



**Free Methodist Church USA
39th General Conference
RESOLUTION**

INSTRUCTIONS:

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Resolution No.: 420

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Resolution Committee Grade: A

BOA Consideration: _____

GC Consideration: _____

RELATED TO PARAGRAPH: 4110.B.2

Referred to Ministry Team Number:

SUBJECT OR TITLE: Search Committee	Final Vote: Yes No
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WHEREAS:

- *While the Book of Discipline currently states that nominations will be received by Annual Conferences for the Bishop Search Committee, but that process is not spelled out
- *There is not a public or common understanding of why people are chosen to be on the committee
- *Any anxiety in the election process results in greater questions of the committee and doubt of the process

Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED:
That to P4110.B.2 be added:

Search Committee: A Search Committee will be formed two years prior to any General Conference in the following manner: Each Annual Conference BOA will be asked to submit names in alignment with the candidate qualifications in the following paragraph. Out of those recommended names, the FMCUSA Board of Administration will each quadrennium to prayerfully seek out qualified candidates and receive nominations from annual conferences. Members of the Search Committee must be spiritually mature. Some of them must also have experience in developing or searching for candidates of significant positions of leadership. The Search Committee must include at least one lay and one clergy member from the Board of Administration. Consideration shall be given to ethnic, gender, cultural and geographical representation across the breadth of the FMCUSA.