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CONSTITUTION OF THE TRAINING OF THE MINISTRY COMMITTEE

1. From and after the date of Synod Resolution approving the Constitution the following provisions shall have effect:—

(1) A Training of the Ministry Committee shall be appointed annually by the Synod, and shall consist of at least four members of the Synod, of whom at least one shall be from each Presbytery.

(2) The Synod shall appoint one of the members of the Training of the Ministry Committee to act as Convener.

(3) The Committee may, if it see fit, appoint a Vice-Convener.

2. (1) The Training of the Ministry Committee shall be responsible for and shall, subject always to any Resolutions of the Synod, supervise the education of the students for the Ministry of the Church and shall direct them as to their studies in accordance with the Regulations for the time being in force for the Reception and Training of Students for the Ministry of the Church.

(2) The Training of the Ministry Committee shall in each year prepare a Report on its actings during its year in office and submit such Report to the next annual meeting of the Synod after its appointment.

(3) The Training of the Ministry Committee shall be entitled to obtain such professional advice as it may require in order to enable it to carry out its duties, and payment to be made therefor out of the College and Library Fund.

3. (1) The Training of the Ministry Committee shall appoint one of its members as Clerk to the Committee who shall convene meetings of the Committee as instructed by the Convener of the Committee, and shall keep proper Minutes of Meetings of the Committee and enter the same in a Sederunt Book, and shall prepare the Report to be submitted annually by the Committee to the Synod in accordance with the provisions of Clause (2) of the Constitution.

(2) The Training of the Ministry Committee shall meet at such times and at such places as the Convener may determine, having reasonable regard to the nature and amount of business to be transacted and the convenience of the majority. The Convener shall be bound to cause a meeting of the Training of the Ministry Committee to be convened on receiving a requisition to that effect signed by at least two of the members of the Training of the Ministry

Committee specifying the nature of the business which it is proposed should be transacted thereat, and in doing so he shall inform each of the members of the Training of the Ministry Committee, other than the requisitioners, of the nature of such business. Any meeting convened on such requisition shall take place not more than twenty-one days from the receipt of such requisition. In the event of the Convener failing to cause a meeting to be convened in accordance with the provisions of this section, the requisitioners, after the expiry of the said period of twenty-one days, may proceed forthwith to hold a meeting at which, if duly constituted in accordance with the provisions of Section (3) of this clause, any decision duly arrived at in accordance with the provisions of that section shall be as effective as if taken at a meeting duly convened on the instructions of the Convener, in terms of this section.

(3) At any meeting of the Training of the Ministry Committee three members present shall constitute a quorum. The Convener shall be the Chairman. If the Convener be not present and if the Vice-Convener be present he shall be the Chairman. Otherwise those members present shall appoint a Chairman from among their number. Voting shall be by majority, and in the event of equality the Chairman shall have a casting as well as a deliberative vote.

(4) If any business falls to be considered by the Training of the Ministry Committee which may be suitable for transaction without the necessity for convening a meeting as aforesaid, such transaction shall, if recorded in a Minute subscribed by each of the members of the Committee, and entered by the Clerk in the Sederunt Book, be as effective as if done at a Meeting of the Committee duly convened and constituted in accordance with the provisions of Sections (2) and (3) of this Clause.

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