

# LAITY VOTING & BADGE COLOR GUIDE

(Clergy Voting & Badge Color Guide on Reverse Side)

## LAY MEMBERS

- Professing members elected by each charge
- Diaconal Ministers
- Active Deaconesses & Home Missioners under Episcopal appointment
- Certified Lay Ministers (who are assigned to a Charge)
- Conference Presidents of the United Women of Faith and United Methodist Men
- The Conference Lay Leader and twelve District Lay Leaders
- The Conference Co-Directors of Lay Servant Ministries
- Conference Secretary of Global Ministries (if lay)
- President or representative of conference young adult organization
- Chair of Conference College Student Organization
- District Youth (between 12-17) and Young Adult (between 18-30)
- Lay Persons Serving as Wesley Fellowship Directors
- Professing Members representing Wesley Foundations served by an appointed UM Clergy

*Lay Members (Blue badges) may vote on all business matters before the Annual Conference including election of lay delegates to General and Jurisdictional Conference and constitutional amendments. If a Lay Member is a sitting member of the Board of Ordained Ministry they may also vote on matters before the Clergy Session.*

BLUE BADGES

## OTHER LAY PERSONS

- Alternate Lay Members elected by charges
- Certified Candidates
- Persons Approved to be Licensed if Appointed (but not now Appointed)
- Certified Lay Ministers (who are not assigned to a charge)
- Lay Pulpit Supplies
- Clergy Spouses
- Other Guest
- Visitors

*Other Lay Persons (Orange badges) have no voice or vote in the Annual Conference. If an Alternate is to be seated in the place of a Lay Member and thus become the Lay Member with the right to speak and vote, that Alternate **must obtain** a new badge from the Registrar Table **after approval** by the district superintendent.*

ORANGE BADGES

## MEDIA

- Members of the Media

*Media Members (Purple badges) have no voice or vote in the Annual Conference.*

PURPLE  
BADGES

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## FULL CLERGY MEMBERS

- Active Elders in Full Connection
- Active Deacons in Full Connection
- Retired Elders in Full Connection
- Retired Deacons in Full Connection
- Elders on Personal/Medical Leave of Absences
- Deacons on Personal/Medical Leave of Absences

WHITE BADGES

*White badges may vote on all matters before the Annual Conference and Clergy Session.  
(Note: Full Clergy Members on Involuntary Leave may not elect Delegates to General & Jurisdictional Conference.  
They will receive white badges this year since delegate elections are not taking place in 2025.)*

## LICENSED CLERGY MEMBERS WHO HAVE COMPLETED ALL EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THEIR STATUS

- Active Associate Members
- Retired Associate Members
- Provisional Members
- Full Time and Part Time Local Pastors (appointed) who have completed the Basic Course of Study or an MDiv degree and been under appointment for at least 2 years.
- Retired Supply Local Pastors (appointed) who have completed the Basic Course of Study or an MDiv degree and been under appointment for at least 2 years.

GREEN BADGES

*Licensed Clergy who have completed all of their educational requirements may vote on all business matters before the Annual Conference including clergy delegates to General and Jurisdictional Conference, **but not matters** before the Clergy Session and **not constitutional amendments**. ¶35 of The Discipline, defines which local pastors may vote for General Conference and Jurisdictional Conference delegates.)*

## LICENSED CLERGY MEMBERS WHO HAVE **NOT** COMPLETED ALL EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THEIR STATUS

- Full Time and Part Time Local Pastors (appointed) who have not yet completed the Basic Course of Study or an MDiv.
- Retired Supply Local Pastors (appointed) who have not yet completed the Basic Course of Study or an MDiv.

GREEN BADGES

*Licensed Clergy who have not completed all of their educational requirements may vote on all business matters before the Annual Conference, but not: clergy delegates to General and Jurisdictional Conference, **constitutional amendments or matters** before the Clergy Session. (Note: Green badges are also issued to this group this year since delegate elections are not taking place in 2025.)*

## AFFILIATE MEMBERS AND RECOGNIZED RETIRED LOCAL PASTORS

- Affiliate Members
- Recognized Retired Local Pastors (not- appointed & technically Laity)

*Red badges have the privilege of voice but not vote in the Annual Conference.*

RED BADGES

## OTHER

- Pulpit Supply
- Clergy Approved to Serve in SC from other UM Conferences, Methodist Denominations and other Non-Methodist Denominations (OD,OE,OF,OM,OP)
- Honorably Located Clergy

*Orange badges have no vote or voice on any matter before the Annual Conference. (Note: OD,OE,OF OM & OP clergy retain their membership in their home conference or denomination).*

ORANGE BADGES

## GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION IN PARLIAMENTARY PROCESS

### Handling A Motion:

1. Member **makes** a motion.
2. Another member **seconds** the motion.
3. Chair **states** the question on the motion.\*
4. Motion is **pending** and open for **debate**.
5. Assembly decides on the motion: adopts/rejects.
6. Chair announces results of vote.

(Page 48-51 – *Robert's Rules*, 2010 edition)

\*Until the chair states the question, the maker of the motion has the right to modify the motion or withdraw it entirely. i.e. with the agreement of the Second.

P. 59-RR: Fundamental Principle of Parliamentary Law:

Only one question can be considered at a time; once a motion is before the assembly:

1. Adopts or rejects.
2. Or disposed in some other way.

#### SECONDARY MOTION:

1. Made and considered while the main motion is pending.
2. Must be acted upon or disposed of before direct consideration of the main question can be continued.

