

A001 - Site for 82nd General Convention

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Arrangements

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the following sites be considered for the 82nd General Convention (2027): Phoenix, Arizona (Diocese of Arizona); Orlando, Florida (Diocese of Central Florida); Charlotte, North Carolina (Diocese of North Carolina); Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (Diocese of Pittsburgh); and San Juan, Puerto Rico (Diocese of Puerto Rico); and be it further

Resolved, That the Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Arrangements consider the physical and emotional well-being and safety of all members of The Episcopal Church when choosing a host location for any General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That criteria to select future sites for future General Conventions will include the following:

—that conditions at the site, including political conditions, do not pose an immediate threat to the physical safety and well-being of the members of this Church

—that intentional care will be taken by the presiding officers, Executive Council and the Joint Committee for Planning and Arrangements to ensure the physical, mental, and emotional well-being of those at General Convention at all times

—that General convention, being a visible manifestation of the Body of Christ we represent, will in all places, concretely witness to the countercultural way of Love that Jesus models, particularly in those places where the children of God are disenfranchised, so that we may point toward the reign of God through our presence and actions.

A002 - General Convention Daily Agenda

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Arrangements

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention function through the following activities:

1. **Formal legislative sessions of the two Houses;**
2. **Joint session for presentation of proposed budget**
3. **Meetings of the legislative committees of the two Houses; and**
4. **Open Hearings to be conducted, as needed, by all legislative committees**

And be it further

Resolved, That the schedule and the daily timetable of the 80th General Convention held in Baltimore, Maryland be:

Wednesday, July 6, 2022

11:00 am - 4:00 pm Senior Volunteer Gathering & Training

Thursday, July 7, 2022

9:00 am - 7:00 pm Registration & Deputy Certification

Friday, July 8, 2022

7:00 am - 9:30 am Deputy Certification

8:30 am - 10:00 am Opening Eucharist

10:00 am - 12:30 pm Legislative Session

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm Deputy Certification

2:30 pm - 5:30 pm Legislative Session

6:30 pm - 7:00 pm Deputy Certification *as needed*

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm Reserved for Legislative Session

Saturday, July 9, 2022

7:30 am - 8:00 am Deputy Certification

8:30 am - 9:30 am Morning Prayer

9:30 am - 12:30 pm Legislative Session

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm Deputy Certification

2:30 pm - 5:30 pm Legislative Session

6:30 pm - 7:00 pm Deputy Certification *as needed*

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm Reserved for Legislative Session

Sunday, July 10, 2022

7:30 am - 8:00 am Deputy Certification

8:30 am - 10:00 am Eucharist

10:00 am - 12:30 pm Legislative Session

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm Deputy Certification

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm Joint Session PB&F

3:30 pm - 5:30 pm Legislative Session

6:30 pm - 7:00 pm Deputy Certification *as needed*

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm Reserved for Legislative Session

Monday, July 11, 2022

7:30 am - 8:00 am Deputy Certification

8:30 am - 9:30 am Morning Prayer

9:30 am - 12:30 pm Legislative Session

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm Deputy Certification

2:30 pm - 5:00 pm Legislative Session

5:00 PM Adjournment - Sine Die

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Diocese of Maryland Event

A003 - Uniform Paid Family Leave Policy

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force to Develop Churchwide Family Leave Policies

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 16 - Churchwide Leadership

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognizes the critical importance of the adoption by The Episcopal Church (the “Church”) of a uniform paid family leave policy across the Church, and that this is a justice issue which we are obligated as Christians to address without further delay, and that from the beginning, said policy should provide for parity between lay and clergy employees; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognizes the difficulties that currently exist with the implementation of a paid family leave policy, given that there is currently no commercial insurance offering available, and therefore, urges all dioceses of the Church to adopt the proposed policy as soon as practicable, in order to be prepared to implement the policy as soon as a commercial insurance offering becomes available, whether through Church Pension Group or other avenues; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention urges all dioceses of the Church to adopt a uniform paid family leave policy (hereinafter, “UPFLP”) at the minimum acceptable level of coverage which should be provided to all employees, and that to the extent that there is a church or other affiliated organization that offers a more comprehensive policy, the policy outlined in this resolution is to be considered the minimum acceptable offering; and be it further

Resolved, That the UPFLP will be modeled along the following parameters:

1. The Church plan design for the UPFLP will be set up to offer the options of bronze, silver or platinum plans;

2. **The UPFLP will, in its final version, provide a thorough cost analysis, and it is anticipated that the services of an outside consultant will be needed to analyze relevant demographic data in order to provide accurate cost estimates, and further, it is understood that it is currently not possible to share the cost of the UPFLP nationally through an insurance-type program, and therefore, each diocese will need to have the discretion to determine how the cost of the UPFLP will be shared among the churches in that diocese;**
3. **The UPFLP will also, in its final version, provide a thorough outline of plan administration considerations in order to assist with developing and maintaining a policy, training supervisors, educating employees, and record keeping;**
4. **The UPFLP will in all instances provide for parity of clergy and lay employees;**
5. **The UPFLP will in all instances provide for both paid parental/bonding leave, as well as paid caregiver leave; however, levels of plans may vary in terms of which family members will be covered by said caregiver leave;**
6. **In all instances, the UPFLP will provide for job protection for any employee on leave;**
7. **The UPFLP will provide for a duration of leave of between 6 and 16 weeks;**
8. **The UPFLP will offer options to cover between 70% and 100% of covered weekly earnings;**
9. **The UPFLP will also provide specific guidance for a variety of specific factors such as how coverage will apply to two parents working for the same employer, definition of covered weekly earnings, qualified reasons to take leave, required documentation to request leave, and coordination with applicable state and federal laws.**

And be it further

***Resolved,* That the General Convention affirms the teaching that the birth or adoption of a child is a cause of celebration for parents, family and the entire community and that an entire community has responsibility for supporting a family in raising a child; and that family members often need to care for one another in sickness, and that this care and ministry serves to give confidence of your loving care; and that individuals suffering from illness may not be able to work for a period of time; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention recognizes that the federal government has a role in ensuring those who are sick are cared for, and that all have sufficient healthcare, enough to eat, adequate housing, and that illness does not economically devastate families. Therefore we call on the federal government to institute a funding mechanism for citizens to take paid family leave in order to care for a newborn child, a foster or adopted child, or immediate family members who require care during illness, as well as providing paid sick leave to the fullest extent possible; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention calls on the Office of Government Relations to advocate to the Congress for the establishment of a paid family leave program, in particular for workers who do not have access to paid leave from their employers.**

A004 - Continue Task Force on Dialogue with South Sudanese Anglican Diaspora

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force on Dialogue with South Sudanese Anglican Diaspora

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$25,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention extend the work of the Task Force on Dialogue with South Sudanese Anglican Diaspora for the coming triennium; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force report to the Executive Council at least once each year during the coming triennium; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force conclude its work and expire no later than adjournment sine die of the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$25,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

A005 - Translations of Enriching Our Worship and the Book of Occasional Services into Spanish, French, and Haitian Kreyol

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$200,000.00

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention directs the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to facilitate the evaluation for cultural relevance, adaptation and professional translation of *Enriching Our Worship*, Volumes 1 – 6 and *The Book of Occasional Services 2018*, and *Lesser Feasts and Fasts* into Spanish, French, and Haitian Kreyol; and be it further

Resolved, That in this work the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music's Task Force for Liturgical Translations, employ the same process and criteria used for the new translation of the Book of Common Prayer into these languages; and be it further

Resolved, That the sum of \$200,000 be appropriated to the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music for the completion of these translations.

A006 - Authorize the Book of Occasional Services, 2022

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize for optional use throughout this Church A Scriptural Way of the Cross; On Maundy Thursday; When Persons Leave a Congregation; Presentación de un(a) Niño o Niña (Presentation of a Child); Quinceañera (The Celebration of Fifteen Years); The Founding of a Church: Ground Breaking; The Founding of a Church: Laying of a Cornerstone; Commissioning a Church Planter, Missioner, or Mission Team; A Liturgy for the Opening of a New Congregation; Setting Apart Secular Space for Sacred Use; A Litany of God's Mission for the Church; Consecration of Chrism Apart from Baptism; Reaffirmation of Ordination Vows, Reception as a Priest or Deacon, and Restoration to the Ordained Ministry; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize the publication of the revision of that certain document entitled *The Book of Occasional Services*, prepared by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music and published by The Church Hymnal Corporation in 1979, and last revised in 2018.

A007 - Authorize Lesser Feasts and Fasts 2022

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the commemorations proposed by the 79th General Convention and authorized for trial use (Resolution 2018-A065), be now finally authorized and entered in the Calendar of the Church Year (BCP, pp. 19-ff.) and in future revisions of Lesser Feasts and Fasts; and

That the commemorations as authorized for entry into the Calendar of the Church Year are as follows:

January

4 [Elizabeth Ann Seton, Vowed Religious and Educator, 1821]

5 [Sarah, Theodora, and Syncletica of Egypt, Desert Mothers, 4th – 5th century]

14 [Richard Meux Benson, Priest; and Charles Gore, Bishop, 1915 and 1932]

21 Agnes [and Cecilia] of Rome, Martyr[s], 304 and c. 230

31 [Marcella of Rome, Monastic and Scholar, 410]

February

- 4 [Manche Masemola, Martyr, 1928]
- 5 [Agatha of Sicily, Martyr, c. 251]
- 8 [Josephine Margaret (Bakhita), Monastic, 1947]
- 10 [Scholastica, Monastic, 543]
- 11 [Theodora, Empress, c 867]
- 19 [Agnes Tsao Kou Ying, 1856; Agatha Lin Zhao, 1858; and Lucy Yi Zhenmei, Catechists and Martyrs, 1862]
- 20 [Frederick Douglass, Social Reformer, 1895]
- 22 [Margaret of Cortona, Monastic, 1297]
- 25 [Emily Malbone Morgan, Lay Leader and Contemplative, 1937]
- 26 [Photini (The Samaritan Woman), c. 67]

March

- 15 [Vincent de Paul, Priest, and Louise de Marillac, Vowed Religious, Workers of Charity, 1660]
- 26 [Harriet Monsell, Monastic, 1883]
- 28 [James Solomon Russell, Priest, 1935]

April

- 3 [Mary of Egypt, Hermit and Penitent, c. 421]
- 5 [Harriet Starr Cannon, Monastic, 1896]
- 14 [Zenaida, Philonella, and Hermione, Unmercenary Physicians, c 100, c 117]
- 15 [Damien, Priest, 1889; and Marianne Cope, Monastic, 1918]
- 16 [Peter Williams Cassey, Deacon, and Annie Besant Cassey, 1917, 1875]
- 17 [Kateri Tekakwitha, Lay Contemplative, 1680]

- 18 [Juana Inés de la Cruz, Monastic and Theologian, 1695]
- 22 [Hadewijch of Brabant, Poet and Mystic, thirteenth century]
- 23 [Toyohiko Kagawa, Social Reformer, 1960]
- 27 [Zita of Tuscany, Worker of Charity, 1271]

May

- 3 [Elisabeth Cruciger, Poet and Hymnographer, 1535]
- 5 [Martyrs of the Reformation Era]
- 11 [Johann Arndt, and Jacob Boehme, Mystics, 1621, 1624]
- 13 [Frances Perkins, Social Reformer, 1965]
- 15 [Pachomius of Tabenissi, Monastic, 348]
- 21 [Lydia of Thyatira, Coworker of the Apostle Paul]
- 22 [Helena of Constantinople, Protector of Holy Places, 330]
- 28 [Mechthild of Magdeburg, Mystic, c 1282]

June

- 4 [John XXIII (Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli), Bishop, 1963]
- 8 [Melania the Elder, Monastic, 410]
- 17 [Marina the Monk, Monastic, 5th century]
- 19 [Adelaide Teague Case, Educator, 1948]
- 26 [Isabel Florence Hapgood, Ecumenist, 1928]

July

- 2 [Moses the Black, Monastic and Martyr, ca. 400]

- 6 [Eva Lee Matthews, Monastic, 1928]
- 8 [Priscilla and Aquila, Coworkers of the Apostle Paul]
- 14 [Argula von Grumbach, Scholar and Church Reformer, c. 1554]
- 21 [Maria Skobtsoba, Monastic and Martyr, 1945]
- 23 [John Cassian, Monastic and Theologian, 435]
- 28 [Johann Sebastian Bach, Composer, 1750]

August

- 3 [Joanna, Mary, and Salome, Myrrh-bearing Women]
- 9 [Edith Stein (Teresa Benedicta of the Cross), Philosopher, Monastic, and Martyr, 1942]
- 29 [The Beheading of Saint John the Baptist]
- 30 [Margaret Ward, Margaret Clitherow, and Anne Line, Martyrs, 1588, 1586, 1601]

September

- 3 [Phoebe, Deacon]
- 5 [Katharina Zell, Church Reformer and Writer, 1562]
- 6 [Hannah More, Religious Writer and Philanthropist, 1833]
- 7 [Kassiani, Poet and Hymnographer, 865]
- 8 [The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary]
- 15 [Catherine of Genoa, Mystic and Nurse, 1510]
- 23 [Thecla of Iconium, Proto-Martyr among Women, c. 70]
- 24 [Anna Ellison Butler Alexander, Deaconess and Teacher, 1947]
- 27 [Euphrosyne/Smaragdus of Alexandria, Monastic, 5th century]

28 [Paula and Eustochium of Rome, Monastics and Scholars, 404 and c. 419]

October

1 [Therese of Lisieux, Monastic, 1898]

3 [John Raleigh Mott, Lay Leader and Ecumenist, 1955]

7 [Birgitta of Sweden, Mystic, 1373]

12 [Edith Cavell, Nurse, 1915]

25 [Tabitha (Dorcas) of Joppa]

30 [Maryam of Qidun, Monastic, 4th century]

November

8 [Ammonius, Hermit, 4th century]

9 [Richard Rolle, Walter Hilton, and Margery Kempe, Mystics, 1349, 1396, and c. 1440]

15 [Herman of Alaska, Missionary, 1837]

21 [Mechthilde of Hackeborn and Gertrude the Great, Mystics, 1298 and 1302]

24 [Catherine of Alexandria, Barbara of Nicomedia and Margaret of Antioch, Martyrs c. 305]

December

1 [Charles de Foucauld, Monastic and Martyr, 1916]

3 [Francis Xavier, Priest and Missionary, 1552]

12 [Francis de Sales, Bishop, and Jane de Chantal, Vowed Religious, 1622 and 1641]

13 [Lucy of Syracuse, Martyr, 304]

14 [John of the Cross, Mystic and Monastic Reformer, 1591]

- 15 [Nino of Georgia, Missionary, c. 332]
- 17 [Dorothy L. Sayers, Apologist and Spiritual Writer, 1957]
- 20 [Katharina von Bora, Church Reformer, 1552]

A008 - Additional Calendar Commemorations

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That commemorations of Simeon Bachos the Ethiopian Eunuch (August 27), Episcopal Deaconesses (September 22), and Frederick Howden, Jr (December 11) be authorized for trial use for the triennium 2021-2024; and be it further

Resolved, that this General Convention authorize for trial use the propers for these feasts as presented in the Blue Book Vol. II p.518-522; and be it further

Resolved, that this General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to edit the biographies for these commemorations as presented in the Blue Book, attending to clarity, historical accuracy and timelessness.

A009 - Revision of Existing Calendar Commemorations

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the propers for the commemoration of Maryam of Qidun (October 29) be revised as follows:

Collects

1. O God of holiness and strength, rescue us from the sins that ensnare us and destroy the evils that defame us, that, like thy servant Maryam of Qidun, we may find our own selves inseparable from thy love made known in Christ Jesus our Lord; who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.
2. O God of holiness and strength, rescue us from the sins that ensnare us and destroy the evils that defame us, that, like your servant Maryam of Qidun, we may find our own selves inseparable from your love made known in Christ Jesus our Lord; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Lessons and Psalm

Romans 8:31-39

Psalm 31:15-24

John 8:1-11

Preface of Holy Week

And be it further

***Resolved,* That the biographical materials on Absalom Jones (February 13), Maryam of Qidun (October 29), and The Martyrs of Japan (February 5), found in the Blue Book (pages 472-76), be referred to the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music.**

A010 - Lesser Feasts and Fasts Revision Principles

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the following Principles of Revision be approved by the 80th General Convention and substituted for the previous Principles most recently affirmed by the 76th Convention (2009) and published in *Holy Women, Holy Men*.

Principle of Revision

The qualifications and benchmarks for inclusion in the church calendar are as follows.

1. **Historicity:** Christianity is a radically historical religion, so in almost every instance it is not theological realities or spiritual movements but exemplary witness to the Gospel of Christ in lives actually lived that is commemorated in the Calendar.
2. **Christian Discipleship:** The death of the saints, precious in God's sight, is the ultimate witness to the power of the Resurrection. What is being commemorated, therefore, is the completion in death of a particular Christian's living out of the promises of baptism. Baptism is, therefore, a necessary prerequisite for inclusion in the Calendar.
3. **Significance:** Those commemorated should have been in their lifetime extraordinary, even heroic servants of God and God's people for the sake, and after the example, of Jesus Christ. They may also be people whose creative work or whose manner of life has glorified God, enriched the life of the Church, or led others to a deeper understanding of God. In their varied ways, those commemorated have revealed Christ's presence in, and Lordship over, all of history; and continue to inspire us as we carry forward God's mission in the world. Commemoration thereby reminds us of our participation in the great cloud of witnesses: our own membership in a timeless

community that surrounds and supports us, equipping us for ministry in the world, and moving us toward maturity in Christ.

4. **Memorability:** The Calendar should include those who, through their devotion to Christ and their joyful and loving participation in the community of the faithful, deserve to be remembered by the Episcopal Church today. However, in order to celebrate the whole history of salvation, it is important also to include those “whose memory may have faded in the shifting fashions of public concern, but whose witness is deemed important to the life and mission of the Church” (Thomas Talley).
5. **Range of Inclusion:** The Calendar especially includes Episcopalians and other members of the Anglican Communion. Focusing above all on principles of Christian witness and discipleship, and honoring the movement of the Holy Spirit in the establishment of local observance, the Calendar seeks to represent the full breadth and depth of the Body of Christ.
6. **Local, Organic Observance:** Similarly, it should be the case that significant commemoration of a particular person already exists at the local and regional levels before that person is included in the Calendar.
7. **Perspective:** It should normatively be the case that a person be included in the Calendar only after two generations or fifty years have elapsed since that person's death. The passage of time permits the testing and flowering of their Christian witness. In any case, no fewer than two General Conventions shall pass after the person's death before any individual may be considered.
8. **Levels of Commemoration:** Principal Feasts, Sundays and Major Holy Days have primacy of place in the Church's liturgical observance. It does not seem appropriate to distinguish between the various other commemorations by regarding some as having either a greater or a lesser claim on our observance of them. Each commemoration should be given equal weight as far as the provision of the liturgical propers is concerned (including the listing of three lessons).
9. **Distribution of Commemorations:** Normally, joint commemoration will arise through shared Christian witness or date of death. In some cases, unrelated commemorations will occur on the same date. In the observance of lesser feasts, the preference of the local community may be exercised.

A011 - Develop Local Commemorations

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention affirm the following process and guiding questions for developing and nurturing local commemorations; and be it further

Resolved, That this process shall be included in the Appendices to Lesser Feasts and Fasts 2018.

Crafting Liturgical Commemorations

History demonstrates that liturgical commemorations originate in the local community. Indeed, all proposed additions to the Calendar of the Church ought to begin as local commemorations. Included below is a process for developing such local observances, as well as some guiding questions that might help the local community through the process.

The Book of Common Prayer (pp. 13, 18, 195, and 246) permits memorials not listed in the Calendar, provides collects and readings for them (the Common of Saints), and recognizes the bishop's authority to set forth devotions for occasions for which no prayer or service has been provided by the Prayer Book. Although the Prayer Book does not require the bishop's permission to use the Common of Saints for memorials not included in the Calendar, it is appropriate that the bishop's consent be requested.

While these guidelines are general in nature, and not exhaustive in scope or situation, this process is suggested for initiating local, diocesan, or regional memorials.

1. Establishment: A congregation, diocese, other community or organization establishes a commemoration for a specific person/occasion, on a specific day.

- Who/what is being commemorated? Why is this commemoration beneficial to the local community's liturgical life? What would be lost if the commemoration were not observed? (See the most recent set of criteria for inclusion in the Calendar of the Church; and the set of Holy Days, BCP p. 16, that take precedence on their dates.)

2. Collects and Readings: A collect and readings from the Common of Saints are chosen and used. Perhaps a new collect may be composed, and a new collection of readings assigned for use in the commemoration. The Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music and local diocesan liturgical bodies are available for consultation.

- How might selections from Holy Scripture and the chosen, or new, collect communicate the reason for observing the commemoration? What selections of Holy Scripture will help the congregation to better understand the commemoration? What do we need to pray for in the collect to better understand the commemoration?

3. Observance: The congregation, diocese, province, or organization proceeds to annually observe the commemoration in their regular liturgical life.

- How might you invite others to join the celebration? Does it make sense to invite the local community? Nearby congregations? The diocese? The province?

4. Evaluation: The local community should engage in ongoing evaluation of the commemoration. The evaluation should include conversation with members of the community and with participants in the observance. Earlier steps should be revisited if necessary.

- How has your thinking in previous steps evolved through your observance of the commemoration? What have you learned? What feedback have you received? What has surprised you as you've observed the commemoration? To what extent has the local community embraced the observance? Does anything need to change? How might the readings and collect need to be adapted?

5. Wider Recognition: Those interested in promoting a wider commemoration then begin to share the developed materials with others, suggesting that they also adopt the commemoration. If at some time it is desired to propose it for optional observance by the wider Church, documented evidence of the spread and duration of local commemoration is essential to include in the proposal to the General Convention.

- Why should the commemoration be observed by the wider Church? What would the wider Church lose if it did not observe this commemoration? How would this commemoration strengthen or balance the Calendar of the Church? (See the most recent set of criteria for inclusion in the Calendar of the Church.)

Some commemorations, perhaps many, will remain local, diocesan, or regional in character. This in no way reduces their importance to those who revere and seek to keep alive the memory of beloved and faithful witnesses to Christ. Regardless of local or

Church-wide use, The Book of Common Prayer welcomes regular, local commemorations in the liturgical life of the Church.

A012 - Commons for Local Calendar Commemorations

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention reaffirm the New Commons for Various Occasions for use in local liturgical commemoration, currently published as an Appendix in *Holy Women, Holy Men*; and direct that it be included as an Appendix in *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*.

A013 - A Plan for Clarifying the Calendar of The Episcopal Church

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention affirm and commend use of the following taxonomy for organizing and displaying the Calendar of the Church in the next edition of the Book of Common Prayer:

1. The Book of Common Prayer will explicitly list:

Principal Feasts (Easter Day, Ascension Day, The Day of Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, All Saints' Day, Christmas Day, and The Epiphany),

Sundays and Seasons with their proper titles (e.g., The First Sunday of Advent, The First Sunday in Lent, Monday in Holy Week, Monday in Easter Week),>

Feasts of Our Lord (The Holy Name, The Presentation, The Annunciation, The Visitation, Saint John the Baptist, The Transfiguration, and Holy Cross Day),

Major Feasts of the Church (All Feasts of Apostles, All Feasts of Evangelists, Saint Stephen, The Holy Innocents, Saint Joseph, Saint Mary Magdalene, Saint Mary the Virgin, Saint Michael and All Angels, Saint James of Jerusalem),

Major Fasts (Ash Wednesday, Good Friday),

Ember Days (traditionally observed on the Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays after the First Sunday in Lent, the Day of Pentecost, Holy Cross Day, and December 13), and

Rogation Days (traditionally observed on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday before Ascension Day);

2. **A separate volume entitled Lesser Feasts and Fasts will explicitly list all additional Days of Optional Observance duly authorized by this Church, along with their authorized Collects, Psalms, Lessons, and Biographies/Descriptions; and be it further**

Resolved, **That the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music make specific provisions to support and encourage the local development and commemoration of days of optional observance.**

A014 - Additions to the Book of Common Prayer Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct that in the revision of the Book of Common Prayer, the following apostolic-age saints be added to the Calendar, having already received trial use according to the publications that follow each name and citation.

January 26: Timothy, Titus and Silas, companions of Saint Paul (Acts 16, Epistles to Timothy and Titus); LFF2006, LFF 2018

January 27: Lydia, Dorcas, and Phoebe, witnesses of the faith (Acts 16, Acts 9, Romans 16); GCW 2015, LFF 2018

February 26: The Woman of Samaria, traditionally known as Photini (John 4); LFF2018

July 8: Priscilla and Aquila, co-workers of Paul (Acts 18, Romans 16, 1 Cor 16, 2 Tim 4); LFF 2018

July 29: Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, of Bethany (Luke 10, John 11-12); LFF2006, LFF2018

August 1: Joseph of Arimathea (Matt 27, Mark 15, Luke 23, John 19); LFF2006

August 3: Joanna, Mary, and Salome, Myrrh-Bearing Women (Matt 28, Mark 16, John 19); LFF2018

A015 - Authorize Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Prayer C (Expansive Language) for Trial Use

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize The Holy Eucharist: Rite II, Prayer C, (Expansive Language) in two versions: dialogic and fixed response, for trial use throughout this church as a proposed revision within pages 369 to 372 of the Book of Common Prayer pursuant to Article X(b) of the Constitution; and be it further

Resolved, That the period of trial use for these liturgies shall extend until the completion of the next comprehensive revision of The Book of Common Prayer; and be it further

Resolved, That The Holy Eucharist: Rite II, Eucharistic Prayer C, (Expansive Language) – both versions, be provided to the church at no cost via electronic distribution; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music be directed to engage a dynamic equivalence translation of The Holy Eucharist: Rite II, Prayer C – both versions (Expansive Language) into the Spanish, French, and Haitian Creole languages; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music be directed to develop a process for evaluation of the ongoing use of The Holy Eucharist: Rite II, Prayer C (Expansive Language) – both versions - among the dioceses and congregations of this church.

A016 - Adopt, Study, and Promote Guiding Principles for World Mission & Initiate Global Mission Advocate Program

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 05 - World Mission

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention adopt the following Guiding Principles as a foundation upon which it engages in mission:

- Think and imagine a world where love is the way
- Commit to world mission that is incarnated in personal presence, meeting Christ in all whom we encounter, in our backyard or around the globe
- Go the Way of Love: cross boundaries, listen deeply, and live like Jesus
- Walk the Way of Love with our companions in mission, in mutual discovery and deepening of God's reconciling love, learning together, praying together, worshipping together, as we transform and bless each other
- Excite, inspire, and engage others to discover the joy of God's mission
- Honor and embrace in mutual discovery the God-given gifts of all individuals, parishes, dioceses, their partners, and their communities
- Nurture relationships to develop avenues for cross-cultural mission, local/global/pilgrimage, for all ages and abilities
- Advocate for structural changes to support global mission issues, including promoting the dignity of all and honoring refugees, migrants, and asylum seekers everywhere
- Honor our sacred differences while we unite as Beloved Community around God's table

- **Support missionaries, from discernment, during their service, and upon their return**
- **As we walk this Way of Love, address together the many issues of poverty, violence, oppression, and environmental degradation**
- **Remember that to “Go” can also mean “Go” by building relationships, learning, listening, encouraging across space through virtual presence and communication from where you are**
- **Encourage all dioceses to have a Diocesan Global Mission Advocate**

And be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention commend these Guiding Principles to Episcopal seminaries, diocesan schools of ministry, dioceses and jurisdictions, and congregations for study and implementation and that they be encouraged to study and promote the Guiding Principles; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention encourage each diocese, jurisdiction, Episcopal seminary, and diocesan school of ministry to appoint at least one person to serve as a Global Mission Advocate to promote the study and use of the Guiding Principles and share with the Church promising global mission practices developed as these guiding principles are implemented alongside other models of ministry such as Asset-Based Community Development and the Sustainable Development Goals; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission on World Mission and the Office of Global Partnerships collaborate during the triennium with the Global Episcopal Mission Network to create a Network of Global Mission Advocates to share their experiences with the implementation, study, and promotion of the Guiding Principles. This Network shall provide guidance to the Standing Commission on World Mission on the practical application of the Guiding Principles and suggest amendments.

A017 - Assessment of Past Colonialism in the Church's World Mission Ministries

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 05 - World Mission

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention acknowledge and grieve the participation of the Episcopal Church and its various entities and institutions in colonialism in North America, Latin America, Africa, Oceania and Asia; and warns of and laments colonial mindsets in the Church today; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention affirm that Colonialism and its continuing impacts are antithetical to the Gospel as proclaimed by our Savior Jesus Christ, and that we are all called to repent and atone for the evils perpetuated in the name of Christ in the missionary field; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission on World Mission (SCWM) encourage the Episcopal Church to use principles and practices which turn from the colonial mindset of the past towards mutuality of relationships in our mission, ministries, and outreach; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention urge the SCWM to deliver a report to the 82nd General Convention on the historic role of the Episcopal Church in colonialism through its missionary work, and how and where a colonial mindset continues to prejudice our work in propagating the Gospel; and be it further

Resolved, \$50,000 be budgeted to support the Office of Global Partnerships in support of this work in partnership with the Standing Commission on World Mission in the next Biennium.

A018 - Teaching World Mission and Theological Education Beyond the United States

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 05 - World Mission

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention, urge all seminaries and programs of formation to include world mission as a core part of their curriculum; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention recognize with appreciation offerings of Episcopal seminaries and other institutions of formation that reach beyond the United States, and urge these seminaries and other institutions to further collaborate with dioceses and jurisdictions outside the United States in developing their online course offerings to provide accessibility of courses and materials to those outside the United States, and take into consideration: cost, timing (if online discussion is required), languages, and certification, with an emphasis on Anglican studies; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention task the Standing Commission on World Mission with convening and leading a group composed of members of the Standing Commission, representatives of seminaries in the United States and of seminaries and diocesan programs outside the United States to collaborate in the development of courses that incorporate the faith experience and theological understandings of Anglicans and formation leaders worldwide.

A019 - Theological Education and Formation in Languages other than English

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention celebrate the efforts being made within The Episcopal Church and throughout the Anglican Communion to collaborate in offering theological education and formation in languages other than English; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention urge and promote increasing development and availability of resources for discernment, theological education and formation in languages other than English, including in our major seminaries and other programs of formation throughout The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention urge the seminaries and other institutions of formation, in collaboration with the non-US jurisdictions to identify theological and other texts, especially in Anglican studies, most in need of translation for theological formation, and consult with the Office of Communications and others as appropriate to explore ways such translations can be made, following professional guidelines; and be it further

Resolved, That the Office of Global Partnerships be tasked with urging and following up on this initiative.

A020 - Support Decade of Action to Achieve Sustainable Development Goals

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 20 - Environmental Stewardship & Care of Creation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention express continued support for the ways in which the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) have become the cornerstone of development policy and action of the Episcopal Church's institutions, agencies, dioceses, and congregations and provided a framework for approaching the Church's call to eradicate poverty and promote sustainable development; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention encourage all parishes, dioceses, and jurisdictions to support the UN's Decade of Action (2020-30) to achieve the SDGs by (1) educating themselves about the SDGs using United Nations, Anglican Communion and Episcopal Church resources; (2) developing their own educational resources to translate the core Christian values and imperatives of the SDGs in ways that can be easily grasped, shared, and put into action; (3) undertaking self-audits to assess how their existing mission work and ministries already address the SDGs; and (4) sharing stories about how they are working toward the SDGs and furthering the work that Jesus calls all of us to do; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention commend and acknowledge Episcopalians who are already working towards the SDGs, including the Episcopal presence at the annual UN High-Level Political Forum on the SDGs and Episcopal Relief & Development which continues to educate the Church about the SDGs and work toward the SDGs through its programs and priorities.

A021 - Support for the United Nations

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That this 80th General Convention applaud the United Nations on its 75th anniversary and recall the prophetic role Episcopalians and The Episcopal Church played in its inception, including modeling a universal fellowship of peace-loving communities, shaping its founding principles, supporting its formation in 1945 through the actions of General Convention, and inspiring the Universal Declaration of Human Rights through the faithful public service of Eleanor Roosevelt and other Episcopalians; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention express gratitude to the United Nations for its leadership over three quarters of a century in promoting multilateralism and fostering dialogue among nations of the world, maintaining international peace and security, protecting human rights, delivering humanitarian aid, promoting sustainable development, and upholding international law; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention affirm the critical importance of the United Nations in addressing contemporary global challenges, including the spread of disease, dislocation of migrants and refugees, rise of climate change, persistence of poverty, discrimination in all its forms and intersectionalities, abuse of human rights, and threats of violence, conflict, and war; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recommit The Episcopal Church to active engagement with the United Nations in its special consultative status with the UN Economic and Social Council and the observer organization status in the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, and through the ministries of the Office of Global Partnerships and Mission Personnel and the Episcopal Church Representative to the UN, and the efforts of individual Episcopalians; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention urge all nations, especially the United States, to support the United Nations and its offices, programs and funds, as well as related specialized agencies through their active participation and full payment of their assessed financial contributions; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention call on all nations, especially the United States, to participate in the formulation, signature, ratification and implementation of United Nations Declarations, Treaties, Agreements and Conventions to resolve global concerns, especially those which protect the most vulnerable; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That all Episcopalians seek ways to fulfill our baptismal covenant to “strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being” by endeavoring in our local parishes and dioceses to inform, educate, raise awareness, and develop programs to contribute to the work of the United Nations; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That all Episcopalians observe United Nations Day annually on October 24, and pray for the UN’s continued success in building a more peaceful, just, and prosperous world in accord with Jesus’ call to us to love our neighbor as ourselves, care for our world, heal the sick, welcome the stranger, feed the hungry, serve the poor and proclaim the Good News; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention give thanks for the continued support and partnership of the Anglican Communion in common ministry at the United Nations and encourage collaboration and mutual support for all Anglicans while uplifting Episcopal voices and concerns through Episcopal representation at the United Nations; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention requests the Office of Government relations to communicate this resolution to the Secretary of State of the United States as well as the Secretary general of the United Nations.**

A022 - Commend the Work of Episcopal Migration Ministries

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 05 - World Mission

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention commend the work and mission of Episcopal Migration Ministries, specifically its faithful ministry of welcome and love to more than 100,000 refugees through its 40 year-old Resettlement Program and its 80 year-old Church Engagement Program; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention reaffirm that The Gospel of Jesus Christ calls us to welcome the stranger and respect the dignity of every human being and that those fleeing persecution have a particular claim on our attention and concern as they seek a life of dignity and peace in the face of oppression; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention endorse the continued ministry of Episcopal Migration Ministries in responding to the needs of refugees, even as the number allowed to enter the United States has been greatly reduced in recent years, and working with the Church through the Church Engagement Program to minister to asylum seekers, those in detention, and all migrants.

A023 - Direct Inclusion of Asset Mapping Question in the Parochial Report

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 10 - Congregational & Diocesan Vitality

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the General Convention direct the Executive Officer of General Convention to add to the Parochial Report the following question and instructions for responding affirmatively to capture the diversity of God's mission in the world:

"Have you completed or reviewed your profile of domestic and global mission activities on the Episcopal Asset Map, a joint project of The Episcopal Church and Episcopal Relief & Development?"

A024 - Create a Task Force on Translation and Interpretation

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$90,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention, pursuant to Joint Rule IX.22, create a Task Force on Translation and Interpretation, whose mandate includes, but is not limited to, (1) development of a working strategy and criteria for determining and prioritizing the types of materials (media releases, resources, reports, etc.) pertaining to church life to be translated and meetings related to governance to be interpreted and into which languages; (2) establishment of criteria for assuring the quality of translations and interpretation, employing dynamic equivalence, and establish procedures and criteria for hiring professional translators and interpreters to assure high-quality translations and interpretations; (3) consultation with non-English speaking dioceses, jurisdictions, and area missions about their needs and priorities for translations and interpretation; and (4) recommendation of funding levels necessary to implement the strategy; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force begin its work no later than January 1, 2023, with the task concluding its work at the conclusion of the 82nd General Convention, unless its mandate is extended by the 82nd Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force report annually to Executive Council and provide an interim report to the 81st General Convention and a final report with recommendations to the 82nd General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the membership of this task force be appointed by the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies and include up to three Bishops appointed by the Presiding Bishop for five-year terms, with special consideration

given to inclusion of Bishops from non-English speaking dioceses and jurisdictions; up to three Clergy and up to three Lay Persons appointed by the President of the House of Deputies for five-year terms, with special consideration given to inclusion of persons from non-English speaking dioceses, jurisdictions, and mission areas; up to two members of the Standing Commission on World Mission (SCWM) appointed by the SCWM; and one member of the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music (SCLM) appointed by the SCLM; and be it further

Resolved, **That the Executive Officer of General Convention appoint a member of the staff from the General Convention Office and the Presiding Bishop appoint a member of staff from the Language Services Department of the Office of Communications to serve as consultants to the task force; and be it further**

Resolved, **That \$90,000 be budgeted for the implementation of this resolution, of which \$30,000 would be allocated to the first triennium of the task force's work.**

A025 - Inclusivity in Forms and Information on the Website of The Episcopal Church and Related Organizations

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention urge all agencies, institutions and other organizations of, or connected with, The Episcopal Church, including the Church Pension Group, to review and revise their online reporting and other forms as necessary to ensure their accessibility and functionality for those residing outside of the United States so that non-U.S. Church members and congregations can complete the forms without unnecessary difficulties. Particular attention should be given to revisions addressing reporting, application and other forms, including forms: mailing addresses, telephone numbers, postal codes and country designations, currency abbreviations and credit card numbers, and accommodating non-U.S. responses to digital forms; and be it further

Resolved, That the Convention direct the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and its staff to strive diligently to ensure that all reports, information and interactive materials posted on the website of The Episcopal Church be available to and usable by all of its members, wherever they reside; and be it further

Resolved, That the Convention urge all those developing materials of any kind for use by the Church to take into account variations required to make the materials usable by dioceses, jurisdictions, and Church members outside the United States.

A026 - Applaud Missionaries and Commend the 20th Anniversary of the Young Adult Service Corps

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention applaud the flexibility and resilience of members of the Young Adult Service Corps and the Episcopal Volunteers in Mission who, during the difficult times of pandemic, have faithfully continued to respond to God's call for them, walking the Way of Love as agents and instruments of God's reconciliation, and seeking and serving Christ in all persons; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention commend the 20th Anniversary of the Young Adult Service Corps and the work of the Office of Global Partnerships in the spiritual and vocational formation of program candidates and participants; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention give thanks for parishes and dioceses which financially and spiritually support these missionaries during their placements and upon their return home.

A027 - Support of the World Health Organization

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention express its full support of the World Health Organization in its mission to promote the highest standard of health for all people; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention support the position that the United States of America remain a full member of the Organization; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Office of Government Relations to communicate to the leadership of both Houses of Congress and other appropriate governmental agencies the position of The Episcopal Church regarding the World Health Organization and its concern that the independence of the World Health Organization to pursue its global mission not be compromised by partisan national politics and interference, especially as the world responds to the threat of climate change to world health and the effect of pandemics such as Covid-19 on populations with fragile health care systems; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention supports full payment by the United States of their assessed financial contributions and funding to the World Health Organization and directs the Office of Government Relations to communicate this to the leadership of both Houses of Congress and the President of the United States.

A028 - Join, Participate, and Fund The Global Episcopal Mission Network

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$50,000.00

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 05 - World Mission

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention celebrate and commend the Global Episcopal Mission Network (GEMN) and its leadership on 25 years of encouraging global mission within and beyond the Church and equipping and inspiring individuals, congregations, and organizations to engage in this work; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention acknowledge GEMN's collaboration with the Standing Commission on World Mission and the Office of Global Partnerships in Constable Grant funded work to develop and disseminate a toolkit of online mission formation resources and other programs to promote theologically grounded practices of engagement with the world; and be it further

Resolved, That individuals, congregations, seminaries, mission organizations, dioceses, and jurisdictions be encouraged to support the work of GEMN by becoming members, participating in its conferences and activities, and funding its work; and be it further

Resolved, That \$50,000 be budgeted to support the work of GEMN during the next biennium.

A029 - Support for Military Chaplains

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention commends the ministry of The Episcopal Church's military chaplains, who bravely tend to the spiritual and religious needs of United States Armed Forces service members as pastors, priests and preachers; and be it further

Resolved, That the Bishop Suffragan for Armed Forces and Federal Ministries, in addition to tending to chaplains serving in federal prisons and hospitals, continue to uphold The Episcopal Church's leadership role in forming and supporting military chaplains to respond to the challenges facing today's military personnel, including extended exposure to violence, injustice, hatred and hardship; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention commend the office of the Bishop Suffragan for Armed Forces and Federal Ministries for its recruiting efforts, especially among those representing the diversity of this church, celebrating the results achieved to date, including the fact that more than 15% of active chaplains are bilingual and/or originally from cultures representing the diversity of The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention affirms the 2001 "Declaration of the Episcopal Church's Understanding of Ministry to the Armed Forces", including Episcopal military chaplains' commitment to love and serve members of all faith groups, and to ensure access to the free exercise of religion within the constraints of military service; and be it further

Resolved, That Congregations engage with military chaplains so as to learn from their experience with global mission and interreligious dialogue, and from their example

as an embedded servant ministry proclaiming and portraying the Gospel beyond the church; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the Standing Commission on World Mission collaborate with the the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to choose an appropriate day for observance of the Church's military chaplains, and consider developing a collect and suggested lectionary for observance of Military Chaplains Day for authorization by the 81st General Convention.**

A030 - Task Force on Pacifism and Just War

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: Standing Commission on World Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$5,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize the establishment of a Task Force on Pacifism and Just War to deepen understanding of the Church's pacifist and just war traditions, including the Anglican Communion's distinctive contributions to these traditions, among military chaplains, missionaries, seminarians, clergy, congregations, and others engaged in the Church's global mission, for application to contemporary war, peace and human rights issues; and be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force draw upon the experience and expertise garnered from the Military Chaplains Just War Education Project funded through the 2020-21 Constable Grant program to prepare a report recommending educational programs, public policy positions, and outreach initiatives consistent with the Task Force's mandate for consideration by the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That this Task Force be appointed jointly by the President of the House of Deputies and the Presiding Bishop, in consultation with the Standing Commission on World Mission, and consist of three bishops, three priests or deacons, and six laypersons from a diverse representation of the Church, and include military chaplains and those living in jurisdictions outside the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That \$5,000 be budgeted for work of the Task Force over the next triennium.

A031 - Amend the Constitution and Canons Relating to Mergers of Dioceses

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Article V, Section 4 of the Constitution to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Art.V

Sec. 4. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese or out of two or more existing Dioceses or parts of them, the formation process of the newly formed Diocese, including the adoption of its Constitution and Canons, shall be as set forth in the Canons.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Article V, Section 4 of the Constitution to read as follows:

Art.V

Sec. 4. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese *or out of two or more existing Dioceses or parts of them*, ~~it shall be subject to the Constitution and~~

~~Canons of the Diocese out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese the formation process of the newly formed Diocese, including the adoption of its Constitution and Canons, shall be as set forth in the Canons.~~

~~Whenever a Diocese is formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Members of the Clergy shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.~~

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon I.10 be amended to read as follows and voted on at the 81st General Convention:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Can.I.10

Sec. 1. Whenever a new Diocese is proposed to be formed within the limits of any Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of two or more Dioceses, the Ecclesiastical Authorities and the Standing Committees of the Dioceses involved in the proposed new diocese shall submit for approval to the Conventions of each Diocese involved a joint agreement of union setting forth their agreements, including the manner of determining the Bishop Diocesan and other Bishops (if any), the provisions of the Constitution and Canons of the new Diocese, and such other matters as may be necessary or proper. Upon approval by the Conventions of each of the involved Dioceses, the joint agreement of union shall be submitted for ratification by the General Convention no less than ninety days prior to the first legislative day of the next meeting of the General Convention.

Sec. 2. Promptly after ratification by the General Convention, the Ecclesiastical Authority of the new Diocese, as set forth in the joint agreement of union, shall call the first Convention of the new Diocese, for the purpose of enabling it to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

Sec. 3. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses, the Convention of such Diocese shall declare which portion or portions thereof are to be in the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the General Convention before the ratification of such division.

Sec. 4. Whenever a new Diocese shall have organized in first Convention in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Canons in such case made and provided, and in the manner prescribed in the previous Sections of this Canon, and shall have chosen a

name and acceded to the Constitution of the General Convention in accordance with Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution, and shall have laid before the Executive Council certified copies of the Constitution adopted at its first Convention, and the proceedings preparatory to the formation of the proposed new Diocese, such new Diocese shall thereupon be admitted into union with the General Convention.

