

1 Attending Commission members & TEC staff

- 2 1. Mr. Keane Joel Keanuenu Akao (Vice-Chair) / 2012 – Hawaii, VIII
- 3 2. The Rev. Valerie Bailey Fischer (Secretary) / 2012 – Massachusetts, I
- 4 3. The Rev. Eddie Michael Blue/ 2009 – Maryland, III
- 5 4. Ms. Iris E. Harris/ 2009 – Washington, III
- 6 5. Ms. Sarah Eagle Heart/ 2009 – Central Gulf Coast, IV
- 7 6. The Rt. Rev. Carolyn Irish (Chaplain) / 2009 – Utah, VIII
- 8 7. Mr. Robert Charles Laird (Chair) / 2012 – Minnesota, VI
- 9 8. The Rt. Rev. G. Porter Taylor/ 2012 – Western North Carolina, IV
- 10 9. Dr. Scott Evenbeck/2009 – Indianapolis, V PEALL & Liaison for the Pres. HOD
- 11 10. Ms. Hisako Miyazaki Beasley/2012 (Executive Council Liaison) – Olympia, VIII
- 12 11. Ruth-Ann Collins Staff officer, Children's Ministries and Christian Education

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14 Members Absent –

- 15 12. Dr. Frederica Harris Thompsett/2012 – Massachusetts, I

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17 Guest

18 Gregory Straub. Executive Officer & Secretary of the General Convention  
19 The Rt. Rev. Wallis Ohl/ Northwest Texas, chair of Standing Commission on Ministry  
20 Development

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22 1. Introductions

- 23 1.1. Reflections on Formational Experiences in the lives of the commission members
- 24 1.2. Viewed two videos – about the diocese of Utah (history and tradition of  
25 outreach) and companion relationships between Myanmar and Mexico.
- 26 1.3. Review of the Agenda – Keane Akao
- 27 1.4. Norms
  - 28 1.4.1. Confidentiality
  - 29 1.4.2. I-statements
  - 30 1.4.3. Attendance
  - 31 1.4.4. Begin and end on time
  - 32 1.4.5. High value on Consensus – not vote
  - 33 1.4.6. Come Prepared
  - 34 1.4.7. Stay connected between meetings
  - 35 1.4.8. Prompt meetings (two weeks) -- With assignment sheets
  - 36 1.4.9. More conference calls
  - 37 1.4.10. Accountability
  - 38 1.4.11. Continuity Across Meeting
  - 39 1.4.12. Honor Early Work
  - 40 1.4.13. Evaluate each meeting
- 41 1.5. Other things
  - 42 1.5.1. Feel free to say you can't do a task
  - 43 1.5.2. Addresses anxiety level – manage control needs and focus on the task at  
44 hand
  - 45 1.5.3. Each student mastering the material, not creating dependencies apart from  
46 the material

