

## **Report of the March Leadership Council Meeting**

The Council was introduced to the new Communications Associate for the Presbytery, Laura Schieber.

The Council discussed ways in which it can be transparent and helpful to the Presbytery.

The discussion about the structure of the Leadership Council was resumed. The other two presbyteries of our three presbytery group utilize the moderators of the presbytery committees as a council. This seems to work well for them and simplifies communication. The Council will continue their study of this idea.

The Council is working on filling an opening on the Nominating Committee.

A discussion of hybrid Presbytery meetings was taken up by the Council. There are several reasons that hybrid meetings are complicated. Not all churches have sufficient technology and equipment. Many can stream worship services but not support the Zoom meeting and voting processes. The cost to the presbytery of making this happen in those churches is prohibitive. The Council voted to make the next Presbytery meeting a hybrid meeting.

The Council had a discussion regarding the offering designation for the May meeting and assigned research on the possibilities. The theme for the May meeting will be Immigration on the border with Mexico, and in November it will be about Israel and Palestine.

Respectfully submitted,

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