

SCLM Meeting Minutes, September 27-29, 2007
Prince Conti Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana

In attendance: Mildred Springer, Ernesto Medina, Clay Morris, Samuel Cheung, Wayne Smith [Vice-Chair], Greg Howe, Ted Yumoto, Sandra Montes, Jennifer Phillips, Devon Anderson, Jeannine Otis, Laurie Thompson [Sec'y], Julia Huttar Bailey [Chairperson], Carl MaulsBy, Frank Tedeschi, Henry Loutit

Absent: Jess Wilkerson, Sergio Carranza-Gomez

Guest: Tony Jewiss

Wednesday Night

The Commission met Wednesday evening for sharing of prayer, review of agenda items. Considerable discussion was given to the need to address the emergent church issue, but uncertainty as to how. Review of the evolving praise music agenda was also discussed.

Thursday *(a covenant was made to stop on every hour for a moment of silent prayer and hymn to be sung, chosen by appointed leaders; Frank agreed to take 10, Carl at 11)*

Morning session:

Jeanine Otis led in a time of prayer and worship.

Report on HOB

Bishops Loutit and Smith reviewed time with HOB. Bp Loutit shared the struggle for the HOB to understand how it came across as a national church to others. Specifically, we are perceived as hegemonous. Some presentations at the HOB were humbly and carefully presented. A few were not. The Archbishop of Canterbury was a bit severe in his admonishing style; this approach was not well received. Several bishops wondered if he had been poorly prepared by his briefing. Jeffery Steenson submitted his resignation and was sympathetically heard.

International discussion was challenging. Different timing and phasing of social change makes coherence difficult. B033 was affirmed. Clarity for Anglican partners was given about restraint. Tracy Lynn is not likely to be elected. Bishops tried to answer specific question.

The issue of incursions was discussed even though it was not a question being asked.

Ernesto asked how the HOB could endeavor to speak and function authoritatively when our polity was otherwise.

Bishop Smith said that TEC is trying to learn how to work collaboratively. Example was given about the strategic planners from Africa this past summer. Carl asked how many Anglican communities have bi-cameral bodies. Wayne answered, essentially none.

Tony Jewiss asked about the baptismal covenant and the relationship of our authority in relation to this.

In times of stress, people attack the episcopate regardless of polity. There was a sincere effort to gain an expression that everyone could live with although nobody was completely happy. Bishops of Uganda and Nigeria do not want to see Anglican Communion come apart. Many historical positions suggest different approaches in patterns of appointing. – CMS is not theologically sympathetic with TEC but wants to see communion stay together. SPG patterns are closer to TEC patterns.

Church Publishing

Changes has sold 1300. *Burial of Dead* has sold 1000 copies. The digital download of *EW 4* has already had 200 downloads. These are signs as to how well-received the work of the SCLM is.

In the final year of triennium Frank would like to editorially correct things that have been overlooked. Textual improvements to be made before

Holy Women, Holy Men is planned to be a separate publication.

Davis Perkins, Publisher for Church Publishing as of 2 months ago, has come from the Presbyterian John Knox publishers – a seasoned denominational publisher - - he wants to focus on music and liturgy products. He is a PhD from Vanderbilt – a published theologian.

Ernesto asked how many publishers in the past five years. The answer is three.

Revised Common Lectionary downloads are available from the Church Publishing website. These have been passed on to Harper and Oxford as a professional courtesy.

Pastorally it is wise to tell parishioners that there is NO need to replace BCP. Lectionary is a separate issue. The only possible significant difference is the Easter Eve Vigil. Ruth Myers has written a carefully done explanatory rubric about the vigil.

The music book done by Carl Maultsby and Carl Daw is coming out and will be sent to the SCLM. It just came off the presses.

The RCL officially kicks in officially as of Advent 2007.

Tony Jewiss – Office of Program and Budget

3 streams – LFF, BOS and mandated from recent general convention. The dangerous categories of opportunities

Issue of Policy versus product. He exhorts us to keep this in mind.

New structure of 815 is causing some anxiety. Four big clusters of work groups – different management terms.

Canonical areas will not be affected much. But standing commissions will be more tightly connected through 815 structures. Rules of committees remain the same. Be intentional in planning. There is not much money around this triennium. MDG has been costly to standing commissions. Current budget for SCLM is okay although concern for upcoming meetings is of concern.