- 47 1.5.4. Suggest a norm – avoid electronic stuff – Turn it off (the phones and the  
48 blackberries)
- 49 1.5.5. Porter: easier to think about the process if I know what the end result is
- 50 1.5.6. Easier if we could talk about the General convention and the report – so I  
51 know this is where we’re headed
- 52 1.5.7. Callie – passed out a copy of the mission statement that was crafted last  
53 year in Washington
- 54 1.6. Desired Outcomes From This Meeting
- 55 1.6.1. Peall – continuing the Work
- 56 1.6.2. Formation Charter
- 57 1.6.3. Essentials of Formation
- 58 1.6.4. Blue Book Report – Strategy
- 59 1.6.5. Effective Communication
- 60 1.6.6. NYC Meeting Plans (Oct 30-Nov 1)
- 61 1.6.7. Blue Book Report – deadline move up to 8<sup>th</sup> of December
- 62 1.7. Exercise – Role playing – Ruth Ann Collins
- 63 1.7.1. Reflection on exercise, especially in terms of listening to each other
- 64 1.8. The Rev. Mary June Nestler presentation
- 65 2. Reports on Charter Status, PEALL, Ministry Development:
- 66 2.1. Charter Status (Ruth-Ann Collins)
- 67 2.1.1. The formation charter would be a primary outcome that would be offered  
68 at GC2009.
- 69 2.1.2. The charter would be consistent with previous work of PEALL and other  
70 groups
- 71 2.1.3. Start with shorter document that would be word smithed before the next  
72 SCLCEF meeting in New York.
- 73 2.1.4. SCLCEF then would sign off on the document in October.
- 74 2.2. PEALL (RC Laird)
- 75 2.2.1. PEALL, as part of preparing their report (a very large document) split up  
76 into five subcommittees:
- 77 2.2.1.1. History subgroup, which has done their work – a very exhaustive  
78 definitive report
- 79 2.2.1.2. Multicultural (Education and Formation – used interchangeably)
- 80 2.2.1.3. Theological Education
- 81 2.2.1.4. Education and formation (lifelong)
- 82 2.2.1.5. Youth and Young adults
- 83 2.3. Ministry Development (Valerie Bailey Fischer)
- 84 2.3.1. Valerie attended a meeting and the SCMD – February 2008 (sat in on the  
85 committee with the Bishop of Arkansas and theological education
- 86 2.3.2. SCMD chair Bishop Wallis Ohl was present at the SCLCEF meeting.  
87 Ohl on SCMD: Our work is divided into three areas: theological education – focusing  
88 on seminarian debt, and Title III
- 89 2.3.3. Conversation between the two commissions is encouraged to avoid  
90 overlap. This could happen during a joint meeting or during a joint session  
91 held while the two commissions meet separately but concurrently.
- 92 3. Essentials of Formation – the Rev. Mary June Nestler: Presentation and discussion

- 93 3.1. Rev. Nestler raised question about the outcome based education – if the outcome  
94 is to produce people who can grow to the full stature of Christ – to define what  
95 that is for us in our day
- 96 3.2. Identifying the corporate mission and identify
- 97 3.3. Rev. Nestler challenged the commission –about what is the whole of lifelong  
98 formation and who is here and who has God called to be at this table and what  
99 can we do together
- 100 3.4. Rev. Nestler: its not your job to define the broad topic of formation, but to  
101 articulate and contribute to the larger conversation on formation.
- 102 3.5. Mary June Nestler Questions: Led to the formation of a list of essentials for  
103 formation.
- 104 3.5.1. What is your mission
- 105 3.5.2. How do you carrying it out
- 106 3.5.3. Why have we not ever heard of you
- 107 3.5.4. How will you know when your mission is achieved (when we are living  
108 into the full stature of Christ)
- 109 3.5.5. Exercise:
- 110 3.5.5.1. Name one person who has lived into the full stature of Christ and  
111 what are their characteristics.
- 112 3.5.5.2. List of characteristics: Humble, thoughtful, understanding,  
113 courageous, hospitable, authentic life integrated, expansive/seeking,  
114 holiness, inspiring, fair-minded, committed, forgiving/loving, centered/  
115 grounded, challenging, loving enemies, engaged in mission,  
116 compassionate, generous, mentors, persistent, patient, charitable,  
117 prayerful, studious, loves people, knowledgeable/wise, selfless,  
118 diligent, enthusiastic, devotional, sacrificing, hope, joy, thankful
- 119 3.5.5.3. List of words that are uniquely Christian and not just positive  
120 values in society: Humble, Hospitable, Authentic life integrated,  
121 holiness, Forgiving, Centered/grounded, Loving enemies, Holiness,  
122 Prayerful, Devotional sacrificing, hope, joy, thankful
- 123 3.5.5.4. The most distinctive thing about Christians is worship
- 124 3.5.5.5. Essentials in formation is liturgical worship – the worship of God  
125 in the presence of other human beings
- 126 4. Subcommittees Reports
- 127 4.1. Liturgy as Formation: (RC Laird) SCLM Liturgy group wants to know if  
128 SCLCEF wants to support its resolution to redo Lesser Feasts and Fast (to be  
129 renamed Holy Men and Holy Women.
- 130 4.1.1. Emerging Church – Liturgy as formation resolution
- 131 4.2. Prov IX
- 132 4.2.1. (reference: p 36 of White Paper)
- 133 4.2.1.1. Team of writers and theologians – project – tested in Quito with 24  
134 teachers and 3 congregations. Built as a four week curriculum but did It  
135 over a varied length of time. Great success – started using this process  
136 with Spanish Latin American group did first visioning piece in Omaha
- 137 4.2.1.2. Connectivity of seminaries of schools in prov IX and seminaries in  
138 the states – trying to establish a conduit

