

Administrative Committee

May 1, 2022

First Baptist Church, Jefferson City, MO

The Administrative Committee of First Baptist Church is requesting the following updates to be approved for the First Baptist Church Constitution and Bylaws.

First Baptist Church Constitution

- Change all entries of “Senior Pastor” to **“Lead Pastor”**.
- Minor updates to word use and grammar throughout.

Article VI, Church Officers, B. DEACONS:

- Remove **paragraph 2 & 3, the following four bullet points,**
- Remove **paragraph 4 and Section 1**

Article VI, Church Officers, D. CLERK

- Remove “shall be elected annually”, add **“After the completion of a full five-year term, no clerk shall be eligible for re-election until after the lapse of one year.”**
- Remove **“The clerk shall be responsible for preparation of the Annual Church Profile.”**

Article VI, Church Officers, E. TREASURER

- Update all entries of “Treasurer” to **“Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer”**.

Article VI, Church Officers,

Add subsection H:

“H. VACANCIES

If a vacancy should occur for any reason among the Trustees or the officers of the church, the person to fill such position shall be elected by the church from its membership after the Enlistment Committee submits its nominations and opportunity is given for additional nominations. The person so elected shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of the predecessor in office and until a successor shall have been elected and qualified.”

First Baptist Church BYLAWS

- Minor updates to word use and grammar throughout.

Article I, Meetings, Section 2

- Change last sentence to read **“The most current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised shall serve as the basis for business procedures.”**

Article II, Officers

- Change “All terms effective October 1...” to **“All terms effective January 1...”**

Article V, Adoption and Amendments, Section 2

- Remove last sentence: **“These Bylaws shall be reviewed at least every five years and revised, if necessary.”**