

PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENTS:

Article I, Section C [Voting Members]: *to incorporate the Covenant into the process of becoming a Voting Member*

A. VOTING MEMBERS

Voting Members are Confirmed Members who have reached the age of 18 and personally:

1. Identify a place on the discipleship pathway
2. Demonstrate living out the Marks of a Disciple
3. Contribute to the life of the church
4. Serve in the mission

Voting members are received upon application for such privilege **through signing the Covenant (referenced in the Board Policies)** and upon approval of the Voters' Assembly, are eligible to vote at Congregational meetings. Voting members shall:

- Faithfully attend meetings of the Voters' Assembly, being prepared to discuss the matters at hand.
- Prayerfully and thoughtfully make decisions that are for the benefit of the greater good of the congregation, putting aside their own self interests.

Article VII, Section C Taking Office: *changing the term of the elected leaders taking office from beginning on September 1 to beginning on July 1 to match our fiscal year.*

CURRENT BYLAW ARTICLE VII SECTION C – **Taking office** – All elected officials will participate in a transition meeting in August and begin their term of office on September 1.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT: **Taking Office:** All elected officials will participate in a transition meeting in ~~August~~ June and begin their term of office on ~~September~~ July 1.