

MEETING MINUTES
Conference Call
Aug. 18, 2010

Participants in the call: Bp. Dorsey Henderson, Rev. Walter Brownridge, Rev. Carol Barron, Rev. Juan Rosario, Kevin Babb, Joan Geiszler-Ludlum, Vice Chair, Diane Sammons, Chair, Marc Smith, Secretary, Kathleen Wells, Steve Hutchinson, Liaison for Executive Council, Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick, Bill Cathcart

Not participating and excused: Bonnie Anderson, ex officio, Presiding Bp Katharine Jefforts Schori, Bp. S. Johnson Howard and Kevin Babb, Mary Kostel, Representative for the P.B., Brad Foster, Representative for the President of the House of Bishops.

Chair Diane Sammons called the roll to identify all present on the call.

Minutes from the May Meeting were approved as submitted.

The Chair then continued with the proposed agenda.

1. The Report on Renunciation was moved for review at the Utah Meeting due to the fact that Mary was on vacation.
2. A100 Diane gave a brief discussion of the content of the document. There was discussion concerning use electronic devises for personal use by Juan. His concern was centered on page numbering using said devices. Diane will check with Mr. Howell concerning this matter in Section 2. After discussion concerning the page numbering issue, it was decided to Delay voting action on A100, Title 2, Canon 3, and Section 2 until the Utah Meeting.
It was moved to pass A100 Title 2, Canon 3, and Section 5 by Bill Cathcart and seconded by Steve to pass said section. Motion Passed
3. D081 Diane spoke with Ward Simpson concerning the resolution. Diane stated that our charge was to look at creating consistency in voting procedures at General Convention. Diane suggested that the subcommittee looking into this and will report back at the Utah meeting. Diane will get back with Ward to determine which element of the document concerns merely consistency in wording and which concerned substantive issues.
4. C056 Diane followed up with Ruth Myers concerning the Resolution. Diane stated the Ruth wants a representative from the group to assist her group in their meeting in early October in Massachusetts,.
the week before our Utah meeting. Walter stated that he would work with the group, but could not attend the meeting due to other commitments. Juan stated that he might be able but needs to check his schedule. Dorsey stated that if Juan could not make the meeting, he could. The group concluded that our only role in this matter was that of liaison and not to officially support any legislation coming out of the Liturgy and Music committee.
5. A121 Kevin is not on the call and we will hold this report until our Utah meeting.

6. White and Dykman- Joan and Diane had a conversation Brain Murray for suggesting a meeting with 5-7 of our people concerning our obligation to update White-Dykman. Funding was secured for said meeting. Steve and Joan will work with Diane on the matter. Further discussion will be held in Utah. Steve suggested that the Episcopal Chancellor Group might be a source of additional funding.

7. Priorities for Utah:
 - A. Anglican Covenant
 - B. White-Dykman
 - C. A127
 - D. Worship Time

Steve asked for input from the whole committee concerning the Covenant before the subcommittee has its conference call.

Diane suggested that we focus on the theology of the Anglican Covenant with focus

on the last section to help us better understanding of the document.

Walter indicated that he would take the lead on Worship time for our upcoming meeting in Salt Lake.

It was decided that Eucharist would be Thurs. morning, compline on Weds evening and Morning Prayer on Friday morning. There will be accommodations for people who will be leaving Saturday Morning. Mark and Carol indicated that they will help Walter.

8. Steve indicated that while in Oxford he met with John Rees who is the Chancellor to the Archbishop of Canterbury. Steve will brief the committee as to the substance of the conversation in Utah. Steve also will post the Pastoral Letter and the summary of the Executive Committee to the Committee.
8. A123 Bob spoke with Bishop Whalon concerning this subject. Bob feels subject can be dealt with under Title IV.
9. A127 Diane and Brad spoke on this area. Brad will go through the material that Bonnie had provided, prioritize and report in Salt Lake. Diane will speak with Mary on the sense of the House of Bishops on the issue. Diane would like to see 4 or 5 issues that both houses can agree upon. Bob indicated that the issue as of now was not on the Sept. meeting of the House of Bishops, but he will push to get it on the agenda. Diane suggested that we provide a questionnaire to the HOB similar to what Bonnie had done for the HOD; perhaps the Committee could use the list of priorities arrived at by the HOD as a starting point for the HOB.
10. A052 Bill will address this in Salt Lake.
11. B008 – Bob and Kathleen are working on this subject. Kathleen stated that she has spoken to David Beers concerning any legal problems concerning the resolution.

He indicated that he did not see any legal problems. Diane indicated that she liked the current drafting from Kathleen. There will be more discussion of this subject in Salt Lake. It was noted that the final control of the Trust would be settled in court and not by the Standing Committee. It was suggested that the Trust information could be woven into the Parochial Report. It was suggested by

Kathleen that every Parish has a notebook with the Name of the Trust, Amount and Restrictions listed.

12. Joan stated that there has been an inquiry from Dan Daniel, Bishop of East Carolina as to if anyone is working on a Canon for the dissolution of the pastoral relationship of a Bishop with a Diocese. Steve stated that there has to be a theological underpinning for a Canon related to this subject. Bob stated this is a long term issue. Dorsey stated that 2 or 3 members of the committee study and draft a Resolution as independent members of the committee. This resolution would come from the independent individuals and not the committee as a whole. Dorsey stated that he will take lead on this. Walter and Joan will help.
13. Carol led us in closing prayer.