

<b>Conference Team</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Needs</b>
<b>Board of Trustees</b>  3 classes, 4-year terms	An incorporated body that has the fiduciary responsibility for the care of financial and physical assets of the Annual Conference. (§2512 of the Book of Discipline)	3 for class of 2028 1 for class of 2027* 1 for class of 2026*
<b>Nominations and Leadership Development</b>  3 classes, 4-year terms	Identify and recruit leaders to serve Annual Conference boards, teams, and agencies. Each class on nominations should have 1 lay man, 1 lay woman, and 1 clergy (§1610 of the Book of Discipline)	3 for class of 2028 3 for class of 2027* 3 for class of 2026*
<b>Council on Finance and Administration</b>  Quadrennial team, 4-year terms	Develop, maintain, and administer a comprehensive and coordinated plan of fiscal and administrative policies, procedures, and management services for the Annual Conference (§1612 of the Book of Discipline)	10 for class of 2028
<b>Board of Laity</b>	This team is made up entirely by the District Lay Leaders.	None.
<b>Commission on Equitable Compensation</b>  12 on commission in 3 classes. 50% Lay, 50% Clergy. 4-year terms.	Support clergy serving as pastors in the charges of the Annual Conference by recommending conference minimum standards for pastoral support, administering funds to be used in base compensation supplementation, providing counsel and advisory material on pastoral support to the cabinet and SPRC/PPRCs, and submitting an arrearage policy to the Annual Conference (§1625 of the Book of Discipline)	4 for class of 2028 <i>2 lay, 2 clergy</i> 3 for class of 2027* <i>2 clergy, 1 lay</i> 1 for class of 2026* <i>Lay</i>
<b>Board of Ordained Ministry</b>  Team appointed by Bishop	The membership of this team is entirely made up of appointees by the Bishop. Enlist, recruit, and evaluate candidates for ministry in the UMC and support those in ministerial leadership. (§1635 of the Book of Discipline)	None, though suggestions may be considered through the form.
<b>Administrative Review Committee</b>  Team appointed by Bishop and elected during clergy session	Ensures that disciplinary procedures are followed during certain matters pertaining to clergy-conference relations. (§1636 of the Book of Discipline)	None, though suggestions may be considered through the form
<b>Committee on Investigation</b>  Team appointed by Bishop	Considers judicial complaints against clergy members of the Annual Conference, clergy members on honorable location or administrative location, local pastors, and diaconal ministers. (§12703 of the Book of Discipline)	None, though suggestions may be considered through the form
<b>Board of Pensions and Health Benefits</b>	Provides and contributes to the support, relief, assistance, and pensioning of clergy and their families, other church workers,	4 for class of 2032 3 for class of 2030*

8-year terms, 1 term max	and lay employees of the institutions, organizations, and agencies within the Annual Conference (§639 of the Book of Discipline)	1 for class of 2028*
<b>Safe Sanctuaries Committee</b>  Team appointed by Bishop	Maintains standards for sexual ethics and the care of vulnerable persons in ministry contexts.	None, though suggestions may be considered through the form
<b>Camp and Retreat Ministries</b>  3-year terms	Serve as the Board of Directors for the Camp and Retreat ministries and sites of the Annual Conference.	5 for class of 2027 5 for class of 2025*
<b>Conference Committee on the Episcopacy</b>  Quadrennial team, 20% appointed by Bishop	Support our Bishop in the oversight of the spiritual and temporal affairs of the Church, be available to the Bishop for counsel, assist in the determination of episcopal needs in our area, and advise the Bishop of conditions within our area that can affect relationships. (§637 of the Book of Discipline)	8 needed total (2 appointed by bishop)
<b>Episcopacy Residency Committee</b>  Quadrennial team, appointed by Bishop	Give oversight in all matters related to upkeep, maintenance, improvements, and appropriate insurance coverages for the episcopal residence. (§638.2 of the Book of Discipline)	None, though suggestions may be considered through the form
<b>Conference Leadership Team</b>  Team appointed by Bishop	Serve as the Executive Body of the Annual Conference between Conference sessions	None, though suggestions may be considered through the form
<b>Conference Sessions Team</b>  Team appointed by Bishop	Organizes and plans for Annual Conference Sessions.	None, though suggestions may be considered through the form
<b>Rules Committee</b>  Chair appointed by Bishop. 4-year term	Formulates and recommends rules of governance for Annual Conference sessions.	5 for class of 2028
<b>Petitions and Resolutions</b>  Chair appointed by Bishop. 4-year term	Provides a framework for the receiving, numbering, circulating, and orderly presenting of resolutions and petitions to Annual Conference sessions.	5 for class of 2028
<b>Global Ministries Team</b>	Provide for functions related to the maintenance of connectional relationships between the Upper New York	4 for class of 2028

