



2018 Sectional Meetings

Last year's District Conference evaluations indicated that the ANE delegates would like more time to speak and requested some time for discussion. We heard your voice! In response to those evaluations, your District Conference leadership is planning sectional meetings to provide information about business items coming to this year's District Conference. All delegates and interested persons are highly encouraged and welcome to attend at least one of the following meetings:

- ❖ **September 4, 2018 – 3:00-4:30pm or 6:30-8:00pm – Hempfield CoB Sanctuary**
- ❖ **September 11, 2018 – 3:00-4:30pm or 6:30-8:00pm – Spring Creek CoB Chapel**
- ❖ **September 17, 2018 – 3:00-4:30pm or 6:30-8:00pm – Indian Creek CoB Fellowship Hall**

Agenda:

- Opening Prayer
- Presentation about Policy on Same Gender Marriage
- Time for questions and answers
- Presentation about Procedural Outline for Congregational Withdrawal
- Time for questions and answers
- Closing Prayer/Hymn

According to *The Plan of Organization*, the following are the suggested functions of the sectional meetings:

- Give emphasis to worship, praise, inspiration, information and fellowship.
- Hear reports of matters pertinent to the respective section and from related institutions.
- Secure names of persons who may be called to serve in positions of leadership in the District for use by the Gifts Discernment Team.
- Give non-binding advice to District Conference leaders on particular interests and concerns of the section.
- Provide pre-conference briefing to study business items and understand the implications of a decision for congregations.
- Unite and inspire congregations into a larger fellowship and sense of mission.