

Standing Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago
Executive Summary of the Minutes of the Standing Committee Meeting of October 12, 2022

Present Via Zoom: Laura Singer (chairing meeting), Toni Danielson, Miguel Briones, Jeannette DeFriest

Absent: Anne Jolly, Luis Garcia

Opening Prayer – Laura

Approval of September Minutes and Executive Summary moved: Toni, 2nd: Jeannette. Minutes APPROVED.

Bishop's Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA): Anna Stefaniak joined meeting to explain the proposed COLA increase. We chose to table this matter until we could review the 2023 budget. Anna Stefaniak would convey our request for a meeting with Treasurer Keith Kampert.

Calvary, Lombard request for permission to explore selling the Rectory: Jim Filkins, Senior Warden presented the case and supporting information for Calvary's desire to explore selling the rectory. Toni Danielson moved "The Standing Committee consents for Calvary, Lombard to pursue the sale of the Rectory." Seconded by Jeannette. APPROVED

Release and Removal of Mark Middleton from the Priesthood: The Rev. Middleton has tendered his resignation from the Episcopal Church and has asked to be released from the priesthood. The reasons include his disappointment over resolutions approved at General Convention pertaining to abortion.

Laura moved "Standing Committee consents to Mark Middleton's request to be removed from ordained ministry in the Episcopal Church." Seconded by Toni. APPROVED.

Respectfully submitted, Jeannette DeFriest