

## J. ACTIONS

This section contains the perfected versions of legislation approved by the 2020 Pacific Northwest Conference when it gathered for its annual session in September via an online meeting platform due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Original versions of the legislation, and the rationale which accompanied them, can be found in the Pre-Conference Handbook (PCH). At the time of printing, the PCH was available to download at: [pnwumc.org/ac2020/downloads](http://pnwumc.org/ac2020/downloads).

### CONFERENCE ADVANCE SPECIALS (PCH PETITION #1)

**RESOLVED**, the following agencies and projects which are initiated, developed and/or supported within the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference be designated as Conference Advance Specials and be given support through second-mile giving by churches of the PNW AC 2019-2020 Conference Advance Specials Applications.

1. Atlantic Street Center #301
2. Tacoma Community House #302
3. PNW Camping and Retreat Ministries
  - Camp Indianola #341
  - Twinlow Camp #343
  - Lazy F Camp #344
  - Ocean Park #345
4. PNW Disaster Relief/Early Response #352
5. Central Washington Justice for our Neighbors #339
6. Alaska United Methodist Conference (AUMC) Support #335

### MINIMUM COMPENSATION (PCH PETITION #2)

**RESOLVED**, that the minimum compensation schedule for full-time service set by the Annual Conference for the Calendar year 2021 will be \$43,635.

### MOVING ALLOWANCE (PCH PETITION #3)

**RESOLVED**, the recommended moving allowance schedule for 2021 is:

- A. Intra-conference up to \$1,600 (Rule XI, Sec. 2(a)).
- B. Retiring minister up to \$1,600 (Rule XXI, Sec. 2(b)).
- C. Surviving spouse up to \$1,600 (Rule XI, Sec 2(b)).
- D. Minister on Disability Leave, up to \$1,600 (Rule XI, Sec. 2(b)).
- E. Seminary students returning for local church appointment will be reimbursed on the basis of receipts for moving expenses, including meals and lodging en route, as approved by the District Superintendent with the

following dollar limits, based on the one-way mileage from the seminary to the appointment (Rule XI, Sec. 2(c)):

Over 2,500 miles – up to \$4,400  
1,501 to 2,500 miles – up to \$4,000  
1,001 to 1,500 miles – up to \$3,600  
801 to 1,000 miles – up to \$2,900  
501 to 800 miles – up to \$2,200  
500 miles or less – up to \$1,700

F. Candidates for ministry or ministerial members (including paragraph 337.1) transferring in shall be reimbursed up to the seminary students' limits (E) with the provision that the Cabinet may authorize expenditures of up to 150% of the seminary student limit (Rule XI, Sec. 2(c)).

### PAST SERVICE PENSION RATE (PCH PETITION #4)

**RESOLVED**, that effective January 1, 2021, the Ministerial Pension Rate and the Local Pastors Pension Rate shall be \$788 and that Supplement One to the Clergy Retirement Security Program be so amended.

### RETIREMENT ANNUITY RESPONSIBILITY (PCH PETITION #5)

**RESOLVED**, that the Pacific Northwest Conference accept the applicable annuity responsibility for the following persons retiring at the 2020 deferred session of the Annual Conference as of 6/29/2020.

Name	Disc.	Par. ¶	Age	Appt. Years <sup>1</sup>	Effective Date
Eleazar Rivera-Garcia	357.2(c)		69 and 6 months	29.0	7/1/2020
William Green	357.2(c)(d)		64 and 10 months	41.5	1/1/2020
Benjamin Moore	357.2(c)(d)		66 and 0 months	40.08	11/1/2019
Pamela Osborne	357.2(c)		66 and 1 month	25.75	7/1/2020
Willem Romeijn	357.2(c)		67 and 8 months	39.0	7/1/2020
Dan Sailer	357.2(c)		64 and 10 months	42.0	7/1/2020
Patricia Simpson	357.2(c)(d)		66 and 9 months	42.5	1/1/2020
Wesley Stanton	357.2(c)(d)		66 and 0 months	42.5	1/1/2020
Jale Tuirotuma	357.2(c)		70 and 7 months	14.0	7/1/2020

<sup>1</sup> Number of years under appointment not the full-time equivalent service or service as a part-time local pastor.

