

Approved – September 21, 2011

**Minutes of the Executive Committee of the
General Assembly Mission Council (GAMC)
Of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
Conference Call
August 24, 2011 – 1 p.m. EST**

CALL TO ORDER The meeting of the GAMC Executive Committee was called to order with prayer by the chair, Mr. Michael Kruse.

ATTENDANCE Mr. Kruse called upon, Ms. Susan Abraham, meeting recorder, to call the roll. Those present for all or a portion of the meeting were:

Members
Steve Aeschbacher – Chair, Discipleship Mission Committee
Clark Cowden – Chair, Vocation Mission Committee
Alan Ford – Chair, Stewardship Mission Committee
Roger Gench – Chair, Justice Mission Committee
Michael Kruse – Chair
Matt Schramm – Chair, Evangelism Mission Committee
Linda Valentine – Member ex-officio

Executive Leadership Team
Joey Bailey – Deputy Executive Director for Shared Services
Vince Patton – Executive Administrator
Karen Schmidt – Deputy Executive Director for Communications and Funds Development

Recorder Susan Abraham – GAMC Staff, Office of the Executive Director

Others
Martha Clark - GAMC Staff, Legal Services
Barry Creech – GAMC Staff, Communications and Funds Development
Dana Dages – GAMC Staff, Office of the Executive Director
Teresa Grant – GAMC Staff, Office of the Deputy Executive Director for Mission

Excused
Carolyn McLarnan – Vice-chair
Marta Rodriguez – Member-at-large
Joyce Smith – Member-at-large

PURPOSE OF MEETING Mr. Kruse stated that the purpose of the meeting is to review the draft agendas for the upcoming meetings of the Executive Committee and the GAMC and to approve the assignment of business items to mission committees.

ACTION 1-EC-811
Executive Committee Agenda – September 21, 2011
Mr. Kruse led the Executive Committee through the proposed agenda for the GAMC Executive Committee. The Executive Committee **VOTED to approve** the agenda (**Appendix 1**) with the following addition:

- Review of the Executive Director

ACTION 2-EC-811
GAMC Meeting Agenda – September 21-23, 2011
Mr. Kruse reviewed the draft agenda for the GAMC meeting on September 21-23, 2011 and the Executive Committee **VOTED to approve it (Appendix 2).**

AGENDA ITEMS FOR
COMMITTEES

In preparation for the Thursday afternoon segment on “Leadership and the Church in the 21st Century,” chairs of Committees were urged to include a topic on leadership in their committees that would serve as a back drop for the conversations.

Committee chairs were also encouraged to include the following in their committees:

1. Discussion of goals and activities in support of the GAMC strategic direction “Focus on leadership development.” Ms. Valentine informed the Executive Committee that Ministry Areas have set goals for this and that they could hear about and discuss one or several initiatives or programs designed to develop leadership.
2. Preview of business, including responses to referrals, that will be brought to the GAMC in February in preparation for General Assembly in 2012. This will provide Council members with an opportunity to familiarize themselves with business they will be asked to approve in February.

ACTION 3-EC-811
*Approval of Business
Items to Committees*

Mr. Patton reviewed the assignment of business items to mission committees (**Appendix 3**). The Executive Committee **VOTED to approve** the assignment of business as submitted.

UPCOMING WEBINARS

Mr. Patton reminded the Executive Committee of the upcoming webinars on the New Form of Government and its implications on the GAMC to be held on September 9 at 3:00 p.m., and the name change for the General Assembly Mission Council scheduled for September 14 at 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT AND
CLOSING PRAYER

There being no further business, the meeting of the Executive Committee was closed with prayer at 1:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr. Michael Kruse
Chair, General Assembly Mission Council

Ms. Linda Valentine
Executive Director, General Assembly Mission Council

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ITEM H.100
GAMC Executive Committee
September 21, 2011
The Brown Hotel, 335 W. Broadway
Louisville, KY 40202
502-583-1234

Room – Gallery Ballroom (16th floor)
AGENDA

Wednesday, September 21, 2011

9:00 a.m. Welcome/Call to Order/Prayer

Michael Kruse

Recitation of GAMC 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.

