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INTRODUCTION

This printing of The Charter and Plan, of the General Acts of the State of New Jersey affecting the Seminary, and of the By-Laws of the Board of Trustees, is made by a committee of the Board of Trustees acting under its direction. It contains the official texts carefully compared with and certified to be in accord with the original documents, together with an index.

CHARTER AND GENERAL ACTS

AN ACT for incorporating Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church, at Princeton, in the State of New Jersey. Passed by the Legislature of New Jersey, November 15, 1822.

I. BE IT ENACTED, *by the Council and General Assembly of this State, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That Andrew Kirkpatrick, Gabriel H. Ford, Samuel L. Southard, Robert M'Neely, John Condict, of Bergen, Ebenezer Elmer, John Beatty, Alexander Henry, Benjamin Strong, Charles Ewing, Samuel Bayard, John Van Cleve, Ashbel Green, John M'Dowell, David Comfort, George S. Woodhull, Isaac V. Brown, Alexander M'Cleland, Jacob J. Janeway, James Richards and Samuel B. How, and their successors, duly elected and appointed in manner as is herein after directed, be and they are hereby made, declared, and constituted a corporation and body politic and corporate, in law and in fact, to have continuance by the name, style, and title of "Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church," and by the name, style, and title aforesaid, shall be persons able and capable in law, as well to take, receive, and hold, all and all manner of lands, tenements, rents, annuities, franchises, and other hereditaments, which at any time or times heretofore have been granted, bargained, sold, enfeoffed, released, devised, or otherwise conveyed, for use of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, located at Princeton, in the State of New Jersey, or any other person or persons, to the use of the said Seminary, or in trust for the same; and the same lands, tenements, rents, annuities, liberties, fran-

chises, and other hereditaments, are hereby vested and established in the said corporation and their successors, according to the original use and intent for which such devises, gifts, and grants were respectively made; and the said corporation and their successors, are hereby declared to be seized and possessed of such estate and estates therein, as in and by the respective grants, bargains, sales, enfeoffments, releases, devises, and other conveyances thereof, is or are declared, limited, and expressed; also, that the said corporation and their successors shall be capable and able to purchase, have, receive, take, hold, and enjoy, in fee simple, or of lesser estate or estates, any lands, tenements, rents, annuities, franchises, and other hereditaments, by the gift, grant, bargain, sale, alienation, enfeoffment, release, confirmation, or devise of any person or persons, bodies politic and corporate, capable and able to make the same: and further, that the said corporation and their successors may take and receive any sum or sums of money, and any portion of goods and chattels that have been given to and for the use of the Theological Seminary at Princeton, or to the directors thereof, or to any other person or persons, body politic or corporate, in trust or for the use of the said Seminary, or that hereafter shall be given, sold, leased, or bequeathed to the said corporation, by any person or persons, bodies politic, or corporate, that is able or capable to make a gift, sale, bequest, or other disposal of the same; such money, goods, or chattels to be laid out, and disposed of for the use and benefit of the aforesaid corporation, agreeably to the intention of the donors, and according to the objects, articles, and conditions of this act.

2. *And be it enacted*, That no misnomer of the said corporation and their successors, shall defeat or annul any

gift, grant, devise, or bequest to or for the said corporation, provided the intent of the party or parties shall sufficiently appear upon the face of the gift, will, grant, or other writing, whereby any estate or interest was intended to pass to or for the said corporation.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation and their successors, shall have full power and authority to make, have, and use a common seal, with such device and inscription as they shall think fit and proper; and the same to break, alter, and renew at their pleasure.

4. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation and their successors, by the name, style, and title aforesaid, shall be able and capable to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court of law or equity in this state.

5. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation and their successors shall be, and hereby are authorized and empowered to make, ordain, and establish by-laws and ordinances, and do everything incident and needful for the support and due government of the said corporation, and managing the funds and revenues thereof; *provided*, the said by-laws be not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United States, to the constitution and laws of this state, or to this act.

6. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation shall not, at any time, consist of more than one-and-twenty persons, twelve of whom shall at all times be laymen and citizens of this state; whereof the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States may, at their annual meetings, change one-third, in such manner as to the said General Assembly shall seem proper: and the corporation aforesaid, shall have power and authority to manage and dispose of all moneys, goods, chattels, lands, tenements,

and hereditaments, and other estate whatsoever, committed to their care and trust by the said General Assembly; but, in cases where special instructions for the management and disposal thereof shall be given by the said General Assembly, in writing, under the hand of their clerk, it shall be the duty of the said corporation to act according to such instructions; provided, the said instructions shall not be repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United States, or to the constitution and laws of this state, or to this act.

7. *And be it enacted*, That seven members of this corporation, whereof the president, or, in his absence, the vice-president, to be one, shall be a sufficient number to transact the business thereof, and to make by-laws, rules, and regulations: *provided*, That, previous to any meeting of the board or corporation, for such purposes, not appointed by adjournment, ten days' notice shall be previously given thereof, by the secretary or clerk of the said corporation, to each of the members of the same; and the said corporation shall and may, as often as they shall see proper, and according to the rules by them to be prescribed, choose, out of their number, a president and vice-president, and secretary, and shall have authority to appoint a treasurer, and such other officers and servants, as shall by them, the said corporation, be deemed necessary; to which officers the said corporation may assign such a compensation for their services, and such duties to be performed by them, to continue in office for such time, and to be succeeded by others, in such way and manner, as the said corporation shall direct.

8. *And be it enacted*, That all questions before the said corporation shall be decided by a plurality of votes, whereof each member present shall have one, except the presi-

dent or vice-president, when acting as president, who shall have only the casting vote and voice, in case of an equality in the votes of the other members.

9. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation shall keep regular and fair entries of their proceedings, and a just account of their receipts and disbursements, in a book or books to be provided for that purpose, and shall, once in a year, exhibit to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, in the United States of America, an exact state of the accounts and funds of said corporation, and also to the Legislature of this state, every five years.

10. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation may take, receive, purchase, possess and enjoy messuages, lands, tenements, rents, annuities and other hereditaments, real and personal estate of any amount: *Provided*, that the same do not yield an annual income exceeding the sum of fifteen thousand dollars.

11. *Provided nevertheless, and it is hereby enacted*, That nothing herein contained, shall prevent the legislature from altering, amending, or repealing this act, whenever in their opinion the public good requires it.

A SUPPLEMENT to an act, entitled "An act for incorporating Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church, at Princeton, in the State of New Jersey." Passed December 9, 1823.

WHEREAS, by the eleventh section of the act to which this is a supplement, the legislature of this state has retained the power to alter, amend, or repeal the said act, whenever in their opinion the public good requires it—and *whereas* the exercise of that power may leave the prop-

erty which may then be vested in the said corporation, without proper trustees to manage and dispose of the same—Therefore,

I. BE IT ENACTED *by the Council and General Assembly of this State, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That in case the legislature of this state shall, at any time hereafter, alter, amend or repeal the act to which this is a supplement, the trustees of the said Seminary for the time being shall be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, at any time within one year after any such alteration, amendment, or repeal, to convey all the property belonging to them, as trustees aforesaid, to any number of citizens of this state, not less than three, nor more than five, whom they may select, their heirs and assigns, who shall hold the said property, thus conveyed to them, their heirs and assigns, in trust, for the sole use of said Seminary, anything in the said act to the contrary notwithstanding.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT to the act entitled “An Act for incorporating Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church at Princeton, in the State of New Jersey,” approved the fifteenth day of November, eighteen hundred and twenty-two. Approved February 27, 1866.

I. BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey*, That the said “Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church,” may take, receive, purchase, possess and enjoy messuages, lands, tenements, rents, annuities and other hereditaments, real and personal estate of any amount; *provided*, that the

same do not yield an annual income exceeding the sum of fifty thousand dollars.

2. *And be it enacted*, That the tenth section of the act to which this is a supplement be and the same is hereby repealed.

AN ACT concerning corporations of this State organized for religious, educational, charitable or benevolent purposes. Approved April 28, 1905.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey*:

1. Every corporation of this state organized for religious, educational, charitable or benevolent purposes under the provisions of any act of the legislature of this state, general, special or private, is hereby authorized to take and hold by purchase, gift, devise, bequest or otherwise, for any religious, educational, charitable or benevolent purposes whatsoever, such real or personal property, or both, as such corporation may require, or as, in any manner, may have been or may be vested in such corporations for any or all of such purposes, and to grant, bargain, sell or convey the same; and every such corporation is further authorized to take and hold in trust for any religious, educational, charitable or benevolent purposes whatsoever, such real or personal property, or both, as, in any manner, may have been or may be given, granted, conveyed, bequeathed or devised to, or otherwise vested in such corporation in trust for any of said purposes, and to grant, bargain, sell and convey property so held or to be held in trust for any such purposes, in accordance with the terms of the gift, grant, conveyance, bequest, devise

or instrument creating such trust or trusts, respectively.