Sec. 5. In the event of the erection of an Area Mission into a Diocese of this Church, as provided in Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution, the Convocation of the Area Mission shall be entitled to elect Deputies to the succeeding General Convention, and also to elect a Bishop. The jurisdiction previously assigned to the Bishop in the Area Mission shall be terminated upon the admission of the new Diocese.

Sec. 6. When a Diocese and one or more other Dioceses that were formed either by division therefrom or by erection into a Diocese or a Missionary Diocese formed by division therefrom, shall desire to be reunited into one Diocese, the proposed reunion must be initiated by the approval of the Conventions of the involved Dioceses of a joint agreement of union setting forth their agreements, including the manner of determining the Bishop Diocesan and other Bishops (if any), provisions of the Constitution and Canons of the new Diocese, and such other matters as may be necessary or proper. If the agreement of the Dioceses is made and the consents of their Conventions are given more than three months before the next meeting of the General Convention, the fact of the agreement and consents shall be certified by the Ecclesiastical Authority and the Secretary of the Convention of each involved Diocese to all the Bishops of the Church having jurisdiction and to the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses; and when the consents of a majority of such Bishops and of a majority of the Standing Committees to the proposed reunion shall have been received, the facts shall be similarly certified to the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, and thereupon the reunion shall be considered complete. But if the agreement is made and the consents given within three months of the next meeting of the General Convention, the facts shall be certified instead to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, who shall lay them before the two Houses; and the reunion shall be deemed to be complete when it shall have been approved by a majority vote in the House of Bishops, and in the House of Deputies.

Sec. 7. When the union of two or more Dioceses or portions of Dioceses or the reunion of the two or more Dioceses shall have been completed, the facts shall be certified to the Presiding Bishop and to the Secretary of the House of Deputies. Thereupon the Presiding Bishop shall notify the Secretary of the House of Bishops of any alteration in the status or style of the Bishop or Bishops concerned, and the Secretary of the House of Deputies shall strike the name of any Diocese that will cease to exist or is being renamed from the roll of Dioceses in union with the General Convention and, if appropriate, amend the name of the newly united Diocese on the roll of Dioceses in union with the General Convention.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Can.I.10

Sec. 1. Whenever a new Diocese is proposed to be formed within the limits of any Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of *two or more* Dioceses, the Ecclesiastical Authorities and the Standing Committees of the Dioceses involved in the proposed new diocese shall submit for approval to the Conventions of each Diocese involved a joint agreement of union setting forth their agreements, including the manner of determining the Bishop Diocesan and other Bishops (if any), the provisions of the Constitution and Canons of the new Diocese, and such other matters as may be necessary or proper. Upon approval by the Conventions of each of the involved Dioceses, the joint agreement of union shall be submitted for ratification by the General Convention no less than ninety days prior to the first legislative day of the next meeting of the General Convention.

Sec. 2. Promptly after ratification by the General Convention, the Ecclesiastical Authority of the new Diocese, as set forth in the joint agreement of union, shall call the ~~Primary~~ *first* Convention of the new Diocese, for the purpose of enabling it to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

Sec. 3. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses, the Convention of such Diocese shall declare which portion *or portions* thereof *are* to be in the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the General Convention before the ratification of such division.

Sec. 4. Whenever a new Diocese shall have organized in ~~first Primary~~ *first* Convention in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Canons in such case made and provided, and in the manner prescribed in the previous Sections of this Canon, and shall have chosen a name and acceded to the Constitution of the General Convention in accordance with Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution, and shall have laid before the Executive Council certified copies of the Constitution adopted at its ~~first Primary~~ *first* Convention, and the proceedings preparatory to the formation of the proposed new Diocese, such new Diocese shall thereupon be admitted into union with the General Convention.

Sec. 5. In the event of the erection of an Area Mission into a Diocese of this Church, as provided in Article V, Section 1 *of the Constitution*, the Convocation of the Area Mission shall be entitled to elect Deputies to the succeeding General Convention, and also to elect a Bishop. The jurisdiction previously assigned to the Bishop in the Area Mission shall be terminated upon the admission of the new Diocese.

Sec. 6. When a Diocese and one or more other Dioceses that were formed either by division therefrom or by erection into a Diocese or a Missionary Diocese formed by division therefrom, shall desire to be reunited into one Diocese, the proposed reunion must be initiated by the approval of the Conventions of the involved Dioceses of a joint agreement of union setting forth their agreements, including the manner of determining the Bishop Diocesan and other Bishops (if any), provisions of the Constitution and Canons of the new Diocese, and such other matters as may be necessary or proper. If the agreement of the

Dioceses is made and the consents of their Conventions are given more than three months before the next meeting of the General Convention, the fact of the agreement and consents shall be certified by the Ecclesiastical Authority and the Secretary of the Convention of each involved Diocese to all the Bishops of the Church having jurisdiction and to the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses; and when the consents of a majority of such Bishops and of a majority of the Standing Committees to the proposed reunion shall have been received, the facts shall be similarly certified to the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, and thereupon the reunion shall be considered complete. But if the agreement is made and the consents given within three months of the next meeting of the General Convention, the facts shall be certified instead to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, who shall lay them before the two Houses; and the reunion shall be deemed to be complete when it shall have been approved by a majority vote in the House of Bishops, and in the House of Deputies.

Sec. 7. When the union of two or more Dioceses or portions of Dioceses or the reunion of the two or more Dioceses shall have been completed, the facts shall be certified to the Presiding Bishop and to the Secretary of the House of Deputies. Thereupon the Presiding Bishop shall notify the Secretary of the House of Bishops of any alteration in the status or style of the Bishop or Bishops concerned, and the Secretary of the House of Deputies shall strike the name of any Diocese that will cease to exist or is being renamed from the roll of Dioceses in union with the General Convention and, if appropriate, amend the name of the newly united Diocese on the roll of Dioceses in union with the General Convention.

A032 - Amend Canon III.11.9.b to Correct an Oversight in a 2018 Canonical Amendment

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon III.11.9.b by adding a new Section 2 and renumbering all subsequent sections, as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Can.III.11

Sec. 9. Other Bishops

b. Bishops Suffragan

1. If a Diocese discerns a need for another Bishop due to the extent of diocesan work, the Diocese may elect a Bishop Suffragan in accordance with Canon III.11.1 and this Canon III.11.9.b.

2. Before the election of a Bishop Suffragan in a Diocese, the consent of a majority of the Bishops exercising jurisdiction and of the several Standing Committees must be obtained.

3.i. A Bishop Suffragan shall act as an assistant to and under the direction of the Bishop Diocesan.

ii. Before the election of a Bishop Suffragan in a Diocese, the Bishop Diocesan shall submit a consent with a description of the role and the duties of the Bishop Suffragan to the Convention of the Diocese.

4. The tenure of office of a Bishop Suffragan shall not be determined by the tenure of office of the Bishop Diocesan.

5. No Bishop Suffragan, while acting as such, shall be Rector, but may serve as Member of the Clergy in charge of a Congregation.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Can.III.11

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ii. Before the election of a Bishop Suffragan in a Diocese, the Bishop Diocesan shall submit a consent with a description of the role and the duties of the Bishop Suffragan to the Convention of the Diocese.

~~3.~~ 4. The tenure of office of a Bishop Suffragan shall not be determined by the tenure of office of the Bishop Diocesan.

~~4.~~ 5. No Bishop Suffragan, while acting as such, shall be Rector, but may serve as Member of the Clergy in charge of a Congregation.

A033 - Amend Canon I.1.2.n.1.iii to Revise the Title of Executive Council's By-laws

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.1.2.n.1.iii to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Can.I.1

Sec. 2

n. There shall be the following Standing Commissions:

1. A Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons. It shall be the duty of the Commission to:

iii. On the basis of such review, suggest to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and to the Executive Council of the General Convention such amendments to their respective By-laws as in the opinion of the Commission are necessary or desirable in order to conform the same to the Constitution and Canons.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Can.I.1

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A034 - Clarify the Standing Commission's Mandate

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.1.2.n.1.vi to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Can.I.1

Sec. 2

n. There shall be the following Standing Commissions:

1. A Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons. It shall be the duty of the Commission to:

vi. Study and make recommendations concerning the structure of the General Convention and of The Episcopal Church. It shall, from time to time, review the operation of the several Committees, Commissions, Boards, Agencies and other governing bodies to determine the necessity for their continuance and the effectiveness of their functions and, where appropriate, to bring about a coordination of their efforts. Whenever a proposal is made for the creation of a new Committee, Commission, Board, Agency or other governing body, it shall, wherever feasible, be referred to this Standing Commission for its consideration and advice.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Can.I.1

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A035 - Allow Lay Persons Who Become Ordained and Priests Who Become Bishops to Serve Out Their Terms on Standing Commissions

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.1.2.a to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Can.I.1

Sec. 2

a. The General Convention by Canon may establish Standing Commissions to study and draft policy proposals on major subjects considered to be of continuing concern to the mission of the Church. The Canon shall specify the duties of each Standing Commission. Standing Commissions shall be composed of five Bishops, five Priests and/or Deacons of this Church and ten Lay Persons, who shall be confirmed adult communicants of this Church in good standing. The Priests, Deacons, and Lay Persons are not required to be Deputies to General Convention. Notwithstanding Canons V.4.1.b and V.4.2.b, a Lay member of a Standing Commission who is ordained Presbyter or Deacon, or a Presbyter or Deacon who is consecrated a Bishop before the next General Convention, shall not thereby become ineligible to continue to serve on the Standing Commission through the next succeeding General Convention.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Can.I.1

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A036 - Conform Joint Rule of Order VII.18 to Canon I.2.1.d

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Joint Rules of Order

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Joint Rule of Order VII.18 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

JR.VII

18. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations shall be composed of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and six Lay Persons. Members who are Presbyters or Lay Persons shall have served as deputies to the most recent General Convention and will continue to serve as members of the Joint Standing Committee through the next succeeding General Convention.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

JR.VII

18. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations shall be composed of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and six Lay Persons. Members who are Presbyters or Lay Persons shall

have served as deputies to the most recent General Convention and will continue to serve as members of the Joint Standing Committee *through* ~~until~~ the next *succeeding* General Convention.

A037 - Establish a New Standing Commission on Formation and Ministry Development

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Supported by: Task Force on Formation & Ministry of the Baptized, Task Force on Theological Education Networking

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, that the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.1.2.n by adding a new subsection 4 thereto, to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

I.1.2.n

4. A Standing Commission on Formation and Ministry Development. The Commission shall coordinate and encourage the development of all orders of ministry, encouraging and engaging all the baptized in the work of building up the church and developing best practices to ensure all churches benefit from the diversity of leadership gifts God has given us.

It shall be the duty of the Commission to:

- i. Recommend policies and strategies to the General Convention for the affirmation, development, and exercise of ministry by all baptized persons (lay persons, bishops, priests and deacons).

ii. Support Diocesan Commissions on Ministry in their support of the ministry of all the baptized, as set forth in Title III Canons 1 & 2.

iii. Encourage the recognition of daily life ministries by Diocesan Commissions on Ministry, congregations, and dioceses, so that those ministries are celebrated as expressions of the ministry of all the baptized, worthy of equal respect with ordained vocations.

iv. In collaboration with the churchwide office overseeing formation, develop and recommend to the General Convention comprehensive and coordinated policies for people across all ages and stages of life for lifelong formation as seekers and followers of Jesus.

v. Recommend strategies to General Convention for the development and support of networks of individuals, diocesan committees and commissions, agencies and institutions engaged in recruitment, gifts of discernment, education and training for ministry, leadership development, hiring, and appointments.

vi. Study the needs and trends of discernment and vocational opportunities for ordained leaders and lay professionals within the Church and the appropriate formation required to live into those opportunities.

vii. Collaborate with those developing lay pathways grid and the Association of Episcopal Deacons to raise awareness of the competencies promulgated by those groups as guidelines for formation for those orders of ministry.

viii. Recommend policies and strategies to the General Convention to ensure the fair hiring and compensation of lay and ordained employees in all ministry settings, with special attention to parity across those lines which have historically divided us, including but not limited to race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, order of ministry, disabilities, or age, except as otherwise provided by these Canons.

And be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance to allocate \$50,000 to fund the work of the Standing Commission for the 2022-2024 triennium.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

I.1.2.n

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ii. Support Diocesan Commissions on Ministry in their support of the ministry of all the baptized, as set forth in Title III Canons 1 & 2.

iii. Encourage the recognition of daily life ministries by Diocesan Commissions on Ministry, congregations, and dioceses, so that those ministries are celebrated as expressions of the ministry of all the baptized, worthy of equal respect with ordained vocations.

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And be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance to allocate \$50,000 to fund the work of the Standing Commission for the 2022-2024 triennium.

A038 - Shorten Period for Notification of Interim Body Appointments

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.1.2.c and f to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Can.I.1

Sec. 2

c. The Presiding Bishop shall appoint the Episcopal members and the President of the House of Deputies shall appoint the Lay and other Clerical members of each Commission as soon as practicable after the adjournment of the General Convention, but not later than 60 days after adjournment. Episcopal members appointed after the adjournment of any General Convention at which a Presiding Bishop is elected shall be appointed by the Presiding Bishop-elect. Vacancies shall be filled in similar manner; provided however, that vacancies occurring within one year after the next regular General Convention shall not be filled unless requested by the Commission.

f. The Executive Officer of the General Convention shall, not later than 90 days following the meeting of the General Convention, notify the members appointed to each Commission of their appointment and of their duty to present reports to the next Convention and shall schedule an organizational meeting for each Commission. One year prior to the opening day of the Convention, the Executive Officer shall remind the Chairs and Secretaries of all Commissions of this duty.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Can.I.1

Sec. 2

c. The Presiding Bishop shall appoint the Episcopal members and the President of the House of Deputies shall appoint the Lay and other Clerical members of each Commission as soon as practicable after the adjournment of the General Convention, but not later than ~~90~~ 60 days after adjournment. Episcopal members appointed after the adjournment of any General Convention at which a Presiding Bishop is elected shall be appointed by the Presiding Bishop-elect. Vacancies shall be filled in similar manner; provided however, that vacancies occurring within one year after the next regular General Convention shall not be filled unless requested by the Commission.

f. The Executive Officer of the General Convention shall, not later than ~~120~~ 90 days following the meeting of the General Convention, notify the members ~~of the General Convention of the Commission appointments and~~ *appointed to each Commission of their appointment and* of their duty to present reports to the next Convention and shall schedule an organizational meeting for each Commission. One year prior to the opening day of the Convention, the Executive Officer ~~of the General Convention~~ shall remind the Chairs and Secretaries of all Commissions of this duty.

A039 - Use More Precise Language in Canon III.11.3.c as Amended by Resolution 2018-A282

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church amend Canon III.11.3.c to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Can.III.11

Sec. 3

c. Testimonials required of the Standing Committee by this Canon must be signed by a majority of the whole Committee, at a meeting duly convened, except that testimonials may be executed in counterparts, any of which may be delivered by facsimile or other electronic transmission, each of which shall be deemed an original.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Can.III.11

Sec. 3

c. Testimonials required of the Standing Committee by this Title *Canon* must be signed by a majority of the whole Committee, at a meeting duly convened, except that testimonials may be executed in counterparts, any of which may be delivered by facsimile or other electronic transmission, each of which shall be deemed an original.

A040 - Specify Electronic Transmission of Certain Documents and Records

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church amend Canon I.1.1.e to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

I.1.1.

e. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the House of Deputies, whenever any alteration of the Book of Common Prayer or of the Constitution is proposed, or any other subject submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions, to give notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Church in every Diocese, as well as to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, and written evidence that the foregoing requirement has been complied with shall be presented by the Secretary to the General Convention at its next session. All such notices shall be sent by electronic means, with the Secretary's certificates to be returned. The Secretary shall notify all diocesan Secretaries that it is their duty to make known such proposed alterations of the Book of Common Prayer, and of the Constitution, and such other subjects, to the Conventions of their respective Dioceses at their next meeting, and to certify to the Secretary of the House of Deputies that such action has been taken.

And be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church amend Canon I.6.5.a to read as follows:

I.6

Sec. 5

a. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every jurisdiction to forward to the Secretary of the House of Deputies by electronic means, immediately upon publication, one (1) copy of the Journal of the Convention of the jurisdiction, together with episcopal charges, statements, and such other records in electronic format as may show the state of the Church in that jurisdiction, and one (1) copy to the Archives of the Church in electronic format as prescribed by the Archivist of the Church.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

I.1.1.

e. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the House of Deputies, whenever any alteration of the Book of Common Prayer or of the Constitution is proposed, or any other subject submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions, to give notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Church in every Diocese, as well as to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, and written evidence that the foregoing requirement has been complied with shall be presented by the Secretary to the General Convention at its next session. All such notices shall be sent by *electronic means* ~~certified or registered mail~~, with the Secretary's certificates to be returned. The Secretary shall notify all diocesan Secretaries that it is their duty to make known such proposed alterations of the Book of Common Prayer, and of the Constitution, and such other subjects, to the Conventions of their respective Dioceses at their next meeting, and to certify to the Secretary of the House of Deputies that such action has been taken.

And be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church amend Canon I.6.5.a to read as follows:

I.6

Sec. 5

a. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every jurisdiction to forward to the Secretary of the House of Deputies *by electronic means*, immediately

upon publication, ~~two copies of the Journals~~ *one (1) copy of the Journal* of the Convention of the jurisdiction, together with episcopal charges, statements, and such other records in ~~paper or~~ electronic format as may show the state of the Church in that jurisdiction, and ~~two copies~~ *one (1) copy* to the Archives of the Church in *electronic a common* format as prescribed by the Archivist of the Church.

A041 - Amend Certain Joint Rules of Order to Permit Meeting by Electronic Means

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Joint Rules of Order

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Joint Rules of Order I.2.j, II.10.b, II.10.c and III.11 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

I.2

j. Any Joint Standing Committee and any of its committees, sections and subcommittees may meet in person or by electronic means whereby all participants can hear each other.

II.10

b. Organization. The Joint Standing Committee shall elect its Chair from its membership, and such other officers as needed.

The Joint Standing Committee shall be organized in Sections, which shall conform to the major subdivisions of the Budget, as well as Sections on Funding and Presentation, the size and composition of the several Sections to be determined by the Joint Standing Committee.

The Chairs of each Section shall be elected by the Joint Standing Committee; the several Sections shall elect their own Secretaries from among their own membership.

The Joint Standing Committee may refer to a Section any of the duties imposed upon it by this rule; provided, however, that final action on Budget shall be taken only by the full Committee acting in a meeting.

c. During the interim between regular Meetings of the General Convention, the Joint Standing Committee shall act in an advisory capacity to the officers of the General Convention and to the Executive Council, holding such meetings as may be deemed necessary for the purpose. Meetings of the Joint Standing Committee shall be called by the Chair, or upon the request of any five members thereof.

In respect of the Budget for The Episcopal Church, the Joint Standing Committee, acting in a meeting, shall have the power to consider and to make such adjustments therein or additions thereto as it shall deem to be necessary or expedient, and which, in its judgment, available funds and anticipated income will warrant; and it shall likewise have the power to adjust the annual assessments of Dioceses within the limit established by the General Convention.

With regard to the General Church Program, the Joint Standing Committee shall:

- i. Meet and consult with the Executive Council, or its Administration and Finance Committee, on adjustments to the program priorities, and on alternate income generating resources;
- ii. Receive from the Executive Council, not less than four months prior to the meeting of General Convention, the proposed General Church Program for the upcoming triennium, including a proposed detailed Budget for the year next following that of such Convention;
- iii. Meet as and when it shall determine, sufficiently in advance of the next General Convention to expedite its work;
- iv. Conduct hearings upon such proposed Program and Budget; and
- v. Consider such proposed Program and Budget and report thereon to the next succeeding General Convention.

III.11

11. Each proposal for legislative consideration, however addressed to the General Convention or to either House thereof, received prior to a date in advance of the Convention agreed upon by the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies, shall be referred to the proper Standing Committee or Special Committee of the appropriate House by its presiding officer.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

I.2

j. *Any Joint Standing Committee and any of its committees, sections and subcommittees may meet in person or by electronic means whereby all participants can hear each other.*

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b. Organization. The Joint Standing Committee shall elect its Chair from its membership, and such other officers as needed.

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The Chairs of each Section shall be elected by the Joint Standing Committee; the several Sections shall elect their own Secretaries from among their own membership.

The Joint Standing Committee may refer to a Section any of the duties imposed upon it by this rule; provided, however, that final action on Budget shall be taken only by the full Committee *acting in a meeting*, ~~either in meeting assembled or by electronic means a vote by mail.~~

c. During the interim between regular Meetings of the General Convention, the Joint Standing Committee shall act in an advisory capacity to the officers of the General Convention and to the Executive Council, holding such meetings as may be deemed necessary for the purpose. Meetings of the Joint Standing Committee shall be called by the Chair, or upon the request of any five members thereof.

In respect of the Budget for The Episcopal Church, the Joint Standing Committee, *acting in a meeting*, shall have the power to consider and ~~act on in a meeting either by a vote by electronic means mail, or in meeting assembled,~~ to make such adjustments therein, or additions thereto, as it shall deem to be necessary or expedient, and which, in its judgment, available funds and anticipated income will warrant; and it shall likewise have the power to adjust the annual *assessments askings* of Dioceses within the limit established by the General Convention.

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triennium, including a proposed detailed Budget for the year next following that of such Convention;

iii. Meet ~~in such places as~~ *and when* it shall determine, sufficiently in advance of the next General Convention to expedite its work;

iv. Conduct hearings upon such proposed Program and Budget; and

v. Consider such proposed Program and Budget and report thereon to the next succeeding General Convention.

III.11

1. Each proposal for legislative consideration, however addressed to the General Convention or to either House thereof, received prior to a date in advance of the Convention agreed upon by the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies, shall be referred ~~by mail~~ to the proper Standing Committee or Special Committee of the appropriate House *by its presiding officer*, ~~the Presiding Bishop making the referrals to the Committees of the House of Bishops and the President of the House of Deputies making the referrals to the Committees of that House.~~

A042 - Permitting Sending Required Notices and Other Papers by Electronic Means

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church amend Canon IV.19.20 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Sec. 20. Notices or other papers to be served according to procedures of this Title shall be deemed to have been duly served if a copy is delivered to the person to be served, is left with an adult resident of the abode of the person to be served, is mailed by certified mail to the person's usual place of abode, or is sent by electronic means with receipt confirmed in writing. Notice by publication shall be made in a newspaper of general circulation in the jurisdiction of the person's usual place of abode. Acceptance of service renders unnecessary any further process.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 20. Notices or other papers to be served according to procedures of this Title shall be deemed to have been duly served if a copy is delivered to the person to be served, is left with an adult resident of the abode of the person to be served, ~~or~~ is mailed by certified mail to the person's usual place of abode, *or is sent by electronic means with receipt confirmed*

in writing. Notice by publication shall be made in a newspaper of general circulation in the jurisdiction of the person's usual place of abode. Acceptance of service renders unnecessary any further process.

A043 - Striking Outdated Reference to Provincial Court of Review

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church amend Canon I.15.10.a to read as follows

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

I.15

Sec. 10. In the case a Member of the Clergy in charge of a Congregation or otherwise authorized to serve the Church in a foreign land shall be accused of any offense under the Canons of this Church:

a. With the permission of the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop in Charge and the Council of Advice may i. engage a Diocese of this Church to provide the needed Disciplinary Structures to fulfill the requirements of the Canons of this Church, or ii. establish among the Congregations of the Convocation the needed Disciplinary Structures to fulfill the requirements of the Canons of this Church. In either case, the Court of Review shall either be that of the Diocese providing the needed Disciplinary Structures or that of the Province of the Convocation; and, for the purposes of implementing the provisions for Ecclesiastical Discipline, Title IV, of a member of the Clergy, the Bishop in Charge shall serve the function reserved for the Bishop Diocesan, except that the Presiding Bishop must approve any Accord, any Agreement for Discipline and the terms of any Order, and pronounce the Sentence.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

I.15

Sec. 10. In the case a Member of the Clergy in charge of a Congregation or otherwise authorized to serve the Church in a foreign land shall be accused of any offense under the Canons of this Church:

a. With the permission of the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop in Charge and the Council of Advice may ~~(i)~~ *i.* engage a Diocese of this Church to provide the needed Disciplinary Structures to fulfill the requirements of the Canons of this Church, or ~~(ii)~~ *ii.* establish among the Congregations of the Convocation the needed Disciplinary Structures to fulfill the requirements of the Canons of this Church. In either case, the ~~Provincial~~ Court of Review shall either be that of the Diocese providing the needed Disciplinary Structures or that of the Province of the Convocation; and, for the purposes of implementing the provisions for Ecclesiastical Discipline, ~~(Title IV,)~~ of a member of the Clergy, the Bishop in Charge shall serve the function reserved for the Bishop Diocesan, except that the Presiding Bishop must approve any Accord, any Agreement for Discipline and the terms of any Order, and pronounce the Sentence.

A044 - Amend Canon IV.14.4 Provisions for Notices of Accords

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.14.4 by striking it in its entirety and replacing it as follows:

Sec. 4. In the case of any Accord that has become effective:

a. On the date when an Accord becomes effective and irrevocable, a copy of the Accord must be served on the Complainant, the Complainant's Advisor, the Complainant's counsel, if any, the Respondent, the Respondent's Advisor, the Respondent's counsel, if any, the Church Attorney, the president of the Disciplinary Board, and the Bishop Diocesan. If the Accord was reached before the Conciliator, the Conciliator must serve the Accord on the persons specified above; if the Accord was reached before the Conference Panel, the president of the Conference Panel must serve the Accord on the persons specified above; and if the Accord was reached between the Bishop Diocesan and the Respondent under Canon IV.9, the Bishop Diocesan must serve the Accord on the persons specified above as well as the president of the panel to which the matter is assigned.

b. For an Accord pertaining to a Bishop Diocesan, Bishop Suffragan serving under Article II.5, or Bishop serving under Canon III.13, the Presiding Bishop must also serve a copy of the Accord on the Standing Committee of the Bishop's Diocese. For an Accord pertaining to any other Bishop, the Presiding Bishop must also serve a copy of the Accord on the Bishop Diocesan and the Standing Committee of the Bishop's Diocese.

c. In his or her discretion and for good cause to protect any Injured Person or allegedly Injured Person, the person required by this Section to serve a copy of the Accord may redact information about the Injured Person, including the Injured Person's identity, but provisions required by Section 1 and Section 9 of this Canon may not be redacted.

A045 - Amend Canon I.19.2.b to Update a Word

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.19.2.b to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

b. Every judgment rendered under this Section shall be in writing and shall be made a matter of permanent record in the records of the Diocese.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

b. Every judgment rendered under this Section shall be in writing and shall be made a matter of permanent record in the ~~Archives~~ records of the Diocese.

A046 - Amend Canon I.15.1 Concerning Certain Episcopal Church Congregations in Foreign Lands

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.15.1 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

I.15

Sec. 1. It shall be lawful, under the conditions hereinafter stated, to organize a Congregation in any foreign land and not within the jurisdiction of any Missionary Bishop of this Church nor within any Diocese, Province, or Regional Church of the Anglican Communion by action of the Anglican Consultative Council.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

I.15

Sec. 1. It shall be lawful, under the conditions hereinafter stated, to organize a Congregation in any foreign land and not within the jurisdiction of any Missionary Bishop of

this Church nor within any Diocese, Province, or Regional Church of the Anglican Communion *by action of the Anglican Consultative Council.*

A047 - Concerning the Timing of Mutual Ministry Reviews of DFMS and Executive Council Officers

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.4.2.j to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

j. The Officers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and the Officers of the Executive Council, and a committee of six members of Executive Council who are not officers, shall engage in a mutual ministry review every 24 months, facilitated by a consultant selected by the Chair and the Vice-Chair. The mutual ministry review shall commence mid-triennium.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

j. The Officers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and the Officers of the Executive Council, and a committee of six members of Executive Council who are not officers, shall engage in a mutual ministry review every ~~eighteen~~ 24 months, facilitated by a consultant selected by the Chair and the Vice-Chair. *The mutual ministry review shall commence mid-triennium.*

A048 - Amend Canons and Rules of Order to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force on the Budget Process

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on the Budget Process

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canons I.1.2.m, I.1.2.o, I.1.8, I.1.9, I.1.11, I.1.13, I.2.6, I.2.8, I.4.3, I.4.4, I.4.6, I.5.5, I.9.10; House of Bishops Rule of Order V.D.d and VIII.I; House of Deputies Rule of Order VI.C.3.v.a and IX.A.1.ii.a.1; and Joint Rules of Order II.10, IV.14, and VII.21, be amended as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

CANONS

Canon I.1.2.m

m. Every Commission whose Report requests expenditure out of The Episcopal Church budget (except for the printing of the Report) shall include that request in its report to the General Convention and in accordance with Canon I.4.6

Canon I.1.2.o - removed

Canon I.1.8

Sec. 8. The General Convention shall adopt, at each regular meeting, a budget for The Episcopal Church, including for the contingent expenses of the General Convention, the stipend of the Presiding Bishop together with the necessary expenses of that office, the necessary expenses of the President of the House of Deputies including the staff and Advisory Council required to assist in the performance of the duties and matters related to the President's office, and the applicable Church Pension Fund assessments. To defray the expense of this budget, an assessment shall be levied upon the Dioceses of the Church in accordance with a formula which the General Convention shall adopt as part of The Episcopal Church budget. It shall be the duty of each Diocesan Convention to pay its assessment to the Treasurer of the General Convention according to the schedule established by the Executive Council.

Canon I.1.9

Sec. 9. The Treasurer of the General Convention shall have authority to borrow, in behalf and in the name of the Executive Council, such a sum as may be judged by the Treasurer to be necessary to help pay the expenses of The Episcopal Church budget adopted under Canon I.1.8, with the approval of the Executive Council.

Canon I.1.11 - removed

Canon I.1.13

Sec. 13.

a. There shall be an Executive Office of the General Convention, to be headed by a General Convention Executive Officer to be appointed jointly by the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies with the advice and consent of the Executive Council. The Executive Officer shall report to and serve at the pleasure of the Executive Council.

b. The Executive Office of the General Convention shall include the functions of the Secretary of the General Convention and the Treasurer of the General Convention and those of the Manager of the General Convention and, if the several positions are filled by different persons, such officers shall serve under the general supervision of the General Convention Executive Officer, who shall also coordinate the work of the Committees, Commissions, Boards and Agencies funded by The Episcopal Church budget.

Canon I.2.6

Sec. 6. The stipends of the Presiding Bishop and such personal assistants as may be necessary during the Presiding Bishop's term of office for the effective performance of the duties, and the necessary expenses of that office, shall be fixed by the General Convention and shall be provided for in the budget to be submitted by the Executive Council, as provided in Canon I.4.6.

Canon I.2.8

Sec. 8. Upon the acceptance of the Presiding Bishop's resignation for reasons of disability prior to the expiration of the term of office, the Presiding Bishop may be granted, in addition to whatever allowance may be received from The Church Pension Fund, a disability allowance to be paid by the Treasurer of the General Convention in an amount to be fixed by the Executive Council, and ratified at the next regular meeting of the General Convention.

Canon I.4.3

Sec. 3. Upon joint nomination of the Chair and the Vice-Chair, the Executive Council shall elect an Audit Committee of the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The Committee shall be composed of six members: one from the Executive Council committee with primary responsibility for financial matters; and the remaining five from members of the Church-at-large having experience in general business and financial practices. The members shall serve for a term of three years beginning on January 1 following a regular meeting of the General Convention or immediately following their appointment, whichever comes later, and continue until a successor is appointed, and may serve two consecutive terms, after which a full triennium must elapse before being eligible for re-election. Annually the Audit Committee shall elect a Chair of the Committee from among its members. The Audit Committee shall regularly review the financial statements relating to all funds under the management or control of the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and shall report thereon at least annually to the Council.

Upon recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Executive Council shall employ on behalf of the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society an independent Certified Public Accountant firm to audit annually all accounts under the management or control of the Council and Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. After receipt of the annual audit, the Audit Committee shall recommend to the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society what action to take as to any matters identified in the annual audit and accompanying management letter. The responsibilities of the Audit Committee shall be set out in an Audit Committee Charter. The Audit Committee shall review, at least annually, the Committee's Charter and recommend any changes to the Executive Council for approval.

Canon I.4.4

Sec. 4. Following the adjournment of a General Convention, and subject to budgeted funds available for the purpose, the Chair and the Vice-Chair, having reviewed the resolutions adopted by the General Convention that provide for any study or further action, shall thereupon recommend to the Executive Council, the creation of such study committees and task forces as may be necessary to complete that work. Any Executive Council resolution creating a task force or study committee shall specify the size and composition, the clear and express duties assigned, the time for completion of the work assigned, to whom the body's report is to be made, and the amount and source of the funding for the body. The members of each such body shall be jointly appointed by the Chair and Vice-Chair, and the composition of such committees and task forces shall reflect the diverse voices of the Church and a balance of the Church's orders consistent with the historic polity of the Church. Those committees and task forces so appointed shall expire at the close of the next

General Convention following, unless reappointed by the Chair and Vice-Chair and reauthorized by the Executive Council.

Canon I.4.6

Sec. 6

a. Following open and accessible budget hearings, at least four months prior to the next regular meeting of the General Convention, the Executive Council shall submit to the Secretary of the General Convention a proposed Episcopal Church budget for the ensuing budgetary period (as used in this Section 6, the "budget"). The ensuing budgetary period shall comprise the calendar years starting with the January 1st following the adjournment of the most recent regular meeting of the General Convention and ending with the December 31st following the adjournment of the next regular meeting of the General Convention.

b. Revenue to support the budget shall be generated primarily by a single assessment of the Dioceses of the Church based on a formula which the General Convention shall adopt as part of its budget process. If in any year the total anticipated income for budget support is less than the amount required to support the budget approved by the General Convention, the canonical portion of the budget shall have funding priority over any other budget areas subject to any decreases necessary to maintain a balanced budget.

c. Following open and accessible legislative hearings on the budget held within 90 days of the General Convention and also at General Convention, there shall be joint sessions of the two Houses for the presentation of the budget; and thereafter consideration shall be given and appropriate action taken thereon by the General Convention.

d. Upon the adoption by the General Convention of a budget and the planned assessments for the budgetary period, the Council shall formally advise each Diocese of its share of the total assessments to support the budget.

e. Full payment of the diocesan assessment shall be required of all Dioceses, effective January 1, 2019.

f. Council shall have the power to grant waivers from the full annual assessments of Dioceses within the limit established by the General Convention. Any diocese may appeal to Executive Council for a waiver of the assessment, in full or in part, on the basis of financial hardship, a stated plan for working toward full payment, or other reasons as agreed with the Executive Council. Effective January 1, 2019, failure to make full payment or to receive a waiver shall render the diocese ineligible to receive grants or loans from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society unless approved by Executive Council.

g. The Council shall have the power to expend all sums of money covered by the budget and estimated budgets approved by the General Convention, subject to such restrictions as may be imposed by the General Convention, including but not limited to the priority declaration set forth in Section 6.b of this Canon. It shall also have power to undertake such other work provided for in the budget approved by the General Convention, or other work

under the jurisdiction of the Council, the need for which may have arisen after the action of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the Council its income will warrant.

h. In respect of the budget the Executive Council shall have the power to consider and vote to make such adjustments therein, or additions thereto, as it shall deem to be necessary or expedient, and which, in its judgment, available funds and anticipated income will warrant subject to such restrictions as may be imposed by the General Convention. It shall also have power to approve other initiatives proposed by the Chair or otherwise considered by Council between meetings of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the Council are prudent and which the Church revenues will be adequate to support.

i. Each Diocese shall annually report to the Executive Council such financial and other information pertaining to the state of the Church in the Diocese as may be required in a form authorized by Executive Council.

j. Each Diocese shall report annually to the Executive Council the name and address of each new congregation, and of each congregation closed or removed by reason of any of the following:

1. dissolution of the congregation;
2. removal of the congregation to another Diocese due to cession or retrocession of geographic territory in which the congregation is located, pursuant to Articles V.6 or VI.2 of the Constitution;
3. removal of the congregation to a new physical location or address, identifying both the location or address from which the congregation has removed, and the successor location or address; and
4. merger of the congregation into one or more other congregations, in which case, the Diocese shall include in its report the names of all congregations involved in the merger, and the physical location and address at which the merged congregations shall be located.

Canon I.5.5

Sec. 5. The expenses of the Archives of The Episcopal Church shall be included in the budget for The Episcopal Church.

Canon I.9.10

Sec. 10. - removed

RULES OF ORDER

House of Bishops Rules of Order

Note: Under House of Bishops Rule of Order V.O.2, those Rules of Order may only be amended by the House of Bishops – not by the General Convention. The Task Force, and the Bishops serving on it, recommend that the House of Bishops amend its Rule of Order V.D.d as follows.

House of Bishops Rule of Order V.D.d - removed

House of Bishops Rule VIII.I

I. Whenever the House shall make a determination under Article I.2 of the Constitution that a resigned Bishop shall or shall not retain a seat and vote in the House, the following understanding of the intent of the pertinent terms of that provision of the Constitution shall apply:

1. “advanced age” shall mean at least 62 years of age;
2. “bodily infirmity” shall mean either a condition for which one is eligible for disability retirement benefits from the Church Pension Fund or Social Security Administration, or a physical or mental impairment that a physician or psychiatrist (approved by the Presiding Bishop) certifies would likely result in eligibility for such disability retirement benefits should the Bishop continue in active episcopal ministry;
3. “office created by the General Convention” shall mean a ministry funded by The Episcopal Church budget and approved by the Presiding Bishop; and
4. “mission strategy” shall mean a strategy that would allow the election of an indigenous member of the clergy of a non-domestic diocese as Bishop, or that would allow a diocese to implement a new mission strategy as determined by the Presiding Bishop, or that would allow a transition in episcopal leadership after a Diocesan Bishop or Bishop Suffragan has served 10 or more years in either or both of those offices.

House of Deputies Rules of Order

Note: Under House of Deputies XIX.A, those Rules of Order may only be amended by the House of Deputies – not by the General Convention. The Task Force, and the Deputies serving on it, recommend that the House of Deputies amend its Rules of Order VI.C.3.v.a and IX.A.1.ii.a.1, as follows.

House of Deputies Rule of Order VI.C.3.v.a

3. Placing items on the Consent Calendar. Every Committee Reports on Resolutions or other matters will be placed on the Consent Calendar automatically unless:

- i. the committee votes to exclude it from the Consent Calendar;
- ii. it is removed in accordance with these Rules;
- iii. the Rules of Order, the Joint Rules of Order, the Canons, or the Constitution require a different procedure for considering the item;
- iv. the item has been set by a Special Order of Business; or
- v. the item is one of the following:
 - a. an election;
 - b. a Resolution of privilege or courtesy;
 - c. the confirmation of the election of the Presiding Bishop.

House of Deputies Rule of Order IX.A.1.ii.a.1

A. General Rules on Other Committees

1. Appointment and Creation

- i. The President may designate other Committees for the work of the House of Deputies at General Convention no later than 90 days before the first legislative day of General Convention except that Conference Committees will be appointed during General Convention as needed.
- ii. The Committees may include the following and any others that the President designates:

a. Resolution Review

- 1. The Resolution Review Committee will review all Resolutions submitted prior to General Convention to review that they are consistent with the polity of this Church, and that they are in the form required by the Canons.

Joint Rules of Order

Pursuant to Joint Rule of Order X.25, the Task Force Recommends that the Joint Rules of Order be amended as follows.

Joint Rule of Order II.10

II: Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance

10. - removed

Joint Rule of Order IV.14 - removed

Subsequent sections V - X should be renumbered.

Joint Rule of Order VII.21

VII.21.

a. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations, through the Office of the Secretary of General Convention, will secure background checks on its and any other nominees for Secretary of the General Convention, Treasurer of the General Convention, President of the House of Deputies, Vice President of the House of Deputies, Executive Council, and Trustee of The Church Pension Fund. These background checks will cover criminal records checks and sexual offender registry checks in any state where a proposed nominee has resided during the prior seven years, any appropriate professional licensing bodies with jurisdiction over a nominee's professional status and any violations of state or federal securities or banking laws. The records checks of proposed nominees from outside the United States will cover the same information from comparable authorities in the place of principal residence of the proposed nominee.

b. The required background check will be done prior to accepting a proposed nomination.

c. Background check results will be reviewed by the Office of the Secretary of General Convention. If that Office, after consultation with the Chief Legal Officer, determines that the results should preclude a person from holding the office sought, the Office shall share the determination with the proposed nominee and remit that determination, but not the background check results, to the nominating authority. Background check information shall not be shared beyond the Office of the Secretary of General Convention, the Chief Legal Officer, and proposed nominees who request their own information. The cost of background checks under this rule shall be covered by The Episcopal Church budget.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Canon I.1.2.m

m. Every Commission whose Report requests expenditure out of the ~~budget funds of the~~ *The Episcopal Church budget* General Convention (except for the printing of the Report) shall include that request in its report to the General Convention and in accordance with Canon I.4.6 present to the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance its written request, on or before the first business day of the session. Resolutions requiring additional expenditures shall be immediately referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance. No resolution involving such expenditures shall be considered unless so presented and until after report of the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance.

Canon I.1.2.o

o. Following the adjournment of a General Convention, and subject to budgeted funds available for the purpose, the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies, having reviewed the resolutions adopted by the General Convention that provide for any study or further action, shall thereupon recommend to the Executive Council, the creation of such study committees and task forces as may be necessary to complete that work. Any Executive Council resolution creating a task force or study committee shall specify the size and composition, the clear and express duties assigned, the time for completion of the work assigned, to whom the body's report is to be made, and the amount and source of the funding for the body. The members of each such body shall be jointly appointed by the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies, and the composition of such committees and task forces shall reflect the diverse voices of the Church and a balance of the Church's orders consistent with the historic polity of the Church. Those committees and task forces so appointed shall expire at the beginning of the next General Convention following, unless reappointed by the Presiding Bishop and President of the House of Deputies and reauthorized by the Executive Council.

Canon I.1.8

Sec. 8. The General Convention shall adopt, at each regular meeting, a budget for *The Episcopal Church*, including to provide for the contingent expenses of the General Convention, the stipend of the Presiding Bishop together with the necessary expenses of that office, the necessary expenses of the President of the House of Deputies including the staff and Advisory Council required to assist in the performance of the duties and matters related to the President's office, and the applicable Church Pension Fund assessments. To defray the expense of this budget, an assessment shall be levied upon the Dioceses of the Church in accordance with a formula which the *General* Convention shall adopt as part of this *The Episcopal Church budget Expense Budget*. It shall be the duty of each Diocesan Convention to pay its assessment forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention according to the schedule established by the Executive Council annually, on the first Monday of January, the amount of the assessment levied upon that Diocese.

Canon I.1.9

Sec. 9. The Treasurer of the General Convention shall have authority to borrow, in behalf and in the name of the *Executive Council General Convention*, such a sum as may be judged by the Treasurer to be necessary to help pay defray the expenses of the *The*

Episcopal Church budget adopted under Canon I.1.8 General Convention, with the approval of the ~~Presiding Bishop and the Executive Council~~.

Canon I.1.11

~~The Treasurer shall submit to the General Convention at each regular meeting thereof a detailed budget in which the Treasurer proposes to request appropriations for the ensuing budgetary period and shall have power to expend all sums of money covered by this budget, subject to such provisions of the Canons as shall be applicable.~~

Canon I.1.13

Sec. 13.

a. There shall be an Executive Office of the General Convention, to be headed by a General Convention Executive Officer to be appointed jointly by the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies with the advice and consent of the Executive Council. The Executive Officer shall report to and serve at the pleasure of the Executive Council.

b. The Executive Office of the General Convention shall include the functions of the Secretary of the General Convention and the Treasurer of the General Convention and those of the Manager of the General Convention and, if the several positions are filled by different persons, such officers shall serve under the general supervision of the General Convention Executive Officer, who shall also coordinate the work of the Committees, Commissions, Boards and Agencies funded by ~~the~~ *The Episcopal Church General Convention Expense Budget budget*.