Devon clarified that the budget for Convention mandates is different from the meetings budget.

Tony Jewiss will be retiring at the end of the year. Casper Van Helden will be coming in at end of the year. Not ordained – amateur musician.

A lengthy discussion of the history of related budgeting issues around the SCLM's work ensued.

Report from Liturgical Officer

The decision has been made to provide some sharing of resources with congregational development & life. This will be helpful to the Liturgical officer.

Clay went to Palermo to join the ILC [every other year representatives from all countries]. They have decided not to have North American representation in the future due to policies around sexuality. This year there were three speakers from New Zealand, Ghana and Japan speakers– discussion of burial rites. No members of C of E on steering committee.

English Language Liturgical Consultation- some insights from Roman Catholic process.

Baptism and Confirmation discussion – Joe Doss, Neil Alexander- clay contributes to the catechumenal process. Clay's grant will plan a three day major symposium on – Byron Rushing involved.

Emergent/A066 Multi Sensory resources

Devon reviewed A066 and challenge to address the need for resources for emergent. \$25k included in block grant to SCLM for this. Last triennium a group of RC,

Cynthia Black and others met with Karen Ward. Good discussion, but task was deferred as too big for that period of time. Procedural reasons dictate that the blue book issue has to retain the title although it is a misnamed moniker given how it has evolved. There is more involved than delivery systems.

The twin cities – emergent center – Devon has struck up friendship with 21st century conference – Tony Jones based in twin cities, director of emergent village – Doug Pagett – coined the phrase – conversation started to define terms and substance of information. Movement is growing out of some Presbyterian evangelical churches among others. Solomon’s porch is providing Howard Anderson and Phyllis Tickle

Names suggested:

Mary Haddad from San Francisco
Susan Stokes from St Paul’s, Del Ray
The Rev’d David Tomlinson, St. Luke’s, Upper Holloway
Holly Zaher
Isaac Ivans, jazz musician, from NYC

Devon will invite appropriate members to upcoming program/conference.

Reconciliation

Jennifer Philips reviewed the history of the call for new rites. Before rites were written it was discerned that we might seek to engage the topic from diverse sources and think through the issue.

A collection of authors [30 individual authors]. Poor response from ethnic desk – seminaries have given good responses. Need – Hispanic and Native American persons to write on the topic.

End of calendar year – working deadline. Jennifer will pull together the materials at that point.

Confirmation

Some are clear that confirmation completes baptism. Others are clear that baptism is baptism. The outcome of the coming conference will be designed to pull together some of the materials on this matter. Discussion followed on the matter of the confirmation rite being placed in the pastoral office section of the BCP. The whole wider question of what the canons are saying about membership. The history of the matter and the Paul Moore & Bishop Hobart issue complicated the discussion. We have forgotten the sensibilities around the writing of the BCP 1979 and have failed to act upon them.

Allen Kreider’s Pre-Constantinian Christianity and Frank Sand’s The Work of the People have been helpful resources to Clay Morris.

Ernie asked if it would be helpful to produce an optional EOW rite that would stimulate the discussion. Wayne said this might not be well received by the HOB, but it might facilitate further discussion.

The historical Prayer Book Studies 18 [now archived but no longer printed] could be a provocative EOW 5 [this was offered humorously, but it stimulated some ideas].

Lunch Break

MDG appropriation of 0.7% from budget was presented. After a brief discussion of possibilities Greg Howe moved that we authorize the chair to make a decision on how to best designate the contribution from the SCLM budget. This was seconded by Jennifer Phillips. Unanimously approved. **Julia will implement.**

Hourly hymn leader:

3:00 Sanda Montes

4:00 Wayne

Anti-Jewish Prejudice in Liturgical texts

Devon Anderson submitted a report written by Devon Anderson and Marilyn Salmon laying out a [plan to address C001. Three phases of the work will be organized and implemented by Marilyn Salmon to 1] create a statement, 2] compile a bibliography, and 3] Make recommendations on the base of research. The goal will be intended to identify the problem, explain the why and how it is a problem and ultimately what to do about it.