2. Any and all property, real or personal, heretofore given, granted, conveyed, bequeathed or devised to, or otherwise vested in any such corporation in trust for any religious, educational, charitable or benevolent purpose, shall, so far as the same may not have already been applied in the execution of such trust, continue to be held and applied by such corporation in accordance with the terms of the gift, grant, conveyance, bequest, devise or instrument creating such trust in the same manner and with the same force and effect as if such corporation were originally duly authorized to act in the capacity of trustee in the premises, *provided* that such trust, otherwise than in the designation of the trustee, is valid under the laws of this State.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

AN ACT to enable seminaries or schools of theology to grant and confer the degree of bachelor of divinity or theology. Approved March 17, 1897.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. Any and every seminary or school of theology in this State, whether heretofore or hereafter to be incorporated by special charter or under general laws, shall, in addition to all existing or other rights, powers and privileges, have power, by virtue of this act, upon the precedent recommendation or with the concurrent approval of the faculty of instruction after satisfactory examination had on a course of special study prescribed to all candidates, to grant to

and confer upon any graduate of such seminary or school of theology, or any person who has done approved work in such seminary or school, the degree of bachelor of divinity or theology, with all such honors, rights and privileges as are usually incident to such degree when granted in and by the universities in the United States of America.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

AN ACT to prohibit the conferring by any school, corporation, association or institution of learning conducted within this State, or by any officer or member thereof, of degrees, based upon proficiency or learning, without the approval of the State Board of Education of New Jersey, except in certain cases. Approved March 17, 1916.*

AN ACT to recognize the existence and rights and duties of churches, religious societies, and denominations of Christians, and the supreme governing bodies thereof, and to provide for the enforcement of their civil rights and claims by judicial proceedings, and to define certain words used in the act. Approved March 15, 1898.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. Any and every church, religious society or denomination of Christians now or hereafter to be established in the United States of America, and the supreme governing

* The text of this Act need not be reproduced here. The approval of the State Board of Education which the Act requires was granted to the Trustees of the Seminary by license dated August 7, 1920.

body thereof, whether sole or aggregate, shall be severally recognized in this State, as well in courts of justice as elsewhere, as an entity bearing the name by which it is commonly called and known, the want of any civil incorporation notwithstanding; and said supreme governing body, whether sole or aggregate, shall be and hereby is authorized to bring or institute and maintain any action, suit or proceeding, in any court of this State, to enforce the civil rights or claims of the whole church, religious society, or denomination of Christians.

2. The words or phrases "church," "religious society," "denomination of Christians," as in this act used and employed, are hereby defined to mean and include, and shall be construed in courts of justice and elsewhere to mean and include the whole body of religious believers having a common faith and polity.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.*

AN ACT to enable seminaries or schools of theology to grant and confer the degree of bachelor of sacred theology, the degree of master of sacred theology, and the degree of doctor of sacred theology. Approved April 20, 1920.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. Any and every seminary or school of theology in the State, whether heretofore or hereafter incorporated,

* For the history which led up to the enactment of this law, see Minutes of General Assembly for 1894, pp. 62 to 67; 1895, pp. 152 and 32; 1896, pp. 186, 187 and 122; 1897, pp. 168, 169, 104 and 105; and 1898, pp. 172 and 124.

shall in addition to all existing or other rights, powers and privileges, have power by virtue of this act, upon the precedent recommendation or with the concurrent approval of the faculty of instruction, to grant and confer upon any student of such seminary or school of theology, after satisfactory examination held on completion of the studies required for the degree, the degree of bachelor of sacred theology, the degree of master of sacred theology, or the degree of doctor of sacred theology, as may be appropriate in each case, together with all such honors, rights and privileges as are usually incident to such degrees when granted and conferred by the universities or the schools of theology in the United States of America.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

AN ACT to authorize charitable and educational corporations to make changes in their charters or acts or certificates of incorporation and their organization. Approved February 21, 1918 as amended April 9, 1920.

1. Whenever any charitable or educational corporation of this State, however incorporated or created, shall desire to change its corporate name or the number of its officers, managers or trustees, or their or any of their qualifications or terms of office, or the manner or scope of its work within the same general lines, as is expressed in its charter or act or certificate of incorporation, or to make any one or more of such changes, and its managers, trustees or other similar officers shall adopt a resolution specifying what amendment, change or changes are in their opinion desirable, and shall refer the same to a meeting

of the members of such corporation regularly held for the action of such members thereon, and at such meeting of members by a vote of two-thirds of those present such resolution is approved, then the charter, act or certificate of incorporation of such corporation, shall be deemed and taken to be amended and changed in accordance with such resolution. If the organization of such corporation is or shall be such that it has no membership to which such resolution of the managers, trustees or other similar officers can be referred as above mentioned, then and in that case the resolution of the said trustees, managers or other similar officers shall be of itself sufficient and of the same effect as though there had been such membership and the said resolution had been duly referred to and approved by vote thereof as aforesaid, and the charter, act or certificate of incorporation of such corporation shall be deemed to be amended and changed accordingly; *provided*, however, that whenever the manner or scope of the work of any eleemosynary or charitable institution, other than aid societies of properly organized and accredited churches and fraternal societies organized for aid and relief of their members is changed in accordance with the provisions of this act, before such change shall become effective it shall be certified to and approved by the Commissioner of Institutions and Agencies.

2. When any such change is made a certificate of such action, under the corporate seal of such corporation, signed by the presiding officer and secretary of such meeting, verified by the oath of such secretary, shall be forthwith filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

3. Any such change or amendment shall in no-wise affect the legal rights, privileges, liabilities or obligations of such corporations acquired or incurred before such change was made, but such corporation shall be entitled thereto and liable thereon to the same extent and in the same manner as if no such change had been made.

4. All acts or parts of acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect immediately.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER

The Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church at Princeton in the State of New Jersey, organized and existing under a charter granted to it by the Legislature of New Jersey by an act passed November 15, 1822, does, under the authority of an act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, entitled, "An act to Authorize Charitable and Educational Corporations to make changes in their charters or acts or certificates of incorporation and their organization" approved February 21, 1918, as amended April 9, 1920, by this certificate, under its corporate seal, signed by its President and verified by the oath of its Secretary, certify and set forth that at a meeting of its Board of Trustees duly convened and held on the 12th day of November, 1929 a resolution was adopted to amend and change the charter of said corporation, as follows:

"Resolved that in the opinion of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church at Princeton in the State of New Jersey, it is desirable, and there being no membership of this corporation to which a

resolution of the Trustees may be referred for approval, the Trustees of the above named corporation, Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church at Princeton in the State of New Jersey, do hereby determine that the charter of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church at Princeton in the State of New Jersey granted to it by the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, by Act passed November 15, 1822, with the supplements thereto and amendments thereof, be further amended and changed to provide as follows:

1. The Board of Trustees of The Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America at Princeton in the State of New Jersey, shall consist of thirty-three persons, who shall be either ministers or ruling elders of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, and not less than three of whom shall be citizens and residents of the State of New Jersey. Of these, not more than eighteen shall be ministers, and not more than fifteen shall be ruling elders of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, provided that nothing contained herein shall render any persons members of the present Board ineligible. After the first election and qualification of the said Trustees, it shall be by lot determined which of the number shall serve for three years, which for two years, and which for one year, and thereafter the Trustees at their annual meeting shall elect successors to those whose terms shall have expired or shall expire. Such election shall not be effective until approved by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. The foregoing shall apply to all elections of Trustees, subsequent to the first election after the passage of this resolu-

tion. At the first election after the adoption of this amendment, one third of the members of the new Board shall be chosen from the membership of the present Board of Trustees; one third shall be chosen from the membership of the present Board of Directors; and one third shall be chosen from persons not members of either Board; all the aforesaid members to be chosen by a plan which the General Assembly shall provide.

2. The corporation aforesaid shall have power and authority to hold, manage and dispose of all moneys, goods, chattels, lands, tenements and hereditaments and other estate whatsoever, and, subject to the terms of existing or specific trusts, and all such property and estate shall be held, managed, and disposed of by it in trust for the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America for the purposes of theological education at the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America at Princeton in the State of New Jersey according to the Standards of said Church, and no part of the funds and property so held in trust shall be used for any other purpose than for theological education at said Seminary in the doctrines set forth in the Standards of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America; and whenever special instructions for the management and disposal thereof shall be given by the said General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, in writing, under the hand of their Clerk, it shall be the duty of the said corporation to act according to such instructions, provided that said instructions shall not be repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United

States, or to the constitution and laws of this State or to this act, or contrary to the prescribed intention of particular donors in specified gifts, donations or deeds of trust.

3. That, in addition to the thirty-three persons elected as Trustees, there shall be one person elected as a Trustee for life.