- 139 4.2.1.2.1. RC – some of the separation between the schools – difficult  
140 because some are accredited and some are not  
141 4.2.1.2.2. Eddie – sounds like they need a companion relationship  
142 4.2.1.2.3. RC a companion relationship model is being pursued  
143 4.2.1.2.4. Action Item: Valerie Will contact SCMD about the  
144 “companion relationship” plans between Province IX seminaries  
145 and the Episcopal seminaries in the states  
146 4.2.1.2.4.1. Peall has some conversation –Contact Donn Morgan –  
147 CDSP, Frederica Thompsett  
148 4.3. Lay professional organization Report (Eddie Blue) – representing lay persons  
149 employed in the ministry of the church  
150 4.3.1. View themselves as a accountable to the church’s institutional structure  
151 4.3.2. Credo is now open to lay persons employed in the ministry of the church  
152 4.3.3. (Scott Evenbeck) This lay professional organization could provide a  
153 context for more experiential education such as international travel and camp  
154 and help the church become more aware of development of lay persons  
155 employed by the church.  
156 4.3.4. Still looking for resolution possibilities  
157 4.4. Province IX – resolution for funding. [referencing Page 35 in White Paper]  
158 4.4.1. Province IX work is viewed in the context of ministry to distinctive and  
159 specific contextual communities  
160 4.5. Young adult internship programs (Sarah Eagle-Heart)  
161 A subcommittee report will be filed on information compiled internship programs and  
162 historically black colleges and comments from their directors.  
163 4.6. Catechumenal Work – Porter Taylor  
164 4.6.1. For adults preparing for baptism and sometimes confirmation – the  
165 community gathers to incorporate them into the body of Christ  
166 4.6.2. Holding this up as a norm – how can this be adapted to varying situations  
167 – small churches  
168 4.6.3. The places I know that have catechumenate programs are large churches –  
169 takes a lot of people – question is if the church only has 30 people in the  
170 pews on Sunday how are you going to do catechumenal work?  
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172 5. Further subcommittee work: Ruth Ann  
173 **5.1. Keane, Val, Wallis, RC, Hisako**  
174 5.1.1. PEALL work continued by SCLCEF AND SCMD  
175 5.1.2. How SCLCEF AND SCMD Joint Work Resolution for Funding  
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177 **5.2. Eddie, Cally, Iris, Porter, Scott, Sarah**  
178 5.2.1. Formation Charter Logistic and Funding  
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180 **5.3. By All**  
181 5.3.1. Blue Book Outline Logistics  
182 5.3.2. NY Meetings Agenda  
183 5.3.3. Assignments from here  
184 5.3.4. Timeline – General Convention

- 185 5.3.5. Effective Use of Yahoo or Go to Meeting
- 186 5.3.6. Formational materials around domestic poverty
- 187 5.3.7. Goal – as small groups work on their work, will have a list from Mary
- 188 Jane so we can ask what are the Essentials for Formation

