

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE  
COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF KANSAS, INC.**

**March 16, 2010**

The Council of Trustees of the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas, Inc. met on March 16, 2010 in the Bubb Room at Grace Cathedral, Topeka, Kansas. The Rt. Rev. Dean E. Wolfe, Bishop and Chairman, convened the meeting with prayer at 10:04 a.m.

Members of the Council of Trustees present were:

Bishop Wolfe  
Dr. Linda Brown  
Mr. Gary Chubb  
The Rev. Dr. Donald F. Davidson  
The Rev. Gail Davis  
The Rev. Betty Glover  
Mr. Joe Mitchell  
Ms. Rogene Schille  
Mr. Gery Schoenrock  
The Rev. Julianne Sifers  
The Rev. Bill Wolff  
Mr. Bob Skaggs  
Mr. Felix Adams

Members of the Council of Trustees absent were:

The Very Rev. Michael G. Munro  
The Ven. Monte Giddings

Also present were:

The Rev. Canon Craig Loya, Canon to the Ordinary  
Mr. C. J. Currie, Comptroller  
Mrs. Jeanne Atha, Executive Assistant to the Bishop  
Mrs. Char DeWitt, Diocesan Development Officer  
The Rev. Philip Hubbard, Diocesan Church Planter  
The Rev. Susan Terry, Campus Missioner  
Mr. George Cooper, Executive Consultant, RSI

A Presentation was made by Mr. George Cooper from RSI along with Mrs. Char DeWitt.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Council were presented and amended.

The Treasurer's report was presented by the Comptroller.

Mr. Schoenrock presented news that Intrust bank of Lawrence has agreed to combine the two current loans of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in to one loan of \$1,291,795.50 with an amortization of 25 years at 6% interest. Further the Diocese did not have to make an additional loan of \$100,000 as was agreed to earlier.

It was noted that if St. Margaret's misses a payment, the interest rate will rise to 8%. At 6% the monthly payment is \$8362. St. Margaret's also has a loan with the Diocese of \$187,000 with current monthly payment of \$1168.

The loan includes a balloon payment in three-years.

Mr. Schoenrock moved that the Council of Trustees authorize the Bishop on behalf of the Diocese to guarantee the loan of St. Margaret's Church with Intrust Bank of \$1,291,795.50. Mr. Skaggs seconded the motion and the motion carried without objection.

Mr. Chubb reported on behalf of the Building Committee of the Capital Campaign. After discussion, Mr. Chubb moved that the Diocese enter into contract with Junk Architects for the building project. The motion was seconded by Fr. Wolff. The motion passed with Mr. Mitchell abstaining, Fr. Davidson voting no and all other members present voting in the affirmative.

The Council was recessed for lunch at 12:18 P.M. During lunch a video presentation was shown that will be part of the Capital Campaign.

The Council was called to order at 12:45 P.M.

Mtr. Sifers presented the report on behalf of the Ecclesiastical Relations Committee.

Mtr. Sifers moved that Deacon Catherine Shield be admitted as a candidate for ordination to the priesthood. The motion was seconded by Fr. Wolff.

The following members of the Council voted in the affirmative:

Mr. Schoenrock  
Mr. Chubb  
Fr. Davidson  
Mtr. Davis  
Mr. Adams  
Mtr. Sifers  
Fr. Wolff  
Mrs. Schille

The following members of the Council voted in the negative:

Mr. Skaggs  
Dr. Brown  
Mr. Mitchell  
Mtr. Glover

With seven needed for a majority, the motion carried.

Mtr. Sifers moved that Antoinette Tackett be admitted as a candidate for ordination to the priesthood. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Schille.

The motion carried without objection.

Mtr. Sifers moved that Dixie Junk be admitted as a candidate for ordination to the priesthood. The motion was seconded by Mr. Skaggs.

The motion carried without objection.

Canon Loya noted that while the admittance of an individual as a candidate for Holy Orders is required before a person can be ordained, the Bishop has the final say as to who is or is not ordained within the Diocese.

Canon Loya presented his report which included search status as follows:

The Rev. Fred Miller has been called as the interim Rector at St. James, Wichita.

The Rev. Mary Siegmund has been appointed Priest-in-Charge at St. Matthew's in Newton.

Two finalists have been interviewed for the second Campus Missioner position.

Trinity Church in Lawrence continues to receive names.

Trinity Church in Eldorado is working on their parish profile.

The Bishop presented his report which included his demanding calendar over the next weeks including the upcoming meeting of the House of Bishops. The Bishop serves as the Vice-President of the House of Bishops and presides in the absence of the Presiding Bishop.

Mrs. Schille announced that the slab had been poured for the Habitat for Humanity House in Coffeyville. News about the construction should be forthcoming soon.

Following prayer, the Council adjourned at 2:15 P.M.

Respectfully,

The Rev. Donald F. Davidson  
Assistant Secretary to the Council