

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

October 28, 2023

In-Person

Sargent House, Salinas

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 (in-person) and Steve Pearson, Esq. (via zoom)

Rob called the meeting to order at 12:20pm and Rob offered the opening prayer.

BUSINESS / INFORMATION

Minutes -

Motion.

Approval of the September 13, 2023, Standing Committee Minutes as presented.

- Motion: Sheila
- Second: Rob
- No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bishop Consent -

Motion.

Consent to the Bishop-Elect of The Episcopal Diocese of Albany, The Rev. Jeremiah Williamson.

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

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

Motion.

Consent to the Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Southern Ohio, The Rev. Canon Kristin Uffelman White.

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

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

Property Encumbrance (Acquisition) -

Motion.

RESOLVED, that the [Board of Trustees/Standing Committee] approves the purchase of a single family residence by Church of the Good Shepherd using debt financing on the following conditions: 1. the total purchase price shall not exceed \$1,500,000.00; 2. the loan used to purchase the property shall not exceed 80 percent of the purchase price and the balance of the price shall be paid from available parish funds; and 3. the deed of trust recorded by the lender shall encumber only the residence and no other parish property.

- Motion: Shonna
- Second: Matt
- Discussion ensued. Motion passed unanimously.

Reference: ***Incurring debt for property acquisition or improvement***

- Diocesan Canon 18.8

No Parish shall incur any indebtedness for permanent improvements or for acquisition of property in excess of one hundred fifty percent (150%) of its average annual operating income for the past three years without the written approval of the Bishop, the Standing Committee, and the Board of Trustees.

HOUSEKEEPING

Review Action Items -

- 10/28/23 Meeting: reviewed
- Prior meetings: none

Closing Prayer -

Offered by Salying

Adjournment -

Meeting adjourned at 1pm

Next Meeting -

- Date: Saturday, November 18, 2023
- 9am - 12:30pm
- Via zoom
- Lectio: Jackie

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Cameron

Secretary