

SCNCUCC Eastern Association
CHURCH and MINISTRY SECTION A

Chair: Rev. Dr. Sylvia Lee Mann

Fall Association Meeting Report
October 31, 2020

Section A meets on a regular basis throughout the year, usually on the first Tuesday of each month, currently via Zoom. (In the past, we have, as often as possible, met in person, especially when working with ministry candidates and churches considering entering into covenant.)

Over the past year Section A has worked with several MIDs and Privilege of Call Candidates, as well as 2 churches.

We were pleased to see Urban Mission enter into covenant with the Eastern Association of SCNCUCC, and celebrated their acceptance at the Association meeting on October 5th

We were also were delighted to celebrate Suzanne Barone's successful ecclesiastical council on Oct 5th, and in this most unusual year, her ordination in a special Zoom service on August 1, 2020. We especially congratulate Suzanne and her Section A Mentor, Sharon Graff, on designing a beautiful and meaningful service of ordination, and express thanks to all the participants and attendees for their heartfelt support.

We are now looking at the possibility of bringing another congregation into covenant with the association, and have been doing ongoing work with MIDs and potential MIDs.

As a note – for those churches and pastors who may have members considering MID status, Section A has some important resources, and we are happy to assist you in beginning the process, which initially should involve work at the local church level by working with the pastor and forming a discernment committee. Please feel free and invited to explore any questions about the process by contacting us.

Note: At the special election meeting in August (held because we were not able to hold our usual association Spring Meeting), our former chair, Matthew Redrich, was elected to the Executive Committee as a member at large, and transitioned out of Section A. Since that time, Sylvia Mann has been chairing Section A.

Current Section A members, as of this writing are:

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Rev. Dr. Sharon Graff

Ms. Donna Saxton

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Rev. Dr. Michael Holland

Rev. Lee Tanuvasa

Rev. Dr. Ernie Reyes

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Dr. Sylvia Lee Mann
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