

Summary of the ECCLESIASTICAL SUPERVISION resolutions

resolution 2-01 to overrule LCMS Board of Directors' May 2017 Resolution 12-14, regarding Bylaw 7.1.2 (Saturday, between 9:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.)

It is the contention of this resolution that Resolution 12-14, approved by the Synod's Board of Directors in May 2017, grants an authority and power to the Synod President which exceeds that permitted by the Synod's Constitution since the ecclesiastical supervision granted to the Synod President is limited to all officers of Synod, all such as are employed by the Synod, the individual districts of the Synod and all district presidents (Article XI.B.1 of the LCMS Constitution).

In terms of ecclesiastical supervision at the District level, among the Members of Synod who possess membership in one of the thirty-five LCMS Districts, the Synod's Constitution expressly confers upon the District President of that District the sole authority and power to exercise ecclesiastical supervision.¹

The primary resolve is for the Synod, in its 2019 Convention, affirm the powers expressly conferred upon the Synod President according to the Synod's Constitution (XI.1; XI.B.1); this supervisory authority and power does not include direct supervisory responsibilities of individual members of Synod, since such individuals are under the ecclesiastical supervision of District Presidents (XII 7, 8).

resolution 2-02 to direct the President of Synod to assure the provisions of 3.9.2.2.c are followed (Saturday, between 9:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.)

That overture 2-04 from the 2016 Synod Convention be submitted as an overture to the 2019 Synod convention for its consideration and convention action.

¹ Notes pertaining to ecclesiastical supervision, from the Synod's Constitution and its Bylaws, are included in this mailing for your review