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IX NOMINATIONS

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X FUNCTIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

The functions of the executive shall include:

1. Arranging for biennial meetings and conferences;
2. Dealing with business which is referred from the biennial meeting and with any business which may arise between biennial meetings;
3. Securing and administering funds;
4. Giving leadership to the members in the fulfilling of the purposes of The Fellowship;
5. Providing a means of expressing concern for each other, particularly for members who are retired or in special circumstances.

XI FEES

Fees shall be \$5.00 per year for full members, \$3.00 per year for associate members, and \$1.00 per year for members who are retired. Overseas missionaries shall pay fees only in their furlough year.

Fees shall be due on July 1st each year, and may be paid directly to the national treasurer, or to the treasurer of a unit for forwarding to the national treasurer.

XII AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION

The Constitution may be amended by majority vote at the biennial meeting.

THE FELLOWSHIP

(Deaconesses and Other Professional Women Workers
in The United Church of Canada).

THE CONSTITUTION

As amended by Biennial Meeting of June 25-29, 1965,

Union College of British Columbia.

I NAME

The name shall be The Fellowship (Deaconesses and Other Professional Women Workers in The United Church of Canada) hereafter referred to as "The Fellowship".

II PURPOSE

The purpose of The Fellowship shall be:

1. To provide some means by which members of The Fellowship can express their concern and sense of responsibility for each other;
2. To provide opportunities for training and enrichment for its members, through Bible study, through conferences, retreats and other means;
3. To contribute to the development of church policy regarding the place and work of professional women workers.
4. To seek ways of establishing relationships with persons fulfilling comparable functions in other communions and faiths.

III FUNCTIONS

The functions of The Fellowship shall include:

1. Holding a biennial meeting for its members;
2. Studying the possibilities of wider opportunities of service for women in the church.

IV MEMBERSHIP

The following women shall be eligible for full membership in The Fellowship:

1. Deaconesses, ministers and missionaries of The United Church of Canada;
2. Graduates of Covenant College, theological colleges, or other church institutions giving comparable training for professional church work, who are employed in a professional capacity in The United Church of Canada, or a co-operating board or agency (co-operating boards and agencies include the Canadian Council of Churches, the World Council of Churches, provincial Councils of Christian Education, the YWCA, the Student Christian Movement, the Bible societies);
3. Members of The United Church of Canada who are principals and deans of women of United Church schools and colleges;
4. Members of The United Church of Canada employed in executive positions by the church or by co-operating boards or agencies;

5. Members of The United Church of Canada, who are graduate nurses and others who have had one year of church training as required for employment under a board of the church and are so employed.
6. Those employed by The United Church of Canada who, because of training, experience, and the position held, are endorsed by the executive committee of the National Fellowship;
7. Retired women who during their working years were eligible under any of the above categories.

V ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

The following women shall be eligible for associate membership, without voting privileges:

1. Those who otherwise qualify for full membership, but who are not presently employed by The United Church of Canada or any co-operating board or agency;
2. Those employed by The United Church of Canada after having taken special one-year courses at Covenant College in preparation for specific kinds of work;
3. Those who are employed in a professional capacity by a congregation, presbytery, conference or board of The United Church of Canada, and are endorsed by the executive committee of the National Fellowship.
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VI OFFICERS

The officers of The Fellowship shall be:

president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary and secretary of the biennial.

All officers must hold full membership in The Fellowship.

VII EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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