

Standing Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago
Executive Summary of the Minutes of the Meeting of February 12, 2020

Present: Anne Jolly, President; and Bishop Jeff Lee

By video/telephone conference: Miguel Briones, Jeannette DeFriest, Lisa Kerpan, Laura Singer, Rory Smith, and Lisa Senuta

Anne Jolly called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Business Meeting

The minutes and executive summary of the meeting of January 8, 2020 were approved.

Standing Committee consented to the elections of Poulson Reed, Bishop Coadjutor, Diocese of Oklahoma; and Craig Loya, Bishop Diocesan, Diocese of Minnesota.

Candidacy interviews will take place on March 27 and March 28.

Bishop's Report

Standing Committee approved a motion to release Deacon Kent T Jones from ordained ministry in the Episcopal Church in accordance with Title III, Canon 9, Sections 7.8 and 10. Standing Committee voted to approve Jihan Murray-Smith's candidacy for ordination to the presbyterate.

Following the bishop's report, the Rev. Lisa Senuta, chaplain to Standing Committee, offered a meditation and prayer, and Bishop Lee left the meeting.

Bishop Search and Transition

Standing Committee reviewed the draft election procedures and the draft rules of order for the electing convention. Following revision, Standing Committee will seek input from the bishop; Courtney Reid, Director of Operations; Richard Hoskins and Todd Young, Chancellors emeriti; and Michael Peregrine, Chancellor. Standing Committee will adopt the election procedures at its meeting in March.

Lisa Senuta and Jeannette DeFriest will collaborate to produce material for the diocese on the topic of discernment, including a series of meditations and resources for delegates to the electing convention.

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting is March 11, 2020 at 6pm at St. James Commons.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment

Lisa Senuta offered a closing prayer, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kerpan
Secretary