

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

April 4, 2017

The Council of Trustees of the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas, Inc., met as the Standing Committee of the Diocese at Bethany Place, Topeka and electronically by Zoom with members around the Diocese. The Very Rev. Foster Mays, President, convened the meeting at 10:05 a.m. with scripture.

Members of the Council of Trustees participating either in person or by Zoom:

Father Mays
Mr. Todd Allison
The Rev. Sharon Billman
The Rev. Gar Demo
Mr. Jack Dutra
Mr. Tim Flynn
The Rev. A. Patrick K. Funston
Mr. Scott Howard
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.

Ms. Jeanne Atha, Executive Assistant to the Bishop, also participated.

After the opening scripture, Fr. Mays noted that the items to be considered in the meeting were:

1. Draft Calendar for the Election of the 10th Bishop of Kansas.
2. Search and Transition Committee Nomination Form.

Fr. Funston, on behalf of the committee that reviewed and proposed the documents presented a draft calendar for the election of the 10th Bishop of Kansas and a Google Forms online search committee nomination form.

There followed an extended discussion of the proposed calendar. It was agreed that listening sessions for the Northeast and Northwest Convocations be moved from June 10 to July 1, and that the afternoon listening sessions in the Northwest and Southwest Convocations be scheduled at 2:00 p.m. rather than 1:00 p.m. There was also some discussion about involving representatives of Diocese of Western Kansas and the listening sessions, and about providing separate listening session input from clergy and laity. It was agreed that both suggestions are appropriate but probably to be determined by the Search Committee.

Mr. Dutra moved, seconded by Fr. O'Connor, to accept the proposed calendar with the proposed date and time modifications. The motion carried unanimously.

That followed a discussion of the proposed nomination form. It was suggested that the form be edited to include the nominees order.

At 11:00 a.m. Fr. Demo and Mr. Mann left the meeting. Mthr. Lewis suggested adding a brief description of the nominee's history in The Episcopal Church. It was also suggested that the nominator's contact information be included. Mthr. Billman moved, seconded by Mr. Howard, that the nomination form be adopted as modified. The motion carried unanimously.

Fr. Funston noted that an ordination date on the election calendar should be changed to "Winter 2017-18" since an ordination date has not been confirmed with the Office of the Presiding Bishop.

As there was no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned with prayer by Deacon Matney.

Respectfully submitted:

L. Franklin Taylor, Clerk