Canon I.2.6

Sec. 6. The stipends of the Presiding Bishop and such personal assistants as may be necessary during the Presiding Bishop's term of office for the effective performance of the duties, and the necessary expenses of that office, shall be fixed by the General Convention and shall be provided for in the budget to be submitted by the ~~Treasurer~~ *Executive Council*, as provided in ~~the Canon I.4.6, entitled, "Of the General Convention."~~

Canon I.2.8

Sec. 8. Upon the acceptance of the Presiding Bishop's resignation for reasons of disability prior to the expiration of the term of office, the Presiding Bishop may be granted, in addition to whatever allowance may be received from The Church Pension Fund, a disability allowance to be paid by the Treasurer of the General Convention in an amount to be fixed by the ~~Executive Council Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance~~, and ratified at the next regular meeting of the General Convention.

Canon I.4.3

Sec. 3. Upon joint nomination of the Chair and the Vice-Chair, the Executive Council shall elect an Audit Committee of the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

The Committee shall be composed of six members: one from the Executive Council committee with primary responsibility for financial matters; ~~one from the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance;~~ and the remaining ~~four~~ *five* from members of the Church-at-large having experience in general business and financial practices. The members shall serve for a term of three years beginning on January 1 following a regular meeting of the General Convention or immediately following their appointment, whichever comes later, and continue until a successor is appointed, and may serve two consecutive terms, after which a full triennium must elapse before being eligible for re-election. Annually the Audit Committee shall elect a Chair of the Committee from among its members. The Audit Committee shall regularly review the financial statements relating to all funds under the management or control of the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and shall report thereon at least annually to the Council.

Upon recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Executive Council shall employ on behalf of the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society an independent Certified Public Accountant firm to audit annually all accounts under the management or control of the Council and Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. After receipt of the annual audit, the Audit Committee shall recommend to the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society what action to take as to any matters identified in the annual audit and accompanying management letter. The responsibilities of the Audit Committee shall be set out in an Audit Committee Charter. The Audit Committee shall review, at least annually, the Committee's Charter and recommend any changes to the Executive Council for approval.

Canon I.4.4

Sec. 4. ~~The Executive Council may establish by its By-laws Committees and *ad hoc* working groups or task forces, which may include or consist of non-members, to be nominated jointly by the Chair and Vice-Chair and appointed by the Council, as may be necessary to fulfill its fiduciary responsibility to the Church. All Committees and *ad hoc* working groups and task forces of Executive Council will cease to exist at the close of the next General Convention following their creation unless extended by Executive Council. Executive Council may revoke, rescind, or modify the mandate or charter of all Executive Council Committees, *ad hoc* working groups and task forces not otherwise created by Canon.~~

Following the adjournment of a General Convention, and subject to budgeted funds available for the purpose, the Chair and the Vice-Chair, having reviewed the resolutions adopted by the General Convention that provide for any study or further action, shall thereupon recommend to the Executive Council, the creation of such study committees and task forces as may be necessary to complete that work. Any Executive Council resolution creating a task force or study committee shall specify the size and composition, the clear and express duties assigned, the time for completion of the work assigned, to whom the body's report is to be made, and the amount and source of the funding for the body. The members of each such body shall be jointly appointed by the Chair and Vice-Chair, and the composition of such study committees and task forces shall reflect the diverse voices of the Church and a balance of the Church's orders consistent with the historic polity of the Church. Those study committees and task forces so appointed shall expire at the close of

the next General Convention following, unless reappointed by the Chair and Vice-Chair and reauthorized by the Executive Council.

Canon I.4.6

Sec. 6

a. *Following open and accessible budget hearings, A at least four months prior to the next regular meeting of the General Convention, the Executive Council shall submit to the Secretary of the General Convention a proposed Episcopal Church budget for the ensuing budgetary period (as used in this Section 6, the "budget"). The ensuing budgetary period shall comprise the calendar years starting with the January 1st following the adjournment of the most recent regular meeting of the General Convention and ending with the December 31st following the adjournment of the next regular meeting of the General Convention. The Executive Council shall submit to the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance the proposed Budget for The Episcopal Church for the ensuing budgetary period, which budgetary period shall be equal to the interval between regular meetings of the General Convention. The proposed Budget shall be submitted not less than four months before the ensuing General Convention is convened.*

b. Revenue to support the *b*Budget for The Episcopal Church shall be generated primarily by a single assessment of the Dioceses of the Church based on a formula which the General Convention shall adopt as part of its *b*Budget process. If in any year the total anticipated income for *b*Budget support is less than the amount required to support the *b*Budget approved by the General Convention, the canonical portion of the *b*Budget for The Episcopal Church shall have funding priority over any other budget areas subject to any decreases necessary to maintain a balanced *b*Budget.

c. ~~After the preparation of the Budget, the Treasurer shall, at least four months before the sessions of the General Convention, transmit to the Bishop of each Diocese and to the President of each Province a statement of the existing and the proposed assessments necessary to support the proposed Budget for The Episcopal Church. The Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance shall also submit to the General Convention, with the Budget, a plan for the assessments of the respective Dioceses of the sum needed to execute the Budget.~~

~~**d.** *c.* Following open and accessible legislative hearings on the budget held within 90 days of the General Convention and also at General Convention, There there shall be joint sessions of the two Houses for the presentation of the *b*Budget for The Episcopal Church; and thereafter consideration shall be given and appropriate action taken thereon by the General Convention.~~

e. d. Upon the adoption by the General Convention of a *b*Budget for The Episcopal Church and the planned assessments for the budgetary period, the Council shall formally advise each Diocese of its share of the total assessments to support the *b*Budget for The Episcopal Church.

f. e. Full payment of the diocesan assessment shall be required of all Dioceses, effective January 1, 2019.

g. f. ~~Effective January 1, 2016~~ Council shall have the power to grant waivers from the full annual assessments of Dioceses within the limit established by the General Convention. Any diocese may appeal to Executive Council for a waiver of the assessment, in full or in part, on the basis of financial hardship, a stated plan for working toward full payment, or other reasons as agreed with the Executive Council. Effective January 1, 2019, failure to make full payment or to receive a waiver shall render the diocese ineligible to receive grants or loans from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society unless approved by Executive Council.

h. g. The Council shall have the power to expend all sums of money covered by the ~~b~~Budget and estimated ~~b~~Budgets approved by the General Convention, subject to such restrictions as may be imposed by the General Convention, including but not limited to the priority declaration set forth in Section 6.b of this Canon. It shall also have power to undertake such other work provided for in the ~~b~~Budget approved by the General Convention, or other work under the jurisdiction of the Council, the need for which may have arisen after the action of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the Council its income will warrant.

i. h. In respect of the ~~b~~Budget for ~~The Episcopal Church~~ the Executive Council shall have the power to consider and vote to make such adjustments therein, or additions thereto, as it shall deem to be necessary or expedient, and which, in its judgment, available funds and anticipated income will warrant subject to such restrictions as may be imposed by the General Convention. It shall also have power to approve other initiatives proposed by the Chair or otherwise considered by Council, ~~in consultation with the Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance~~, between meetings of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the Council are prudent and which the Church revenues will be adequate to support.

j. i. Each Diocese shall annually report to the Executive Council such financial and other information pertaining to the state of the Church in the Diocese as may be required in a form authorized by Executive Council.

k. j. Each Diocese shall report annually to the Executive Council the name and address of each new congregation, and of each congregation closed or removed by reason of any of the following:

1. dissolution of the congregation;
2. removal of the congregation to another Diocese due to cession or retrocession of geographic territory in which the congregation is located, pursuant to Articles V.6 or VI.2 of the Constitution;
3. removal of the congregation to a new physical location or address, identifying both the location or address from which the congregation has removed, and the successor location or address; and

4. merger of the congregation into one or more other congregations, in which case, the Diocese shall include in its report the names of all congregations involved in the merger, and the physical location and address at which the merged congregations shall be located.

Canon I.5.5

Sec. 5. The expenses of the Archives of The Episcopal Church shall be shared by *included in the General Convention budget for The Episcopal Church and the Executive Council.*

Canon I.9.10

Sec. 10. ~~The Synod of a Province may take over from the Executive Council, with its consent, and during its pleasure, the administration of any given work within the Province. If the Province shall provide the funds for such work, the constituent Dioceses then members of, and supporting, such Province shall receive proportional credit therefor upon the quotas assigned to them for the support of the Program of the Church, provided that the total amount of such credits shall not exceed the sum appropriated in the budget of the Executive Council for the maintenance of the work so taken over.~~

RULES OF ORDER

House of Bishops Rules of Order

Note: Under House of Bishops Rule of Order V.O.2, those Rules of Order may only be amended by the House of Bishops – not by the General Convention. The Task Force, and the Bishops serving on it, recommend that the House of Bishops amend its Rule of Order V.D.d as follows.

House of Bishops Rule of Order V.D.d

~~d. Before final consideration by the House, the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance (PB&F) shall have been informed by the Committee considering any proposed action which, if adopted by General Convention, would require an appropriation of funds and PB&F shall have acknowledged receipt of such information by endorsement on the committee report or by other appropriate means. Implementation of any such resolution is subject to funding in the budget.~~

House of Bishops Rule VIII.I

I. Whenever the House shall make a determination under Article I.2 of the Constitution that a resigned Bishop shall or shall not retain a seat and vote in the House, the following understanding of the intent of the pertinent terms of that provision of the Constitution shall apply:

1. “advanced age” shall mean at least 62 years of age;

2. “bodily infirmity” shall mean either a condition for which one is eligible for disability retirement benefits from the Church Pension Fund or Social Security Administration, or a physical or mental impairment that a physician or psychiatrist (approved by the Presiding Bishop) certifies would likely result in eligibility for such disability retirement benefits should the Bishop continue in active episcopal ministry;

3. “office created by the General Convention” shall mean a ministry funded by ~~the General Convention Budget~~ *The Episcopal Church budget* and approved by the Presiding Bishop; and

4. “mission strategy” shall mean a strategy that would allow the election of an indigenous member of the clergy of a non-domestic diocese as Bishop, or that would allow a diocese to implement a new mission strategy as determined by the Presiding Bishop, or that would allow a transition in episcopal leadership after a Diocesan Bishop or Bishop Suffragan has served 10 or more years in either or both of those offices.

House of Deputies Rules of Order

Note: Under House of Deputies XIX.A, those Rules of Order may only be amended by the House of Deputies – not by the General Convention. The Task Force, and the Deputies serving on it, recommend that the House of Deputies amend its Rules of Order VI.C.3.v.a and IX.A.1.ii.a.1, as follows.

House of Deputies Rule of Order VI.C.3.v.a

3. Placing items on the Consent Calendar. Every Committee Reports on Resolutions or other matters will be placed on the Consent Calendar automatically unless:

- i. the committee votes to exclude it from the Consent Calendar;
- ii. it is removed in accordance with these Rules;
- iii. the Rules of Order, the Joint Rules of Order, the Canons, or the Constitution require a different procedure for considering the item;
- iv. the item has been set by a Special Order of Business; or
- v. the item is one of the following:

~~a. a report from the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance;~~

~~b. a. an election;~~

~~e. b.~~ a Resolution of privilege or courtesy;

~~d. c.~~ the confirmation of the election of the Presiding Bishop.

House of Deputies Rule of Order IX.A.1.ii.a.1

A. General Rules on Other Committees

1. Appointment and Creation

i. The President may designate other Committees for the work of the House of Deputies at General Convention no later than 90 days before the first legislative day of General Convention except that Conference Committees will be appointed during General Convention as needed.

ii. The Committees may include the following and any others that the President designates:

a. Resolution Review

1. The Resolution Review Committee will review all Resolutions submitted prior to General Convention to review that they are consistent with the polity of this Church, and that they are in the form required by the Canons, ~~and to assess whether they have funding implications.~~

Joint Rules of Order

Pursuant to Joint Rule of Order X.25, the Task Force Recommends that the Joint Rules of Order be amended as follows.

Joint Rule of Order II.10

II: Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance

~~10.~~

~~a. There shall be a Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance, consisting of 27 persons being members of the General Convention (one Bishop, and two members of the House of Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, from each Province), who shall be appointed not later than the fifteenth day of December following each regular Meeting of the General Convention, the Bishops to be appointed by the Presiding Bishop, the Deputies by the President of the House of Deputies.~~

~~The Secretary of the General Convention and the Treasurer of the General Convention and the Chief Financial Officer of the Executive Council shall be members ex officio, without vote.~~

~~The Joint Standing Committee may appoint advisers, from time to time, as its funds warrant, to assist the Joint Standing Committee with its work.~~

~~b. Organization. The Joint Standing Committee shall elect its Chair from its membership, and such other officers as needed.~~

~~The Joint Standing Committee shall be organized in Sections, which shall conform to the major subdivisions of the Budget, as well as Sections on Funding and Presentation, the size and composition of the several Sections to be determined by the Joint Standing Committee.~~

~~The Chairs of each Section shall be elected by the Joint Standing Committee; the several Sections shall elect their own Secretaries from among their own membership.~~

~~The Joint Standing Committee may refer to a Section any of the duties imposed upon it by this rule; *provided, however,* that final action on Budget shall be taken only by the full Committee, either in meeting assembled or by a vote by mail.~~

~~c. During the interim between regular Meetings of the General Convention, the Joint Standing Committee shall act in an advisory capacity to the officers of the General Convention and to the Executive Council, holding such meetings as may be deemed necessary for the purpose.~~

~~Meetings of the Joint Standing Committee shall be called by the Chair, or upon the request of any five members thereof.~~

~~In respect of the Budget for The Episcopal Church, the Joint Standing Committee shall have the power to consider, and either by a vote by mail, or in meeting assembled, to make such adjustments therein, or additions thereto, as it shall deem to be necessary or expedient, and which, in its judgment, available funds and anticipated income will warrant; and it shall likewise have the power to adjust the annual askings of Dioceses within the limit established by the General Convention.~~

~~With regard to the General Church Program, the Joint Standing Committee shall:~~

- ~~i. Meet and consult with the Executive Council, or its Administration and Finance Committee, on adjustments to the program priorities, and on alternate income generating resources;~~
- ~~ii. Receive from the Executive Council, not less than four months prior to the meeting of General Convention, the proposed General Church Program for the upcoming triennium, including a proposed detailed Budget for the year next following that of such Convention;~~

~~iii. Meet in such places as it shall determine, sufficiently in advance of the next General Convention to expedite its work;~~

~~iv. Conduct hearings upon such proposed Program and Budget; and~~

~~v. Consider such proposed Program and Budget and report thereon to the next succeeding General Convention.~~

~~d. Not later than the third day prior to the adjournment of each regular meeting of the General Convention, the Joint Standing Committee shall report to a Joint Session, pursuant to Canon, a proposed Budget for The Episcopal Church for the ensuing Convention period, subject to the approval of the said Budgets subject also to increase, reduction, or elimination of items, based on open hearings held during the General Convention and by subsequent concurrent action by the House of Deputies and the House of Bishops.~~

Joint Rule of Order IV.14

IV: Supplemental Money Bills

~~14. After the adoption of the Budget for The Episcopal Church, any resolution calling for the expenditure of any moneys (or containing implied funding) shall be unfunded.~~

Subsequent sections V - X should be renumbered.

Joint Rule of Order VII.21

VII.21.

a. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations, through the Office of the Secretary of General Convention, will secure background checks on its and any other nominees for Secretary of the General Convention, Treasurer of the General Convention, President of the House of Deputies, Vice President of the House of Deputies, Executive Council, and Trustee of The Church Pension Fund. These background checks will cover criminal records checks and sexual offender registry checks in any state where a proposed nominee has resided during the prior seven years, any appropriate professional licensing bodies with jurisdiction over a nominee's professional status and any violations of state or federal securities or banking laws. The records checks of proposed nominees from outside the United States will cover the same information from comparable authorities in the place of principal residence of the proposed nominee.

b. The required background check will be done prior to accepting a proposed nomination.

c. Background check results will be reviewed by the Office of the Secretary of General Convention. If that Office, after consultation with the Chief Legal Officer, determines that the

results should preclude a person from holding the office sought, the Office shall share the determination with the proposed nominee and remit that determination, but not the background check results, to the nominating authority. Background check information shall not be shared beyond the Office of the Secretary of General Convention, the Chief Legal Officer, and proposed nominees who request their own information. The cost of background checks under this rule shall be covered by ~~the General Convention~~ *The Episcopal Church* budget.

A049 - Host and conduct a second Building Beloved Community Conference by or before 2024

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Executive Council

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$50,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the General Convention shall promote the gathering of leaders who are engaged in the work of racial reconciliation and racial justice throughout the Episcopal Church for the purposes of developing skills among leaders, growing a network of healers, justice makers, and reconcilers and igniting the church to live boldly into the Jesus Way of Beloved Community; and be it further

Resolved, That the Presiding Officers' Advisory Group on Beloved Community Implementation host a second Building Beloved Community Conference by or before July 2024. This gathering would accelerate the work of racial reconciliation by sharing stories, best practices, resources, and identifying needed action in each of the four areas of becoming Beloved Community; and be it further

Resolved, That the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society allocate up to \$50,000 to fund this work for the implementation of this resolution, especially to ensure participation in the Summit by the widest representation of all God's People.

A050 - Support collaborative efforts with Equal Justice Initiative (EJI) to place historical markers

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Executive Council

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$25,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church (“TEC”) hereby encourage participation in the Equal Justice Initiative (“EJI”) efforts to place Historical Markers at key sites throughout the United States (U.S.) that honor the lives and work of persons of color who suffered or were killed due to the historical effects of White Supremacy; and be it further

Resolved, That, each province, diocese, parish, and institution conduct research and collaborate with the EJI in these efforts to place Historical Markers. TEC may, as its schedule, programming and budget and human resources permit, initiate its own efforts to place Historical Markers at key sites where People of Color, particularly Indigenous people and people of the African Diaspora, suffered or were martyred due to the historical effects of White supremacy; and be it further

Resolved, That the sum of \$25,000 be set aside for carrying out this work, to include costs per marker, cost of conducting research, cost of consulting experts, cost of paying stipends to interns, and cost of promoting and hosting the Marker Installation event.

A051 - Improve recruitment, hiring, appointment retention and representation of People of Color within The Episcopal Church

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Executive Council

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 16 - Churchwide Leadership

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church (“TEC”) hereby commit to developing greater representation and retention of People of Color in all church positions; and be it further

Resolved, That TEC staff, in partnership with the Executive Council Committee on Anti-Racism & Reconciliation and others, be asked to complete the development and dissemination of a set of guidelines and best practices for recruitment, hiring, appointment, retention, and representation of People of Color in hired and appointed church positions; and be it further

Resolved, That all parishes, dioceses, and institutions will be encouraged to follow these guidelines and best practices reporting the results of their efforts through the annual parochial report.

A052 - Revise the Mandate of the Executive Council Committee on Anti-Racism and Reconciliation

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Executive Council

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the mandate for the Executive Council Committee on Anti-Racism & Reconciliation is hereby clarified as follows:

“This Committee is charged with supporting and monitoring the Church’s work in response to General Convention resolutions directed at dismantling racism and promoting racial healing, justice, and reconciliation in the Church by:

- a) helping the church recognize and develop its work of racial healing, justice, and reconciliation as a fundamental and requisite part of Christian formation;
- b) supporting the work of Becoming Beloved Community: The Episcopal Church’s Long-Term Commitment to Racial Healing, Justice, and Reconciliation and other such initiatives the Presiding Officers, Executive Council, or Interim Bodies develop, and also the work of the Episcopal Coalition for Racial Equity and Justice;
- c) recommending, in collaboration with staff and other church organizations, resources and best practices for dismantling racism and for promoting racial healing, justice, and reconciliation that can be adapted to different contexts;
- d) collecting information from dioceses and provinces about their successes and challenges in complying with the canonical requirements and with General Convention Resolution 2018-A045 for providing anti-racism training;

e) and sharing their findings with Executive Council on an annual basis.

Membership of the Executive Council Committee on Anti-Racism & Reconciliation shall be composed of:

one person named by the governing body of each province of this Church who has been trained in doing the work of dismantling racism and seeking to foster racial healing, justice, and reconciliation, has demonstrated experience in anti-racism/racial reconciliation work, has demonstrated the ability to make connections with people in their geographic area who do this work, and has demonstrated a commitment to make connections with people in the provinces who do this work;

one member of the Executive Council as appointed by the Chair and Vice-Chair of Executive Council;

one Bishop as appointed by the Presiding Officers;

members named who are from the racial or ethnic groups of black, Latino/a, Asian, Native American/Indigenous, and non-Hispanic white to ensure representation of diverse racial and ethnic voices on this Committee - if there are none, then the Chair and Vice-Chair of Executive Council shall appoint a member at large from each unrepresented racial or ethnic group;

a member named who is under 40, to ensure representation of multiple generations - if there are no members then the Chair and Vice-Chair of Executive Council shall appoint a member at large from each unrepresented generational group.

Members shall serve terms as follows:

Each Committee member shall serve one triennium beginning January 1 in the year following each General Convention until the December 31 following the next General Convention. Members may be named to serve consecutive terms by their provinces.

In the event that a province fails to name a person to serve on the Committee by [sic] January 1, when each term begins, the Chair and Vice-Chair of Executive Council shall appoint a qualified person from that province to serve on the Committee.

Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original members were named. Vacancies in excess of 30 days shall be filled by the Chair and Vice-Chair of Executive Council, and in the case of a Bishop vacancy, by the Chair of Executive Council.”

A053 - Ensure the vital role of the Episcopal HBCUs in building The Beloved Community

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Executive Council

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the General Convention call upon dioceses, parishes and Episcopalians to marshal support for Saint Augustine's University and Voorhees College to ensure their continuing success.

A054 - Create a Task Force on Senior Wellness and Positive Aging

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: Executive Council

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$30,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize the creation of a Task Force on Senior Wellness and Positive Aging, among its goals to:

- Identify the major challenges to positive aging;
- Communicate with congregations, dioceses, and provinces to collect information about their approaches to these challenges;
- Explore networks in which the Task Force can be a meaningful partner;
- Coordinate with the Presiding Bishop's staff to ascertain facets of their ministries in which the Task Force might have a useful role to play;
- Review existing General Convention policy on aging and senior wellness to identify gaps and opportunities, and consult with the Office of Government Relations to identify areas where political advocacy could be useful. Consider developing resolutions for Executive Council and General Convention that identify advocacy priorities for positive aging and senior wellness.
- Initiate conversation with leading non-profit senior care providers and advocates, particularly those affiliated with The Episcopal Church;

And be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force will produce a resource of best practices for congregations, dioceses and provinces to support their ministries to persons in the second half of life as they strive to participate meaningfully and creatively in life-long learning and to engage constructively in the communities in which they live; and be it further

Resolved, That this Task Force will report annually to The Executive Council and to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That this task force be appointed jointly by the Presiding Officers, with between 10 and 14 members, two to four of whom shall be bishops, two to four of whom shall be clergy, and not more than six lay persons, with the members having some professional, pastoral or medical background in senior care and wellness; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$30,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

A055 - Receive and Study Proposal of Ecumenical Dialogue with Presbyterians (PCUSA)

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Executive Council

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 19 - Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention receives with gratitude the proposal “**Episcopal-Presbyterian Agreement on Local Sharing of Ministries,**” which was prepared and distributed by The Episcopal Church-Presbyterian Dialogue; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention encourages all Episcopalians to utilize the many resources available to understand the work of the Dialogue and this proposed Agreement to assist dioceses and local congregations in the interim sharing of ministers. Resources can be found on the websites of The Episcopal Church (episcopalchurch.org), the Episcopal Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers (edeio.org), and [PCUSA Website: <https://oga.pcusa.org/section/committees/gaceir/>]; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention encourages and supports prayerful consideration by all Episcopalians during the coming triennium of this significant step forward in response to our Lord’s fervent wish “that all may be one” (John 17:21).

A056 - Communion Across Difference

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force on Communion Across Difference

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$75,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention directs the Presiding Bishop and President of the House of Deputies to appoint a second Task Force on Communion Across Difference to continue the work started but limited by the COVID-19 pandemic, consisting of not more than 12 people, who represent the cultural, generational, racial, ethnic and theological diversity in the Church, including especially members from dioceses outside the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That half of the members appointed hold that marriage is a “covenant between a man and a woman” (BCP, 422), half hold that marriage is a “covenant between two people” in the presence of God (Resolution 2018-A085), and that all of those appointed seek a pathway toward mutual flourishing in The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force will seek to build on the Blue Book report of the previous triennium, continuing to seek a lasting path forward for mutual flourishing consistent with this Church’s polity and the 2015 “Communion across Difference” statement of the House of Bishops, affirming (1) the clear decision of General Convention that Christian marriage is a covenant open to two people of the same sex or of the opposite sex, (2) General Convention’s firm commitment to make provision for all couples asking to be married in this Church to have access to authorized liturgies; and also affirming (3) the indispensable place that the minority who hold to this Church’s historic teaching on marriage have in our common life, whose witness our Church needs; and be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force develop and publicize further tools for engaging the members of this Church in the substance of the Task Force on Communion Across Difference Blue Book Report to this Convention, including but not limited to videos documenting experiences across this Church that demonstrate positive examples of

communion across difference, and materials that broaden the conversation beyond matters of human sexuality and marriage; and be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force consult widely with members of this Church who represent its diversity of cultural background, age, race, gender, gender identity, and sexual orientation, particularly its members in countries other than the United States; and also with representatives from the Anglican Communion, our full-communion ecumenical partners, and those churches with whom we carry on ecumenical dialogues; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention commends to dioceses, parishes, and churchwide staff the Conversation Tool created by the Task Force on Communion Across Difference included in the Supplemental Materials section of their Blue Book report to this Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force report and make recommendations to the 81th General Convention, ending its term at that time except by further action of General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$75,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

A057 - Continuing Liturgical and Prayer Book Revision

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Liturgical & Prayer Book Revision

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to continue the work of liturgical and Prayer Book revision; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the SCLM to use in its work on liturgical and Prayer Book revision *The Principles to Guide the Development of Liturgical Texts* included in the report to the 80th General Convention (known as their "Blue Book" report) of the Task Force on Liturgical and Prayer Book Revision; and be it further

Resolved, That bishops continue to engage worshiping communities in experimentation and the creation of alternative texts to offer to the wider church, and diocesan liturgical commissions collect and share these resources with the SCLM, and that the SCLM review these resources and materials submitted by worshiping communities for consideration in the process of liturgical and Prayer Book revision; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the SCLM to review materials submitted to the Task Force on Liturgical and Prayer Book Revision during the 2018-2021 triennium and the recommendations of that Task Force regarding those materials; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention direct the SCLM to present to the 81st General Convention liturgical texts for optional and/or trial use in the ongoing process of liturgical and Prayer Book revision.**

A058 - Resolution on Official Liturgical Website for The Episcopal Church

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Liturgical & Prayer Book Revision

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention establish **www.episcopalcommonprayer.org**, which is already owned by the DFMS, as the official liturgical website of The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That **www.episcopalcommonprayer.org** continue to include a complete list of and links to official digital copies and hard copies of all liturgies authorized for use in The Episcopal Church, with clear differentiation of the types of authorization; and be it further

Resolved, That **www.episcopalcommonprayer.org** continue to include a summary of and link to the relevant Act of Convention authorizing each liturgy; and be it further

Resolved, That **www.episcopalcommonprayer.org** continue to include a distinct area for submitting new/alternate liturgical material from the wider church; and be it further

Resolved, That **www.episcopalcommonprayer.org** continue to include a distinct area for reviewing new/alternate liturgical material; and be it further

Resolved, That **www.episcopalcommonprayer.org** include other relevant liturgical resources and materials as determined by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music oversee and maintain **www.episcopalcommonprayer.org**; and be it further

Resolved, That the SCLM designate a web designer with primary responsibility for design and maintenance of www.episcopalcommonprayer.org; and be it further

Resolved, That this 80th General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance to allocate \$60,000 for the implementation of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music form a subcommittee to maintain operation of www.episcopalcommonprayer.org whose membership shall include: The Chair of the SCLM or an authorized deputy who is a member of the SCLM; The Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer; at least one other SCLM member; The Secretary of General Convention or an authorized deputy of the Secretary; A representative from Church Publishing; The designated web designer; At least two volunteers chosen by the chair of the SCLM from among the many gifted coders and website designers in The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.1.2.n.2 to add a new subsection:

x. Oversee and maintain the official liturgical website of The Episcopal Church through a subcommittee whose members shall include the Chair of the SCLM or an authorized deputy who is a member of the SCLM; the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer; at least one other SCLM member; the Secretary of General Convention or an authorized deputy of the Secretary; a representative from the publisher affiliated with the Church Pension Fund; at least two members with skill in website design and coding, to be appointed by the Chair of the SCLM.

A059 - Amend Article X of the Constitution of The Episcopal Church (First Reading)

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted and Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Liturgical & Prayer Book Revision

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church repeal Article X in its entirety and replace it with the following:

Sec. 1. The Book of Common Prayer is understood to be those liturgical forms and other texts authorized by the General Convention in accordance with this article and the Canons of this Church.

The Book of Common Prayer in this Church is intended to be communal and devotional prayer enriched by our church's cultural, geographical, and linguistic contexts. The Book of Common Prayer shall contain both public worship and private devotion.

The Book of Common Prayer, as now established or hereafter amended by the General Convention, shall be in use in all the Dioceses of this Church.

Sec. 2. No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the General Convention approve the same on first reading in one regular meeting of the General Convention and, by resolve so directing, be sent by the Secretary of the General Convention to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next regular meeting, and be adopted on second reading without alteration by the General Convention at its next succeeding regular meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by an affirmative vote by orders in the

House of Deputies in accordance with Art. I, Sec. 5 of this Constitution, except that concurrence in the affirmative by the orders shall require the affirmative vote in each order by a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.

Sec. 3. No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless it has previously been authorized for Trial Use in accordance with this Article and the Canons of this Church.

Sec. 4. The General Convention may at any one meeting, by a majority of the whole number of the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders as previously set forth in this Article:

- a. Amend the Table of Lessons and all Tables and Rubrics relating to the Psalms.
- b. Authorize for Trial Use such alterations or additions in whole or in part to the established Book of Common Prayer as may be proposed in accord with the Canons of this Church and duly undertaken by and implemented according to the directives of the General Convention.
- c. Authorize for use throughout this Church, as provided by Canon, alternative and additional liturgies to supplement those provided in the Book of Common Prayer.

Sec. 5. Nothing in this Article shall be construed as restricting the authority of the Bishops of this Church to take such order as may be permitted by the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer or by the Canons of the General Convention for the use of special forms of worship.

And be it further

***Resolved,* That the General Convention direct the President of the House of Deputies and the Presiding Bishop to appoint a working group of nine members to include the Custodian of The Book of Common Prayer, some members of Committee 12 of the 80th General Convention, some members of a Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music, and others as needed to review the Canons relevant to the implementation of this Article and propose revisions to the 81st General Convention. An initial framework is provided as a starting point for this work; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That an allocation of \$30,000 be made to support the work of the working group.**

A060 - Endorse Guidelines for Expansive and Inclusive Language

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force on Liturgical & Prayer Book Revision

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention adopt *The Guidelines for Expansive and Inclusive Language*, contained in the reports to the 80th General Convention of the Task Force on Liturgical and Prayer Book Revision and the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music, as the working principles for the revision and development of liturgical materials of The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to follow these guidelines as they develop revised and new liturgical materials; and be it further

Resolved, That when liturgical materials in languages other than English are developed for use in The Episcopal Church that they follow, to the greatest degree possible, the spirit and intent of these guidelines; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention commend these guidelines to all persons who write or speak on behalf of the church for their serious reflection and consideration.

A061 - Amend Canon I.4.6.j to include data regarding gender

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force to Study Sexism in TEC & Develop Anti-Sexism Training

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 06 - Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation, & Safeguarding

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct Executive Council to create a mechanism for gathering self-identified demographic data to help address disparities regarding gender, gender identity and expression, age, race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, and disability status. Possible mechanisms for this include:

Proposing an amendment to Canon I.4.6 to the 81st General Convention by the addition of a second sentence, as follows

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Canon 1.4.6.j

j. Each Diocese shall annually report to the Executive Council such financial data and other information pertaining to the state of the Church in the Diocese as may be required in a form authorized by Executive Council. By gathering data through parochial reports and surveys each Diocesan report will invite the inclusion of voluntary self-identified demographic information such as gender, gender identity and expression, age, race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, and disability status for the following positions in the Diocese including but not limited to: Diocesan Convention Officers, Diocesan Convention Delegates, Standing Committee, Diocesan/Executive Council, Board of Trustees, Bishop Search Committee (if any), Treasurer, Staff of the Office of the Bishop, Chancellor and Vice-

Chancellors, Commissions on Ministry, Bishop's Committees, all Wardens and Vestries, and congregational staffs.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Canon 1.4.6.j

j. Each Diocese shall annually report to the Executive Council such financial *data* and other information pertaining to the state of the Church in the Diocese as may be required in a form authorized by Executive Council. *By gathering data through parochial reports and surveys each Diocesan report will invite the inclusion of voluntary self-identified demographic information* ~~Such Diocesan report shall include demographic information,~~ such as *gender, gender identity and expression, age, and race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, and disability status for the following positions in the Diocese including but not limited to: Diocesan Convention Officers, Diocesan Convention Delegates, Standing Committee, Diocesan/Executive Council, Board of Trustees, Bishop Search Committee (if any), Treasurer, Staff of the Office of the Bishop, Chancellor and Vice-Chancellors, Commissions on Ministry, Bishop's Committees, Trustees, all Wardens and Vestries, and congregational staffs.*

A062 - Requiring Dioceses to Create a Plan to Narrow Gender Gaps

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force to Study Sexism in TEC & Develop Anti-Sexism Training

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 06 - Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation, & Safeguarding

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention require each Diocese to submit to the 81st General Convention a plan to narrow the gender equity gaps which exist in their Diocese; and be it further

Resolved, That this plan shall be created after careful examination into the composition of diocesan bodies, gender pay equity of both clergy and lay, and the demographics of parish leadership, including any search committees.

A063 - Creation of a Director of Women's Ministries

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted and Amended

Proposed by: Task Force to Study Sexism in TEC & Develop Anti-Sexism Training

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$0.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 16 - Churchwide Leadership

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society to establish a staff position, of Director of LGBTQI and Women's Ministries, which would implement and expand upon the work identified by the Task Force to Study Sexism in the Episcopal Church and Develop Anti-Sexism Training, including to:

- disseminate the anti-sexism training modules developed by the Task Force to Study Sexism in the Episcopal Church and referred to Executive Council (2018-21);
- collect and disseminate data relevant to gender and sexual orientation equality within The Episcopal Church, in collaboration with relevant agencies and boards of the Church;
- collect and develop multilingual, multicultural churchwide resources to support congregations, dioceses, provinces, mission areas, and churchwide governing bodies in living into our commitments to fully welcome and include people and communities of diverse genders, including transgender, non-binary, and Two-Spirit people;
- provide both in-person and on-line trainings and create networks to form and mobilize women and people of diverse gender identities and sexualities (lay and ordained) who can in turn lead faith-rooted trainings at the diocesan and parish level. The trainings would support the local church in addressing gender equality and in welcoming people of diverse genders and sexual orientations; and be it further

Resolved, That Program, Budget & Finance consider funding this position at \$300,000 in the 2023-2024 budget of DFMS.

A064 - Promote the Adoption and Use of Revised Praesidium Safe Church Training

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force to Develop Model Sexual Harassment Policies & Safe Church Training

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$15,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 06 - Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation, & Safeguarding

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Office of Communications and the Office of Formation of the Episcopal Church, working in collaboration with Forma and the Church Pension Group, to use the communication and marketing facilities of The Episcopal Church to promote the adoption and use of the revised Praesidium Safe Church training throughout the Church; that such promotion, marketing and communication vehicles should update all existing references to Safe Church training and reinforce the importance of creating a welcoming, safe environment for all of the people of God participating in Church sponsored or affiliated ministries, programs, congregations and other activities; and be it further

Resolved, That \$15,000 be budgeted for the implementation of this resolution.

A065 - Translation and adaption of Safe Church training for speakers of Spanish, Creole and French

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force to Develop Model Sexual Harassment Policies & Safe Church Training

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$350,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 06 - Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation, & Safeguarding

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Executive Council to establish a Task Force pursuant to Canon I.1.2.o to create and implement Spanish, Creole, and French language Safe Church training materials, with captioning, that reflect the cultural context and meet the needs of the people that the training is intended to serve. These Safe Church training materials are to be developed during the next triennium to reflect the approved 2017 Model Policies for the Protection of Children and Youth and the approved 2017 Model Policies for the Protection of Vulnerable Adults, such committee to be comprised of twelve (12) people who reflect the diversity of The Episcopal Church, which should include youth ministers, those working with vulnerable adults, educators for adults, at least eight (8) native speakers of Creole, French, and Spanish from several regions and those experienced in the prevention of sexual abuse; membership should also include at least three (3) persons from the Task Force to Develop Model Sexual Harassment Policies & Safe Church Training appointed in 2018; and be it further

Resolved, That such new training materials be based on the Safe Church training developed in the 2018-2020 triennium by Praesidium, Inc., in collaboration with the Formation Department. The Task force should work in consultation with the Safe Church Office in the Formation Department in the creation of the new multi-lingual training to be adapted to and rooted in the variety of cultures in The Episcopal

Church, in use of language, images, metaphors, examples, and the like. Additionally, the Task Force and Safe Church Office should create a roadmap for the inclusion of captioning in Safe Church materials in other languages spoken in The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, **That the Safe Church Office in the formation Department be directed to engage a consultant to develop the sign language and captioning with Praesidium in the Safe Church modules; and be it further**

Resolved, **That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church commits itself to the financial support of the creation, implementation and maintenance of such safe church training materials to advance clergy and lay leader wellbeing, as well as to reduce liability; and be it further**

Resolved, **That \$350,000 be budgeted for the creation of the French, Creole, Spanish, sign language and captioning of Safe Church training materials described in this resolution and \$50,000 for the work of the Task Force.**

A066 - Establish Interim Body to Oversee the Continuing Development of Anti-Harassment Best Practices, Model Policy Examples and Varied Training Materials

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force to Develop Model Sexual Harassment Policies & Safe Church Training

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$75,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Executive Council to establish a Task Force pursuant to Canon I.1.2.o to oversee the continuing development and implementation of anti-harassment best practices, model policy examples, and varied training materials. The Task Force shall be comprised of at least nine (9) people who reflect the diversity of The Episcopal Church, to the degree possible, while also including those experienced in adult education, the prevention of sexual abuse, the prevention of employment discrimination, Human Resources, working with Title IV (including chancellors and Intake Officers), and working with survivors of abuse (including Victim Advocates); membership should also include at least three (3) persons from the Task Force to Develop Model Sexual Harassment Policies and Safe Church Training appointed in 2018; and be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force shall seek and consider feedback from local use and adaptation of the original model policy, from as diverse a group of communities within the Church as possible. The goal of the Task Force shall be to refine the Best Practices Guide, to gather samples of policies and practices in actual use across the

Church, and to develop additional model policies for use in the broadest spectrum of church locations and extra-parochial communities; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the Church Pension Group be asked to collaborate with this effort and to appoint a member to serve on the Task Force; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention of commit itself to the financial support of the continuing development of these materials, and training, as an element of its efforts to advance clergy wellness and reduce liability, as well as to the ability of all members of the Church to live into the Baptismal Covenant, seeking and serving Christ in all persons; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That \$75,000 be budgeted for the work of the Task Force over the next triennium.**

A067 - Authorize and Support Interim Use and Local Adaptation of Model Anti-Harassment Policy in Light of Best Practices Guide

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force to Develop Model Sexual Harassment Policies & Safe Church Training

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 06 - Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation, & Safeguarding

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Executive Council to provide for the support and encouragement of the interim use and adaptation of the Model Policy to Prevent Harassment (<https://extranet.generalconvention.org/staff/files/download/30555>) by dioceses, congregations, and affiliated institutions; and be it further

Resolved, That the Best Practices Guide and Model Policy to Prevent Harassment (<https://extranet.generalconvention.org/staff/files/download/30555>) be hosted on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society [DFMS] Safe Church website. The website shall be adapted and monitored so that it becomes a site for on-going creation and curation of feedback from experimental use and local adaptation of the Best Practices Guide and Model Policy to Prevent Harassment throughout TEC during the next triennium; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses, congregations, and affiliated institutions report their feedback and recommendations for further development on the basis of their practice to the DFMS hosted Safe Church website.

A068 - Safe Church Training

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Task Force to Develop Model Sexual Harassment Policies & Safe Church Training

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church commend to all members of the Church the course of Safe Church Training provided by the Church and the Church Pension Group so that all members can participate fully in creating and maintaining safe environments for all people throughout the Church.

A069 - Create DFMS Staff Position to Manage Safe Church Website and Respond to Inquiries

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force to Develop Model Sexual Harassment Policies & Safe Church Training

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$105,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 16 - Churchwide Leadership

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Executive Council to expand an existing staff position to a full time position to serve as a point of contact for dioceses and individuals to obtain information about complying with the Model Policies for the Protection of Children, Youth, and Vulnerable Adults and the requirement to complete the updated Praesidium Safe Church Training, managed by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and reinforce the importance of creating a welcoming, safe environment for all of the people of God participating in The Episcopal Church sponsored or affiliated ministries, congregations, programs and other activities. This staff person shall report directly to the Canon to the Presiding Bishop for Ministry within The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That \$105,000, to include salary and benefits, be budgeted to fund this vital position.

A070 - Creating an Online Stewardship Collaborative

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Task Force on Theology of Money

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$150,000.00

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 18 - Stewardship & Socially Responsible Investing

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention create an online collaborative of stewardship resources between Project Resource (a collaborative cooperative stewardship program co-created by The College of Bishops, The Development Office, and The Episcopal Church Foundation), The Episcopal Network of Stewardship (TENS), and The Office of Ethnic Ministries; and be it further

Resolved, That the collaborative expand existing offerings by facilitating the creation of stewardship materials by people of color and the development of online courses and virtual workshops on topics such as post-pandemic congregational stewardship and culturally appropriate theologies of giving in English, Spanish, and other languages; and be it further

Resolved, That the collaborative develop culturally and racially informed education materials for all candidates for holy orders on stewardship and the theology of money in English and in Spanish; and be it further

Resolved, That \$150,000 be budgeted for the work of the collaborative over the next triennium.

A071 - Amend Canons III.6.5, III.8.5, and III.10.1

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Task Force on Theology of Money

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention, in support of the canonical requirement of rectors and priests-in-charge to ensure that all persons in their charge are instructed concerning Christian stewardship, amend Canon III.6.5.g as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Can.III.6

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

g. Preparation for ordination shall include training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct against both children and adults.
2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.
3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof.
4. the Church's teaching on racism.
5. Stewardship and the Church's theology of money.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.8.5.h be amended to as follows:

Can.III.8

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

h. Preparation for ordination shall include training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct against both children and adults.
2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.
3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof, utilizing, but not limited to use of, the Title IV training website of The Episcopal Church.
4. the Church's teaching on racism.
5. Stewardship and the Church's theology of money.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.10.1.c be amended to as follows:

Can.III.10

Sec. 1. Prior to reception or ordination, the following must be provided

c. evidence of training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct.
2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.
3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof.
4. training regarding the Church's teaching on racism.

5. Stewardship and the Church's theology of money.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Can.III.6

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4. the Church's teaching on racism.
5. *Stewardship and the Church's theology of money.*

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.8.5.h be amended to as follows:

Can.III.8

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

h. Preparation for ordination shall include training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct against both children and adults.
2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.
3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof, utilizing, but not limited to use of, the Title IV training website of The Episcopal Church.

4. the Church's teaching on racism.
5. *Stewardship and the Church's theology of money.*

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.10.1.c be amended to as follows:

Can.III.10

Sec. 1. Prior to reception or ordination, the following must be provided

c. evidence of training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct.
2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.
3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof.
4. training regarding the Church's teaching on racism.
5. *Stewardship and the Church's theology of money.*

And be it further

Resolved, That such training shall be made available to all persons in this Church, both lay and ordained.

A072 - Commending Episcopal Examples of Responsible Investing

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Theology of Money

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 18 - Stewardship & Socially Responsible Investing

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention give thanks for and affirm the work and witness of The Episcopal Church and the Church Pension Fund in taking the lead in responsible investing and commends the following fifteen institutions for faithful and responsible investing: Episcopal Relief and Development; All Saints Church, Pasadena, CA; The Episcopal Church of the Ascension, Hickory, NC; St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Baltimore, MD; St. James Episcopal Church, Black Mountain, NC; St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Ridgefield, CT; Trinity Episcopal Church, Indianapolis, IN; Trinity Church Wall Street, New York, NY; the Episcopal Diocese of California; the Episcopal Church in Connecticut; the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts; the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan; the Episcopal Diocese of New York; the Episcopal Diocese of Oregon; and the Episcopal Church Vermont.

