Proposed Funding Plan for PCA Administrative Committee

General Assumptions

- 2009 data from 2010 Yearbook of the PCA
- AC budget and historical financial data taken from materials presented to the 2010 General Assembly

- 706 out of 1741 congregations gave to AC in 2009 (40.6%)
- Of those 706 congregations, 351 sent representatives to 2009 GA.

- 427 congregations reported $49,999 or less in total contributions in 2009 (vs. 544 in 2008)
- Of those 427 congregations, 289 reported no data at all. Since this cannot be accurate (there had to be some level of attendance and income), data for these 289 churches was analyzed at an assumed level (see Table next page).

- Total contributions to the AC from PCA congregations in 2009 was 46.2% of the askings – based on actual donations to GA divided by expected askings (at $6/member)

- 603 congregations were represented at the 2009 GA
- Of those 603 congregations, 351 gave contributions to AC in 2009 and 252 gave no contributions to AC in 2009

- Funding structure below (see Table next page) uses Tithes and Offerings ranges as presented by the AC to GA at the 2010 GA.
- 1,731 congregations used vs. 1,741 congregations reported in Yearbook due to Harbor Presbyterian's (San Diego, CA) multiple sites being reported as separate congregations in Yearbook instead of one congregation
- Fee per church is adjusted
- No GA registration fee for all TE's and RE's representing churches who give to AC according to the table below
- Name of contribution changed to "GA Registration Fee / AC Askings" to reflect assumption that some churches will continue to give without attending GA, and do so at a reasonably healthy rate (40.6% of churches gave 46.2% of AC askings; means those who gave, on average gave generously).

- Separate GA registration fee proposed for all TE's and RE's representing churches who do not give to AC
- Fee is $2,000 per TE or RE
- Assumed 100 TE's/RE's paying this fee

- $200 GA registration fee for TE's without call, serving out of bounds, as missionaries, chaplains or campus ministers
- Assumed 100 TE's paying this fee

- No presbytery fee

- Changes to fees must be approved by GA and a 2/3 majority of presbyteries

Proposed Annual GA Registration Fee / AC Askings for Churches

Category	Tithes & Offerings Range	Number of Churches (2009)	Registration Fee per Church	Fees if All Churches Give
A	$7,000,000 +	8	$27,500	$220,000
B	$5,500,000 to 6,999,999	3	$22,500	$67,500
C	$4,000,000 to 5,499,999	7	$20,000	$140,000
D	$3,000,000 to 3,999,999	12	$15,000	$180,000
E	$2,000,000 to 2,999,999	25	$10,000	$250,000
F	$1,500,000 to 1,999,999	24	$8,000	$192,000
G	$1,250,000 to 1,499,999	19	$6,000	$114,000
H	$1,000,000 to 1,249,999	30	$5,000	$150,000
I	$750,000 to 999,999	82	$4,000	$328,000
J	$625,000 to 749,999	57	$3,000	$171,000
K	$500,000 to 624,999	77	$2,300	$177,000
L	$400,000 to 499,999	97	$1,800	$174,600
M	$300,000 to 399,999	109	$1,500	$163,500
N	$200,000 to 299,999	189	$1,200	$226,800
O	$150,000 to 199,999	145	$800	$116,000
P	$100,000 to 149,999	206	$600	$123,600
Q	$50,000 to 99,999	214	$400	$85,600
R	$0 to 49,999	138	$200	$27,600
Total		**1,442**		**$2,907,300**
Not reporting		289	$1,200 assumed	$346,800
Grand Total		**1,731**		**$3,254,100**

- Not all churches will give; assumed 40.6% will give, consistent with 2009 ratio
- Results in GA Registration Fee / Askings receipts of $1,319,583 (40.6% of Grand Total in Table above)

Budget Assumptions

- *byFaith* to become a self-supporting entity, separate from AC budget
- Other 2011 budget line items same as presented to 2010 GA
- Additional assumptions in notes appended to Budget Table below

Proposed New 2011 AC Budget

	2009 Actual	Approved 2010 Budget	Approved 2011 Budget	Proposed 2011 Budget	Notes
REVENUE					
Contributions	$1,033,371	$1,346,000	$1,253,150	$1,319,583	1
TE/RE Fees 1				200,000	2
TE/RE Fees 2				20,000	3
Other Fees	766,517	684,000	785,500	110,000	4
Investments	868				
Other				50,000	5
TOTAL REVENUE	**$1,800,756**	**$2,030,000**	**$2,038,650**	**$1,699,583**	
EXPENSES					
News Office	$339,584	$309,800	$322,590	$0	6
Historical Center	95,357	133,000	110,740	110,740	
Committees & Agencies	86,227	95,900	106,085	106,085	
Churches & Presbyteries	238,735	276,600	309,285	309,285	
Statistics & Publications	213,083	270,400	264,980	264,980	
Standing Committee	230,812	287,300	290,700	290,700	
General Assembly	424,459	456,500	484,610	484,610	
Management & General	91,558	108,000	89,665	89,665	
Fund Raising	58,699	92,500	59,995	59,995	
Exclude Depreciation	(33,534)	(40,000)	(32,800)	(32,800)	
TOTAL EXPENSES	**$1,744,980**	**$1,990,000**	**$2,005,850**	**$1,683,260**	
Equity Transfer	11,338				
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	**$67,114**	**$40,000**	**$32,800**	**16,323**	

Budget Notes:

1. New GA Registration Fee / AC Askings (see Table above)
2. 100 TE's/RE's from congregations not making a contribution to AC
3. 100 TE's serving out of bounds, without call, chaplains, missionaries, campus ministers
4. $40,000 from Directory advertising; $70,000 from GA exhibitors (per AC data)
5. Other contributions or support raised (as occurs now)
6. News Office assumed to be 100% *byFaith*, which is to become a self-supporting entity

Additional Rationale / Comments

- No major changes to proposed 2011 budget other than income and elimination of *byFaith* as a budget item. Purpose is to show that proposed ***voluntary*** funding proposal meets budget needs as presented to 2010 General Assembly.

- Fee/Askings to be voluntary rather than mandatory – latter in violation of BCO.

- Fee/Askings table has higher fees than original AC proposal; fee per church is still consistent with the overall giving and attendance, and with the old method of askings at $6 (2009) or $7 (2010) per member

- No "back taxes" – contributions are voluntary each year; fees charged to attend GA without a church contribution also only charged on a year-by-year basis, and only if the TE/RE actually attends

- High fee ($2,000) charged to TE's and RE's whose churches do not contribute to AC:

    - Encourages contribution to AC – well over 1,000 congregations would be better off paying the GA Fee / AC Asking
    - Some larger churches may conclude that the $2,000 fee per TE/RE is cheaper than GA Fee / AC Asking; this is considered unlikely as larger churches are more likely to send more commissioners, but will happen in some circumstances

- Low GA registration fees for TE's without call, chaplains, serving out of bounds, campus ministers, honorably retired, etc.

- Some churches will continue to give to AC without attending GA; they do so now and will continue to be able to freely give

- Some TE's/RE's will continue to attend GA without supporting AC