P. 62-65-RR: Subsidiary Motions can be amended except:

Motion to "Postpone indefinitely", "Previous Question", or "Lay on the Table".

P. 54-RR: In cases where there seems to be no opposition in routine business, time is saved by procedure of GENERAL CONSENT:

example: "If there is no objection ...". If there is objection, chair states the question and allows debate and vote.

P.135-RR: AN AMENDMENT of the THIRD degree is not permitted.

P.153-RR: It is possible to introduce a "Substitute for the substitute" which CANNOT be amended, since it is a Secondary Amendment.

PP.153-162-RR: TO SUBSTITUTE:

A substitute offered for a main motion or resolution (or paragraph), is a PRIMARY AMENDMENT and usually is in order ONLY when no other amendment is pending.

HOWEVER, superseding this is GENERAL CONFERENCE RULE OF ORDER NO. 28 – "PROCEDURE FOR CONSIDERATION OF SUBSTITUTES" AND "AMENDING BY SUBSTITUTION":

(Rule of Order No. 28 used when substitutes are offered for ORIGINAL Conference Reports of Boards, Committees, or Resolutions "even if amendments thereto are pending, a substitute therefore may be offered by any member moving that the same be substituted for the report, resolution, or amendment under consideration. The substitute shall be an alternative to what is before the house.")

Steps For G.C. RULE 28:

1. Debate limited to merits of substitution only, no amendments allowed.
2. Vote on substitute, if prevails by majority vote, becomes main motion.
3. Debate, amendment moves forward on main motion.
4. MAIN MOTION is voted upon with minimum of two speeches on each side of question.

PP. 138-139-RR: IMPROPER AMENDMENTS ARE THOSE ...

1. not germane to the question.
2. merely making adoption of amended question equivalent to rejection of original motion.
3. making question identical, or contrary to, one previously decided during the same session.
4. proposing to change one of the forms of amendment (i.e. "to insert or add; to strike out and insert; to substitute") into another form.
5. having the effect of converting one parliamentary motion into another.
6. that strike out the word "Resolved" or other enacting words.
7. frivolous or absurd.
8. having incoherent wording or no rational purpose.
9. converting a primary amendment into an improper form.

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 ☐ Amendment
 ☐ Substitute

☐ Resolution
 ☐ Point of Order
 ☐ Nomination(s)

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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# PETITION TO REMOVE FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

SR 22- The Consent Calendar provides for the adoption by “consent” of reports and other items which do not necessarily require deliberation by the Annual Conference in open session and which can be adopted or “moved to the record without reading” by a simple majority vote. We will act on the consent calendar on Wednesday morning. Prior to the consideration of the Consent Calendar any fifteen members of the Annual Conference may request the removal of a specific item from the Consent Calendar, and it shall be removed and considered at an appropriate time as determined by the President and the Secretary. To remove an item from the Consent Calendar, complete and secure the required fifteen signatures on this form and deliver the completed form to the Secretary of the Annual Conference prior to consideration of the Consent Calendar. A separate petition is required for each item to be removed.

ITEM (REPORT) TO BE REMOVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Many bright minds, good hearts, and generous people have added their part to the collective good of our worship at Annual Conference this year.

Deep gratitude is extended to:


- Rev. Cathy Mitchell, Rev. Chris Lollis, and Rev. Steve Patterson (the Superintendents providing coverage for the Greenville District), and the members of the Greenville District for their hospitality and leadership.
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- The United Methodist volunteers from throughout the Upstate, who served at registration, in the information booth, and as ushers.
- Mrs. Carla Fleming, for being our Conference Pianist.
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- Dr. Catherine Stapleton Nance for Coordinating Song Leaders and choirs throughout the week.
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- The Annual Conference Worship Committee, led by Rev. Beverly CroweTipton of Zion UMC, Anderson, Dr. Catherine Stapleton Nance, Mr. David Salter, Mr. Kendrick Huggins, Rev. Terry Fleming, Rev. Jeffery Salley, Rev. Karen Jones, Rev. Ed Stallworth, Rev. Rebecca Rowell, Rev. Mallory Forte, and Mr. Dan O'Mara.
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- Rev. Cathy Mitchell, Mr. Michael Jennings, Mrs. Betty Void, Rev. Dr. Sheila Elliott Hodge, Jane Cromley, Rev. Stephen Taylor, Sandra Shaffer, Rev. Lyndon Alexander, Rev. Neal Woods, and Bishop Leonard Fairley for leadership
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- Bishop Leonard E. Fairley, who encourages us to come together with hope by trusting God with each step we take, by leading us as our Presiding Bishop through preaching, worship leadership and wisdom in presiding over this Annual Conference.

## CONTRIBUTIONS AT ORDINATION SERVICE

The offering collected at the Commissioning, Ordination and Retirement Service will benefit the SC Conference Seminary Students Scholarship Fund, and endowment of the South Carolina United Methodist Foundation. The endowment provides scholarships to candidates for ministry from South Carolina attending United Methodist seminaries and theological schools. You can meaningfully support our candidates for ministry by donating...

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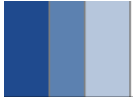
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## CONTRIBUTIONS AT OPENING WORSHIP

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