

Agenda and Timetable

The General Assembly has agreed that every agenda should be headed with the question, what are the ecumenical implications of this agenda?

17/02/2014

| Monday 10th March 2014 | | |
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| | | PAPER/S |
| 11.00 – 12.00 | Introduction session for new Mission Council members | |
| 12.00 – 12.45pm | Registration | |
| 1.00 – 2.00pm | <i>Lunch</i> | |
| 2.00pm | <i>Room keys available</i> | |
| 2.00 – 4.00pm | <p>Session 1</p> <p><i>Worship and Bible study</i></p> <p>Welcomes and introductions</p> <p>The agenda before us</p> <p>Minutes – please add Keith Webster’s name to the list of visitors.</p> <p>Matters arising not otherwise on the agenda</p> <p>p.13, 13/40 When Bridget Fosten’s name was presented for appointment as clerk to the Governors of Westminster College, there was uncertainty as to whether this should be an action of Mission Council or simply be noted. It is now clear that Mission Council should have made the appointment. A resolution is needed: <i>Acting on behalf of General Assembly, Mission Council agrees to appoint Mrs Bridget Fosten as clerk to the Board of Governors of Westminster College.</i></p> | |

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| | Medium Term Strategy Group | | S1 |
| 4.00 – 4.30pm | Tea | | |
| 4.30 – 6.30pm | Session 2 | | |
| | Cutting edges: Faith and Order Committee | | |
| 6.30 – 7.30 pm | Dinner | | |
| 7.30 – 9.00 pm | Session 3 | | |
| | Medium Term Strategy Group: the role of the synod moderator | | S2 |
| | Prayers | | |

Tuesday 11th March 2014

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| 8.15 – 9.15am | Breakfast | | |
| 9.15 – 11.00am | Session 4 | | |
| | Prayers | | |
| | Cutting edges: Mission Committee | | |
| | Assembly-appointed posts | | M1 |
| | Clerk | | M2 |
| | Law and Polity Advisory Group: update on briefing sessions held January to February 2014 | | |

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| 11.00 – 11.30 | Coffee | |
| 11.30 – 1.00pm | Session 5 | |
| | Cutting edges: Communications and Editorial | |
| | Nominations Committee | verbal |
| (No later than) 12.50pm | En bloc items (as listed in the cover letter) | |
| 1.00 – 2.00pm | Lunch | |
| 2.00 – 3.45 pm | Session 6 | |
| | On the invitation of the Faith and Order Committee, the Revd Dr Alan Sell will deliver a paper entitled, “How does the URC discern God’s will?” Discussion to follow | |
| 3.45 – 4.30pm | Cream Tea | |
| 4.30 – 6.30pm | Session 7 | |
| | Cutting edges: Education and Learning | |
| 6.30 – 7.30pm | Dinner | |
| 7.30pm – 9.00pm | Session 8 | |
| | Election of Mission Council Advisory Group members | M4 |
| | Future of General Assembly | Y1, Y2, A |
| 9.00pm | Prayers | |

Wednesday 12th March 2014

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| <i>8.15 – 9.15 am</i> | <i>Breakfast</i> | |
| <i>9.15 – 11.00 am</i> | <p>Session 9</p> <p>Cutting edges: Ministries</p> <p>Consensus decision making</p> <p>Additional and remaindered business</p> <p>Feedback and proposals arising from previous discussions</p> <p>Farewells</p> | M3 |
| <i>11.00 – 11.30 am</i> | <i>Coffee</i> | |
| <i>11.30 – 12.45pm</i> | <p>Session 10</p> <p>Holy Communion</p> | |
| <i>1.00 – 2.00pm</i> | <p><i>Lunch</i></p> <p>Departures</p> | |
| <i>2.00 – 3.00</i> | <i>Meeting of committee conveners</i> | |