

MINUTES
Stated Meeting
COMMITTEE ON THE
OFFICE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
August 15, 2024
Video Conference

<p>WELCOME</p> <p>The Stated Meeting of the Committee on the Office of the General Assembly (COGA) convened via video conference at 12:00 p.m. by Moderator Dave Davis.</p>	<p>WELCOME</p>
<p>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NATIVE AMERICAN LAND AND OPENING PRAYER</p> <p>Moderator Dave Davis offered the acknowledgment of the sacred ground of our indigenous ancestors and then gave the opening prayer.</p>	<p>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NATIVE AMERICAN LAND AND OPENING PRAYER</p>
<p>APPROVE AGENDA [1.1]</p> <p>By consensus the Committee approved the meeting agenda as presented, with a slight amendment to discuss OGA staffing changes.</p>	<p>AGENDA APPROVAL [1.1]</p>
<p>ATTENDANCE</p> <p>The following persons were present for all or part of the meeting:</p> <p><u>COGA Members</u> Dave Davis, Moderator Chenyangu (Cheni) Khonje, Vice Moderator Matt Bussell, Corresponding Member from PMAB Leanne Masters Robin Pugh Brady Radford Miguel Rosa Morales Sallie Watson Joseph Chu Jihyun Oh, Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, ex officio CeCe Armstrong, Co-Moderator of the 226th General Assembly (2024)</p>	<p>PARTICIPANTS</p>

<p>Tony Larson, Co-Moderator of the 226th General Assembly (2024)</p> <p>Missing: Blythe Kieffer, Amos Mendez, Diane Moffett</p> <p><u>Former COGA Members</u> Lynn Hargrove Andy James Eliana Maxim</p> <p><u>OGA Staff</u> Tim Cargal Jayne Culp Kate Duffert Tricia Dykers Koenig Laurie Griffith Kerry Rice, Deputy Stated Clerk Meg Rift Nancy Taylor Dianna Wright</p> <p><u>Other Guests</u> John Bolt, The Outlook Barry Creech, PMA April Davenport, General Counsel Mike Ferguson, Communications Ruth Gardner, ASG Rick Jones, Communications Mike Kirk, General Counsel Sara Lisherness, PMA John Wilkinson, MES</p>	
<p>REPORT OF THE CO-MODERATOR OF THE 226TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Co-Moderator CeCe Armstrong shared some of her recent experiences since being elected. Co-Moderator Tony Larson talked about discerning what comes next and how best to be in the world in this new position.</p>	<p>CO-MODERATOR OF THE 226TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY REPORT</p>
<p>REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK</p> <p>Stated Clerk Jihyun Oh reported on her recent activities which include onboarding, internal transition pieces, meetings, and many good conversations. Oh then shared about upcoming plans, travels, and board meetings in which she will take part.</p>	<p>STATED CLERK REPORT</p>

<p>REPORT OF THE COGA MODERATOR AND VICE-MODERATOR</p> <p>Vice Moderator Cheni Khonje and Moderator Dave Davis have met with Stated Clerk Jihyun Oh and Deputy Stated Clerk Kerry Rice, to discuss ways in which COGA can be supportive of the Stated Clerk.</p> <p>The Coordinating Committee was discussed and membership will be established at the next COGA meeting.</p> <p>GA228 will take up much of the discussion at the next meeting which will take place at Zephyr Point in September.</p>	<p>COGA MODERATOR AND VICE-MODERATOR REPORT</p>
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<p>OGA STAFFING UPDATES</p> <p>Sherri Hunter retired at the end of July after serving the church for over 30 years.</p> <p>Kris Valerius' medical leave has been extended to at least the end of 2024.</p> <p>PHS NEH Grant term employee resigned.</p> <p>Tricia Dykers Koenig will be retiring at the end of 2024.</p> <p>Tim Cargal plans to retire at the end of May 2025. Until then, Tim will be leading Mid Council Ministries, pending approval by the Committee of Eight.</p>	<p>OGA STAFFING UPDATES</p>
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<p>ECUMENICAL DELEGATIONS TO CANAAC AND WCRC</p> <p>Director of Ecumenical and Interreligious Activities Dianna Wright presented the following document: Approval of Ecumenical Delegations to CANAAC and WCRC Gatherings.</p> <p>MOVED, SECONDED, AND APPROVED</p>	<p>ECUMENICAL DELEGATIONS TO CANAAC AND WCRC</p> <p>[Item 1.2]</p> <p>ACTION</p>
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<p>GA226 DEBRIEF</p> <p>Kate Duffert shared that comments and reviews have been gathered from PCUSA staff, coordinators, and others.</p> <p>COGA members, current and recent, shared thoughts and feelings about GA226.</p>	<p>GA226 DEBRIEF</p>
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ANNOUNCEMENTS Remember to send Zephyr Point travel information to Jayne as soon as possible.	ANNOUNCEMENTS
ADJOURNMENT There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:40 pm with prayer offered by Vice Moderator Cheni Khonje.	CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted:

Jayne Culp
Manager of Administration