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190 Friday, June 20, 2008

191 6. Session 1 – Group Activity

192 7. Logistics and Work Resources – New Working Groups

193 7.1. Group A – Peall & MD

194 7.2. Group B – Charter

195 8. Gregory

196 8.1. Blue Book Outline

197 8.2. Domestic Poverty Resolution

198 8.3. Timeline

199 9. PEALL MTG. Sub Group Work

200 10. New Sub Group Work

201 10.1. Group A – Peall & MD

202 10.1.1. How to carry on PEALL Work

203 10.1.2. Joint Work with MD

204 10.1.3. Split the Peall Work

205 10.1.4. Join in Particular Projects

206 10.1.5. Resolutions to Continue Work (funding)

207 10.1.6. (Joint Meeting of MD & LLFF)

208 10.1.7. Keane, Val, Wallis, RC, Hisako

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210 10.2. Group B – Formation Charter

211 10.2.1. Expectations – Desired Outcome of Writers Group

212 10.2.2. Logistics

213 10.2.3. Funding of Meeting

214 10.2.4. Resolution for Adopting “Formation Charter”

215 10.2.5. Eddie, Cally, Iris, Porter, Sarah

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217 11. Subcommittee Reports from A and B

218 11.1. RC – Subgroup A

219 11.2. Sarah – Subgroup B

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221 **12. Blue Book Outline**

222 12.1. Policies—Lifelong

223 12.2. Names/Membership—Details/Terms etc.

224 12.3. Summarize: Detail Records of Minutes-Narrative

225 12.4. Studies

226 12.5. Actions

227 12.6. Resolutions to implement the recommendations

228 12.7. Receipts and Expenses

229 12.8. Records of Minutes-Narrative

230 12.9. When and How

- 231 12.10. Decisions made
- 232 12.11. Action Taken
- 233 12.12. Next Triennium Request of Budget
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- 235 13. Inform Standing Comm. On Structure (B.Mann) to change Name
- 236 SC on Lifelong Christian Formation & Education – Greg to Report, email to B. Mann
- 237 by RC
- 238 13.1. Name change: Standing Commission on Lifelong Christian Education and
- 239 Formation to the Standing Commission on Lifelong Christian Formation and
- 240 Education
- 241 14. Domestic Poverty Resolution Subcommittee Report
- 242 14.1. New subcommittee on Domestic Poverty and Formation – Hisako, Sarah
- 243 and Eddie
- 244 14.2. Theme on convention on Ubuntu – my existense is related to your
- 245 existence – using the tool of public narrative – Michael Battle – “Reconciliation”
- 246 – “Ubuntu”
- 247 14.3. Scott – this focus on domestic poverty is living out what the theme of
- 248 convention theme by telling stories of how involvement in issues of justice is
- 249 Christian formation
- 250 14.3.1. University of the Poor – Presbyterian – Liz Theoharis (New York,NY)
- 251 14.3.2. Book: “I am not one of those people, I am a child of God” -- Dinsmore
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Current Timeline (at this time of the meeting, please refer to the timeline handout)

6/20/08	Meeting
7/3/08	6/20 minutes to commission
7/20/08	Input Deadline Returned
8/1-3/08	Charter Writing Meeting
8/7/08	Charter gets 1 <sup>st</sup> Draft to SC
9/15/08	SC Comment on 1 <sup>st</sup> Draft to writers
9/11-13/08	PEALL Meeting
10/15/08	Final Draft from writers to SC
10/x/08	SCMD meeting
10/30-31/08	NY City Meeting
11/x/08	
12/12/08	Bluebook Deadline
7/8-17/09	GC 2009

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- 257 15. Subcommittees
- 258 Prov IX – Keane & Hisako
- 259 Liturgy as Formation – RC
- 260 Lay Professional Education – Eddie
- 261 Young adults – Val, Iris, Sarah
- 262 Green Vocation -- Cally
- 263 Catechumenal Work -- Porter

264 Subgroup A – Keane, RC, Hisako, Valerie

265 Subgroup B -- Eddie, Cally, Iris, Porter, Sarah

266 Domestic Poverty -- Hisako, Sarah and Eddie

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269 16. Deadline for Existing Small Groups – must be sent to Valerie by July 23

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