



Action Outline #1 Vote for Certified Candidacy

Action: The dCOM votes to determine certified candidacy status.

Suggested Motion: Move that _____ be granted certified candidacy status.

Date of Vote: _____

Vote: ☐ Certified ☐ Denied certification ☐ Certification delayed at this time
** Individual written ballot, three-fourths majority required to certify (§666.7).

Requirements:

1. Be a member of The United Methodist Church for a minimum of one year or a baptized participant of a recognized United Methodist campus ministry or other United Methodist ministry setting for a minimum of one year
2. Enrolled as a candidate with GBHEM
3. Recommended by the candidate's home church charge conference or equivalent body as specified by the dCOM
4. Graduated from an accredited high school or received a certificate of equivalency
5. Completed the candidacy studies with an assigned candidacy mentor as evidenced by a written report from the candidacy mentor
6. Provided a written statement of call and response to statements found in §310.2a
7. Completed psychological assessment and evaluation
8. Completed criminal background check and credit check and submitted a notarized statement regarding sexual misconduct and child abuse.
9. Examined (interviewed) by the dCOM (see §310.2)
10. Outcome of certification vote recorded with GBHEM.

Note: Candidacy status **must be renewed annually** by the dCOM (§313) until a candidate becomes a local pastor or provisional member.