

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES ACTING AS STANDING COMMITTEE  
OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF KANSAS, INC.**

**April 27, 2017**

The Council of Trustees of the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas, Inc., met as the Standing Committee of the Diocese electronically by Zoom with members around the Diocese. The Very Rev. Foster Mays, President, convened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. with prayer.

Members of the Council of Trustees participating:

Father Mays  
Mr. Todd Allison  
Mr. Tim Flynn  
Mrs. Elizabeth Doll  
The Rev. Gar Demo  
Mr. Jack Dutra  
The Rev. A. Patrick K. Funston  
Mr. Scott Howard  
Mr. Margaret LaRue  
The Very Rev. Laurie Lewis  
Mr. Steven Mann  
Deacon Rex Matney  
The Rev. Andrew O'Connor

Advisor to the Council of Trustees participating was:

Mr. L. Franklin Taylor – Chancellor and Clerk.

Fr. Funston, on behalf of the working group composed of Mr. Flynn, Fr. O'Connor, Deacon Matney, Mrs. LaRue, Mthr. Lewis and himself, presented a proposed list of Search and Transition Committee members for discussion. He explained that the working group first identified nominees from each convocation so that each would be represented by a clerical and a lay member. It then considered membership based on both strengths and weaknesses of each nominee. The Council discussed briefly the strengths and weaknesses of several nominees.

Fr. Funston then commented on the identification of nominees to serve as clerical and lay co-chair of each committee. Council members provided input about the suggested co-chairs. Fr. Funston explained that the nomination form did not seek to determine whether a nominee was willing to serve in this capacity and, for that reason, two nominees were proposed and ranked for each position.

Mrs. LaRue moved, seconded by Mr. Mann, that the nominations proposed by the working group for Search and Transition Committee members and chairs be approved. The motion carried by a vote of 12 to 0, with Fr. Demo abstaining.

There was a brief discussion that members of the working group would notify each of the nominees approved as a member of each committee and the proposed chairs (in order of priority)

so that each committee would have a clerical and a lay co-chair. Fr. Funston requested that the working group remain on the line after the meeting adjourned to allocate responsibilities for contacting nominees. Fr. Mays agreed to send email notification to all nominees after the committees were formed.

The Council next discussed the appointment of chaplains for the two committees. Issues raised were (1) whether the committees should have separate chaplains, (2) whether chaplains should or should not be selected from among members of the respective committees and (3) whether chaplains should be designated by the Council or selected by the respective committees. These issues will be discussed further at a future meeting.

Fr. Mays announced that the Rev. L. Ann Hallisey has been contacted and has agreed to serve as consultant to the Search and Transition Committees, pending the completion of an acceptable letter of agreement.

As there was no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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L. Franklin Taylor, Clerk