

African Methodist Episcopal Church Fifth Episcopal District Lay Organization

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Committee_Name

Chair_Name

FIFTY-EIGHTH (58TH) ANNUAL SESSION
FIFTH DISTRICT LAY CONVENTION

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Introduction

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To: Bishop T. Larry Kirkland, Presiding Prelate of the Fifth Episcopal District; Mrs. Mary Kirkland, Episcopal supervisor; Dr. Willie Glover, Connectional Lay President; Connectional Officers; Mr. Simeon Rhoden, President, Fifth Episcopal District Lay Organization; Fifth District Lay Officers; Presiding Elders; Pastors; Clergy; Delegates; Visitors and Friends

The Constitution and By-Laws Committee defines the primary characteristics of the organization, prescribes how the organization functions including all rules that the organization considers so important that they cannot be changed without previous notice to the membership and a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Annual Meeting.

The Fifth Episcopal District Lay Organization Constitution and By-Laws, page 16, 204 edition.

The Doctrine and Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, page 402, 2012 edition.

Each Episcopal District, Annual Conference and Station or Circuit Lay Organization shall be vested with the full authority to make its own Constitution And By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, as may be deemed necessary for proper and orderly conduct of its affairs and for the governing of its officers and members. Each Divisions Constitution shall conform to, and harmonize with the Connectional Constitution and By-Laws. Each of these organizations shall have the authority to establish its own Executive Board, raise funds, and in general perform all duties incident to the existence as an autonomous body except, however, said organization shall not make Constitutions and By-Laws, or Rules and Regulations which are in conflict with, or abridge any part of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Connectional Lay Organization or the template for subordinate divisions.

The Doctrine and Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, page 400, 2012 edition

Committee Assignment

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- To examine the newly revised Constitutions and By-Laws of the six Conferences and be ready to present them at this Annual Meeting.
- Have a copy of the said Constitutions and By-Laws filed with the Fifth District Constitution and By-Laws Committee.
- Receive official copies of proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws.

Committee Activities

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- A copy of the newly revised Fifth District Constitution and By-Laws was filed with the Constitution and By-Laws Committee of the Connectional Lay Organization for examination and response.
- A copy of the newly revised six (6) Conference Constitutions and By-Laws are being examined by the Fifth District Constitution and By-Laws Committee.

Pertinent Issues Discussed, Findings, Conclusion, Etc.

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- The qualifications of the Parliamentarian: Has limited organizations by requiring the position be certified by an outside agency.
- Membership to the Biennial/District Conventions: The Directors of Lay Activities and Young Adult Representatives are not an automatic member from the Conference to the Biennial or District.
- No person serving in two (2) positions above the local level.

Recommendations

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Committee Participants

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- Ada L. Groff, Chair, Desert Mountain Conference

INCOME *(for budget committee only)*

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Registration 145 @ \$150	\$00.00
PRESIDENTS REPORTS	
- Pacific Northwest Conference	\$00.00
- Colorado Conference	\$00.00
- Kansas/Nebraska Conference	\$00.00
- Missouri Conference	\$00.00
- Northwest Missouri Conference	\$00.00
- California Conference	\$00.00
- Southern California Conference	\$00.00
TOTALS	\$00.00

Luncheon Tickets XX @\$50.00	00.00
Public Offering (Opening Service) \$XX	00.00
LAOS (Outreach)	00.00
TOTALS	\$00.00

INCOME (cont.) *(for budget committee only)*

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Lay Christian Arts Festival Registration xx @\$20	\$00.00
Lay Christian Arts Festival Registration Public Offering	\$00.00
TOTALS	\$00.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$00.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES	\$00.00

EXPENSES

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Honorariums	00.00
Luncheon 125 @\$25.00	00.00
Presidents Travel & Administration	00.00
First Vice President	00.00
Lay Activities	00.00
Public Relations	00.00
Director of Youth and Young Adults / LCAF	00.00
Third Vice President	00.00
Finance Committee	00.00
Secretaries	00.00
Treasurer	00.00
Financial Secretary	00.00
Chaplain	00.00
Historiographer	00.00
District officers to Annual Convention	00.00

EXPENSES (cont.)

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Payne Seminary	00.00
Committee Chairpersons	00.00
Annual Conventions Expenses	00.00
“LAOS” Outreach Ministry	00.00
Contingency Fund	00.00
Delegates to Connectional Meeting (2005)	00.00
TOTALS	\$00.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$00.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$00.00

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Questions



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