

Greetings of love and blessing from the Sugar Grove congregation, to the brothers and sisters assembled at Cedarville University for the 2024 OGBBC NC Annual Conference. We are sending the following query for your consideration and counsel.

Query to the 2024 Conference

To improve the workings of our Conference Business Meeting, we propose changes to the Polity Paper, Extended Brotherhood, Annual Conference section.

Proposal #1.

Item #5. Subcommittees. Add this statement to privilege:

sending the query as written to the council for an answer.

Propose to read as follows:

5. Subcommittees. Queries received by the Conference Committee are delegated to subcommittees comprised of the messengers. Each subcommittee selects its own foreman and secretary, and has the privilege of proposing a direct answer to the query, sending the query as written to the council for an answer, suggesting it be resolved locally, or recommending it be laid down.

This additional privilege is not meant to take away from the working of messengers in a subcommittee. The intent of this proposal is to add a privilege of sending the query directly to open council, along with guidance, scripture, or other information. Calling the subcommittee to be a guide of truth and substance as the query itself is answered, by the Spirit, in the voice of the body in council.

Proposal #2

Insert a new item to section F. Annual Conference, between item #6 and #7, to read as follows:

Voicing. All articles of business brought to the open council, including suggestions and reports, are to be voiced for approval and disapproval.

In behalf of the Sugar Grove congregation,

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