## RETIREMENT GRANTS (PCH PETITION #6)

**RESOLVED**, that the following persons will receive grants in lieu of pension from the Pacific Northwest Conference:

**PERSONS RECEIVING GRANTS IN  
THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
2020 – 2021 Pension Grant Schedule**

Name (age by year end)	Service in Conference	Year Eligible	Applicable Pension Rate	Grant \$	Payment Period
Adrienne Brizee (surviving spouse of Robert L. Brizee 70%)(86)	15.0	1998	349.95	441.00	7/1/20-6/30/21
Wanda L. Butler (surviving spouse of Ralph Butler 70%)(95)	25.0	1983	188	3,290.04	7/1/20-6/30/21
Robert G. Calkins(94)	12.0	1991	265.93	1,914.72	7/1/20-6/30/21
Ruth A. Dabritz (surviving spouse of Robert E. Dabritz 70%)(96)	8.25	1988	236.41	563.28	7/1/20-6/30/21
Mariella Dibble (surviving spouse of John Dibble 70%)(100)	8.75	1986	220.09	589.80	7/1/20-6/30/21
James E. Fox(81)	5.0	2004	487.00	608.76	7/1/20-6/30/21
Richard L. Gossett(76)	7.0	2009	578.58	1,417.56	7/1/20-6/30/21
Blaine G. Hammond(97)	15.0	1989	245.87	2,766.00	7/1/20-6/30/21
Marisol Harper (surviving spouse of Craig Harper 70%)(87)	6.75	1993	287.63	458.76	7/1/20-6/30/21
Donald L. Jeter(87)	11.5	1998	349.95	2,314.08	7/1/20-6/30/21
Dewey Knowles(90)	6.5	1996	323.55	683.52	7/1/20-6/30/21
John C. Shirk(88)	5.0	1998	349.95	437.40	7/1/20-6/30/21
Virginia Sprague (surviving spouse of Wayne Sprague 70%)(95)	11.0	1977	115.00	487.08	7/1/20-6/30/21
Caryl Strange (surviving spouse of William Strange 70%)(87)	15.0	1996	349.95	<u>2,547.96</u>	7/1/20-6/30/21
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$ 18,519.96</b>	

## DISABILITY BENEFITS (PCH PETITION #7)

**RESOLVED**, that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference recommends that the Wespath Benefits and Investments provide Comprehensive Protection Plan Disability Benefits for the Conference year 2020-2021 only if approved for CPP disability benefits by Wespath for *Gloria Kymn, Paula McCutcheon, Marc Kennedy and Robert Henre*.

## CHURCH CLOSURES (PCH PETITION #8)

### **Belfair: North Mason United Methodist Church**

**RESOLVED**, in keeping with ¶2549.2 of the *2016 Book of Discipline*, by vote of the congregation, with consent of the Bishop, a majority of the Superintendents, and the Puget Sound Missional District Board of Church Location and Building, that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference declares the Belfair: North Mason United Methodist Church closed effective June 30, 2020, and further authorizes the Conference Board of Trustees to take possession of the property, real and personal and take all necessary steps to see to its best use, including the potential sale of the property. In keeping with ¶229 and by recommendation of the district superintendent, membership will be transferred to a neighboring United Methodist Church as approved by the District Superintendent, unless individuals elect transfer to another church.

### **Mead United Methodist Church**

**RESOLVED**, in keeping with ¶2549.2 of the *2016 Book of Discipline*, by vote of the congregation, with consent of the Bishop, a majority of the Superintendents, and the Inland Missional District Board of Church Location and Building, that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference declares the Mead United Methodist Church closed effective June 30, 2020, and further authorizes the Conference Board of Trustees to take possession of the property, real and personal and take all necessary steps to see to its best use, including the potential sale of the property. In keeping with ¶229 and by recommendation of the district superintendent, membership will be transferred to a neighboring United Methodist Church as approved by the District Superintendent, unless individuals elect transfer to another church.

