

Approved – July 2, 2010

**Minutes of the Executive Committee of the
General Assembly Mission Council (GAC)
Of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
Conference Call
June 9, 2010 – 1:00 p.m. EST**

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Carol Adcock, GAMC Executive Committee Chair, called the meeting to order with prayer at 1:00 p.m., followed by a recitation of the Executive Committee Covenant.

ATTENDANCE

Mrs. Adcock called upon Ms. Nancy Hamilton, meeting recorder, to call the roll. Those present for all or a portion of the meeting were:

Members

Carol Adcock – GAMC Chair
Sue Ezell – Chair, Justice Mission Committee
Tom Gillespie – Chair, Discipleship Mission Committee
Carolyn Knight – Chair, Stewardship Mission Committee
Michael Kruse – GAMC Vice Chair
Carolyn McLarnan – Chair, Evangelism Mission Committee
Doug Megill – Chair, Vocation Mission Committee
Conrad Rocha – Member-at-large
Linda Valentine – GAMC Executive Director, ex-officio

Executive Leadership Team

Joey Bailey – Deputy Executive Director for Shared Services
Roger Dermody – Deputy Executive Director for Mission
Curtis Kearns -- Executive Administrator
Karen Schmidt – Deputy Executive Director for Communications and Funds Development

Recorder

Nancy Hamilton – GAMC Staff, Office of the Executive Director

Others

Alejandra Sherman – GAMC Staff, Office of the Executive Director
Martha Clark – GAMC Staff, Legal Services
Barry Creech – GAMC Staff, Communications and Funds Development
Carolyn Whitfield – Independent Abuse Review Panel (IARP) Member

Excused

Esperanza Guajardo – Member-at-large

PURPOSE OF MEETING

Mrs. Adcock stated that the purpose of the conference call meeting is to prepare for the 219th General Assembly (2010) and to act on various items of business between meetings of the GAMC.

**CLOSED SESSION
ACTION 1-EC-610**

The Executive Committee **VOTED to convene** in closed session at 1:10 p.m. The following persons were invited to remain for the closed session: voting members of the Executive Committee, Linda Valentine, Joey Bailey, Barry Creech, Martha Clark, Roger Dermody, Nancy Hamilton, Alejandra Sherman, and Carolyn Whitfield.

CALLING OF THE ROLL

Ms. Nancy Hamilton, Recorder, called the roll. All who were invited were present.

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RISE FROM CLOSED
SESSION
ACTION 2-EC-610

The Executive Committee **VOTED to rise** from closed session at 1:25 p.m. and reconvene in open session.

**REPORT OF ACTION
TAKEN IN CLOSED
SESSION**
ACTION 3-EC-610

Mrs. Adcock reported the action taken by the Executive Committee in closed session:

The Executive Committee **VOTED to:**

- Approve the creation of a transition team made up of two paid Independent Abuse Review Panel (IARP) members and two GAMC staff members or volunteers to serve until December 31, 2011, more fully described on Exhibit A;
- Approve development by the Staff Study Team, in consultation with post-IARP members, of the transition process for any unfinished work of the IARP as of the date of the IARP's final report, as well as a process for new reports received thereafter, said processes outlined on the attached Exhibits B.1 and B.2; and
- Authorize the Staff Study Team to revise these processes in its discretion to more fully develop and/or to modify as needed, reporting modifications to the GAMC Executive Committee.

Exhibit A

- Transition Team
 - Two paid post-IARP members;
 - Two volunteers or GAMC staff members (experience dealing with sexual misconduct of clergy preferred; must be vetted by candidate selection team made up of the one post-IARP member and one other person appointed by GAMC Chair);
- Consultants, as needed (e.g. outside counsel, investigative facilitator)
- Professional de-briefers, as needed
- Support staff (General Counsel and Office of Sexual Misconduct Ombudsperson [SMO])
- Funding (source and amount to be determined)

Exhibit B.1 - Transition Process

- Identify team members by July 31, 2010
- Train team members
- Confidentiality agreements signed by team members
- Selected GAMC team members begin work with post-IARP members in October 2010
- Transition Team charter and bylaws developed
- With assistance of investigative facilitator, investigative process developed
- Complete transition work
- Provide written report of findings to parties in manner pre-approved by GAMC Executive Committee

Exhibit B.2 - New Report Process

- Publicize hotline and process on website.
- Identify and train standby investigative teams.
- Establish an Advisory Panel to be available to SMO.
- Receive information through hotline and/or online.
- Preliminary investigation by SMO or designee.

