

The Council of Advice met via ZOOM video call on 11 to 13 June 2020.

Agenda topics and discussions included:

- ♦ Council of Advice Mutual Ministry Review (MMR) facilitated by Rev. Canon Linda Grenz. (A MMR is not an evaluation of performance it is a chance for those involved in leadership to reflect on and review what has happened in the past year to identify accomplishments and opportunities for improvement.)
- ♦ Parish and mission congregation reports from liaisons, with an emphasis on how COVID has impacted communities, particularly those in the process of priest-in-charge searches.
- ♦ For the five task forces established at last year's convention we received updates from liaisons (despite the various impacts of COVID, task forces have accomplished a considerable amount of work.)
- ♦ Financial review of year to date Convocation budget, and preliminary discussion that the 2021 forecast consider potential impacts from the current year.
- ♦ Grant approvals for the following: Convocation Relief to support congregations, Digital Ministry Enrichment Fund, WFCA (Whalon Fund for the Creative Arts.)
- ♦ Report on candidates in the Ordination process, and an update from the Convocation office on its new procedures for managing this process.
- ♦ Reviewed working draft for modified Rules of Order for the Council of Advice.
- ♦ Convention 2020 in Nice hosted by Holy Trinity (22 to 25 October). Update on the logistical planning and contingency plans. Details regarding final plans for Convention 2020 will be made available in coming weeks.

The Council of Advice will next meet from 3 to 5 September 2020.

Key dates for upcoming Convocation programs can be found at:

http://www.tec-europe.org/calendar/upcoming-convocation-events/

The Council of Advice is a canonical committee that advises Bishop-in-Charge Mark Edington in carrying out his responsibilities in the Convocation.

If you would like to learn more about the Council of Advice and its current members, please visit:

http://www.tec-europe.org/convocation/governance-conventions-council-of-advice/the-council-of-advice/.