

Resolution 29

LATE AND REINSTATEMENT FEES

WHEREAS, Increasing costs are being incurred by district councils and the General Council for the processing of delinquent and lapsed credential renewals; and

WHEREAS, There have been no increases in the late fee (\$25) and the reinstatement fee (\$50) since 1981; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That General Council Bylaws Article VII. MINISTRY, Section 10. Credential Renewals and Reinstatements, paragraph c. Grace Period until January 15, page 117, which presently reads:

c. Grace period until January 15. All who have not renewed their fellowship certificates by mail postmarked on or before December 31 shall be considered delinquent. They shall be required to pay a late fee of \$25 up until January 15, to be divided equally between the district and General Council.

Be amended to read:

c. Grace period until January 15. All who have not renewed their fellowship certificates ~~by mail~~ postmarked on or before December 31 shall be considered delinquent. They shall be required to pay a late fee as determined by the General Presbytery ~~\$25~~ up until January 15, to be divided equally between the district and General Council.

And be it further

RESOLVED, That General Council Bylaws Article VII. MINISTRY, Section 10. Credential Renewals and Reinstatements, paragraph d. Reinstatement of lapsed minister, page 117, which presently reads:

d. Reinstatement of lapsed minister. Ministers whose renewal applications are not postmarked by January 15 shall be recorded as lapsed as of December 31. They must make application for reinstatement and pay a nonrefundable fee of \$50, to be divided equally between the district and the General Council. These ministers shall not be subject to the minimal time lapse required of those whose credentials have been terminated for other causes.

Be amended to read:

d. Reinstatement of lapsed minister. Ministers whose renewal applications are not postmarked by January 15 shall be recorded as lapsed as of December 31. They must make application for reinstatement and pay a nonrefundable fee as determined by General Presbytery \$50, to be divided equally between the district and the General Council. These ministers shall not be subject to the minimal time lapse required of those whose credentials have been terminated for other causes.

And be it further

RESOLVED, That General Council Bylaws Article VII. MINISTRY, Section 10. Credential Renewals and Reinstatements, paragraph e. Reinstatement of other than dismissed minister, page 118, which presently reads:

e. Reinstatement of other than dismissed minister. When a minister who is a member of our Fellowship is removed from our rolls for any cause, except failure to renew and dismissal, and shall apply for reinstatement, he or she shall not be eligible for reinstatement until at least 6 months have elapsed after his or her name has been stricken from our list of ministers. The application must be made in the district where the minister resides and be accompanied with a nonrefundable fee of \$50 to be divided between the district and the General Council. (See Bylaws, Article X, Section 12, paragraph b, for reinstatement of dismissed minister.)

Be amended to read:

e. Reinstatement of other than dismissed minister. When a minister who is a member of our Fellowship is removed from our rolls for any cause, except failure to renew and dismissal, and shall apply for reinstatement, he or she shall not be eligible for reinstatement until at least 6 months have elapsed after his or her name has been stricken from our list of ministers. The application must be made in the district where the minister resides and be accompanied with a nonrefundable fee as determined by General Presbytery \$50 to be divided between the district and the General Council. (See Bylaws, Article X, Section 12, paragraph b, for reinstatement of dismissed minister.)

And be it further

RESOLVED, That General Council Bylaws Article X. DISCIPLINE, Section 12. Reinstatement of Credentials, paragraph e. Reinstatement fee, page 131, which presently reads:

e. Reinstatement fee. When applying for reinstatement the minister must include a \$50 reinstatement fee with the application to be divided equally between the district council and the General Council.

Be amended to read:

e. Reinstatement fee. When applying for reinstatement the minister must include a ~~\$50~~ reinstatement fee as determined by General Presbytery with the application to be divided equally between the district council and the General Council.

Sponsor: General Presbytery

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Amended	_____
Referred	_____
Adopted	_____
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