Diocese of California
THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Executive Council Minutes
June 17, 2014
Wilsey Conference Center A/B, Grace Cathedral

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Matthew Burt, Chair of Executive Council (EC). The opening prayer was offered by Ade Adekunle.

Attendance:
The Rt. Rev. Marc Handley Andrus Absent
  Bishop and President
Matthew Burt  Present  The Rev. Matthew Dutton-Gillett  Present
  Chair
Bronwen Howes  Present
  Secretary
Ade Adekunle  Present  The Rev. Mauricio Wilson  Present
The Rev. Sylvia Vasquez  Present  William Cullen  Present
Leslie Watson  Present  The Rev. Chip Larrimore  Present
Carl Zachrisson  Present  The Rev. Joyce Parry Moore  Present
Ken Fuller  Present  The Rev. Dcn. Patricia Pearson  Present
Joe Jennings  Absent  Thomas Robertson  Absent
Jim McConnell  Present  Sheila Sims  Present
Karma Quick-Panwala  Present

Bishop’s Appointees
Janet Brown  Present  Clay Jones  Present
The Rev. Merry Chan  Present

Ex-Officio Members
David Frangquist  Present  Robert McCaskill  Present
  Secretary of Convention  Treasurer of the Diocese

Other Attendees: Christopher Hayes, Chancellor of the diocese; Richard Helmer, Standing Committee Representative.

Diocesan Staff: Stefani Schatz, Canon to the Ordinary; Tom Ferguson, CFO; Davey Gerhard, Director of Development.

Guest of EC: Connie Pierce; The Rev. Jack Eastwood, Rob Gieselmann, Gabriella Bruce Strand, Executive Compensation Committee.

Approval of Meeting Agenda and Minutes from May 20, 2014:

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Agenda: Add report from Davey Gerhard after the 5:30 agenda item.
Minutes: Bronwen asked that the approval of the May and June minutes be considered at the July meeting.

**Executive Session to Consider Executive Compensation:** By unanimous consent, the body went into executive session at 4:35. Richard Helmer, Standing Committee, Christopher Hayes, Chancellor of the Diocese, the special needs stenographer and Gabriela Strand Bruce, The Rev. Jack Eastwood, Rob Gieslemann, Brenda Paulin and Connie Pierce of the Executive Compensation Committee (ECC) remained; all other non-EC members left the room. At 5:15 the ECC members, except Karma Quick-Panwala, left.
Executive session ended at 5:20.
It was moved, seconded, and approved to spend the funds to purchase a new Honda Accord for the use of the Bishop, to replace the previous vehicle that was damaged beyond repair. The Bishop was not present during the executive session or the vote.

**Executive Session to Consider Pending Litigation:** By unanimous consent, the body went into executive session at 5:21. Richard Helmer, Standing Committee, Christopher Hayes, Chancellor of the Diocese and the special needs stenographer remained, Stefani Schatz, Tom Ferguson, and Davey Gerhard were directed to join EC; all other non-EC members remained outside the room. Executive session continued to the next item for consideration.

**Executive Session to Consider El Buen Samaritano:**
Executive session ended at 6:04.
The following was moved, seconded, and carried:
Resolved, that in accordance with Canon 12.04, on account of the failure of the mission congregation of El Buen Samaritano, San Francisco, to make a pledge or monthly payment to the Diocesan Operating Fund and its inability at the present time to support the services of a stipendiary vicar, the Executive Council hereby recommends that the Bishop temporarily suspend the services of the office of the vicar of the congregation of El Buen Samaritano until such time as a renewed Latino/Latina ministry in the Mission District of San Francisco can be established on a sound financial basis.

**Postponed Motion from the May 20 Meeting and discussion of ongoing Vitality Work:** *Matthew Dutton-Gillett, Sylvia Vasquez, Tom Robertson, Stefani Schatz*

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**Monthly Financial Reports:** The monthly financials were skipped for this month so there would be time to consider the 2015 proposed Budget. If there are questions about the statements please contact Bob McCaskill.

**2015 Budget:** A copy of the preliminary budget was sent out to all members of the EC last week, along with a brief summary of the budget. The Preliminary 2015 budget was endorsed by Executive Council.

**Diocesan Ministry Review; Final Report:** Bronwen announced the final report to EC was complete and will be distributed to EC shortly.

**Standing Committee Report:** The Rev. Br. Richard Helmer gave a report on the Standing Committee’s activities in the past month.

**Announcement:** Bill Cullen announced that the deadline for Nominations for Diocesan Convention was July 15, 2014. Check the Diocesan website under Governance for information.

**Adjournment:** The closing prayer was offered and the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Bronwen Howes  
Secretary of Executive Council

Mary Louise Gotthold  
Recording Secretary

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