9:10 a.m. Review and Adopt Agenda – H.100

Approval of Minutes – H.101

- a. March 30, 2011
- b. May 19, 2011 (Conference Call)
- c. July 20-22, 2011 (Executive Committee Retreat)
- d. August 24, 2011 (Conference Call)

9:15 a.m.	Report of the Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Chair's Appointments – H.102b. Nominations to the GAMC Nominating Committeec. GAMC Meeting Schedule (2012-2014) – H.103	<i>Michael Kruse</i>
9:25 a.m.	Restricted Funds Oversight Committee Report	<i>Alan Ford</i>
9:35 a.m.	Business Items <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Celebration of Holy Communion – H.104➤ Mid-Council/GAMC Meetings – H.105	<i>Michael Kruse</i>
9:40 a.m.	➤ Report of the Procedures Subcommittee – H.106	<i>Carolyn McLarnan</i>
9:50 a.m.	➤ Report of the Nominating Committee – H.107	<i>Matt Schramm</i>
10:00 a.m.	Review of Committee Plans: <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Discipleship➤ Evangelism➤ Justice➤ Stewardship➤ Vocation	<i>Steve Aeschbacher</i> <i>Matthew Schramm</i> <i>Roger Gench</i> <i>Alan Ford</i> <i>Clark Cowden</i>
10:15 a.m.	BREAK	
10:30 a.m.	Communications	<i>Linda Valentine</i>
10:45 a.m.	Financial Report	<i>Joey Bailey</i>
11:00 a.m.	Funding Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Funding Through Presbyteries/Shared Mission➤ Funding Through Congregations/Special Offerings➤ Funding through Individuals/Major Gifts for World Mission	<i>Dave Crittenden</i> <i>Sam Locke</i> <i>Terri Bate</i>
11:30 a.m.	GA Nominations Process	<i>Valerie Small</i>
11:45 a.m.	Update on the Strategy Process	<i>Linda Valentine</i>
12:00 p.m.	LUNCH – <i>Citation A</i> Advisory and Advocacy Committees	
1:00 p.m.	➤ ACWC	<i>Belinda Rice & Darcy Metcalfe</i>
1:15 p.m.	➤ ACREC	<i>Stephen Hsieh & Carmen Rosaria</i>
1:30 p.m.	➤ ACSWP	

