



Diocese of Missouri
THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Standing Committee

December 8, 2016
St. Martin's, Ellisville
5:00 p.m.
Minutes

Standing Committee

ATTENDANCE: The Rev. Jerre Birdsong, Mr. Dick Entenmann, Mr. Brooke Forsyth, The Rev. Deb Goldfeder, Ms. Shug Goodlow, The Rev. Dawn-Victoria Mitchell, Dr. Adam Pearson, The Rev. Rebecca Ragland, The Rev. Stephen Robin, The Rev. Canon Joe Chambers, The Rt. Rev. George Wayne Smith

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Entenmann

OPENING PRAYER: The Rev. Rebecca Ragland

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 27, 2016. Moved. Seconded. Carried.

HOUSEKEEPING/MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS: Welcome to new members present. Schedule of 2017 meetings confirmed. Election of officers: The Rev. Jerre Birdsong was nominated for and elected President for the 2017 term. Ms. Shug Goodlow was nominated for and elected Vice President for the 2017 term. The Rev. Dr. Marc Smith was nominated for and elected for Secretary for the 2017 term.

OLD BUSINESS: Mr. Al Ludwig presented on the status of the New Ventures in Community Ministries and answered questions. It was determined that the Committee can grant funds to programs that are already in existence, and that there is no mandate to be a new program. Committee can regulate grant range. There is no mandate to serve those the poverty-stricken *exclusively*. Motion to insert PHASE I A.a. language into 2nd introductory paragraph on first page of the Guidelines.

NEW BUSINESS: Moved for Standing Committee to recommend to the Bishop to approve merger of mission and parish, approving sale of the property as per Canon 4-16. Whereas the Vestry of All Saints and the Bishop's Committee of Ascension have voted to merge, the motion is to reaffirm and give consent to approve the merger between All Saints and Ascension, which includes the sale and relocation of All Saints to move to 4520 Lucas & Hunt Road. Standing Committee authorizes, approves, ratifies, & affirms actions heretofore on or by the Bishop or his representatives. Seconded. Carried.

Consent to Ordination, Transitional Diaconate. Maria Evans: Moved. Seconded.

Leslie Scoopmire: Moved. Seconded. Carried.

Andrew Switter: Moved. Seconded. Carried.

ECCLESIASTICAL ACTS: Consent to the election of a bishop coadjutor—Diocese of Haiti. Moved. Seconded. Carried.

WHITE FUND LOAN STATUS: The Rev. Rebecca Ragland was added to the White Fund Sub-Committee.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Submitted,

Dr. Adam Pearson