Considerations for Submission of a Motion/IFD to the 2025 ABM Agenda

The CCC (Conference Charter Committee) and the ARS (Agenda Review Subcommittee) request that you respect the ABM Agenda Submission Process by submitting all Motions/IFDs in a timely manner.

Please submit a Motion/IFD no later than <u>April 9, 2025</u>, the suggested date or, if possible, before. There are advantages to submitting a Motion/IFD by the suggested date including:

- 1. The ARS or others will be able to help the Submitter revise a Motion/IFD, if required.
- 2. The ARS and CCC can assist the Submitter in having a Motion/IFD placed on the ABM Agenda Second Version.
- 3. Allows time for comments from Conference Committees on a Motion/IFD to be placed on the ABM Agenda Third Version.
- 4. Delegates and other Conference members will have the opportunity to fully review the Motion/IFD prior to the ABM.

Alternatively, submitting a Motion/IFD after the suggested submission due date or submitting a Motion/IFD just prior to the 7PM deadline at the start of the ABM creates several disadvantages, including:

- 1. The Fellowship will not be able to provide comments regarding the Motion/IFD prior to the ABM and an informed group conscience will not be possible.
- 2. Places an undue burden on members of the ARS and the CCC who are preparing the ABM Agenda Fourth Version for the ABM for distribution the next morning.
- 3. A 'last minute submission' does not provide time for revision thus jeopardizing the chance of the Motion/IFD being placed on the ABM Agenda Fourth Version.

The submission deadline for the third version of the ABM Agenda is June 8, 2025. All submissions will continue to be accepted for review until the 7:00 pm deadline, <u>August 7, 2025</u> (Central Time Zone).

In the spirit of fellowship, please be considerate of the service work of others and know we appreciate your participation in the ABM Agenda Submission Process.

Respectfully submitted by:

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