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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
Trustees of the Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri
Meeting as
DIOCESAN COUNCIL**

**Christ Church Cathedral
St. Louis, MO
April 8, 2017**

Members Present: Krista Baker, Margaret Rowe, Al Ludwig, Jon Hall, Pat Glenn, Babs Kehl-Fairchild, William Cramer, Sally Weaver, Barbi Click, Rebecca Barger, Nancy Belcher, Bishop Smith, Todd McDowell

Guests: Jerre Birdsong, Dick Entenmann

Ex-officio: Tom Hedrick, Treasurer

Staff: Desiree Viliocco, Joe Chambers

Opening Prayer - 9am - Bishop Smith

Approval of Minutes: February minutes were reviewed, moved, seconded, and approved without objection

Kelton White Fund Update: Jerre Birdsong, President of Standing Committee, and Dick Entenmann, long-term member of Standing Committee and member of the White Fund subcommittee gave an update regarding an update to the Kelton White Fund. The Standing Committee is in the process of making the fund more flexible to offer grants to distressed congregations and other churches in need of more operating income. The White Trust will need to

be amended in court, so after the Standing Committee approves the changes, the chancellor will petition a judge to make the changes.

The Bishop asked Council to consider a task force that looks at how we give financial aid to churches, who should be on the task force, and to consider serving on the task force.

Financial Report - Tom Hedrick, Treasurer

The fiscal year is young, but finances seem to be on track. Some receipts are behind, but this is usual. The auditors have been in the office for the last two weeks and will deliver a report by the June meeting.

Bishop's Report

The Bishop traveled to Kanuga for the House of Bishop's meeting. The Bishop finds great value in being with his bishop colleagues.

The Bishop traveled to Baltimore for a meeting of the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music. The SCLM is working on a revision of the Book of Occasional Services and two proposals, one being a plan for Prayer Book revision, and the other plan is for re-engagement in the Prayer Book. Also, the SCLM is looking at how to use supplemental material in accordance of the rules. SCLM is also working with the calendar of saints, which proves challenging.

Church Assistance Endowment Fund – Establish Committee

The Bishop asked for volunteers to serve on the Church Assistance Endowment Fund Committee. Margaret Rowe will continue to serve again. Rebecca Barger and William Cramer also volunteered to serve.

Corporate resolution to donate former St. Peter's Church in Bonne Terre to the city of Bonne Terre - Moved, seconded, and approved without objection

Resolved that the members of the Diocesan Council, in their capacity as the Trustees of The Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri ("COEDMO"), do hereby authorize, approve, ratify and confirm the donation of certain property owned by COEDMO and located in the City of Bonne Terre, St. Francois County, Missouri, and legally described as:

All of the SURFACE RIGHTS ONLY in and to all that plat of ground being part of Survey No. 467, in township 37 north and range 4 east of the 5th principal meridian, in St. Francois County, Missouri, located and bounded as follows, viz: - Located from the corner stone where the center line of sec. 14 joins the west line of survey No. 467, thence, N. 9.50° E. along said west line of survey No. 467, 209 feet to the center line of Main Street; thence, N. 61.75° E. along center line of Main Street 318'--9"; thence, N. 27° W. 40 feet to the southwest corner of this lot which is the point of beginning; thence, N. 27° W. 124 feet to the N.W. corner of

this lot; thence, N. 61.75° E. 76 feet 6 inches to the N. E. Corner of this lot; thence S. 28.25° E. 124 feet coinciding with the west line of Mr. L. E. Rhoad's lot, to the S. E. corner of this lot; thence, S. 61.75° W. seventy eight feet nine inches along the north line of Main Street to the S. W. Corner of this lot, the point of beginning.

(Also known as Lot 14 Block 28 of City of Bonne Terre.);

to the City of Bonne Terre, Missouri.

Resolved further, that the President, any Vice President and the Secretary of COEDMO are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents necessary and to take such other and further actions as may be necessary to effect the closing of the proposed sale transaction, including, without limitation, the execution and delivery of a quit-claim deed and seller's affidavit; and

Resolved further, that all actions heretofore taken by any officer or employee of COEDMO in connection with the foregoing are hereby authorized, approved, ratified and confirmed.

10 MINUTE BREAK

Convocations Reports:

Kemper - Minutes submitted. Dawn-Victoria is excited about convention

Metro II

Metro III - No meeting since last Council meeting.

Metro IV - Minutes submitted.

West - Minutes submitted. Still looking for a convener to lead the group.

South

Other Business

Pat Glenn - Informed Council of a possible resource from the www.fundforsacredplaces.org - National Fund for Sacred Places

Margaret Rowe - Asked about Jon Stratton and his role in the processes for churches providing sanctuary for immigrants. The Bishop mentioned there was nothing new.

Adjourn and blessing - 10:17 a.m.