In witness whereof the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church at Princeton in the State of New Jersey, has caused its corporate seal to be hereto affixed and this certificate to be signed by its President, who is its presiding officer, and by its Secretary, this 12th day of November, 1929.

THOMAS W. SYNNOTT, *President.*
JOHN McDOWELL, *Secretary.*

STATE OF NEW JERSEY }
COUNTY OF ESSEX } ss.

John McDowell being duly sworn on his oath says he is the Secretary of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church at Princeton in the State of New Jersey, and as such acted as Secretary of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of said Seminary referred to in the foregoing certificate, and that the resolution set forth in the foregoing certificate is a true copy of the resolution adopted by the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church at Princeton in the State of New Jersey, at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees thereof, duly convened and held on the 12th day of November, 1929.

JOHN McDOWELL.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of November, 1929.

EDW. O. HOOD, *Notary Public*,
Essex Co., N.J.

Endorsed:

Filed and Recorded, Dec. 9, 1929.

JOSEPH F. S. FITZPATRICK,
Secretary of State.

Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church, a corporation created pursuant to a special act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey entitled "An Act for incorporating Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church, at Princeton, in the State of New Jersey" passed November 15, 1822, by this certificate under its corporate seal, signed by its President and Secretary, hereby certifies, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 18 of the Laws of 1950 approved March 30, 1950, that the following is a true copy of a resolution adopted by unanimous vote at a meeting of its Board of Trustees duly convened and held on the twenty-fifth day of April, 1950, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout:

WHEREAS this corporation is an educational corporation created pursuant to a special act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey entitled "An Act for incorporating Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church, at Princeton, in the State of New Jersey" passed November 15, 1822; and

WHEREAS the organization of this corporation is such that it has no membership to which a resolution of its Trustees can be submitted; and

WHEREAS in the opinion of the Board of Trustees it is desirable to amend the charter of this corporation in the manner hereinafter set forth;

THEREFORE RESOLVED that Section 1 of the Amendment to the Charter of this corporation adopted November 12, 1929 and filed and recorded in the Office of the Secretary of State of New Jersey on December 9, 1929, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. The Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America at Princeton in the State of New Jersey shall consist of thirty-three persons of whom eighteen shall be ministers and fifteen shall be communicant members of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America and not less than three shall be citizens and residents of the State of New Jersey. Said Trustees shall hold office for a term of three years and the terms of office of six ministers and five communicant members shall expire each year. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term only. The Trustees at their annual meeting shall elect successors to fill vacancies and to succeed those whose terms of office are about to expire but no such election shall be effective until approved by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

and

FURTHER RESOLVED that Section 3 of the aforesaid Amendment to the Charter of said corporation be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

3. In addition to the thirty-three Trustees provided for by Section 1 hereof, one person may be elected as a Trustee for life.

and

FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution under the corporate seal signed by the President and Secretary and acknowledged as in the case of deeds of real estate be forthwith filed in the Office of the Secretary of State of New Jersey as provided by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church has caused its corporate seal to be hereto affixed and this certificate to be signed by its President and Secretary this twenty-fifth day of April, 1950.

TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
by PETER K. EMMONS, *President*
Attest: BENJAMIN F. FARBER, *Secretary*

STATE OF NEW JERSEY }
COUNTY OF MERCER } ss.:

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this twenty-fifth day of April, 1950, before me the subscriber, an Attorney at Law of New Jersey, personally appeared BENJAMIN F. FARBER, who, being by me duly sworn on his oath says that he is Secretary of TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, the corporation which executed the foregoing certificate; that he well knows the corporate seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to the foregoing certificate is the corporate seal of said corporation; that said seal was affixed and said certificate was signed and delivered by PETER K. EMMONS who was at the date thereof the President of said corporation, in the presence of this deponent and said President at the same time acknowledged that he signed, sealed and de-

livered said certificate as his voluntary act and deed and as the voluntary act and deed of said corporation, by virtue of authority of its Board of Trustees and that deponent at the same time subscribed his name to said certificate as an attesting witness to the execution thereof.

Subscribed and sworn to
before me at Princeton,
New Jersey, the day and
year aforesaid.

BENJAMIN F. FARBER

KENNETH H. LANNING
Attorney at Law of New Jersey

Endorsed

Filed and Recorded

April 26, 1950

LLOYD B. MARSH

Secretary of State

Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church, a corporation created pursuant to a special act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey entitled "An Act for incorporating Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church, at Princeton, in the State of New Jersey" passed November 15, 1822, by this certificate under the corporate seal of said corporation, signed by its President and Secretary, hereby certifies, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 18 of the Laws of 1950 approved March 30, 1950, that the following is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by unanimous vote at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of said corporation duly held and convened on the fourteenth day of

October, 1952, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout:

WHEREAS this corporation is an educational corporation of the State of New Jersey created pursuant to a special act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey entitled "An Act for incorporating Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church, at Princeton, in the State of New Jersey" passed November 15, 1822; and

WHEREAS the organization of this corporation is such that it has no membership to which any resolution of its Trustees for any amendment, alteration or change of its certificate of incorporation can be submitted; and

WHEREAS the One Hundred and Sixty-fourth General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America has given permission to the Board of Trustees to take the necessary legal steps to amend Section 7 of the Charter of Princeton Theological Seminary; and

WHEREAS in the opinion of the Board of Trustees it is desirable to amend the Charter of this corporation in a manner hereinafter set forth;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Section 7 of the Charter of this corporation passed by the Legislature of the State of New Jersey on November 15, 1822, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

7. That seven members of this corporation, whereof the President, or in his absence, the Vice-President, or the Secretary, to be one, shall be sufficient number to transact the business thereof, and to make By-laws, rules and regulations.

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this

resolution under the corporate seal of the corporation signed by its President and Secretary and acknowledged as in the case of deeds of real estate be forthwith filed in the Office of the Secretary of the State of New Jersey as provided by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church has caused its corporate seal to be hereto affixed and this certificate to be signed by its President and Secretary this fourteenth day of October, 1952.

TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

by PETER K. EMMONS, *President*

Attest: BENJAMIN F. FARBER, *Secretary*

STATE OF NEW JERSEY }
COUNTY OF MERCER } ss.:

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this fourteenth day of October, 1952, before me the subscriber, an Attorney at Law of New Jersey, personally appeared BENJAMIN F. FARBER, who, being by me duly sworn on his oath says that he is Secretary of TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, the corporation which executed the foregoing certificate; that he well knows the corporate seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to the foregoing certificate is the corporate seal of said corporation; that said seal was affixed and said certificate was signed and delivered by PETER K. EMMONS who was at the date thereof the President of said corporation, in the presence of this deponent and said President at the same time acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered said certificate as his voluntary act and deed

and as the voluntary act and deed of said corporation, by virtue of authority of its Board of Trustees and that deponent at the same time subscribed his name to said certificate as an attesting witness to the execution thereof.

Subscribed and sworn to
before me at Princeton,
New Jersey, the day and
year aforesaid. }

BENJAMIN F. FARBER

EDGAR S. SMITH

Attorney at Law of New Jersey

Endorsed

Filed and Recorded

November 17, 1952

LLOYD B. MARSH

Secretary of State

PLAN OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PLAN
OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA. ADOPTED BY THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN 1811 AND
AMENDED BY SUBSEQUENT GENERAL
ASSEMBLIES THROUGH THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF 1952.

INTRODUCTION

INASMUCH as the obtaining of salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord, to the glory of the eternal God, is the chief object which claims the attention of man; and considering, that in the attainment of this object the dispensation of the gospel is principally instrumental, it is manifestly of the highest importance that the best means be used to insure the faithful preaching of the gospel, and the pure administration of all its ordinances. With this view, therefore, institutions for the education of youth intended for the holy ministry have been established in all Christian countries, and have been found, by long experience, most eminently conducive to the prosperity of the Church. Hence the founders of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America did, from its very origin, exert themselves with peculiar zeal to establish and endow colleges, academies and schools for the education of youth for the gospel ministry. So rapid, however, has been the extension of this Church, and so disproportionate, of late has been the number of ministers educated, to the call which has been made for ministerial service, that some additional and vigorous efforts to increase the supply are

loudly and effectively demanded. Circumstances also do imperiously dictate, not only that the laborers in the vineyard of the Lord should be multiplied, but that they should be more thoroughly furnished than they have ordinarily been for the arduous work to which they must be called. Influenced by the views and considerations now recited, the General Assembly, after mature deliberation, have resolved, in reliance on the patronage and blessing of the Great Head of the Church, to establish a new Institution, consecrated solely to the education of men for the gospel ministry, and to be denominated, *The Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America*. And to the intent that the true design of the founders of this Institution may be known to the public, both now and in the time to come, and especially that this design may, at all times, be distinctly viewed, and sacredly regarded, both by the teachers and the pupils of the Seminary, it is judged proper to make a summary and explicit statement of it.

