



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

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

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INTRODUCED BY: **The Center for Pastoral Formation**

ANNUAL CONFERENCE NAME:

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Resolution No. 423

Received Date: 1/2/2023

Resolution Committee Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

BOA Consideration: \_\_\_\_\_

GC Consideration: \_\_\_\_\_

RELATED TO PARAGRAPH 4860

Referred to Ministry Team Number:

SUBJECT OR TITLE: JWS Corporation Wording

Final Vote:                      Yes                      No

**WHEREAS:**

Whereas: The John Wesley Seminary Corporation was dissolved in 2012; and

Whereas: The *Book of Discipline* ¶4860 contains the language of corporation; and

Whereas: The John Wesley Seminary Foundation continues to exist as a loan/grant and scholarship fund.

**Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED:**

**Therefore, be it resolved to change the language of ¶4860 of the *Book of Discipline* to reflect the continuance of the John Wesley Seminary Foundation but not the continuance of the John Wesley Seminary Corporation. The new wording should read as follows:**

**John Wesley Seminary Foundation**

¶4860+

A. The John Wesley Seminary Foundation offers scholarship aid for the post-college training of persons for the pastoral ministry and other types of Christian service within the Free Methodist Church - USA.

B. John Wesley Seminary Foundation shall be managed by the Center for Pastoral Formation with accountability from the Board of Bishops and Board of Administration.

C. John Wesley Seminary Foundation shall be supported by the General Church Budget and special project funds, as approved by the Board of Administration.

D. John Wesley Seminary Foundation affiliated schools shall maintain support and cooperation with the Articles of Religion.

## Annual Conference Resolutions Committee Worksheet:

**Mission:** To love God, love people and make disciples.

**Vision:** To bring wholeness to the world through healthy biblical communities of holy people multiplying disciples, leaders, groups and churches.

1. Does the resolution have a direct relationship to the vision and mission of the Free Methodist Church?

Yes

No

2. How will the proposed change help us accomplish our vision and mission?

3. The Resolutions Committee rates this resolution as:

(A) Support - recommend adoption

(B) Recommended - worthy of review

(C) Rejected - anticipate General Conference rejection

Other Comments: