

Executive Council Minutes
November 18, 2014
Wilsey Conference Center A/B, Grace Cathedral

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 PM. by The Rev. Matthew Dutton Gillette, Vice Chair of Executive Council. The Opening prayer was offered by Janet Brown

Attendance:

The Rt. Rev. Marc Handley Andrus

Bishop and President **Present**

Matthew Burt

Chair **Phone**

Bronwen Howes

Secretary **Present**

Ade Adekunle

The Rev. Sylvia Vasquez **Present**

Leslie Watson

Carl Zachrisson **Present**

Ken Fuller

Joe Jennings **Present**

Jim McConnell

Karma Quick-Panwala **Present**

The Rev. Matthew Dutton-Gillett

Vice Chair **Present**

The Rev. Mauricio Wilson

William Cullen **Phone**

The Rev. Chip Larrimore

The Rev. Joyce Parry Moore **Phone**

Sheila Sims

The Rev. Tommy Dillon **Present**

Bishop's Appointees:

Janet Brown **Present**

The Rev. Merry Chan **Absent**

Clay Jones **Absent**

Ex-Officio Members:

David Frangquist

Secretary of Convention **Present**

Robert McCaskill

Treasurer of the Diocese **Present**

Other Attendees:

Mary Vargas, Standing Committee Representative, Christopher Hayes, Esq.,
Chancellor of the Diocese

Diocesan Staff:

The Rev, Stefani Schatz, Cn. To the Ordinary; Davey Gerhard, Director of
Development; The Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith, Working Group Head of Discipleship
Ministries/ Ministry Development Officer, Tom Ferguson, CFO.

Guest of Executive Council: Kitty Baca, real-time captioner/CART, Jim
Forsyth, Controller Emeritus.

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Approval of Meeting Agenda and Minutes from October 21, 2014:

The Meeting Agenda was approved with no changes. The minutes were approved with noted changes.

Appointment of Sandra Ahn to Executive Council: Matthew Dutton-Gillett moved the appointment of Sandra Ahn to fill the seat left open by this year's Diocesan Convention. The motion was seconded and approved. The Canons specify that this appointment will be ratified by the Convention when it meets in 2015. The appointment will take effect as of January 1, 2015.

Report on Sojourn Chaplaincy: Jim Forsyth, member of the Sojourn Board of Directors, introduced Karen Tomcala, current Executive Director, who reported on the current transition happening at Sojourn .

Book Discussion: Stefani Schatz thanked the EC members for their commitment to reading the book "Humble Leadership". Due to time constraints, there will be no further group discussion time in 2014. We were asked to focus our attention on the several actions or "skills" the book's author asked us to take on as humble leaders:

- Surround ourselves with good leaders and let them shine;
- Elicit ideas, seek God's guidance, and set Direction;
- Give Guidance and let go
- Accept Criticism, Resist Offense, Provide Support;
- Become thankful.

Bishop's Report and Comments: Bishop Marc thanked everyone for their support during his fall and the death of Sheila's brother.

The Bishop commented on the November 18, 2014 issue of Good News! (Vol.I, Issue 5). Episcopal Charities "Night of Lights" event supporters' raised over \$200,000 with proceeds going to benefit agencies around the Bay Area that focus on the root causes of poverty. Under Vitality read about the Beloved Community recent Conformations .

The search process for the new Dean of Grace Cathedral continues with a fully formed Search Committee. There has been wonderful response for active outreach for diverse candidates. Everything is on track to be able to call a new dean in the spring. The Cathedral is doing well through the transition.

Monthly Financial Reports: Bob McCaskill presented the financial report.

Standing Committee Report: Mary Vargas, Standing Committee Representative, gave the report on the Standing Committee activities in the past month.

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Looking Ahead at 2015: Priorities and Goals: Matthew Dutton- Gillett.

Matthew introduced the Priorities and Goals for 2015:

- 1 - Support congregational vitality and growth through strategic planning.
- 2 - Reexamine Program and Budget so that the diocese is more Program oriented. Also review the Budget process timing.
- 3 - Develop strategies for developing and supporting leadership from congregation level to diocesan level.

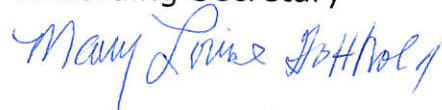
Other Business:

1. Julia McCray Goldsmith distributed information on "THE BIG Gain". This competition is between Cal And Stanford campus ministries to raise funds for maintaining the Episcopal Church presence on both campuses.
2. Executive Council Retreat Information/Questionnaire was distributed. Please answer questions and send to Mary Louise Gotthold as soon as possible-at least by the Dec. Meeting.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM with Ken Fuller giving the closing prayer.

Bronwen Howes
Secretary Of Executive Council

Mary Louise Gotthold
Recording Secretary



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