It is to form men for the gospel ministry, who shall truly believe, and cordially love, and therefore endeavor to propagate and defend, in its genuineness, simplicity, and fulness, that system of religious belief and practice which is set forth in the Confession of Faith, Catechisms, and Plan of Government and Discipline of the Presbyterian Church; and thus to perpetuate and extend the influence of true evangelical piety, and gospel order.

It is to provide for the Church an adequate supply and succession of able and faithful ministers of the New Testament; workmen that *need not be ashamed*, being qualified *rightly to divide the word of truth*.

It is to unite in those who shall sustain the ministerial

office, religion and literature; that piety of the heart which is the fruit only of the renewing and sanctifying grace of God, with solid learning; believing that religion without learning, or learning without religion, in the ministers of the gospel, must ultimately prove injurious to the Church.

It is to afford more advantages than have hitherto been usually possessed by the ministers of religion in our country, to cultivate both piety and literature in their preparatory course; piety, by placing it in circumstances favorable to its growth, and by cherishing and regulating its ardor; literature, by affording favorable opportunities for its attainment, and by making its possession indispensable.

It is to provide for the Church men who shall be able to defend her faith against infidels, and her doctrine against heretics.

It is to furnish our congregations with enlightened, humble, zealous, laborious pastors, who shall truly watch for the good of souls, and consider it as their highest honor and happiness to win them to the Saviour, and to build up their several charges in holiness and peace.

It is to promote harmony and unity of sentiment among the ministers of our Church, by educating a large body of them under the same teachers, and in the same course of study.

It is to lay the foundation of early and lasting friendship, productive of confidence and mutual assistance in after life among the ministers of religion; which experience shows to be conducive not only to personal happiness, but to the perfecting of inquiries, researches and publications advantageous to religion.

It is to preserve the unity of our Church, by educating

her ministers in an enlightened attachment not only to the same doctrines, but to the same plan of government.

It is to bring to the service of the Church genius and talent, when united with piety, however poor or obscure may be their possessor, by furnishing, as far as possible, the means of education and support without expense to the student.

It is to found a nursery for missionaries to the heathen, and to such as are destitute of the stated preaching of the gospel; in which youth may receive that appropriate training which may lay a foundation for their ultimately becoming eminently qualified for missionary work.

It is, finally, to endeavor to raise up a succession of men, at once *qualified* for and *thoroughly* devoted to the work of the gospel ministry; who, with various endowments, suiting them to different stations in the Church of Christ, may all possess a portion of the spirit of the primitive propagators of the gospel; prepared to make every sacrifice, to endure every hardship, and to render every service which the promotion of pure and undefiled religion may require.

ARTICLE I

OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Section 1. As this Institution derives its origin from the General Assembly, that body is to be considered its patron and the fountain of its power.

Section 2. The General Assembly shall have and exercise control of the Seminary through the Board of Trustees, elected and acting under the Charter and Plan.

Section 3. The General Assembly shall, at all times, have the power of adding to the Constitutional Articles of the

Seminary, and of abrogating, altering or amending them; but in the exercise of this power, the contemplated addition, abrogations, alterations, or amendments, shall, in every case, be proposed at one Assembly, and not adopted till the Assembly of the subsequent year, except by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE II

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Section 1. The Board shall have power to elect the President and Professors, subject to the approval of the General Assembly. The Board shall fix the salaries of the President and Professors and also of any officers or employees in the service of the Seminary. The Board shall have power to suspend temporarily the President, any Professor or officer of the Seminary, preliminary to and pending a full hearing and investigation of the reasons for such suspension, and after said hearing the Board shall have the power of removal. The Board shall report its action to the General Assembly.

Section 2. The Board shall meet statedly, at least twice in each year; and oftener if it shall judge it expedient. The quorum shall consist of such number as shall be prescribed by the By-Laws.

Section 3. The Board shall have the right and authority to make rules and regulations not inconsistent with the prescriptions of this Plan or the orders of the General Assembly for the performance of the duties assigned them, or for the preservation of order. The Board shall have the right and authority to enact By-Laws, subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

Section 4. The Board shall direct the Professors of the

Seminary in regard to the subjects and topics on which they are severally to give instructions to the students, so far as the same shall not be prescribed by this Plan, or by the orders of the General Assembly.

Section 5. It shall be the duty of the Board to inaugurate the President and the Professors of the Seminary, and to direct what forms shall be used and what services performed, on such occasions.

Section 6. Every person, previously to his taking his seat as a member of the Board, shall solemnly subscribe the following formula, viz.: "Believing the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice; sincerely receiving and adopting the Confession of Faith of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; approving of the Government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America; promising to study the peace, unity, and purity of the Church; and approving the plan of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, I solemnly declare and promise, in the presence of God and of this Board, that I will faithfully endeavor to carry into effect all the articles and provisions of said Plan, and to promote the great design of the Seminary."

Section 7. It shall be the duty of the Board to watch over the conduct of the students; to redress grievances; to examine into the whole course of instruction and study in the Seminary; and generally to superintend and endeavor to promote all of its interests.

Section 8. The Board shall make, in writing, a detailed and faithful report of the state of the Seminary to every

General Assembly; and they may, at the same time, recommend such measures for the advantage of the Seminary as to them may appear proper.

ARTICLE III

OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE SEMINARY

Section 1. The President shall be the executive head of the Seminary and its representative before the Church, except when otherwise ordered by the Board. He shall be responsible to the Board and shall have full authority to administer all the rules and regulations of the Board.

Section 2. The President shall be a voting member and the presiding officer of the Faculty. He shall give such instruction and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board. He shall be an ex officio member of all the standing committees of the Faculty.

Section 3. In case of the absence or disability of a Professor or teacher, the President shall provide for his work by a temporary assignment from the existing Faculty, or by the employment of additional competent persons outside of the Faculty, and he shall report all such action to the Board for approval at its next meeting.

Section 4. The President shall render semi-annual reports to the Board concerning the condition and progress of the Seminary. He shall have the authority to require from the members of the Faculty individual reports as to their departments, and from all officers or employees whose reports are essential to a complete report of the condition of the Seminary. These reports shall be presented to the stated meetings of each year. This assignment of duties shall in no way limit the right or the authority of the Board to request such other information or reports as the

Board may desire. The President of the Seminary shall, at the regular and special meetings of the Board, submit such reports and recommendations as may be requested by the Board or as to him may seem desirable.

Section 5. In the absence of special provision by Board action, the President shall be the medium of communication between the Board and the Faculty, or any member thereof.

Section 6. The President shall, with the cooperation of the Faculty, have charge of the intellectual, religious, moral and social life of the students, and he shall be the final authority in all cases of discipline, subject always to review by the Board.

ARTICLE IV

OF THE PROFESSORS

Section 1. The number of the Professors in the Seminary shall be increased or diminished, as the Board shall from time to time direct.

Section 2. No person shall be inducted into the office of President other than an ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. And no person shall be inducted as Professor who is not a minister or a member of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.*

Section 3. Every person elected to the Presidency or to a Professorship shall, on being inaugurated, solemnly subscribe the Confession of Faith, Catechisms, and Form of Government of the Presbyterian Church, agreeably to the following formula, viz.: "In the presence of God, and

* This section was amended by the Board of Trustees at its meeting on May 19, 1947, and confirmed by the General Assembly of 1947.

of the Trustees of this Seminary, I do solemnly and *ex animo*, adopt, receive, and subscribe the Confession of Faith and Catechisms of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, as the confession of my faith, or as a summary and just exhibition of that system of doctrine and religious belief, which is contained in Holy Scripture, and therein revealed by God to man for his salvation; and I do solemnly, *ex animo*, profess to receive the Form of Government of said Church, as agreeable to the inspired oracles. And I do solemnly promise and engage not to inculcate, teach or insinuate anything which shall appear to me to contradict or contravene, either directly or impliedly, anything taught in the said Confession of Faith or Catechisms, nor to oppose any of the fundamental principles of Presbyterian Church Government while I shall continue a professor in this Seminary.”

Section 4. The Professors may accompany their lectures and recitations with prayer as frequently as they may judge proper, in addition to those daily seasons of prayer, in which all the students will unite.

Section 5. Each Professor shall lay before the Faculty as soon as practicable after his appointment, a systematic and detailed outline of the subject and courses he proposes to teach, avoiding all unnecessary duplications of subject matter and courses offered in other departments. It shall be the duty of the Faculty after an examination of the proposed courses of study, to coordinate them with other existing courses in the curriculum and report the same to the Board. All such new courses or important changes in courses shall be approved by the Board before becoming effectivē.

Section 6. Any Professor intending to resign his office

shall give six months' notice of such intention to the Board.

ARTICLE V OF THE FACULTY

Section 1. The Faculty shall be constituted by the Board, and shall be composed of the President and Professors. Other appointees below the rank of professor may be given the right to vote by the Board after a recommendation by the Faculty.