A073 - Encouraging Faithful, Ethical, and Responsible Investing

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Theology of Money

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 18 - Stewardship & Socially Responsible Investing

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention affirm to all institutional investors across the Church the value and importance of faithful and ethical investing (defined as investing institutional assets consistently with the Church's faith and teachings and the Church's mission) and responsible investing (defined as addressing, ethical concerns for social, environmental and governance matters, including climate change and human rights); and be it further

Resolved, That all institutional investors across The Episcopal Church be encouraged to adopt faithful and ethically responsible investing for their investment programs and portfolios and to manage their investment assets using the following elements of ethically responsible investing: ethical and theological guidelines for investment selection and management; shareholder engagement, including voting proxies; and investing for responsible social and environmental outcomes as well as for financial return.

A074 - Resolution Amending Canon III.11.8.a Provision for Written Objections to the election of a Bishop Diocesan

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Court of Review

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon III.11.8.a to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Within ten days after the election of a Bishop Diocesan, a Bishop Coadjutor, or a Bishop Suffragan by a Diocesan Convention, delegates constituting no less than ten percent of the number of delegates casting votes on the final ballot may file with the Secretary of the Convention written objections to the election process, setting forth in detail all alleged irregularities. Within ten days after receipt thereof, the Secretary of the Convention shall forward copies of the same to the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor and Standing Committee of the Diocese, and to the Presiding Bishop, who shall request the Court of Review to investigate the complaint. The Court of Review may invite response by the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor, the Standing Committee and any other persons within the Diocese for which the Bishop was elected. Within thirty days after receipt of the request, the Court of Review shall send a written report of its findings to the Presiding Bishop, a copy of which report the Presiding Bishop, within fifteen days, shall cause to be sent to the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor, the Standing Committee and the Secretary of the Convention of the electing Diocese. The Secretary shall send a copy of the report to each of the delegates who filed objection to the election process.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Within ten days after the election of a Bishop Diocesan, a Bishop Coadjutor, or a Bishop Suffragan by a Diocesan Convention, delegates constituting no less than ten percent of the number of delegates casting votes on the final ballot may file with the Secretary of the Convention written objections to the election process, setting forth in detail all alleged irregularities. Within ten days after receipt thereof, the Secretary of the Convention shall forward copies of the same to the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor and Standing Committee of the Diocese, and to the Presiding Bishop, who shall request the Court of Review ~~of the Province in which the Diocese is located~~ to investigate the complaint. The Court of Review may invite response by the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor, the Standing Committee and any other persons within the Diocese for which the Bishop was elected. Within thirty days after receipt of the request, the Court of Review shall send a written report of its findings to the Presiding Bishop, a copy of which report the Presiding Bishop, within fifteen days, shall cause to be sent to the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor, the Standing Committee and the Secretary of the Convention of the electing Diocese. The Secretary shall send a copy of the report to each of the delegates who filed objection to the election process.

A075 - Resolution Amending Canon IV.5.4 Provision for the Court of Review

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Court of Review

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.5.4 to include the addition of a section j. as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

j. For good cause shown, the Court of Review may extend any deadline in this Title pertaining to the Court of Review except the time to file a notice of appeal.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

j. For good cause shown, the Court of Review may extend any deadline in this Title pertaining to the Court of Review except the time to file a notice of appeal.

A076 - Resolution Amending Canon IV.15.2 Provision to serve Notice of Appeal

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Court of Review

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.15.2 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Within forty days after the Hearing Panel issues an Order, the Respondent or the Church Attorney may appeal to the Court of Review by serving written notice of the appeal upon the Bishop Diocesan with copies of the notice to the president of the Hearing Panel and the president of the Court of Review. The notice of appeal must be signed by the Respondent's counsel or the Church Attorney, must include a copy of the Order from which the appeal is taken, and must state the grounds of the appeal.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Within forty days after ~~issuance of an Order by a~~ *the Hearing Panel issues an Order*, the Respondent or the Church Attorney may appeal to the Court of Review, by serving written notice of the appeal upon the Bishop Diocesan, with copies of the notice to the ~~presidents~~ *president* of the Hearing Panel and the ~~Province~~ *president of the Court of Review*. The

notice of appeal ~~shall~~ *must* be signed by the Respondent's counsel or the Church Attorney, *must* ~~and shall~~ include a copy of the Order from which the appeal is taken, and *must* state the grounds of the appeal.

A077 - Resolution Amending Canon IV.15.3 Provision to serve Notice of Appeal by Bishop Diocesan

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Court of Review

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.15.3 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Any Order from a Hearing Panel finding that the Respondent did not commit an Offense involving a question of the Doctrine, Faith, or Worship of the Church may be appealed by the Bishop Diocesan upon the written request of at least two Bishops Diocesan of other Dioceses within the Province who are not members of the Court of Review. Such an appeal may be taken only on the question of the Church's Doctrine, Faith, or Worship, and may not seek to reverse the finding of the Hearing Panel that the Respondent did not commit an Offense. The Bishop Diocesan may take an appeal under this section by serving a notice of appeal upon the Respondent, the Church Attorney, the President of the Hearing Panel, and the President of the Court of Review within forty days after the Hearing Panel issues the Order.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Any Order from a Hearing Panel finding that a *the* Respondent did not commit an Offense involving a question of the Doctrine, Faith, or Worship of the Church may be appealed by

the Bishop Diocesan upon the written request of at least two Bishops Diocesan of other Dioceses within the Province who are not members of the Court of Review. Such an appeal shall may be taken *only* on the question of the Church's Doctrine, Faith, or ~~and~~ Worship ~~only~~, and may not seek to reverse the finding of the Hearing Panel that ~~Offenses were not committed~~ *the Respondent did not commit an Offense*. ~~An~~ *The Bishop Diocesan may take an appeal under this section may be taken by service of serving a notice of appeal by the Bishop Diocesan upon the Respondent, the Church Attorney, the President and the presidents of the Hearing Panel, and the Province President of the Court of Review within forty days after the Order of the Hearing Panel is received by the Bishop Diocesan Hearing Panel issues the Order.*

A078 - Imagining a Church Grounded in Social Justice as Christian Ministry

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force on Theology of Social Justice Advocacy

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$55,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention affirm:

1) That social justice advocacy is a primary ministry of the Church; it is our corporate, public witness to the Mission of God “to restore all people to the unity of God and each other in Christ.” [BCP Catechism, page 855];

2) That social justice is about right relationships among and between all of us, centering the voice and experience of the marginalized (as we read in Matthew 25), and these are the relationships that have been, and continue to be, harmed by the systemic, unjust distribution of wealth, opportunity, and privilege;

3) That social justice ministry includes acts of mercy or charity but also must include dismantling institutions, structures, and policies that cause harm and divide us from each other; and it includes repairing the breach by rebuilding systems of justice, fairness, and equity (Isaiah 58);

4) Over this past triennium, (2018-2021) the global pandemic, racial justice uprisings, and escalation of the climate crisis including extreme wildfires and storms, as well as the societal fissures and institutional failures that these events have revealed, demand we understand this to be a revolutionary moment of accountability, repentance and renewed commitments to the mission of God. We are called to account for our failures to live the words we preach and pray. We acknowledge that historical practices, policies, and structures of the institutional church have played a role in the persistence of

the systemic inequality and call out for out for immediate, urgent and enduring redress;

And be it further

***Resolved,* That all dioceses and congregations be called upon to ground every planning or business meeting or convention with prayers inviting an examination of conscience regarding the specific impact of the decisions of such meetings upon those who are poor, dispossessed, disadvantaged, or marginalized, and to provide and model forms for such examination of conscience; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That all dioceses be called upon to offer, at least once a year, a diocesan-wide event or program and liturgy to engage our congregations and members in listening to and understanding the history and current context of our diverse local communities, with attention to those who have historically been dispossessed or disadvantaged; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That this General Convention direct the creation of a Task Force on Imagining a Church Grounded in Social Justice as Christian Ministry be formed as a diverse group to include 2 bishops, 2 priests, 2 deacons, and 10 laypersons, in order to a) consider what the church must look like if we put our vocation to love our neighbor and to be repairers of the breach at the center of our work; b) to reach out to local and diocesan groups that are doing social justice and racial reconciliation work focused on systemic change, in order to understand what resources and gifts we already have in this work and where the gaps are; c) to liaise with the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music and the Standing Commission on Governance, Structure, Constitution and Canons, the Presiding Officers' Advisory Group on Beloved Community Implementation (if it is extended in the next triennium), and other relevant interim bodies on consideration of these questions and how to address the institutional barriers to change in the church; and d) be charged with making recommendations to the 81st General Convention for institutional change to support social justice as Christian ministry in the areas of governance and structure, prayer and liturgy, catechesis and lifelong formation for discipleship, especially with laypeople and consistent with an equitable and inclusive polity; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$55,000 for the implementation of this resolution.**

A079 - Amend Canon III.11.1 regarding Screening of Nominees for Episcopal Elections

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: Task Force to Assist the Office of Pastoral Development

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon III.11.1 is hereby amended by adding new subsections c and d and renumbering the remaining subsections as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

III.11.1

Sec. 1

a. Discernment of vocation to be a Bishop occurs through a process of election in accordance with the rules prescribed by the Convention of the Diocese and pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and Canons of this Church. With respect to the election of a Bishop Suffragan, the Diocese shall establish a nominating process either by Canon or by the adoption of rules and procedure for the election of the Bishop Suffragan at a regular or special Diocesan Convention with sufficient time preceding the election of the Bishop Suffragan.

b. In lieu of electing a Bishop, the Convention of a Diocese may request that an election be made on its behalf by the House of Bishops of the Province of which the Diocese is a part, subject to confirmation by the Provincial Synod, or it may request that an election be made on its behalf by the House of Bishops of The Episcopal Church.

1. If either option in Sec. 1.b is chosen, a special Joint Nominating Committee shall be appointed unless the Diocesan Convention has otherwise provided for the nominating process. The Committee shall be composed of three persons from the Diocese, appointed by its Standing Committee, and three members of the electoral body, appointed by the President of that body. The Joint Nominating Committee shall elect its own officers and shall nominate three persons whose names it shall communicate to the Presiding Officer of the electoral body. The Presiding Officer shall communicate the names of the nominees to the electoral body at least three weeks before the election when the names shall be formally placed in nomination. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor or by petition, in either case with provision for adequate background checks.

2. If either option in Sec. 1.b is chosen, the evidence of the election shall be a certificate signed by the Presiding Officer of the electoral body and by its Secretary, with a testimonial signed by a constitutional majority of the body, in the form required in Canon III.11.3, which shall be sent to the Standing Committee of the Diocese on whose behalf the election was held. The Standing Committee shall thereupon proceed as set forth in Canon III.11.3.

c. Prior to any person's name being placed in nomination for election as a Bishop in a diocese, whether by the nominating body or by petition, floor nomination or in any other way, the diocese shall have:

1. conducted a thorough background check of each nominee according to criteria established by the Standing Committee. Such background check to include but not be limited to criminal records, credit checks, reference checks, sex offender registry checks, verification of education, employment and ordination and review of all complaints, charges and allegations while an ordained person;

2. each nominee evaluated by a licensed medical doctor approved by the Standing Committee;

3. each nominee evaluated by a licensed psychologist approved by the Standing Committee, with psychiatric referral if desired or necessary;

4. each nominee evaluated for substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns whether as part of the medical examination, psychological examination or otherwise by professionals approved by the Standing Committee;

All such background checks and evaluations shall be conducted specifically for the election being conducted and not for any prior election or other process or purpose.

d. Reports of all background checks, medical, psychological and substance, chemical or alcohol use and abuse evaluations shall be initially provided simultaneously to the Standing Committee President of the electing diocese or nominating body under Canon III.11.1.b.1 and to the Presiding Bishop. After the consecration and ordination of the bishop elected President of the Standing Committee or nominating body under Canon III.11.1.b.1 shall promptly deliver to The Archives of The Episcopal Church a copy of all the reports of all

background checks, medical, psychological and substance, chemical, and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns evaluations obtained during the process for permanent retention. The President of the Standing Committee or nominating body under Canon III.11.1.b.1 shall destroy all other copies of the reports provided to, or created within, the electing diocese other than one copy for the permanent records of the diocese.

e. The Secretary of the body electing a Bishop Diocesan, Bishop Coadjutor, or Bishop Suffragan, shall inform the Presiding Bishop promptly of the name of the person elected. It shall be the duty of the Bishop-elect to notify the Presiding Bishop of acceptance or declination of the election, at the same time as the Bishop-elect notifies the electing Diocese.

f. No Diocese shall elect a Bishop within thirty days before a meeting of the General Convention.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

III.11.1

Sec. 1

a. Discernment of vocation to be a Bishop occurs through a process of election in accordance with the rules prescribed by the Convention of the Diocese and pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and Canons of this Church. With respect to the election of a Bishop Suffragan, the Diocese shall establish a nominating process either by Canon or by the adoption of rules and procedure for the election of the Bishop Suffragan at a regular or special Diocesan Convention with sufficient time preceding the election of the Bishop Suffragan.

b. In lieu of electing a Bishop, the Convention of a Diocese may request that an election be made on its behalf by the House of Bishops of the Province of which the Diocese is a part, subject to confirmation by the Provincial Synod, or it may request that an election be made on its behalf by the House of Bishops of The Episcopal Church.

1. If either option in Sec. 1.b is chosen, a special Joint Nominating Committee shall be appointed unless the Diocesan Convention has otherwise provided for the nominating process. The Committee shall be composed of three persons from the Diocese, appointed by its Standing Committee, and three members of the electoral body, appointed by the President of that body. The Joint Nominating Committee shall elect its own officers and shall nominate three persons whose names it shall communicate to the Presiding Officer of the electoral body. The Presiding Officer shall communicate the names of the nominees to the electoral body at least three weeks before the election when the names shall be formally placed in nomination. Opportunity shall be

given for nominations from the floor or by petition, in either case with provision for adequate background checks.

2. If either option in Sec. 1.b is chosen, the evidence of the election shall be a certificate signed by the Presiding Officer of the electoral body and by its Secretary, with a testimonial signed by a constitutional majority of the body, in the form required in Canon III.11.3, which shall be sent to the Standing Committee of the Diocese on whose behalf the election was held. The Standing Committee shall thereupon proceed as set forth in Canon III.11.3.

c. Prior to any person's name being placed in nomination for election as a Bishop in a diocese, whether by the nominating body or by petition, floor nomination or in any other way, the diocese shall have:

1. conducted a thorough background check of each nominee according to criteria established by the Standing Committee. Such background check to include but not be limited to criminal records, credit checks, reference checks, sex offender registry checks, verification of education, employment and ordination and review of all complaints, charges and allegations while an ordained person;

2. each nominee evaluated by a licensed medical doctor approved by the Standing Committee;

3. each nominee evaluated by a licensed psychologist approved by the Standing Committee, with psychiatric referral if desired or necessary;

4. each nominee evaluated for substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns whether as part of the medical examination, psychological examination or otherwise by professionals approved by the Standing Committee;

All such background checks and evaluations shall be conducted specifically for the election being conducted and not for any prior election or other process or purpose.

d. Reports of all background checks, medical, psychological and substance, chemical or alcohol use and abuse evaluations shall be initially provided simultaneously to the Standing Committee President of the electing diocese or nominating body under Canon III.11.1.b.1 and to the Presiding Bishop. After the consecration and ordination of the bishop elected President of the Standing Committee or nominating body under Canon III.11.1.b.1 shall promptly deliver to The Archives of The Episcopal Church a copy of all the reports of all background checks, medical, psychological and substance, chemical, and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns evaluations obtained during the process for permanent retention. The President of the Standing Committee or nominating body under Canon III.11.1.b.1 shall destroy all other copies of the reports provided to, or created within, the electing diocese other than one copy for the permanent records of the diocese.

e. The Secretary of the body electing a Bishop Diocesan, Bishop Coadjutor, or Bishop Suffragan, shall inform the Presiding Bishop promptly of the name of the person elected. It shall be the duty of the Bishop-elect to notify the Presiding Bishop of acceptance or

declination of the election, at the same time as the Bishop-elect notifies the electing Diocese.

d- f. No Diocese shall elect a Bishop within thirty days before a meeting of the General Convention.

A080 - Amend Canon III.11.3 and 4 reducing time for Consents to Bishop Elections from 120 to 90 days

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Task Force to Assist the Office of Pastoral Development

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon III.11.3 be amended as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Canon III.11.3

Sec. 3

a. The Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop has been elected shall by its President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, immediately send to the Presiding Bishop and to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses a certificate of the election by the Secretary of Convention of the Diocese, bearing a statement of receipt of:

1. evidence of the Bishop-elect's having been duly ordered Deacon and Priest;
2. certificates from a licensed medical doctor and licensed psychiatrist, authorized by the Presiding Bishop, that they have thoroughly examined the Bishop-elect as to that person's medical, psychological and psychiatric condition and have not discovered any reason why the person would not be fit to undertake the work for which the person has been chosen. Forms and

procedures agreed to by the Presiding Bishop and The Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose; and

3. evidence that a testimonial in the following form was signed by a constitutional majority of the Convention:

We, whose names are hereunder written, fully sensible of how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we believe the Reverend A.B. to have been duly and lawfully elected and to be of such sufficiency in learning, of such soundness in the Faith, and of such godly character as to be able to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honor of God and the edifying of the Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Date) _____

(Signed) _____

The Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify every Bishop of this Church exercising jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop's receipt of the certificates mentioned in this Section and request a statement of consent or withholding of consent to be submitted to the Presiding Bishop within not more than ninety days. Each Standing Committee, in not more than ninety days after the sending by the electing body of the certificate of the election, shall respond by sending the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected either the testimonial of consent in the form set out in paragraph (b) of this Section or written notice of its refusal to give consent. If a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses consents to the ordination of the Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected shall then forward the evidence of the consent, with the other necessary certificates required in this Section (documents described in Sec. 3.a.2 of this Canon), to the Presiding Bishop. If the Presiding Bishop receives sufficient statements to indicate a majority of the Bishops exercising jurisdiction consent to the ordination, the Presiding Bishop shall, without delay, notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected and the Bishop-elect of the consent.

b. Evidence of the consent of each Standing Committee shall be a testimonial in the following words, signed by a majority of all the members of the Committee:

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of _____, and having been duly convened, fully sensible how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily

conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Order. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord _____.

(Signed)

c. Testimonials required of the Standing Committee by this Title must be signed by a majority of the whole Committee, at a meeting duly convened, except that testimonials may be executed in counterparts, any of which may be delivered by facsimile or other electronic transmission, each of which shall be deemed an original.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.11.4 be amended as follows:

Sec. 4. In case a majority of all the Standing Committee of the Dioceses do not consent to the ordination of the Bishop-elect within ninety days from the date of the notification of the election by the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop was elected, or in case a majority of all the Bishops exercising jurisdiction do not consent within ninety days from the date of notification to them by the Presiding Bishop of the election, the Presiding Bishop shall declare the election null and void and shall give notice to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop was elected and to the Bishop-elect. The Convention of the Diocese may then proceed to a new election.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Canon III.11.3

Sec. 3

a. The Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop has been elected shall by its President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, immediately send to the Presiding Bishop and to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses a certificate of the election by the Secretary of Convention of the Diocese, bearing a statement of receipt of:

1. evidence of the Bishop-elect's having been duly ordered Deacon and Priest;
2. certificates from a licensed medical doctor and licensed psychiatrist, authorized by the Presiding Bishop, that they have thoroughly examined the

Bishop-elect as to that person's medical, psychological and psychiatric condition and have not discovered any reason why the person would not be fit to undertake the work for which the person has been chosen. Forms and procedures agreed to by the Presiding Bishop and The Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose; and

3. evidence that a testimonial in the following form was signed by a constitutional majority of the Convention:

We, whose names are hereunder written, fully sensible of how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we believe the Reverend A.B. to have been duly and lawfully elected and to be of such sufficiency in learning, of such soundness in the Faith, and of such godly character as to be able to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honor of God and the edifying of the Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Date) _____

(Signed) _____

The Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify every Bishop of this Church exercising jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop's receipt of the certificates mentioned in this Section and request a statement of consent or withholding of consent *to be submitted to the Presiding Bishop within not more than ninety days*. Each Standing Committee, in not more than ~~one hundred and twenty~~ *ninety* days after the sending by the electing body of the certificate of the election, shall respond by sending the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected either the testimonial of consent in the form set out in paragraph (b) of this Section or written notice of its refusal to give consent. If a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses consents to the ordination of the Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected shall then forward the evidence of the consent, with the other necessary certificates required in this Section (documents described in Sec. 3.a.2 of this Canon), to the Presiding Bishop. If the Presiding Bishop receives sufficient statements to indicate a majority of ~~these~~ *the* Bishops *exercising jurisdiction* consent to the ordination, the Presiding Bishop shall, without delay, notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected and the Bishop-elect of the consent.

b. Evidence of the consent of each Standing Committee shall be a testimonial in the following words, signed by a majority of all the members of the Committee:

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of _____, and having been duly convened, fully sensible how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Order. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord _____.

(Signed)

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c. Testimonials required of the Standing Committee by this Title must be signed by a majority of the whole Committee, at a meeting duly convened, except that testimonials may be executed in counterparts, any of which may be delivered by facsimile or other electronic transmission, each of which shall be deemed an original.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.11.4 be amended as follows:

Sec. 4. In case a majority of all the Standing Committee of the Dioceses do not consent to the ordination of the Bishop-elect within ~~one hundred and twenty~~ *ninety* days from the date of the notification of the election by the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop was elected, or in case a majority of all the Bishops exercising jurisdiction do not consent within ~~one hundred and twenty~~ *ninety* days from the date of notification to them by the Presiding Bishop of the election, the Presiding Bishop shall declare the election null and void and shall give notice to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop was elected and to the Bishop-elect. The Convention of the Diocese may then proceed to a new election.

A081 - Amend Canon III.11.1a regarding Standing Committee's Role in Episcopal Elections

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force to Assist the Office of Pastoral Development

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon III.11.1.a be amended as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Canon III.11

Sec. 1

a. Discernment of vocation to be a Bishop Diocesan, Coadjutor, or Suffragan occurs through a process of election in accordance with the Constitutions and Canons of this Church and the electing Diocese and any special rules adopted by the Convention of that Diocese. Unless otherwise provided in the electing Diocese's Constitution or Canons, the Standing Committee shall have oversight of, and responsibility for, any search, nomination, transition, and election processes. The Diocese shall establish a nominating process either by Canon or by the adoption of rules and procedures for the election of the Bishop at a regular or special meeting of the Convention of the Diocese with sufficient time preceding the election of the Bishop.

b. In lieu of electing a Bishop, the Convention of a Diocese may request that an election be made on its behalf by the House of Bishops of the Province of which the Diocese is a part, subject to confirmation by the Provincial Synod, or it may request

that an election be made on its behalf by the House of Bishops of The Episcopal Church.

1. If either option in Sec. 1.b is chosen, a special Joint Nominating Committee shall be appointed unless the Diocesan Convention has otherwise provided for the nominating process. The Committee shall be composed of three persons from the Diocese, appointed by its Standing Committee, and three members of the electoral body, appointed by the President of that body. The Joint Nominating Committee shall elect its own officers and shall nominate three persons whose names it shall communicate to the Presiding Officer of the electoral body. The Presiding Officer shall communicate the names of the nominees to the electoral body at least three weeks before the election when the names shall be formally placed in nomination. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor or by petition, in either case with provision for adequate background checks.

2. If either option in Sec. 1.b is chosen, the evidence of the election shall be a certificate signed by the Presiding Officer of the electoral body and by its Secretary, with a testimonial signed by a constitutional majority of the body, in the form required in Canon III.11.3, which shall be sent to the Standing Committee of the Diocese on whose behalf the election was held. The Standing Committee shall thereupon proceed as set forth in Canon III.11.3.

c. The Secretary of the body electing a Bishop Diocesan, Bishop Coadjutor, or Bishop Suffragan, shall inform the Presiding Bishop promptly of the name of the person elected. It shall be the duty of the Bishop-elect to notify the Presiding Bishop of acceptance or declination of the election, at the same time as the Bishop-elect notifies the electing Diocese.

d. No Diocese shall elect a Bishop within thirty days before a meeting of the General Convention.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Canon III.11

Sec. 1

a. Discernment of vocation to be a Bishop *Diocesan, Coadjutor, or Suffragan* occurs through a process of election in accordance with ~~the rules prescribed by the Convention of the Diocese and pursuant to the provisions of the Constitutions and Canons of this Church~~ *and the electing Diocese and any special rules adopted by the Convention of that Diocese. Unless otherwise provided in the electing Diocese's Constitution or Canons, the Standing Committee shall have oversight of, and*

responsibility for, any search, nomination, transition, and election processes. With respect to the election of a Bishop Suffragan, the The Diocese shall establish a nominating process either by Canon or by the adoption of rules and procedures for the election of the Bishop Suffragan at a regular or special meeting of the Diocesan Convention of the Diocese with sufficient time preceding the election of the Bishop Suffragan.

b. In lieu of electing a Bishop, the Convention of a Diocese may request that an election be made on its behalf by the House of Bishops of the Province of which the Diocese is a part, subject to confirmation by the Provincial Synod, or it may request that an election be made on its behalf by the House of Bishops of The Episcopal Church.

1. If either option in Sec. 1.b is chosen, a special Joint Nominating Committee shall be appointed unless the Diocesan Convention has otherwise provided for the nominating process. The Committee shall be composed of three persons from the Diocese, appointed by its Standing Committee, and three members of the electoral body, appointed by the President of that body. The Joint Nominating Committee shall elect its own officers and shall nominate three persons whose names it shall communicate to the Presiding Officer of the electoral body. The Presiding Officer shall communicate the names of the nominees to the electoral body at least three weeks before the election when the names shall be formally placed in nomination. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor or by petition, in either case with provision for adequate background checks.

2. If either option in Sec. 1.b is chosen, the evidence of the election shall be a certificate signed by the Presiding Officer of the electoral body and by its Secretary, with a testimonial signed by a constitutional majority of the body, in the form required in Canon III.11.3, which shall be sent to the Standing Committee of the Diocese on whose behalf the election was held. The Standing Committee shall thereupon proceed as set forth in Canon III.11.3.

c. The Secretary of the body electing a Bishop Diocesan, Bishop Coadjutor, or Bishop Suffragan, shall inform the Presiding Bishop promptly of the name of the person elected. It shall be the duty of the Bishop-elect to notify the Presiding Bishop of acceptance or declination of the election, at the same time as the Bishop-elect notifies the electing Diocese.

d. No Diocese shall elect a Bishop within thirty days before a meeting of the General Convention.

A082 - Amend Various Canons Regarding Preparation of Medical and Psychological Evaluation in the Ordination, Episcopal Election, and Reception Processes

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force to Assist the Office of Pastoral Development

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That forms prescribed by the Canons to be used in medical and psychological evaluations of persons prior to their ordination as deacon, priest, and bishop, or of persons already ordained in another church prior to their reception into this Church, require revision and updating; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention agrees with the Church Pension Fund that as the purposes and needs of the forms have changed over time, a more appropriate group should be named to prepare forms that meet all the needs of the Church; and be it further

Resolved, That in developing the forms described in Canons III.6.5.j.2, III.8.5.k.2, III.10.1.b, and III.11.3.a.2, the Standing Commission on Ministry and Formation (or the committee of the Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons; or the task force specially designated by the General Convention) shall consult with (i) at least two experts in the field of medicine; (ii) at least two experts in the field of psychology; (iii) persons of all orders knowledgeable about and involved in diocesan ordination processes, such as persons serving on Commissions on Ministry or other discernment bodies, Standing Committees, bishops, and other

persons serving in other discernment-related roles; and for forms designed for persons being evaluated as bishops, bishops-elect or nominees for bishop (iv) the Office of Pastoral Development; and be it further

Resolved, That if a Standing Commission on Ministry and Formation is created that Canons III.6.5.j.2, III.8.5.k.2, III.10.1.b, and III.11.3.a.2 be amended as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Canon III.6.5.j.2

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

j. Within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Deacon, the following must be accomplished

1. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee.

2. medical and psychological evaluation by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by the Standing Commission on Ministry and Formation in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral.

Canon III.8.5.k.2

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

a. The Bishop and the Commission shall work with the Postulant or Candidate to develop and monitor a program of preparation for ordination to the Priesthood and to ensure that pastoral guidance is provided throughout the period of preparation.

b. If the Postulant or Candidate has not previously obtained a baccalaureate degree, the Commission, Bishop, and Postulant or Candidate shall design a program of such additional academic work as may be necessary to prepare the Postulant or Candidate to undertake a program of theological education.

c. Formation shall take into account the local culture and each Postulant or Candidate's background, age, occupation, and ministry.

d. Prior education and learning from life experience may be considered as part of the formation required for the Priesthood.

e. Whenever possible, formation for the Priesthood shall take place in community, including other persons in preparation for the Priesthood, or others preparing for ministry.

f. Formation shall include theological training, practical experience, emotional development, and spiritual formation.

g. Subject areas for study during this program of preparation shall include:

1. The Holy Scriptures.
2. History of the Christian Church.
3. Christian Theology.
4. Christian Ethics and Moral Theology.
5. Christian Worship according to the use of the Book of Common Prayer, the Hymnal, and authorized supplemental texts.
6. The Practice of Ministry in contemporary society, including leadership, evangelism, stewardship, ecumenism, interfaith relations, mission theology, and the historical and contemporary experience of racial and minority groups.

h. Preparation for ordination shall include training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct against both children and adults.
2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.
3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof, utilizing, but not limited to use of, the Title IV training website of The Episcopal Church.
4. the Church's teaching on racism.

i. Each Postulant or Candidate for ordination to the Priesthood shall communicate with the Bishop in person or by letter, four times a year, in the Ember Weeks, reflecting on the Candidate's academic experience and personal and spiritual development.

j. The seminary or other formation program shall provide for, monitor, and report on the academic performance and personal qualifications of the Postulant or Candidate for ordination. These reports will be made upon request of the Bishop and Commission, but at least once per year.

k. Within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Deacon under this Canon, the following must be accomplished

1. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee.

2. medical and psychological evaluation by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by the Standing Commission on Ministry and Formation in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention, and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral.

I. Reports of all investigations and examinations shall be kept permanently on file by the Bishop and remain a part of the permanent diocesan record.

Canon III.10.1.b

Sec. 1. Prior to reception or ordination, the following must be provided

b. medical and psychological evaluation by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by the Standing Commission on Ministry and Formation in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral. All such background checks and evaluations shall be conducted specifically for the ordination or reception under this Canon and not for any other process or purpose.

Canon III.11.3.a.2

Sec. 3

a. The Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop has been elected shall by its President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, immediately send to the Presiding Bishop and to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses a certificate of the election by the Secretary of Convention of the Diocese, bearing a statement of receipt of:

1. evidence of the Bishop-elect's having been duly ordered Deacon and Priest;

2. certificates from a licensed medical doctor and licensed psychiatrist, authorized by the Presiding Bishop, that they have thoroughly examined the Bishop-elect as to that person's medical, psychological and psychiatric condition and have not discovered any reason why the person would not be fit to undertake the work for which the person has been chosen. Forms and procedures agreed to by the Presiding Bishop and the Standing Commission on Ministry and Formation in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention shall be used for this purpose; and

3. evidence that a testimonial in the following form was signed by a constitutional majority of the Convention:

We, whose names are hereunder written, fully sensible of how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the

Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we believe the Reverend A.B. to have been duly and lawfully elected and to be of such sufficiency in learning, of such soundness in the Faith, and of such godly character as to be able to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honor of God and the edifying of the Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Date)_____

(Signed)_____

The Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify every Bishop of this Church exercising jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop's receipt of the certificates mentioned in this Section and request a statement of consent or withholding of consent. Each Standing Committee, in not more than one hundred and twenty days after the sending by the electing body of the certificate of the election, shall respond by sending the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected either the testimonial of consent in the form set out in paragraph (b) of this Section or written notice of its refusal to give consent. If a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses consents to the ordination of the Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected shall then forward the evidence of the consent, with the other necessary certificates required in this Section (documents described in Sec. 3.a.2 of this Canon), to the Presiding Bishop. If the Presiding Bishop receives sufficient statements to indicate a majority of those Bishops consent to the ordination, the Presiding Bishop shall, without delay, notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected and the Bishop-elect of the consent.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Canon III.6.5.j.2

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

j. Within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Deacon, the following must be accomplished

1. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee.

2. medical and psychological evaluation by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by ~~The Church Pension Fund~~, *the Standing Commission on Ministry and Formation in accordance with principles*

and directions adopted by the General Convention and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral.

Canon III.8.5.k.2

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

- a.** The Bishop and the Commission shall work with the Postulant or Candidate to develop and monitor a program of preparation for ordination to the Priesthood and to ensure that pastoral guidance is provided throughout the period of preparation.
- b.** If the Postulant or Candidate has not previously obtained a baccalaureate degree, the Commission, Bishop, and Postulant or Candidate shall design a program of such additional academic work as may be necessary to prepare the Postulant or Candidate to undertake a program of theological education.
- c.** Formation shall take into account the local culture and each Postulant or Candidate's background, age, occupation, and ministry.
- d.** Prior education and learning from life experience may be considered as part of the formation required for the Priesthood.
- e.** Whenever possible, formation for the Priesthood shall take place in community, including other persons in preparation for the Priesthood, or others preparing for ministry.
- f.** Formation shall include theological training, practical experience, emotional development, and spiritual formation.
- g.** Subject areas for study during this program of preparation shall include:
 - 1. The Holy Scriptures.
 - 2. History of the Christian Church.
 - 3. Christian Theology.
 - 4. Christian Ethics and Moral Theology.
 - 5. Christian Worship according to the use of the Book of Common Prayer, the Hymnal, and authorized supplemental texts.
 - 6. The Practice of Ministry in contemporary society, including leadership, evangelism, stewardship, ecumenism, interfaith relations, mission theology, and the historical and contemporary experience of racial and minority groups.
- h.** Preparation for ordination shall include training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct against both children and adults.
2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.
3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof, utilizing, but not limited to use of, the Title IV training website of The Episcopal Church.
4. the Church's teaching on racism.

i. Each Postulant or Candidate for ordination to the Priesthood shall communicate with the Bishop in person or by letter, four times a year, in the Ember Weeks, reflecting on the Candidate's academic experience and personal and spiritual development.

j. The seminary or other formation program shall provide for, monitor, and report on the academic performance and personal qualifications of the Postulant or Candidate for ordination. These reports will be made upon request of the Bishop and Commission, but at least once per year.

k. Within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Deacon under this Canon, the following must be accomplished

1. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee.
2. medical and psychological evaluation by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by ~~The Church Pension Fund~~ *the Standing Commission on Ministry and Formation in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention*, and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral.

l. Reports of all investigations and examinations shall be kept permanently on file by the Bishop and remain a part of the permanent diocesan record.

Canon III.10.1.b

Sec. 1. Prior to reception or ordination, the following must be provided

b. medical and psychological evaluation by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by ~~The Church Pension Fund~~, *the Standing Commission on Ministry and Formation in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention* and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral. ~~If the medical examination, psychological examination, or background check have taken place more than thirty-six months prior to reception or ordination they must be updated.~~ *All such background checks and evaluations shall be conducted specifically*

for the ordination or reception under this Canon and not for any other process or purpose.

Canon III.11.3.a.2

Sec. 3

a. The Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop has been elected shall by its President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, immediately send to the Presiding Bishop and to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses a certificate of the election by the Secretary of Convention of the Diocese, bearing a statement of receipt of:

1. evidence of the Bishop-elect's having been duly ordered Deacon and Priest;

2. certificates from a licensed medical doctor and licensed psychiatrist, authorized by the Presiding Bishop, that they have thoroughly examined the Bishop-elect as to that person's medical, psychological and psychiatric condition and have not discovered any reason why the person would not be fit to undertake the work for which the person has been chosen. Forms and procedures agreed to by the Presiding Bishop and ~~The Church Pension Fund~~ *the Standing Commission on Ministry and Formation in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention* shall be used for this purpose; and

3. evidence that a testimonial in the following form was signed by a constitutional majority of the Convention:

We, whose names are hereunder written, fully sensible of how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we believe the Reverend A.B. to have been duly and lawfully elected and to be of such sufficiency in learning, of such soundness in the Faith, and of such godly character as to be able to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honor of God and the edifying of the Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Date)_____

(Signed)_____

The Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify every Bishop of this Church exercising jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop's receipt of the certificates mentioned in this Section and request a statement of consent or withholding of consent. Each

Standing Committee, in not more than one hundred and twenty days after the sending by the electing body of the certificate of the election, shall respond by sending the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected either the testimonial of consent in the form set out in paragraph (b) of this Section or written notice of its refusal to give consent. If a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses consents to the ordination of the Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected shall then forward the evidence of the consent, with the other necessary certificates required in this Section (documents described in Sec. 3.a.2 of this Canon), to the Presiding Bishop. If the Presiding Bishop receives sufficient statements to indicate a majority of those Bishops consent to the ordination, the Presiding Bishop shall, without delay, notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected and the Bishop-elect of the consent.

And be it further

Resolved, That if a Standing Commission on Ministry and Formation is NOT created that Canons III.6.5.j.2, III.8.5.k.2, III.10.1.b, and III.11.3.a.2 be amended as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Canon III.6.5.j

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

j. Within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Deacon, the following must be accomplished

1. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee.
2. medical and psychological evaluation by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by a committee of the Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons or a task force assigned by the General Convention, in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention, and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral.

Canon III.10.1.b

Sec. 1. Prior to reception or ordination, the following must be provided

b. medical and psychological evaluation by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by a committee of the Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons or a task force assigned by the General Convention, in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention, and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral. If the medical examination, psychological examination, or background check have taken place more than thirty-six months prior to reception or ordination they must be updated.

Canon III.11.3.a.2

Sec. 3

a. The Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop has been elected shall by its President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, immediately send to the Presiding Bishop and to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses a certificate of the election by the Secretary of Convention of the Diocese, bearing a statement of receipt of:

1. evidence of the Bishop-elect's having been duly ordered Deacon and Priest;

2. certificates from a licensed medical doctor and licensed psychiatrist, authorized by the Presiding Bishop, that they have thoroughly examined the Bishop-elect as to that person's medical, psychological and psychiatric condition and have not discovered any reason why the person would not be fit to undertake the work for which the person has been chosen. Forms and procedures agreed to by the Presiding Bishop and a committee of the Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons or a task force assigned by the General Convention, in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention; and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral. If the medical examination, psychological examination, or background check have taken place more than thirty-six months prior to reception or ordination they must be updated.

3. evidence that a testimonial in the following form was signed by a constitutional majority of the Convention:

We, whose names are hereunder written, fully sensible of how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we believe the Reverend A.B. to have been duly and lawfully elected and to be of such sufficiency in learning, of such soundness in the Faith, and of such godly character as to be able to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honor of God and the edifying of the Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Date)_____

(Signed)_____

The Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify every Bishop of this Church exercising jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop's receipt of the certificates mentioned in this Section and request a statement of consent or withholding of consent. Each Standing Committee, in not more than one hundred and twenty days after the sending by the electing body of the certificate of the election, shall respond by sending the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected either the testimonial of consent in the form set out in paragraph b. of this Section or written notice of its refusal to give consent. If a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses consents to the ordination of the Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected shall then forward the evidence of the consent, with the other necessary certificates required in this Section (documents described in Sec. 3.a.2 of this Canon), to the Presiding Bishop. If the Presiding Bishop receives sufficient statements to indicate a majority of those Bishops consent to the ordination, the Presiding Bishop shall, without delay, notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected and the Bishop-elect of the consent.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Canon III.6.5.j

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

j. Within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Deacon, the following must be accomplished

1. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee.
2. medical and psychological evaluation by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by ~~The Church Pension Fund~~, a *committee of the Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons or a task force assigned by the General Convention, in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention*, and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral.

Canon III.10.1.b

Sec. 1. Prior to reception or ordination, the following must be provided

b. medical and psychological evaluation by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by ~~The Church Pension Fund~~, *a committee of the Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons or a task force assigned by the General Convention, in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention*, and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral. If the medical examination, psychological examination, or background check have taken place more than thirty-six months prior to reception or ordination they must be updated.

Canon III.11.3.a.2

Sec. 3

a. The Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop has been elected shall by its President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, immediately send to the Presiding Bishop and to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses a certificate of the election by the Secretary of Convention of the Diocese, bearing a statement of receipt of:

1. evidence of the Bishop-elect's having been duly ordered Deacon and Priest;

2. certificates from a licensed medical doctor and licensed psychiatrist, authorized by the Presiding Bishop, that they have thoroughly examined the Bishop-elect as to that person's medical, psychological and psychiatric condition and have not discovered any reason why the person would not be fit to undertake the work for which the person has been chosen. Forms and procedures agreed to by the Presiding Bishop and ~~The Church Pension Fund~~, *a committee of the Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons or a task force assigned by the General Convention, in accordance with principles and directions adopted by the General Convention*; and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral. If the medical examination, psychological examination, or background check have taken place more than thirty-six months prior to reception or ordination they must be updated.

3. evidence that a testimonial in the following form was signed by a constitutional majority of the Convention:

We, whose names are hereunder written, fully sensible of how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we believe the Reverend A.B. to have been duly and lawfully elected and to be of such sufficiency in learning, of such soundness in the Faith, and of such godly character as to be able to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honor of God and the

edifying of the Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Date)_____

(Signed)_____

The Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify every Bishop of this Church exercising jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop's receipt of the certificates mentioned in this Section and request a statement of consent or withholding of consent. Each Standing Committee, in not more than one hundred and twenty days after the sending by the electing body of the certificate of the election, shall respond by sending the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected either the testimonial of consent in the form set out in paragraph b. of this Section or written notice of its refusal to give consent. If a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses consents to the ordination of the Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected shall then forward the evidence of the consent, with the other necessary certificates required in this Section (documents described in Sec. 3.a.2 of this Canon), to the Presiding Bishop. If the Presiding Bishop receives sufficient statements to indicate a majority of those Bishops consent to the ordination, the Presiding Bishop shall, without delay, notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected and the Bishop-elect of the consent.

A083 - Amend Various Canons Regarding Screening Prior to Ordination or Reception

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Task Force to Assist the Office of Pastoral Development

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon III.6.5.j.2 be amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

III.6.

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

a. The Bishop and the Commission shall work with the Postulant or Candidate to develop and monitor a program of preparation for ordination to the Diaconate in accordance with this Canon to ensure that pastoral guidance is provided throughout the period of preparation.

b. The Bishop may assign the Postulant or Candidate to any congregation of the Diocese or other community of faith after consultation with the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight.

c. Formation shall take into account the local culture and each Postulant or Candidate's background, age, occupation, and ministry.

d. Prior education and learning from life experience may be considered as part of the formation required for ordination.

e. Wherever possible, formation for the Diaconate shall take place in community, including other persons in preparation for the Diaconate, or others preparing for ministry.

f. Before ordination each Candidate shall be prepared in and demonstrate basic competence in five general areas:

1. Academic studies including, The Holy Scriptures, theology, and the tradition of the Church.
2. Diakonia and the diaconate.
3. Human awareness and understanding.
4. Spiritual development and discipline.
5. Practical training and experience.

g. Preparation for ordination shall include training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct against both children and adults.
2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.
3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof.
4. the Church's teaching on racism.

h. Each Candidate for ordination to the Diaconate shall communicate with the Bishop in person or by letter, four times a year, in the Ember Weeks, reflecting on the Candidate's academic, diaconal, human, spiritual, and practical development.

i. During Candidacy each Candidate's progress shall be evaluated from time to time, and there shall be a written report of the evaluation by those authorized by the Commission to be in charge of the evaluation program. Upon certification by those in charge of the Candidate's program of preparation that the Candidate has successfully completed preparation and is ready for ordination, a final written assessment of readiness for ordination to the Diaconate shall be prepared as determined by the Bishop in consultation with the Commission. This report shall include a recommendation from the Commission regarding the readiness of the Candidate for ordination. Records shall be kept of all evaluations, assessments, and the recommendation, and shall be made available to the Standing Committee.

j. Within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Deacon, the following must be accomplished

1. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee.

2. medical, psychological, and substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns evaluations by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by The Church Pension Fund, and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral.

k. Reports of all investigations and examinations shall be kept permanently on file by the Bishop and remain a part of the permanent diocesan record.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.8.5.k.2 be amended as follows:

III.8.

