

Committee on the Office of the General Assembly
Proposed Meeting Agenda
September 27-29, 2021
Zoom Video Conference

Item 1.1

Monday, September 27

12:00 noon Session 1

- Welcome – S. Anthony
- Acknowledgment of Native American Land – T. Dykers Koenig
- Opening Prayer – TBD
- Approval of COGA Agenda (action) – S. Anthony [1.1]
- Attendance – S. Anthony and D. Minter
- Approval of Minutes – D. Minter
 - April 13-15, 2021 (action) [1.2]
 - May 20, 2021 (action) [1.3]
 - June 17, 2021 (action) [1.4]
- Report of the COGA Moderator
 - Appointment of COGA Nominating Committee (II.C. from *Manual of Operations*)
- Checking In With One Another – W. Kennedy

Session 2 – Bible study on Hebrews 11:1 (*From Lament to Hope*, theme of GA225) – J. H. Nelson

Session 3 – 225th General Assembly (2022) Discussion

- Planning Update (info) – J. Henderson
 - Update on COVID contingency planning (info)
 - Update on Chaplains during GA (info) – K. Rice
- Discussion of Mid Council Leader Survey Results (info) – T. Dykers Koenig and J. Oh [2.1]
- ~~Sponsorship (action) – K. Rice [2.2] – [will present in October]~~
- Building Renovation (info) – K. Rice
- COGA Workgroup Reports (info and action)
 - Design Team – S. Anthony
 - Events Team – D. Davis
 - Recommendation to not include exhibit hall in GA program (action) [2.3]
 - Recommendation on allowing direct access to commissioners during committees (action) [2.4]
 - Process and Discernment Team – A. James
 - Virtual Participation of Overture Advocates (action) [2.5]
 - In-Person or Virtual Participation of Resource Persons (action) [2.6]
 - Communications Team – W. Kennedy
- Per Diem (action) – D. Davies [2.7]
- Julia's Punch List (info and action) – J. Henderson [2.8]

All times listed are Eastern

Tuesday, September 28

- 12:00 noon Session 4
- Welcome – S. Anthony
 - Opening Prayer – TBD
 - Checking in with One Another – W. Kennedy
- 12:15 pm Session 5 – Order of the Day
- Conversation with PMA/PMAB About Their Consultants’ Report (info) – S. Vance-Ocampo [5.1]
- 2:00 pm Session 6 – Order of the Day
- Conversation Between COGA and the Presbyterian Historical Society Board
 - Why we have this joint time together – A. James
 - Welcome and remarks from new PHSB Chair – S. Aggarwal
 - Welcome and remarks from COGA Moderator – S. Anthony
 - Report from PHS ED Nancy Taylor – N. Taylor
 - Report from Stated Clerk/OGA - J. H. Nelson and K. Rice
 - Introduction to Zoom breakout rooms [30-minute breakouts] – A. James and N. Taylor
 - Two questions:
 - How does uncovering, reflecting, repenting fit into the current work of COGA and PHS?
 - How do we collectively support this work as it is happening around the denomination as a whole?
 - Report back from breakout rooms – E. Maxim
- Session 7
- Update on Polity, Benefits and Mission Conference (formerly Mid Council Leaders Gathering) (info) – J. Oh and T. Dykers Koenig
 - Hybrid Meeting Guidelines (info) – K. Rice [7.1]
 - PPP designation from A Corp (info) – K. Lueckert [7.2]
 - Financial Report (info) – D. Clopton [7.3]
 - Updates to the General Assembly Budget (action) – D. Clopton and K. Rice [7.4]
 - Staffing rationale (action) – K. Rice [7.5]
- Session 8 – Closed session with COGA and Stated Clerk

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Wednesday, September 29

12:00 noon Session 9

- Welcome – S. Anthony
- Opening Prayer – TBD
- Checking in with One Another – W. Kennedy
- 225th General Assembly (2022) actions
 - COGA Workgroup Reports
 - Design Team – S. Anthony
 - Events Team – D. Davis
 - Recommendation to not include exhibit hall in GA program (action) [2.3]
 - Recommendation on allowing direct access to commissioners during committees (action) [2.4]
 - Process and Discernment Team – A. James
 - Overture Advocate presence recommendation (action) [2.5]
 - Resource Person presence recommendation (action) [2.6]
 - Communications Team – W. Kennedy
 - Per Diem (action) – D. Davies [2.7]
 - Julia's Punch List (action) – J. Henderson [2.8]

Session 10

- Notice that current Workgroups are being dismissed with thanks – S. Anthony
- COGA workgroup structure and leadership (action) – S. Anthony and E. Maxim [10.1]

GA226	GA225	SR
Sallie	Leon	Andy
Eliana	Wilson	Stephanie
Blythe	Leanne	Lynn
Robin	Shannan	Sam
Dave	Elona	
Luis		

- Time for Workgroups to meet [60-minute breakouts]
- COGA recruitment and on-boarding (info) K. Rice [10.2]
- Motion to adjourn with prayer
 - Next Meeting: October 21, 2021, via Zoom at 12:00 noon ET
- Closing prayer - TBD