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Admin	650	Administrative Items			
Finance	650-01	Persons elected at 2002 AC as Endowment Fund Committee members constitute initial Board of Directors	Permanent Endowment Fund	Support.	Tom Cross, Chair Permanent Endowment Fund Committee
Support	680	Ministerial Support Items			
Comp	680-01	Give an increase for each year of full time service and maintain manageable salary leave. Increase 2005 salaries 3%.	Equitable Compensation Commission	Support.	Joseph Warner, Chair Equitable Compensation Commission
Comp	680-02	Reaffirm Standing Rule IV C 1 establishing the excludable housing allowance for eligible clergy members under the IRS cod.	Excludable Housing Allowance for Retired and Disabled Clergy	Support.	Bernard Sterner, Chair Conference Board of Pensions
Comp	680-03	Group Life Insurance monthly contribution rates based on ages	Group Life Insurance	Support.	Bernard Sterner, Chair Conference Board of Pensions
Comp	680-04	Recommendation of policies for Conference Health Care Program, including Mandatory Coverage, Local Church and Extension Ministry Coverage Options, Other Eligibility, Retirement Administration, Active Administration	Health Plan Eligibility Resolution	Support.	Bernard Sterner, Chair Conference Board of Pensions
Comp	680-05	Increase of pension rates from \$475 to \$485 per service year, and continue Ministerial Protection Plan rate at 12% and continues Comprehensive Protection Plan rate at 4.4%	Pension Rates for 2004	Support.	Bernard Sterner, Chair Conference Board of Pensions
Comp	680-06	Continuation of special grants and recommendations for new grants	Special Grants	Support.	Bernard Sterner, Chair Conference Board of Pensions
	700	Resolutions			
Children	700-01 (new)	Appoint or elect a child advocate in every local church	Child Advocate in Every Church	Support.	Diane Gillham, President United Voices for Children, Diane C. Olson, Chair Children's Ministries Council, Laura Dean F. Friedrich, Chair Task Force Bishops' Initiative on Children and Poverty
Political – Boycott	700-02	Support NIC boycott of Taco Bell until they discuss solution to Florida farm worker problems and pay more for tomatoes from Florida suppliers.	Boycott Taco Bell	Duplication (this passed at GC: http://www.umc.org/interior.asp?ptid=17&mid=4484)	Pat Delrosso, Chairperson The Outreach of Woodridge United Methodist Church
Political – Boycott	700-03	Urge boycott of Wal-Mart, Sam's Club and Wal-Mart retail affiliates in response to concerns about fair wages and benefits	Boycott Wal-Mart		Gary Hougen, Chair Board of Church and Society
Poverty and Hunger	700-04	Encourage NIC churches to support Bread for the World and celebrate an annual "Offering of Letters"	Bread for the World Offering of Letters	Support.	Dr. Sondra King Conference Secretary of Global Ministries; Diana Davis UMCOR Hunger Coordinator; Irma Clark, Chair Conference Board of Global Ministries

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Finance	700-05	Continuance of work of apportionment setting, encouraging, interpreting, and education; encouraged to incorporate and appeals process, and abolish the minimum apportionment and all churches receive apportionments determined through application of their District's formula	Continuation of the District Boards of Stewards	Support.	James B. Blue, Chair, Board of Stewards Committee; Rev. Felix D. Burrows, Sr., President, Conference Council on Finance and Administration
Finance	700-06	Proceeds of sales of abandoned property of FUMC Berwyn be distributed as follows: \$100,000 to Trustee Capital Fund, \$100,000 to NIC AC operating reserves and remainder to Conference Treasurer for development and/or redevelopment of Local Churches in the Conference.	Disposition of Proceeds of Sale of First UMC, Berwyn	Concern about closing churches and selling buildings to fund operating reserves. Recommendation that funds go to capital fund for new mission.	Conference Board of Trustees
Finance	700-07	0% increase in total apportionments to the districts for calendar year 2005 and distribution by district	District Apportionments for 2005	Support.	James B. Blue, Chair, Board of Stewards Committee; Rev. Felix D. Burrows, Sr., President, Conference Council on Finance and Administration
Program	700-08	Retain Mental Health Ministries Task Group; initiate, develop and promote programs to increase understanding of mental illness and integrate those with mental illness into the life of the church	Further Develop Mental Health Ministries	Support.	Leroy K. Pickett, Mental Health Ministries Task Group; Gary A. Hougen, Conference Board of Church and Society
Children	700-09	Churches continue to inform families of availability of KidCare and Medicaid and FamilyCare and through church child advocates urge legislators and governor to strengthen health insurance funding for and enrollment of low-income children and their families	Health Insurance for Children and Families	Support.	Diane C. Olson, Chair Children's Ministries Council, Laura Dean F. Friedrich, Chair Task Force Bishops' Initiative on Children and Poverty; Diane Gillham, President United Voices for Children,
Political – Healthcare	700-10	Conference supports efforts of Governor Blagojevich to make prescription drugs affordable, opposes Medicare Prescription Bill recently passed by Congress; furnish copy of resolution to President Bush and Governor Blagojevich	In Support of the Governor of Illinois and in Opposition to the Federal Prescription Drugs Policy	Support.	Gary Hougen, Chairperson Conference Board of Church and Society
Connection with India	700-11	Beyond present quadrennium NIC will continue to support unfunded projects of India Re-Connect through Conference Advance Specials; encourage congregations and volunteers to support projects in India, India Re-Connect Committee will continue to function as interpreter and enabler for connection, continue covenant with Methodist Church in India	India Re-Connect – Keep on Keeping ON		India Re-Connect Committee; Man Singh Das – Chairperson, Edgar Hiestand – Secretary