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

a. The Bishop and the Commission shall work with the Postulant or Candidate to develop and monitor a program of preparation for ordination to the Priesthood and to ensure that pastoral guidance is provided throughout the period of preparation.

b. If the Postulant or Candidate has not previously obtained a baccalaureate degree, the Commission, Bishop, and Postulant or Candidate shall design a program of such additional academic work as may be necessary to prepare the Postulant or Candidate to undertake a program of theological education.

c. Formation shall take into account the local culture and each Postulant or Candidate's background, age, occupation, and ministry.

d. Prior education and learning from life experience may be considered as part of the formation required for the Priesthood.

e. Whenever possible, formation for the Priesthood shall take place in community, including other persons in preparation for the Priesthood, or others preparing for ministry.

f. Formation shall include theological training, practical experience, emotional development, and spiritual formation.

g. Subject areas for study during this program of preparation shall include:

1. The Holy Scriptures.
2. History of the Christian Church.
3. Christian Theology.
4. Christian Ethics and Moral Theology.

5. Christian Worship according to the use of the Book of Common Prayer, the Hymnal, and authorized supplemental texts.

6. The Practice of Ministry in contemporary society, including leadership, evangelism, stewardship, ecumenism, interfaith relations, mission theology, and the historical and contemporary experience of racial and minority groups.

h. Preparation for ordination shall include training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct against both children and adults.

2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.

3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof, utilizing, but not limited to use of, the Title IV training website of The Episcopal Church.

4. the Church's teaching on racism.

i. Each Postulant or Candidate for ordination to the Priesthood shall communicate with the Bishop in person or by letter, four times a year, in the Ember Weeks, reflecting on the Candidate's academic experience and personal and spiritual development.

j. The seminary or other formation program shall provide for, monitor, and report on the academic performance and personal qualifications of the Postulant or Candidate for ordination. These reports will be made upon request of the Bishop and Commission, but at least once per year.

k. Within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Deacon under this Canon, the following must be accomplished

1. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee.

2. medical, psychological, and substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns evaluations by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by The Church Pension Fund, and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral.

l. Reports of all investigations and examinations shall be kept permanently on file by the Bishop and remain a part of the permanent diocesan record.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.8.7.a.3 be amended as follows:

III.8.7.

Sec. 7. Ordination to the Priesthood

a. A person may be ordained Priest:

1. after at least six months since ordination as a Deacon under this Canon and eighteen months from the time of acceptance of nomination by the Nominee as provided in III.8.2.b, and
2. upon attainment of at least twenty-four years of age, and
3. if the medical evaluation, psychological evaluation, substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns evaluation, and background check have taken place or been updated within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Priest.

b. The Bishop shall obtain in writing and provide to the Standing Committee:

1. an application from the Deacon requesting ordination as a Priest, including the Deacon's dates of admission to Postulancy and Candidacy and ordination as a Deacon under this Canon,
2. a letter of support from the Deacon's congregation or other community of faith, signed by at least two-thirds of the Vestry and the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight,
3. evidence of admission to Postulancy and Candidacy, including dates of admission, and ordination to the Diaconate,
4. a certificate from the seminary or other program of preparation, written at the completion of the program of preparation, showing the Deacon's scholastic record in the subjects required by the Canons, and giving an evaluation with recommendation as to the Deacon's other personal qualifications for ordination together with a recommendation regarding ordination to the Priesthood, and
5. a statement from the Commission attesting to the successful completion of the program of formation designed during Postulancy under Canon III.8.5, and proficiency in the required areas of study, and recommending the Deacon for ordination to the Priesthood.

c. On the receipt of such certificates, the Standing Committee, a majority of all the members consenting, shall certify that the canonical requirements for ordination to the Priesthood have been met and there is no sufficient objection on medical, psychological, moral, or spiritual grounds and that they recommend ordination, by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the form specified below and signed by the consenting members of the Standing Committee.

To the Right Reverend _____, Bishop of _____ We, the Standing Committee of _____, having been duly convened at _____, do testify

that A.B., desiring to be ordained to the Priesthood, has presented to us the certificates as required by the Canons indicating A.B.'s preparedness for ordination to the Priesthood have been met; and we certify that all canonical requirements for ordination to the Priesthood have been met, and we find no sufficient objection to ordination. Therefore, we recommend A.B. for ordination. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord _____.

(Signed) _____

d. The testimonial having been presented to the Bishop, and there being no sufficient objection on medical, psychological, moral, or spiritual grounds, the Bishop may ordain the Deacon to the Priesthood; and at the time of ordination the Deacon shall subscribe publicly and make, in the presence of the Bishop, the declaration required in Article VIII of the Constitution.

e. No Deacon shall be ordained to the Priesthood until having been appointed to serve in a Parochial Cure within the jurisdiction of this Church, or as a Missionary under the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Diocese, or as an officer of a Missionary Society recognized by the General Convention, or as a Chaplain of the Armed Services of the United States, or as a Chaplain in a recognized hospital or other welfare institution, or as a Chaplain or instructor in a school, college, or other seminary, or with other opportunity for the exercise of the office of Priest within the Church judged appropriate by the Bishop.

f. A person ordained to the Diaconate under Canon III.6 who subsequently expresses a call to the Priesthood shall apply to the Bishop Diocesan and the Commission on Ministry. The Commission on Ministry and Bishop Diocesan shall ensure that the Deacon meets the formational requirements set forth in III.8.5.g and shall recommend such additional steps as may be necessary and required. Upon completion of these requirements and those required for Postulancy and Candidacy as set forth in Canon III.8, the Deacon may be ordained to the Priesthood.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.10.1.b be amended as follows:

III.10.

Sec. 1. Prior to reception or ordination, the following must be provided

a. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee, and

b. medical, psychological, and substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns evaluations by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by The Church Pension Fund, and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral. If the medical examination, psychological examination, or background check have taken place more than thirty-six months prior to reception or ordination they must be updated.

c. evidence of training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct.
2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.
3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof.
4. training regarding the Church's teaching on racism.

d. Reports of all investigations and examinations shall be kept permanently on file by the Bishop and remain a part of the permanent diocesan record.

e. Prior to reception or ordination each clergy person shall be assigned a mentor Priest by the Bishop in consultation with the Commission on Ministry. The mentor and clergy person shall meet regularly to provide the clergy person an opportunity for guidance, information, and a sustained dialogue about ministry in The Episcopal Church.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.11.3.a.2 be amended as follows:

III.11.

Sec. 3

a. The Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop has been elected shall by its President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, immediately send to the Presiding Bishop and to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses a certificate of the election by the Secretary of Convention of the Diocese, bearing a statement of receipt of:

1. evidence of the Bishop-elect's having been duly ordered Deacon and Priest;
2. certificates from a licensed medical doctor and licensed psychiatrist, authorized by the Presiding Bishop, that they have thoroughly examined the Bishop-elect as to that person's medical, psychological, psychiatric and substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns conditions and have not discovered any reason why the person would not be fit to undertake the work for which the person has been chosen. Forms and procedures agreed to by the Presiding Bishop and The Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose; and
3. evidence that a testimonial in the following form was signed by a constitutional majority of the Convention:
We, whose names are hereunder written, fully sensible of how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this

solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we believe the Reverend A.B. to have been duly and lawfully elected and to be of such sufficiency in learning, of such soundness in the Faith, and of such godly character as to be able to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honor of God and the edifying of the Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Date) _____

(Signed) _____

The Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify every Bishop of this Church exercising jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop's receipt of the certificates mentioned in this Section and request a statement of consent or withholding of consent. Each Standing Committee, in not more than one hundred and twenty days after the sending by the electing body of the certificate of the election, shall respond by sending the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected either the testimonial of consent in the form set out in paragraph (b) of this Section or written notice of its refusal to give consent. If a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses consents to the ordination of the Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected shall then forward the evidence of the consent, with the other necessary certificates required in this Section (documents described in Sec. 3.a.2 of this Canon), to the Presiding Bishop. If the Presiding Bishop receives sufficient statements to indicate a majority of those Bishops consent to the ordination, the Presiding Bishop shall, without delay, notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected and the Bishop-elect of the consent.

b. Evidence of the consent of each Standing Committee shall be a testimonial in the following words, signed by a majority of all the members of the Committee:

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of , and having been duly convened, fully sensible how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Order. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this ____ day of ____ in the year of our Lord ____.

(Signed) _____

c. Testimonials required of the Standing Committee by this Title must be signed by a majority of the whole Committee, at a meeting duly convened, except that testimonials may be executed in counterparts, any of which may be delivered by facsimile or other electronic transmission, each of which shall be deemed an original.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

III.6.

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

a. The Bishop and the Commission shall work with the Postulant or Candidate to develop and monitor a program of preparation for ordination to the Diaconate in accordance with this Canon to ensure that pastoral guidance is provided throughout the period of preparation.

b. The Bishop may assign the Postulant or Candidate to any congregation of the Diocese or other community of faith after consultation with the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight.

c. Formation shall take into account the local culture and each Postulant or Candidate's background, age, occupation, and ministry.

d. Prior education and learning from life experience may be considered as part of the formation required for ordination.

e. Wherever possible, formation for the Diaconate shall take place in community, including other persons in preparation for the Diaconate, or others preparing for ministry.

f. Before ordination each Candidate shall be prepared in and demonstrate basic competence in five general areas:

1. Academic studies including, The Holy Scriptures, theology, and the tradition of the Church.
2. Diakonia and the diaconate.
3. Human awareness and understanding.
4. Spiritual development and discipline.
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g. Preparation for ordination shall include training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct against both children and adults.
2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.

3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof.
4. the Church's teaching on racism.

h. Each Candidate for ordination to the Diaconate shall communicate with the Bishop in person or by letter, four times a year, in the Ember Weeks, reflecting on the Candidate's academic, diaconal, human, spiritual, and practical development.

i. During Candidacy each Candidate's progress shall be evaluated from time to time, and there shall be a written report of the evaluation by those authorized by the Commission to be in charge of the evaluation program. Upon certification by those in charge of the Candidate's program of preparation that the Candidate has successfully completed preparation and is ready for ordination, a final written assessment of readiness for ordination to the Diaconate shall be prepared as determined by the Bishop in consultation with the Commission. This report shall include a recommendation from the Commission regarding the readiness of the Candidate for ordination. Records shall be kept of all evaluations, assessments, and the recommendation, and shall be made available to the Standing Committee.

j. Within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Deacon, the following must be accomplished

1. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee.
2. medical, ~~and~~ psychological, *and substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns* evaluations by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by The Church Pension Fund, and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral.

k. Reports of all investigations and examinations shall be kept permanently on file by the Bishop and remain a part of the permanent diocesan record.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.8.5.k.2 be amended as follows:

III.8.

Sec. 5. Preparation for Ordination

a. The Bishop and the Commission shall work with the Postulant or Candidate to develop and monitor a program of preparation for ordination to the Priesthood and to ensure that pastoral guidance is provided throughout the period of preparation.

b. If the Postulant or Candidate has not previously obtained a baccalaureate degree, the Commission, Bishop, and Postulant or Candidate shall design a program of such additional

academic work as may be necessary to prepare the Postulant or Candidate to undertake a program of theological education.

c. Formation shall take into account the local culture and each Postulant or Candidate's background, age, occupation, and ministry.

d. Prior education and learning from life experience may be considered as part of the formation required for the Priesthood.

e. Whenever possible, formation for the Priesthood shall take place in community, including other persons in preparation for the Priesthood, or others preparing for ministry.

f. Formation shall include theological training, practical experience, emotional development, and spiritual formation.

g. Subject areas for study during this program of preparation shall include:

1. The Holy Scriptures.
2. History of the Christian Church.
3. Christian Theology.
4. Christian Ethics and Moral Theology.
5. Christian Worship according to the use of the Book of Common Prayer, the Hymnal, and authorized supplemental texts.
6. The Practice of Ministry in contemporary society, including leadership, evangelism, stewardship, ecumenism, interfaith relations, mission theology, and the historical and contemporary experience of racial and minority groups.

h. Preparation for ordination shall include training regarding

1. prevention of sexual misconduct against both children and adults.
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3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof, utilizing, but not limited to use of, the Title IV training website of The Episcopal Church.
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i. Each Postulant or Candidate for ordination to the Priesthood shall communicate with the Bishop in person or by letter, four times a year, in the Ember Weeks, reflecting on the Candidate's academic experience and personal and spiritual development.

j. The seminary or other formation program shall provide for, monitor, and report on the academic performance and personal qualifications of the Postulant or Candidate for ordination. These reports will be made upon request of the Bishop and Commission, but at least once per year.

k. Within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Deacon under this Canon, the following must be accomplished

1. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee.

2. medical, ~~and~~ psychological, *and substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns* evaluations by professionals approved by the Bishop, using forms prepared for the purpose by The Church Pension Fund, and if desired or necessary, psychiatric referral.

l. Reports of all investigations and examinations shall be kept permanently on file by the Bishop and remain a part of the permanent diocesan record.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.8.7.a.3 be amended as follows:

III.8.7.

Sec. 7. Ordination to the Priesthood

a. A person may be ordained Priest:

1. after at least six months since ordination as a Deacon under this Canon and eighteen months from the time of acceptance of nomination by the Nominee as provided in III.8.2.b, and

2. upon attainment of at least twenty-four years of age, and

3. if the medical evaluation, psychological evaluation, *substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns evaluation*, and background check have taken place or been updated within thirty-six months prior to ordination as a Priest.

b. The Bishop shall obtain in writing and provide to the Standing Committee:

1. an application from the Deacon requesting ordination as a Priest, including the Deacon's dates of admission to Postulancy and Candidacy and ordination as a Deacon under this Canon,

2. a letter of support from the Deacon's congregation or other community of faith, signed by at least two-thirds of the Vestry and the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight,
3. evidence of admission to Postulancy and Candidacy, including dates of admission, and ordination to the Diaconate,
4. a certificate from the seminary or other program of preparation, written at the completion of the program of preparation, showing the Deacon's scholastic record in the subjects required by the Canons, and giving an evaluation with recommendation as to the Deacon's other personal qualifications for ordination together with a recommendation regarding ordination to the Priesthood, and
5. a statement from the Commission attesting to the successful completion of the program of formation designed during Postulancy under Canon III.8.5, and proficiency in the required areas of study, and recommending the Deacon for ordination to the Priesthood.

c. On the receipt of such certificates, the Standing Committee, a majority of all the members consenting, shall certify that the canonical requirements for ordination to the Priesthood have been met and there is no sufficient objection on medical, psychological, moral, or spiritual grounds and that they recommend ordination, by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the form specified below and signed by the consenting members of the Standing Committee.

To the Right Reverend _____, Bishop of _____ We, the Standing Committee of _____, having been duly convened at _____, do testify that A.B., desiring to be ordained to the Priesthood, has presented to us the certificates as required by the Canons indicating A.B.'s preparedness for ordination to the Priesthood have been met; and we certify that all canonical requirements for ordination to the Priesthood have been met, and we find no sufficient objection to ordination. Therefore, we recommend A.B. for ordination. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord _____.

(Signed) _____

d. The testimonial having been presented to the Bishop, and there being no sufficient objection on medical, psychological, moral, or spiritual grounds, the Bishop may ordain the Deacon to the Priesthood; and at the time of ordination the Deacon shall subscribe publicly and make, in the presence of the Bishop, the declaration required in Article VIII of the Constitution.

e. No Deacon shall be ordained to the Priesthood until having been appointed to serve in a Parochial Cure within the jurisdiction of this Church, or as a Missionary under the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Diocese, or as an officer of a Missionary Society recognized by the General Convention, or as a Chaplain of the Armed Services of the United States, or as a Chaplain in a recognized hospital or other welfare institution, or as a Chaplain or instructor

in a school, college, or other seminary, or with other opportunity for the exercise of the office of Priest within the Church judged appropriate by the Bishop.

f. A person ordained to the Diaconate under Canon III.6 who subsequently expresses a call to the Priesthood shall apply to the Bishop Diocesan and the Commission on Ministry. The Commission on Ministry and Bishop Diocesan shall ensure that the Deacon meets the formational requirements set forth in III.8.5.g and shall recommend such additional steps as may be necessary and required. Upon completion of these requirements and those required for Postulancy and Candidacy as set forth in Canon III.8, the Deacon may be ordained to the Priesthood.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.10.1.b be amended as follows:

III.10.

Sec. 1. Prior to reception or ordination, the following must be provided

a. a background check, according to criteria established by the Bishop and Standing Committee, and

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III.11.

Sec. 3

a. The Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop has been elected shall by its President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, immediately send to the Presiding Bishop and to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses a certificate of the election by the Secretary of Convention of the Diocese, bearing a statement of receipt of:

1. evidence of the Bishop-elect's having been duly ordered Deacon and Priest;
2. certificates from a licensed medical doctor and licensed psychiatrist, authorized by the Presiding Bishop, that they have thoroughly examined the Bishop-elect as to that person's medical, psychological, ~~and~~ *psychiatric and substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns* conditions and have not discovered any reason why the person would not be fit to undertake the work for which the person has been chosen. Forms and procedures agreed to by the Presiding Bishop and The Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose; and

3. evidence that a testimonial in the following form was signed by a constitutional majority of the Convention:

We, whose names are hereunder written, fully sensible of how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we believe the Reverend A.B. to have been duly and lawfully elected and to be of such sufficiency in learning, of such soundness in the Faith, and of such godly character as to be able to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honor of God and the edifying of the Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Date) _____

(Signed) _____

The Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify every Bishop of this Church exercising jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop's receipt of the certificates mentioned in this Section and request a statement of consent or withholding of consent. Each Standing Committee, in not more than one hundred and twenty days after the sending by the electing body of the certificate of the election, shall respond by sending the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected either the testimonial of consent in the form set out in

paragraph (b) of this Section or written notice of its refusal to give consent. If a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses consents to the ordination of the Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected shall then forward the evidence of the consent, with the other necessary certificates required in this Section (documents described in Sec. 3.a.2 of this Canon), to the Presiding Bishop. If the Presiding Bishop receives sufficient statements to indicate a majority of those Bishops consent to the ordination, the Presiding Bishop shall, without delay, notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which the Bishop is elected and the Bishop-elect of the consent.

b. Evidence of the consent of each Standing Committee shall be a testimonial in the following words, signed by a majority of all the members of the Committee:

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of , and having been duly convened, fully sensible how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Reverend A.B. ought not to be ordained to that Holy Order. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this ____ day of ____ in the year of our Lord ____.

(Signed) _____

c. Testimonials required of the Standing Committee by this Title must be signed by a majority of the whole Committee, at a meeting duly convened, except that testimonials may be executed in counterparts, any of which may be delivered by facsimile or other electronic transmission, each of which shall be deemed an original.

A084 - HOB Pastoral Development Expenses

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: House of Bishops Committee on Pastoral Development

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$42,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: (2018 2022) 21 Joint Standing Committee
On Program, Budget And Finance

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That there be appropriated from the budget of the General Convention the sum of \$42,000 for the expenses of the House of Bishops Committee on Pastoral Development for the 2021-2024 Triennium.

A085 - Creation Of A Digital Hub For Formation Resources (In English, Spanish, And French)

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force on Theological Education Networking

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$30,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention instruct Executive Council to implement the recommendations of the Task Force on Formation and Ministry of the Baptized and the Task Force on Theological Networking to develop a plan for a sustainable digital hub for Episcopalians to access formation resources for lay and ordained vocations; and be it further

Resolved, That Executive Council present a report with the plan (to include recommended structure, content, staffing, timeline, and budget) to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That \$30,000 be budgeted for the work of developing this plan over the next triennium.

A086 - Continuing the Task Force for Care of Creation and Environmental Racism

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force on Care of Creation & Environmental Racism

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$850,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the General Convention affirm the Presiding Bishop's and the President of the House of Deputies' continued call to the Church to recognize Care of Creation and Environmental Justice as integral and ongoing parts of the Church's loving, liberating, and life-giving work; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention commend the good work done by the Task Force for Care of Creation and Environmental Racism in the triennium following the 2018 General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention authorize a Task Force for Care of Creation and Environmental Racism to continue this work on behalf of the Episcopal Church in the next triennium; and be it further

Resolved, That this Task Force of up to 20 persons be appointed jointly by the President of the House of Deputies and the Presiding Bishop, with members to include a geographically diverse representation from the Church mindful to include younger generations, persons of color and Native persons who are and will be disproportionately affected by climate change; and be it further

Resolved, That this Task Force submit a report to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the General Convention direct this Task Force to make as a priority the development and support of programs that respond to eco-justice concerns, address systemic environmental racism, and work to alleviate environmental burdens on indigenous communities. Ensure that programs can be modeled across the provinces of the Episcopal Church; and to provide training and financial and other resources to facilitate these projects; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention directs the Task Force to further expand, support and promote the Creation Care Covenant recognizing that this work seeks to align with the loving, liberating and life giving work of evangelism and beloved community; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention direct the Task Force to continue its work on developing theological resources and materials on a range of environmental topics including but not limited to the sin of environmental racism, an exploration of environmental reparations and the ethical and moral implications of responding to climate change; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention direct this Task Force to continue the work of the previous Advisory Council (GC 2015) and Task Force (GC 2018) to implement the carbon offset program, support the efforts for just transition, increase and utilize the capabilities of the Episcopal Asset Map to support and respond to environmental injustices and to establish the network of asset-based programs; to continue to work within the partnerships established in the previous triennium with environmental justice organizations nationwide; and to continue the grants program in order to accomplish the above objectives; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$850,000 during the triennium for the work outlined above.**

A087 - Net Carbon Neutrality by 2030

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Care of Creation & Environmental Racism

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$145,000.00

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 20 - Environmental Stewardship & Care of Creation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church commit to a goal of net carbon neutrality in its operations and the work of staff, standing commissions, interim bodies, and General Convention by 2030, through a combination of reducing emissions from travel, reducing energy use, increasing energy efficiency in buildings, and purchasing offsets from duly investigated, responsible, and ethical partners; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention encourage the Presiding Bishop's staff to take concrete actions to reduce fossil fuel emissions from travel by said groups, such as through online meetings or regional gatherings; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention encourage the Presiding Bishop's staff to draft a policy to offset one hundred percent of fossil fuel emissions from unavoidable travel by said groups, either through an internal offset program or through purchase from duly investigated, responsible, and ethical partners, with appropriate accountability and oversight; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$70,000 per year for the implementation of this resolution, taken from existing travel budgets, in order to offset approximately 3500 tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (the average annual travel emissions of said groups from previous years) at a rate of \$20 per ton; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention encourage the Presiding Bishop's staff to establish an internal offset program including such activities as carbon forestry and

regenerative agriculture, with appropriate oversight to ensure that the program meet the five commonly accepted traits of responsible offset programs: real, permanent, verifiable, additional, and enforceable; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$25,000 to establish this internal offset program, comprising \$15,000 to cover wages and benefits for a part-time Offset Specialist and \$10,000 for implementation and promotion of the program; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention encourage parishes, dioceses, schools, camps, and other Episcopal institutions to pursue their own goal of net carbon neutrality by 2030 through a combination of reducing emissions from travel, reducing energy use, increasing energy efficiency in buildings, and purchasing offsets from duly investigated, responsible, and ethical partners; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention request the diocesan bishops of every diocese to begin to build networks of landowners and creation trustees in each diocese who will devote portions of their land to reforestation, prairie restoration, wetland and coastland preservation; adopt and share regenerative agricultural and ranching practices; collaborate with neighboring dioceses for best water practices to protect our watersheds; collaborate on creative means of distributing food; and pray for future generations dependent on the land and water we steward; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That The Episcopal Church support and advocate for the subsistence rights of Indigenous people and policies that protect and preserve land and resources solely for subsistence use; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention encourage the Presiding Bishop's staff to develop and share resources for parishes and dioceses to commit to and work toward this goal, such as the online carbon tracker already created by the Diocese of California, as well as other online and print resources; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$50,000 to fund the development and promotion of these resources.**

A088 - Commit to the Pressing Work of Addressing Global Climate Change and Environmental Justice

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Care of Creation & Environmental Racism

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$20,000.00

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 20 - Environmental Stewardship & Care of Creation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognize as the Episcopal Church's position that global climate change is not only a scientific concern or environmental issue, but what the United Nations calls "the defining issue of our time... at a defining moment" (UN Secretary General, September 10, 2018), an all-encompassing social crisis and moral emergency that impacts and interconnects every aspect of pastoral concern including health, poverty, employment, racism, social justice, and family life and that can only be addressed by a Great Work involving every sector of society, including the Church; and affirm the commitment of the 79th General Convention to the House of Bishops' 2011 Pastoral Teaching on the Environment as an official position of the church; and be it further

Resolved, That the Church recommit to the work done by previous General Conventions of The Episcopal Church on the pressing moral dimensions of global climate change and environmental justice, including resolutions 2000-D005, 2012-B023, 2015-C013, 2015-C045, 2018-A011, 2018-A018, 2018-A020, 2018-B027, 2018-C020, 2018-C021, and 2018-C064; and that General Convention reaffirm that the Episcopal Church shall support and advocate for policies, programs, pastoral responses, and theologies that work to ensure no community - especially financially impoverished communities, frontline residents, migrants, and BIPOC communities (Black, indigenous, and people of color) - shall bear a disproportionate impact of the environmental, health, and economic threats of climate change; and be it further

***Resolved,* That General Convention affirm the decision of the United States federal government to rejoin the Paris Climate Accord, while recognizing that the goals set forth in the Paris Accord are only a first step, insufficient in and of themselves to fully contain rising global temperatures and their impacts; and that General Convention encourage the Presiding Bishop's staff to continue, through our ongoing role as observers at the United Nations, to participate in all meetings of the Conference of Parties (COP) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change during the next triennium via delegations selected from an applicant pool and made up primarily of Episcopalians from financially impoverished communities, frontline locations, and BIPOC communities; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$30,000 per triennium to support costs associated with travel to the COP conferences by delegation members who are not members of the Presiding Bishop's staff; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That The Episcopal Church direct the Office of Government Relations and the Episcopal Public Policy Network to advocate for legislation and other public policies that directly address the impact of climate change among marginalized, indigenous, and frontline communities and that tangibly and financially assist those communities with the costs of both climate change and mitigation, and policies that prohibit the authorization and construction of new fossil fuel infrastructure including but not limited to coal, oil, or gas leases on public lands, all forms of mountaintop removal mining, and tar sands pipelines such as Keystone XL, Enbridge Line #3, and the Dakota Access Pipeline; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That General Convention encourage all Church communities, especially parishes, dioceses, camps, conference centers, schools, and chaplaincies, to learn more about the pressing moral implications of climate change in their regions and existing local organizing efforts, then advocate for policies and solutions to address those local needs utilizing and adapting advocacy resources from General Convention and the Presiding Bishop's staff including the Episcopal Public Policy Network, asset map, carbon tracker, liturgical resources, and advocating at the local and state level, and incorporating local nature, environmental justice, and advocacy for creation care into all aspects of community life and Christian education.**

A089 - Resolution on Divestment & Just Transition

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Care of Creation & Environmental Racism

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$35,000.00

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 18 - Stewardship & Socially Responsible Investing

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention, affirming resolution 2015-C045 and 2018-D081, direct the Episcopal Church to continue to divest all funds from fossil fuel companies and mutual funds including fossil fuel companies, including but not limited to natural gas, oil, coal, and fracking, by 2025 and that these divested funds be reinvested in renewable energy funds and that no fossil fuels funds be purchased in the future; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses and congregations continue to explore the moral and ethical benefits of divesting from fossil fuel and reinvesting in renewable energy and support their fund managers to act on divestment and reinvestment; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention, also affirming resolution 2018-D081 and recognizing that many of our communities and congregations have been grown and sustained by fossil fuel industries, urge a pastoral and practical approach to just transition to new economies, and direct the Episcopal Church staff to form partnerships with existing just transition organizations to support our dioceses and congregations; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention urge the Church Pension Fund (CPF) to be mindful of the Church's desire to become increasingly invested in renewable and clean energy; and be it further

Resolved, **That the 80th General Convention request that the Church Pension Fund provide a report that includes a sustainability plan to the 81st General Convention; and be it further**

Resolved, **That the General Convention direct the Office of Governmental Relations to advocate for and support public policies that support a just transition for fossil fuel dependent communities.**

A090 - Allies for Recovery in the Episcopal Church

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force to Respond to Opioid Epidemic

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$40,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention urge all dioceses and parishes in The Episcopal Church to include www.generalconvention.org/sites/opioid-task-force on websites and encourage training, advocacy, and pastoral care resources for individuals, families, and communities affected by opioid addiction; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses and parishes designate persons within their region to be trained as Recovery Allies, encourage Naloxone training for members, and disseminate the SAMSHA Toolkit (available on website) to clergy and lay leaders; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Office of Government Relations of The Episcopal Church to continue advocacy for the federal government of the United States to address this as public health crisis, affirming that opioid use disorder is a disease, which needs adequate resources for treatment options; and be it further

Resolved, That the Church recognize that issues of substance use disorders, access to diagnosis and effective treatment, and lack of appropriate treatment for untreated or undertreated pain affect all communities, and there is a disproportionate effect on persons of color, persons with disabilities, and those affected by poverty; and be it further

Resolved, That congregations be urged to pray weekly during the Prayers of the People for those affected by substance use disorders and their families; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention designate an existing office to oversee website management, partner with seminaries and other organizations for Recovery Ally training; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$40,000 for implementation of this resolution.

A091 - Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bavaria-Episcopal Dialogue

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Task Force to Coordinate Ecumenical & Interreligious Work

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 19 - Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church receive and commend *Sharing the Gifts of Communion*, available in the report to the 80th General Convention of the Task Force to Coordinate Ecumenical and Interreligious Work, as the basis for a relationship of full communion to be established between The Episcopal Church and the Evangelische Lutherische Kirche in Bayern (ELKB) (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bavaria); and be it further

Resolved, That this document be shared widely within the church for discussion and comment, with a view of accepting it as the basis for establishing a relationship of full communion between the two churches when appropriate.

A092 - Churches Beyond Borders

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force to Coordinate Ecumenical & Interreligious Work

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 19 - Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church accept the Memorandum of Mutual Recognition of Relations of Full Communion dated September 26, 2018 by and among The Episcopal Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the Anglican Church of Canada and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (which can be found on the Ecumenical and Inter-religious page of The Episcopal Church's website at <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/ecumenical-interreligious/> and which shall be added to the Ecumenical and Interfaith Relationships page of the Archives upon acceptance of the Memorandum by the General Convention <https://www.episcopalarchives.org/sceir>) the basis for a relationship of full communion to be established among the four churches upon the acceptance of the Memorandum by each of the four churches; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognizes the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the Anglican Church of Canada, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada have previously accepted the Memorandum through actions of their respective governing bodies; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church request that the Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church, convey this action to the Presiding Bishops and Primates of the other churches that are a party to the Memorandum; and be it further

Resolved, That the acceptance of the Memorandum shall not affect or alter the current relationship of full communion between The Episcopal Church and the Anglican Church of Canada recognized by Canon I.20.1.a or the current relationship of full

communion between The Episcopal Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America recognized by Canon I.20.2; and be it further

Resolved, That the ecumenical officers of The Episcopal Church, working with the Task Force to Coordinate Ecumenical and Interreligious Work, establish policies and procedures to facilitate exchange of ministry between the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada as set forth in the Memorandum; and be it further

Resolved, That Canon I.20.1 be amended by adding a new subsection, as follows:

d. The Episcopal Church has a relationship of full communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada under the terms of the Memorandum of Mutual Recognition of Relations of Full Communion dated September 26, 2018 by and among The Episcopal Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the Anglican Church of Canada and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, which was accepted by the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church as Resolution 2022-A092.

A093 - The Episcopal Church-United Methodist Church Dialogue

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force to Coordinate Ecumenical & Interreligious Work

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 19 - Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention commends the current version of “A Gift to the World, Co-Laborers for the Healing of Brokenness,” which was prepared and distributed by The Episcopal Church-United Methodist Dialogue; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention encourages all Episcopalians to utilize the many resources available to understand the substance of this dialogue and its goal of full communion. Resources can be found on the websites of The Episcopal Church (episcopalchurch.org), the Episcopal Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers (edeio.org), and umc-tec.org, a website supporting full communion between the United Methodist Church and The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention expresses its particular, prayerful support for the LGBTQIA+ communities among both the lay and clergy members of the United Methodist Church; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention encourages and supports prayerful consideration by all Episcopalians during the coming triennium of this significant step forward in response to our Lord’s fervent wish “that all may be one.”

A094 - Affirm Ongoing Work and Dialogue with Ecumenical Partners

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force to Coordinate Ecumenical & Interreligious Work

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 19 - Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention joyfully affirms the continuation of the ecumenical dialogues in which The Episcopal Church is engaged: the Presbyterian Church (USA)-Episcopal Dialogue; the Anglican-Roman Catholic Dialogue (ARCUSA), and the work toward full communion with the United Methodist Church (UMC); and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention joyfully affirms the continuation of work of the dialogue with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bavaria (Evangelisch-Lutherische Kirche in Bayern) and commends the document *Sharing the Gifts of Communion* to the church for consideration; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention joyfully affirms the continued coordinating committee work with our full communion partners, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Moravian Church (Northern Province and Southern Province); and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention joyfully affirms our representation and participation in national ecumenical bodies, including the National Council of Churches (NCC), Churches Uniting in Christ (CUIC) and Christian Churches Together (CCT).

A095 - Celebrate and Support the Planting of New Episcopal Communities

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Church Planting and Congregational Redevelopment

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$5,800,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 11 - Evangelism & Church Planting

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention and the Episcopal Church celebrates and supports the planting of new congregations and ministries, the training and recruiting of planters and mission developers, and the fostering of a church-wide network of support for new ministry development that was originally funded by GC2018-A005 and GC2018-A032; and be it further

Resolved, That the Church continues to prioritize establishing new Episcopal communities and strengthening existing ones that are especially committed to mission and evangelism engaging people historically underserved and/or under-represented by the Church, for example, people of color, immigrants and refugees, youth, young adults, people who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender (LGBTQI+), gender non-conforming people, people living in poverty, people with disabilities and/or all others who are disenfranchised from the Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the budget for sustaining this new ministry development will be \$5,800,000.00 for 2022-2024 to be allocated as follows:

- \$200,000 to identify and support existing programs to train clergy and lay leaders in planting congregations
- \$600,000 to provide mentorship/coaching/training for planters of congregations

- **\$1,000,000 for the continuing development and implementation of a program to train bilingual/bi-cultural lay and ordained leaders in church planting for various cultural contexts**
- **\$500,000 to support a church-wide office staff person to oversee the planting network.**
- **\$3,000,000 for grants to new and existing church plants, to be administered by the Task Force for Church Planting in consultation with the Churchwide Office Staff Officer for church planting.**
- **\$500,000 for the support of leadership development programs for the next generation of church planters and ministry developers;**

And be it further

Resolved, That the Convention urges The Episcopal Church Development Office establish an advisory group to study the possibility of creating an endowment for church plants and evangelism; and be it further

Resolved, That Dioceses receiving money for planting new congregations under this program will be required to contribute significant, resource appropriate, and local funding to support the costs of any new plants; and be it further

Resolved, That the bishop or a diocesan advocate representing any diocese receiving funds shall take part in a cohort of church planting dioceses engaged in church planting and evangelism to share best practices and methods of supporting mission developers. Those dioceses not receiving grant funds are also invited to participate in the diocesan cohort; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention embrace the future of our Church by, after this Triennia, moving the funding for a church-wide office staff-person to oversee the planting network (Staff Officer for Church Planting) into the continuing budget for the Presiding Bishop's staff; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$5,800,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

A096 - Develop Sustainable Congregational Revitalization Ministries

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Church Planting and Congregational Redevelopment

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$2,000,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 11 - Evangelism & Church Planting

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention and the Episcopal Church celebrates and actively supports the revitalization of congregations, seeking not to restore past glories, but to move into the new callings of our loving, liberating, life-giving God; and be it further

Resolved, That the Church continues to prioritize the revitalization of congregations and a church-wide network of support for congregational revitalization work that was initiated by GC2018-A032; and be it further

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop and President of the House of Deputies establish an advisory group of not more than twelve (12) people, consisting of those with experience in revitalizing congregations, diocesan oversight of such work, working with evangelism and mission, to carry out provisions of this resolution, including making recommendations to Executive Council about grants to be awarded, helping to identify potential revitalizers, and developing a network of coaches, and working with staff on training church revitalizers; and be it further

Resolved, That in the revitalization of congregations, the Church continues to prioritize commitment to mission and evangelism engaging people historically underserved and/or under-represented by the Church, for example, people of color, immigrants and refugees, youth, young adults, people who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender (LGBTQI+), gender non-conforming people, people living in poverty, people with disabilities and/or all others who are disenfranchised from the Church; and be it further; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the budget for development of sustainable congregational revitalization throughout the Church will be \$2,000,000 for 2022-2024 to be allocated as follows:**

- **\$100,000 to engage Bishops and the diocesan representative(s) they appoint in development of a framework for congregational revitalization, identifying roadblocks that regularly thwart this work and identifying resources that are proven to enhance this work;**
- **\$100,000 to engage clergy and lay leaders in gleaning learnings from congregational revitalization that they have successfully done and/or they have failed in attempts to do, identifying roadblocks that have thwarted their work and identifying resources that have enhanced their work;**
- **\$100,000 for translation services and to facilitate participation of Spanish-speaking lay and ordained leaders in training for congregational revitalization;**
- **\$200,000 for further development of five-phase congregational redevelopment strategy - (1) diagnosing/assessing resources and challenges, (2) discerning next calling, (3) connecting with local and diocesan partners, (4) iterating and continued resourcing, and (5) evaluating, refining and sustaining**
- **\$1,000,000 to support a team of local and regional church-wide office staff to oversee the work; and**
- **\$500,000 to provide mentorship/coaching/training for lay and ordained leaders in revitalization of their congregations.**

And be it further

***Resolved,* That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$2,000,000 for the implementation of this resolution.**

A097 - Evaluating Experiments in Adaptive Change

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the Presiding Officers' decision to convene legislative committees and resolution hearings in advance of the 80th General Convention be commended as an experiment that can help the Episcopal Church learn more about how to adapt its structures and governance to the post-COVID world; and be it further

Resolved, That Executive Council conduct, with professional support from program evaluation specialists, an evaluation of the process by which legislative committees and resolution hearings convened online in advance of General Convention and of the outcomes for the church; and be it further

Resolved, That the evaluation include assessment of the ways in which conducting legislative committee business online promoted or hindered diversity, equity and inclusion and the involvement of people in the wider church, particularly people of color, people younger than age 40, and people from dioceses outside the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That Executive Council conduct this program evaluation with the intent of creating a model for evaluation of future adaptive change experiments, defined as adaptive thinking, innovative ideas, and fresh approaches to the Church's leadership, organizational thinking, and common life, recognizing that the Episcopal Church must continue to change and evolve in order to respond to God's mission in all of its contexts.

A098 - On Online Tools for Adaptive Leadership

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$250,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Executive Council to oversee the evaluation of current and development of new collaborative online tools that can facilitate the work of interim bodies committed to leading adaptive change in the Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the chair and vice-chair of Executive Council, in consultation with the Executive Council Joint Standing Committee on Governance and Operations, appoint a task force of experienced churchwide leaders to evaluate Microsoft Teams and make recommendations about the range of communication and collaboration tools needed to support adaptive change work, including tools that will facilitate real-time collaboration, be responsive on mobile devices, and entirely replace the current Extranet platform; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention Office be directed to collaborate with the task force in their evaluation and recommendations for such tools in time for use by the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That \$250,000 be budgeted for the subscription, development and implementation of these tools.

A099 - Research Capacity for The Episcopal Church

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$450,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church establish and fund significant professional research expertise and capacity to collect, aggregate, analyze, and publish data to support and bring insight, facts and understanding to the work of the General Convention, the Executive Council and all commissions, committees, boards and task forces of the church; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church prioritize developing data expertise and capacity to advance adaptive change processes, including experimentation and evaluation, that can invigorate the church's participation in God's mission in the 21st century; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$450,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

A100 - Grants for Becoming Beloved Community

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Presiding Officers' Advisory Group on Beloved Community Implementation

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$400,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention affirms that building the Beloved Community is a primary way this Church fulfills “the mission to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ” (Book of Common Prayer, page 855); and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognizes, affirms and encourages the pursuit of racial healing, justice and reconciliation being carried out in creative and powerful ways at the local level; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention supports these local efforts with finances, and the human resources of the Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention budgets the sum of \$400,000.00 to be administered by the Presiding Officers’ Advisory Group for Beloved Community Implementation exclusively to make grants to churches, agencies, dioceses, and other affiliated entities of The Episcopal Church for the work of Becoming Beloved Community.

A101 - Virtual Gatherings with Ethnic Ministries

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Presiding Officers' Advisory Group on Beloved Community Implementation

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$50,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention affirms that building the Beloved Community is a primary way this Church fulfills “the mission to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ” (Book of Common Prayer, page 855); and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention shall mandate the Presiding Officers’ Advisory Group for Beloved Community Implementation to work with each of the ethnic ministries of the Church to facilitate gathering local leaders of their communities in virtual convocations to dialogue about the specific ways systemic racism afflicts their communities, and to develop recommendations to the 81st General Convention for future actions to build the Beloved Community; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention tasks the Presiding Officers’ Advisory Group for Beloved Community Implementation to report on these virtual convocations and their recommendations to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention budgets the sum of \$50,000.00 to fund these virtual gatherings.

A102 - Virtual Gatherings with Interim Bodies and Other Ministries of the Church

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Presiding Officers' Advisory Group on Beloved Community Implementation

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$100,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention affirms that building the Beloved Community is a primary way this Church fulfills “the mission to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ” (Book of Common Prayer, page 855); and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention shall mandate the Presiding Officers’ Advisory Group for Beloved Community Implementation to work with the Interim Bodies and other ministries of the Church to facilitate Virtual gatherings to dialogue about the specific ways systemic racism influences and afflicts ability to participate in building the Beloved Community through their ministries, and to develop recommendations to the 81st General Convention for future actions to build the Beloved Community; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention tasks the Presiding Officers’ Advisory Group for Beloved Community Implementation to report on these virtual convocations and their recommendations to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention budgets the sum of \$100,000.00 to fund these virtual gatherings.

A103 - Describing a Christian Life of Faith in the Episcopal Tradition

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Formation & Ministry of the Baptized

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention commend to each diocese A Christian Life of Faith: Signs and Thresholds Along The Way as a discernment tool and formation guide for baptized Episcopalians, directing it particularly to Commissions on Ministry as a resource to fulfill Title III: Canon 1: Of the Ministry of All Baptized Persons which states, “Each Diocese shall make provision for the affirmation and development of the ministry of all baptized persons.”

A104 - Creation of a Digital Hub for Formation Resources (in English, Spanish, and French)

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Task Force on Formation & Ministry of the Baptized

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$30,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention instruct Executive Council to implement the recommendations of the Task Force on Formation and Ministry of the Baptized and the Task Force on Theological Networking to develop a plan for a sustainable digital hub for Episcopalians to access formation resources for lay and ordained vocations; and be it further

Resolved, That Executive Council present a report with the plan (to include recommended structure, content, staffing, timeline, and budget) to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That \$30,000 be budgeted for the work of developing this plan over the next triennium.

A105 - Amend Joint rule VII.18 regarding the makeup of the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Joint Standing Committee on Nominations

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Joint Rules of Order

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention replace Joint Rule of Order I.2.b and Joint Rule of Order VII.18 as follows:

1. Composition of Joint Standing Committees and Joint Legislative Committees

2.

b. The terms of all members of Joint Standing Committees shall be equal to the interval between the regular meeting of the General Convention preceding their appointment and the adjournment of the succeeding regular meeting of the General Convention and until their successors are appointed; except, that unless otherwise specified in these Joint Rules, if any Clerical or Lay member has not been elected as a Deputy to the succeeding General Convention by the 31st day of January in the year of the said Convention, then the President of the House of Deputies will appoint a replacement for the unexpired term of such member. Any other vacancy, by death, change of status, resignation, or any other cause, shall be filled by appointment by the Presiding Officer of the appropriate House, and such appointments, likewise, shall be for the unexpired terms. The terms of all members of Joint Legislative Committees shall be only from the time of appointment until the adjournment of the first regular meeting of the General Convention following their appointment.

VII.

18. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations is composed of three Bishops, two Priests, one Deacon, and six Lay Persons. Members who are Priests, Deacons or Lay Persons must have served as Deputies to the most recent General Convention; once appointed, they will continue to serve as members of the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations through the next succeeding General Convention, regardless of whether they are elected as a Deputy to such General Convention, and until their successors are appointed.

