The Rev. Chip Larrimore, Chair of Executive Council (EC), called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. Christopher Hayes offered the opening prayer. Prayers were also offered by the Bishop for Bill Ennis, husband of the Rev. Sylvia Vasquez and former member of the Executive Council, who had died in the morning. Snacks were provided by David Frangquist.

**Attendance**

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Approval of Consent Agenda: The consent agenda was approved.

Follow-up on Talking Points from March Meeting: The Rev. Chip Larrimore reviewed the talking points from the March meeting. He noted that he has received positive feedback from EC members regarding the talking points.

Bishop’s Time: The Bishop reported that he would be representing the Most Rev. Michael Curry at the United Nations in New York for the signing of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change. This is the first time the Episcopal Church has participated in COP21. The Bishop noted that the current triennium (2016-18) is dedicated to the fifth mark of mission, safeguarding the integrity of creation. He hopes that the Diocese of California will be a leader in this for the Episcopal Church, and that there will be an ecojustice focus to our work. In this vein, there will be an Eco-Confirmation on April 23 at Rodeo Beach.

Bishop Marc also reported on the pilgrimage to Haiti, which was led by the Bishop and the Rev. Deacon Davidson Bidwell-Waite, Diocesan Missioner to Haiti, and included adults and young people from the Diocese. The pilgrims visited Episcopal institutions in the Diocese of Haiti. The Bishop also joined the Rev. Dr. Joseph Duggan and the Rev. Canon Stefani Schatz during their three days of teaching at the Episcopal seminary at Port-au-Prince and participated in Haiti Connect, a yearly meeting of the American and Haitian Episcopal partners in mission.

Report on the Bishop’s Sabbatical 2017 (the Rev. Cn. Stefani Schatz): Things in the Diocese will run normally during the Bishop’s sabbatical in 2017. The Bishop will be contacting retired bishops and inviting each of them to spend a month in the Diocese to cover May, June and September visitations and June ordinations (there are no episcopal visitations in July and August). The guest apartment at the Cathedral has been reserved for the bishops, who will be on duty Saturdays and Sundays and will receive per diem compensation, as well as airfare and transportation. Tom Ferguson anticipates that the total expense, which will be included in the 2017 budget, will be less than $20,000.

Update from the SRI Task Force (John Quarterman): John Quarterman, Chair of the Socially Responsible Investing Task Force, reported on the Task Force’s progress to date. He gave a brief history of the Task Force, which was created by resolution of the 2014 Diocesan Convention. Its mandate is to explore investment policies consistent with the values held by the people of the Diocese and make recommendations to the Investment Committee in forming SRI policy. The Task Force is a little behind the timeline set forth in the Resolution, primarily because it took longer than expected to find suitable representatives who were willing to serve. That being said, however, the Task Force is made up of a diverse and very committed group of people whose intention is to serve a neutral role and not push their personal agendas. Members include John Quarterman (Chair), the Rev. Susan Champion, Steven Hohenreider, Georgene Keller, and the Rev. Kirsten Snow Spalding. The Task Force has met with representatives of Investment Funds for Foundations.

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(TIFF), which manages most of the DioCal endowment. The group has also spoken
with Bay Area United Way, which has developed its own process for determining its
investment priorities.

The SRI Task Force is attempting to assess what socially responsible investing means
to us, and what our priorities are in this regard. John expressed some frustration at
the difficulty in collecting information and generating diocesan participation in the
process. The October webinar, which was intended to provide a basic context for
further discussion on SRI for DioCal, was poorly attended. The Task Force has met
with most of the deaneries and hosted a town hall meeting in April, but this, too, was
poorly attended. The Diocese of California Socially Responsible Investment Task
Force Survey, which solicits investment priorities input from diocesan members, has
received few responses. EC members were encouraged to complete the survey and
to invite others to do the same.

The Rev. Chip Larrimore thanked John and the Task Force for its work, and asked
how the EC can help. It was noted that a link to the survey would be provided to
parish administrators for inclusion in congregational communications.

