

BGAV Constitution/Bylaw Changes

Constitution, Article II

The object of the General Association shall be to furnish ~~the Baptist~~ General Association churches ~~of Virginia~~ a means of cooperation for the propagation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and for the advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom by all methods in accord with the Word of God. There shall be full recognition of the autonomy of the local churches.

Constitution, Article V

Section D: Members-at-Large.

Twelve (12) members shall be chosen from twelve (12) different ~~district associations~~. General Association churches. At least one-half (6) of the members-at-large shall be laypersons.

Constitution, Article VI

Section B: Tellers Committee

A Tellers Committee consisting of six (6) members shall be appointed annually.

Bylaws, Article I

Section A: Officers of the General Association.

6. General Provisions.

- (a) Multiple nominations for any one office shall be elected by ballot. Single nominations for one office shall be elected by voice vote. A majority vote of those present and voting shall be required for election to all offices.

Section C: Committees.

2. Tellers Committee. The president and two (2) vice presidents of the General Association, acting as a committee, shall appoint, at least thirty (30) days before the annual meeting, a Tellers Committee of six (6) members to serve at the forthcoming meeting.

6 7. General Provisions.

- (b) No standing committee member, having served a full or partial term, shall be eligible for reelection to the same committee until after one (1) year has elapsed. All members of standing committees shall be resident members of Baptist churches ~~cooperating with the General Association~~. contributing financially to the Virginia portion of the Cooperative Missions Budget.

Bylaws, Article II

Section C: Committees.

1. The Committee on Credentials. Any questions regarding the registration or status of messengers shall be referred to this committee for ~~consideration~~ decisions and the committee shall report to the General Association.
2. The Tellers Committee. This committee shall collect and count ballots, count standing votes and report the results to the Chair, and accomplish other tasks as may be directed by the Chair.
- 3 4. Committee on Boards and Committees.
 - (b) This committee shall nominate persons to the boards of trustees of the following agencies, institutions, and shared ministries in accordance with their respective charters: Virginia Intermont College, Averett University, Bluefield College, Fork Union Military Academy, Hargrave Military Academy, Oak Hill Academy, Religious Herald, Virginia Baptist Children's Home and Family Services (HopeTree Family Services), Virginia Baptist Homes, Virginia Baptist Foundation, Baptist Minister's Relief Fund of Virginia, Baptist Extension Board, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, The John Leland Center for Theological Studies, Associated Baptist Press, Baptist Joint Committee, Baptist Center for Ethics, Baptist World Alliance, Chaplain Service Prison Ministry of Virginia, Center for Baptist Heritage and Studies, and such other agencies, institutions and shared ministries as may be established.