

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of California
Meeting Minutes
February 5, 2013

Grace Cathedral Chapter Room
1:00 to 5:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. Chris Butler, The Rev. Br. Richard Edward Helmer (Secretary), Ms. AnnaMarie Hoos, The Rev. David Ota, Ms. Brenda Paulin, The Rev. Sue Thompson (Vice President), Ms. Mary Vargas (President), The Rev. Lori Walton

1:07 Opening Prayer and Devotions were led by David Ota

1:10 Mary Vargas led personal check-in for Standing Committee members

1:28 Standing Committee reviewed the February agenda and minutes from January 8th meeting

MSCU (Butler / Thompson) Standing Committee approves the minutes from the January 8th meeting as presented.

1:30 Bishop's Compensation Committee Report

Gabriela Strand Bruce and John Tornquist joined the meeting and offered the Compensation report prepared by the Bishop's Compensation Committee.

John Tornquist reported that the construction project on 2006 Lyon Street is winding down, and the contractors are completing a punch list of minor repairs and adjustments related to completion of the work.

The Standing Committee received both reports and thanked the BCC for their diligent work.

2:30 John Tornquist and Gabriela Strand Bruce departed the meeting.

2:37 Standing Committee reviewed its retreat work, including:

- liaison relationships
- sample candidate interview questions
- considering governance review priorities
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2:45 Standing Committee discussed next steps for consent action in St. Matthew's, San Mateo, School Expansion Discussion.

MSCU (Ota / Hoos) The Standing Committee consents to the expansion project and proposed encumbrance to finance the project of St. Matthew's Parish and School (San Mateo) expansion.

Standing Committee directed the President in her letter to St. Matthew's to ask for an update when the loan documents are prepared for approval.

3:04 Bishop Andrus joined the meeting at 3:04.

Standing Committee and the Bishop opened a review conversation.

4:55 Standing Committee and the Bishop discussed about progress in the relationship between St. Peter's and Trinity, San Francisco.

5:05 Standing Committee and the Bishop discussed the decision to consent to the St. Matthew's expansion project and ways of moving forward on future similar decisions that are brought before the Bishop and Standing Committee.

5:15 Bishop Marc departed the meeting

5:15 Standing Committee took a brief break

5:30 Lori Walton and Chris Butler departed the meeting early.

5:30 Reports

- Commission on Ministry – Lori Walton
- Executive Council – AnnaMarie Hoos
- Grace Cathedral Board of Trustees – Mary Vargas
- Committee on Governance – David Ota
 - o Questions still being asked about chancellor's position
Standing Committee clarified that the CoG is completing its work on the Chancellor's position and is planning to make a final report to the Standing Committee by Easter.
- Working Group on Diocesan Institutions – Chris Butler
- Scholarship Committee – Chris Butler
- Nominating Committee – David Ota
- Episcopal Elections – Richard Helmer

5:35 Standing Committee discussed the Chancellor's opinion on the Standing Committee's and Bishop's Compensation Committee's canonical role in compensation matters conflicting with the California Non-Profit Integrity Act. David Ota (of the Standing Committee) will work with Richard Patenaude from Executive Council to further research this matter and report to both bodies and the Bishop about possible paths forward to ensure appropriate compliance.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm following a closing prayer led by David Ota.

Faithfully submitted,

The Rev. Br. Richard Edward Helmer n/BSG
Secretary

Approved by Standing Committee at the March 5th, 2013, meeting.