4-year terms Quadrennial Team	Annual Conference and the General Board of Global Ministries, and the Conference, its Districts, and/or its Local Churches with mission projects beyond the bounds of the Upper New York Annual Conference (§633 of the Book of Discipline)	
<b>Volunteers in Mission</b>  All serve by virtue of Office	Provides oversight and leadership for Volunteers in Missions projects and excursions through our Annual Conference.	None
<b>Disaster Response Coordinator</b>  Appointed by Global Ministries Team	Assists the United Methodist Committee on Relief. (§633.4.b.22 of the Book of Discipline)	None
<b>Accessibilities Concerns Team</b>  4-year terms	Advocate for the role of persons with disabilities in ministry, help develop programs within the annual conference that meet the needs of persons with disabilities, develop ways to sensitize persons in leadership on issues that affect persons with disabilities, promote the full inclusion of persons with disabilities in the life of the Church. (§653 of the Book of Discipline)	4 for class of 2028 3 for class of 2027* 3 for class of 2026* 3 for class of 2025*
<b>College Ministries Team</b>  Quadrennial Team	Provide for the connectional relationship between the Division of Higher Education of GBHEM and the Conference, District, and Local Church and provide for a ministry in higher education related to the objectives and scope of work of GBHEM. (§634 of the Book of Discipline)	6 for class of 2028
<b>New Faith Communities Team</b>  Appointed by Director of New Faith Communities	Provides support and oversight of New Faith Communities within the Annual Conference.	None, though suggestions may be considered through the form
<b>Hispanic Ministries Team</b>  Quadrennial Team	Support the development, implementation, and evaluation of a Hispanic/Latino Ministries comprehensive plan of action (§655 of the Book of Discipline)	>10 for class of 2028
<b>Council on Youth Ministries</b>  Filled by District Councils on Youth Ministry	Supports and resources local churches in their ministry with youth	Contact Conference Youth Coordinator or District Youth Coordinators to join.
<b>Young Adult Council</b>  4-year terms	Strengthen the ministry of young adults in local churches and districts of the Annual Conference (§650 of the Book of Discipline)	3 for class of 2028

<b>Social Holiness Team</b>  4-year terms	Connect the Annual Conference with the ministry of the General Board of Church and Society and advocate for social issues relevant to our Annual Conference ministry (§1629 of the Book of Discipline)	4 for class of 2028 4 for class of 2027* 2 for class of 2026*
<b>Commission on the Status and Role of Women</b>  4-year terms	Collect data on the status and role of women throughout the Annual Conference and develop ways to inform and advocate for issues that affect women within the Annual Conference. (§1644 of the Book of Discipline)	3 for class of 2028 3 for class of 2027* 3 for class of 2026* 2 for class of 2025*
<b>Commission on Religion and Race</b>  4-year terms	Support and provide programs of education in areas of intercultural competency, institutional equity, and vital conversations for the Annual Conference and advocate for issues pertaining to racial justice (§1643 of the Book of Discipline)	5 for 2028 5 for 2027* 3 for 2026* 2 for 2025*
<b>Committee on Native American Ministries</b>  4-year terms	Determine the distribution of Native American Ministries Sunday offering, coordinate the promotion of Native American Ministries Sunday, and monitor Native American ministries within the Annual Conference (§1654 of the Book of Discipline)	4 for 2028 4 for 2027* 3 for 2026*
<b>Archives and History</b>  4-year terms	Collect, preserve, and make accessible the historically significant records of the Annual Conference and its agencies and encourage and assist local churches in preserving their records. (§1641 of the Book of Discipline)	4 for class of 2028 4 for class of 2027* 1 for class of 2026* 2 for class of 2025*

#### Notes

- Teams that are identified as “quadrennial” are teams that are only filled during General Conference years.
- Unless otherwise noted, a person cannot serve more than two consecutive terms on one team.
- After serving two consecutive terms, a person may continue to serve on that team in an *emeritus* capacity with voice, but no vote. After completing one year of *emeritus* service, that person may be eligible to be re-nominated for a new term on that team.
- A class that has an asterisk (\*) next to it in the **Needs** column indicates a vacancy in a term that is already underway. If a vacancy term is less than one half of the length of a stated term, it does not count as a full term for the purposes of term limits.
- It is the *preference* of the United Methodists of Upper New York that a person does not serve on more than one team, ex-officio membership or membership by virtue of office notwithstanding.
- District teams are filled by their respective District Superintendent and approved by the Annual Conference. The makeup of these teams will be made available to the Conference at the pre-conference briefings.