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- Empanel investigative team as needed.
- Conduct investigation.
- Written report to GAMC Executive Committee and such others as pre-approved.
- De-briefers, as needed.

Mrs. Carolyn Whitfield was excused from the meeting. Mr. Curtis Kearns and Ms. Karen Schmidt joined the meeting.

**ADOPT AGENDA
ACTION 4-EC-610**

Mrs. Adcock reviewed and the Executive **VOTED to adopt** the agenda for the meeting (**Appendix 1**).

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES
ACTION 5-EC-610**

The Executive Committee reviewed and **VOTED to approve** the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of May 11-12, 2010.

**GHOST RANCH-ABIQUIU
ACTION 6-EC-610**

Mr. Joey Bailey, reviewed and the Executive Committee **VOTED to approve** the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of the General Assembly Mission Council (“GAMC”) approves, ratifies and confirms advancing amounts set forth below from the GAMC capital reserve budget to pay on behalf of Ghost Ranch-Abiquiu for Harvey Economics for land and water valuation consulting services, said amounts estimated to be \$43,100 plus cost of working with outside counsel and any other consultants, said advancement conditioned upon the replenishment of these advanced funds and amounts previously advanced and outstanding for Ghost Ranch operations in the past, and outstanding to Ghost Ranch-Abiquiu from proceeds of the anticipated lease and/or subsequent sale or lease of water rights or water.

**CORPORATE SESSION
ACTION 7-EC610**

The Executive Committee **VOTED to convene** as the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), A Corporation. Mrs. Adcock opened the meeting with prayer.

**CORPORATION ELECTION
ACTION 8-EC-610
*Election of Roger Dermody
as Executive Vice President
of PCUSA, A Corporation***

The Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), A Corporation, **VOTED to approve** the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), A Corporation ("Corporation") hereby elects Roger Dermody Executive Vice President of the Corporation effective immediately to serve for a period of one (1) year or until his death, resignation, removal, until a successor is elected or until his employment status with the Corporation is terminated.

**RISE FROM CORPORATE
SESSION
ACTION 9-EC-610**

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), A Corporation, **VOTED to rise** from Corporate Session and to convene as the GAMC Executive Committee. Mrs. Adcock closed the meeting with prayer.

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY
PREPARATIONS
*Leadership Briefing***

Ms. Valentine shared for information, the presentation she gave to the General Assembly Committee Leadership Teams during the Stated Clerk’s Leadership Briefing held June 2-5, 2010.

***Executive Committee
Schedule During GA***

Mr. Curtis Kearns reviewed the schedule for the Executive Committee members for the 219th GA (2010) – Executive Committee Meeting, Friday, July 2; Luncheon meetings of Executive Committee and Executive Leadership Team at noon on Monday, July 5 and Tuesday, July 6.

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On Saturday, July 3, there will be a special exhibit hall session at 5:30 p.m.

*Committee Monitoring and
Resourcing Items of
Business*

Mr. Kearns distributed and reviewed a document for Committee Resource Assignments and Committee Monitoring/Reporting Assignments (**Appendix 2**). Monitoring reports will be given during the Executive Committee/ Executive Leadership Team joint luncheon meetings on July 5 and 6.

*Subcommittee for
Additional Comments
ACTION 10-EC-610*

The Executive Committee **VOTED to approve** establishing a subcommittee to review and approve possible additional comments to the 219th General Assembly (2010). Mrs. Carol Adcock and Mr. Michael Kruse were named as the subcommittee.

INFORMATION ITEMS
May GAMC Evaluations

Mr. Kearns reviewed the evaluations of the May GAMC meeting. The evaluations were mostly positive with no indications of needed improvements.

Chairs and Executives

Mr. Mike Kruse and Ms. Linda Valentine gave a verbal report regarding the activities of the Chairs and Executives meeting held June 1-2, 2010. The Chairs and Executives discussed topics including: various agency happenings, the role agencies can play in terms of leadership in the church, and development of brochures for each agency related to support.