A106 - Amend Joint Rules of Order VII.20 to reduce the number of nominees required to be presented by the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Joint Standing Committee on Nominations

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Joint Rules of Order

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention replace Joint Rules of Order VII.20 as follows:

20.

a. For the elections of the Secretary of the General Convention, the Treasurer of the General Convention, and the members of the Court of Review, the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will nominate a minimum of one nominee for each vacancy.

b. For the election of the members of Executive Council and the Trustees of The Church Pension Fund, the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will nominate a minimum of two persons for each vacancy.

c. For all other elections other than those described in parts (a) and (b) of this Joint Rule, for which the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will present nominees, it will nominate a minimum number of nominees equal to one and one-half times the number of vacancies.

d. In all elections for which it will present nominees, the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations is charged with: (i) ensuring that the nominees for each position, and as a group, as nearly as possible, represent the diverse constituencies of The Episcopal Church; (ii) obtaining biographical sketches with a facial image of all nominees, and (iii) reporting such nominations and sketches in the Reports to the next General Convention, otherwise known as the Blue Book.

e. This Joint Rule does not preclude further nominations from the floor made pursuant to separate rules adopted by either House of the General Convention.

A107 - Ministry with People with Mental Illness and Their Families

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Ministry with Individuals with Mental Illness

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church recognize the worldwide prevalence of mental illness and the need for effective ministry with people facing mental health challenges, and the need to continue the work begun with the General Convention resolutions 2015-C020 and 2018-C034; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church now equip all its people, both clergy and laity, to interact in compassionate, competent ways with those experiencing mental health challenges; and be it further

Resolved, That the provinces and dioceses of The Episcopal Church utilize resources to strengthen care, inclusion, support, and advocacy for all people (both laity and clergy) who struggle with mental health challenges; and be it further

Resolved, That the provinces and dioceses of The Episcopal Church support the mental health of their clergy by advocating for clergy to be intentional about their self-care, and realizing that clergy, like anyone else, may also struggle with challenges to mental health.

A108 - Training of trainers for Episcopal Provinces in Mental Health First Aid

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Ministry with Individuals with Mental Illness

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$35,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize launch of training people in dioceses, congregations, schools, seminaries, and other entities of the Episcopal Church in the forming of caring relationships with people with mental illness and their families, in recognizing possible mental health crises and interacting in healthy and supportive ways with people in crisis, and in advocacy and bridge-building support, using the resources and training processes of Mental Health First Aid and the National Alliance on Mental Illness, as well as the Interfaith Network on Mental Illness, WISE for Mental Health, and other helpful organizations and networks; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize and fund the training of at least 15 regional trainers in Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) for the sake of providing basic MHFA training in the Provinces of the Episcopal Church, drawing as well upon the expertise of MHFA trainers who are part of the Union of Black Episcopalians along with other Episcopal MHFA trainers, with training to be completed by May 2024, so that they will become available as resource trainers for the dioceses in each Province; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recommend training in Mental Health First Aid and general awareness of mental health and illness for all active clergy and lay staff in the church entities of each diocese, with issuance of certifications; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$35,000 to help fund the training of the regional trainers for the Provinces.

A109 - Developing Curriculum and Required Training for Clergy in Mental Health Pastoral Care

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Task Force on Ministry with Individuals with Mental Illness

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$15,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize the creation and launch of new curriculum to train all Episcopal ordained clergy, candidates, and postulants in mental health and mental illness awareness that emphasizes pastoral care, the forming of caring relationships, and effective advocacy. This new curriculum will incorporate and expand upon a range of resources including Mental Health First Aid, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, the Interfaith Network on Mental Illness, WISE for Mental Health, and other helpful organizations and networks; and be it further

Resolved, That it is recommended that all those to be ordained from January 2024 onward be trained in this new curriculum that will include training in Mental Health First Aid and in the advocacy work of the National Alliance on Mental Illness; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recommend the training of all active priests, deacons, and bishops in this curriculum for mental health and mental illness awareness; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$15,000 to support curriculum development for this training of clergy.

A110 - Continuation and Expansion of Task Force on Ministry to Individuals with Mental Illness

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force on Ministry with Individuals with Mental Illness

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$21,700.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention continue The Task Force on Ministry to Individuals with Mental Illness, in order to aid in the direction and development and provision of resources, trainings, and curricula in pastoral and ministerial mental health care for The Episcopal Church, its provinces, dioceses, parishes, seminaries, schools, and affiliated organizations, among all of its bishops, priests, deacons, and parishioners; and be it further

Resolved, That The Task Force on Ministry with Individuals with Mental Illness be expanded to eighteen in its membership that represents a depth and range of professional, personal, familial, and organizational experience with mental illness, in order to successfully develop and provide aforementioned resources, trainings, and curricula; and be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force on Ministry with Individuals with Mental Illness, in its expanded version in conjunction with its development of and provision of aforementioned trainings, will develop and share resources for The Episcopal Church, its various organizations, and all of its people centered on pastoral and ministerial mental health care; and be it further

Resolved, That this expanded Task Force report back on its actions to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$21,700 to complete resources for churchwide distribution and use by the next triennium.**

A111 - Amend Canon I.2.1.a on Joint Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.2.1.a to read as follows, striking all in the current subsections .b and .c and re-lettering the succeeding subsections.

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Sec. 1 a. At each General Convention a Joint Nominating Committee for the election of the Presiding Bishop shall be elected. The Nominating Committee shall be comprised of 20 members, as follows: five Bishops elected by the House of Bishops; five clergy persons, including at least one deacon, and five lay persons elected by the House of Deputies who may but need not be members of that House; two persons, age 16-23, appointed by the President of the House of Deputies; and three persons appointed jointly by the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies to ensure the cultural and geographic diversity of the Church. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will nominate a slate of nominees for the elected positions, in accordance with its canonical charge and procedures. In all cases, the nominees and appointees shall have the skill sets needed for effective service on the Nominating Committee.

<Proposed amended text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 1 a. At each General Convention a Joint Nominating Committee for the election of the Presiding Bishop shall be elected. The Nominating Committee shall be comprised of 20 members, *as follows*: ~~Fifteen (15) of those members shall consist of five Bishops elected by the House of Bishops; five clergy persons~~ clerical members, including at least one deacon, and five lay persons, ~~people-elected by the House of Deputies and who may but need not be members of that House; two persons, age 16-23, appointed by the President of the House of Deputies; and three persons appointed jointly by the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies to ensure the cultural and geographic diversity of the Church.~~ The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will nominate a slate of nominees for the elected positions election to the Nominating Committee, in accordance with ~~its the~~ Joint Standing Committee on Nominations' canonical charge and procedures. ~~and guided by the skill sets needed for effective service on the Nominating Committee.~~ The nominees for the Joint Standing Committee for the Nomination of the Presiding Bishop may but need not be deputies to General Convention. The House of Deputies shall elect five Clerical and five Lay Deputy as members of the Joint Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop, with a majority of those voting necessary for election.

~~The President of the House of Deputies shall appoint two persons, age 16-21, as members of the Joint Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop. In all cases, the nominees and appointees shall have the skills skill sets needed for effective service on the Nominating Committee.~~

~~**b.** Bishops on the Nominating Committee. At each General Convention the House of Bishops shall elect five Bishops as members of the Joint Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop, guided by the skill sets needed for effective service on the Nominating Committee.~~

~~**c.** The Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies shall also jointly appoint three members to the Joint Nominating Committee to ensure the cultural and geographic diversity of the Church and the skill sets needed for effective service on the Nominating Committee.~~

A112 - Amend Canon I.2.2 on Eligibility and Term of Office of the Presiding Bishop

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.2.2 to read as follows.

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 2.

a. This subsection a. applies to elections of the Presiding Bishop that occur according to the provisions of the first paragraph of Article I, Section 3 of the Constitution.

1. Electing Convention. A meeting of the General Convention at which a Presiding Bishop is elected shall be called an "Electing Convention."

2. Eligibility - Age. A Bishop who is expected to be 65 years of age or younger on December 31 of the year of the Electing Convention may be elected Presiding Bishop. No Bishop who is expected to reach 66 years of age on or before December 31 of the year of the Electing Convention may be elected Presiding Bishop.

3. Commencement of term. The term of office of the Presiding Bishop shall begin on the 91st day following the adjournment of the Electing Convention, or immediately upon the death, resignation, retirement, or disability of the Presiding Bishop.

4. Length of term. If the Presiding Bishop is 62 years of age or younger on December 31 of the year of the Electing Convention, the term of office shall terminate at the end of the 90th day after the adjournment of the third successive regular meeting of the General Convention following the Electing Convention. If the Presiding Bishop is 63, 64, or 65 years of age on December 31 of the year of the Electing Convention, the term of office shall terminate at the end of the 90th day after the adjournment of the second successive regular meeting of the General Convention following the Electing Convention.

5. Exception. Notwithstanding subsection (4), in the event that the regular meeting of the General Convention at which the Presiding Bishop's successor is expected to be elected is postponed beyond the date originally set in accordance with Canon I.1.14.c, and if as a result of such postponement the Presiding Bishop attains the age of 72 years before a successor can be elected and take office, then the Presiding Bishop may serve until the successor takes office, regardless of having attained the age of 72 years, but no later than 90 days after the adjournment of the next meeting of the General Convention.

b. When a Presiding Bishop has been elected by the House of Bishops to fill a vacancy, as provided for in the second paragraph of Article I, Section 3 of the Constitution, the Presiding Bishop so elected shall take office immediately.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Canon I.2

Sec. 2.

~~a. The term of office of the Presiding Bishop, when elected according to the provisions of Article I, Section 3 of the Constitution, shall be nine years, beginning the first day of the month of November following the close of the Convention at which the Presiding Bishop is elected, unless attaining the age of seventy two years before the term shall have been completed; in that case the Presiding Bishop shall resign the office to the General Convention which occurs nearest to the date of attaining such age. At that Convention a successor shall be elected, and shall assume office on the first day of the month of November following the close of that Convention. *This subsection a. applies to elections of the Presiding Bishop that occur according to the provisions of the first paragraph of Article I, Section 3 of the Constitution.*~~

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5. Exception. Notwithstanding subsection (4), in the event that the regular meeting of the General Convention at which the Presiding Bishop's successor is expected to be elected is postponed beyond the date originally set in accordance with Canon I.1.14.c, and if as a result of such postponement the Presiding Bishop attains the age of 72 years before a successor can be elected and take office, then the Presiding Bishop may serve until the successor takes office, regardless of having attained the age of 72 years, but no later than 90 days after the adjournment of the next meeting of the General Convention.; ~~except that when~~

b. *When a Presiding Bishop has been elected by the House of Bishops to fill a vacancy, as provided for in the second paragraph of Article I, Section 3 of the Constitution, the Presiding Bishop so elected shall take office immediately.*

A113 - Amend Canon I.4.3 on Term of Office of the Audit Committee

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.4.3 to read as follows.

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Sec. 3. Upon joint nomination of the Chair and the Vice-Chair, the Executive Council shall elect an Audit Committee of the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The Committee shall be composed of six members: one member who, at the time of appointment, is a member of the Executive Council committee with primary responsibility for financial matters; one from the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance; and the remaining four from members of the Church-at-large having experience in general business and financial practices. The members shall serve a term beginning on January 1 following the regular meeting of the General Convention at which elected or immediately following their appointment, whichever comes later, and continuing through December 31 following the adjournment of the next regular meeting of the General Convention or until a successor is appointed, and may serve two consecutive terms, after which a full interval between regular meetings of the General Convention must elapse before being eligible for reelection. Annually the Audit Committee shall elect a Chair of the Committee from among its members. The Audit Committee shall regularly review the financial statements relating to all funds under the management or control of the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and shall report thereon at least annually to the Council.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 3. Upon joint nomination of the Chair and the Vice-Chair, the Executive Council shall elect an Audit Committee of the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The Committee shall be composed of six members: one *member who, at the time of appointment, is a member of* ~~from~~ the Executive Council committee with primary responsibility for financial matters; one from the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance; and the remaining four from members of the Church-at-large having experience in general business and financial practices. The members shall serve ~~for~~ a term ~~of three years~~ beginning on January 1 following ~~the~~ a regular meeting of the General Convention ~~at which elected~~ or immediately following their appointment, whichever comes later, and ~~continue~~ *continuing through December 31 following the adjournment of the next regular meeting of the General Convention* or until a successor is appointed, and may serve two consecutive terms, after which a full *interval between regular meetings of the General Convention* ~~triennium~~ must elapse before being eligible for reelection. Annually the Audit Committee shall elect a Chair of the Committee from among its members. The Audit Committee shall regularly review the financial statements relating to all funds under the management or control of the Council and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and shall report thereon at least annually to the Council.

A114 - Amend Canon I.8.2 on Term of Office for Board the Church Pension Fund

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.8.2 to read as follows.

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 2. The General Convention at each regular meeting shall elect, on the nomination of a Joint Committee thereof, twelve persons to serve as Trustees of The Church Pension Fund and shall also fill such vacancies as may exist on the Board of Trustees. Except for a Trustee filling a vacancy, the term of service of a Trustee shall begin at the adjournment of the regular meeting of the General Convention at which the Trustee was elected and expire upon the adjournment of the second regular meeting of the General Convention following. Any person who has been elected as a Trustee by General Convention for twelve or more consecutive years shall not be eligible for reelection until the next regular meeting of the General Convention following the one in which that person was not eligible for reelection to the Board of Trustees. Any vacancy which occurs at a time when the General Convention is not in session may be filled by the Board of Trustees by appointment, ad interim, of a Trustee who shall serve until the next session of the General Convention thereafter shall have elected a Trustee to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term pertaining to such vacancy.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 2. The General Convention at each regular meeting shall elect, on the nomination of a Joint Committee thereof, twelve persons to serve as Trustees of The Church Pension Fund ~~for a term of six years and until their successors shall have been elected and have qualified,~~ and shall also fill such vacancies as may exist on the Board of Trustees. *Except for a Trustee filling a vacancy, the term of service of a Trustee shall begin at the adjournment of the regular meeting of the General Convention at which the Trustee was elected and expire upon the adjournment of the second regular meeting of the General Convention following.* Any person who has been elected as a Trustee by General Convention for twelve or more consecutive years shall not be eligible for reelection until the next regular *meeting of the* General Convention following the one in which that person was not eligible for reelection to the Board of Trustees. Any vacancy which occurs at a time when the General Convention is not in session may be filled by the Board of Trustees by appointment, ad interim, of a Trustee who shall serve until the next session of the General Convention thereafter shall have elected a Trustee to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term pertaining to such vacancy.

A115 - Amend Canon I.15.10.a to Remove Outdated Reference on Congregations outside the United States

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.15.10.a to read as follows.

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Sec. 10. In the case a Member of the Clergy in charge of a Congregation or otherwise authorized to serve the Church in a foreign land shall be accused of any offense under the Canons of this Church:

a. With the permission of the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop in Charge and the Council of Advice may (i) engage a Diocese of this Church to provide the needed Disciplinary Structures to fulfill the requirements of the Canons of this Church, or (ii) establish among the Congregations of the Convocation the needed Disciplinary Structures to fulfill the requirements of the Canons of this Church. In either case, for the purposes of implementing the provisions for Ecclesiastical Discipline (Title IV) of a member of the Clergy, the Bishop in Charge shall serve the function reserved for the Bishop Diocesan, except that the Presiding Bishop must approve any Accord, any Agreement for Discipline and the terms of any Order, and pronounce the Sentence.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 10. In the case a Member of the Clergy in charge of a Congregation or otherwise authorized to serve the Church in a foreign land shall be accused of any offense under the Canons of this Church:

a. With the permission of the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop in Charge and the Council of Advice may (i) engage a Diocese of this Church to provide the needed Disciplinary Structures to fulfill the requirements of the Canons of this Church, or (ii) establish among the Congregations of the Convocation the needed Disciplinary Structures to fulfill the requirements of the Canons of this Church. In either case, ~~the Provincial Court of Review shall either be that of the Diocese providing the needed Disciplinary Structures or that of the Province of the Convocation;~~ and, for the purposes of implementing the provisions for Ecclesiastical Discipline (Title IV) of a member of the Clergy, the Bishop in Charge shall serve the function reserved for the Bishop Diocesan, except that the Presiding Bishop must approve any Accord, any Agreement for Discipline and the terms of any Order, and pronounce the Sentence.

A116 - Amend Canon III.10.2 to Correct Inadvertent Omission on Clergy Ordained in Churches in Full Communion

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon III.10.2 to read as follows.

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Sec. 2 Clergy Ordained by Bishop of Churches in Full Communion with This Church

a.

1. A Member of the Clergy, ordained by a Bishop of another Church in full communion with this Church, or by a Bishop consecrated for a foreign land by Bishops of this Church under Article III of the Constitution, shall, before being permitted to officiate in any Congregation of this Church, exhibit to the Member of the Clergy in charge, or, if there be no Member of the Clergy in charge, to the Vestry thereof, a certificate of recent date, signed by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese that the person's letters of Holy Orders and other credentials are valid and authentic, and given by a Bishop in full communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowledged by this Church; and also that the person has exhibited to the Ecclesiastical Authority satisfactory evidence of (i) moral and godly character and of (ii) theological qualifications.

2. Before being permitted to take charge of any Congregation, or being received into any Diocese of this Church as a Member of its Clergy, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall receive Letters Dimissory or equivalent credentials under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese the person has been last connected, which letters or credentials shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof. Before receiving the Member of the Clergy the Bishop shall require a promise in writing to submit in all things to the Discipline of this Church, without recourse to any foreign jurisdiction, civil or ecclesiastical; and shall further require the person to subscribe and make in the Bishop's presence, and in the presence of two or more Presbyters, the declaration required in Article VIII of the Constitution. The Bishop and at least one Presbyter shall examine the person as to knowledge of the history of this Church, its worship and government. The Bishop, also being satisfied of the person's theological qualifications, may then receive the person into the Diocese as a Member of the Clergy of this Church.

3. The provisions of this Section shall be applicable to all Members of the Clergy ordained in any Church in full communion with this Church as specified in Canon I.20, subject to the terms of the covenant of The Episcopal Church and the other Church or Churches as adopted by the General Convention and by the denominational authority or similar body for those Churches that are not members of the Anglican Communion by action of the Anglican Consultative Council.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 2 Clergy Ordained by Bishop of Churches in *Full* Communion with This Church

a.

1. A Member of the Clergy, ordained by a Bishop of another Church in *full* communion with this Church, or by a Bishop consecrated for a foreign land by Bishops of this Church under Article III of the Constitution, shall, before being permitted to officiate in any Congregation of this Church, exhibit to the Member of the Clergy in charge, or, if there be no Member of the Clergy in charge, to the Vestry thereof, a certificate of recent date, signed by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese that the person's letters of Holy Orders and other credentials are valid and authentic, and given by a Bishop in *full* communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowledged by this Church; and also that the person has exhibited to the Ecclesiastical Authority satisfactory evidence of (i) moral and godly character and of (ii) theological qualifications.

2. Before being permitted to take charge of any Congregation, or being received into any Diocese of this Church as a Member of its Clergy, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall receive Letters Dimissory or equivalent credentials under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese the person has been last connected, which letters or

credentials shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof. Before receiving the Member of the Clergy the Bishop shall require a promise in writing to submit in all things to the Discipline of this Church, without recourse to any foreign jurisdiction, civil or ecclesiastical; and shall further require the person to subscribe and make in the Bishop's presence, and in the presence of two or more Presbyters, the declaration required in Article VIII of the Constitution. The Bishop and at least one Presbyter shall examine the person as to knowledge of the history of this Church, its worship and government. The Bishop, also being satisfied of the person's theological qualifications, may then receive the person into the Diocese as a Member of the Clergy of this Church.

3. The provisions of *this Section Sections 2 and 3* shall be applicable to all Members of the Clergy ordained in any Church in full communion with this Church as specified in Canon I.20, subject to the *terms of the* covenant of The Episcopal Church and the other Church or Churches as adopted by the General Convention and by the denominational authority or similar body for those Churches that are not members of the Anglican Communion by action of the Anglican Consultative Council.

A117 - Amend Canons III.10, III.12.1, III.12.5.b.3, and III.13.1 to Clarify Language on the Reception of Bishops

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church provide for reception of Bishops of the Anglican Communion into The Episcopal Church to serve as Assistant Bishops and as bishops with provisional charge of a diocese, and also to serve as Bishops of Dioceses that have been admitted into union with the General Convention, by amending each and every one of the following interrelated canons: Canon III.10, Canon III.12.1, Canon III.12.5.b.3, and Canon III.13.1, as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Amend Canon III.10 to change the title of the Canon to read as follows:

Canon 10: Of Reception of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons from other Churches

Amend Canon III.10.1 to read as follows:

Sec. 1. Prior to reception or ordination of a priest or deacon, the following must be provided

Amend Canon III.10 to add a new Section 5, to read as follows:

Sec. 5. Reception into this Church of a Bishop of a Church or Province in the Anglican Communion.

a. A Bishop in good standing of a member church or Province of the Anglican Communion, or of a national or local church with Extra-Provincial status in the Anglican Communion, who seeks to serve in this Church as an Assistant Bishop as provided in Canon III.12.5.b.3, or as a Bishop with provisional charge of a Diocese as provided in Canon III.13.1, may be received into The Episcopal Church pursuant to the requirements set out in this Section.

b. A Bishop in good standing of a member church or Province of the Anglican Communion, or of a national or local church with Extra-Provincial status in the Anglican Communion, which church or Province is seeking admission into union with The Episcopal Church, may be received into The Episcopal Church pursuant to the requirements set out in this Section, provided that if the Bishop's selection to serve the church or Province was by a process other than election by a Convention, Synod, or other governing body, the Bishop shall provide evidence that the Convention, Synod, or other governing body has affirmed that selection;

c. A Bishop seeking to be received into The Episcopal Church shall provide to the Presiding Bishop the following:

1. evidence of the Bishop's having been duly ordered Bishop in the Anglican Communion;
2. evidence of the Bishop's moral and godly character;
3. a background check, according to the criteria established by the Presiding Bishop;
4. certificates from a licensed medical doctor and a licensed psychologist authorized by the Presiding Bishop, and, as necessary, from a psychiatrist and/or a professional specializing in evaluation for substance, chemical, and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns, also authorized by the Presiding Bishop, that they have thoroughly examined the Bishop as to that person's medical, psychological, and psychiatric condition and for substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns and have not discovered any reason why the person would not be fit to undertake the work for which the person has been chosen as a Bishop in this Church. Forms and procedures agreed to by the Presiding Bishop shall be used for this purpose;
5. evidence of the Bishop having received the training set out in Section 1.c of this Canon; and
6. evidence of the Bishop having been examined by at least three Bishops of this Church as to knowledge of this Church, its worship and governance, including the follow topics:

i. Church History: the history of the Anglican Communion and The Episcopal Church.

ii. Doctrine: the Church's teachings as set forth in the Creeds and in An Outline of the Faith, commonly called the Catechism.

iii. Liturgics: the principles and history of Anglican worship; the contents of the Book of Common Prayer.

iv. Practical Theology:

1. The office and work of a Deacon and Priest in this Church.

2. The conduct of public worship.

3. The Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church and of the Diocese in which the Bishop will serve.

4. The use of voice in reading and speaking.

7. The points of Doctrine, Discipline, Polity, and Worship in which the church or Province from the Bishop has come differ from this Church. This portion of the examinations will be conducted, in part at least, by written questions and answers, and the replies kept on file with the Office of Pastoral Development for at least three years.

8. In the case of a Bishop seeking to be received into this Church under subsection .b of this Canon, evidence that the General Convention has consented to the admission of the church or Province pursuant to Article V, Section I of the Constitution.

d. Upon receipt of the items set out in subsection .c of this Canon to the satisfaction of the Presiding Bishop, the Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify every Bishop of this Church exercising jurisdiction and every Standing Committee of this Church of the Presiding Bishop's receipt of those items, and request from each a statement of consent, or withholding of consent, to the reception of the Bishop into The Episcopal Church. Each Bishop with jurisdiction and each Standing Committee shall within 90 days of the sending of the notification respond to the Presiding Bishop or the Presiding Bishop's designee indicating their consent or their withholding of consent.

Evidence of the consent of each Standing Committee shall be a testimonial in the following words, or in similar words approved by the Presiding Bishop, signed by a majority of all the members of the Committee:

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of _____, and having been duly convened, firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Right Reverend N.N. ought not to be received into The Episcopal

Church to serve as a Bishop therein, and therefore consent to the reception of the Right Reverend N.N. to serve as [Assistant Bishop/Bishop with provisional charge/Bishop Diocesan] in the Diocese of _____. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord

(Signed) _____.

e. If a majority of the Bishops with jurisdiction and of the Standing Committees consents to the reception, the Bishop shall make the written declaration required by Article VIII of the Constitution of The Episcopal Church in the presence of the Presiding Bishop and two episcopal witnesses, at which point the Presiding Bishop shall certify that the Bishop is received into The Episcopal Church; provided that, in the case of a Bishop seeking to be received into this Church under subsection .b of this Canon, such certification shall not issue until the Executive Council has issued the approval set out on Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution.

Amend Canon III.12.1 to read as follows:

Sec. 1.Formation.

Following election or reception and continuing for three years following ordination or reception, new Bishops and Bishops received into this Church shall pursue the process of formation authorized by the House of Bishops. This process of formation shall provide a mentor for each newly ordained and received Bishop.

Amend Canon III.12.5.b.3 to read as follows:

3. Bishops in good standing of member churches or Provinces of the Anglican Communion, or of national or local churches with Extra-Provincial status in the Anglican Communion, provided they are received into this Church under Canon III.10.5.

Amend Canon III.13.1 to read as follows:

Sec. 1. A Diocese without a Bishop may, by an act of its Convention, and in consultation with the Presiding Bishop, be placed under the provisional charge and authority of a Bishop of another Diocese, or of a resigned Bishop, or of a Bishop who has been received into this Church under Canon III.10.5, who shall by that act be authorized to exercise all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese until a Bishop is elected and ordained for that Diocese or until the act of the Convention is revoked.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Amend Canon III.10 to change the title of the Canon to read as follows:

Canon 10: Of Reception of *Bishops, Priests, and Deacons Clergy* from other Churches

Amend Canon III.10.1 to read as follows:

Sec. 1. Prior to reception or ordination of a *priest or deacon*, the following must be provided

Amend Canon III.10 to add a new Section 5, to read as follows:

Sec. 5. *Reception into this Church of a Bishop of a Church or Province in the Anglican Communion.*

a. A Bishop in good standing of a member church or Province of the Anglican Communion, or of a national or local church with Extra-Provincial status in the Anglican Communion, who seeks to serve in this Church as an Assistant Bishop as provided in Canon III.12.5.b.3, or as a Bishop with provisional charge of a Diocese as provided in Canon III.13.1, may be received into The Episcopal Church pursuant to the requirements set out in this Section.

b. A Bishop in good standing of a member church or Province of the Anglican Communion, or of a national or local church with Extra-Provincial status in the Anglican Communion, which church or Province is seeking admission into union with The Episcopal Church, may be received into The Episcopal Church pursuant to the requirements set out in this Section, provided that if the Bishop's selection to serve the church or Province was by a process other than election by a Convention, Synod, or other governing body, the Bishop shall provide evidence that the Convention, Synod, or other governing body has affirmed that selection;

c. A Bishop seeking to be received into The Episcopal Church shall provide to the Presiding Bishop the following:

1. evidence of the Bishop's having been duly ordered Bishop in the Anglican Communion;

2. evidence of the Bishop's moral and godly character;

3. a background check, according to the criteria established by the Presiding Bishop;

4. certificates from a licensed medical doctor and a licensed psychologist authorized by the Presiding Bishop, and, as necessary, from a psychiatrist and/or a professional

specializing in evaluation for substance, chemical, and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns, also authorized by the Presiding Bishop, that they have thoroughly examined the Bishop as to that person's medical, psychological, and psychiatric condition and for substance, chemical and alcohol use and abuse and other addictive patterns and have not discovered any reason why the person would not be fit to undertake the work for which the person has been chosen as a Bishop in this Church. Forms and procedures agreed to by the Presiding Bishop shall be used for this purpose;

5. evidence of the Bishop having received the training set out in Section 1.c of this Canon; and

6. evidence of the Bishop having been examined by at least three Bishops of this Church as to knowledge of this Church, its worship and governance, including the follow topics:

i. Church History: the history of the Anglican Communion and The Episcopal Church.

ii. Doctrine: the Church's teachings as set forth in the Creeds and in An Outline of the Faith, commonly called the Catechism.

iii. Liturgics: the principles and history of Anglican worship; the contents of the Book of Common Prayer.

iv. Practical Theology:

1. The office and work of a Deacon and Priest in this Church.

2. The conduct of public worship.

3. The Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church and of the Diocese in which the Bishop will serve.

4. The use of voice in reading and speaking.

7. The points of Doctrine, Discipline, Polity, and Worship in which the church or Province from the Bishop has come differ from this Church. This portion of the examinations will be conducted, in part at least, by written questions and answers, and the replies kept on file with the Office of Pastoral Development for at least three years.

8. In the case of a Bishop seeking to be received into this Church under subsection .b of this Canon, evidence that the General Convention has consented to the admission of the church or Province pursuant to Article V, Section I of the Constitution.

d. Upon receipt of the items set out in subsection .c of this Canon to the satisfaction of the Presiding Bishop, the Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify every Bishop of this

Church exercising jurisdiction and every Standing Committee of this Church of the Presiding Bishop's receipt of those items, and request from each a statement of consent, or withholding of consent, to the reception of the Bishop into The Episcopal Church. Each Bishop with jurisdiction and each Standing Committee shall within 90 days of the sending of the notification respond to the Presiding Bishop or the Presiding Bishop's designee indicating their consent or their withholding of consent.

Evidence of the consent of each Standing Committee shall be a testimonial in the following words, or in similar words approved by the Presiding Bishop, signed by a majority of all the members of the Committee:

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of _____, and having been duly convened, firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that we know of no impediment on account of which the Right Reverend N.N. ought not to be received into The Episcopal Church to serve as a Bishop therein, and therefore consent to the reception of the Right Reverend N.N. to serve as [Assistant Bishop/Bishop with provisional charge/Bishop Diocesan] in the Diocese of _____. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord _____.
(Signed) _____.

e. If a majority of the Bishops with jurisdiction and of the Standing Committees consents to the reception, the Bishop shall make the written declaration required by Article VIII of the Constitution of The Episcopal Church in the presence of the Presiding Bishop and two episcopal witnesses, at which point the Presiding Bishop shall certify that the Bishop is received into The Episcopal Church; provided that, in the case of a Bishop seeking to be received into this Church under subsection .b of this Canon, such certification shall not issue until the Executive Council has issued the approval set out on Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution.

Amend Canon III.12.1 to read as follows:

Sec. 1. Formation.

Following election or reception and continuing for three years following ordination or reception, new Bishops and Bishops received into this Church shall pursue the process of formation authorized by the House of Bishops. This process of formation shall provide a mentor for each newly ordained and received Bishop.

Amend Canon III.12.5.b.3 to read as follows:

3. Bishops in good standing of member churches or Provinces of the Anglican Communion, or of national or local churches with Extra-Provincial status in the Anglican Communion, provided they are received into this Church under Canon III.10.5. Persons who are Bishops in good standing of Churches that are members of the Anglican Communion by action of the Anglican Consultative if they:

- ~~i. have previously resigned their former responsibilities;~~
- ~~ii. have received approval, by a competent authority within the Church of their ordination as a Bishop of that Church;~~
- ~~iii. have exhibited satisfactory evidence of moral and godly character and having met theological requirements;~~
- ~~iv. have promised in a writing submitted to the Bishop Diocesan making the appointment, and witnessed by two other Bishops of this Church, to submit in all things to the Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of this Church;~~
- ~~v. have submitted to and satisfactorily passed thorough examinations covering the medical, psychological, psychiatric and other conditions described in Canon III.11.1, pursuant to the requirements of and procedures set forth in Canon III.11.1;~~
- ~~vi. have undergone background screening and, if feasible, background checks as provided in Canon III.11.1;~~
- ~~vii. have been examined by the Bishop Diocesan and at least two other Bishops of this Church as to knowledge of this Church, its worship and governance:~~

~~1. Church History: the history of the Anglican Communion and The Episcopal Church.~~

~~2. Doctrine: the Church's teaching as set forth in the Creeds and in An Outline of the Faith, commonly called the Catechism.~~

~~3. Liturgics: the principles and history of Anglican worship; the contents of the Book of Common Prayer.~~

~~4. Practical Theology:~~

~~i. The office and work of a Deacon and Priest in this Church.~~

~~ii. The conduct of public worship.~~

~~iii. The Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church and of the Diocese in which the applicant is resident.~~

~~iv. The use of voice in reading and speaking.~~

~~5. The points of Doctrine, Discipline, Polity, and Worship in which the Church from which the applicant has come differ from this Church. This portion of the examinations shall be conducted, in part at least, by written questions and answers, and the replies kept on file with the Office of Pastoral Development for at least three years~~

~~viii. have received the following training:~~

~~1. prevention of sexual misconduct.~~

~~2. civil requirements for reporting and pastoral opportunities for responding to evidence of abuse.~~

~~3. the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, particularly Title IV thereof.~~

~~4. training regarding the Church's teaching on racism.~~

~~ix. have served in The Episcopal Church for a period of two years, have received the consent of a majority of the Bishops exercising jurisdiction and a majority of the Standing Committees, and been received into The Episcopal Church as a Bishop. A Bishop of another Province or jurisdiction of the Anglican Communion does not become a Bishop of this Church solely by virtue of being appointed an Assistant Bishop of a Diocese.~~

Amend Canon III.13.1 to read as follows:

Sec. 1. A Diocese without a Bishop may, by an act of its Convention, and in consultation with the Presiding Bishop, be placed under the provisional charge and authority of a Bishop of another Diocese, or of a resigned Bishop, *or of a Bishop who has been received into this Church under Canon III.10.5*, who shall by that act be authorized to exercise all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese until a Bishop is elected and ordained for that Diocese or until the act of the Convention is revoked.

A118 - Amend Canon IV.5.4 on the Election of Members of the Court of Review

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.5.4 to read as follows.

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 4. There shall be a court known as the Court of Review, with jurisdiction to receive and determine appeals from Hearing Panels of Dioceses as provided in Canon IV.15 and to determine venue issues as provided in Canon IV.19.5.c.

a. The Court of Review consists of: i. Three Bishops; six Members of the Clergy, who must include at least two Priests and at least two Deacons; and six lay persons; and ii. one Bishop, one Priest or Deacon, and one lay person to serve as alternates as provided in this Section.

b . The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will nominate a slate of Clergy and lay persons for election to the Court of Review, in accordance with the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations' canonical charge and procedures and guided by the skill sets needed for effective service on the Court of Review. The Joint Standing Committee on Nomination may but need not nominate more persons than there are vacancies. The Clergy and lay nominees for the Court of Review may but need not be Deputies to General Convention. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations must create a description of the skills, gifts, and experience requisite for service on the Court of Review, after consultation

with the Court, including the value of cultural and geographic diversity on the Court and the value of including historically underrepresented voices in the governance of the Church.

c. The Bishop members and Bishop alternate members on the Court of Review will be nominated by the Presiding Bishop after consultation with the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations, and then elected by the House of Bishops at a regular meeting of the General Convention.

d. The Clergy and lay members and alternates on the Court of Review will be elected by the House of Deputies at a regular meeting of the General Convention.

i. Except for a member filling a vacancy, the term of office of a member of the Court of Review begins at the adjournment of the regular meeting of the General Convention at which the member was elected and expires on the adjournment of the second regular meeting of the General Convention following .

ii. Members of the Court of Review will serve staggered terms of office such that the terms of half of the members expire at each regular meeting of the General Convention. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations must make its nominations in a manner that supports this staggering of terms .

iii. Any member who has served 12 or more consecutive years will be ineligible for reelection to the Court of Review until the next regular meeting of the General Convention following the one at which the member was ineligible for reelection to the Court of Review. A person's service as an alternate will not count against these term limitations.

e. The Court of Review must select a President from among its members. The President must be a Priest, Deacon, or lay person .

f. The persons appointed to the Court of Review will continue to serve until their respective successors have been elected, except in case of death, resignation, or declination to serve. Members of the Court of Review who are currently appointed to a Panel will continue to serve until the Panel has completed its work .

g. Whenever a matter is referred to the Court of Review, the President must appoint a Panel for that case consisting of one Bishop, two Members of the Clergy, and two lay persons. No Bishop or Clergy member of the Court of Review may serve in any matter originating from the Diocese in which such Bishop or Clergy member is canonically resident or is then currently licensed to serve, and no lay member may serve in a matter originating from the Diocese of the lay member's primary residence or a Diocese in which the lay member is then currently active. In such event, the President shall appoint another member of the Court from the same Order to serve; if no other member is available to serve, the President must appoint an alternate of the same Order to serve.

h. If any member of the Court of Review is excused under Canon IV.5.3.c, or, upon objection made by either party to the appeal, is found by the other members of the Court of Review to be disqualified, an alternate will serve .

i. In the event of any Court of Review member's death, resignation, or declination to serve, or disability rendering the member unable to act, and in the further event that no other member of the Court is available to serve, the President of the Court of Review must declare a vacancy on the Court of Review. Notices of resignation or declination to serve must be communicated in writing to the President of the Court of Review .

j. Vacancies on the Court of Review must be filled by the President of the House of Deputies for lay and Clergy members and by the Presiding Bishop for Bishop members.

k. The Court of Review must appoint a clerk who may be a member of the Court, who will be custodian of all records and files of the Court of Review, and who will provide administrative services as needed for the functioning of the Court.

l. The rules of procedure for appeals to the Court of Review are as provided in Canon IV.15, but the Court of Review may adopt, alter, or rescind supplemental rules of procedure not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons of the Church.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 4. There shall be a court to be known as the Court of Review, with jurisdiction to receive and determine appeals from Hearing Panels of Dioceses as provided in Canon IV.15 and to determine venue issues as provided in Canon IV.19.5.c.

a. The Court of Review ~~shall consist~~ *consists* of: *i. (i) Three (3) Bishops; ii. six (6) Members of the Clergy, which and will who must include not fewer than at least two (2) Priests and not fewer than at least two (2) Deacons; and six (6) lay persons; and (ii) one (1) Bishop, one (1) Priest or Deacon, and one (1) lay person to serve as alternates as hereinafter provided in this Section . No more than two (2) Priests or Deacons, whether a member or alternate, shall be canonically resident in the same Diocese as any other Priest or Deacon, and each lay person, whether a member or alternate, shall reside in a different Diocese than any other lay person. The Priests, Deacons and lay persons shall be or have been members of the Disciplinary Boards of their respective Dioceses.*

b . The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will nominate a slate of Clergy and lay persons for election to the Court of Review, in accordance with the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations' canonical charge and procedures and guided by the skill sets needed for effective service on the Court of Review. The Joint Standing Committee on Nomination may but need not nominate more persons than there are vacancies. The Clergy and lay nominees for the Court of Review may but need not be Deputies to General Convention. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations must create a description of the skills, gifts, and experience requisite for service on the Court of Review, after consultation with the Court, including the value of cultural and geographic diversity on the Court and the value of including historically underrepresented voices in the governance of the Church .

~~b- c.~~ *The Bishops Bishop members and Bishop alternate members on the Court of Review shall will be nominated by the Presiding Bishop after consultation with the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations, and then elected by the House of Bishops at a regular meeting of the General Convention. One of the Bishops on the Court of Review shall be chosen from Provinces I, II or III; one of the Bishops shall be chosen from Provinces IV, V or VI; and one of the Bishops shall be chosen from Provinces VII, VIII or IX.*

~~d.~~ *The Clergy and lay members and alternates on the Court of Review shall will be elected by the House of Deputies at a regular meeting of the General Convention such that one-third of clergy members and one-third of lay members shall come from Province I, II, or III; one-third shall come from Province IV, V, or VI; and one-third shall come from Province VII, VIII, IX.*

i. Except for a member filling a vacancy, the term of office of a member of the Court of Review begins at the adjournment of the regular meeting of the General Convention at which the member was elected and expires on the adjournment of the second regular meeting of the General Convention following.

ii. Members of the Court of Review will serve staggered terms of office such that the terms of half of the members expire at each regular meeting of the General Convention. The Joint Standing Committee on Nominations must make its nominations in a manner that supports this staggering of terms .

iii. Any member who has served 12 or more consecutive years will be ineligible for reelection to the Court of Review until the next regular meeting of the General Convention following the one at which the member was ineligible for reelection to the Court of Review. A person's service as an alternate will not count against these term limitations .

~~e.~~ *The Court of Review shall must select a president President from among its members. The President shall must be a Priest, Deacon, or lay person.*

~~e- f.~~ *The persons appointed to the Court of Review shall will continue to serve until their respective successors have been elected, except in case of death, resignation , or declination to serve. Members of the Court of Review who are currently appointed to a panel shall Panel will continue to serve on that Panel until its work has been completed the Panel has completed its work .*

~~g.~~ *Whenever a matter is referred to the Court of Review, the President shall must appoint a panel Panel for that case consisting of one Bishop, two Members of the Clergy , and two lay persons. No Bishop or Clergy member of the Court of Review may serve in any matter originating from the Diocese in which such Bishop or Clergy member is canonically resident serves on the Disciplinary Board or is then currently licensed to serve, and no lay member may serve in a matter originating from the Diocese of the lay member's primary residence or a Diocese in which the lay member is then currently active. In such event, the President must appoint another member of the Court from the same Order to serve; if no other member is available to serve, the President must appoint an the alternate of the same Order to shall serve.*

~~e~~ *h.* If any member of the Court of Review is excused pursuant to the provisions of *under* Canon IV.5.3.c, or, upon objection made by either party to the appeal, is ~~deemed found~~ by the other members of the Court of Review to be disqualified, an alternate ~~shall~~ *will* serve.

~~f~~ *i.* In the event of any Court of Review member's death, resignation, or declination to serve, or disability rendering the member unable to act, ~~or is ineligible to serve under Canons IV.5.4.d or .e,~~ and in the further event that ~~there~~ *no other member of the Court* is ~~no~~ alternate available to serve, the President of the Court of Review ~~shall~~ *must* declare a vacancy on the Court of Review. Notices of resignation or declination to serve ~~shall~~ *must* be communicated in writing to the President of the Court of Review.

~~g~~ *j.* Vacancies on the Court of Review ~~shall~~ *must* be filled by appointment by the President ~~of the House of Deputies for lay and Clergy members and by the Presiding Bishop for Bishop members~~ *Court of Review of persons qualified as provided in Canon IV.5.4.a.*

~~h~~ *k.* The Court of Review ~~shall~~ *must* appoint a clerk who may be a member of the Court, who ~~shall~~ *will* be custodian of all records and files of the Court of Review, and who ~~shall~~ *will* provide administrative services as needed for the functioning of the Court.

~~i~~ *l.* The rules of procedure for appeals to the Court of Review are as provided in Canon IV.15, but the Court of Review may adopt, alter, or rescind supplemental rules of procedure not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons of the Church.

A119 - Amend Canon IV.17.3 and .4 on the Term of Office for the Disciplinary Board for Bishops

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.17.3 to read as follows.

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 3.

a. The Disciplinary Board for Bishops is hereby established as a court of the Church to have original jurisdiction over matters of discipline of Bishops and to hear Bishops' appeals from imposition of restriction on ministry or placement on Administrative Leave.

b. The Disciplinary Board for Bishops consists of ten Bishops elected by the House of Bishops at a regular meeting of the General Convention, and four Priests or Deacons and four Lay Persons elected by the House of Deputies at a regular meeting of the General Convention. All Lay Persons elected or appointed to serve must be confirmed adult communicants in good standing.

c. Members of the Board will serve staggered terms, with the terms of one-half of the Bishops and one-half of the Lay Persons, Priests, and Deacons collectively expiring upon the adjournment of every regular meeting of the General Convention.

d. Unless elected or appointed to fill the remainder of an unexpired term, each member will serve from the adjournment of the General Convention at which the member was elected until the adjournment of the second regular meeting of the General Convention after election and until the member's successor is elected and qualifies.

e. A vacancy among the member Bishops must be filled by the Presiding Bishop with the advice and consent of the Bishop members of the Executive Council. A vacancy among the other members must be filled by the President of the House of Deputies with the advice and consent of the lay, Priest, and Deacon members of the Executive Council.

f. Notwithstanding any expiration of a member's term of office, there will be no change in the composition of any Conference Panel or Hearing Panel while a matter remains pending before the Panel; and a member of the Board sitting on such a Panel and whose term of office otherwise would expire will nevertheless continue in office until the matter is resolved and solely for that purpose.

