

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION FOR GREENVIEW REPORT

The Administrative Commission (hereafter referred to as “the AC”) for Greenview has been meeting regularly since being commissioned at the last Presbytery meeting in June 2020. The current members of the Greenview Commission are: Rev. Susan Phillips, Rev. Christian Choi, CLP Sandi Woodard, and Rev. Andy Sonneborn. Rev. Andy Sonneborn serves as the Chair of the AC, Rev. Christian Choi serves as the Recording Secretary, and Rev. Susan Phillips serves as our Chaplain.

At the June 2020 meeting of GRP, the AC was tasked with assisting the Greenview congregation in addressing ongoing and system issues and conflict within the congregation. To get a richer history of the issues and conflict within and surrounding Greenview, the AC has met with the Session of Greenview, as well as other parties who have directly knowledge concerning the issues and conflict of the congregation. We also decided early on to have the AC meet with LeaderWise to help the AC process the issues and develop healthy boundaries in our work.

The first issue that we addressed as the AC was the lack of Session members. Earlier in 2020, several Session members, including the Co-Clerks and the Treasurer, resigned from Session. This was the precipitating issue that led to the formation of the AC. The Session had fallen below the minimum number of Elders according to the congregation’s By-Laws. As of July 2020, the congregation now has a full slate of Elders on Session, as well as a Clerk of Session and a Treasurer. The congregation also has in place a part-time Secretary after the previous Secretary left the position in March of 2020.

Now that the Session and leadership positions are filled, it is our plan to work with the Greenview congregation on addressing the conflict within their congregation. We will also work with the congregation and Session to address the issue of pastoral vacancy. We will help Greenview as they decide which path they will take in addressing the larger issues within their congregation, rather than the AC or Presbytery dictating their path.

At this time, we do not have any actions to report to the Presbytery.

Submitted by the Greenview Administrative Commission