*New Covenant Trust
Corporate Board*

Ms. Valentine announced that Frank Adams will serve as the General Assembly Mission Council representative on the New Covenant Trust Corporation Board of Directors.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Roger Dermody closed the meeting with prayer. Mrs. Adcock adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Carol Adcock
Chair, General Assembly Mission Council

Ms. Linda Valentine
Executive Director, General Assembly Mission Council

GAMC Executive Committee Conference Call
June 9, 2010
1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time
(Revised June 9)

1:00 p.m. I. Call to Order with Prayer – *Carol Adcock*

II. Executive Committee Covenant

We, the General Assembly Mission Council Executive Committee, called to this ministry as disciples of Jesus Christ, covenant together to:

- Seek God's will, remaining open to fresh movement of the Holy Spirit, acting boldly and creatively for the sake of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in ministry and mission
- Relate to one another with honesty, trust, respect, openness and kindness, proclaiming God's graciousness by risking and daring transformation in our lives and work
- Be faithful stewards, seeking to make wise decisions in partnership with the greater church, doing our homework, listening to all points of view, working for consensus, and faithfully supporting decisions we have made
- Worship and pray with joy and appreciation for God's guidance in doing this work.

1:10 p.m. III. Closed Session – IARP Matter – *Martha Clark/Joey Bailey/Hunter Farrell*

1:25 p.m. IV. Action Items:

- a. Adopt Agenda – *Carol Adcock*
- b. Approval of May 2010 Minutes – *Carol Adcock*
- c. Ghost Ranch Action – *Joey Bailey*
- d. Election of Roger Dermody as Executive Vice President of PCUSA, A Corporation – *Martha Clark*

1:35 p.m. V. General Assembly Preparations – *Linda Valentine/Curtis Kearns:*

- a. Leadership Briefing
 - a. Schedule of Executive Committee meeting, other meetings and arrivals
 - b. Assignment of GAMC Executive Committee members to observe committees
 - c. Assignment of GAMC Executive Committee members to be prepared to speak to certain items of business
 - d. Establish Sub-committee to approve additional comment to the GA

1:45 p.m. VI. Information Items:

- a. Review of May GAMC Meeting – *Curtis Kearns*
- b. Chairs and Chiefs Meeting Report – *Mike Kruse/Linda Valentine*

2:00 p.m. VII. Closing Prayer and Adjournment

**219th General Assembly
 GAMC Member Assignments**

Committee Resource Assignments – Persons designated to resource committees represent knowledgeable sources of information for given topics. These persons are listed in the Resource Directory and can be called upon by committee leadership to answer questions and clarify issues that may arise in the course of the discussion.

GAMC Monitoring/Reporting Assignments – GAMC members attending the 219th General Assembly are requested to track business in committees and to report on committee processes at the scheduled luncheons on Monday, July 5th and Tuesday, July 6th.

GAMC RELATED COMMITTEES & ITEMS	COMMITTEE NAMES AND ITEM DESCRIPTIONS	RESOURCE & MONITOR/REPORTING ASSIGNMENTS
<i>Committee 3</i>	<i>General Assembly Procedures</i>	<i>Carolyn Knight</i>
03-16	Amend IV.C.7. of the Organization for Mission Regarding the Committee on Ecumenical Relations	Carolyn Knight
03-17	On Establishing an Annual General Convocation Meeting and Moving Meetings of the General Assembly to Every Six Years	Carolyn Knight
03-25	Joint COGA/GAMC Per Capita Budget Proposals	Carolyn Knight
<i>Committee 4</i>	<i>Middle Governing Body Issues</i>	
04-05, 06	On Creating a Special Committee to Explore the Roles and Relationships of Synods and Presbyteries to Each Other, to the Agencies, and to Congregations; On Appointing a General Assembly Commission on Middle Governing Bodies	
<i>Committee 7</i>	<i>Form of Government Revision</i>	
07-01	Form of Government Task Force Report to the 219 th General Assembly (2010)	
07-10	Joint COGA/GAMC Amendment to the Proposed Form of Government	
<i>Committee 8</i>	<i>Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations</i>	<i>Tom Gillespie</i>
08-02	On Removing the Confusing and Theologically Incompatible Call for Presbyterians to Engage Other Faiths	Tom Gillespie
08-03	Approve the Paper, “Christians and Jews: People of God”	Tom Gillespie
08-04	Approve “Toward an Understanding of Christian-Muslim Relations”	Tom Gillespie
08-09	On Referring “Christians and Jews: People of God” and “Understanding Christian-Muslim Relations”	Tom Gillespie
<i>Committee 9</i>	<i>Mission Coordination</i>	<i>Carol Adcock</i>
09-02	On Considering that All Undesignated Funds from the Foundation to the GA Level be Allocated Directly to Individual Presbyteries	Carol Adcock
09-04	On Support of Missionary Funding	Carol Adcock
09-05	On Amending the Manual of the GAMC to Require Certain GAMC Staff to Actively	Carol Adcock