Sec. 4. Within sixty days following each General Convention, the Board must convene to elect a president for the following interval between regular meetings of the General Convention. The president must be a Bishop. If there is no president, the Bishop who is senior by consecration must perform the duties of the president.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 3.

a. The Disciplinary Board for Bishops is hereby established as a court of the Church to have original jurisdiction over matters of discipline of Bishops, *and* to hear Bishops' appeals from imposition of restriction on ministry or placement on Administrative Leave, ~~and to determine venue issues as provided in Canon IV.19.5.~~

b. The Disciplinary Board for Bishops ~~shall consist~~ *consists* of ten Bishops elected by the House of Bishops at a ~~regularly scheduled session~~ *regular meeting of the* General Convention, and four Priests or Deacons and four ~~lay persons~~ *Lay Persons* elected by the House of Deputies *at a regular meeting of the General Convention*. All ~~lay persons~~ *Lay Persons* elected or appointed to serve ~~shall~~ *must* be confirmed adult communicants in good standing.

c. Members of the Board ~~shall will~~ serve staggered terms of ~~six years~~, with *the* terms of one half *one-half* of the Bishops and ~~one half~~ *one-half* of the lay persons *Lay Persons*, Priests and Deacons collectively expiring ~~every three years~~ *upon the adjournment of every regular meeting of the General Convention*. ~~A vacancy among the member Bishops shall be appointed by the Presiding Bishop with the advice and consent of the Bishop members of Executive Council. A vacancy among the lay or Priest or Deacon members shall be filled by the President of the House of Deputies with the advice and consent of the lay, Priest and Deacon members of Executive Council.~~

d. Unless elected or appointed to fill the remainder of an unexpired term, each member shall ~~will~~ serve from the first day of January following the adjournment of the General Convention at which the member was elected, until ~~the last day of December of the sixth calendar year following the adjournment of the second regular meeting of the General Convention~~ after election and until the member's successor is elected and qualifies; ~~however, there shall be no change in the composition of any Hearing Panel while a matter is pending unresolved before the Hearing Panel.~~

e. A vacancy among the member Bishops must be filled by the Presiding Bishop with the advice and consent of the Bishop members of the Executive Council. A vacancy among the other members must be filled by the President of the House of Deputies with the advice and consent of the lay, Priest, and Deacon members of the Executive Council.

f. Notwithstanding any expiration of a member's term of office, there will be no change in the composition of any Conference Panel or Hearing Panel while a matter is pending before the Panel; and a member of the Board sitting on such a Panel and whose term of office otherwise would expire will nevertheless continue in office until the matter is resolved and solely for that purpose.

Sec. 4. Within sixty days following each General Convention, the Board shall ~~must~~ convene to elect a president for the following ~~triennium~~ interval between regular meetings of the General Convention. The president shall ~~must~~ be a Bishop. If there is no president, the Bishop who is senior by consecration shall ~~must~~ perform the duties of the president.

And be it further;

Resolved, That the members of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops elected at the 78th General Convention in 2015 will serve until December 31, 2022 and until their successors are elected and qualify; and be it further

Resolved, That the members of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops elected at the 79th General Convention in 2018 will serve until the adjournment of the 81st General Convention and until their successors are elected and qualify; and be it further

Resolved, That the members of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops elected at the 80th General Convention in 2022 will serve from January 1, 2023 until the adjournment of the 82nd General Convention and until their successors are elected and qualify.

A120 - Amend Canon IV.17.8 on Vacancies on the Court of Review for Bishops

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.17.8 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 8. The Court of Review for Bishops is hereby established as a court of the Church to have jurisdiction over appeals from Hearing Panels of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops.

- a. The Court of Review for Bishops consists of nine members, all of whom must be Bishops. Three Bishops will be elected by the House of Bishops at any regularly scheduled meeting of the House of Bishops, to serve until the adjournment of the third succeeding regular meeting of General Convention and until their successors are elected and qualify; but there shall be no change in the composition of the Court with respect to a particular Respondent following any hearing in the matter and while it is pending unresolved before the Court.
- b. The Presiding Bishop must fill any vacancies on the Court of Review for Bishops.
- c. From among their number, the members of the Court of Review for Bishops must elect a president.

d. The reasonable and necessary expenses of the Court of Review for Bishops, including fees, costs, disbursements, and expenses of the members, clerks, reporters, and Church Attorneys, will be charged upon the General Convention and paid by the Treasurer of the General Convention upon Order of the president of the Court of Review. The Court of Review for Bishops has the authority to contract for and bind the General Convention to pay these expenses.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 8. The Court of Review for Bishops is hereby established as a court of the Church to have jurisdiction ~~to hear~~ over appeals from Hearing Panels of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops.

a. The Court of Review for Bishops ~~shall consist~~ *consists* of nine members, all of whom ~~shall must~~ be Bishops. Three Bishops ~~shall will~~ be elected by the House of Bishops at any regularly scheduled meeting of the House of Bishops, to serve until the adjournment of the third succeeding regular meeting of General Convention and until their successors are elected and qualify; ~~however,~~ *but* there shall be no change in the composition of the Court with respect to a particular Respondent following any hearing in the matter and while it is pending unresolved before the Court.

b. *The Presiding Bishop must fill any vacancies on the Court of Review for Bishops.*

~~b-c.~~ From among their number, the members of the Court of Review for Bishops ~~shall must~~ elect a president.

~~c-d.~~ The reasonable and necessary expenses of the Court of Review for Bishops, including fees, costs, disbursements, and expenses of the members, clerks, reporters, and Church Attorneys, ~~shall will~~ be charged upon the General Convention and paid by the Treasurer of the General Convention upon Order of the president of the Court of Review. The Court of Review for Bishops ~~shall have~~ *has* the authority to contract for and bind the General Convention to ~~payment of pay~~ these expenses.

A121 - Amend House of Bishops Rule of Order II.B on the Term of Office for the Secretary

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Rules of Order/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops amend its Rule of Order II.B to read as follows.

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

B. The House shall then proceed to elect a Secretary if the office is vacant; and the person elected shall serve until the end of that meeting of the Convention. At the end of each meeting of the Convention, the House shall proceed to elect a Secretary who shall continue in office until the conclusion of the next regular meeting of the Convention following that election. With the approval of the bishop presiding, the Secretary may then, or later, appoint Assistant Secretaries.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

B. The House shall then proceed to elect a Secretary if the office is vacant; and the person elected shall serve until the end of that meeting of the Convention. At the end of each meeting of the Convention, the House shall proceed to elect a Secretary who shall continue in office until the conclusion of the *next regular triennial* meeting of the Convention following

that election. With the approval of the bishop presiding, the Secretary may then, or later, appoint Assistant Secretaries.

A122 - Amend House of Bishops Rule of Order II.G on the Term of Office for the Vice President

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Rules of Order/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops amend its Rule of Order II.G to read as follows.

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

G. The House shall then proceed to elect a Vice-President, if the office is then vacant, after hearing the report of the nominating committee of the House and after receiving any other nominations from the floor; and the person elected shall serve until the conclusion of the next regular meeting of the Convention. At the conclusion of each meeting of the Convention, the House, using the same procedure, shall proceed to elect a Vice-President who shall continue in office until the conclusion of the next regular meeting of the Convention following that election. The Vice-President, in the absence of the Presiding Bishop, or at the request of the Presiding Bishop, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House. In the absence of the Vice- President, the Presiding Bishop may ask another member of the House to preside.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

G. The House shall then proceed to elect a Vice-President, if the office is then vacant, after hearing the report of the nominating committee of the House and after receiving any other nominations from the floor; and the person elected shall serve until the conclusion of the next *regular triennial* meeting of the Convention. At the conclusion of each meeting of the Convention, the House, using the same procedure, shall proceed to elect a Vice-President who shall continue in office until the conclusion of the *next regular triennial* meeting of the Convention following that election. The Vice-President, in the absence of the Presiding Bishop, or at the request of the Presiding Bishop, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House. In the absence of the Vice- President, the Presiding Bishop may ask another member of the House to preside.

A123 - Amend House of Deputies Rule of Order XV on Requiring a Deacon on the Joint Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop

Final Status: Adopted Substitute HoD

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Rules of Order/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt Substitute

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, The House of Deputies amend Rule of Order XV on Elections by adding a new Section D as follows:

XV: Elections

A. Nominations

1. The submission of the Report of the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations to the General Convention of its nominees will automatically nominate those persons for any election to be conducted by the House.
2. Any two Deputies may nominate additional eligible persons to be conducted by the House.
3. Each nomination must be submitted to the Secretary, in a form adopted by the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations. The Secretary will publish all nominations by the end of the third legislative day.
4. All Nominations must be submitted by the adjournment of the third legislative day, except that:

i. nominations for the office of Vice President of the House must be submitted by the adjournment of the next legislative day after the election of the President of the House of Deputies has been completed.

5. No nominating speeches will be held for any office or position. In a contested election for President or Vice President of the House, a candidate forum may be organized by the Secretary to allow the nominees to give a brief speech and Deputies the opportunity to ask questions of the nominees.

B. Voting Requirements

1. All elections will be by individual secret ballot, paper or electronic, except where there are no more nominees than open seats, in which case a voice vote may be held at the discretion of the President.

2. A majority vote is required to elect unless the Constitution, Canons, or Rules of Order requires a different vote. In any election in which more than one position will be filled from the same pool of nominees, a majority is calculated based upon the number of voters who cast a ballot in that election.

3. On any ballot prepared by the Secretary, the candidates will be listed in alphabetical order by last name.

C. Balloting Procedures

1. In all elections in which there are eight or fewer nominees, the following voting procedure will be used if the election has not been completed:

ii. After the fifth ballot, the nominees will be reduced to one more than the number of vacancies to be filled in the election.

2. In all elections in which there are more than eight nominees, the following procedure will be used if the election has not been completed:

i. After the third ballot, the nominees will be reduced to four more nominees than the number of vacancies to be filled in the election; and

ii. After the fifth ballot, the nominees will be reduced to one more nominee than the number of vacancies to be filled in the election.

D. Special Rule for the Election of the Required Deacon to the Joint Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop

1. In the selection of the Clergy and Lay members of the Joint Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop under Canon 1.2.1.a, the House shall first elect a Deacon to the Committee. The nominees for this election shall include all the Deacons nominated.

2. After a Deacon has been elected under subsection 1, the House shall proceed to elect the remaining Clergy and Lay members of the Committee. The first ballot of the election for the remaining Clergy members shall include all Priest and Deacon nominees other than the Deacon elected under subsection 1 above.

A124 - Amend Joint Rules of Orders VII.17 on Nominees for the Court of Review

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Joint Rules of Order

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Joint Rules of Order 17 and 20 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

VII: Joint Standing Committee on Nominations

17. There shall be a Joint Standing Committee on Nominations, which shall submit nominations for the election of:

- a. Trustees of The Church Pension Fund, serving as the Joint Committee referred to in Canon I.8.2.
- b. Members of the Executive Council under Canon I.4.1.d.
- c. The Secretary of the House of Deputies and the Treasurer of the General Convention under Canons I.1.1.j and I.1.7.a.
- d. Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.
- e. General Board of Examining Chaplains.

f. Disciplinary Board for Bishops.

g. Court of Review.

h. The Joint Nominating Committee for the election of the Presiding Bishop.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

VII: Joint Standing Committee on Nominations

17. There shall be a Joint Standing Committee on Nominations, which shall submit nominations for the election of:

a. Trustees of The Church Pension Fund, serving as the Joint Committee referred to in Canon I.8.2.

b. Members of the Executive Council under Canon I.4.1.d.

c. The Secretary of the House of Deputies and the Treasurer of the General Convention under Canons I.1.1.j and I.1.7.a.

d. Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

e. General Board of Examining Chaplains.

f. Disciplinary Board for Bishops.

g. *Court of Review.*

h. *The Joint Nominating Committee for the election of the Presiding Bishop.*

~~20. Except for the Secretary of the General Convention, and the Treasurer of the General Convention, and the Court of Review, the said Committee is instructed to nominate a number, equal to at least twice the number of vacancies, which shall be broadly representative of the constituency of this Church; to prepare biographical sketches of all nominees; and to include such nominations and sketches in the Blue Book, or otherwise to circulate them among Bishops and Deputies well in advance of the meeting of the next succeeding General Convention; this procedure, however, not to preclude further nominations from the floor in the appropriate House of the General Convention.~~

A125 - A Resolution Extending and Furthering the Beloved Community

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Presiding Officers' Working Group on Truth Telling, Reckoning, and Healing

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$0.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, that the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church affirms that **striving to become the Beloved Community of Jesus is central to our baptismal vocation in God's mission, and every Episcopalian is called to a lifelong vocation of racial justice and equity and the dismantling of white supremacy;** and be it further

Resolved, that the 80th General Convention establish the **Episcopal Coalition for Racial Equity and Justice as a voluntary association of Episcopal dioceses, parishes, organizations, and individuals dedicated to the work of becoming the Beloved Community;** and be it further

Resolved, that the **Episcopal Coalition for Racial Equity and Justice be charged with facilitating, coordinating, encouraging, supporting, and networking efforts of Episcopal dioceses, parishes, organizations, and individuals for racial justice and equity, and the dismantling of white supremacy, in collaboration with the work of the Executive Council and staff of the Episcopal Church Center;** and be it further

Resolved, that the **Presiding Bishop and President of the House of Deputies appoint a Constituting Group for the development, implementation, and creation of the Episcopal Coalition for Racial Equity and Justice, whose work includes determining and proposing all necessary organizational, canonical, legal, and other actions necessary to constitute formally and oversee said Coalition;** and be it further

Resolved, that **once the Coalition is constituted, it shall be funded with an annual draw on one-tenth of the trusts and endowment funds available for general use in the**

Episcopal Church's budget, the income of which is currently found on Line 5 of the Episcopal Church budget; and be it further

Resolved, that the draw percentage applied to fund the Coalition be the same percentage as that applied to fund the Episcopal Church's budget; and be it further

Resolved, that to support the development of the Episcopal Coalition for Racial Equality and Justice, the Constituting Group be funded during the biennial 2023-2024 at the level of \$200,000 a year.

A126 - A Resolution Supporting a Comprehensive Review of the Book Of Common Prayer, The Hymnal 1982, and other approved liturgical material

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Presiding Officers' Working Group on Truth Telling, Reckoning, and Healing

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention instruct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to examine all the language of the Book of Common Prayer, The Hymnal 1982 and other approved liturgical material in regard to the colonialist, racist and white supremacist, imperialist and nationalistic language and content and develop proposals for amending texts; and be it further

Resolved, That in order to accomplish this review it is authorized to convene gatherings of Episcopalians of Color and of a wide variety of ethnicities and from all the countries where The Episcopal Church is gathered, for this review and for the discernment of cultural assumptions in these resources and materials; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music communicate its learnings ongoing and widely throughout the next two years; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance to allocate \$100,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

A127 - Resolution for Telling the Truth about The Episcopal Church's History with Indigenous Boarding Schools

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Presiding Officers' Working Group on Truth Telling, Reckoning, and Healing

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$125,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That we recognize the work of becoming Beloved Community as a long-term commitment directed toward dismantling racism, which is essential to our spiritual life, by acknowledging, engaging, and supporting the ongoing work of racial Healing, Justice, and Reconciliation as one Body of Christ. Thereby, we live into our Baptismal Covenant of “Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being? I will with God’s help,” and every Episcopalian strives toward the dismantling of white supremacy; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention create a fact-finding commission to conduct research in the Archives of The Episcopal Church and its dioceses, the National Archives, and the Library of Congress, as well as any other repository of historical documents relevant to the role of the Episcopal Church in the Indigenous residential boarding schools of North America; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention thanks the Executive Council for its commitment to work on “Native Boarding Schools and Advocacy, Resolution MW062 in VBinder), and urges it to work cooperatively with the conduct of a comprehensive and complete investigation of the church’s ownership and operation of Episcopal-run Indigenous boarding schools; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the Archives of The Episcopal Church be encouraged to hire one or more research fellows to work with dioceses where Episcopal-run boarding schools were located to find and share records from those schools; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the Archives be directed to share all relevant records with the Indigenous Ministries of The Episcopal Church and the National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition for inclusion in their growing resource database; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the Archives be directed to work with the Office of Indigenous Ministries to support the production of an educational video that can be used across the church to share the history of Indigenous boarding schools in the US and the history of The Episcopal Church-run boarding schools; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the dioceses of The Episcopal Church will be strongly encouraged to, before the 81st General Convention, begin an audit of the relationship, financial or otherwise, between the federal government, the diocese and/or its subsidiary entities, its churches, and any Episcopal or non-Episcopal missionary societies with respect to any Indigenous residential boarding school operated within the territorial jurisdiction of that diocese; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the dioceses of The Episcopal Church will be strongly encouraged to, before the 81st General Convention, begin to gather information from boarding school survivors and their descendants about the experiences of Indigenous children and families in Episcopal run and/or supported residential boarding schools within the territorial jurisdiction of that diocese; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the dioceses of The Episcopal Church will be strongly encouraged to, before the 81st General Convention, provide a public platform through which the stories of boarding school survivors of any Indigenous residential boarding schools within the territorial jurisdiction of that diocese and their descendants might be preserved and shared; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention acknowledge the intergenerational trauma caused by the Doctrine of Discovery, colonialism, genocide, ethnocide through the operation of Indigenous boarding schools, and other systems of white supremacy that have oppressed Indigenous peoples; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention direct Executive Council to follow the lead of Indigenous communities and invest in community-based spiritual healing centers that will work to address the effect of intergenerational trauma by providing mental health and substance abuse counseling, traditional forms of healing, family counseling, and other services and support desired by local communities; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That The Episcopal Church will support federal legislation to create a truth and healing commission on Indian boarding school policy, consistent with the**

Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative of the U.S. Department of the Interior and its efforts to “shed light on the traumas of the past;” and be it further

Resolved, **That the 80th General Convention recognize, affirm, and support the ongoing work of Executive Council around these issues through the creation of the Executive Council Committee for Indigenous Boarding Schools and Advocacy, as well as the extraordinary efforts of the Presiding Officer’s Working Group on Truth-telling, Reckoning, and Healing; and be it further**

Resolved, **That the 80th General Convention appropriate \$2,500,000 over the next biennium, or some other degree of funding commensurate with The Episcopal Church’s commitment to the work of truth-telling and reconciliation around its role in Indigenous residential boarding schools, to adequately fund the provisions of this resolution, specifically 1) to fund the creation and support of a fact-finding commission; 2) to fund the work of the Office of Indigenous Ministries to create an education resource regarding the church’s role in Indigenous residential boarding schools; 3) to fund a grant program to support the work of the dioceses of The Episcopal Church in both conducting their own research into the diocesan role in Indigenous residential boarding schools and preserving the stories of boarding school survivors and their families; and 4) to support the establishment of community-based spiritual healing centers in Indigenous communities across The Episcopal Church to address the intergenerational trauma rooted in the church’s role in Indigenous residential boarding schools.**

A128 - Resolution for Healing Surrounding The Episcopal Church's History with Indigenous Boarding Schools and Other Forms of Oppression

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Presiding Officers' Working Group on Truth Telling, Reckoning, and Healing

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$300,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention acknowledge the intergenerational trauma caused by genocide, colonialism, the Doctrine of Discovery, the operation of Indigenous boarding schools, and other systems based on white supremacy that have oppressed Indigenous people; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct Executive Council to follow the lead of Indigenous communities and invest in community-based spiritual healing centers that will work to address the effect of intergenerational trauma by providing mental health and substance abuse counseling, traditional forms of healing, and other services desired by the local community; and be it further

Resolved, That the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance allocate \$300,000 for this work with ongoing support as needed.

A129 - Resolution for a Forensic Audit of the Funds of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Presiding Officers' Working Group on Truth Telling, Reckoning, and Healing

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention directs the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies to ensure that this Church conducts historical research on the origins and sources of the financial and all other assets of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society that are directly tied to the enslavement of humans, the slave trade, and historical and current racial injustices, in order to tell the story of our history and to report the results to the Executive Council prior to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention urges the Church Pension Group to conduct historical research on the origins and sources of its financial and all other assets, and to report the results to its constituents; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention urges each diocese to conduct its own historical research on the origins and sources of their financial and all other assets; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention allocates \$150,000 for this work.

A130 - Resolution for the Development of Best Practices in Hiring and Developing Organizational Cultural Competencies

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Presiding Officers' Working Group on Truth Telling, Reckoning, and Healing

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 16 - Churchwide Leadership

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct Executive Council to develop model hiring, workplace, and Committee/Commission/Board practices that intentionally increase equitable hiring and access to leadership positions for People of Color and that promote healthy work environments within the church; and be it further

Resolved, That as the Executive Council implements this resolution, it seeks the wisdom and leadership of the Communities of Color within our church, professional associations, and external expert advisors as needed; and be it further

Resolved, That once developed and approved by Executive Council, those policies be implemented within the human resources department of Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; and be it further

Resolved, That each diocese and congregation be encouraged to actively engage in addressing the ways that white supremacy culture has shaped its own structures, policies, and practices and work toward deepening their cultural competency, including, but not limited to the following:

- 1. Seeking out external coaching where necessary to help leaders address their own biases and to help examine the culture of the diocese and its leadership.**
- 2. Ensuring Search Committees at every level of the church complete Dismantling Racism Training.**
- 3. Seeking out or creating support systems for clergy and leadership of Color to address the challenges and stress of being the first or the only Person of Color doing this work in a mostly White context, especially when and where the deeper work of cultural transformation has not yet begun or is in its early stages.**
- 4. Committing to intentionally sharing open positions across the networks of People of Color that already exist across the Church.**
- 5. Providing professional development money for diocesan Transition Officers to continue to develop their understanding of structural and systemic racism, including the expansive gifts of underrepresented groups derived from non-traditional systems of learning.**
- 6. Working towards equity in evaluating, hiring, and compensating candidates formed outside of traditional residential seminaries.**

A131 - Resolution Regarding Language

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Presiding Officers' Working Group on Truth Telling, Reckoning, and Healing

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention urge all Episcopalians to utilize the phrase **People of Color** when referring to individuals and communities marginalized by racism and white supremacy; and be it further

Resolved, That when referring to a smaller group of people that share a historical, cultural, or ethnic identity, we commit to using the specific terms and names that those groups have widely embraced for themselves in our documents and church communications.

A132 - Task Force to Study Congregational Vitality Indicators

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$25,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 10 - Congregational & Diocesan Vitality

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorizes the creation of a task force to study indicators of 21st century congregational vitality and how The Episcopal Church can collect data that measures those indicators; and be it further

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop and President of the House of Deputies appoint the members of this task force, to include at least 2 bishops, 5 clergy, one of which must be a deacon, and 5 laypeople with appropriate representation from urban and rural congregations, congregations in which people of color are a majority, and congregations that represent the full geographic and economic diversity of the Episcopal Church, including at least one member from outside the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That the President of House Deputies is encouraged to include as an additional member one who has served on the most recent House of Deputies State of the Church Committee; and be it further

Resolved, That this task force work closely with the Task Force on the State of Membership in The Episcopal Church (A156) and the House of Deputies State of the Church Committee; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force coordinate with the House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church to ensure that the parochial report form is revised to collect data from congregations that will measure vitality in the 21st century; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force issue a report to the 81st General Convention that includes proposed canonical changes to codify the proposed measurements; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$25,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

A133 - Amend Joint Rule of Order III.12 to modify the method of showing additions or amendments to facilitate translation

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: 01 - Rules of Order/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Joint Rules of Order

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Joint Rule of Order III.12 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

III: Proposals for Legislative Consideration

12. Each proposal for legislative consideration which includes the language of a proposed addition to or amendment of an existing Constitutional, Canonical, or Rule of Order provision shall be shown as follows:

a. Begin the text of the resolution with the following text in bold, with an extra return before and after this text:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

b. Place the text of the final resolution, inclusive of all proposed changes, as it would appear if adopted and concurred. This means that there should be no strikethrough text or italics text in this version of the text.

c. Then add the following text in bold, with an extra return before and after this text:

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

d. Insert the text of the resolution showing the exact changes being made by marking any text being removed using a ~~strikethrough~~ and any new text being added using *italics*. Where practicable, proposers should strikethrough entire words and phrases, while still showing exactly what is being modified. Do not strikethrough a portion of a word. Bold text may not be used in the text of the legislative proposal.

e. Each such proposal calling for action shall designate the individual or body for communication and implementation, but if no such designation is included in the resolution as adopted, it shall be referred to the Office of the Secretary of General Convention for communication and implementation.

f. No proposal for legislative consideration which approves, endorses, adopts, or rejects a report, study, or other document that is not generally known by the members of the House or readily available may be considered by the General Convention unless such material is first distributed to both Houses. It is the responsibility of the proposer to provide the necessary copies to the Secretary of each House.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

III: Proposals for Legislative Consideration

12. ~~Each proposal for legislative consideration which includes the language of a proposed addition to or amendment of an existing Constitutional or Canonical provision shall be drawn, insofar as may reasonably be possible, (1) so as to indicate in Roman type the portion, if any, of the existing Constitutional or Canonical provision proposed to be retained, (2) so as to indicate in italic or underlined type the new language proposed to be inserted or added, and (3) so as to indicate, by Roman type which has been stricken through, manually or otherwise, the language of the existing Constitutional or Canonical provision proposed to be eliminated. Each proposal for legislative consideration which includes the language of a proposed addition to or amendment of an existing Constitutional, Canonical, or Rule of Order provision shall be shown as follows:~~

a. *Begin the text of the resolution with the following text in bold, with an extra return before and after this text:*

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

b. Place the text of the final resolution, inclusive of all proposed changes, as it would appear if adopted and concurred. This means that there should be no strikethrough text or italics text in this version of the text.

c. Then add the following text in bold, with an extra return before and after this text:

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

d. Insert the text of the resolution showing the exact changes being made by marking any text being removed using a strikethrough and any new text being added using italics. Where practicable, proposers should strikethrough entire words and phrases, while still showing exactly what is being modified. Do not strikethrough a portion of a word. Bold text may not be used in the text of the legislative proposal.

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f. No proposal for legislative consideration which approves, endorses, adopts, or rejects a report, study, or other document that is not generally known by the members of the House or readily available may be considered by the General Convention unless such material is first distributed to both Houses. It is the responsibility of the proposer to provide the necessary copies to the Secretary of each House.

A134 - Amend the House of Deputies Rule of Order XV.A.3 to Conform it to Current Practice Regarding the Form of Nominations from the Floor of the House

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: 01 - Rules of Order/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Rules of Order/HoD

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies amend the House of Deputies Rule of Order XV.A.3 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

XV: Elections

A. Nominations

3. Each nomination must be submitted to the Secretary, in a form determined by the Office of the Secretary of the House, consistent with the form adopted by the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations. The Secretary will publish all nominations by the end of the third legislative day.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

XV: Elections

A. Nominations

3. ~~Each nomination must be submitted to the Secretary, in a form adopted by the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations. The Secretary will publish all nominations by the end of the third legislative day.~~

Each nomination must be submitted to the Secretary, in a form determined by the Office of the Secretary of the House, consistent with the form adopted by the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations. The Secretary will publish all nominations by the end of the third legislative day.

A135 - Amend Joint Rule of Order VII.22 to Streamline the Procedure for Obtaining a Background Check, if Required, before a Nomination from the House Floor

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: 01 - Rules of Order/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Joint Rules of Order

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Joint Rule of Order VII.22 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

22. Any person desiring to be nominated from the floor of either House for any of the offices listed in Joint Rule VII.21.a shall, at a time determined by the Office of the Secretary of General Convention, but no later than sixty days prior to the first legislative day of General Convention, submit the person's name and other necessary information to the Office of the Secretary of General Convention for the purpose of submitting to a background check in accordance with Joint Rule VII.21.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

22. Any person desiring to be nominated *from the floor of either House* for any of the offices listed in *Joint Rule VII.21.a* of the ~~Secretary of the General Convention, Treasurer of the General Convention, President of the House of Deputies, Vice President of the House of Deputies, Executive Council, and Trustee of The Church Pension Fund~~ shall, at a time determined by *the Office of the Secretary of General Convention, Joint Standing Committee on Nominations*, ~~but no later than sixty days~~ *four months* prior to the ~~start~~ *first legislative day* of General Convention, submit the person's *name and other necessary information to the Office of the Secretary of General Convention* ~~application to the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations~~ for the purpose of submitting to a background check *in accordance with Joint Rule VII.21.*

A136 - Amend the House of Deputies Rules of Order by Adding a New Rule VII.F Referral to the Constitutions and Canons Legislative Committee

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: 01 - Rules of Order/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Rules of Order/HoD

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies amend the House of Deputies Rules of Order to add a new Rule VII.F to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

VII: Resolutions and memorials

F. Referrals to the Constitution and Canons Legislative Committee

Any resolution which involves an amendment to the Constitution or Canons shall be referred to the appropriate Legislative or Special Committee for action and simultaneously to the Committee on Constitution & Canons and such Committee shall make certain that the Resolution is in proper constitutional or canonical form, achieves consistency and clarity in the Constitution or Canons, and includes all amendments necessary to effect the proposed change, and shall promptly communicate its recommendations to the Legislative or Special Committee. In such case the Committee shall neither concern itself with, nor report on, the substance of the matter referred to it, but whenever requested to do so by the Presiding Officer of the House, the Committee shall in its report to the House make recommendations as to substance.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

VII: Resolutions and memorials

F. Referrals to the Constitution and Canons Legislative Committee

Any resolution which involves an amendment to the Constitution or Canons shall be referred to the appropriate Legislative or Special Committee for action and simultaneously to the Committee on Constitution & Canons and such Committee shall make certain that the Resolution is in proper constitutional or canonical form, achieves consistency and clarity in the Constitution or Canons, and includes all amendments necessary to effect the proposed change, and shall promptly communicate its recommendations to the Legislative or Special Committee. In such case the Committee shall neither concern itself with, nor report on, the substance of the matter referred to it, but whenever requested to do so by the Presiding Officer of the House, the Committee shall in its report to the House make recommendations as to substance.

A137 - Church of Sweden - Full Communion Relationship

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Task Force to Coordinate Ecumenical & Interreligious Work

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 19 - Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church accept the Memorandum of Understanding dated January 15, 2022 between The Episcopal Church and the Church of Sweden (which can found on the Ecumenical and Inter-religious page of The Episcopal Church's website at <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/ecumenical-interreligious/> and which shall be added to the Ecumenical and Interfaith Relationships page of the Archives upon acceptance of the Memorandum by the General Convention <https://www.episcopalarchives.org/sceir>) the basis for a relationship of full communion between The Episcopal Church and the Church of Sweden; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church request that the Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church, convey this action to the Archbishop of the Church of Sweden; and be it further

Resolved, That the ecumenical officers of The Episcopal Church, working with the Task Force to Coordinate Ecumenical and Interreligious Work, establish policies and procedures to facilitate exchange of ministry between The Episcopal Church and the Church of Sweden as set forth in the Memorandum; and be it further

Resolved, That Canon I.20 be amended by adding a new subsection, as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

I.20

4. The Episcopal Church has a relationship of full communion with the Church of Sweden under the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding between The Episcopal Church and the Church of Sweden (based upon the understandings set forth in the Report on the Grounds for Future Relations between the Church of Sweden and The Episcopal Church), which was accepted by the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church as Resolution 2022-A137.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

I.20

4. The Episcopal Church has a relationship of full communion with the Church of Sweden under the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding between The Episcopal Church and the Church of Sweden (based upon the understandings set forth in the Report on the Grounds for Future Relations between the Church of Sweden and The Episcopal Church), which was accepted by the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church as Resolution 2022-A137.

A138 - Amend HOD Rule VIII to allow Committee Meetings and Hearings prior to the start of General Convention

Final Status: Adopted with Amendment HoD

Proposed by: 01 - Rules of Order/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Rules of Order/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt with Amendment – Floor changes

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies amend House of Deputies Rule VIII.A.6 and VIII.B to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. (Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

VIII: Legislative Committees

A. General Rules on Legislative Committees

6. Committee Meetings

i. Meetings may be held in person or electronically in a way that all members can participate with all other members.

a. All electronic meetings shall be livestreamed and recorded, except for those noted in Rule VIII.A.6.x.

ii. The Secretary of the House of Deputies will arrange logistics for each Legislative Committee meeting, whether conducted in person or electronically.

iii. Information about how to attend meetings for each Legislative Committee will be made available to the House and the public by the Secretary of the House.

iv. Legislative Committees may convene and consider matters referred to them prior to the time set for legislative committee meetings at the General Convention site by the Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Arrangements. Such meetings may be held electronically in a way that all members can participate with all other members.

v. A meeting may be called by the Chair or by a majority of the members.

vi. In accordance with Canon V.3.2 a quorum will be a majority of all the members.

vii. Legislative Committees may, but are not required to, meet with a parallel House of Bishops Legislative Committee assigned to consider the same matter or matters. The House of Deputies Legislative Committee must always vote separately on the final action on any matter referred to it.

viii. Only members of the Legislative Committee may speak during meetings, unless the Chair invites other persons to speak.

ix. All meetings of Legislative Committees will be open to the public unless the Committee votes to hold a closed meeting. A Legislative Committee may hold a closed meeting upon a two-thirds vote of the members present. Any motion to enter a closed session must specify the topic to be discussed. No final action on a matter referred to the Committee may be taken during a closed meeting.

x. A Legislative Committee may hold a closed meeting upon a two-thirds vote of the members present. Any motion to enter a closed session must specify the topic to be discussed. No final action on a matter referred to the Committee may be taken during a closed meeting.

xi. Before entering a closed session to discuss a Resolution, the Committee must first hold a public hearing on the Resolution.

B. Legislative Committee Hearings

1. Hearing Required

i. Legislative Committees must hold a hearing on every Resolution, Memorial, and other matter referred to them for action or proposed by them before taking final action. Such hearings may be held in person or electronically in a way that enables all participants to participate with all speakers.

ii. Legislative Committees should try to schedule all Resolutions, Memorials, or other matters on the same subject for hearing at the same time.

iii. Hearings may be held by Legislative Committees as early as 90 days before the first legislative day of General Convention.

2. Notice of Hearings

i. For hearings to be held between 90 and 14 days prior to the first legislative day of General Convention, a Legislative Committee will deliver a Notice of Hearing to the Secretary of the House of Deputies at least seven days before the hearing. Upon receipt the Notice of Hearing will be posted by the Secretary on the General Convention website.

ii. For hearings to be held during or not more than one day before the first legislative day of General Convention, a Legislative Committee will deliver the Notice of Hearing to the Secretary of the House of Deputies so that it can be posted by the Secretary on the General Convention website at least eight hours before the hearing. For hearings scheduled before 10:00 a.m., the Notice of Hearing must be posted by the Secretary by 6:00 p.m. of the day before the hearing.

iii. The Secretary of the House of Deputies will specify the form for the Notice of Hearing.

3. Testimony at Hearings

i. Any person may testify at a hearing before a Legislative Committee.

ii. All persons who wish to testify at a hearing before a Legislative Committee must register in a manner provided for by the Committee.

iii. At electronic meetings, those wishing to testify must be provided the opportunity to declare their intent to testify up to and including the day of the hearing.

iv. Persons testifying must identify themselves by name, status (Deputy, Bishop, Alternate, or Visitor), Diocese, organization represented, if any, and the Resolution or matter on which they wish to testify.

v. The committee shall provide for means of taking day of testimony, noting restrictions the chair may impose pursuant to Rule VIII.B.3.vi

vi. The Chair may limit the number of persons who may testify, set time limits, alternate pro and con, give preference to Deputies or other groups of persons and otherwise regulate the hearing.

4. Record of Hearings

i. The Secretary of the Legislative Committee will keep (or cause to be kept) a record of the:

- a. time and place of each hearing;
- b. attendance of Committee members at each hearing;
- c. Resolutions and other matters considered at each hearing; and
- d. name and identifying information of each person testifying before the Legislative Committee and the Resolution or matter upon which each spoke.
- e. Digital recording of public portions of each electronic hearing

ii. The Secretary of the Legislative Committee will file the record of each Legislative Committee hearing with the Secretary of the House at the conclusion of each hearing.

<Proposed amended text showing exact changes being made:>

VIII: Legislative Committees

A. General Rules on Legislative Committees

6. Committee Meetings

i. Meetings may be held in person or electronically in a way that all members can participate with all other members.

a. All electronic meetings shall be livestreamed and recorded, except for those noted in Rule VIII.A.6.x.

ii. ~~The Secretary of the House will arrange a meeting space for each Legislative Committee. The Secretary of the House of Deputies will arrange logistics for each Legislative Committee meeting, whether conducted in person or electronically.~~

iii. ~~The meeting location for each Legislative Committee will be made available to the House and the public by the Secretary of the House. Information about how to attend meetings for each Legislative Committee will be made available to the House and the public by the Secretary of the House.~~

iv. ~~The President may direct any Legislative Committee to convene and consider matters referred to it prior to the time set for legislative~~

~~committee meetings at the General Convention site by the Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Arrangements.~~ *Legislative Committees may convene and consider matters referred to them prior to the time set for legislative committee meetings at the General Convention site by the Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Arrangements.* Such meetings may be held electronically in a way that all members can ~~hear~~ *participate with* all other members.

~~iv~~ v. A meeting may be called by the Chair or by a majority of the members.

v ~~vi~~. In accordance with Canon V.3.2 a quorum will be a majority of all the members.

~~vi~~; vii. Legislative Committees may, but are not required to, meet with a parallel House of Bishops Legislative Committee assigned to consider the same matter or matters. The House of Deputies Legislative Committee must always vote separately on the final action on any matter referred to it.

~~vii~~-viii. Only members of the Legislative Committee may speak during meetings, unless the Chair invites other persons to speak.

~~vii~~-ix. All meetings of Legislative Committees will be open to the public unless the Committee votes to hold a closed meeting.

~~ix~~ x. A Legislative Committee may hold a closed meeting upon a two-thirds vote of the members present. Any motion to enter a closed session must specify the topic to be discussed. No final action on a matter referred to the Committee may be taken during a closed meeting.

x ~~xi~~. Before entering a closed session to discuss a Resolution, the Committee must first hold a public hearing on the Resolution.

B. Legislative Committee Hearings

1. Hearing Required

i. Legislative Committees must hold a hearing on every Resolution, Memorial, and other matter referred to them for action or proposed by them before taking final action. *Such hearings may be held in person or electronically in a way that enables all participants to ~~hear~~ participate with all speakers.*

ii. Legislative Committees should try to schedule all Resolutions, Memorials, or other matters on the same subject for hearing at the same time.

~~iii. Hearings may be held by Legislative Committees as early as two days before the first legislative day of General Convention. Hearings may be held by Legislative Committees as early as 90 days before the first legislative day of General Convention.~~

2. Notice of Hearings

~~i. Two Days before the First Legislative Day. For hearings to be held two days prior to the first legislative day of General Convention, a Legislative Committee will deliver a Notice of Hearing to the Secretary of the House of Deputies at least seven days before the hearing. Upon receipt the Notice of Hearing will be posted by the Secretary on the General Convention website. For hearings to be held between 90 and 14 days prior to the first legislative day of General Convention, a Legislative Committee will deliver a Notice of Hearing to the Secretary of the House of Deputies at least seven days before the hearing. Upon receipt the Notice of Hearing will be posted by the Secretary on the General Convention website.~~

~~ii. During General Convention and One Day before the First Legislative Day. For hearings to be held during or not more than one day before the first legislative day of General Convention, a Legislative Committee will deliver the Notice of Hearing to the Secretary of the House of Deputies so that it can be posted by the Secretary on the General Convention website at least eight hours before the hearing. For hearings scheduled before 10:00 a.m., the Notice of Hearing must be posted by the Secretary by 6:00 p.m. of the day before the hearing.~~

~~iii. The Secretary of the House of Deputies will specify the form for the Notice of Hearing.~~

3. Testimony at Hearings

~~i. Any person may testify at a hearing before the Legislative Committee. Any person may testify at a hearing before a Legislative Committee.~~

~~ii. All persons who wish to testify at a hearing before the Legislative Committee must register by signing a witness sheet. All persons who wish to testify at a hearing before a Legislative Committee must register in a manner provided for by the Committee.~~

~~iii. At electronic meetings, those wishing to testify must be provided the opportunity to declare their intent to testify up to and including the day of the hearing.~~

~~iv. Persons testifying must identify themselves by name, status (Deputy, Bishop, Alternate, or Visitor), Diocese, organization represented, if any, and the Resolution or matter on which they wish to testify.~~

v. The committee shall provide for means of taking day of testimony, noting restrictions the chair may impose pursuant to Rule VIII.B.3.vi

iv vi. The Chair may limit the number of persons who may testify, set time limits, alternate pro and con, give preference to Deputies or other groups of persons and otherwise regulate the hearing.

4. Record of Hearings

i. The Secretary of the Legislative Committee will keep (or cause to be kept) a record of the:

a. time and place of each hearing;

b. attendance of Committee members at each hearing;

c. Resolutions and other matters considered at each hearing; ~~and~~

d. name and identifying information of each person testifying before the Legislative Committee and the Resolution or matter upon which each spoke *and*

e. Digital recording of public portions of each electronic hearing

ii. The Secretary of the Legislative Committee will file the record of each Legislative Committee hearing with the Secretary of the House at the conclusion of each hearing.

A139 - Resolution to Change the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. Robert Wright, The Rt. Rev. Kevin Brown, The Rev. Ellen Tillotson

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 17 - Agencies & Boards

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention concur with the March 28, 2022 unanimous resolution of the Board of Trustees of The General Theological Seminary of The Episcopal Church that Article VII of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary should be deleted and replaced with a new Article VII that reads as follows:**

Article VII: This Constitution may be amended, superseded or rescinded upon the vote solely of the Board of Trustees.

A140 - Urge The Episcopal Church and Constituents to Designate Indigenous Peoples' Day

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Executive Council

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That on the homelands of the Piscataway, Nentego (Nanticoke), and Susquehannock peoples, the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church urges all Episcopal entities, dioceses, parishes and missions to designate a day honoring our Indigenous ancestors. Further, domestic and United States territorial dioceses across the church as well as all Episcopal entities to refer to the U.S. federal holiday of Columbus Day as Indigenous Peoples' Day; and be it further

Resolved, That nations across the globe have adopted Indigenous' Peoples Day as a holiday and/or observance, including, but not limited to Colombia and Taiwan, and, further the United Nations recognized August 9 as the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples; and be it further

Resolved, That observance of Indigenous Peoples' Day would serve as a celebration and a remembrance of the Indigenous peoples who have for thousands of generations safeguarded the land, and who, in the face of cultural genocide, preserved their languages, traditions, stories, and ceremonies for future generations; and be it further

Resolved, That all diocesan offices, parishes, and Episcopal Church-related organizations are encouraged to examine their observance, remembrance, and honoring of our Indigenous and Native siblings.

A141 - Develop Indigenous and Native Liturgical Resources

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Executive Council

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$200,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That, on the homelands of the Piscataway, Nentego (Nanticoke), and Susquehannock peoples, the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church creates an intentional effort to value and embrace Native and Indigenous liturgy and spirituality. This General Convention calls for a Task Force on Indigenous Liturgy to document and develop culturally appropriate liturgical materials that reflect the Native and Indigenous spirituality that can then be used in Native and Indigenous faith communities; and be it further

Resolved, **That these liturgical resources would honor and uphold the original stewards of our land and the deep connection with Great Spirit and Earth, written in and/or referencing the traditional languages, incorporating the cultural customs, stories, and beliefs, and that address the current needs of the Native and Indigenous faith communities; and be it further**

Resolved, **That this Task Force would up to 20 persons, majority Native and Indigenous identified, be appointed jointly by the President of the House of Deputies and the Presiding Bishop. Members would reflect a geographically diverse representation from the Church and tribal affiliations. This membership would include Native spirituality theologians, liturgy developers, and practitioners. Laity would make up half of the entire membership. 1 member would overlap with the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to be a liaison; and be it further**

Resolved, That these liturgical resources would be curated and developed with the consultation of the Native American Ministries Council of Advice and presented for review during the Winter Talk 2023 and 2024 gatherings; and be it further

Resolved That the plans for this collection be presented to the 81st General Convention as a model for culturally-informed worship and contextual theology; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$200,000 for the implementation of this resolution and Task Force.

