

Standing Committee of the Diocese of Northern California
Minutes from December 15, 2017
St. Martin's, Davis

Present: Cliff Haggengos+, Ernie Lewis+, Cookie Clark, Charis Hill, Jim Richardson+, Linda Maxwell, Carlton Allen, +Barry Beisner

Not Present: Donnie Spurr-Roberts

Guests: Andrea McMillin+

10:00 a.m. ~ Meeting Opened in prayer and called to order.

DCOM Report:

Cookie presented the DCOM report via an email from Rob Simas, the DCOM chair. They interviewed 2 individuals.

David Rickert

Kelly Boutwell

Bishop's Report:

- Ed Hilton has withdrawn
- Giovanni Esquivel is developing small Latino groups. The Wingfield deanery has applied for an \$80,000 grant for Latino ministry.
- Ordinands retreat: There were 4 to be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate
- Ailing clergy and spouses: The Bishop reported on 3 individuals who have taken ill or have died in the past three days.
- The Cursillo group is seeking to apply for their own 501C3.
- St. Andrew's, Corning: A meeting of the stakeholders will be held in the new year.
- St. Timothy, Gridley: Celebrated their 60th anniversary
- St. Augustin, Rocklin: Celebrated their 25th anniversary
- St. Francis, Fair Oaks:

Action: The Standing Committee is aware of the conversations that the Vestry is having at St. Francis, Fair Oaks. We wish to support their Jan 7th decision making process. We look forward to hearing their decision and we are holding them in prayer. Charis moved to accept, Ernie seconded, passed unanimously.

Interview: Kelly Boutwell

Action: The SC moved to recommend Kelly for candidacy, passed unanimously. The Bishop concurs with the SC.

David Rickert: Not present at the meeting

Action: The SC moved to approve David for ordination to the transitional diaconate, passed unanimously. The Bishop concurs.

12:00 ~ The Bishop and Andrea+ left the meeting.

Search Committee:

Cookie was present at the Search Committee retreat and shared her notes.

Mary Davy, the Search Committee chair, submitted her report from their retreat with the consultant, Judy Stark. Various sub committees have been formed and a timeline laid out. Charis Hill will be the liaison between the SC and the communications subcommittee.

Judy stated for this bishop search there will be a strong emphasis on thorough background checks. Interviews will be video taped and put into an online dropbox. The videos will be available to all the Search Committee members. Later the finalist's videos will be available to the SC. Individual members of the Search Committee will not post their activities on any social media. Judy cautioned about setting any specific dates. She is encouraging the search Committee to reach out, recruit women and minorities, look for diverse candidates.

Confidentiality: The members of the Search Committee have signed a confidentiality agreement. It was discussed that the SC sign something similar.

FAQ's ~ Who do we direct the questions to?

Cookie stated that the Search Committee is strong. They will meet again in the new year.

The SC will form the Transitions Committee by summer 2018.

The slate of candidates is due to the SC on November 16, 2018.

Old Business:

- Posting the minutes ~ the SC will approve a version of the minutes to be posted noting topics discussed and decisions made.
- Memorial Auditorium: The June 28 & 29, 2019 dates have been held for us. The auditorium will undergo a renovation before the consecration.

Suffragan Bishop:

Action: The SC voted to approve the election of a Suffragan Bishop in the Diocese of Virginia. Jim+ moved, Ernie+ seconded, passed unanimously.

Adjourned in prayer ~ 1:20 p.m.

Cliff+ will do the devotion in January.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Maxwell
Secretary

Important dates:

SC meeting ~ January 19th St. Martin's, Davis
February 16th
March 16th
April 20th

Listening sessions:

2/10/18 Santa Rosa
2/24/18 Arcata
3/10/18 Roseville

Discernment Weekend:

August 17 - 19 ~ Mercy Center, Auburn