

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

**October 19, 2019**

The Council of Trustees of the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas, Inc. met in the River Room at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, Topeka, Kansas, on October 19, 2019 during the 160<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Convention. The Rt. Rev. Cathleen Chittenden Bascom, Bishop and Chair, convened the meeting at 12:20 p.m. Bp. Bascom welcomed new members Mr. Richard Wilson, Mr. Larry Hannan, Mr. Mike Morrow, the Rev Doreen Rice and Mrs. Marilyn Trubey.

Members of the Council of Trustees present were:

Bishop Bascom  
The Rev. Casey Rohleder, President  
Deacon Suzi Drury  
The Rev David Jenkins  
The Very Rev. Laurie Lewis  
Mr. Stephen Mann  
Deacon Rex Matney  
The Rev. Andrew O'Connor  
Mrs. Myrline Winkler

Members absent were:

Mr. Todd Allison  
The Very Rev. Sharon Billman  
Mrs. Elizabeth Doll  
Mr. Jack Dutra  
Mr. Tim Flynn  
Mr. Scott Howard

New members of the Council of Trustees (who will take office at the conclusion of the 160<sup>th</sup> Convention) present were:

Mr. Larry Hannan  
Mr. Mike Morrow  
The Rev. Doreen Rice  
Ms. Marilyn Trubey  
Mr. Richard Wilson

Also present as an advisor to the Council of Trustees: Mr. L. Franklin Taylor, Chancellor and Clerk.

Also present were:

The Rev. Canon Torey Lightcap, Canon to the Ordinary  
Mrs. Jeanne Atha, Executive Assistant to the Bishop

Mr. Jay Currie, Comptroller

Bp. Bascom presented the minutes of the meeting of September 25, 2019. There was a brief discussion of when members joined and left the meeting and Mr. Taylor noted that it is his practice to indicate that members were present only for the portions of the meeting in which they actually participated. Mr. Mann moved, seconded by Deacon Matney, that the minutes be approved as presented.

Mr. Currie presented quarterly financial reports and noted that this detailed information, including balance sheet information, is presented only quarterly. He noted that Trinity parish, Lawrence, and St. Andrew's parish, Derby, both of which had delinquent apportionment forgiven by the Convention for 2018, are current for 2019. The other three parishes delinquent for last year are behind for the current year. He reviewed some budget items and projected that the financial statements will be close to balancing at the end of the year. It was noted that support from endowment income is intentionally included and approved by the Convention each year as a part of the operating budget.

Bp. Bascom called for the election of officers of the Council of Trustees to serve until 160<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Convention. She noted that, although new members were not yet officially a part of the Council, the returning members and the new members should select their officers, subject to ratification at the close of Convention. Officers were designated as follows:

- President – Mthr. Lewis moved that Mthr. Rohleder be elected President. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morrow and carried unanimously. Bp. Bascom ruled that Mthr. Rohleder was elected by acclamation.
- Secretary/Clerk – Mthr. Lewis moved that Mr. Taylor be elected secretary/clerk. The motion was seconded by Mthr. Rohleder and carried unanimously.
- Assistant Secretary – Mthr. Lewis moved that Mthr. Rice be elected assistant secretary. The motion was seconded by Mthr. Rohleder and carried unanimously.
- Assistant Treasurer – Fr. O'Connor moved that Mr. Currie be elected assistant treasurer. The motion was seconded by Mthr. Rohleder and carried unanimously.

Bp. Bascom provided members of the Council of Trustees with meeting dates, including an overnight retreat on November 19-20, 2019, for coming year.

Canon Lightcap reported on transition ministry:

- Grace Cathedral, Topeka is currently interviewing four candidates for Dean during the month of October. The Search Committee wishes to have someone in place in January.
- St. Luke's parish, Shawnee—Diocesan staff are currently reviewing names to send to the congregational Search Committee.
- St. Aidan's parish, Olathe, has completed its Office of Transition Ministry profile and is starting a parish profile, with the hope of having everything ready to publish by the end of the month.
- St. Stephen's parish, Wichita, had entered a letter of agreement with the Rt. Rev Michael Milliken, retired Bishop of Western Kansas to act as interim priest in charge beginning November .

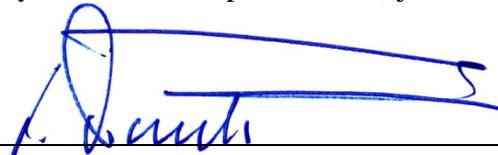
Canon Lightcap also noted:

- Bp. Bascom has signed an addendum to the Letter of Agreement between Trinity parish, El Dorado, for the Rev. Christine Gilson to extend her existing agreement from the end of her current agreement to her expected date of retirement.
- Bp. Bascom has signed a Letter of Agreement with the Very Rev. Don Compier to be the Minster Shepherd of the Kansas River Minster.
- Canon Lightcap has been offering supply services at St. Aidan's parish, Olathe, and is supervising the liturgical work of the Rev. John Bullock.

There followed a discussion of the types of issues that the Council of Trustees might expect to consider over the coming year. Bp. Bascom noted that clergy/lay health care parity would be an issue that would require attention. She also indicated that she would be receptive to further discussion of the Apportionment Canon, even though that action was not mandated by Convention.

At 1:00 p.m., there being no further business to come before the meeting, Fr. O'Connor moved that the Council of Trustees recess until the close of the 160<sup>th</sup> Convention. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

The Council of Trustees reconvened in the Sunflower Ballroom at 2:30 p.m. after the 160<sup>th</sup> Convention adjourned *sine die*, with the same continuing members and new members, except for Deacon Drury and Mrs. Winkler in attendance. Mthr. Lewis moved, seconded by Fr. O'Connor, that the election of officers earlier in the meeting be ratified by the continuing and new members. The motion carried unanimously. Thereafter, Bp. Bascom adjourned the meeting



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L. Franklin Taylor, Clerk