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	Participate in the Work/Worship of a Congregation	
09-07	On Affirming the Presbyterian Health, Education, and Welfare Association	Sue Ezell
09-08	On Supporting Mission and Ministry in North Korea	Carol Adcock
09-10	Confirm the Election of Linda B. Valentine	Carol Adcock
09-11	Mission Partnership Funds to End December 31, 2013	Mike Kruse
09-15	On a Task Force to Review Mission Funding	Conrad Rocha
09-19	Report of the Advisory and Advocacy Review Committee	Carol Adcock
09-21	Recommendations Pertaining to Budgetary and Financial Concerns of the Church	Carol Adcock
09-Info	Review Committee for GAMC's Advocacy and Advisory Committees	Carol Adcock (Doug Megill)
	Report of Changes to the Appendixes of the General Assembly Mission Council Manual of Operations	Doug Megill
	Presbyterian Council for Chaplains and Military Personnel (PCCMP) 2008-2010 Report	Doug Megill
Committee 10	<i>Social Justice Issues A: The Promotion of Social Righteousness</i>	
10-10	Neither Poverty Nor Riches: Compensation, Equity, and the Unity of the Church	Tom Gillespie Mike Kruse
Committee 11	<i>Social Justice Issues B: The Exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the World</i>	<i>Esperanza Guajardo</i>
11-09	A Review of Efforts Regarding Cultural Proficiency and Creating a Climate for Change in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)	
Committee 12	<i>Civil Union and Marriage Issues</i>	
Committee 13	<i>Peacemaking and International Issues</i>	<i>Mike Kruse</i>
13-11	On Strengthening the Peacemaking Program	Sue Ezell
Committee 14	<i>Middle East Peacemaking Issues</i>	<i>Sue Ezell</i>
14-03	MRTI Report of Its Engagement with Corporations Involved in Israel, Gaza, East Jerusalem, and the West Bank	Conrad Rocha
Committee 15	<i>Church Growth, Christian Education, and PILP</i>	<i>Carolyn McLarnan</i>
15-03	Renew Commitment to Help Grow Christ's Church Deep and Wide	Carolyn McLarnan
15-04	Presbyterian Multicultural Network (PMN) Church Growth Report	
15-05	Confirm Election to PILP Board of Directors	

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15-06	Partnership Covenant Between the General Assembly of the PC(USA) and the Historically Presbyterian Racial Ethnic Institutions	
Committee 16	<i>Theological Issues and Institutions</i>	
Committee 17	<i>Review of GA Permanent Committees</i>	<i>Doug Megill</i>
17-Self Study	General Assembly Nominating Committee Self Study General Assembly Committee on Ecumenical Relations Self-Study	
Committee 18	<i>Board of Pensions, Foundation and Presbyterian Publishing</i>	
18-08	Regarding Review and Revision of the Organization for Mission Regarding Responsibilities of the GAMC and Its Executive Director, and the OGA and the Stated Clerk	Carol Adcock
18-09	Regarding the Restricted Funds Resolution Committee	Carol Adcock
18-10	Regarding Future Reviews of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and Its Six Agencies	Carol Adcock
18-B	Report of the General Assembly Review Committee of the Whole of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to the 219 th General Assembly (2010)	Carol Adcock
Committee 19	<i>Health Issues</i>	
19-02	On Encouraging all Presbyterians to Know Their HIV Status	Sue Ezell Carolyn Knight Conrad Rocha Carolyn McLarnan

