

2009 Diocesan Convention
Resolution D

Originator: Constitution and Canons Committee

Parish/Mission:

Subject: Providing a way for the Cathedral to amend its Charter, Statutes and Bylaws

Resolved that:

Title V, Canon 3, Section B be changed to read

Section B) Governance of the Cathedral

- i. The Cathedral shall be governed by a Cathedral Charter, Statutes and Bylaws not in conflict with the National Constitution and Canons, the Constitution of this Diocese or these Canons.
- ii. Amendments may be made to the Cathedral Charter, Statutes and Bylaws in the following manner:
 - a) Proposed amendments shall be submitted to the Ecclesiastical Authority and the Standing Committee for their advice and consent.
 - b) Consent of both the Ecclesiastical Authority and Standing Committee having been received, the proposed amendment shall be submitted to a meeting of the Cathedral Congregation. A majority of two thirds of those present shall be required to adopt the amendment.

Rationale:

The old diocesan canons provided the means by which a congregation could amend its Bylaws. When we revised the canons last year, because of its unique nature and relation to the Bishop and diocese, we allowed the Cathedral to continue to operate under its special Charter, Statutes and Bylaws. We also made all congregations except the Cathedral operate under Title II removing the necessity for each congregation to have its own set of bylaws. This removed a necessity of having a means to amend bylaws. Unfortunately, this also removed any means for the Cathedral to amend its governing documents. This amendment to Canon V, 3, B will provide such a means. Section B, i is the same as the current Section B. Sections B, ii, a, and B, ii, b are new

Article and section of Constitution and Canons affected: Canon V, 3, B

Budget line item(s) affected: None