

7. When a Presbytery reports to the Synod its judgment that a minister ought to be loosed from his pastoral charge for reasons other than his suspension or deposition from office, the Synod shall duly consider the case as sent up (the minister and a commissioner from the congregation having opportunity to be heard), and shall pronounce a judgment, empowering and instructing the Presbytery to separate the minister from his charge from and after a day named; or shall otherwise decide and instruct the Presbytery as to what further action it should take.

8. The Moderator may call a *pro re. nata* meeting of the Synod in extraordinary circumstances, provided the business requiring it affects the whole Church, and when the want of a meeting might cause serious injury to the property or interests of the Church, and further when he shall have received a requisition asking him to call it, signed by five members of Synod, or else when he shall have consulted as many members of the Synod as possible, and shall have been generally advised by them to call it. To call such a meeting, the Moderator shall transmit at least three weeks before the time of meeting a circular letter addressed to each member whose name appears on the Roll of the last preceding annual session, naming the time and place for the meeting, and the business to be done. No business can be done other than that named in the circular letter calling the meeting.

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