

EDEO Diocesan Council
February 4 2017
Online

Minutes of the Meeting

Present:

The Rt. Rev. Patrick Bell, Bishop

Class of 2017

The Rev. Georgia Giacobbe
The Rev. Jed Holdorph (SC)
Kim McClain S/C
Marjorie Thelen
Bill Taylor

Class of 2018

The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake
The Rev. Nancy Sargent Green (SC)
Karly Nash
Julie Reynolds, S/C
Vicki Mosier

Class of 2019

Adrienne Brown
The Rev. Mary Lujan (SC)
Mary Link (SC)
Beth Spell
The Rev. Charlotte Wells

Ex-Officio

Doug Harder, Secretary of Convention

Seat and Voice

Lisa Boquist, Secretary to Council

Absent

Randy Heise, Treasurer

A Standing Committee Meeting followed the Diocesan Council Meeting

Call to Order

Beth Spell called the meeting to order at 9:15 and Kim McClain opened with prayer.

Approval of Agenda

M/S/C *motion to accept the Agenda as presented. (Aletha Bonebrake, Nancy Green)*

Approval of the Minutes

Jed asked that the following sentence from page 6 of the November 2016 Diocesan Council Retreat minutes be removed:

“Bishop Pat noted that while the committee is being organized the people of Trinity may have more work to do for 2017’s convention than would be necessary in the future. “

M/S/C *motion to accept the November 2016 Diocesan Council Retreat Minutes as amended.
(Bill Taylor, Vicki Mosier)*

Diocesan Convention Committee

Bishop Pat encouraged the council to work on providing names for members of the Diocesan Convention Committee. No names had been put forth up to this point. He asked that Jed consider appointing someone from Trinity to chair this year’s Convention and that whatever venue is chosen would then become the permanent location of the Convention when it is held in Central Oregon every 3rd year.

It was suggested that a description of the expectations of the committee be presented to council so they would have a better idea of what they would be asking people to do. Lisa will provide that to council.

Bishop Pat asked the council members send names in as soon as possible, preferably before March.

Ascension School Executive Director Update

The Executive Director position at Ascension School has been filled. Bishop Pat will announce the name the week of February 6th to give the candidate time to inform their community.

Budget Changes/Updates

A complete budget report was unavailable as Randy Heise, Diocesan Treasurer was unable to attend the meeting. Bishop Pat briefly reviewed some proposed changes to the 2017 Diocesan Budget including the following:

- Income Line "Foundation Grant Retired Clergy Ins." was reduced from \$10,000 to \$8400 to reflect a reduction in retired clergy payments.
- The carryover amount from 2016 will not be final until year end numbers are available, hopefully at the April meeting.
- The Medical Reserve Transfer of \$11,000 may not be needed as the amount of Lay Staff Insurance will be less than budgeted as Kim Lee and Lisa Boquist have opted out of receiving medical insurance at this time. Both are covered under their spouse's insurance plans.
- A new Personnel line item titled Ascension Operation Manager was added with a salary of \$38,500. This takes the place of the Ascension Hospitality /Director's Assistant Line that had a \$30,000 salary. Bishop Pat asked council to consider approving this change to staffing.
- A new line was added under Administration called Transition Ministry Contract with a budgeted amount of \$9000. This line item would cover the cost of the Transition Minister's position in the diocese, currently held by Lee Kiefer.

M/S/C *Motion to accept and approve the position and salary package of the Ascension Operations Manager in the 2017 Diocesan Budget (Charlotte Wells, Bill Taylor)*

M/S/C *Motion to accept and approve the position and stipend amount of the Transition Ministry contract in the 2017 Diocesan Budget (Aletha Bonebrake, Vicki Mosier)*

November Retreat

The council was reminded that the November Diocesan Council Retreat dates for 2017 were changed to November 10-11.

Archive Update

Georgia reported her expected funding needs for the Archive Project to Bishop Pat and he will be taking that request to the Eastern Oregon Episcopal Foundation. Georgia is also still working on a description for the duties required of the person maintaining the archives.

Disaster Preparedness

Judy Warren, Diocesan Disaster Preparedness Coordinator, presented her workshop to Diocesan staff in November. Bishop Pat strongly encouraged council members to get the word out and encourage all congregations to take advantage of this important diocesan program. Julie Reynolds reported that Judy is scheduled to present at St. Paul's in The Dalles and they have invited members of the community and local business to participate as well.

Next Meeting

The next Diocesan Council meeting is scheduled for April 28-29 in Burns. Standing Committee will begin at 3:00pm on April 28th, and Council begins at 5:00pm.

Other Business

Adrienne Brown offered to help with this year's Convention in Bend.

Viki Mosier asked for prayers for Malheur County which has suffered extensive damage due to the severe winter weather.

Adjournment

Marjorie Thelen closed the meeting in prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 10:44AM