

**MINUTES OF THE CALLED MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF
GREATER ATLANTA**

**April 5, 2022
Held via zoom**

The meeting was opened with prayer at 10:01 by Moderator **Juan Herrera**.

A quorum was declared by Stated Clerk, **Donna Wells**.

The moderator read the purpose of the meeting:

To hear and act upon the recommendations of the Administrative Commission for Atlanta Korean Presbyterian Church elected on July 24, 2021. No other business shall be conducted at this meeting.

The two Interpreters for this meeting were introduced:

Josh Park, Council Support Manager, Office of the General Assembly
Jihyun Oh, Director of Mid Councils, Office of the General Assembly

Moderator Herrera explained the procedure for the meeting as outlined in the docket.

Executive Presbyter **Aisha Brooks-Johnson** read Psalm 46 in English; Elder **David Kim** from the Commission read the Psalm in Korean.

Members of the Administrative Commission were introduced:

Co-Chairs: **Kate Colussy-Estes and Jay Huh**
David Kim
William Nisbet
Katie Ricks

Motion One was presented:

The Presbytery of Greater Atlanta dissolve the congregation of Atlanta Korean Presbyterian Church and provide pastoral care to all members of the congregation and the church leadership.

The Moderator directed that the 10 statements from members of the congregation be read in compliance with G-3.0303 affording all those affected the ability to speak. Those statements are addendums to these minutes.

After these statements were read, the moderator opened up the floor for debate. Debate was composed primarily of questions. Upon completion, the motion was presented for vote.

The motion was *approved by a vote of 125 yes, 23 no and 6 abstentions.*

Motion two was presented:

Provide three months severance from the date of closure for each of the following persons: • Pastor Sung Sik Baek • Pastor Il Bong Lee, HR • Kyungee Kim, Chorus Leader

The motion was *approved by a vote of 145 yes, 1 no and 4 abstentions.*

Motion three was presented:

If the property is sold, allocate net proceeds from the sale per PGA Policy 34, with the following stipulation: after all financial obligations of the church have been paid, including the proposed severance, the 10% allocation for administrative costs, and the 10% offering to Presbyterian causes and institutions that have been meaningful to the life of the congregation and/or local ecumenical and benevolent causes that have been meaningful to the life of the congregation; the remaining funds shall be split with the 50% revitalization portion going to Korean churches in the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta:-and the 50% New Church Development portion of funds to be used by the New Church Development Commission (NCDC) for new Korean communities - those currently working with the NCDC and those yet to be formed.

The motion was *approved by a vote of 143 yes, 1 no and 4 abstentions.*

Motion four was presented:

Dismiss the Commission with thanks

Before this motion was entertained, **Kate Colussy-Estes**, co-chair of the Administrative Commission added words of personal thanks to the members of the Commission who worked with such diligence, faithfulness and sensitivity to this difficult work.

The motion was *approved by a vote of 147 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions.*

The meeting was closed in prayer by Rev. Dr. **Mun Gye Lee** at 11:45.

The meeting was adjourned by Moderator Herrera.

Respectfully Submitted:

Donna E. Wells
Stated Clerk