## **Diocesan Officers**

The Rt. Rev. Diane M. Jardine Bruce, President

Mr. Mark Galus, Chancellor Mr. Curtis Hamilton, Secretary Mr. Tom Kokjer, Treasurer

#### **Executive Committee Members**

The Rev. Galen Snodgrass, Council Vice President

The. Rev. Joe Pierjok, at large member

(+ all diocesan officers)

#### **Deans**

The Very Rev. Chandler Jackson, Southern The Very Rev. Robin James, Northwest-Metro

The Very Rev. Isaac Petty, Central

# **Ex Officio members**

Ms. Shirley Bolden, Standing Cmte. Pres. Ms. Judy Turner, Epis. Church Women Pres.

# **Elected Members/Bishop's Appointments**

Through 2022 Convention

The Rev. Dcn. Brock Slabach

(The Rev. Galen Snodgrass)

Ms. Cosette Hardwick

Mr. Spencer Orr

Ms. Amanda Perschall

Ms. Beverly Roggenkamp

Mr. Gary Gee\*

Mr. Ric Sweeting\*

Through 2023 Convention

(The Rev. Joe Pierjok)
The Rev. Susan Roberts

Mr. Chris Morrison

Ms. Sally Scheid

Ms. Regina Berens

Mr. David Schlomer

Mr. Steven Williams\*

Ms. Zella Forsythe\*

Also present: Ron Weil, David Powell, The Rev. David Lynch

## I. CALL TO ORDER AND DEVOTIONS

## A. CALL TO ORDER—THE RT. REV. DIANE M. JARDINE BRUCE

Bp. Bruce called the meeting, held via Zoom, to order at 7:00 pm.

## B. DEVOTIONS & OPENING PRAYER—BP. BRUCE

Bp. Bruce read an except from *Race and Prayer: Collected Voices, Many Dreams*, edited by Malcolm Boyd and Chester L. Talton.

## II. INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Members who had joined since the December meeting introduced themselves

#### III. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 12, 2022, MEETING
- **B. RECEPTION OF WRITTEN REPORTS** 
  - 1. Executive Committee (Appendix A1)

<sup>\*</sup> Bishop's Appointment

<sup>^</sup> present via Zoom

# 2. Secretary (Appendix A2)

A motion was made and seconded to approve the actions on the Consent Agenda. (Jackson/Pierjok)

The motion carried.

(NOTE: Copies of the reports from the item B on the consent agenda are attached to and made a part of these minutes as noted.)

# IV. REPORTS AND QUESTIONS

## A. REPORTS OF DIOCESAN & COUNCIL OFFICERS

1. Secretary's Report—Mr. Curtis Hamilton

No additional report

## 2. Bishop's Report—Bp. Bruce

Bp. Bruce reported on the following items.

- She has visited 32 of 47 congregations.
- She has chosen to shortened the length of her sabbatical.
- She spoke about the recently concluded House of Bishops meeting.
- She has been to the former St. Paul's, Maryville properties.
- She has formed two new committees: Liturgy and Worship (chaired by Mtr. Susan Roberts) and Stewardship.

# 3. Council Vice President/Executive Committee—Fr. Galen Snodgrass

No additional report

## 4. Treasurer/Finance Committee—Mr. Tom Kokjer

In addition to his written report, Mr. Kokjer report on the following items.

- He provided an update on the discussions with the bank concerning terms of the mortgage at St. Mary Magdalene, Belton.
- He provided information about costs associated with any potential ministry in Maryville.
- He provided an update on the COVID relief fund. As part of this discussion, Bp. Bruce asked for ideas for use of these funds. The following were ideas that were proposed during the discussion.
  - Look for ideas form folks outside the DC

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- Help smaller churches who did struggle due to COVID related issues
- Make a larger impact if money remains pooled
- Curacy program
- Women hygiene needs
- Refugee assistance
- Maryville house for refugee resettlement
- What to local small parishes know that the diocese doesn't? Need also to be able to bring information to the parishes.

#### 5. Chancellor—Mr. Mark Galus

No report

#### **B. DEANERY REPORTS**

# 1. NW-Metro—The Very Rev. Robin James

Dean James reported that the deanery is continuing to work on grant process. The deadline for grant requests is the end of March.

# 2. Southern—The Very Rev. Chandler Jackson

Dean Jackson reported that the deanery was working on saying goodbye to Fr. Jos Tharakan. He also noted that the grant process was largely completed for the year.

# C3. Central—The Very Rev. Issac Petty

Dean Petty noted that the deans were working on communication for the deaneries.

# C. QUESTIONS ABOUT WRITTEN REPORTS RECEIVED

No verbal reports were received. Mr. Hamilton noted that this item would move to consent agenda going forward.

# D. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES OF CONVENTION AND COUNCIL

No verbal report received

## E. REPORTS FROM DIOCESAN COMMISSIONS AND DEPARTMENTS

# 1. Diversity and Reconciliation—Ms. Shirley Bolden

Ms. Bolden noted that a diversity workshop would be held in April, and that registration is open. She also noted that a book study on *Slaves in the Family* by Edward Ball had recently concluded.

## F. REPORT FROM THE STANDING COMMITTEE—MS. SHIRLEY BOLDEN

Ms. Bolden reported that the Standing Committee has given consent to three Episcopal elections. She also noted that the Standing Committee would be working with the Commission on Ministry next month. She also noted that the time of the next two meetings had been adjusted.

# V. VISIONING WORK

This work was taken up during the Treasurer/Finance Committee report (item IV.A.4 above).

# **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

# A. MEETING SCHEDULE FOR REMAINDER OF THE YEAR

The Secretary was asked to prepare a recommendation for a meeting schedule for the remainder of the year.

# **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

None

# VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

No executive session called

# IX. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. (Pierjok/Orr)

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Curtis D. Hamilton Secretary of the Diocese

# Appendix A1

Report of the Secretary to the Diocesan Council meeting of March 22, 2022

We have received the following correspondence since our meeting of December 11, 2021.

- Letters from Nourish KC dated January 21, 2022, acknowledging receipt of donations totaling \$7,700.00.
- A letter from Episcopal Relief and Development dated December 31, 2021, acknowledging receipt of a donation of \$2,500.00
- A letter from the Council of Churches of the Ozarks dated February 1, 2022, acknowledging receipt of donations totaling \$30,000 for 2021.

Work continues on planning for 2022 Annual Convention. A committee has been formed for this work.

As requested by Bp. Bruce, a document with the newsprints from our recent combined retreat with the Standing Committee has been included with your epacket. This document will be included in the epackets going forward.

Respectfully submitted,

Curtis D. Hamilton Secretary of the Diocese

# **Treasurer's Report**

- 1) Investment performance. Thru Jan (5.9%). YTD S&P (6.23%)
- 2) Income/Expense thru February. Revenue (2%) vs Expense (13%)
- 3) Mary Mag Mortgage Discussion
  - a. Met with lender last week and we are optimistic that we can improve Mary Mag's cash flow burden thru some tools at our disposal as a dio and with some help from lender.
  - b. Propose a dio deduction from congregational operating revenue mortgage servicing expenses
- 4) Mission (Covid Relief) resources \$579K
- 5) Maryville Clergy calculation \$86k
  - a. Salary \$62k
  - b. Health Insurance \$13k
  - c. Pension \$11k
- 6) Congregational Grant Proposal