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Political – Foreign Policy	700-12	In addition to urging President Bush to sign this treaty, urged members of churches in the NIC to write to their members of Congress urging them to sign.	Landmine Ban Treaty		Sondra King, Conference Secretary of Global Missions; Irma Clark, Chair Board of Global Ministries, Laura Dean Friedrich, Chair Taskforce for the Bishop's Initiative on Children and Poverty; Ann Guenther, President United Methodist Women, Children's Ministries, Diane Gillham, Chair, United Voices for Children
Program	700-13	Board of Outdoor and Retreat Ministries requests up to 40 minutes of time be allocated at the 2005 AC	ORM Presentation of a Long Range Plan	Support.	Scott Cheffer, Board Chair; Bruce Nelson, Executive Director of Outdoor and Retreat Ministries
Children	700-14	Urging all churches, conference boards, commission, committees and agencies to study the Council of Bishops document, <i>Our Shared Dream: The Beloved Community</i> and/or the Initiative study guide, <i>Community with Children and the Poor</i> and for churches to keep children and poor at heart of planning for ministry.	Our Shared Dream: The Beloved Community	Support.	Laura Dean F. Friedrich, Chair Task Force Bishops' Initiative on Children and Poverty; Diane C. Olson, Chair Children's Ministries Council; Diane Gillham, President United Voices for Children
Program	700-15	Additions will be brought to June, 2004 AC; task force reports need to continue and to support the finds to impact Latino immigrant community in NIC	Preparing the Churches of the NIC for Latino Immigrant Communities	Support in principle and looking forward to seeing additions.	Oscar N. Carrasco, DCM, Northern Illinois Conference
Children	700-16	Encourage churches to obtain copies of <i>Safe Sanctuaries: Reducing the Risk of Child Abuse in the Church</i> and <i>Safe Sanctuaries for Youth</i> for study, and request training for volunteers, implement policies and procedures to create safe sanctuaries to reduce risk of abuse; NIC require al paid youth and education workers to participate in safe sanctuaries training.	Reducing the Risk of Abuse to Children and Youth in the Church (new)	Support.	Diane C. Olson, Chair Children's Ministries Council; ; Laura Dean F. Friedrich, Chair Task Force Bishops' Initiative on Children and Poverty; Diane Gillham, President United Voices for Children; Rachel Birkhan-Rommelfanger, Chair Conference Council on Youth Ministries
Political – Foreign Policy	700-17	Re-examination of US participation in WTO, NAFTA, and other free trade agreements by communication with elected officials and call upon Bush administration to enforce anti-dumping laws and other agreements impacting safety and environmental standards by sending resolution to White House	Rethinking Global Economics		Gary Hougen, Chair Board of Church and Society
Program	700-18	Recommendation for Special Sundays with Offering for 2005 for General Church and Conference. Conference Sundays are Access (Disability Awareness), Golden	Special Sundays with Offering for 2006	Support with restoration of Scout Sunday	Dr. Felix R. Burrows, Sr., President, CCF&A, Rev. Luis F. Reyes, Chair, CCOM