The Rev'd Dr. Salmon will be given a contract for no more than \$3500. **Clay will followup[.**

Reproductive Loss

Devon is still on this project, but she is starting to hit the wall in terms of the many expressions of feedback and annotations. At this point there are four outstanding

1. Theological rationale in the prologue
Bill Stafford [Bishop Loutit will ask]& Bill Danaher [**Laurie will ask**]
2. Greg will ask Phoebe Pettingell to work with him to review the pulling together of this report for the blue book
3. **Laurie & Jennifer to produce a reconciliation rite [both will ask Georgette for her example by May] by the next session of the SCLM.**
Topic of Sin and Redemption will be addressed.

Publication vehicle? It is a liturgical text, thus it would fit the same category – BUT it is not a supplementary work to BCP or EOW. Would it be a copy like *Changes?* Will *Book*

of Occasional Services be republished? It is authorized thus removing the “permission” issue.

Discussion of Open Communion

Greg Howe presented a written response to both essays. Among a series of points he suggested that: both authors use the term open communion when they mean “Free Communion”. Both seem unconcerned about ecumenical implications. Postbaptismal catechesis needs to be considered. Free communions should be abandoned until we address what we do after the participation at the rail.

Carl shared about choir issues and welcome to Roman Catholics. Janine reflected on St Marks in NYC – someone with childhood hurts can be given opportunity to renew a connection to Christ.

Bp Smith said that he did not feel excluded from the life in the Synagogue when he is not invited to do the recitation.

Jennifer discovered that she had been dedicated and not baptized. Went to friend’s communion service, and the sacrament was powerfully converting. One should ask “Everyone who hungers for God in Christ. Christ is the one who invites us to the table”.

Carl Maultsby – Can we resolve the communion issue before we resolve the baptismal covenant issue?

Clay – St Paul’s experience where he was nervous about the lack of ability to identify folk in the congregation –

Laurie – Colin Buchanan raising the issue of Urban/Suburban divide (Grove booklet on urban ministry in Southwark, UK) in what touches life.

Mildred – but if there is no boundary how do people appropriate such freedom?

Clay – Standard discussion of hospitality versus doctrine. Greg responds that baptism is more than a doctrine.

Ernesto – How do we discuss such issue without being in reaction? What are the implications of this? Ernesto experienced catechumenal process that was phony (people sneaking for communion even though they were part of a baptismal catechumenal community)

Jennifer – baptism is a highly extraverted sacrament. How about letting introverted people coming to an experience of grace in a way sensitive to who they are?

Wayne – The norm is that we are the community of the baptized – believing adults. Merton argued that it was the norm of baptism that drove him deeply into

Greg was asked to do an outline for a bare bones study of the subject.

Carl – As a church we have moved away from teaching. Why do we do what we do?
The teaching element seems to be missing?

Laurie – Could we provide a teaching template that would help the bishops in their teaching oversight of clergy and congregations that break down the yes/no divide and empower them in getting clergy to allign their practice with their theological convictions

Music in room 104; Calendar in main conf room.

Friday morning

Reports of subcommittees

Music subcommittee –

The committee had a good discussion. Praise music has so many good resources in terms of song books. Direction was decided upon – to provide resource helping people access these resources that are available, inclusive of how to instruct congregations. Principles

Bishop Loutit talked about diminishing availability of qualified musicians that can help congregations. Leadership program for musicians has been offered, but limited responses. Ernesto would like to see a book on how to pastorally love people in song leading- Pastoral Music Leadership. Ted Yumoto stressed the importance of implementing pastoral sensitivity in dividing up cultural groups in the congregation by forcing them into a choir apart from their cultural group..

Carl reiterated the teaching issue – pastor, educator and principal musician – are all roles of the music leader to “exemplify the religious spirit of this place...in this highest standard of worship in this place” In the UBE all styles of music are included, including the three major languages of the hemisphere. This should be a model for all. He wants a model that brings forth heart worship as well as skill development.

Committee will pursue next steps to foster forward progress on this.

EOW subcommittee report

Ernesto reported that the Daily Prayer project has been working on their materials moving the office from Julie Wakely-Lynch, who has been contracted as an independent contractor for the project has a comprehensive foundational piece with this project. The plan is to have another brief meeting. The second wave of materials will come into place. Paul Joo has provided some important input.

Bishop Smith expressed concern that no academic liturgist with a research degree has participated in this process. He is concerned that someone who knows the tradition is

involved. Could a Ruth Meyer be involved?

