

PRESIDENT OF THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES COUNCIL OF ADVICE

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Changes in Membership

Ms. Jane Cislucyis resigned from the Council of Advice for the President of the House of Deputies in 2022.

Committee Composition

The Council of Advice reflects diverse and broad membership from across the church. Members of the Council of Advice were asked to serve based on their critical roles and unique perspectives.

Meetings

The Council of Advice held three in-person meetings. The first in Alexandria, Virginia, on November 11-12, 2022. The second in Irvine, California, on March 3-4, 2023. The third in Louisville, Kentucky, on September 15-16, 2023. The Council of Advice also held two virtual meetings via Zoom, one on December 14, 2022 and the other on August 9, 2023

Mandate

CANON I.1.1 (b) states "The President shall be authorized to appoint an Advisory Council for consultation and advice in the performance of the duties of the office."

Summary of Work

The President of the House of Deputies Council of Advice discussed implementation of the President's priority themes of safety, inclusivity, and accessibility, including the possibility of a Community Covenant at the 81st General Convention. The Council also planned House of Deputies aids for the work of the 81st General Convention; specifically, videos to help with the creation of Blue Book Reports and a how-to on writing resolutions. Furthermore, the President formed subcommittees within the Council to assist with populating Legislative Committees.