

**EDEO Diocesan Council  
August 19 & 20, 2016  
Minutes of the Meeting  
Ontario, Oregon**

**Present:**

The Rt. Rev. Patrick Bell

**Ex-Officio**

Doug Harder, Secretary of Convention  
Randy Heise, Treasurer

**Class of 2016**

The Rev. Anna Carmichael, S/C  
The Rev. Kathy Macek  
Beth Spell  
Charlie Cagle, S/C

**Class of 2017**

The Rev. Dcn. Georgia Giacobbe  
Kim McClain, S/C  
Bill Taylor

**Class of 2018**

The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake  
Karly Nash  
Julie Reynolds, S/C  
Vicki Mosier

**Absent**

The Rev. Nancy Green, S/C  
The Rev. Jed Holdorph, S/C  
Marjorie Thelen  
Kim Mosier, Chancellor

**Seat and Voice**

Lisa Boquist, Staff  
Patricia Olson-Lindsey, Exec. Director of Ascension School  
Kim Lee, Staff

**Friday**

**Call to Order**

Kathy Macek led the council in prayer and called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

**Approval of the Agenda**

**M/S/C**      *The agenda was amended to discuss budget first and then office culture after approval of the minutes. Additions to agenda included Summer Camp update to the Ascension Report, retired clergy policy for Saturday agenda. Bishops comments will also be added at some point in time. (Charlie Cagle, Julie Reynolds)*

**Approval of Minutes**

**M/S/C**      *The minutes from the May 6-7, 2016 EDEO Diocesan Council in Bend, Oregon were approved. (Bill Taylor, Charlie Cagle)*

**Office Culture**

The Bishop discussed the office culture covenant and encouraged council to model the covenant for the rest of the diocese. Kim Lee was introduced as the interim Administrative Assistant and Hospitality Manager for EDEO and Ascension School.

## Ascension School

### - **Summer Camp:**

- Patty reported on a very successful summer with 210 campers and 40 people in adult ed. Ascension School gave \$13,433 in scholarships and churches gave \$26,000. Adult ed with former Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schorie went very well.

### - **Building updates:**

- They have received an temporary occupancy permit for the Coe Kerr Community Building, and will receive the permanent occupancy once the ADA parking lot and pathway to the building is complete

### - **Building campaign update:**

- In order to pay back the EOE, finish the ADA Parking, and furnish the building \$250,000 more needs to be raised. The plan is to enter into the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the campaign, seek advanced gifts first and then begin the appeal to the diocese at large. The second phase should be completed by the end of the year.

### - **Memorial Garden update:**

- A draft memorial garden policy was provided and it was suggested that the Memorial Garden Committee should contact the Oregon Mortuary Board to ensure proper procedure is being followed.

## Dinner

- The meeting adjourned for dinner at 6:10pm and reconvened at 6:50pm.

## Financial Report

### - **Budget**

- Randy Heise presented the 2017 budget. Ascension School's income and expense has been added to the budget in order to better represent their position as a ministry of the diocese.
- Staff salary increases as well as medical benefits represent an increase in expenditures for 2017. The ACA and General Convention mandate now require that all staff working over 1500 hours per year are offered medical coverage. \$11,000 from the Medical Reserve Fund will be transferred into the operating fund each year for 3 years to help offset the added expense.

**M/S/C            2017 Budget approved and recommended to Convention with the addition of a subtotal showing the income and expenses of the diocese before Ascension School's income and expense are added to the bottom line. (Bill Taylor, Charlie Cagle)**

### - **Audit Update**

- Randy reported that the 2009 and 2010 audits are complete and the reports should be sent to him by the final week of August. The audits should be complete through 2014 by the end of September and 2015 will be completed before the end of the year.

**M/S/C            Council delegates the responsibility of finalizing the audit to Finance Committee. (Doug Harder, Aletha Bonebrake)**

- **Diocesan Health Plan**

- o A proposed Diocesan Health plan was presented to council for their approval. General Convention mandated that all diocese have a health plan in place by December of 2015.

