

Episcopal Diocese of Chicago

Executive Summary of the Standing Committee Meeting of June 12, 2019

Present: Eric Bidy, President; Maria Giraldo; Anne Jolly; Lisa Kerpan; Rory Smith; Bishop Lee
Guests: Anna Stefaniak, Associate for Human Resources; and Courtney Reid, Director of Operations

Eric Bidy opened the meeting in prayer at 6:00pm.

Focused Discussion

Anna Stefaniak shared the 2017 Bishop's Compensation Report prepared by Church Pension Group. She presented Bishop Lee's historical compensation from 2008-19 with a proposed increase in salary of \$1673 for the bishop in 2020. The Standing Committee approved a salary increase of \$1673 for the bishop in 2020.

Standing Committee consented to the election of Shannon MacVean-Brown as Bishop Diocesan, Diocese of Vermont; Jonathan Folts as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of South Dakota; and Bonnie A Perry as Bishop Diocesan, Diocese of Michigan.

Standing Committee signed the Application for Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate of Courtney Reid and Lydia Gajdel; the Application for Ordination to the Vocational Diaconate of Brenda Kilpatrick; and the Application for Candidacy of Cate Anthony.

Standing Committee approved a housing allowance in the amount of \$15,000 for Courtney Reid for the 2019 tax year.

Courtney Reid shared a draft budget for the Diocese of Chicago for Church Year 2020. In its preliminary form, the draft budget projects a deficit. Over the past several years, the diocese has used Bishops Funds and the sale of property to balance the budget.

The Search & Nomination Committee will receive a brief from Courtney Reid on the budget to prepare them to speak about the financial state of the diocese during the search process.

Bishop's Report

Bishop Lee presented a summary of persons in the ordination process. Standing Committee did not recommend putting a hold on the ordination process during the bishop transition.

Business Meeting

Eric Bidy reported that Barbara Seward had made the decision to resign from Standing Committee. The canons allow Standing Committee to appoint a replacement until the next election, which will take place at Diocesan Convention in November.

The minutes of the meeting of May 8, 2019 were approved as submitted.

Bishop Lee left the meeting at 7:25; Standing Committee discussed some details about the upcoming Search & Nomination Committee retreat scheduled for June 14-15, 2019.

The Charge to the Search & Nomination Committee was discussed. The vote to approve the charge will take place by email before the retreat.

The appointment of a Chaplain to the Search & Nomination Committee will take place following the Search & Nomination Committee retreat.

The next Candidacy Interview Day is scheduled to take place July 18, 2019.

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting is July 10, 2019 at 6pm at St. James Commons.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment

Eric Bidy offered a closing prayer, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kerpan
Secretary