**Capital Campaign Update:** Davey Gerhard reported to the Rev. Chip Larrimore and
Tom Ferguson via email on the capital campaign, and asked that the following
highlights be read to the Executive Council:

1. We are still at $11,500,000 in committed funds with $16M+ in solicitations
   pending
2. We have received word from Tom Steyer and Kat Taylor that they would like us
to put our proposal on hold until later this year when they will be able to review
it. This is a delay, but not a setback. We’re still very encouraged that they will
participate in the campaign at a significant level.
3. We have an additional $12.5M in cultivation (meetings and briefings with major
donors being scheduled)
4. Our two pilot congregations: St Peter’s, RWC, and Epiphany, San Carlos, are off
   and running. Epiphany is at 60% their goal of $1.25M and St. Peter’s is at
   about 50% of their $300K goal. The campaigns will end in mid-May. Both are
   going very well.
5. We have a commitment from St. Stephen’s, Orinda that they will be joining as
   a collaborative campaign in an upcoming track. We are meeting with them
tonight to establish their timeline and next steps.
6. Solicitation of collaborative congregations continues, with the rest of April and
   most of May booked with 17 more clergy/vestry briefings and meetings.

Talking Point for Expanding Horizons:

Campaigns such as this one encourage us to dream, to engage our vision, to make

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plans for the future – they ask us to live into our hopes and to plan for them as if they will be completed in our time. What would the world be like if we applied this to all our ventures – if we approached all our tasks with the certain knowledge that they will be successful?

**Financial Report (Tom Ferguson and Bob McCaskill):**  Statements that were sent out with the meeting packet have been reviewed by the Finance Committee. Bob and Tom noted the following:

**Income Statement:** covers the first three months of 2016. There is nothing unusual to report. Most expense accounts are showing favorable variances.

**Aging Report:** no new issues to report. The ongoing financial conditions of St. Edmund’s and St. Columba’s have been previously discussed.

**Union Bank Line of Credit:** St. John’s Oakland paid off the loan it took out in 2015 for major repairs to the church from flooding and other improvements. There is nothing else unusual to report.

**Investment Committee Chair Appointment:** The Rev. Chip Larrimore announced that Janet Brown will serve as chair of the Investment Committee for another year.

**Executive Council Book Study:** The Rev. Cn. Julia McCray Goldsmith led the discussion on Chapter Two of *Gratefulness, the Heart of Prayer.*

**Chancellor’s Report (Christopher Hayes):** The Executive Council entered into executive session at 6:01 p.m. for a confidential report from the Chancellor. The executive session was concluded at 6:20 p.m.

The Rev. Gay Jennings, President of the House of Deputies, has appointed Christopher to serve as her non-voting representative on the Standing Commission on Governance, Structure, Constitution & Canons.

The Executive Council re-entered into executive session at 6:21 p.m. and emerged at 6:26 p.m.

**Standing Committee Report (Brenda Paulin):** Standing Committee met on April 5, 2016. The Rev. Jill Honodel, Chair of the Committee on Governance, presented an update/discussion of the Committee’s agenda or the coming year, which include the following: clarifying what are the institutions of the Diocese and developing canon resolutions that clarify the role of the Diocese within those institutions; clarifying the substructures, policies and procedures, and job descriptions of the organizational entities of the Diocese; examining the relationship of deaneries to the decision-making process; and focusing on future plans for the Diocese.

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making bodies of the Diocese; consider the question of extending term limits for certain elected rolls in the Diocese; consider the role of the Committee on Nominations and whether its structure meets the needs of the Diocese; consider the communication between diocesan bodies and how it might be improved.

Stephen Smith was approved for ordination to the transitional deaconate. The Rev. Nancy Ross was approved for ordination to the priesthood.

The Standing Committee consented to the election of a coadjutor bishop in the Diocese of Los Angeles, and to the election of the Rev. Patrick Bell as eighth bishop of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon.

Talking Points: The following talking points were decided upon:

1. The Socially Responsible Investment Task Force (SRI). Encourage members of the Diocese to fill out the SRI survey, which will reappear in DioBytes and can also be found at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DSD2S6W.

2. Bishop Marc’s 10th Anniversary. On Thursday May 26, 2016 there will be an Evensong at Grace Cathedral honoring Bishop Marc’s 10th Anniversary in the Diocese of California.
   5:15 p.m. - Evensong
   6:00- 7:30 p.m. - Reception in the Chapter House Dining Room.

3. Special Convention. There will be a special convention on Saturday morning June 11, 2016, before the spring ordinations, for the purpose of making some necessary changes to the diocesan canons.

Calendar: The next Executive Council meeting is scheduled for May 17, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.

Closing prayer and Adjournment: The closing prayer was offered by Albe Larsen, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen M. Trapani
Secretary of Executive Council

Mary Louise Gotthold
Recording Secretary

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