

3. *Schedule change*

Mr. Wagner proposed the following schedule for the afternoon session:

2:45-3:00 P.M.	Action on proposed Standing Rule 27
3:00-3:30 P.M.	Commission Concerns
3:30-4:30 P.M.	Unitary Program Presentation: The Faith Crisis
4:45-6:15 P.M.	Issue Exploration Groups
8:00 P.M.	Call to Order, evening session

The change of schedule was adopted by consensus.

4. *Adoption of Standing Rule 27*

Secretary Evans read the proposal for Standing Rule 27 providing for minority reports on Pronouncements, Proposals for Action, and standard parliamentary resolutions. It was moved and seconded.

Mr. Michael Jones, Connecticut Conference, asked if the reference to percentages meant that a vote by standing division of the house would be required. Advised by the Parliamentarian, the Moderator answered that it would.

The Rev. Harold R. Fray, Massachusetts Conference, moved to strike Item 3 from the proposal. The motion was seconded but, on being put to a vote, was lost. It was then

71-GS-14 VOTED: The General Synod, recognizing the existence of authentic, responsible pluralism in matters of Christian conviction, judgment, and action and in order that it may consider substantial minority positions, amends its Standing Rules by adding Rule 27, as follows:

a. *Definition.* A minority resolution is a Pronouncement, Proposal for Action, or standard parliamentary resolution as defined herein which has been voted favorably by more than twenty-five per cent (25%) of the delegates who voted on a Pronouncement, Proposal for Action, or standard parliamentary resolution covering the same subject matter at the same or last previous business session.

b. *Procedures.*

(1) A minority resolution may be proposed only when the Pronouncement, Proposal for Action, or standard parliamentary resolution has been adopted by the affirmative vote of less than seventy-five per cent (75%) of delegates who voted on the majority Pronouncement, Proposal for Action, or standard parliamentary resolution.

(2) A minority resolution must be presented for consideration at the same or next business session in order to be considered.

(3) A minority resolution may be voted only by those persons who voted in opposition to a majority resolution. Each Conference shall be responsible to determine the eligibility of its own delegates.

(4) A minority resolution shall be utilized in the same manner as its companion Pronouncement, Proposal for Action, or standard parliamentary resolution containing the subject matter.

5. *Report of the Commission on Worship*

The Moderator introduced the chairman of the Commission on Worship, the Rev. Louis H. Gunnemann of New Brighton, Minn., who reported for the Commission. He called special attention to several paragraphs in the Commission's report as printed in *Advance Reports*, Index 17, Commissions and Committees.