**M/S/C**        ***Diocesan Council approves the implementation and distribution of the Diocesan Health Plan. (Bill Taylor, Beth Spell)***

- **Emergency Fund Requests**

**M/S/C**        ***Council approves \$13,847 from the Diocesan Emergency Fund to cover the cost of repairs to Kimsey Commons. (Beth Spell, Julie Reynolds)***

**M/S/C**        ***Council approves \$6,420 from the Equipment Reserve Fund to cover the cost of office equipment updates to the diocesan office. (Anna Carmichael, Charlie Cagle)***

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55PM

**Saturday**

**Eucharist**

Council celebrated Eucharist at 8:10 AM. The Rev. Kathy Macek presided.

**Call to Order**

Kathy Macek called the meeting to order at 8:40 AM.

**Archive Project Resolution**

**M/S/C**        ***Council approved sending the Archive Resolution to the Resolutions Committee for consideration at Diocesan Convention. (Vicki Mosier, Anna Carmichael)***

**Retired Clergy Policy**

An update was given on the work being done by the committee working on the change to current Retired Clergy Medical policy. A final draft will be presented to council for approval at the November retreat.

**Convention Planning**

- **Convention Offering:**

- o Council discussed where the Diocesan Convention Offering should be sent. Convention Offering designation update: half will go to Koinonia House at Eastern Oregon University. Kathy says there has been a surge in attendance there. We suggested other half of offering from diocese to go to ERD disaster relief.

**M/S/F**        ***The 2016 Diocesan Convention offering is to be split between Koinonia House in La Grande, Oregon and ERD Disaster Relief with a specific designation to be specified at a later date. (Charlie Cagle, Kim McClain) (5 in favor, 6 against)***

**M/S/C**        ***The 2016 Diocesan Convention offering is to be split between Koinonia House in La Grande, Oregon and ERD Disaster Relief for Louisiana Flood Relief. (Aletha Bonebrake, Karly Nash)***

- **Convention Theme:**
    - o This year's theme will be Open Hearts, Open Table: Practicing Radical Hospitality.
  - **Keynote Speaker:**
    - o The Rev. Dr. Robert Shore-Goss
  - **Location of 2017 and 2018 Conventions**
    - o Bishop Pat recommended a resolution be sent to Convention that would put in to place a 3 year rotation of convention sites: Bend, The Columbia Gorge, and Ascension School with congregations having the option to request to host a convention within that rotation. Also a Diocesan Convention committee would be formed to shoulder the logistical work of the convention planning.
- M/S/C**     ***Diocesan Council is recommending to Convention that future Diocesan Conventions be on a 3 year rotating schedule between Bend, The Columbia Gorge, and Ascension School. Congregations who would like to host a convention are welcome to volunteer and be placed within the rotation. A Diocesan Convention Committee will be formed and will be in charge of logistical details, easing the burden on local communities. (Vicki Mosier, Aletha Bonebrake)***
- o Standing Committee designated Bend as the location for the 2017 Diocesan Convention.
- **Convention Committees:**
    - o **Resolutions Committee** – Jed Holdorph, Fabian Baker, Gregg Henton, G Royes
    - o **Tellers** -- Aletha Bonebrake, Kim McClain, Julie Reynolds, Vicki Mosier, Kathy Macek, Jim Spell
    - o **Nominations Committee** – Beth Spell, Randy Heise, Kathy Macek, Anna Carmichael, and Charlie Cagle
    - o Outgoing Council and Standing Committee members, The Rev. Kathy Macek, The Rev. Anna Carmichael, Beth Spell, Randy Heise, and Charlie Cagle were recognized for their service. The Rev. Anna Carmichael is taking a new position as the Canon to the Ordinary in the Diocese of San Joaquin and gave some final remarks to the council.

### New Business

- M/S/C**     ***Diocesan Council amended the recommended budget to include and \$1800 increase to Line 72- Diocesan Commissions, allowing \$1000 for each commission. (Karly Nash, Anna Carmichael)***

### Bishop's Report

Bishop Pat reported on the progress of the searches in Ontario, Sisters, and Hood River. The Rev. Lee Kierfer will be assisting with the process as the Transitions Minister for EDEO.

### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00AM.