### **Rosalia United Methodist Church**

**RESOLVED**, in keeping with ¶2549.2 of the *2016 Book of Discipline*, by vote of the congregation, with consent of the Bishop, a majority of the Superintendents, and the Inland Missional District Board of Church Location and Building, that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference declares the Rosalia United Methodist Church closed effective June 30, 2020, and further authorizes the Conference Board of Trustees to take possession of the property, real and personal and take all necessary steps to see to its best use, including the potential sale of the property. In keeping with ¶229 and by recommendation of the district superintendent, membership will be transferred to a neighboring United Methodist Church as approved by the District Superintendent, unless individuals elect transfer to another church.

**South Bend United Methodist Church**

**RESOLVED**, in keeping with ¶2549.2 of the *2016 Book of Discipline*, by vote of the congregation, with consent of the Bishop, a majority of the Superintendents, and the Crest to Coast Missional District Board of Church Location and Building, that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference declares the South Bend United Methodist Church closed effective June 30, 2020, and further authorizes the Conference Board of Trustees to take possession of the property, real and personal and take all necessary steps to see to its best use, including the potential sale of the property. In keeping with ¶229 and by recommendation of the district superintendent, membership will be transferred to a neighboring United Methodist Church as approved by the District Superintendent, unless individuals elect transfer to another church.

**Wallace-Burke United Methodist Church**

**RESOLVED**, in keeping with ¶2549.2 of the *2016 Book of Discipline*, by vote of the congregation, with consent of the Bishop, a majority of the Superintendents, and the Inland Missional District Board of Church Location and Building, that the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference declares the Wallace-Burke United Methodist Church closed effective June 30, 2020, and further authorizes the Conference Board of Trustees to take possession of the property, real and personal and take all necessary steps to see to its best use, including the potential sale of the property. In keeping with ¶229 and by recommendation of the district superintendent, membership will be transferred to a neighboring United Methodist Church as approved by the District Superintendent, unless individuals elect transfer to another church.

**REQUEST FOR RENTAL OF CLOSED CHURCHES POLICY**

**RESOLVED**, the Conference Board of Trustees will establish policy before AC 2021 which requires rented closed church facilities be used in manners consistent with the Social Principles of The United Methodist Church and our Pacific Northwest Conference values of inclusion of LGBTQIA+ people and dismantling white supremacy, to the extent that we are legally able to do so.

**2021 ANNUAL CONFERENCE BUDGET (PCH PETITION #9)**

The Pacific Northwest Annual Conference approved the budget as submitted for the year 2021. A summary of the budget and changes follows. For more details, please review the budget presented in the Pre-Conference Handbook.

For 2021, the Conference Budget summary of changes follows.

1. The total net decrease in WS & CB is approx. \$203,409.
2. The total net decrease in MS & A is approx. \$51,535.
3. The Conference Board of Pensions requests \$100,000 less than 2020.

2019-2021 Budget Summary						
	2019 Final Budget	2020 Final Budget	% change from 2019	2021 Request	2021 Recommend	% change from 2020
Pension & Benefit	150,000	100,000	-33.33%	0	0	-100%
District Fund	214,000	190,000	-4.21%	180,000	170,000	-10.53%
GNW Vitality Team	325,500	360,000	10.60%	431,000	345,000	-4.17%
MS & A	1,945,271	1,768,593	-9.08%	1,857,178	1,717,058	-2.91%
WS & CB	1,567,347	1,582,672	0.97%	1,706,619	1,379,263	-12.85%
GC Shared Ministry	1,084,407	1,130,278	4.23%	1,006,047	1,006,047	-10.9%
	5,176,604	5,131,543	-0.87%	5,180,844	4,617,367	-10.02%