		Cross, Volunteers in Mission, Christian Education, HIV/Aids Awareness, United Voices for Children			
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Political – Foreign Policy	700-19	Urge US government and military to establish plan and guidelines for the clean up of Toxic Wastes on former military bases in Philippines, urge congregations to conduct education events about toxic waste and contamination by government and military in their area, send copies of resolution to President, VP, Speaker of House, Secretaries of State and Defense	Toxic Wastes Clean Up		Juancho C. Campanano & Ricardo Magtanong, Methodist Federation for Social Action
	700-20	Encourage NIC churches to offer time for a speaker and/or bulletin information/inserts regarding VIM activity and provides for conference contact person.	Volunteers in Mission	Support.	
	701	Request for Continuation of Valid Resolutions			
Children	701-01	Each NIC church shall name a Child Advocate as liaison between the local church and The Bishop's Initiative on Children and Poverty Task Force, The Hope for the Children of Africa Task Force and United Voices for children.	A Child Advocate in Every Church	Support.	Laura Dean F. Friedrich & Randy A. Hayes, Co-Chairs United Voices for Children; Mason E. Scholl, President Task Force for Bishop's Initiative on Children and Poverty
Children	701-02	Continue task force work of Reshaping, Resourcing and Evangelizing NIC churches by providing materials, volunteer training and encouragement for local churches to be qualified as "A Church for All God's Children" to better proclaim in word and deed the Gospel of God's redeeming, reconciling and transforming grace in Jesus Christ to and with children and those oppressed by poverty.	A Church for All God's Children	Support.	Laura Dean F. Friedrich & Randy A. Hayes, Co-Chairs United Voices for Children; Mason E. Scholl, President Task Force for Bishop's Initiative on Children and Poverty
Children	701-03	Encourage all local churches to obtain <u>Safe Sanctuaries</u> handbook and to create safe sanctuaries for children and you and to reduce the risk of child abuse in their congregations.	Reduce the Risk of Child Abuse	Support – coordinate with all like resolutions.	Laura Dean F. Friedrich & Randy A. Hayes, Co-Chairs United Voices for Children; Mason E. Scholl, President Task Force for Bishop's Initiative on Children and Poverty
Social Principles	701-04	Commit AC resources to help NIC churches to become familiar with UMC Social Principles through the Social Principles Alive! Project.	Have you Read the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church Lately?	Add amendment to include reading of AOR as well.	Cecelia Long, Chair NIC Board of Church and Society
Program	701-05	Affirm and support principles of Restorative Justice and urge the State of Illinois Department of Corrections to embody these principles, send copy of resolution to Ill state leaders and encourage local congregations to study the principles of restorative justice.	Support for Restorative Justice	Support	Cecelia Long, Chair NIC Board of Church and Society
Program	701-08	Urge NIC District Superintendents to encourage each local unit to make and fulfill its pledge of monetary support of ministry around the globe.	Mission Support Through United Methodist Women		Anne Genther, NIC President United Methodist Women

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Program	701-09	Encourage each local church to devote at least one worship service each year to a presentation, celebration and interpretation of the current scope and mission of the General Board of Global Ministries	Understanding and Promotion of Mission in Today's World	Amend to encourage all local churches should understand how their apportionment \$'s are spent both in our Conference and at GC.	Anne Genter, NIC President United Methodist Women ; Dr. Irma Clark, Chairperson Global Ministries; Dr. Sondra King, Conference Secretary of Global Ministries
Racial	701-10	Encourage Conference Commission on Religion and Race to implement and evaluate progress in Racial Justice Policies.	Implementation of Charter for Racial Justice Policies		Anne Genter, NIC President United Methodist Women
Racial	701-11	Originally Passed in Special Session, November 15, 2002: NIC adopt the policy, form a Racial Harassment Prevention/Response Team; current members of the Commission on Religion and Race serve as the Racial Harassment Prevention/Response Team, this team shall provide leadership; Bishop appoints additional members; Cabinet develops and implements program to address issues of race and racism; availability of policy in Korean and Spanish, other languages in conference.	A Policy on Racial Harassment		NIC Commission on Religion and Race Dr. Sondra King, Conference Secretary of Global Ministries
Conference Polity	702-01	Various changes to the reporting of Annual Conference legislation	Change in Standing Rule I.C & D. – Annual Conference Session Reporting & Legislation	Need more research and information on I.D.4.(d) regarding the printing of tabled (to be printed) and defeated documents (not to be printed) in the JOURNAL.	Andrew Ulman, Chair of Daily Procedures; Jack Ryder, Assistant Secretary for Standing Rules; Harriet McCabe, Conference Secretary
Conference Polity	702-02	Replaces existing structure with Conference Council on Ministries. Defines Purpose, Membership, and four (4) ministry teams, including: 1. Nurture Ministry team 2. Outreach Ministry Team 3. Witness Ministry Team 4. Advocacy Ministry Team	Change in Standing Rule III.D.2 – Council on Ministries		The Northern Illinois Annual Conference Council of Ministries
Conference Polity	702-03	Replace item (4) with the following: 4) Director of Outdoor Retreat Ministries – to reflect inclusiveness of key managers in voice-only position	Change in Standing Rule – III.E.2. – Committee on Personnel	Support.	David Krumwiede, Chairperson; Conference Personnel Committee
Conference Polity	702-04	An additional sixteen (16) members to be nominated by the Committee on Nominations with a minimum of two from each district, and with care being given to honor diversity relative to gender, ethnicity, and clergy-lay representation.	Change in Standing Rule III.E.3. – Committee on Nomination	Need clarification as to specific changes to the standing rule.	Name of submitter not included.

Conference Polity	702-05	Section V. Finances, Reports and Budgets. Part D.: Accounting Policies be amended regarding local church buildings becoming property of AC and disposition of the assets.	Change in Standing Rule III.E.3. – Committee on Nomination	Support.	Conference Board of Trustees Northern Illinois Conference Cabinet
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Children	702-06	Add a new paragraph to Standing Rules requiring that each Local Church have an ongoing education plan on child abuse, adopt screening procedures for workers, safety procedures for church activities, access to help, liability insurance including sexual abuse coverage, development of awareness and self-protection skills for children and youth, familiar with annual conference policies regarding clergy and lay sexual misconduct.	Change in Standing Rule VI.C. – Safe Sanctuaries for Children	Support.	Diane C. Olson, Chair, Children's Ministries Council; Laura Dean Friedrich, Chair, Task Force on the Bishops' Initiative on Children & Poverty