

Appendix III

**So you have a resolution topic!
Is it linked with UU principles, values and practices?
Is it ethical?**

**GENERAL RESOLUTION
PROCESS**

**SPECIAL RESOLUTION
WITH NOTICE**

**SPECIAL RESOLUTION
WITHOUT NOTICE**

Will it have a broad foundation that will justify specific actions both now and in the future?

Is the General Resolution process inappropriate (re timing, or specificity of subject)?

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Is there no General Resolution which applies?

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Is this an amendment to an existing General Resolution?

Is a Special Resolution with Notice possible?

Establish a Proposal Group with a leader.

Establish a Resolution Group with a leader.

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<===== **Before Jan 01 of year 1** =====>

<===== **Before ACM** =====>

Communicate intentions and consult with the ED.

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Proposal Group prepares Study Resolution with a Congregational Consultation Plan and has it signed by a minister or president.

Resolution Group prepares a Special Resolution with Notice and an Action Plan and has it signed by a minister or president.

Resolution Group prepares Special Resolution without Notice and an Action Plan.

<===== **By Jan 01 of year 1** =====>

Proposal Group has submitted its Study Resolution to the ED for distribution to resolution consultants and congregations.

Resolution Group has submitted its Special Resolution with Notice to the ED for distribution to consultants and congregations.

<===== **By Mar 01 of year 1** =====>

Feedback and proposed amendments from congregations sent to the Proposal Group. **Feedback and proposed amendments** from congregations sent to the Resolution Group.

<===== **By Apr 01 of year 1** =====>

Proposal Group sends revised Study Resolution to ED for distribution to congregations. **Resolution Group** sends revised Special Resolution with proposed amendments which were not accepted (so they can be considered by the mini-plenary) to ED for distribution to congregations.

<===== **At or shortly after Apr 15 of year 1** =====>

ED will have distributed the revised Study Resolution to congregations as notice of motion. **ED** will have distributed the revised Special Resolution (with proposed amendments which were not accepted) to congregations as notice.

<===== **May ACM of year 1** =====>

Before 6 pm of the first day of the ACM the Special Resolution without Notice has been submitted to the CUC President.

By 9 am of day 2 of the ACM the President will have decided whether or not the Special Resolution without Notice will be accepted for consideration.

By 6 pm of day 2 of the ACM the Resolution Group will submit the resolution to the President with a minimum of 15 delegate signatures from at least 5 congregations.

Mini-plenary held to allow for reconsideration of amendments not chosen and of non-substantive amendments.

If more than one Study Resolution proposed, their priority is established by a vote at the business meeting.

If more than one Special Resolution with Notice is proposed, their priority is established by a vote at the business meeting.

Vote on the Study Resolution.

Vote on the Special Resolution.

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←===== **From June of year 1** =====>

Immediately

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Study Group begins its work.

Monitoring Group initiates its Action Plan.

Resolution Group initiates its Action Plan.

By Jan 01 of year 2 or 3

General Resolution sent to the ED for distribution to congregations.

By Mar 01 of year 2 or 3

Proposed amendments received from congregations by the Study Group.

By Apr 01 of year 2 or 3

Final version of the General Resolution with proposed amendments which were not accepted (so they can be considered by the mini-plenary) sent to ED for distribution to congregations.

At or shortly after
Apr 15 of year 2 or 3

ED will have distributed revised General Resolution (with proposed amendments which were not accepted) to congregations as notice.

May ACM
of year 2 or 3

Mini-plenary held to allow for reconsideration of amendments not chosen and of non-substantive amendments.

Vote on the General Resolution.

First meeting of the new monitoring group on the last day of the ACM if the resolution was adopted.