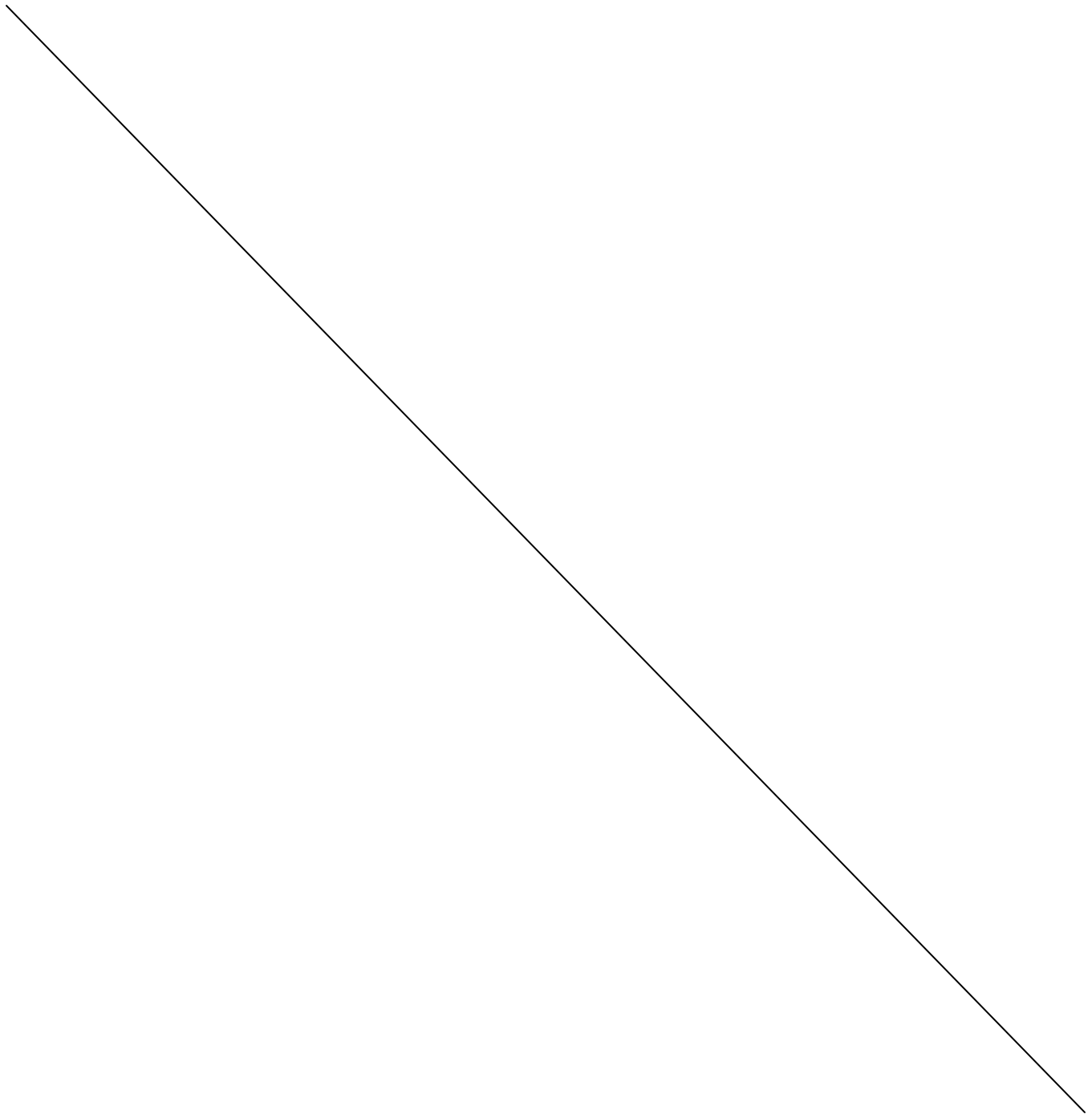
1:45 p.m. Discussion

➤ Role in Committees

Michael Kruse

2:05 p.m. Closed Session (to discuss personnel and litigation matters)

2:30 p.m. Closing Prayer and Adjournment



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**GENERAL ASSEMBLY MISSION COUNCIL
THE BROWN HOTEL
335 W. BROADWAY
LOUISVILLE, KY 40202
502.583.1234
September 21-23, 2011
AGENDA**

GAMC OFFICE - J. Graham Brown Room

Tuesday, September 20, 2011

2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Audit – *Gallery Boardroom*

Wednesday, September 21, 2011

Breakfast on your own

9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. GAMC Executive Committee Meeting – *Gallery Boardroom (16th floor)*

3:00 p.m. – 4:15pm GAMC Plenary - *Crystal Ballroom*

- Welcome and Call to Order *Michael Kruse*

- Opening Worship

- GAMC Covenant *Michael Kruse*

- Adoption of Agenda

- Roll Call

- Approval of March 2011 GAMC Minutes

- Greetings from the Stated Clerk *Gradye Parsons*

- Greetings from the Moderator *Cynthia Bolbach*

- Report of the Chair *Michael Kruse*

- Report of the Executive Director *Linda Valentine*

4:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. • ACWC Presentation *Belinda Rice & Darcy Metcalfe*

4:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. • ACREC Presentation *Stephen Hsieh & Carmen Rosaria*

4:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. • Report from Mid-Council/Six Agency Meeting and Discussion *Matt Schramm*

5:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Share and Pray for Each Other

5:30 p.m. Recess

6:30 p.m. Committee Dinners

Thursday, September 22, 2011

Breakfast on your own

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. GAMC Mission Committee Meetings:

- Discipleship – *Secretariat A*
- Evangelism – *Citation A*
- Justice – *Secretariat B*
- Vocation – *Citation B*
- Stewardship – *Gallery Boardroom*

