Committee on the Office of the General Assembly

Proposed Meeting Agenda
April 18-20, 2022
Zoom Video Conference

Monday, April 18

2:00 pm Gather at Cambria Suites Hotel, Ballroom 2nd Floor
120 South Floyd Street, 40202

Session 1
- Welcome – S. Anthony
- Acknowledgment of Native American Land – Lynn Hargrove
- Opening Prayer – TBD
- Approval of COGA Agenda (action) – S. Anthony [1.1]
- Attendance – S. Anthony and K. Rice
- Report of the COGA Moderator
- Sharing of joys and concerns – TBD

2:45 pm Session 2
- Report from the Co-Moderator of the 224th General Assembly (2020) – E. Street-Stewart
- FOR ACTION: Approval of Nominees to PHS Board [2.1] – N. Taylor
- FOR ACTION: Recommending National Certifying Bodies to GA225 [2.2] – T. Dykers Koenig
- 2023-2024 Budget
  o FOR DISCUSSION: 2023-2024 Per Capita Budget [2.3] – D. Clopton and K. Rice
  o FOR DISCUSSION: 2023 and 2024 Per Capita Apportionment Rates – D. Clopton and K. Rice
  o FOR ACTION: 2023-2024 Designated Budget [2.4] – D. Clopton and K. Rice

4:00 pm Break

4:30 pm Session 3 – Meet in Presbyterian Center atrium for tour of new Conference Center space
100 Witherspoon Street, 40202

6:00 pm Session 4 – meet at Galt House east lobby for informal tour of public space
140 North 4th Street, 40202

6:30 pm Dinner at Walker’s Exchange, Galt House
140 North 4th Street, 40202

Tuesday, April 19

Breakfast on your own

10:00 am Gather at Cambria Suites Hotel, Ballroom 2nd Floor

All times listed are Eastern
120 South Floyd Street, 40202

Session 5
- Welcome – S. Anthony
- Opening Prayer – TBD
- FOR DISCUSSION: Comments on Business before the 225th General Assembly (2022) [5.1] 

12:30 pm    Lunch 

1:00 pm    Session 6
- Comment Writing Groups (* - designates on-line participation)
  - Group 1 – comments on business before committees meeting June 20-25
    o Mid Councils | Theology, Worship and Education | Polity | Rules of Discipline | Health, Safety and Benefits | Addressing Violence in the USA | Environmental Justice | Race and Gender Justice
    o Members:
      ▪ Blythe Kieffer
      ▪ Leon Lovell-Martin
      ▪ Leanne Masters*
      ▪ Robin Pugh
      ▪ Shannan Vance-Ocampo
      ▪ Sallie Watson
      ▪ Staff: Tricia Dykers Koenig and Julia Henderson*
  - Group 2 – comments on business before committees meeting June 27-July 2
    o Standing Rules | Ecumenical and Interfaith Engagement | Immigration | International Engagement | General Assembly Ministry Coordination | Moving Forward/Vision 2020
    o Members:
      ▪ Samuel Bonner*
      ▪ Andy James*
      ▪ Wilson Kennedy*
      ▪ Eliana Maxim
      ▪ Staff: Dianna Wright, Luci Duckson-Bramble*, and Rick Jones
  - Group 3 – comments on business before committees meeting June 27-July 2
    o General Assembly Entity Policies and Procedures | General Assembly Ministry Coordination | Financial Resources
    o Members:
      ▪ Stephanie Anthony
      ▪ Dave Davis*
      ▪ Lynn Hargrove
      ▪ Elona Street-Stewart*
      ▪ Luis Ocasio Torres*
      ▪ Staff – Jihyun Oh, J. Herbert Nelson II, and Kerry Rice

3:00 pm    Break 

3:30 pm    Session 7
- Comment Writing Groups - continued
5:00 pm  Session 8 – Closed Session for the Purposes of Personnel
   • In addition to voting members, J. Herbert Nelson, II, Diane Moffett, Shannan Vance-Ocampo and Kerry Rice are invited to attend

6:00 pm  Recess for the evening

6:30 pm  Dinner in small groups – explore restaurants at which Commissioners and Advisory Delegates may eat:
   • Doc Crows Southern Smokehouse – 127 W Main Street
   • O’Shea’s Irish Pub – 123 W Main Street
   • Troll Pub – 150 W Washington Street
   • Repeal Oak Fired Steakhouse – 101 W Main Street
   • Merle’s Whiskey Kitchen – 122 W Main Street
   • Against the Grain Smokehouse – 401 E Main Street
   • La Bodeguita de Mima – 725 East Market

Wednesday, April 20

Breakfast on your own

10:00 am  Gather at Cambria Suites Hotel, Ballroom 2nd Floor
           120 South Floyd Street, 40202

Session 8
   • Welcome – S. Anthony
   • Opening Prayer – TBD
   • Report Any Actions from Closed Session – S. Anthony
   • Reports from COGA Working Groups
      o Standing Rules – A. James
      o GA225 Coordination – L. Lovell-Martin
         ▪ Update from COVID Advisory Panel – J. Henderson
         ▪ Update on planning – J. Henderson
         ▪ Plans for BIPOC Commissioner Space – E. Maxim
         ▪ Update on training modules for Equity Primes – J. Oh
         ▪ Recommended Additional Special Rule [8.1] – T. Dykers Koenig
      o GA226 – S. Watson
         ▪ Plans for Consultation – WG members
   • Reports from comment writing groups
      o FOR ACTION: Comments from Group 1
      o FOR ACTION: Comments from Group 2
      o FOR ACTION: Comments from Group 3

12:30 pm  Working lunch

1:00 pm  Session 9
   • Reports from comment writing groups - continued

4:00 pm  Motion to adjourn with prayer
   • Closing prayer – TBD
Upcoming Meetings:

- [on-line] Monday, May 2, 2022, at 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm ET (joint meeting with PC(USA), A Corp Board and PMAB to consider the unified presentation of the 2023-24 budget)
- [on-line] Thursday, May 19, 2022, at 12:00 noon ET to 1:30 pm ET

General Assembly Schedule

- [hybrid] Friday, June 17, 2022, at 1:00 pm ET
- [hybrid] Sunday, June 19, 2022, at 6:30 pm ET (meeting to review Commissioners’ Resolutions)
- [hybrid daily gatherings] June 20, 21, 23 and 24 at 7:00 pm ET (for review of committee work)
- [in-person] Saturday, June 25, at 7:00 pm ET
- [in-person] Sunday, June 26, 2022, at 9:00 am ET to 1:00 pm ET
- [hybrid daily gatherings] June 27, 28, 30 and July 1 at 7:00 pm ET (for review of committee work)
- [hybrid] Sunday, July 3, 2022, at 1:00 pm ET to 4:00 pm ET (review final committee reports and prepare for plenary sessions)
- [hybrid daily gatherings] July 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 at 2:00 pm ET (review plenary sessions)
- Thursday, July 21, 2022, at 12:00 noon ET to 1:30 pm ET (debrief General Assembly experience)
- Thursday, August 18, 2022, at 12:00 noon ET to 1:30 pm ET

Proposed Dates:

- [in-person] Wednesday, September 21 to Friday, September 23, 2022 – Louisville; Times TBA (on-boarding new members and retreat)