

**Episcopal Diocese El Camino Real
Minutes of the Standing Committee**

April 15, 2023

Via Zoom

Attendees: The Rev. Rob Keim, President, Tricia Ottesen, Vice-President, Shonna Close, The Rev. Martin Juarez, Jackie Pierce, The Rev. Amber Sturgess, The Rev. Salying Wong, and Matt Cameron, Secretary.

Guests: Bishop Lucinda Ashby and Jen Crompton, Transitional Deacon.

Rob called the meeting to order at 9:02am.

Lectio

Offered by Matt

- Matthew 11: 2-11
- Jesus and John
 - Consider the word, phrase, image or metaphor that comes to mind on the first reading.
 - For your second reading, reflect upon ways the passage impacts and informs our work on Standing Committee.

BUSINESS / INFORMATION

Minutes -

Motion.

Approval of the March 18, 2023, Standing Committee Minutes as presented.

- Motion: Tricia
- Second: Salying
- No further discussion. Motion passed with two abstentions.

Ordination to the Priesthood -

Motion.

Consent of Ordination to the Priesthood, Jen Crompton Transitional Deacon.

Reference: Episcopal Church Title III. Ministry. Canon 8. Of the Ordination of Priests

- Motion: Tricia
- Second: Shonna
- No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bishop Consents -

Motion.

Consent to the Bishop-Elect of The Episcopal Diocese of Florida, The Rev. Charlie Holt.
Reference: Episcopal Church Title III. Canon 11. Section 3.

Discussion ensued, which acknowledged several prior Standing Committee regular meeting discussions.

- Motion: Matt
- Second: Shonna
- Motion failed unanimously.

Motion.

Consent to the Bishop-Elect of The Episcopal Diocese of Maryland, The Rev. Carrie Schofield-Broadbent.

Reference: Episcopal Church Title III. Canon 11. Section 3.

- Motion: Amber
- Second: Shonna
- No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bishop Suffragan Consent -

Motion.

Consent to the Episcopal Church Bishop Suffragan for Armed Forces and Federal Ministries, The Rev. Ann Ritonia.

Reference: Episcopal Church Article II. Section 7.

- Motion: Salying
- Second: Tricia
- No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

TIME WITH BISHOP LUCINDA

Bishop Lucinda and the Standing Committee working in a partnership relationship -

- *Serve as Council of Advice to our Bishop*
- *With Bishop Lucinda, seek information from other diocesan entities*
- *With Commission on Ministry [COM] recommends to our Bishop for change in status for people in the ordination process*
- *With the Board of Trustees [BOT] and Bishop Lucinda, approve property transactions*
- *The Standing Committee is elected by Convention*
- *The Standing Committee serves as the Ecclesiastical Authority for the diocese in the absence of a Diocesan Bishop.*

Topics covered included but not limited to the following -

- Diocesan Spring Renewal
- Diocesan Deanery Study Group
- Candidates in the ordination process

DIOCESAN PRAYER LIFE

Every Standing Committee meeting includes prayer time. The following four congregations were held in prayer.

- All Saints / Cristo Rey Watsonville
- St. James' Paso Robles
- All Saints Palo Alto
- All Saints Carmel

Guided Prayer -

Led by Salying

HOUSEKEEPING

Review Action Items

- 4/15/23 Meeting

Closing Prayer

Offered by Matt

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:15pm

Next Meeting

- Date: Saturday May 20, 2023
- 9am - 12:30pm
- Via zoom
- Lectio: Amber

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Cameron

Secretary