



Diocese of Missouri
THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Trustees of the Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri

Meeting as DIOCESAN Council Christ Church Cathedral St. Louis, MO December 9, 2017 DIOCESAN Council MINUTES

Members Present - Bishop Wayne Smith, Pat Glenn, William Cramer, Babs Kehl-Fairchild, Jon Hall, Barbi Click, Tina Dillon, Nancy Belcher, Krista Baker, Janet Thompson, Al Ludwig, Bob Taliaferro, Richard Braznell, Sondra Kekec, Margaret Rowe

Exofficio: Hal Burroughs

Staff: Desirée Viliocco, Joe Chambers

9:04 a.m. Call to Order & Opening Prayer

Introduction of Members

Approval of Minutes – October Meeting - Moved, seconded, and approved without objection

Orientation/The Life of Council – Hal Burroughs

- Chancellor Hal Burroughs gave an overview of the role and responsibilities of the Trustees of the Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri. Which included: Legal role, voting, canonical role, duty of care, duty of loyalty, know governing documents (Constitution and Canons), conflict of interests, confidentiality, etc...

Financial Orientation – Desirée Viliocco

- Desirée Viliocco, Executive Director of Finance and Administration, gave an overview of how the finances of the diocese operate. Including, the budget process, how certain funds and trusts operate, what is asked of Council, and how Council works with the staff of the Offices of the Bishop.

Financial Report – Desirée Viliocco

- Some receipts are lagging led by one significant parish, which is fairly typical. One parish in particular is unsure if they will be able to reach their commitment. YTD we are running a deficit, however, December is a heavy month for assessment income. We expect to finish the year close to break even.

Bishop’s Report

- Joe Chambers gave a short update on searches in the diocese. St. Paul’s Carondelet is calling a rector soon, Emmanuel Webster Groves is beginning the interview process, Grace Jefferson City will soon be interviewing, and Good Shepherd Town and Country has just started the process.
- The Bishop shared with Council about a cluster model that will likely be a model for ministry in the diocese.
- The Bishop shared a report from CPG on demographic data in communities in the Diocese of Missouri, and data from within the Church.

10:30 a.m. Break

10:40 a.m. Reconvene

Housing Resolutions

The following housing resolutions were moved, seconded, and approved without objection.

RESOLVED, that of the total compensation to be paid to the Rt. Rev. George Wayne Smith in **2018** by the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri, \$48,000 be designated a housing allowance within the meaning of that term as used in Section 107 of the IRS CODE of 1986; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the designation of \$48,000 as a housing allowance shall apply to calendar year 2018 and all future years unless otherwise provided.

RESOLVED, that of the total compensation to be paid to the Rev. Canon Joseph M.C. Chambers in **2018** by the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri, \$29,000 be designated a housing allowance within the meaning of that term as used in Section 107 of the IRS CODE of 1986; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the designation of \$29,000 as a housing allowance shall apply to calendar year 2018 and all future years unless otherwise provided.

RESOLVED, that of the total compensation to be paid to the Rev. Elizabeth A. Scriven in **2018** by the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri, \$20,000 be designated a housing allowance within the meaning of that term as used in Section 107 of the IRS CODE of 1986; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the designation of \$20,000 as a housing allowance shall apply to calendar year 2018 and all future years unless otherwise provided.

Election of DIT Trustees

The following resolution passed without objection.

RESOLVED, that the Trustees of the Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri (COEDMO), in their regular meeting on the 9th day of December, 2017, do hereby elect, Krista Baker, Kathleen Sherby and Bruce Ward to serve two-year terms as co-Trustees of the Diocesan Investment Trust.

On October 27, 2017, the board members of the Diocesan Investment Trust nominated Krista Baker and Bruce Ward to each serve a second two-year term and Kathleen Sherby to serve an initial two-year term. Per the DIT Trust document “the Trustees then serving shall nominate, and the Diocesan Council shall elect, two or three Qualified Individuals (or such other number of Qualified Individuals) as is necessary to fill any vacancies to serve for a two-year term as a co-Trustee.”

Aged & Infirm Clergy Fund Resolutions

The following Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund resolutions were moved, seconded, and approved without objection.

RESOLVED, that the Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri does hereby confirm and approve the following corporate action of COEDMO: that a grant in the amount of \$4,915.00 be awarded from the Aged & Infirm Clergy Fund to assist a clergyperson with dependent orthodontia expenses not covered through an insurance plan.

RESOLVED, that the Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri does hereby confirm and approve the following corporate action of COEDMO: that a grant in the amount of \$1,350.00 be awarded from the Aged & Infirm Clergy Fund to assist a clergyperson with dependent medical expenses not covered through an insurance plan.

RESOLVED, that the Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri does hereby confirm and approve the following corporate action of COEDMO: that a grant in the amount of \$1,569.00 be awarded from the Aged & Infirm Clergy Fund to assist a clergyperson with medical expenses not covered through an insurance plan.

Fund balance as of 11/30/2017: \$1,697,000

Established in 1870, and derived from offerings and gifts. This Fund is to be used for the relief of Clergy canonically resident in the Diocese disabled by age, disease, or otherwise, and of the surviving spouse and children of Clergy. Per Diocesan Canon, the Trustees of COEDMO shall receive, consider and grant or deny applications for relief.

Convocation Reports

Kemper: Written report received. Calvary Church, Louisiana unexpectedly received a \$78,000 gift from a trust

Metro II: No Report

Metro III: Written report received.

Metro IV: No meeting since last Council meeting. The celebration at St. Francis was a huge success.

West: Happy to welcome Tina from St. Mark's in Portland.

South: No meeting for a while. Looking to get more organized.

Open Question/Comment Time:

William Cramer: Dismantling Racism gathering was a huge success. Another training in Hannibal is happening in the new year.

Janet Thompson: Calvary in Columbia is doing a Mental Health first aid training, with the Department of Mental Health. Janet encouraged the group to get involved in mental health training.

Barbi Click Invited members of Council to join a gathering of the Rivendell Community.

Richard Braznell Invited Council to be aware of the Community of St. Brigid, which gathers at Good Shepherd around their garden ministry

Krista Baker Asked for prayers for her former church community in Birmingham, AL.

11:00 a.m. -Noonday Prayer, led by Jon Hall

11:10 a.m. Adjourn