



Standing Committee
Episcopal Diocese of California
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Meeting Minutes for 3 May, 2016
1-3:15 PM
Grace Cathedral Chapter Room

Present: Rev. Lori Walton (President), Mr. Ron Hermanson (Vice President), Rev. Sylvia Vasquez, Rev. Mark Spaulding, Rev. Annette Rankin, Mr. Andrew Lee, Ms. Brenda Paulin, Mr. Jim DeMersman (Secretary)

Absent: None

1:00 PM: Meeting opened with devotions led by Brenda, thanks to Lori for snacks.

Lori led personal check-in

1:15 PM: MSC: (Paulin/Spaulding) to accept the minutes of the April meeting. Vasquez abstained.

1:17 PM: The SC started the liaison reports.

1:25 PM: Davey Gerhard, Diocesan Director of Development joined the SC to give us an update on the Diocesan Capital Campaign for \$32 million. Bishop phase is to raise \$25 million as a goal. The rest of the \$7 million will come through collaborative campaigns with parishes.

2:00 PM: Bishop Marc and Chancellor Christopher Hayes joined the SC. Bishop Marc gave us updates on his trips to Haiti and to NY for the Climate Change summit signing. Bishop's sabbatical will be right after Easter and through September, 2017. Special convention will be held on June 16 that will support a canon change to help us with our ongoing work. The day will start at 10:00 a.m. to convene at 10:30 a.m. for business and then three workshops with lunch to follow.

MSCU: (Hermanson/Lee) To move into Executive Session

MSCU: (Lee/Spaulding) To move out of Executive Session. There was no reportable action.

2:45 PM: File Reviews

MSC: (Lee/Vasquez) To approve the testimonials for the ordination to the transitional diaconate for Charlotte Wilson. Spaulding abstained.

MSCU: (Vasquez/Rankin) To approve the testimonials for the ordination to the transitional diaconate for Stephen Smith

MSCU: (Rankin/ Hermanson) To approve the testimonials for the ordination to the transitional diaconate for Brendan Williams. Paulin abstained.

3:00 PM: Report on the joint meeting with members of the Commission on Ministry and the SC.

3:10 PM: The SC moved to Episcopal Elections:

MSCU: (Lee/Vasquez) To consent to the election of a Bishop Suffragan in the Diocese of West Texas

MSCU: (Lee/Paulin) To consent to the election of the Rev. Douglas Sparks as the Bishop of Northern Indiana

MSCU: (Lee/Spaulding) To consent to the election of the Canon Rev. Daniel Gutierrez as the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania

3:15 PM: Meeting adjourned with prayer from Brenda.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim DeMersman, Secretary