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Suggested Title: GBPHB – Wespah Name  
*Discipline ¶*: 1501  
General Church Budget Implications: None  
Global Implications: None

The General Conference hereby changes the name of the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits to Wespah.

To effectuate such, amend ¶1501 as follows:

¶ **1501. Establishment** – 1. a) There shall be a general board~~General Board of Pension and Health Benefits of The United Methodist Church~~, which shall be known as Wespah, hereinafter called Wespah~~the general board~~, having the general supervision and administration of the support, relief, and assistance and pensioning of clergy of this denomination, lay workers of the various units of the Church, and their families.

b) Wespah, formerly known as the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits of The United Methodist Church, ~~is~~ ~~The general board shall be~~ the successor to the General Board of Pensions of The United Methodist Church, the Board of Pensions of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, and the General Board of Pensions of The Methodist Church.

2. Wespah~~The general board~~ shall have authority to establish, maintain, and discontinue the location of its headquarters office and such auxiliary offices as it shall deem proper and advisable.

3. Wespah~~The general board~~ shall report to and be amenable to the General Conference.

Related non-Disciplinary implementation text: To further effectuate such change, the General Conference hereby directs that all references to the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits, general board or its board, wherever they appear in *Discipline* ¶1501 through ¶1509, shall be changed to Wespath, the Wespath board of directors, or Wespath's board depending on the grammatical and syntactical context of each mention.

Further, the General Conference hereby directs that the name of the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits be changed to Wespath, wherever it appears in *The Book of Discipline*, *The Book of Resolutions*, and plan documents.

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