



Action of the Synod Council May 13, 2023

- **Re-appointed** Rev. Kerri Clark and Rev. Ryan Kobert to the Resource Center Advisory Board with terms expiring in 2025.
- **Recommended** to the 2023 Synod Assembly to amend Bylaw B7.11.11. to read:
B7.11.11. Each voting member, or those persons accorded the privilege of seat and/or voice, when recognized by the chair, shall state his or her name, and the name of the congregation, institution, or group he or she represents. Persons speaking from the floor of the Synod Assembly shall use the floor microphones (if they are provided) and shall address and speak to the chair. ~~Such speeches shall be limited to 5 minutes on each Synod Assembly issue. Speakers may speak a second time on the same issue, but only after all others desiring to speak have been given opportunity to do so. Those speaking a second time shall be limited to 2 minutes.~~ The time limits for each speaker shall be set in the rules of the Synod Assembly.
- **Recommended** the 2023 Synod Assembly set the following rule: Speeches shall be limited to 3 minutes on each Synod Assembly issue. Speakers may speak a second time on the same issue, but only after all others desiring to speak have been given the opportunity to do so. Those speaking a second time shall be limited to 2 minutes.
- **Amended** the proposed agenda for the 2023 Synod Assembly to insert the inclusion of the proposed amendment to bylaw B7.11.11. and the rule to set the time for speeches immediately after the Adoption of the Agenda.
- **Recommended** that the 2023 Synod Assembly adopt the following bylaw:
B7.27 Those Ministers of Word and Sacrament from a church body with whom the ELCA has a relationship of full communion who are serving a congregation of this synod under a letter of invitation to extended service shall have the privilege of voice and vote at Synod Assembly.
- **Recommended** Rules of Procedure to the 2023 Synod Assembly
- **Designated** the offerings from the worship service of the 2023 Synod Assembly to ministries related to our Companion Synod in Madagascar.
- **Authorized** the Synod to enter into an agreement with Rev. Ed Sheehan to serve as Interim Assistant to the Bishop during Rev. Peter Asplin's Sabbatical.