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Group Lunch – <i>Bluegrass Room</i>	
1:30 p.m.	GAMC Plenary – <i>Crystal Ballroom</i>	
1:30 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.	Opening Devotion	
1:50 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Leadership and the Church in the 21st century	
	➤ Leadership	<i>Lee Hinson-Hasty, COTE</i>
	➤ What Kind of Leadership will the GAMC Provide the Church in the 21st Century?	<i>Carol Howard Merritt, GA Committee on the Church in the 21st Century</i>
	➤ Discussion - <i>All</i>	
3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	BREAK and Continuing Informal Conversations	
3:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	<i>Journey in the Wilderness</i> by Gil Rendle	<i>Michael Kruse & Steve Aeschbacher</i>
	➤ GAMC Leadership for the Church	
	➤ Recent Developments in the PC(USA)	
	➤ Discussion - <i>All</i>	
5:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Closing Prayers	
5:30 p.m.	Recess	
6:30 p.m.	Group Dinner – <i>Bluegrass Room</i>	
8:00 p.m.	Cashews and Conversation - <i>Secretariat A</i>	

COMMITTEE REPORTS AVAILABLE OUTSIDE OF PLENARY ROOM

Friday, September 23, 2011

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Group Breakfast – <i>Bluegrass Room</i>	
	GAMC Plenary – <i>Crystal Ballroom</i>	
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Committee Reports (10 minutes each)	
	• Corporate	<i>Michael Kruse</i>
	• Audit	<i>Reginald Parsons</i>
	• Executive Committee	<i>Michael Kruse</i>
	• Discipleship	<i>Steve Aeschbacher</i>
	• Evangelism	<i>Matt Schramm</i>
	• Justice	<i>Roger Gench</i>
	• Stewardship	<i>Alan Ford</i>
	• Vocation	<i>Clark Cowden</i>

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. BREAK

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Domestic Mission Task Force Report

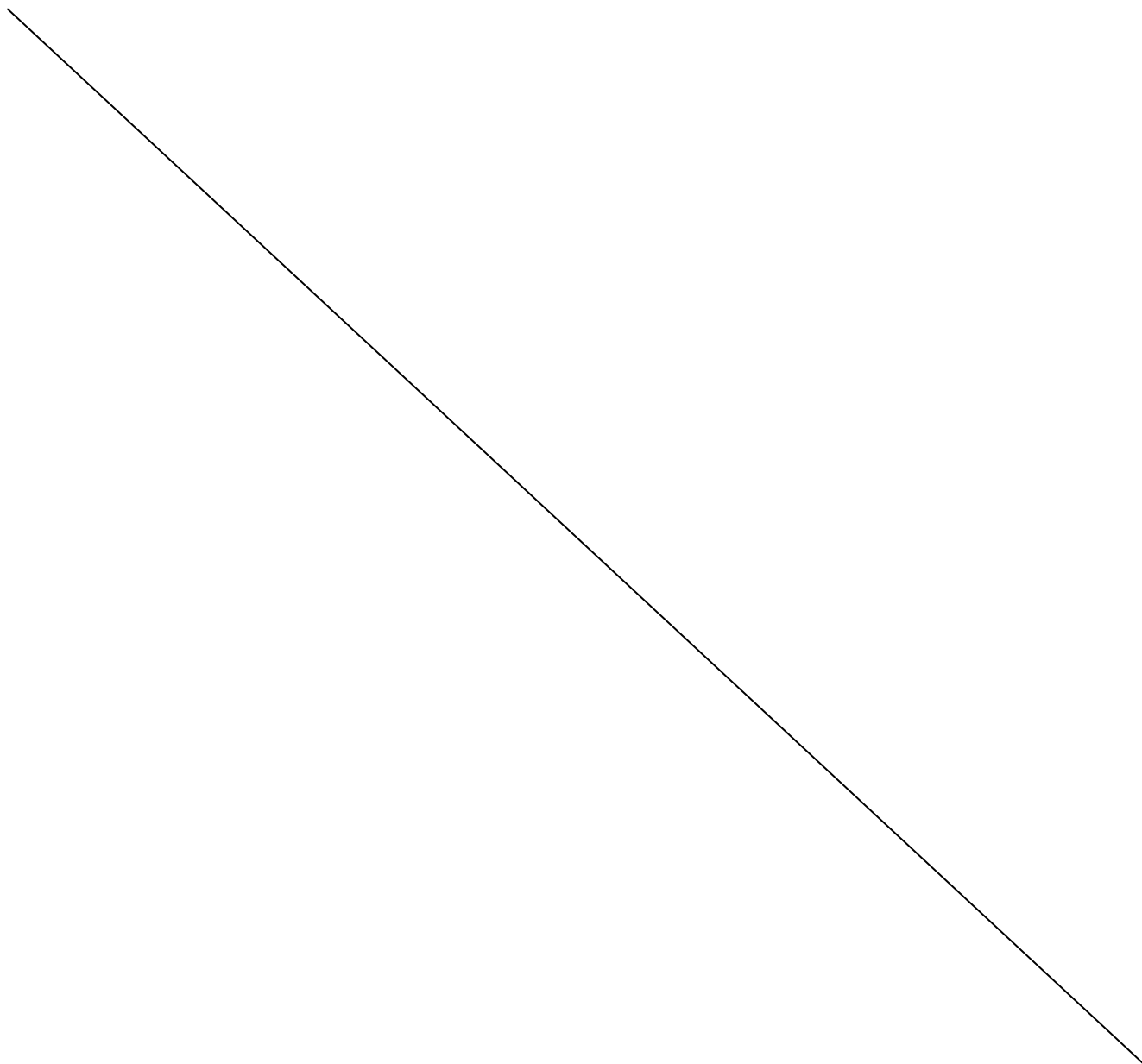
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. “What Strategic Issues Would the GAMC Want to Bring Forth to General Assembly?”