Section 2. The Faculty shall have the right and authority to provide for its own organization, committees, rules and regulations, and to enact its own by-laws, which rules, regulations and by-laws must be approved by the Board before they become operative. The Faculty shall elect a Secretary for a stated term who shall keep an accurate and faithful record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Faculty. These minutes shall be at all time subject to review by the Board.

Section 3. The Faculty shall hold regular monthly meetings at such times as it may determine. Special meetings of the Faculty may be called by the President, or shall be called upon the written request of three members of the Faculty.

Section 4. The members of the Faculty shall submit semi-annual reports of the condition of the department in which they teach to the President of the Seminary, and to the President of the Board. Members of the Faculty shall submit such additional reports as the Board or the President of the Seminary may, from time to time, require.

Section 5. Extended absence from classes, due to illness

or other causes, for more than one week, shall be reported to the President, and by him to the Board.

Section 6. The initial responsibility for the curriculum shall rest with the Faculty. All regulations in such matters as requirements for admission to the Seminary, new courses of study and changes of requirements in existing courses, shall be adopted by the Faculty and transmitted through the President, with his recommendation to the Board, and approved by the Board before they become effective.

Section 7. At every meeting of the Faculty, the President of the Seminary when present shall preside. In his absence the senior Professor present shall preside, unless otherwise provided by the Faculty.

Section 8. The Faculty, regularly convened, shall determine the hours and seasons at which the classes shall attend the Professors severally, so as to prevent interference and confusion, and to afford to the students the best opportunities for improvement. The Faculty shall attend to all cases of discipline, provided that the final decision shall be with the President, and to all questions of order, decorum, and duty (not inconsistent with any provision in the Plan of the Seminary, nor with any order of the Board) to which the students shall be subjected, and these they shall reduce to writing, and cause to be publicly and frequently read. They shall determine the hours at which the whole of the students shall, morning and evening, attend for social worship, and the manner in which, and the person or persons of their own number, by whom the exercises of devotion shall be conducted.

Section 9. The Faculty, with the approval of the President of the Seminary, shall be empowered to dismiss from

the Seminary any student who shall prove unsound in his religious sentiments, immoral or disorderly in his conduct, or who may be, in their opinion, on any account whatsoever, a dangerous or unprofitable member of the Institution.

Section 10. It shall be the duty of the President and Faculty, under the direction of the Board, to supply the students of the Institution with the preaching of the gospel and the administration of the sacraments of the Christian Church.

ARTICLE VI

OF STUDY AND ATTAINMENTS

As the particular course of study pursued in any institution will, and perhaps ought to be modified in a considerable degree, by the views and habits of the teachers, and ought, moreover, to be varied, altered or extended, as experience may suggest improvements, it is judged proper to specify, not so precisely the course of study as the attainments which must be made. Therefore,

Section 1. Every student, at the close of his course, must have made the following attainments, viz.: He must be thoroughly conversant with the English Bible. He must be well skilled in the original languages of the Holy Scriptures. He must be able to explain the principal difficulties which arise in the perusal of the Scriptures, either from erroneous translations, apparent inconsistencies, real obscurities, or objections arising from history, reason, or argument. He must be versed in Jewish and Christian antiquities, which serve to explain and illustrate Scripture. He must have an acquaintance with ancient geography and with oriental customs, which throw light on the sacred

records. Thus he will have laid the foundation for becoming a sound biblical critic.

He must have read and digested the principal arguments and writing relative to what has been called the deistical controversy. Thus he will be qualified to become a defender of the Christian faith.

He must be able to support the doctrines of the Confession of Faith and Catechisms, by a ready, pertinent and abundant quotation of Scripture texts for that purpose. He must have studied, carefully and correctly, Natural, Didactic, Polemic, and Casuistic Theology. He must have a considerable acquaintance with the history of the Christian Church. Thus he will be prepared to become an able and sound divine and casuist.

He must have read a considerable number of the best practical writers on the subject of religion. He must have learned to compose with correctness and readiness in his own language, and to deliver what he has composed to others in a natural and acceptable manner. He must be well acquainted with the several parts, and the proper structure of popular lectures and sermons. He must have composed at least two lectures and four popular sermons, that shall have been approved by the Professors. He must have carefully studied the duties of the pastoral care. Thus he will be prepared to become a useful preacher and a faithful pastor.

He must have studied attentively the form of Church Government authorized by the Scriptures, and the administration of it as it has taken place in Protestant Churches. Thus he will be qualified to exercise discipline, and to take part in the government of the Church in all its judicatories.

Section 2. The period of continuance in the Theological Seminary shall, in no case, be less than three years, previously to an examination for a certificate of approbation. But students may enter the seminary, and enjoy the course of instruction for a shorter time than three years, provided they in all other respects submit to the laws of the Seminary, of which facts they may receive a written declaration from the Faculty attested by the President and Secretary of the Faculty.

Section 3. There shall be an examination of all the students of the Seminary under the direction of the Board, or of a committee of that Board, at least once every year. Students who shall have regularly and diligently studied for three years shall be admitted to an examination on the subjects specified in this Article. All such examinations shall be conducted by the Professors, either in writing or orally, according as the Board, or their committee, shall request; and the Faculty shall submit to the Board, or their committee, a report of such examinations, with such recommendations as the Faculty may wish to make. Every student whose final examinations shall have been approved by the Board shall receive a certificate of approbation signed by the Professor, with which he shall be remitted to the Presbytery under whose care he is placed, to be disposed of as such Presbytery shall direct. Students whose final examinations are not approved shall remain a longer space in the Seminary.

Section 4. It shall be the object of the Professors to make such arrangements in the instruction of their students as shall be best adapted to enable them, in the space of three years, to be examined with advantage on the subjects specified in this Article.

ARTICLE VII

OF DEVOTION AND IMPROVEMENT IN PRACTICAL PIETY

It ought to be considered as an object of primary importance by every student in the Seminary, to be careful and vigilant not to lose that inward sense of the power of godliness which he may have attained, but, on the contrary, to grow continually in a spirit of enlightened devotion and fervent piety; deeply impressed with the recollection, that without this, all his other acquisitions will be comparatively of little worth, either to himself, or to the Church of which he is to be a minister.

He must remember, too, that this is a species of improvement which must of necessity be left in a great measure, with himself, as a concern between God and his own soul.

It is proper, however, to delineate the path of duty, express the wishes and expectations of the founders of the Seminary, and to make such requirements as the nature of the subject will permit.

Section 1. It is expected that every student in the Theological Seminary will spend a portion of time every morning and evening in devout meditation and self-recollection and examination, in reading the Holy Scriptures, solely with a view to a personal and practical application of the passage read, to his own heart, character, and circumstances; and in humble fervent prayer and praise to God in secret.

The whole of every Lord's day is to be devoted to devotional exercises, either of a social or secret kind. Intellectual pursuits, not immediately connected with devotion or the religion of the heart, are on that day to be

foreborne. The books to be read are to be of a practical nature. The conversations had with each other are to be chiefly on religious subjects. Associations for prayer and praise, and for religious conference, calculated to promote a growth in grace, are also proper for this day; subject to such regulations as the Professors and Trustees may see proper to prescribe. It is wished and recommended that each student should ordinarily set apart one day in a month for special prayer and self-examination in secret, and also that he should, on suitable occasions, attend to the duty of fasting.

Section 2. If any student shall exhibit in his general deportment a levity or indifference in regard to practical religion, though it do not amount to any overt act of irreligion or immorality, it shall be the duty of the Professor who may observe it to admonish him tenderly and faithfully in private, and endeavor to engage him to a more holy temper, and a more exemplary deportment.

Section 3. If a student, after due admonition, persist in a system of conduct not exemplary in regard to religion, he shall be dismissed from the Seminary.

Section 4. The Professors are particularly charged, by all the proper means in their power, to encourage, cherish, and promote devotion and personal piety among their students, by warning and guarding them, on the one hand, against formality and indifference, and on the other, against ostentation and enthusiasm; by inculcating practical religion in their lectures and recitations; by taking suitable occasions to converse with their students privately on this interesting subject; and by all other means incapable of being minutely specified, by which they may foster true experimental religion, and unreserved devotedness to God.

ARTICLE VIII
OF THE STUDENTS

Section 1. Every student applying for admission to the Theological Seminary, shall produce satisfactory testimonials that he possesses good natural talents, and is of a prudent and discreet deportment; that he is in full communion with some regular church; that he has passed through a regular course of academical study; or, wanting this, he shall submit to an examination in regard to the branches of literature taught in such a course.

Section 2. The first six months of every student in the Seminary shall be considered as probationary; and if at the end of this period any student shall appear to the Professors not qualified to proceed in his studies, they shall so report him to the Board, who, if they are of the same opinion with the Professors, shall dismiss him from the Seminary.

