

**GENERAL SYNOD 2010
RESOLUTIONS FORM**

Governance Working Group - 4

Resolution Number A041 – R2

Subject: Consequential amendments to the Rules of Order

Moved by Mr. David Jones, Diocese of Edmonton

Seconded by The Rt. Rev. Sue Moxley, Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

Be it resolved that this General Synod amend the Rules of Order as follows:

1. deleting section 17(d);
2. amending section 18(b) to read as follows:
 - b) *The three Orders of Bishops, Clergy and Laity shall vote together unless a vote by Orders is required by the Constitution or called for pursuant to the Rules of Order. In order to be passed the motion shall require a majority of the votes cast, and abstentions shall not be counted in determining the majority.*
3. amending section 18(d) to read as follows:
 - d) *When voting by Orders, the vote shall be put to all members of General Synod regardless of the result in any Order.*
4. adding section 20(a.1) to read as follows:
 - a.1) *Ex officio and other non-diocesan members of General Synod shall vote with the diocese in which they are normally geographically resident, for laity, or canonically resident, for clergy.*

and this resolution shall come into effect upon Second Reading being given to Resolution **A019**.

EXPLANATORY NOTE/BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This resolution makes consequential amendments to the Rules of Order which will be needed when Resolution **A019** comes into effect, and also clarifies where *ex officio* and other non-diocesan members vote when there is a vote by dioceses.

PROCEDURE REQUIRED FOR ADOPTION

In accordance with section 11(d) of the Declaration of Principles, an amendment to the Rules of Order must be approved by two-thirds majority of the members of one session of General Synod voting in the normal manner.