Frank Tedeschi reviewed the involvement of different groups when the BCP 1979 was written. There was a balance of academic scholars and pastoral leaders.

Break for hymn 508.

Carl Maultsby shared his concern about the ongoing tension in our discussion between the vernacular tradition and the academic tradition.

Bp Loutit pondered about the narrow strain of the monastic thought in the Korean tradition. Devon Anderson affirmed the need for academic expertise in this area, but using the surgeon metaphor, acknowledged that one might wish for more than simply surgeons around the operating table. General discussion followed.

We are still heavily biased with the monastic model; we need to have a model that is broader.

Holy Men, Holy Women, LFF report

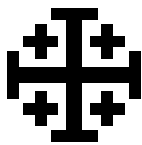
Ellie McLaughlin is working on some of the hagiography - Frank Griswold is rewriting Needlessly Egregious & Dumb collects (NEDs). Neil Alexander is also helping. Black collects have been submitted to Harold Lewis who has been very slow in returning them. Draft propers being worked on. February meeting will present materials. [*This section had more details which need to be added about dates and process*]

Prayers in Time of War Report

Frank said this is really being covered in *Changes*. Our current military is minimally churched. The bishop Suffragan Armed forces has worked with Frank on modifying the language and images. Spanish translation is being considered.

Butch Naters-Gamera Report

Ernesto called Butch to check to see if he had been contacted for translation. Butch said he has not been contacted at all. The Convention mandate for this project necessitates some significant investigation of this translation matter. **Clay will investigate and follow up and discuss this with Gregory Straub as well.**



Standing Commission
on Liturgy and Music

The Third Meeting of the Triennium
Wednesday – Saturday
September 26 – 29, 2007
New Orleans, Louisiana
Agenda

Wednesday, September 26

- 6:00 pm Dinner
- 8:00 SESSION ONE
- Worship
 - Check in
 - Agenda review and adjustment
- 9:00 Compline

Thursday, September 27

- (Breakfast on your own)
- 9:00 am Morning Prayer
- 9:30 SESSION TWO
- Reports
 - Bishops on House of Bishops Meeting
 - Church Publishing Report (Frank)
 - Tony Jewiss
 - MDG request for .7% of our budget
 - Input request on budget
 - Report from Liturgical Officer
 - Updates
 - Emergent Church / Multi-Sensory
 - Reconciliation
 - Role of Laity in ordination rites – what does baptism mean in relation to ordination rites?
 - Discussion of Baptismal Ecclesiology [briefly]
- 12:00 Noon Noonday Prayers
- 12:30 pm Lunch
- 2:00 SESSION THREE
- Updates
 - *Rachel's Tears, Hannah's Hopes*
 - Anti-Semitism
 - Discussion: Open Communion
- 4:30 pm Committee meetings / Small group work
- 6:30 Dinner
- 8:00 SESSION FOUR
- Committee Reports:
 - Music Group
 - EOW Group
- 9:00 Compline

Friday, September 28

- (Breakfast on your own)
- 9:00 am Morning Prayer
- 9:30 SESSION FIVE (to include a stretching break)
- Calendar Group Report
 - Updates
 - Translation of *Changes*
 - Prayers in Time of War
 - Agenda planning for next meeting
 - Looking ahead to Blue Book
 - Timeline
 - Strategizing
 - Wayne and Ernesto report (?)
- 12:00 Noon Noonday Prayers
- 12:30 pm Lunch
- 2:00 SESSION SIX
- Discussion of BCP Revision
 - Other matters as have arisen (or that we didn't get to yet)
- 4:00 Eucharist
- Free time
- 6:30 Dinner out

Saturday, September 29

- (Breakfast on your own)
- 9:00 am Morning Prayer
- 9:30 SESSION SEVEN
- 10:30 Visit to St. Luke's

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Remaining Meetings of Triennium:

- Feb 18 – 21, 2008 – Fogelman Conference Center in Memphis (Monday dinner – Thursday noon)
- May 19 – 22, 2008 – The Palisades Retreat Center in Seattle (Monday dinner – Thursday noon)
- October 13-17, 2008 – The Swanson Center in Omaha (Monday dinner through Friday noon; Blue Book Report work)