Minutes of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of El Camino Real
March 7, 2019
At Sargent House – 10am

Attendees: The Rev. Shelley Denney, President; The Rev. Katherine Doar, Vice-President; the
Rev. Rob Keim, Secretary; Liz Frost; John Melvin; Ernst Rosenthal; and Steve Pearson

Absent: The Rev. Rob Fisher

Guests: Bishop Mary, Barbara Miller, Joe Head, Matt Cameron, Beth Wiggin, Judy Stark, and
Steve Kottmeyer

*Bishop Mary joined the first hour of the meeting.*

**Opening:** Shelley opened with prayer, and Katherine opened with a Scripture reflection

Check in with the Bishop on personal, discipline, congregational, and transition topics.

*The Bishop left the meeting.*

*Bishop Mary, Joe Head, Matt Cameron, Beth Wiggin joined in person and Judy Stark on Zoom.*

**Update from the Search Committee**

The Search Committee presented each of the candidates that are being proposed for the Slate.

The four people presenting included two co-chairs (one clergy and one lay), BOT perspective,
newer-to-diocese perspective,

Each candidate had 7-10 reference checks and Judy specifically talks to the appropriate Bishop
for each candidate.

All candidates were fine with LGBT and all were good with deacons.

The Search Committee provided the SC the following answers to questions.

1. Has the Holy Spirit been invited to be part of the Search process and been part of the
   process? YES
2. Was the story of our diocese create by listening to diverse voices? YES
3. Were applications welcomed from across the church? YES
4. Was any candidate excluded or eliminated because of "race, color, ethnic origin, national
   origin, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disabilities
   or age?” NO
5. Have detailed background, deep conversation, and reference checks been completed to
determine and access "addiction and impairment, commitment to the Episcopal Church
and personal integrity and behavior, including but not limited to sexual harassment?”

YES
6. Did candidates restrict communication to official events? YES
7. Did the Search Committee keep confidentiality? YES
8. Where the needs of the candidates and their families met by the Search Committee? YES

Barbara Miller, Joe Head, Matt Cameron, Beth Wiggin left the meeting.

Consent to Bishop election
A motion was made by Steve to consent to the election of Kathryn McRosen Ryan as Bishop Suffragan of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas. The motion was seconded by Ernst and approved by all. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: February 7th minutes were approved. The motion was made by John and seconded by Steve. The motion passed.

Steve Kottmeyer, Diocesan Chancellor joined the meeting on the phone.

Chancellor review of the Slate Candidates
The chancellors asked an exhaustive list of questions to all of the five candidates, and there were no red flags.

The search committee conducted at least 6-7 reference checks for each of the five candidates, and Judy talked to each Bishops of each of the five candidates. There were no reds flag.

Conversations about Slate.
The SC is charged with saying yes they are qualified and no there is nothing to says they should not be moved forward as a candidate. We see no reason why any of them should not be elected.

Motion to move forward with all five candidates as proposed by the Search Committee made by Rob K. and seconded by Katherine. Motioned passed unanimously.

Transition Committee Update
Shelley read us the report from the Transition Committee.

Petition deadline is March 16th 11:59pm

Consent for Jim Arnold: The SC signed the consent form for Jim Arnold’s candidacy, which had been previously approved by an email vote.
Action Items: We reviewed action items from the prior month.

SC Handbook: We tabled a discussion of the handbook.

Shelley closed us in prayer.

Next SC meeting is an in-person meeting on Thursday, April 4th with Zoom. Rob K will be absent.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. Rob Keim, Secretary