTERS OF OTHER DENOMINATIONS (POL-15) Adds the requirement to consult with the other denomination when receiving immigrant pastors without otherwise acceptable PC(USA) ordination educational requirements		X				СОМ	
22- G	G- 2.0603	PURPOSE OF INQUIRY (HSB-05 2) Adds the requirement of boundary training during the inquiry phase of preparation for ordination as a minister of the Word and Sacrament	X					СРМ	
22- H	G- 2.0605	OVERSIGHT (HSB-05 1) Adds a requirement of sessions to "report to the presbytery of any matters of sexual misconduct" of their members who are enrolled as inquirers or candidates	X			X		COM / LT	
22- I	G- 2.0804	TERMS OF CALL (HSB-06) Adds the requirement of a minimum of twelve weeks of paid family leave in terms of call for all installed pastors/associate pastors	X	X		X	X	СОМ	
22- J	G- 2.1001	FUNCTIONS (MC-08) Adds language allowing Commissioned Pastors to be commissioned to more than one validated ministry at a time		X		X	X	СОМ	

22- K	G- 2.1002	TRAINING, EXAMINING, AND COMMISSIONING (HSB-05 3) Adds the requirement of boundary training for those elders seeking to be Commissioned Pastors	X	X		X	CPM/ COM
22- L	G- 2.1103	CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS (HSB-05 4) Adds the requirement of boundary training for those elders seeking to be certified as Christian Educators				X	СОМ
22- M	G- 3.0104	OFFICERS (MC-05) Adds language that "it is appropriate" to adopt procedures for electronic session meetings		X		X	LT
22- N	G- 3.0105	MEETINGS (ROD-06 3) Adds provision that all councils and their commissions and committees may meet electronically				X	LT
22- O	G- 3.0106	ADMINISTRATION OF MISSION (HSB-05 9) Adds language regarding boundary training, including sexual abuse to the requirement for sexual misconduct policies required of councils				X	LT
22- P	G- 3.0106	ADMINISTRATION OF MISSION (POL-10) Adds the requirement of an antiracism policy to the required policies of councils, and clarifies other language in that list				X	LT
22- Q	G- 3.0303 c	RELATIONS WITH SESSIONS (MC-03) Authorizes presbyteries to establish minimum requirements for severance packages in terms of call		X		X	СОМ
22- R	G- 3.0401	COMPOSITION AND RESPONSIBILITIES (MC-06) Authorizes synods to enroll those serving terms in elected offices of the synod as additional members of the synod as a way to fulfill principles of participation and representation				X	LT
22- S	G- 4.0301	TRUST AND CONFIDENTIALITY (ROD-07) Expands and clarifies "confidentiality" requirements for ministers and commissioned pastors	X	X	X	X	СОМ
		Directory for Worship					
22- T	W- 3.0205	CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (TWE-O5 1)				X	Worsh ip Comm
		Adds administration of the sacrament of Baptism to the list of appropriate actions following the proclamation of					

		forgiveness in a service of worship						
22-	W-	THEOLOGY OF THE LORD'S						
U	3.0409	SUPPER (TWE-05 2)			X		Worsh	
		Adds "when appropriate" to the			12		ip	
		recommended act of providing an					Comm	
		invitation to baptismal preparation for						
		those who come to the table who are						
		unbaptized						
22-	W-	COMMUNION (TWE-05 4)						
\mathbf{V}	3.0414	Removes the current requirement that a			X		Worsh	
		minister of the Word and Sacrament					ip	
		lead the prayer of thanksgiving that					Comm	
		concludes the Lord's Supper liturgy						
22-	W-	ORDER OF WORSHIP (TWE-06)						
W	4.0403	Adds a sentence about "signs and			X	\mathbf{X}	Worsh	
		symbols of blessing" to the section on					ip	
		ordination and installation services					Comm	
22-	W-	HOUSEHOLD WORSHIP (TWE-05 5)						
X	5.0104	Adds a sentence on the importance of			X	\mathbf{X}	Worsh	
		household worship in faith formation in					ip	
	***	the Reformed tradition					Comm	
22-	W-	HOUSEHOLD WORSHIP (TWE-05 6)			X	X		
Y	5.0104	Adds an additional paragraph to the					Worsh	
		existing section on household worship					ip	
-	XXX	THE CHIP CHAS I TO HOTEL TO THE					Comm	
22-	W-	THE CHURCH'S MINISTRY WITHIN						
Z	5.0201	THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH (TWE-			X		Worsh	
		05 9, 1&2) Adds "discipleship" to a list of the					ip	
		Adds "discipleship" to a list of the Church's ministries that are connected					Comm	
		to its worship, and adds references to statements in the Foundations of						
		Presbyterian Polity						
22-	W-	PASTORAL CARE (TWE-05 7)						
AA	5.0204	Adds "particular specialized pastoral	X		X		Worsh	
		care" rather than adding to an existing					ip	
		list of such specialties					Comm	
22-	W-	PASTORAL CARE (TWE-05 8)						
BB	5.0204	Adds clarifying language in a section on	X		X		Worsh	
		"services of wholeness" to better					ip	
		express a Reformed understanding of					Comm	
		those services						
		Rules of Discipline						
22-	D-	WHEN JURISDICTION ENDS (ROD-						
CC	3.0106	05)		X	X		PJC	
		Allows a disciplinary process to		^	A		130	
		continue after an accused has renounced						
		jurisdiction						
22-	D-	IF CHARGES ARE TO BE FILED						
DD	10.030	(ROD-04 3)		X	X		PJC	
	2	Grammatical change to an existing		4	4.			
		provision of the Rules of Discipline						
22-	D-	PETITIONS FOR REVIEW						
EE	10.030	(ROD-04 1)		X	X		PJC	
	3	Amends the current Rules of Discipline		1				
		to include notifying the person accused						
L		if no charges will be filed (instead of just			<u> </u>			
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22- FF	the person(s) who made the accusation) AMENDING THE USE OF "THE ACCUSED'IN THE CURRENT RULES OF DISCIPLINE (ROD-04 2) Changes "the accused" to "the person accused" wherever it occurs in the current rules of Discipline.			X	X	PJC	
22- G G	REPLACING THE CURRENT "RULES OF DISCIPLINE" WITH A NEW "CHURCH DISCIPLINE" SECTION (ROD-03) Proposed a complete revision of the Rules of Discipline,	X	X	X	X	РЈС	