2021 STANDING RULES

1. To provide for the continuing safety of our members, visitors, and delegates to the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Illinois South Conference of the United Church of Christ as we are still amid the COVID-19 pandemic, we will be conducting all business remotely by means of electronic communication and voting procedures.

2. In accordance with our Constitution and Bylaws we send out voting materials to delegates to review prior to our business meeting. For general voting matters, a two-week window is required. Whereas if there is to be a Constitutional change that is coming before Annual Meeting, a 90-day window is required.

3. Delegates will receive a registration link to the business meeting in their email boxes. Delegates can only enter the meeting with the email account they used to register.

4. The hours indicated on the business meeting agenda will be followed unless changed by a two-third vote of the Conference.

5. Delegates will vote during the business sessions, and their votes will be tallied electronically in real time. To vote during the business meeting, all delegates must have access to an individual computer, tablet, or smartphone for their electronic vote to count.

6. Visitors are welcome to attend any or all of the activities and special events of the Annual Meeting.

7. Immediately following a presentation from the floor, motions and/or amendments must be delivered to the Secretary electronically.

8. Nominations for Committees and/or Teams may be from the floor of the Annual Meeting during the first business session. It is necessary to obtain permission from the proposed nominee to place his/her name in nomination and to prepare a biographical data sheet and present it to the Secretary electronically at that time.

9. All resolutions shall be dealt with in accordance with the "Guidelines for the Resolution Process" of the Illinois South Conference.

10. In the discussion of reports, resolutions, motions, etc., the remarks of a Delegate will be limited to three minutes; he/she will not be granted the floor a second time to speak on the same side of an issue unless all others on the same side of the issue shall have had an opportunity to speak. Opportunities will be provided for two Delegates speaking in favor and two Delegates speaking in opposition to a motion before an amendment can be made. A Delegate may not speak on an issue and conclude by moving the previous question.

11. Any electronic materials to be distributed during Annual Meeting which have not been previously approved must first be presented to the ISC Business Committee. Contact the Moderator or Vice Moderator.