



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

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Resolution No. 411

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

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

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

RELATED TO PARAGRAPH – 4300A

Referred to Ministry Team Number:

SUBJECT OR TITLE: Addressing a balance of clergy representation on the national Board of Administration

Final Vote:                      Yes                      No

WHEREAS:

The mission of the Free Methodist Church is “to ignite a Spirit-fueled movement for the catalyzation of leaders and churches” and

WHEREAS:

The completion of that mission requires thriving and centergistic decision making with representation on the national BOA from all levels of ecclesiastical leadership within the FMC including the Eldership, Superintendency, and Bishopric.

The possibility currently exists that no superintendents are elected to the national Board of Administration.

The requirement of electing a balance of clergy on the national Board of Administration including members of the Superintendent Leadership Team would build greater unity, connection, and communication in decision making.

The requirement of electing a balance of clergy on the national Board of Administration including members of the Superintendent Leadership Team would increase healthy collaboration at all levels of the denomination

Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED:

That each US area, in addition to the area Bishop (see ¶4300A.1), elect elders with one of those elders being a Superintendent of that area to serve on the national Board of Administration. This ensures a balance of voices from the eldership, the superintendency, and the Bishopric on the national BOA.

Be it further resolved:

That language in the Book of Discipline ¶4300A.2 be changed to say, “sufficient additional elders to give a total of twelve clergy, (equal representation from each U.S. area with at least one being a Supt. from each area).