

## SCSGCC Meeting Minutes

### VIDEO CALL

August 11, 2017 held via Zoom, 11am ET: <https://zoom.us/j/8391179709>

### Spreadsheet of Tasks & Resolutions

**Members Present:** The Rev. Sharon Alexander, Mr. Doug Anning (CLO), The Rev. Megan Castellan, Ms. Jane Cislucis, Ms. Pauline Getz, Mr. Michael Glass, Mr. Christopher Hayes, The Rev. Dr. Molly James, Ms. Sally Johnson, The Rt. Rev. William Klusmeyer, Ms. Louisa McKellaston, The Rt. Rev. Jake Owensby, Mr. Scott Remington, The Rev. Canon Rosemari Sullivan, The Rev. Adam Trambley, and The Rev. Canon Bradley Wirth.

**Absent:** Canon Annette Buchanan, The Rt. Rev. Francisco Duque, The Rt. Rev. Wendell Gibbs, Mr. James Simon, and Mr. Jamal Smith,

### Opening Prayer

Minutes from June were approved.

### Reminder of October 1-5 Meeting - Location is Salt Lake City.

We will be meeting at the diocesan center and staying at hotel. Title IV working group will be meeting just prior to our meeting. Jamal and Rosemari will be unable to attend. Others are working out schedule conflicts and hoping to be there.

### Items for Updates and Discussion:

Categories remain useful. We will be breaking into two rooms in SLC. We will be working in four groups. Michael Glass and Sally Johnson will be floating to help with canonical changes. Polly, Wendell and Molly will be floating as well. The goal is get as much material into Blue Book ready form as possible.

**DEADLINE FOR POSTING PRIOR TO OCTOBER MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

### What is complete?

#### Canonical Changes

SC-13 - correct reference

SC-15

SC-17

SC-22 - Full Communion

SC-25 - change reparation to preparation

SC-26

[SC-30](#) - timing of priesthood ordination for transitional deacons

[SC-32](#) Correct cross-reference

SC-35 - Consent for Secular Employment - [draft](#) & [recommendation](#) - this may help us in things that come to us after the situation with Bishop Bruno

[SC-36](#) - non-discrimination in hiring/appointment

### **NEED TO BE COMPLETED**

D037 - needs more info from CPG - draft recommendation will be posted before October

SC 18 - Pritchett requests - needs updating regarding reception - [draft re: Full Communion](#)

SC 21 - Cuba - need information from Bishop Duque - Sally, Sharon and Doug will also work on this. There could be some substantive issues at GC around this.

SC 34 - Alternative Liturgies - Paul Burrows has drafted something. Polly & Sally will review it.

SC 37 - need further drafting around reception of clergy from other denominations - [flowchart](#)

SC 8 - Louisa & Michael will work on the drafting regarding Convocation in Europe

### **General Convention/Structure**

[A002](#) - Explore Unicameral

[A006](#) - Standing Comissions

[A103](#) - Length of GC

[A117](#) - editing of legislation

SC-4- DFMS By-laws

SC-9

### **NEEDS TO BE DONE**

A002 - need to check regarding Rules of Order

A118 - Secretary of GC & DFMS - Sally will follow up with Jim & Scott

SC 1 - Filing deadline - Michael has not gotten positive feedback, mostly because it means redoing budget process. Needs a flowchart. **Could perhaps be a topic for conversation in October?** Perhaps we can make small adjustments to begin. Legislative committees will be meeting virtually prior to General Convention. We need to propose a mechanism for conversation to happen regarding budget in the next Triennium. Perhaps we propose a Task Force of members of SCSGCC, Executive Council & PB&F. It would be more likely to pass if it also had the support of Executive Council. It would also be good to empower legislative committees to take action before the gavel goes down (e.g. combine similar resolutions). It would also help if there could be more public comment in advance. Perhaps a change of method around this - other than a hearing? Hearing system needs revamping. Question of whether or not it would be helpful to separate out the legislative process and budget process? How do we protect against unfunded mandates? This connects with SC 20 and work Jane and Mike are doing.