11:00 a.m. – 11:30 A.M. GAMC Name Change *Michael Kruse*

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Closing Worship and Adjournment

BOX LUNCHESES – SOUTH ALCOVE

12:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Strategy Advisory Group Meeting – *Citation A*



Assignments for General Assembly Mission Council Meeting – September 21-23, 2011

ITEM #	BUSINESS ITEM	COMMITTEE	FROM MINISTRY
C.101	Discipleship Mission Committee Minutes	Discipleship	
C.102	2013 Programmatic Emphasis	Discipleship	Mission Resources
A.101	Evangelism Mission Committee Minutes	Evangelism	
A.102	Lease to United States Educational Foundation in Pakistan on behalf of Forman Christian College	Evangelism	World Mission
A.103	Revision of the Southern Presbyterian Mission in Japan's Constitution	Evangelism	World Mission
A.104	Margaret Crawford Fund Re-Designation	Evangelism	World Mission
B.101	Justice Mission Committee Minutes	Justice	
B.102	Jarvie Commonwealth Nominations	Justice	Compassion, Peace & Justice
B.103	Church & Society Internet Journal	Justice	Compassion, Peace & Justice
B.104	Faith Advocated for Jobs Campaign – Affiliates List	Justice	Compassion, Peace & Justice
P.102	GAMC Name Change	Plenary	Executive committee
E.101	Stewardship Committee Minutes - March 2011 Meeting	Stewardship	
E.102	Ghost Ranch Covenant	Joint Stewardship/Evangelism Committee Meeting	Evangelism/Stewardship

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E.103	Capital Budget Request	Stewardship	Stewardship
E.104	2012 Revised Mission Program Budget	Stewardship	Stewardship
G.101	Corporate Minutes – April 2011	Stewardship	
G.102	Election of Officers	Stewardship	Legal Services
G.103	Authorization of Contract Signors	Stewardship	Legal Services
G.104	2011 Manse Report	Stewardship	Legal Services
D.101	Vocation Mission Committee Minutes	Vocation	
H.101	Approval of Executive Committee Minutes – March 30, 2011, May 19, 2011, July 20-23, 2011 and August 24, 2011	Executive Committee	
H.102	Chair Appointments	Executive Committee	
H.103	GAMC Meeting Schedule (2012-2014)	Executive Committee	
H.104	Celebration of Holy Communion	Executive Committee	
H.105	Mid-Council/GAMC Meetings	Executive Committee	
H.106	Report of the Procedures Subcommittee	Executive Committee	
H.107	Report of the Nominating Committee	Executive Committee	