

Rules of Decorum

Article ^{the} 1st The Church Meetings or Conferences shall be Regularly attended by every Member More especially the Male to whom Government More particularly belongs

Article 2nd Church Meetings shall begin and end with Divine worship

Article ^{the} 3rd Male Members failing to attend Conference twice in Succession shall Make Known the reason to the Church Their absence at the next Conference that the Church May judge the Same But if There be three Failures and the Church have no Knowledge of there Being laudable reasons for the Same She shall have of the defaulting Member cited to the Church and Judge of such Failures

Article ^{the} 4th of the Pastor of the Church shall preside As Moderator when present he shall have assistance if need full when absent A Moderator Protem be appointed

Article ^{the} 5th at the opening of every Conference it shall be the duty of the Moderator to invite visiting Brethren and Sisters of Sister Churches to Seats with us and then Make Known to the Congregation that the Door of the Church is open for the reception of Members the Church Must then proceed to take up all References and attend to all business that comes before of them in Their order

Article 6 ^{the} of the Moderator if in his power I shall
 Preserve order I shall explain and put questions
 I shall have the same right of speech as another
 Member Provided the chair be filled but I shall

not vote unless if the body be equally divided
 Article 7 ^{the} of the Church I shall have A Clerk who
 I shall keep A record of the proceedings I shall
 read the minutes and signall order before
 the conference rises if necessary

Article 8 ^{the} Only one person shall speak at the
 same time in debate and shall rise from his
 seat and address of the Moderator in A respect
 ful and orderly manner

Article 9 of the Members Speaking I shall strictly
 attend to the subject in debate I shall not reflect
 on of the person that spoke before him but
 convey his own ideas

Article 10 of the person Speaking I shall not be
 interrupted except he departs from the subject
 then the Moderator shall call him to order if
 dissatisfied with of the Moderators call he may
 have the voice of the conference

Article 11 ^{the} None shall speak more than twice on
 of the same subject untill every one wishing
 to speak have spoken

Article 12 ^{the} No Member shall whisper talk or read
 for time of publick speaking but give due attention

Article 13 ^{the} Every Motion Made and Seconded Shall Be
attended to except with drawn by the person who
Made it

Article 14 ^{the} Every query shall be fairly stated
in Writing and approved of by a Majority
before being taken up

Article 15 ^{the} questions shall be fairly determined
by rising, setting, or otherwise as May be
thought Most convenient

Article 16 ^{the} If the Moderator fails to attend to his
Duty as laid down in these rules he May be
admonished if he thinks. Such admonition
unreasonable he May have of the voice of the
conference to decide it

Article 17 ^{the} No inquiry shall be made by the
Moderator at each annual conference whether
the church be in full fellowship for
communion or to Morrow this question shall
be determined by Rising

Article 18 ^{the} That A Majority present shall
rule in all cases except to taking church
fellowship and that shall be unanimous