

The Constitution

AND

By-Laws

of the

Covenanter Young People's Union

of the

Pittsburgh Presbytery

of the

Reformed Presbyterian Church

of

North America

Adopted at the C. Y. P. U. Conference
at Camp Buddy, August 31, 1935.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.

Name

The name of this organization shall be The Covenanter Young People's Union of the Pittsburgh Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.

ARTICLE II.

Object

The object of this Union shall be to unite the Young People's organization of the Presbytery into one body for the honor of Christ and the advancement of His Kingdom, to cultivate closer fellowship, to grow in the knowledge and in the love of the Covenanter heritage, and to make the Covenanter Church a greater power in the world.

ARTICLE III.

Membershíp

This Union shall be composed of the Covenanter Young People's Unions of the congregations of the Pittsburgh Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, and all members of these local unions shall be entitled to membership, and to a vote at the Conference.



ARTICLE IV.

Officers

Section 1.

(a) The officers of this Union shall be: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Efficiency Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer.

(b) The Executive Committee shall be composed of these officers, the chairman of standing committees, and two representatives from each constituent Union. The Superintendent of Young People's Work of Pittsburgh Presbytery shall be a member of this committee.

(c) In years when a camp is maintained, there shall be a Board of Management, consisting of the president as executive head, a Camp Manager, two assistant Camp Managers (a man and a woman), a Camp Father, a Camp Mother, a Head Cook, a Commissary, and a Recreation Director, with the Superintendent, and the Junior Superintendent as consultative members.

Section 2.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

(a) The duties of the officers of the Union shall be such as usually pertain to their respective offices. At the annual Conference they shall have the direction of, and responsibility for, the meetings of the Conference and the program presented there. One duty of the Efficiency Secretary shall be to secure, to review, and to report on the reports of the Congregational Unions. The President, Corresponding Secretary, Efficiency Secretary, and Treasurer shall each make an annual report to

the Union, and such other reports as the Executive Committee may require.

(b) The Executive Committee shall have charge of arranging for all meetings of the Union, and shall attend to all business requiring attention between the annual meetings of the Union. A full report of their proceedings shall be given at the annual meeting.

(c) The Board of Management shall have charge of securing and caring for any physical properties or equipment belonging to the Union, and shall have responsibility for and authority over the operation of the camp, and the use of this equipment. The Camp Manager shall make an annual report to the Union.

Section 3.

ELECTION

(a) The officers of the Union shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Union. At the first meeting after the adoption of this Constitution, a President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Efficiency Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer shall be elected for a term of one year.

(b) The local representatives on the Executive Committee shall be chosen each year by the Congregational Unions.

(c) The Camp Manager shall be elected at the annual business meeting of the Union. The other officers of the Board of Management shall be elected by the Executive Committee or appointed in such way as this Committee shall direct.

ARTICLE V.

Section 1.

MEETINGS

This Union shall hold every summer an annual Conference, covering a period of at least one week. This may be omitted in years of Synodical Conferences.

Section 2.

An annual business meeting shall be held during the Conference. If the Conference is omitted for a Synodical Conference, the annual meeting shall be held during the period of the Synodical Conference. In case the Conference is omitted for any other reason, an annual meeting shall be arranged by the officers.

Section 3.

One or more banquets or other social meetings shall be held during the year.

Section 4.

Other meetings may be held at the call of the Executive Committee.

Section 5.

The Executive Committee may meet at any time, on the call of the President and one or more of the other officers.

BY-LAWS

I. STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY

- (a) The standard of efficiency for this Union and for its constituent Unions shall be:
1. Fifty prayer-meetings-----10%
 2. Four business meetings with attendance of 75% of resident members--10%
 3. Ten socials -----10%
 4. 85% adhering to the Tithe Principle -----10%
 5. 25% of the Society giving part time to definite Christian work-----10%
 6. 50% taking part in each meeting aside from singing-----10%
 7. One won to Christ and the Covenanter Church for each 10 members 10%
 8. Essential Committees: Look out, Prayer-Meeting, Reform, Sunshine, Missionary -----10%
 9. 20% of members at annual convention -----10%
 10. Special study on Church History, Doctrine, Missions, or Personal Work -----10%
- (b) These requirements are to be understood thus:
- Item 3—Socials—for larger groups or for the young people alone, including the "social hour" after monthly meetings.
- Item 4—Tithe—Those who believe in the

title principle, though they have no money of their own to give.

Item 5—Christian Work—Such as Sabbath School teaching and visiting, or Junior work.

Item 7—Won to Christ—Those who come from no church or from another denomination whose coming can honestly be regarded as due at least in part to the prayers and work of the society or of any of its members.

- (c) Each Congregational Union shall submit each year to the Efficiency Secretary, a report of its activities during the year closing June first and shall be ranked on the basis of this Standard of Efficiency.

II. ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers shall be by ballot, following the report of the nominating committee.

III. COMMITTEES.

(a) The Committees shall be Nominating, Auditing, Plan of Work, Banquet, Publicity, and any others found necessary.

(b) The Plan of Work Committee shall be appointed by the President at least one month before the annual business meeting. The others shall be appointed by the Executive Committee at a time determined by this Committee.

(c) The President shall be a member ex-officio of all committees. The Efficiency Secretary and the Superintendent of Young

People's Work shall be ex-officio members of the Plan of Work Committee.

IV. DUTIES OF COMMITTEES.

(a) The Nominating Committee shall report to the Union at the annual business meeting at least two names for each office to be filled.

(b) The Auditing Committee shall audit the Treasurer's books for the year ending October first, and shall report at the annual business meeting.

(c) The Plan of Work Committee, with the reports of the local unions before them, shall prepare and submit to the annual meeting a plan of work for the coming year.

(d) The Publicity Committee shall be responsible for keeping the congregations of Pittsburgh Presbytery and of the church at large informed of the work of the Union, and especially of the Conference, both before and after its sessions.

V. ENCAMPMENT

The registration fee, and the amount to be charged for room and board shall be fixed by the Executive Committee.

VI. OVERSIGHT OF ENCAMPMENT.

The officers of the Union and the Board of Management whose distinctive duties are indicated in the Constitution (Article IV., Section 2) shall form a Camp Council to have the general oversight and direction of the camp in matters of discipline or in any other mat-

ters which call for joint action.

An executive council, composed of the President, the Camp Father, the Camp Mother, the Junior Superintendent and the Superintendent shall be competent and deal with all minor matters.

VII. RULES OF ORDER.

The rules contained in Roberts' Rules of Order shall govern the Union in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution, By-Laws or Standing Rules of the Union.