Section 3. The hours of study and of recreation for the students shall be fixed by the Professors, with the concurrence of the Trustees; and every student shall pay a strict regard to the rules established, relative to this subject.

Section 4. Every student shall be obliged to write on such theological and other subjects, as may be prescribed to him by the Professors, once a month; and shall also commit to memory a piece of his own composition, and pronounce it in public, before the Professors and students.

Section 5. Every student shall not only preserve an exemplary moral character, but shall be expected to treat his teachers with the greatest deference and respect, and all other persons with civility.

Section 6. Every student shall yield a prompt and ready

obedience to all the lawful requisitions of the Professors and Trustees.

Section 7. Diligence and industry in study shall be considered as indispensable in every student, unless the want of health shall prevent, of which the Professors shall take cognizance, and make the suitable allowance.

Section 8. Strict temperance in meat and drink is expected of every student, with cleanliness and neatness in his dress and habits; while all excessive expense in clothing is strictly prohibited.

Section 9. Every student, before he takes his standing in the Seminary, shall subscribe the following declaration, viz.: "Deeply impressed with a sense of the importance of improving in knowledge, prudence, and piety, in my preparation for the gospel ministry, I solemnly promise, in a reliance on divine grace, that I will faithfully and diligently attend on all the instructions of this Seminary, and that I will conscientiously and vigilantly observe all the rules and regulations specified in the Plan for its instruction and government, so far as the same relate to the students; and that I will obey all the lawful requisitions, and readily yield to all the wholesome admonitions of the Professors and Trustees of the Seminary, while I shall continue a member of it."

Section 10. The exercises of the Seminary shall be suspended during eighteen weeks in every year; the number of vacations, and the times at which they shall begin and end, to be determined by the Board.

ARTICLE IX OF THE FUNDS

Section 1. The Board of Trustees are authorized to ex-

ercise all control of the funds belonging to this Institution, hitherto exercised by the General Assembly, as far as can be done consistently with the will of the testators or donors; such as fixing the salaries of the Professors, regulating the amount required for endowment of scholarships or professorships, and keeping sacred and distinct the different funds already created, or to be hereafter created, for the specific objects for which they are given.

Section 2. All matters pertaining to finance, fixing salaries, the extent of endowment and aid of students shall be under the control and administration of the Board.

Section 3. Annual reports shall be presented by the Board to the General Assembly giving complete and accurate statements of the income and expenditures of the preceding year; a detailed statement of the amount of the funds held by the Board, and the report shall show the uses and purposes to which the income from the said funds has been applied.

Section 4. The intention and directions of testators or donors, in regard to moneys or other property left or given to the Seminary, shall, at all times be sacredly regarded. And if any individual, or any number of individuals, not greater than three, shall by will, or during his or their lives, found or endow a professorship or professorships, a scholarship or scholarships, or a fund or funds, destined for special purposes, said professorships, scholarships, or funds shall forever afterwards be called and known by the name or names of those who founded or endowed them; and if any congregation, presbytery, synod or association shall found a professorship or professorships, a scholarship or scholarships, or a fund or funds, said professorships, scholarships, or funds shall forever afterwards be called

and known by such names as the body founding them shall give.

Section 5. After supporting the Professors, and defraying the other necessary charges of the Seminary, the funds shall be applied, as far as circumstances will admit, to defray or diminish the expenses of those students who may need pecuniary aid, as well as to lessen, generally, the expense of a residence at the Seminary.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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AS APPROVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 1952

CHAPTER I

MEETINGS OF THE BOARD

1. There shall be two stated meetings of the Board of Trustees each year: the last Tuesday in April, which shall be the Annual Meeting; and the second Tuesday in October. The place of meeting shall be Princeton, New Jersey, and the hour shall be determined by the Board in time for the Secretary's notice.

2. The President, or, in case of his death or disability, the Vice-President, by and with the advice of any three of the trustees, expressed in writing, shall have power, and if so advised, he is hereby authorized and required to call a meeting of this Board at any other time and place, expressing in such call the special objects of such meeting. No business shall be transacted at such special meeting other than that specified in the call.

3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give at least ten days' notice, either by mail, or by some other safe conveyance, to every member of this Board of the time and place of every meeting, whether stated, by adjournment, or by special call, and to certify the same to the Board when met, and to enter the certificate thereof in the Minutes of such meeting.

4. Seven trustees, whereof the President, or, in his absence, the Vice-President, or the Secretary, is to be one, when duly convened, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If, at any time appointed for a meeting of the Board, sufficient number to constitute a

quorum do not attend, a less number may appoint another meeting by adjournment.

5. If any member of this Board shall be absent from three stated meetings successively, without reasonable excuse shown, such absence shall be construed to be a resignation of his seat, and the Board may at the next meeting thereafter, but not before, proceed to declare such seat vacant; *but no seat shall be deemed to be vacant unless the Board shall have first declared the same*, and caused such declaration to be entered in their Minutes.

6. Trustees shall be entitled to the amount of their expenses incurred in attendance upon meetings of the Board or of its committees.

7. The President of the Seminary shall be duly notified of, and his presence expected at, all meetings of the Board except when specifically excused.

CHAPTER II

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

1. The officers of the Board shall be a President, a Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other officers as the Board may ordain.

2. All officers of the Board shall be elected by ballot at the Annual Meeting in April and shall serve for one year or until their successors are elected. The President, Vice-President, and Secretary shall be chosen from the members of the Board. In the election of the officers of the Board the same procedure as to nomination and election shall be followed as that provided in these By-Laws for the nomination and election of members of the Board.

3. In case of a vacancy in any of these offices, the Board may fill such vacancy by an election for the unexpired term at any stated meeting.

4. The President, Vice-President, and Secretary shall perform the duties usually pertaining to their several offices, together with such other duties as from time to time the Board may direct.

5. The Secretary shall be the custodian of the Minutes and Records of the proceedings of the Board, of the Form of Subscription with the signatures of the Board as appended thereto from time to time, and of the Seal of the Corporation. These he shall keep in such depository as the Board may direct.

TREASURER

6. a. The Treasurer, in keeping and stating his accounts, shall make the following divisions of Capital Funds:

Restricted Capital Funds

Unrestricted Capital Funds

Annuity Funds

b. Under the direction of the President of the Seminary, the Treasurer shall perform the duties usually pertaining to that office and such other duties as shall be assigned to him by the President of the Seminary. Specifically, he shall keep the accounts of the Seminary under the direction of, and in such measure as required by, the Finance and Investment Committee. He shall collect all income except that of invested funds, shall purchase all supplies upon proper order of the President of the Seminary.

c. The Treasurer shall deposit promptly in a bank approved by the Board all monies received. No money shall be drawn from this account except by checks signed by him and countersigned by the President of the Seminary, or other person designated by the Board of Trustees. He

shall keep proper books of account and shall supply the Board, and its Committees, and the President of the Seminary with such statements as may be required of him.

d. The Treasurer shall give bond for the faithful performance of his duties in such sum as may be fixed by the Board.

ASSISTANT TREASURER

7. a. The Assistant Treasurer shall act as custodian of all funds of the Seminary except those collected by the Treasurer, and in keeping and stating his accounts he shall make such division thereof as the Finance and Investment Committee may from time to time direct.

b. He shall submit to the Treasurer monthly statements of all transactions in each of his several accounts, and at the close of the fiscal year he shall exhibit a statement in detail, including a list of the investments in each account, the cost or book value, and the market value of each investment.

c. The Assistant Treasurer shall make no advances, payments or disbursements of money out of the treasury except by resolution of the Finance and Investment Committee, or upon warrants drawn and signed by the Chairman of the Finance and Investment Committee, or in his absence by a member of said Committee designated by him or the President or Vice-President of the Board, or drawn and signed by the President or Vice-President of the Board, in pursuance of an order or resolution of the Board, or of a By-Law of this Corporation. He shall have responsibility for the safe keeping of the money and securities for money in a proper depository, and for the keeping and rendering of a true and perfect account thereof, and for

paying over the balances found in his hands and delivering up the securities for money and books of account, when thereunto required, and for doing and performing all and singular the duties of Assistant Treasurer, whether expressly required or necessarily resulting from the nature of the office.

CHAPTER III

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. The Standing Committees, each of which shall consist of at least nine members, shall be as follows:

- a. Administrative Committee
- b. Curriculum Committee
- c. Finance and Investment Committee
- d. Grounds and Buildings Committee
- e. Library Committee

2. No trustee shall be a member of more than two Standing Committees other than the Administrative Committee.

3. Each Standing Committee shall meet at least once in each interval between the stated meetings of the Board. A Chairman shall always call a meeting of a Committee upon the request of the President or Vice-President of the Board or any three members of the Committee.

4. A majority of the members of a Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. Each Standing Committee shall make a written report to the Board at each Stated Meeting.

6. The President of the Seminary shall be duly notified of, and his presence expected at, all meetings of Standing Committees.

