

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

November 18, 2023

Via Zoom

Attendees: The Rev. Rob Keim, President, The Rev. Salying Wong, Vice-President, Shonna Close, Sheila Miller, Jackie Pierce, The Rev. Amber Sturgess, and Matt Cameron, Secretary.

Absent: None

Vacant: One clergy position

Guest: Bishop Lucinda

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

Lectio

Offered by Jackie

- John 16:29 - 7:5
- The Hour has Come

BUSINESS / INFORMATION

Minutes -

Motion.

Approval of the October 28, 2023, Standing Committee Minutes as presented.

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

Diocesan Convention Election -

- Standing Committee - Diocesan Election Results (All terms begin Jan. 1, 2024)
 - Clergy
 - The Rev. Amber Sturgess, All Saints', Carmel-by-the-Sea. 3-year Term (expires 2026)
 - The Rev. Canon Filemon Diaz, Trinity Cathedral, San Jose. 4-year Term (expires 2027)
 - Lay
 - Sheila Miller, St. Barnabas', Arroyo Grande. 2-year Term (expires 2025)
 - David Howard-Pitney, Saint Andrew's, Saratoga. 4-year Term (expires 2027)

Standing Committee Goals -

- Began discussion and discernment of 2024 goals.

Deanery Study Group -

- Preliminary report was presented at diocesan convention by the Rev. Aaron Klinefelter on behalf of the Study Group.

Time with Bishop Lucinda

Spent meaningful time with Bishop Lucinda in support of her ministry and leadership.

Topics included, but not limited to:

- Diocesan Leadership Retreat (January 2024)
- Navajoland
- Missional Grants
- Diocesan Convention

DIOCESAN PRAYER LIFE

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

- St. George's, Salinas
- St. James' Monterey
- St. Peter by the Sea, Morro Bay
- St. Francis, Willow Glen (San Jose)

Guided Prayer -

Led by Salying

HOUSEKEEPING

Review Action Items - 11/18/23 Meeting

Closing Prayer - Offered by Jackie

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 12:10pm

Next Meeting -

- Saturday December 16, 2023
- 9am - 12:30pm
- Via zoom

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Cameron

Secretary