

MINUTES
Stated Meeting
COMMITTEE ON THE
OFFICE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
June 15, 2023
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 Eliana Maxim.</p>	<p>WELCOME</p>
<p>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NATIVE AMERICAN LAND AND OPENING PRAYER</p> <p>C. Khonje led the acknowledgment of the sacred ground of our indigenous ancestors and then opened the meeting with prayer.</p>	<p>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NATIVE AMERICAN LAND AND OPENING PRAYER</p>
<p>APPROVE AGENDA [1.1R]</p> <p>By consensus the Committee approved the meeting agenda as presented.</p>	<p>AGENDA APPROVAL [1.1R]</p>
<p>ATTENDANCE</p> <p>The following persons were present for all or part of the meeting:</p> <p><u>COGA Members</u> Eliana Maxim, Moderator Dave Davis, Vice-Moderator Stephanie Anthony Joseph Chu Lynn Hargrove Andy James Chenyangu Khonje Blythe Kieffer Ximena Leroux, ex officio Leanne Masters Miguel Rosa Morales Sallie Watson Diane Moffett, Executive Director, PMAB, ex officio Ruth Faith Santana-Grace, Co-Moderator of the 225th GA (2022)</p> <p><u>EXCUSED</u> J. Herbert Nelson, II Robin Pugh</p>	<p>PARTICIPANTS</p>

<p><u>OGA Staff</u> Jayne Culp Luci Duckson-Bramble Tricia Dykers Koenig Laurie Griffith Vicente Guna Kerry Rice Nancy Taylor Dianna Wright</p> <p><u>Other Guests</u> Mike Kirk, General Counsel Ruth Gardiner, ASG Ian Hall, ASG</p>	
<p>Privileged Closed Session with all COGA members (voting and ex officio) as well as General Counsel, and the Director of Human Resources</p> <p>Moderator Maxim reminded those staying for Closed Session that they are bound to hold all matters discussed as confidential. In addition, this meeting may not be recorded or shared in any manner, including but not limited to, sharing through various types of social media, such as blogs, Twitter, or Facebook.</p> <p>MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND APPROVED To move into executive session with the above-named persons present to discuss personnel issues.</p>	<p>CLOSED SESSION</p> <p>ACTION</p>
<p>RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION</p> <p>Moderator Maxim announced an ACTION TAKEN in closed session.</p> <p>COGA voted to extend an offer to a candidate for Acting Stated Clerk. E. Maxim noted that the full details of the offer will be announced when the candidate has accepted.</p> <p>On June 22, 2023 COGA announced that this offer had been accepted and that Teaching Elder Bronwen Boswell had been appointed as Acting Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, effective July 10, 2023.</p>	<p>ACTION</p>
<p>REPORT OF THE CO-MODERATOR OF THE 225TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY (2022)</p> <p>R. Santana-Grace shared that she and fellow Co-Moderator Shavon Starling-Louis have been making additional progress with committee appointments, preaching and visiting worship</p>	<p>CO-MODERATOR REPORT</p>

<p>communities, and leading a session with PMA regarding Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI).</p> <p>Santana-Grace had the opportunity to participate at the United Nations on behalf of the Stated Clerk with the Heads of Communion of several denominations in a dialogue with Egyptian religious leaders.</p> <p>S. Starling-Louis will be leaving soon for a 17-day trip to Ghana and Liberia.</p>	
<p>REPORT OF THE COGA MODERATOR</p> <p>E. Maxim reported that she, D. Davis, and K. Rice will get together to reconsider and make changes to the work groups based on membership changes and needs.</p> <p>In addition, E. Maxim has asked S. Anthony to serve as the ACORP board representative from COGA, and she has accepted.</p>	<p>COGA MODERATOR REPORT</p>
<p>REPORT FROM DEPUTY STATED CLERK</p> <p>K. Rice shared personnel updates related to the Office of the General Assembly along with commission and special committee updates.</p>	<p>DEPUTY STATED CLERK REPORT</p>
<p>NOMINEES FOR PHS BOARD MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION [2.1] SPLIT:</p> <p>MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND APPROVED to approve the nominees for a second term in the Class of 2027</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cornell Edmonds (Princeton Junction, NJ) • Marsha Heimann (Bristol, ME) • Tim Hoogland (Minnetonka, MN) • Cindy Jarvis (Ambler, PA) • Michael Meloy (Bala Cynwyd, PA) • Gradye Parsons (Kodak, TN) <p>MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND APPROVED to approve nominees for a first term in the Class of 2027</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rev. Dr. Jin S. Kim (Columbia Heights, MN) • Rev. Rosemary C. Mitchell (Mount Desert, ME and Frederick, MD) 	<p>PHS BOARD MEMBERSHIP NOMINEES</p> <p>ACTION</p> <p>ACTION</p>

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned with prayer offered by Moderator Eliana Maxim.

**CLOSING PRAYER AND
ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jayne Culp