CHAPTER IV

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

1. The Administrative Committee shall consist of the President, the Vice-President, and the Secretary of the Board, and the Chairman of the Curriculum, Finance and Investment, Grounds and Buildings, and Library Committees *ex officio*, and two additional members elected by the Board. The President and Secretary of the Board shall be *ex officio* Chairman and Secretary of the Committee.

2. The Administrative Committee shall keep in close relations with the President of the Seminary, and shall advise with him in furthering the policies, plans and progress of the Institution as determined by the Board.

3. It shall, unless otherwise directed by the Board, after consultation with the President of the Seminary, and having received nominations from him, nominate to the Board when vacancies occur, the Vice-President of the Seminary, the Dean, the Treasurer, the Assistant Treasurer, the Alumni Secretary, the Registrar, the Superintendent of Grounds and Buildings, and the Medical Adviser. That the Committee may have ample notice of the retirement, because of age, of the officers of administration, it shall keep on file a complete list of said officers with the dates of the prospective retirement, and, unless otherwise instructed by the Board, shall, approximately two years before said retirement dates, initiate endeavors looking toward the nomination of successors, to the Board.

4. It shall provide in consultation with the President of the Seminary for the opening session, commencement exercises, and the inauguration of professors, and for the proper conduct of any other public occasions of importance.

When a professor is to be inaugurated the Committee shall recommend to the Board when an adjourned or special meeting of the Board shall be called, and what forms shall be used and what services performed.

5. It shall submit at each Annual Meeting in April a draft of the annual report which the Plan of the Seminary requires the Board to present to the General Assembly.

6. It shall, under such rules as shall be adopted by the Board, and in consultation with the Finance and Investment Committee, direct through the President of the Seminary the distribution of the funds available for aid for students.

7. It shall submit to the Board at the Annual Meeting, upon recommendation of the President of the Seminary, for consideration and action, a detailed budget of the proposed expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year, together with a detailed estimate of the funds available to meet such expenditures as certified by the Finance and Investment Committee.

8. It shall in cooperation with the Alumni Associations of the Seminary devise and make effective such policies and plans as will further the interests of the Seminary.

9. It shall perform such other duties as shall be assigned by the Board.

CHAPTER V

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

1. The Curriculum Committee shall have direction, in accordance with the provisions of the Plan of the Seminary, of the courses of study pursued in the Seminary.

2. It shall in consultation with the President of the Seminary assign duties of the Professors, Associate Pro-

fessors, Assistant Professors, and Instructors, subject to the approval of the Board.

3. It shall, unless otherwise directed by the Board, nominate to the Board, when vacancies occur, Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors, and Instructors, and in making such nominations it shall specify to the Board the recommended terms of employment in accordance with the approved budget. That the Committee may have ample notice of the approaching retirement, because of age, of the officers of instruction, it shall keep on file a complete list of said officers with the dates of their prospective retirement, and, unless otherwise instructed by the Board, shall, approximately two years before said retirement dates, initiate endeavors looking toward the nomination of successors, to the Board.

4. It shall arrange for a systematic visitation by its members of the class rooms of the Seminary and shall annually report to the Board concerning such visitations.

5. It shall receive annually for transmission to the Board the report of the Faculty concerning conditioned students and students who have been certified by the Faculty for graduation or for the reception of degrees.

6. It shall, at least annually, examine the Minutes of the Faculty, and report thereupon to the Board.

7. It shall perform such other duties as shall be assigned by the Board.

CHAPTER VI

FINANCE AND INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

1. It shall be the duty of the Finance and Investment Committee to supervise the funds and securities of the Seminary.

2. It shall invest the moneys of the Seminary, and shall have supervision of the Treasurer and the Assistant Treasurer, and their offices. It shall have authority to sell, negotiate, transfer, and convey such of its securities or such of its real estate as it shall think advisable for the interests of the Seminary, and for this purpose to make use of the Corporate Seal of the Corporation. No investment purchase or sale for the account of the Capital Funds of the Seminary, and no contract concerning the same, shall be made without the formal approval of this Committee, except that transactions may be made with the approval of a specially authorized member or specially authorized members in the intervals between meetings.

3. It shall, at least once a year, examine the securities of the Corporation and report the result of such examination to the Board.

4. It shall report to the Board at each Stated Meeting all changes in the investments of the Seminary made since the previous Stated Meeting, and the condition of the finances and funds of the Seminary.

5. It shall appoint a certified public accountant who shall annually audit the accounts of the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, and report upon the same to the Committee, which report, together with the Treasurer's report, the Committee shall present to the Board at the first Stated Meeting following such audit.

6. In all cases where the full amount of any loan secured by mortgage owned by the Seminary has been duly received by the Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer thereof, the President, or Vice-President, or Secretary of the Board, or any one or more of such officers as may be necessary, are hereby authorized to execute a discharge, satisfaction or

assignment of said mortgage, and for this purpose to make use of the Corporate Seal of the Corporation.

7. When partial payments are made on loans secured by mortgages owned by the Seminary, and releases from the liens of said mortgages as to portions of the mortgaged premises are desired by the parties making such payments, the President, or Vice-President, or Secretary of the Board, or any one or more of such officers as may be necessary, are hereby authorized, in conformity with the action of the Finance and Investment Committee, to execute such releases, and also releases for legacies and donations, and for such purpose to make use of the Corporate Seal of the Corporation.

8. It shall perform such other duties as shall be assigned by the Board.

CHAPTER VII

GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

1. The Grounds and Buildings Committee shall have charge of, and be responsible for, the real estate, buildings and furniture belonging to the Seminary, and for their proper upkeep.

2. It shall define the duties of the Superintendent of Grounds and Buildings in the performance of which he shall be under the direction of the President of the Seminary.

3. It may authorize the Superintendent of Grounds and Buildings to act in cases of emergency.

4. It shall perform such other duties as shall be assigned by the Board.

CHAPTER VIII
LIBRARY COMMITTEE

1. The Library Committee shall have supervision of the library and the historical collections and, in consultation with the President of the Seminary and the Faculty, be responsible, through the Librarian, for the proper care, maintenance, and increase of the library, and for the enforcement of the rules governing the same.

2. It shall, in consultation with the President of the Seminary, assign the duties of the Librarian and Assistant Librarians, subject to the approval of the Board.

3. It shall, unless otherwise directed by the Board, nominate to the Board when vacancies occur, the Librarian and Assistant Librarians, and in making such nominations it shall specify to the Board the recommended terms of employment in accordance with the approved budget. That the Committee may have ample notice of the approaching retirement, because of age, of the Librarian and Assistant Librarians, it shall keep on file a complete list of the Librarian and Assistant Librarians, with the dates of their prospective retirement, and, unless otherwise instructed by the Board, shall, approximately two years before said retirement dates, initiate endeavors looking toward the nomination of successors, to the Board.

4. It shall arrange for a systematic visitation by its members of the library and shall annually report to the Board concerning such visitations.

5. It shall perform such other duties as shall be assigned by the Board.

CHAPTER IX

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

A. COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

1. The Committee on Nominations shall consist of five members and shall be appointed annually by the President at the October meeting of the Board.

2. It shall submit at the Annual Meeting of the Board in April nominations for the officers of, and for membership in, the Board, both for the places of those whose terms expire at the end of April and for any existing vacancies. It shall also, in the same manner, submit nominations for the chairmen and members of the Standing Committees. The complete list of said nominations shall be mailed by the chairman of the Committee on Nominations to all members of the Board. From these nominations, together with such others as may be made by members of the Board at said meeting, the officers and members of the Board, and the chairmen and members of the Standing Committees shall be elected by ballot at said Annual Meeting. (The election of members of the Board shall not be effective until approved by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.) The votes of a majority of the members of the Board present shall be necessary for any election.

3. In accordance with the Agreement of this Board of Trustees and the Alumni Association of Princeton Theological Seminary on record in the Minutes of the Board dated May 21, 1945, the Nominating Committee shall, annually, when nominating members of the Board, transmit to the Board for its consideration the name of the Alumnus submitted by the Alumni Association through

the Secretary of this Board. The Secretary shall be the medium of communication between the Board and the Association in all that relates to the nomination and election of Alumni Trustees.

As soon as vacancies among ministerial members of the Board occur, these vacancies, to the number of one in each class, shall be filled by the nominee of the Alumni Association, when duly and properly elected by the Trustees at their Annual Meeting and approved by the General Assembly. While in service these Alumni Trustees shall have the same status and powers as the other trustees.

These nominees, if and when elected and approved, shall serve for a single term of three years; except that, if originally elected to fill an unexpired term, an Alumni nominee shall be eligible for election as his own successor for a full term of three years without the renewed nomination by the Alumni Association.

B. OTHER SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Such other Special Committees may be appointed from time to time as the President may deem wise or the Board may direct.

