Title

Change Resolution Submission Deadline

Proposer(s)

The Very Reverend Miranda Cully, The Reverend Canon Robin James, The Reverend Canon John Spicer, The Reverend Steven King

Be it resolved that the Rules of Order, subsection entitled "Business before the Convention," be amended as follows:

1. No resolution shall be considered as before the House unless it has been submitted in writing (including electronic submission in a manner approved by the Bishop and the Secretary) and been received by the Bishop and Secretary ~~four~~ eight weeks before the opening of Convention to allow distribution to all delegates and introduction by title at Convention.
2. Any resolution which has not been presented to the Bishop and to the Secretary ~~four~~ eight weeks prior to the convention date will not be considered as before the House unless copies of such resolution are made available to every delegate and, at Convention, two-thirds of said delegates agree to consider such resolution.

Be it further resolved that the Special Rules of Order for Virtual Conventions of the Diocese of West Missouri, Section F, be amended as follows:

1. No resolution shall be considered as before the House unless it has been submitted in writing (including electronic submission in a manner approved by the Ecclesiastical Authority and the Secretary) and been received by the Ecclesiastical Authority and Secretary ~~four~~ eight weeks before the opening of Convention to allow distribution to all members and introduction by title at Convention.
2. Any resolution which has not been presented to the Ecclesiastical Authority and to the Secretary ~~four~~ eight weeks prior to the convention date will not be considered as before the House unless copies of such resolution are made available to every member and, at Convention, two-thirds of said members agree to consider such resolution.

Explanation

This resolution would amend the Rules of Order for both in-person and virtual conventions to create a resolution deadline submission of eight weeks as opposed to the current four. This extension provides for full consideration by the Diocesan Chancellor, relevant commissions and committees, as well as Deaneries of the diocese in sufficient time before resolutions are considered on the floor of the Convention. The current timing has not always allowed for this so clergy and delegates are left unprepared or unable to see the final text of resolutions before they have to consider them for a vote.