

PETITION TO THE 2017 ROCKY MOUNTAIN ANNUAL CONFERENCE

NOTE

**Because this petition was not submitted by the April 10 Petition Deadline,
a 2/3 vote of those present and voting in a Plenary Session is required
before it can be considered by the Annual Conference this year.**

TITLE: Recording the Total Financial Cost of Annual Conference to the Local Church

ACTION TO BE VOTED ON:

- 1 The Rocky Mountain Conference shall provide the local church a voluntary system to collect and record the total costs
- 2 of transportation, housing, registration, and food, for each local church to attend Annual Conference in 2017, 2018,
- 3 and 2019.

PETITION DETAILS

This petition is a

- Binding Action
 Non-Binding Resolution

Effective Date: July 1, 2017

Termination Date: June 30, 2020

Does this petition modify the Annual Conference Standing Rules and Operational Procedures (SROP)?

- Yes
 No

If "Yes," please complete the information below.

- This petition will modify Section x.x.x
 This petition will create a new Section x.x.x

Conference Agency responsible for implementation and termination review:
Council on Finance & Administration

NOTE: All paragraph numberings within the SROP and the final designation of the Conference Agency responsible for implementation and termination review are subject to review by the Rules Committee.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Will there be any identifiable financial impact to the Conference?

Yes
 No

If "Yes," please fill in the information below.

To Be Completed by the Originator of the Petition

Cost: \$
Period
 One Time
 One Year
 Multiple Years

To Be Completed by Conference Council on Finance and Administration (CFA)

Review by CFA 05/12/2017

Included in proposed 2018 budget

Yes
 No

Amount if included: N/A. The costs associated with this petition include staff time and resources to develop and implement a data collection process. These costs are difficult to quantify.

May be considered for budgets in future years:

Yes
 No

Projected Amount: N/A

Recommendation by CFA concerning funding:

N/A

Reason for recommendation:

No quantifiable financial impact on the Rocky Mountain Conference 2018 operating budget.

RATIONALE (Not debatable):

- 1 2016 AC22, *Seeking Jurisdictional Approval to Realign Conference Boundaries*, states that the merger of
2 Yellowstone Conference and Rocky Mountain Conference would be “contingent upon the full discernment and
3 agreement of the two participating conferences.”
- 4 However, without hard financial data, the two Conferences will have no way to judge the actual cost of having Annual
5 Conference in different geographical locations each year. This purpose of this petition is to collect and show this data
6 (the total cost to the local church). The 2017 Annual Conference will be in Denver, with 2018 to be held in Ogden
7 Utah and 2019 in Wyoming (proposed).
- 8 The Conference Office should serve as a collection point of this data, voluntarily sent in, to be posted on the
9 Conference website.
- 10 When Annual Conference is held outside of the Denver Metro area, the area of highest member population, the costs
11 of housing, transportation and food, skyrocket for our combined total costs. Vehicle accident rate are tied to total
12 miles traveled and time in transit. Airline transportation becomes prohibitive outside of national hubs.
- 13 As stewards of the earth, the environmental impact of extra total miles traveled is appalling. Each automobile
14 averages 4.7 metric tons of CO2 per year emitted into the air we breathe.
- 15 The financial future of the church will be built on prudent use of our time and financial resources.
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ATTACHMENTS (Additional Information / Not Debatable)

None