C. PRESENCE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE SEMINARY AT SPECIAL MEETINGS

The President of the Seminary shall be duly notified of, and his presence expected, at all meetings of Special Committees.

CHAPTER X

THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES

The degree of Bachelor of Divinity (B.D.), the degree

of Master of Theology (Th.M.), and the degree of Doctor of Theology (Th.D.), are granted and conferred pursuant to the authorities and subject to the conditions following:

A. An Act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, entitled "An Act to enable seminaries or schools of theology to grant and confer the degree of bachelor of sacred theology, etc.," approved April 20, 1920.

B. An Ordinance of the Board of Trustees, originally adopted May 5, 1897; amended February 1, 1921; and amended April 29, 1952.

1. Whenever a student of this Seminary, who holds the degree of A.B., or its academic equivalent, from an approved institution, shall have completed the studies prescribed for the degree, and shall have been recommended therefor by the Faculty (the recommendation being made after a satisfactory examination had upon the completion of the prescribed studies), the degree of Bachelor of Divinity (B.D.) shall be granted by the Seminary to, and conferred upon, such student so recommended, with all such rights, honors, and privileges as are usually incident to such degree.

2. Whenever a student of this Seminary, who holds the degree of A.B., or its academic equivalent, and the degree of B.D., or its theological equivalent, from approved institutions, shall have completed the studies prescribed for the degree, and shall have been recommended therefor by the Faculty (the recommendation being made after a satisfactory examination had upon the completion of the prescribed studies), the degree of Master of Theology (Th.M.) shall by the Seminary be granted to, and conferred upon, such student so recommended, with all such

rights, honors, and privileges as are usually incident to such degree.

3. Whenever a student of this Seminary, who holds the degree of A.B., or its academic equivalent, and the degree of B.D., or its theological equivalent, from approved institutions, shall have been in residence at least two years, shall have completed the studies prescribed for the degree, and shall have been recommended therefor by the Faculty (the recommendation being made after a satisfactory examination had upon the completion of the prescribed studies), the degree of Doctor of Theology (Th.D.) shall by the Seminary be granted to, and conferred upon, such student so recommended, with all such rights, honors, and privileges as are usually incident to such degree.

4. Whenever a student of this Seminary, who holds the degree of A.B., or its academic equivalent, from an approved institution, shall have completed the studies prescribed for the degree, and shall have been recommended therefor by the Faculty (the recommendation being made after a satisfactory examination had upon the completion of the prescribed studies), the degree of Master of Religious Education (M.R.E. Prin) shall be granted by the Seminary to, and conferred upon, such student so recommended, with all rights, honors, and privileges as are usually incident to such degree.

5. That, in testimony of the conferring of such degree, a diploma shall issue to each Bachelor of Divinity, Master or Doctor of Theology, Master of Religious Education to which (the same having been first subscribed by the President of the Seminary) the President of the Board of Trustees shall subscribe his name and the Secretary shall

set the Seal of the Corporation without special direction or authority.

6. That the colors to be used in the lining of the academic hood appropriate to each degree shall be a red velvet chevron upon a blue silk background in the shades hereto attached and hereby adopted as the official colors of the Seminary.

7. A certificate shall be furnished by the Faculty to the Board of Trustees in the following form:

“These presents are to certify that after satisfactory examination had upon the course of study prescribed for the degree . . . student . . . of this Seminary, who also possesses the requisite academic (and theological) credentials . . . is hereby recommended to the Board of Trustees of the Seminary for the degree of Bachelor of Divinity (Master or Doctor of Theology, Master of Religious Education) and that the President of the Seminary is authorized, on the part and behalf of the Faculty, to subscribe his name to the diploma conferring the degree.

By order of the Faculty

Secretary of the Faculty.”

8. The form of the diploma granted at and with the conferring of the degree of Bachelor of Divinity (Master or Doctor of Theology) shall be:

Curatores et Professores Scholae Theologicae Princetoniensis ab ecclesia Presbyteriana conditae omnibus has litteras lecturis salutem in Domino nostro Iesu Christo. Cum nobis jus non modo sacras litteras docendi sed etiam ad gradus sacrae theologiae promovendi auctoritate reipublicae Neo-Caesariensis concessum sit, cumque candidatus . . . vir vita inculpatus fide Christianus litteris instructus humanioribus studiis theologicis imbutus (doc-

tus, eruditus) se justo examine coram nobis habito dignum honore publico esse demonstraverit, idcirco notum sit quod supradictum candidatum sacrae Theologiae Baccalaureum (Magistrum, Doctorem) creari volumus. Cujus rei haec membrana sigillo Scholae nostrae rata et nominibus praesidium nostrorum munita testimonio sit. Datum Princetoniae Junii . . . AD MCM . . .

Professorum Praeses
Curatorum Praeses

(In the case of a woman candidate appropriate changes will be made.)

9. The form of diploma granted at and with the conferring of the degree of Master of Religious Education shall be:

Curatores et Professores Scholae Theologicae Princetoniensis ab ecclesia Presbyteriana conditae omnibus has litteras lecturis salutem in Domino nostro Iesu Christo. Cum nobis jus non modo sacras litteras docendi sed etiam ad gradus sacrae theologiae promovendi auctoritate reipublicae Neo-Caesariensis concessum sit, cumque candidatus . . . vir bonis moribus praestans Christianam fidem professus litteris instructus humanioribus studiis theologicis imbutus se justo examine coram nobis habito dignum honore publico esse demonstraverit, idcirco notum sit quod supradictum candidatum Magistrum in Religiosa Educatione (Prin) creari volumus. Cujus rei haec membrana sigillo Scholae nostrae rata et nominibus praesidium nostrorum munita testimonio sit. Datum Princetoniae Junii . . . AD MCM . . .

Professorum Praeses
Curatorum Praeses

(In the case of a woman candidate appropriate changes will be made.)

10. Candidates for a degree shall be present to receive it, and the degree will be conferred in absentia only when an excuse for absence has been approved by the Faculty.

CHAPTER XI

ACADEMIC YEAR

1. The date of the Seminary Commencement shall be the second Tuesday after the fourth Thursday in May, and the opening of the Seminary shall be thirty-six weeks before this date.

CHAPTER XII

THE SEAL

1. Until broken, altered or changed by some other ordinance, the common seal, which has been used by the Institution throughout its history, shall be the common seal of this corporation. It consists of a circular plate of brass of approximately one and three quarter inches in diameter and carries upon the face of it the following device and inscription, that is to say: an open book, representing the Holy Bible, with an eye of inspection above it; Seal of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church dated 1824, a copy of the impression whereof is contained in the margin of this ordinance.

2. The President, or the Vice-President, or the Secretary of the Board is authorized, without the special direction of the Board for that purpose, to execute under his hand and the common seal of the corporation, releases, satisfaction-pieces, and other proper discharges and acknowledgments of the payment of all legacies, donations,

debts, mortgages, and other moneys that may at any time be duly paid and satisfied, and all such instruments so executed shall be valid and operative without the attestation of a second officer.

CHAPTER XIII

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I. A docket shall be placed before the Board by the Secretary at each Stated Meeting. The general schedule shall be as follows:

- I. Organization with prayer.
- II. Roll Call and reasons for non-attendance.
- III. Presentation, correction, if necessary, and approval of the Minutes of previous meeting, as mailed to the members.
- IV. Secretary's report.
- V. The Seminary President's report.
- VI. The Vice-President's report.
- VII. The Treasurer's report.
- VIII. Reports of Committees:
 - A. Administrative Committee
 - B. Curriculum Committee
 - C. Finance and Investment Committee
 - D. Grounds and Buildings Committee
 - E. Library Committee
 - F. Special Committees
- IX. Miscellaneous business.
- X. Election of Trustees.
- XI. Election of Officers.
- XII. Election of Committees.
- XIII. Adjournment with prayer.

2. Matters requiring the action of a committee shall be referred to the Standing or Special Committee having charge of such subjects unless by special order of the Board.

3. Matters arising between Stated Meetings may be referred to the appropriate Standing Committees by the President of the Board or the President of the Seminary for consideration and report to the next Stated or Special Meeting of the Board.

CHAPTER XIV

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Resolutions must be put in writing and delivered to the Secretary when requested.

2. No changes in these By-Laws shall be made except by a vote of two-thirds of the entire Board at a Stated Meeting at which the change is proposed, or by a majority vote of the members present at a Stated Meeting subsequent to a meeting at which notice or proposal to change such By-Laws shall have been given. The Secretary shall notify members of the Board of proposed changes when sending notice of meetings.

3. The operation of these By-Laws shall not be changed or suspended save by a three-fourths vote of the members present, in number not less than a majority of the membership of the Board.

4. All former Ordinances, By-Laws, and Resolutions governing the Seminary passed by the Board of Trustees in conflict with these By-Laws are hereby repealed.

5. So far as the same may be applicable, the General Rules for Judicatories adopted by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America shall be the Rules of the Board.

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