

RESOLUTION 2

RESOLUTIONS TO REQUIRE DEANEARY SUPPORT (Proposed Change to Rule 1.1 of the Convention Rules of Order)

Resolved, That Rule 1.1 be amended to read as follows (added text in ***bold italics***):

1.1 Any resolution to be considered by the Convention, other than those necessary matters of procedure and business of the Convention, must be ***submitted to and*** received by the Chair of the Resolutions Committee at least ninety (90) days prior to the opening of Convention. Resolutions may be submitted by any cleric or lay delegate eligible to vote at the Convention, or by any parish, mission, or other officially recognized diocesan organization. Included on the copy of the proposed resolution shall be the name and address of the proposer of the resolution.

The subject matter of all resolutions, other than those set forth in Rule 1.4 (a) – (e), should be approved by at least two deaneries prior to being submitted to the Chair of the Resolutions Committee, and the Committee may refuse to consider or submit to Convention any proposed resolution for the sole reason that it has not received such approvals.

In the case of resolutions submitted by an organization, the resolution shall state the name of the Rector, Vicar, Chair, or other person duly authorized by that organization to respond to questions and accept amendments to such resolutions.

It shall be open to other persons or organizations to be listed as supporters of a resolution.

Explanation: The change to Rule 1.1 was initiated by the Deanery Coordinating Committee with the objective of increasing the involvement of the deaneries in the development of resolutions for Convention. The intention is to have deaneries interact with resolution proponents more fully before their resolutions go forward to Convention. It is assumed that if authors had a chance to interact with delegates before they finalized the text, they may be able to improve their chances of having their resolutions pass. Finally, some resolutions perhaps ought not to come to Convention, and deaneries could be a part of the clearing process.

The proposed rule would establish a standard that resolutions be brought to the deaneries and approved by at least two deaneries before being submitted to the Committee on Resolutions. The deaneries would not need to approve the same language, only the same subject matter, as it is expected that the wording may change as a result of deanery discussions. The Committee may make exceptions for good reasons, such as a subject that arises too late to be considered by the deaneries and which the Committee thinks would suffer from being delayed to the following Convention. Other resolutions could still be brought to the floor of Convention with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

If adopted, this change would be in effect for the 167th Convention.

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