

**TEXAS-LOUISIANA GULF COAST SYNOD
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA
SYNOD COUNCIL MEETING**

Date of Meeting: May 20, 2021

Venue: Zoom (Electronic)

Attendees: Bishop Mike, Robert Rivera, Paul Antolik, Tom Wildrick, Carol Flores, Rev. Marcia Kifer, Rev. Chris Michaelis, Rev. Rodwell Thom, Caleb Park, Adan Plata, Shelli Williamson

Absent: Deidre Hayes, Julie Peltier

Staff: Rev. Tracey Breashears-Schultz, Rev. Chris Markert

Guest: Rev. Lamont Wells

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Robert Rivera, opening prayer/devotions were led by Bishop Mike Rinehart.

Actions Taken

1. Approved the Consent Agenda. [Motion: Rev. Marcia Second: Rev. Rodwell
 - The consent agenda included the May 20 agenda, March 20, 2021 Council Minutes, on leave from call requests, retirement request for Robin McCullough-Bade, and to appoint Morgan Gates, Michelle Mote, and Amber Harbolt to the Elections Committee.
2. Approved the Assembly Draft Agenda. [Motion: Rev. Marcia, Second: Caleb]
 - The Bishop discussed how the role of the Synod Council at the Assembly is changed in the virtual Assembly format.
3. Approved the Compensation Guidelines for 2022. [Motion: Paul, Second: Tom]
4. Approved the Continuing Resolution regarding Assembly voting members. [Motion: Carol, Second: Rev. Rodwell]

5. Approved as voting members of the 2021 Synod Assembly the following individuals: Laura Anderson, Nancy Andrews, Barbara Sue Beall, Robert Bryan, Lisa Gaye, Kathy Haueisen, Glenn Hohlt, Grant Housewright, Sabine Lamar, Gerald Mansholt, and Cindy Robles. [Motion: Carol, Second: Rev. Chris]

6. Approved to recommend the 2022 Synod draft budget to the Synod Assembly. [Motion: Tom, Second: Carol]

7. Voted to table until the Fall Synod Council meeting consideration of the resolution on ELCA Advocacy support for the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act. [Motion: Caleb, Second: Rev. Marcia]

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Antolik
Secretary