

# North Carolina Assemblies of God 2026 Bylaws Proposal

## GENERAL OVERVIEW

### What Is Being Proposed

The NCAG Board of Trustees is recommending the adoption of a **completely revised set of bylaws** to replace the current 2024 version. This is not a minor revision, but a **full modernization and clarification** of how the district operates.

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### What Is NOT Changing

- Relationship with the General Council
- Local church sovereignty (GC-affiliated churches)
- Credentialing authority of the General Council
- Congregational election of pastors

These foundational principles remain fully intact.

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### Why This Matters

The proposed bylaws strengthen the district in four key areas:

#### 1. Legal Protection

- Reduces risk of lawsuits
- Adds biblical dispute resolution (Matthew 18 → mediation → arbitration)
- Protects leaders through indemnification

#### 2. Clearer Governance

- Defines two types of churches:
  - General Council–Affiliated (self-governing)
  - NCAG–Affiliated (district-governed)
- Clarifies when and how NCAG leadership may intervene

#### 3. Defined Authority

- Clarifies responsibility where the district has legal/financial involvement
- Strengthens board structure (longer terms, term limits)
- Clearly defines Superintendent’s authority

#### 4. Modernized Procedures

- Establishes a fixed quorum (10%)
  - Raises amendment threshold to 2/3 (greater stability)
  - Allows electronic meetings and written actions
  - Strengthens financial oversight structures
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#### Key Improvements at a Glance

- Lower legal risk
  - Stronger leadership protection
  - Clearer alignment with General Council polity
  - More stable and consistent governance
  - Reduced ambiguity in decision-making
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#### Overall Impact

If adopted, these bylaws will make NCAG:

- More legally secure
  - More operationally clear
  - More aligned with General Council principles
  - Better equipped for future ministry and growth
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#### Board Recommendation

The NCAG Board of Trustees **recommends adoption** of the 2026 Revised Bylaws in full.

For full details, please review:

- Executive Summary Detail
- Resolution submitted by the Resolution Committee
- Proposed 2026 Bylaws
- Current 2024 Bylaws (for comparison)