SC 11- Whyte & Dykman - Need to write a status report when we write a Blue Book Report. Polly will ask Diane S. to submit a report, which will help us establish recommendations for the

work going forward. Jane, Bradley & Julie Andrews have also volunteered for Title III. Molly recommended contacting Ellen Tillotson in CT.

SC 3 - has been handed to PB task force - Megan will get a status report

SC 33 - conversation has happened - Jim will be putting something together.

SC 38 - Constitutional amendment re: Joint Sessions - connects with Joint Rules - need procedures for 2021 if amendment for Joint Sessions passes - also connects with Committee of the Whole

SC 5 - Clarification regarding VP in HOB - officers of HOB need to be added to the canons as is true for HOD - Wendell is bringing this to the rules committee at GC. If we want a canon, we need to draft it. Jake & Sally will work on drafting.

### **Provinces, Bishops & Diocesan Vitality**

SC-14\*

SC-2\*

SC-23\*

\* All taken by Task Force on the Episcopacy - need to confirm that these have been addressed by the TF.

### **NEEDS TO BE DONE**

C027 - Polly will work on drafting & Sharon has draft from Provinces Task Force, which will be helpful

C031 - Diocesan Vitality - need to craft a resolution with a Task Force with a specific charge and specific questions. Sharon will forward information from Province IV.

D003 - continuation of Vitality conversation - need to check canons for consistency with the Constitution - Sharon will work on drafting something.

SC 28 - Disabled & Absent - Connects with work of Task Force on Episcopacy and needs some additional work. Best course is probably to assign this to SCSGCC for the next triennium, particularly given the aftermath of Bishop Bruno trial.

### **Title IV**

[D031](#) - Various Title IV clarifications

[SC 6 & 7](#) - Disciplinary Board for Bishops

SC-10

SC-16

SC-19

SC-24

[SC-26](#) - Canon IV.4 correction

[SC-27](#) - Misrepresentations in Ordination Process - Amendments

[SC-29](#) - Church Attorney declines to advance

[SC-31](#) - Ugly Rumor Canon

SC-39

[SC-40](#) - Notice of Accord Order

## **NEED TO BE DONE**

A050 - Polly will be in touch with Robin prior to our meeting in October.

A150 - Lots of great progress. Videos are being filmed. There will be FAQ and lots of sample documents. Polly will have a more detailed update in October

D031 - may need to be split up into multiple resolutions

D076 - Michael is working on this with Archives and will have a draft for October. There is a canon on this, but it is not being filed and does not address information being shared. Doug can also be a great resource on this. Need to also address questions of what would be the implications for secular lawsuits. Information would not be privileged as they are in health care cases. How could this database also inform continuing education for clergy?

SC 40 - Notice of Accord - came up on Chancellor's listserv - how do the diocese where someone is serving get notified? - Christopher has drafted something (see above)

## **LEADS FOR FOUR AREAS**

### **GROUP 1 - for October**

**Canonical Changes** - Louisa (Convener) & Scott (Drafter), Sally & Michael (advisors), Mike K.

**Title IV** - Christopher (Convener) & Jim (Drafter), Sally & Michael (advisors), Francisco, Bradley, Annette

### **GROUP 2 - for October**

**General Convention & Structure** - Megan (Convener) & Jane (Drafter), Rosemari, Adam,

**Provinces, Bishops & Diocesan Vitality** - Jake (Convener) & Sharon (Drafter), Jamal,

### **New Business:**

Question of Ecumenical Task Force for Methodist Dialogue - need an either/or because there will still be a resolution proposing the reinstatement of Ecumenical Standing Commission - Molly will work on drafting this.

Polly will be pulling together an outline of the Blue Book Report.

**Meeting adjourned at 12:36 pm ET.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of SCSGCC