A142 - Re-establishment of the Standing Commission on Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Executive Council

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon I.1.2.n by adding a new subsection 4 thereto, to read as follows:

4. A Standing Commission on Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations. It shall be the duty of the Commission to:

- i. Coordinate and encourage the work of church unity among Christian partners and collaboration and peacebuilding with interfaith partners, conciliar, and interfaith organizations.
- ii. Recommend policies and strategies to the General Convention for the affirmation and development of ecumenical and interreligious partnerships.
- iii. Collaborate with ecumenical and interreligious partners, conciliar and interfaith bodies to develop tools which address issues of power, racial justice, colonialism, imperialism, and the historical racial bias in ecumenical endeavors.
- iv. Support Diocesan and local engagement in interreligious and ecumenical ministry.
- v. Encourage theological work that recognizes the current and future ecumenical and religious landscape, contextual theologies and partnerships with conciliar bodies and others

to address the Gospel issues of unity, justice, and peace, and to respond as requested to Conciliar, ecumenical or other interreligious documents.

vi. In collaboration with the churchwide Office on Ecumenical and Inter-religious relations, develop and recommend to the General Convention comprehensive and coordinated policies and guidelines for inter-religious relations and ecumenical dialogues and conversations.

vii. Recommend strategies and policies to General Convention for training and leadership development, with networks, diocesan ecumenical officers, faith-based bodies within and beyond the Episcopal Church.

viii. Study the needs and trends of the ecumenical and interreligious landscape, to support and encourage the development of resources for ecumenical and interreligious formation

And be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to allocate \$50,000 to fund the work of the Standing Commission for the 2022-2024 triennium.

A143 - Resolution to Fund Staff Position for Office of Pastoral Development

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Executive Council

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$0.00

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the Committee on Program, Budget & Finance consider an increased budget allocation for the Office of Pastoral Development sufficient to add a permanent senior staff position to that office.

A144 - Add Updated Editions of NRSV and New Jerusalem Bible to Canon II.2

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon II.2.1 is hereby amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Sec. 1. The Lessons prescribed in the Book of Common Prayer shall be read from the translation of the Holy Scriptures commonly known as the King James or Authorized Version (which is the historic Bible of this Church) together with the Marginal Readings authorized for use by the General Convention of 1901; or from one of the three translations known as Revised Versions, including the English Revision of 1881, the American Revision of 1901, and the Revised Standard Version of 1952; from the Jerusalem Bible of 1966; from the New English Bible with the Apocrypha of 1970; or from The 1976 Good News Bible (Today's English Version); or from The New American Bible (1970); or from The Revised Standard Version, an Ecumenical Edition, commonly known as the "R.S.V. Common Bible" (1973); or from The New International Version (1978); or from The New Jerusalem Bible (1987); or from the Revised English Bible (1989); or from the New Revised Standard Version (1989, 2022); or from the Contemporary English Version (1995); or from the Contemporary English Version Global (2005); or Common English Bible (2011); or from The Revised New Jerusalem Bible (2019); or from translations, authorized by the diocesan bishop, of those approved versions published in any other language; or from other versions of the Bible, including those in languages other than English, which shall be authorized by diocesan bishops for specific use in congregations or ministries within their dioceses.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 1. The Lessons prescribed in the Book of Common Prayer shall be read from the translation of the Holy Scriptures commonly known as the King James or Authorized Version (which is the historic Bible of this Church) together with the Marginal Readings authorized for use by the General Convention of 1901; or from one of the three translations known as Revised Versions, including the English Revision of 1881, the American Revision of 1901, and the Revised Standard Version of 1952; from the Jerusalem Bible of 1966; from the New English Bible with the Apocrypha of 1970; or from The 1976 Good News Bible (Today's English Version); or from The New American Bible (1970); or from The Revised Standard Version, an Ecumenical Edition, commonly known as the "R.S.V. Common Bible" (1973); or from The New International Version (1978); or from The New Jerusalem Bible (1987); or from the Revised English Bible (1989); or from the New Revised Standard Version (1990~~1989~~, 2022); or from the Contemporary English Version (1995); or from the Contemporary English Version Global (2005); or Common English Bible (2011); *from The Revised New Jerusalem Bible (2019)*; or from translations, authorized by the diocesan bishop, of those approved versions published in any other language; or from other versions of the Bible, including those in languages other than English, which shall be authorized by diocesan bishops for specific use in congregations or ministries within their dioceses.

A145 - Amend Constitution Article X [Book of Common Prayer Supplementary Text--Second Reading]

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church amend Article X of the Constitution of the Episcopal Church as follows:**

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

ARTICLE X

The Book of Common Prayer, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses of this Church. No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one regular meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding regular meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a vote by orders in the House of Deputies in accordance with Article I, Sec. 5, except that concurrence by the orders shall require the affirmative vote in each order by a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.

But notwithstanding anything herein above contained, the General Convention may at any one meeting, by a majority of the whole number of the Bishops entitled to vote in the House

of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders as previously set forth in this Article:

- a. Amend the Table of Lessons and all Tables and Rubrics relating to the Psalms.
- b. Authorize for trial use throughout this Church, as an alternative at any time or times to the established Book of Common Prayer or to any section or Office thereof, a proposed revision of the whole Book or of any portion thereof, duly undertaken by the General Convention.
- c. Authorize for use throughout this Church, as provided by Canon, alternative and additional liturgies to supplement those provided in the Book of Common Prayer.

And provided that nothing in this Article shall be construed as restricting the authority of the Bishops of this Church to take such order as may be permitted by the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer or by the Canons of the General Convention for the use of special forms of worship.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

ARTICLE X

The Book of Common Prayer, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses of this Church. No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one regular meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding regular meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a vote by orders in the House of Deputies in accordance with Article I, Sec. 5, except that concurrence by the orders shall require the affirmative vote in each order by a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.

But notwithstanding anything herein above contained, the General Convention may at any one meeting, by a majority of the whole number of the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders as previously set forth in this Article:

- a. Amend the Table of Lessons and all Tables and Rubrics relating to the Psalms.
- b. Authorize for trial use throughout this Church, as an alternative at any time or times to the established Book of Common Prayer or to any section or Office thereof, a

proposed revision of the whole Book or of any portion thereof, duly undertaken by the General Convention.

c. Authorize for use throughout this Church, as provided by Canon, alternative and additional liturgies to supplement those provided in the Book of Common Prayer.

And *provided* that nothing in this Article shall be construed as restricting the authority of the Bishops of this Church to take such order as may be permitted by the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer or by the Canons of the General Convention for the use of special forms of worship.

A146 - Amend Constitution Articles VI and VIII [Regarding Full Communion-- Second Reading]

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Articles VI and VIII to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

ARTICLE VI

Sec. 1. The House of Bishops may establish a Mission in any area not included within the boundaries of any Diocese of this Church or of any Church in full communion with this Church, and elect or appoint a Bishop therefor.

ARTICLE VIII

No person shall be ordered Priest or Deacon to minister in this Church until the person shall have been examined by the Bishop and two Priests and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No person shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon to minister in this Church, unless at the time, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, the person shall subscribe and make the following declaration:

I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Episcopal Church.

Provided, however, that any person consecrated a Bishop to minister in any Diocese of an autonomous Church or Province of a Church in full communion with this Church may, instead of the foregoing declaration, make the promises of Conformity required by the Church in which the Bishop is to minister.

If any Bishop ordains a Priest or Deacon to minister elsewhere than in this Church, or confers ordination as Priest or Deacon upon a Christian minister who has not received Episcopal Ordination, the Bishop shall do so only in accordance with such provisions as shall be set forth in the Canons of this Church.

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop, or by a Bishop not in full communion with this Church, shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church until the person shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided and also shall have subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

A Bishop may permit an ordained minister in good standing in a church with which this Church is in full communion as specified by the Canons who has made the foregoing declaration, or a minister ordained in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America or its predecessor bodies who has made the promise of conformity required by that Church in place of the foregoing declaration to officiate on a temporary basis as an ordained minister of this church. No minister of such a Church ordained by other than a Bishop, apart from any such ministers designated as part of the Covenant or Instrument by which full communion was established, shall be eligible to officiate under this Article.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

ARTICLE VI

Sec. 1. The House of Bishops may establish a Mission in any area not included within the boundaries of any Diocese of this Church or of any Church in *full* communion with this Church, and elect or appoint a Bishop therefor.

ARTICLE VIII

No person shall be ordered Priest or Deacon to minister in this Church until the person shall have been examined by the Bishop and two Priests and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No person shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon to minister in this Church, unless at the time, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, the person shall subscribe and make the following declaration:

I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Episcopal Church.

Provided, however, that any person consecrated a Bishop to minister in any Diocese of an autonomous Church or Province of a Church in *full* communion with this Church may, instead of the foregoing declaration, make the promises of Conformity required by the Church in which the Bishop is to minister.

If any Bishop ordains a Priest or Deacon to minister elsewhere than in this Church, or confers ordination as Priest or Deacon upon a Christian minister who has not received Episcopal Ordination, the Bishop shall do so only in accordance with such provisions as shall be set forth in the Canons of this Church.

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop, or by a Bishop not in *full* communion with this Church, shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church until the person shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided and also shall have subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

A Bishop may permit an ordained minister in good standing in a church with which this Church is in full communion as specified by the Canons who has made the foregoing declaration, or a minister ordained in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America or its predecessor bodies who has made the promise of conformity required by that Church in place of the foregoing declaration to officiate on a temporary basis as an ordained minister of this church. No minister of such a Church ordained by other than a Bishop, apart from any such ministers designated as part of the Covenant or Instrument by which full communion was established, shall be eligible to officiate under this Article.

A147 - Amend Article IX [Court of Trial for Bishops--Second Reading]

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the Article IX of the Constitution be amended as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

ARTICLE IX

The General Convention may, by Canon, establish one or more Courts for the Trial of Bishops.

Presbyters and Deacons canonically resident in a Diocese shall be tried by a Court instituted by the Convention thereof; Presbyters and Deacons canonically resident in a Missionary Diocese shall be tried according to Canons adopted by the Bishop and Convocation thereof, with the approval of the House of Bishops; provided that the General Convention in each case may prescribe by Canon for a change of venue.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish or may provide for the establishment of Courts of Review of the determination of diocesan or other trial Courts.

The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, solely for the review of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of Doctrine, Faith, or Worship.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, or suspension, or deposition from the Ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon; and none but a Bishop shall admonish any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease. A sentence of suspension may be remitted in such manner as may be provided by Canon.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

ARTICLE IX

The General Convention may, by Canon, establish one or more Courts for the Trial of Bishops.

Presbyters and Deacons canonically resident in a Diocese shall be tried by a Court instituted by the Convention thereof; Presbyters and Deacons canonically resident in a Missionary Diocese shall be tried according to Canons adopted by the Bishop and Convocation thereof, with the approval of the House of Bishops; *provided* that the General Convention in each case may prescribe by Canon for a change of venue.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish or may provide for the establishment of Courts of Review of the determination of diocesan or other trial Courts.

The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, solely for the review of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of Doctrine, Faith, or Worship.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of *admonition*, or suspension, ~~or removal~~, or deposition from the Ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon; and none but a Bishop shall admonish any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease. A sentence of suspension may be remitted in such manner as may be provided by Canon.

A148 - Amend Constitution Article I.2 [House of Bishops--Second Reading]

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Article I, Section 2 of the Constitution is hereby amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Article I

Sec. 2. Each Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, every Bishop Suffragan, every Assistant Bishop, and every Bishop who by reason of advanced age or bodily infirmity, or who, under an election to an office created by the General Convention, or for reasons of mission strategy determined by action of the General Convention or the House of Bishops, has resigned a jurisdiction, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Bishops who have resigned their jurisdiction or positions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Article I

Sec. 2. Each Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, every *Bishop* Suffragan ~~Bishop~~, every Assistant Bishop, and every Bishop who by reason of advanced age or bodily infirmity, or who, under an election to an office created by the General Convention, or for reasons of mission strategy determined by action of the General Convention or the House of Bishops, has resigned a jurisdiction, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Bishops who have resigned their jurisdiction or positions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

A149 - Amend Constitution Article II.4-8 [Bishops Suffragan--Second Reading]

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Article II.4-8 of the Constitution is hereby amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

ARTICLE II

Sec. 4. It shall be lawful for a Diocese, at the request of the Bishop of that Diocese, to elect not more than two Bishops Suffragan, without right of succession, and with seat and vote in the House of Bishops. A Bishop Suffragan shall be consecrated and hold office under such conditions and limitations other than those provided in this Article as may be provided by Canons of the General Convention. A Bishop Suffragan shall be eligible for election as Bishop Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor of a Diocese, or as a Bishop Suffragan in another Diocese.

Sec. 5. It shall be lawful for a Diocese to prescribe by the Constitution and Canons of such Diocese that upon the death, removal or deposition of the Bishop or if the Bishop resigns, a Bishop Suffragan of that Diocese may become temporarily the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof until such time as a new Bishop shall be chosen and consecrated; or that during the disability or absence of the Bishop, a Bishop Suffragan of that Diocese may be placed in charge of such diocese and become temporarily the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

Sec. 6. A Bishop may not resign jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

Sec. 7. It shall be lawful for the House of Bishops to elect a Bishop Suffragan who, under the direction of the Presiding Bishop, shall be in charge of the work of those chaplains in the Armed Forces of the United States, Veterans' Administration Medical Centers, and Federal Correctional Institutions who are ordained Ministers of this Church. The Bishop Suffragan so elected shall be consecrated and hold office under such conditions and limitations other than those provided in this Article as may be provided by Canons of the General Convention. The Bishop Suffragan shall be eligible for election as Bishop Diocesan, Bishop Coadjutor or Bishop Suffragan of a Diocese.

Sec. 8. A Bishop Diocesan or Coadjutor who has served as the Bishop Diocesan or as the Bishop Coadjutor, of a Diocese for any period of time, may be elected as Bishop Diocesan, Bishop Coadjutor, or Bishop Suffragan of another Diocese only if five or more years have passed since the Bishop first served as Bishop Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese in which the Bishop is currently or last served as Bishop Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor. Before acceptance of such election a resignation of jurisdiction in the Diocese in which the Bishop is then serving, conditioned on the required consents of the Bishops and Standing Committees of the Church to such election, shall be submitted to the House of Bishops, and also, if the Bishop be a Bishop Coadjutor, a renunciation of the right of succession. Such resignation, and renunciation of the right of succession in the case of a Bishop Coadjutor, shall require the consent of the House of Bishops.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

ARTICLE II

Sec. 4. It shall be lawful for a Diocese, at the request of the Bishop of that Diocese, to elect not more than two ~~Suffragan~~ Bishops *Suffragan*, without right of succession, and with seat and vote in the House of Bishops. A ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* shall be consecrated and hold office under such conditions and limitations other than those provided in this Article as may be provided by Canons of the General Convention. A ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* shall be eligible for election as Bishop *Diocesan* or Bishop Coadjutor of a Diocese, or as a *Bishop Suffragan* in another Diocese.

Sec. 5. It shall be lawful for a Diocese to prescribe by the Constitution and Canons of such Diocese that upon the death, *removal or deposition* of the Bishop *or if the Bishop resigns*, a ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* of that Diocese ~~may be placed in charge of such Diocese and~~ become temporarily the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof until such time as a new Bishop shall be chosen and consecrated; or that during the disability or absence of the Bishop, a Bishop Suffragan of that Diocese may be placed in charge of such diocese and become temporarily the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

Sec. 6. A Bishop may not resign jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

Sec. 7. It shall be lawful for the House of Bishops to elect a ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* who, under the direction of the Presiding Bishop, shall be in charge of the work of those chaplains in the Armed Forces of the United States, Veterans' Administration Medical

Centers, and Federal Correctional Institutions who are ordained Ministers of this Church. The ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* so elected shall be consecrated and hold office under such conditions and limitations other than those provided in this Article as may be provided by Canons of the General Convention. The ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* shall be eligible for election as Bishop *Diocesan*, ~~or~~ Bishop Coadjutor or ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* of a Diocese.

Sec. 8. A Bishop *Diocesan* or *Coadjutor* who has ~~for at least five years next preceding exercised jurisdiction as the Ordinary,~~ *served as the Bishop Diocesan* or as the Bishop Coadjutor, of a Diocese *for any period of time*, may be elected as Bishop *Diocesan*, Bishop Coadjutor, or ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* of another Diocese *only if five or more years have passed since the Bishop first served as Bishop Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese in which the Bishop is currently or last served as Bishop Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor*. Before acceptance of such election a resignation of jurisdiction in the Diocese in which the Bishop is then serving, conditioned on the required consents of the Bishops and Standing Committees of the Church to such election, shall be submitted to the House of Bishops, and also, if the Bishop be a Bishop Coadjutor, a renunciation of the right of succession. Such resignation, and renunciation of the right of succession in the case of a Bishop Coadjutor, shall require the consent of the House of Bishops.

A150 - Amend Constitution Article III [Bishops Consecrated for Foreign Lands--Second Reading]

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Article III of the Constitution is hereby amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due application therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Presiding Bishop; under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. Bishops so consecrated shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan or of Bishop Coadjutor of any Diocese in the United States or be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary Diocese of this Church, unless requested so to do by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof. If a Bishop so consecrated shall be subsequently duly elected as a Bishop of a Missionary Diocese of this Church, such election shall then confer all the rights and privileges given in the Canons to such Bishops.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

ARTICLE III

Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due application therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Presiding Bishop; under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. Bishops so consecrated shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan or of Bishop Coadjutor of any Diocese in the United States or be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary Diocese of this Church, unless requested so to do by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof. If a Bishop so consecrated shall be subsequently duly elected as a Bishop of a Missionary Diocese of this Church, such election shall then confer all the rights and privileges given in the ~~Canon~~ *Canons* to such Bishops.

A151 - Amend Constitution Article IV [Standing Committees--Second Reading]

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Article IV of the Constitution is hereby amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

ARTICLE IV

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be elected by the Convention thereof, except that provision for filling vacancies between meetings of the Convention may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Standing Committee shall be the Bishop's Council of Advice. If there be no Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor or Bishop Suffragan canonically authorized to act, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for all purposes declared by the General Convention. The rights and duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

ARTICLE IV

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be elected by the Convention thereof, except that provision for filling vacancies between meetings of the Convention may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Standing Committee shall be the Bishop's Council of Advice. If there be no Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor or *Bishop* Suffragan ~~Bishop~~ canonically authorized to act, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for all purposes declared by the General Convention. The rights and duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

A152 - Amend Constitution Article 5.1 [Admission of New Dioceses--Second Reading]

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Article V, Section 1 is amended as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 1 A new Diocese may be formed, with the consent of the General Convention and under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by General Canon or Canons, (1) by the division of an existing Diocese; (2) by the junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses; or (3) by the erection into a Diocese of an unorganized area evangelized as provided in Article VI. The proceedings shall originate in a Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the unorganized area called by the Bishop for that purpose; or, with the approval of the Ecclesiastical Authority, in the Convention of the Diocese to be divided; or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more existing Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses) by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese. After consent of the General Convention, when a certified copy of the duly adopted Constitution of the new Diocese, including an unqualified accession to the Constitution and Canons of this Church, shall have been filed with the Secretary of the General Convention and approved by the Executive Council of this Church, such new Diocese shall thereupon be in union with the General Convention.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 1 A new Diocese may be formed, with the consent of the General Convention and under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by General Canon or Canons, (1) by the division of an existing Diocese; (2) by the junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses; or (3) by the erection into a Diocese of an unorganized area evangelized as provided in Article VI. The proceedings shall originate in a Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the unorganized area called by the ~~Ecclesiastical Authority~~ *Bishop* for that purpose; or, with the approval of the Ecclesiastical Authority, in the Convention of the Diocese to be divided; or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more existing Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses) by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese. After consent of the General Convention, when a certified copy of the duly adopted Constitution of the new Diocese, including an unqualified accession to the Constitution and Canons of this Church, shall have been filed with the Secretary of the General Convention and approved by the Executive Council of this Church, such new Diocese shall thereupon be in union with the General Convention.

A153 - Amend Constitution Article IX [For the Trial of Presbyters and Deacons--Second Reading]

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the Constitution Article IX be amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Article IX

The General Convention may, by Canon, establish one or more Courts for the Trial of Bishops.

Presbyters and Deacons shall be tried by a Court instituted by the General Convention by Canon.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish or may provide for the establishment of Courts of Review of the determination of diocesan or other trial Courts.

The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, solely for the review of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of Doctrine, Faith, or Worship.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of suspension, or removal, or deposition from the Ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon; and none but a Bishop shall admonish any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease. A sentence of suspension may be remitted in such manner as may be provided by Canon.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Article IX

The General Convention may, by Canon, establish one or more Courts for the Trial of Bishops.

Presbyters and Deacons ~~canonically resident in a Diocese~~ shall be tried by a Court instituted by the *General Convention by Canon. thereof*; ~~Presbyters and Deacons canonically resident in a Missionary Diocese shall be tried according to Canons adopted by the Bishop and Convocation thereof, with the approval of the House of Bishops; provided that the General Convention in each case may prescribe by Canon for a change of venue.~~

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish or may provide for the establishment of Courts of Review of the determination of diocesan or other trial Courts.

The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, solely for the review of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of Doctrine, Faith, or Worship.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of suspension, or removal, or deposition from the Ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon; and none but a Bishop shall admonish any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease. A sentence of suspension may be remitted in such manner as may be provided by Canon.

A154 - Revise Canon I.5 Regarding Archives of The Episcopal Church

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and President Gay Jennings

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 17 - Agencies & Boards

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church amend Canon I.5 to read as follows, with the amendment taking effect immediately upon its adoption:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Canon 5: Of the Archives of The Episcopal Church

Sec. 1. There shall be an Archives of The Episcopal Church, the purpose of which shall be to preserve by safekeeping, to arrange and to make available the records of the General Convention, Executive Council, and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and other important records and memorabilia of the life and work of the Church, and to carry out a program of records management, so as to further the historical dimension of the mission of the Church.

Sec. 2. For purposes of this Canon, records are defined as all fixed evidential information regardless of method, media, format or characteristics of the recording process, which have been created, received or gathered by the Church, its officers, agents or employees in pursuance of the legal, business and administrative function and the programmatic mission of the Church. Records include all original materials used to capture information, notwithstanding the place or conditions of creation, or the formality or informality of the characteristics of the record. The records and archives of the Church are not limited by the medium in which they are kept and include such formats as paper records, electronic

records, printed records and publications, photo-reproduced images, and machine-readable tapes, film and disks.

Sec. 3. The Archives of The Episcopal Church shall be managed by the Archivist.

Sec. 4. After consultation with the Archives Advisory Committee, the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies in their respective roles as the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Executive Council, shall jointly nominate and the Executive Council shall appoint the Archivist who shall serve at the pleasure of, and report and be accountable to the Chair of the Executive Council. If a vacancy should occur in that office, a successor shall be appointed in like manner.

Sec. 5.

a. There shall be an Archives Advisory Committee which shall consist of the Archivist, the Registrar, the Chief Legal Officer, the Historiographer, and between eight and twelve appointed persons, two or three of whom shall be Bishops, two or three of whom shall be Clergy, and four, five or six of whom shall be Lay Persons. All appointed Members of the Advisory Committee shall serve terms beginning upon the adjournment of the General Convention at which their appointments are confirmed and ending with the close of the second regular Convention thereafter.

b. Bishops shall be appointed by the Presiding Bishop, and other Clerical and all Lay Members shall be appointed by the President of the House of Deputies; after the initial appointments, all subsequent appointments shall be subject to the confirmation of General Convention. Consideration shall be given to assure that membership includes persons who possess knowledge either of history or archival administration, or are persons skilled in disciplines pertinent to the resolutions of the concerns of the Archives. Positions of Members of the Committee which become vacant prior to the normal expiration of such Members' terms shall be filled by appointment by the Presiding Bishop or by the President of the House of Deputies, as appropriate. Such appointments shall be for the remaining unexpired portion of such Members' terms, and if a regular meeting of the General Convention intervenes, appointments for terms extending beyond such meeting shall be subject to confirmation of the General Convention. Because of the special skills and knowledge needed by this Committee, a Member shall be eligible for appointment for two successive terms, after which the Member may not be reappointed prior to the next meeting of the General Convention following the meeting at the close of which the second successive term of the Member expired. Members appointed to fill vacancies in unexpired terms shall not thereby be disqualified from appointment to two full terms immediately thereafter.

c. The Archives Advisory Committee shall provide advice regarding identification, collection, preservation, management, use, and accessibility of records, and establishment of best practices regarding the same to the Archivist, the Archives, and the Executive Council.

d. The Archives Advisory Committee shall meet at least annually, or as requested by the Archivist or the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Executive Council.

Sec. 6. The expenses of the Archives of The Episcopal Church shall be shared by the General Convention and the Executive Council.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Canon 5: Of the Archives of The Episcopal Church

Sec. 1. There shall be an Archives of The Episcopal Church, the purpose of which shall be to preserve by safekeeping, to arrange and to make available the records of the General Convention, Executive Council, and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and other important records and memorabilia of the life and work of the Church, and to carry out a program of records management, so as to further the historical dimension of the mission of the Church.

Sec. 2. For purposes of this Canon, records are defined as all fixed evidential information regardless of method, media, format or characteristics of the recording process, which have been created, received or gathered by the Church, its officers, agents or employees in pursuance of the legal, business and administrative function and the programmatic mission of the Church. Records include all original materials used to capture information, notwithstanding the place or conditions of creation, or the formality or informality of the characteristics of the record. The records and archives of the Church are not limited by the medium in which they are kept and include such formats as paper records, electronic records, printed records and publications, photo-reproduced images, and machine-readable tapes, film and disks.

Sec. 3. *The Archives of The Episcopal Church shall be managed by the Archivist.*

Sec. 4. *After consultation with the Archives Committee, the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies in their respective roles as the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Executive Council, shall jointly nominate and the Executive Council shall appoint the Archivist who shall serve at the pleasure of, and report and be accountable to the Chair of the Executive Council. If a vacancy should occur in that office, a successor shall be appointed in like manner.*

Sec. 3 5.

a. There shall be a ~~Board of the Archives~~ *an Archives Advisory Committee* which shall consist of the Archivist (~~ex officio, with vote~~), *the Registrar, the Chief Legal Officer, the Historiographer* and *between eight and twelve* appointed persons, *two or three* of whom shall be Bishops, *two or three* of whom shall be Clergy, and *four, five or six* of whom shall be Lay Persons. All appointed Members of the ~~Board~~ *Advisory Committee* shall serve terms beginning ~~with~~ *upon* the ~~close~~ *adjournment* of the General Convention at which their appointments are confirmed and ending with the close of the second regular Convention thereafter.

~~**b.** Members shall serve rotating terms for the purpose of continuity on the Board. In the first instance following the adoption of these provisions, one of the Bishops and one half of the Clerical and Lay Appointees shall have terms expiring after the next regular meeting of the General Convention as determined by lot.~~

e b. Bishops shall be appointed by the Presiding Bishop, and other Clerical and all Lay Members shall be appointed by the President of the House of Deputies; *after the initial appointments, all subsequent appointments shall be,* all subject to the confirmation of General Convention. Consideration shall be given to assure that membership includes persons who possess knowledge either of history or archival administration, or are persons skilled in disciplines pertinent to the resolutions of the concerns of the Archives. Positions of Members of the ~~Board~~ *Committee* which become vacant prior to the normal expiration of such Members' terms shall be filled by appointment by the Presiding Bishop or by the President of the House of Deputies, as appropriate. Such appointments shall be for the remaining unexpired portion of such Members' terms, and if a regular meeting of the General Convention intervenes, appointments for terms extending beyond such meeting shall be subject to confirmation of the General Convention. Because of the special skills and knowledge needed by this ~~Board~~ *Committee*, a Member shall be eligible for appointment for two successive terms, after which the Member may not be reappointed prior to the next meeting of the General Convention following the meeting at the close of which the second successive term of the Member expired. Members appointed to fill vacancies in unexpired terms shall not thereby be disqualified from appointment to two full terms immediately thereafter.

~~**d.** The Board of the Archives shall have the duty to set policy for the Archives, to elect the Archivist of The Episcopal Church, and to set forth the terms and conditions with regard to the work of the Archivist.~~

c. The Archives Advisory Committee shall provide advice regarding identification, collection, preservation, management, use, and accessibility of records, and establishment of best practices regarding the same to the Archivist, the Archives, and the Executive Council.

e d. ~~The Board of the Archives~~ *Archives Advisory Committee* shall meet at least annually, or more often as required as requested by the Archivist or the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Executive Council.

~~**f.** The Board of the Archives shall elect its own officers and have the power to create committees necessary for the carrying on of its work.~~

~~**g.** The Board of the Archives shall adopt procedures consistent with the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church for its organization and functioning.~~

~~**h.** The Board of the Archives shall report to the General Convention, and the Executive Council, through the office of the Executive Officer of the General Convention, and to the Church.~~

~~Sec. 4.~~ There shall be an Archivist of The Episcopal Church whose duty shall be to manage the Archives, records, and related information resources of the Church at the direction of the Board.

~~Sec. 5.~~ **Sec. 6.** The expenses of the Archives of The Episcopal Church shall be shared by the General Convention and the Executive Council.

A155 - Revising the Parochial Report Finance Page

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$50,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 10 - Congregational & Diocesan Vitality

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorizes the creation of a task force of congregational treasurers and diocesan financial officers to revise the finance page of the parochial report; and be it further

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop and President of the House of Deputies appoint between 12 and 18 people to serve as members of this task force, to include representatives from every province of The Episcopal Church, and include at least 6 congregational treasurers, one of whom should be from a congregation with an Average Sunday Attendance (ASA) less than 50; and be it further

Resolved, That the President of House Deputies is encouraged to include as an additional member one who has served on the most recent House of Deputies State of the Church Committee; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force consult with the General Convention Office; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force collect and utilize data on diocesan-level use of parochial reports to determine diocesan assessments and apportionment; consider issues of currency conversion for international dioceses; evaluate current requirements on calculating and reporting operating income and expenses; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$50,000 for the implementation of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That this task force will make a report to the 81st General Convention.

A156 - Establishing a Task Force on the State of Membership in The Episcopal Church

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$50,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 10 - Congregational & Diocesan Vitality

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorizes the creation of a task force to re-envision membership as defined in Canon I.17.1-4: Of Regulations Respecting the Laity and Canon 1.6.1: Of the Mode of Securing an Accurate view of the State of This Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop and President of the House of Deputies appoint the members of this task force to include at least 3 bishops, 5 clergy and 7 laypeople with appropriate representation from urban and rural congregations, congregations in which people of color are a majority, and congregations that represent the full geographic and economic diversity of the Episcopal Church, including at least one member from outside the United States of America; and be it further

Resolved, That the President of House Deputies is encouraged to include as an additional member one who has served on the most recent House of Deputies State of the Church Committee; and be it further

Resolved, That this task force work closely with the Task Force to Study Congregational Vitality Indicators (A132) and the House of Deputies State of the Church Committee; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force be charged with developing new and relevant membership definitions that reflect the experience, practices, and needs of congregations, including membership definitions that are:

- **expansive and applicable to a wide range of cultural and regional contexts**
- **easy to ascertain and report in yearly parochial reports**
- **faithful to the distinct role and sacramental understanding of the baptized in the life of the church**
- **new and expansive, including those who are not yet baptized or whose baptisms are not recorded in an Episcopal church**

And be it further

Resolved, That the task force be charged with examining the impact that a changed understanding of membership would have on diocesan canons and congregational bylaws; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force reevaluate the present connection between confirmation and membership; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force issue a report to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$50,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

A157 - Amend Article I Sec. 7

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Article I, Section 7 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Sec. 7. The General Convention shall hold its regular meeting not less than once in each three years, at a time and place determined in accordance with the Canons. In the event of a change of circumstances indicating the necessity or advisability of changing the date of such regular meeting of The General Convention beyond three years, said meeting may be rescheduled as provided by Canon. Special Meetings may be held as provided for by Canon.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 7. The General Convention shall ~~meet~~ *hold its regular meeting* not less than once in each three years, at a time and place determined in accordance with the Canons. *In the event of a change of circumstances indicating the necessity or advisability of changing the date of such regular meeting of The General Convention beyond three years, said meeting may be rescheduled as provided by Canon.* Special Meetings may be held as provided for by Canon.

A160 - Study of Environmental Impact of and Guidance for Investing in Cryptocurrencies

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: 18 - Stewardship & Socially Responsible Investing

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 18 - Stewardship & Socially Responsible Investing

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognizes that there is a significant environmental impact caused by the creation, maintenance, and transfer of cryptocurrencies; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention calls upon the Investment Committee of the Executive Council to study this impact and provide guidance through a report either to Executive Council or the 81st General Convention whether institutional investors of the Church should invest in, divest from, or refrain from investing in cryptocurrencies.

A161 - Addressing the Burden of Medical Debt

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: 18 - Stewardship & Socially Responsible Investing

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 18 - Stewardship & Socially Responsible Investing

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention acknowledge that medical debt is a pervasive problem in the United States and that further burdening individuals in ill health with debt and financial ruin is symptomatic of a broken medical system; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct Provinces, Dioceses, Congregations, and all other institutions of The Episcopal Church to consider purchasing the medical debt of local communities through the use of surplus funds and other monies allocated for outreach; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention call upon the office of Governmental Relations to advocate for reforms to the medical debt system which encourage humane and ethical treatment of debtors.

A162 - Feasibility Study of a Fund to Pay Congregations' Future Benefit Obligations

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: 17 - Agencies & Boards

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$20,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 17 - Agencies & Boards

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the General Convention Office shall conduct a feasibility study, using an outside consultant to the extent practical, of the steps, resources, and time necessary to establish a fund to pay some or all of the pension and health plan obligations of clergy and lay professionals deploying to historically non-white and small congregations, particularly to congregations whose economic viability has likely been impaired by historic discrimination; and be it further

Resolved, That for the purposes of this resolution, the term "small congregation" shall mean congregations whose annual pledge and plate income is in the lowest 20% of congregations in their diocese, and which are without other significant sources of income; and be it further

Resolved, That the study estimate the funding needed to pay the annual estimated benefit obligations of 100, 500, and 1,000 clergy and lay professionals to deploy to such less affluent or historically non-white congregations, as well as the estimated funding needed to permanently endow such a fund for each of those increased deployment levels; and be it further

Resolved, That study results be provided to Executive Council by September 1, 2023 and published that month; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$20,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

A163 - Invitation to CPF to Forecast Effects of Reduced Pension Assessment Obligations on Clergy Deployment and on Benefit Levels

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: 17 - Agencies & Boards

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$25,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 17 - Agencies & Boards

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That General Convention request the Church Pension Fund, using its current economic forecast assumptions, by September 1, 2023, provide to Executive Council the Church Pension Fund's best estimates (in writing) concerning (a) the effects, if any, that a reduction of the clergy pension assessment rate of 18% down to 15% would have on the size and ethnicity of the congregations to which clergy (full and part-time) are deployed over the next ten years, with particular attention to historically non-white and to small congregations, and (b) the effect such a reduction in the pension assessment rate would have on future clergy retirement and other benefits; and be it further

Resolved, That for the purposes of this resolution, the term "small congregation" shall mean a congregation whose pledge and plate income is in the lowest twenty percent for their diocese, and without significant income-generating resources of their own, and the term "deployment" shall include not only changes in the number of personnel deployed to such congregations but also an increase in the number of compensated hours they work; and be it further

Resolved, That the Executive Council shall contract with appropriate actuarial consultants to conduct appropriate peer review of the Church Pension Fund forecasts and shall report the results of that peer review to Executive Council; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$25,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

A164 - Study of Benefit Obligation Effects on Clergy and Lay Professional Deployment

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: 17 - Agencies & Boards

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$40,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 17 - Agencies & Boards

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That, the General Convention Office initiate a study, with appropriate outside consultant support, for delivery to Executive Council by September 1, 2023 and for publication that month, for the purpose of determining the extent to which the obligation to pay pension and health plan contributions for clergy and lay professionals at the current contribution rates discourages deployment of clergy and lay professionals to historically non-white and small congregations, as compared to the statistical average congregation in The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention Office and its outside consultant are authorized and encouraged to use existing appropriate data sources, including data as may be reasonably requested from the Church Pension Fund in this work, and data from other denominations; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention Office and its outside consultant be encouraged to seek additional data by means of surveys of: Bishops and Diocesan deployment personnel, and Non-white congregations, clergy, and lay leaders; and be it further

Resolved, That to the extent reasonably feasible using existing labor economic models, the Study also estimate how many more full and part-time paid clergy and lay professionals would be deployed to non-white and small congregations if these obligations were completely funded (or reimbursed) from another source; and be it further

Resolved, That for the purposes of this resolution, the term “small congregation” shall mean a congregation whose pledge and plate income is in the lowest twenty percent for their diocese, and without significant income-generating resources of their own, and the term “increasing deployment” shall mean increases in the number of personnel deployed to such congregations as well as an increase in the number of compensated hours they work; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$40,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

A165 - Expressing Gratitude for The Order of the Daughters of the King®

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention expresses gratitude for The Order of the Daughters of the King®, who as Daughters pledge themselves to a life-long dedication of daily prayer, service to Church and community, and personal Evangelism; and be it further

Resolved, That we share their joy in celebrating their 135th anniversary in 2021; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention congratulates The Order of the Daughters of the King® on their 2022 Triennial Convention in Baltimore under the leadership of Deputy Krisita Jackson, National President.

A166 - Celebrate the Episcopal Church Women on their 150th Anniversary

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention delights in the ministry of the Episcopal Church Women and gratefully recognizes the leadership and many gifts of these women; and be it further

Resolved, That we rejoice with the Episcopal Church Women as they celebrate their 150th year as a women's organization in the Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That we give thanks for the bountiful contributions to the United Thank Offering during this triennium and the many ministries they will support and help to thrive.

A167 - Express Gratitude for Episcopal Migration Ministries/Refugee Resettlement

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention expresses its sincere gratitude to Episcopal Migration Ministries (EMM) for their ongoing commitment to our baptismal covenant to support and welcome new immigrants and refugees in the U.S. on behalf of The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the House commends Episcopal Migration Ministries, members of the EMM Asylum & Detention Ministry Network, and TEC Office of Government Relations for working together to advocate for the protection and rights of all refugees, expanding their scope of work to include people seeking asylum on the U.S.-Mexico border and those held in immigration detention; and be it further

Resolved, That the House commends the work of Episcopal Migration Ministries and TEC Office of Government Relations in their timely and thorough response to the ongoing Afghan and Ukrainian refugee crises; and be it further

Resolved, That the House commends the efforts of the EMM Placement and Special Projects Unit, the EMM Foundational Programs Unit, and the EMM Engagement Unit as they continue to resettle, empower, and improve the lives of refugees served throughout the country; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention celebrates the outstanding work and contributions made by the EMM Engagement Unit comprised of

Allison Duvall, Manager for Church Relations, and Kendall Martin, Communications Manager, who as a team of only two has supported churches and dioceses across the U.S. to welcome refugees through the establishment of the EMM Asylum & Detention Ministry Network, various social media and communications campaigns, webinar and educational events, and beyond; and be it further

Resolved, That the House celebrates the work of leading EMM advocates for migrant and human rights, including but not limited to The Rev. Leeann Culbreath, Diocese of Georgia; The Rev. Michael Wallens, Diocese of the Rio Grande; The Rev. Chris McNabb, Neighbor to Neighbor Program Manager; The Rev. David Chavez, Diocese of Arizona; Troy Elder, Missioner for Migration Ministries in the Diocese of San Diego; Ana Reza, Bridge Chaplain for the Diocese of the Rio Grande; and members of the EMM Asylum & Detention Ministry Network.

A168 - Commemorate the Thirty-Fifth Anniversary of The Episcopal Preaching Foundation and its founder A. Gary Shilling

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention commemorates the 35th Anniversary of The Episcopal Preaching Foundation; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Deputies recognizes Dr. A. Gary Shilling as a lifelong lay advocate of preaching excellence in The Episcopal Church, establishing in 1987 a lay-led non-profit foundation to promote and facilitate preaching excellence among priests, deacons, and lay preachers through national, regional, and diocesan conferences, as well as small facilitated groups online; and be it further

Resolved, That Dr. Shilling is appreciated as a lay benefactor to the seminaries of The Episcopal Church, serving as trustee and treasurer of The General Theological Seminary and receiving [at least] numerous honorary doctorate degrees from seminaries and divinity schools; and be it further

Resolved, That in its 35th anniversary year, we celebrate The Episcopal Preaching Foundation as a vigorous proponent and facilitator of preaching excellence in The Episcopal Church.

A169 - Express Gratitude to General Convention Host Diocese of Maryland and the City of Baltimore

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention expresses gratitude for the hospitality and leadership of Bishop Eugene Taylor Sutton, the diocesan staff, the people and congregations of our host Diocese of Maryland, and all volunteers; and be it further

Resolved, That we give our deepest thanks to the City of Baltimore and the welcoming Baltimore Convention Center Staff.

A170 - Celebrate Jacqueline A. Means and the 45th Anniversary of the First Official Female Ordination

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention gives thanks for the life and ministry of the Reverend Jacqueline A. Means on this the 45th Anniversary of her ordination to the priesthood of The Episcopal Church, on January 1, 1977, the first official ordination of a woman; and be it further

Resolved, That we celebrate her as a true pioneer, trailblazer, and role model for Episcopal women priests following the vote of the 1976 General Convention to ordain women to all orders of ministry, including the Episcopate; and be it further

Resolved, That we give thanks for her many ministries: parish priest, prison chaplain, Director of Prison ministries for the Bishop of the Armed Forces, and for her work with the Coalition against the Death Penalty for Juveniles, as director of the Cummins Mental Health Center in Hendricks County, and for her service as a member of the Indianapolis Metro Council, the Indiana Juvenile Justice Task Force, and the Indiana Interreligious Coalition for Human Equality; and be it further

Resolved, That we commend her for establishing a halfway house and a prison alternative for women inmates the camping program for residents of the Rockville Training Camp and the state boys and girls detention schools; and a program for training volunteers on the rubrics of inmate visitation; and be it further

Resolved, That we commend the Rev. Jacqueline A. Means as a beacon in The Episcopal Church this day and all the days of her life.

A171 - Commend The Most Reverend Michael Bruce Curry

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church commends the Most Reverend Michael Bruce Curry for his leadership as Presiding Bishop during this most challenging time in our history both in the world and in the church; and be it further

Resolved, That we delight in his preaching style that both inspires and teaches us and perhaps at times confounds the translators and sign language interpreters as they try to follow him as he moves throughout the space provided; and be it further

Resolved, That we marvel at his ability through his preaching to mesmerize the entire world with his sermon at the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle on May 19, 2018, in St. George's Chapel at Windsor Castle, England, preaching the redemptive potential of love that electrified the wedding; and be it further

Resolved, That the five books written by the Presiding Bishop have inspired people throughout the church and beyond; teaching the power of love and how to hold on to hope and faith during these most troubling times; and be it further

Resolved, That we value his teaching us through Revival Tours that we are inheritors of the Jesus Movement and have the opportunity as Episcopalians to be equipped as evangelists and to welcome people who aren't a part of the church to join us in the Jesus Movement; and be it further

Resolved, That we are all blessed by being a part of Bishop Curry's animating vision and the message of his ministry to seek racial reconciliation; to address in whatever ways our gifts allow to work for climate change; to be a part of the evangelism to which we are called; to question the policies of immigration and to work for justice; and to be a welcoming community that blesses marriage equality; and be it further

Resolved, That we celebrate his teaching us through his own ministry and preaching that we as Episcopalians are members of the Jesus Movement and that "If it is not about love, it is not about Jesus."

A172 - Express Gratitude to the Rev. Canon Michael Barlowe and the General Convention Office

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention commends its Secretary, The Reverend Canon Michael Barlowe, for his dependable and attentive skill as Secretary of the House of Deputies, prior to and during our time in Baltimore; and be it further

Resolved, That we marvel at his perseverance and steadfast leadership of the General Convention Office; and be it further

Resolved, That the House appreciates his guidance and patience as he fulfills the many responsibilities to this House and the entire Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention expresses appreciation to the General Convention Office for administration of the governance of the Church on behalf of the General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the House commends the staff and supporting ministries for the General Convention Office for thorough work in planning the details of General Convention; then, under extraordinary circumstances, changing the plans with timely and nimble reorganization of the General Convention weeks before; and be it further

Resolved, That we acknowledge their extraordinary effort to maneuver through a pandemic with no previous experience other than the Grace of God.

A173 - Express Gratitude to The Rev. Lester V. Mackenzie

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention extend gratitude to The Rev. Lester V. Mackenzie for his thoughtful, pastoral, creative and energized leadership in the ministry of prayer and presence to the House of Deputies and prior to and throughout General Convention.

A174 - Express Gratitude for Translators and Interpreters

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention extends gratitude and appreciation to all the translators and sign language interpreters who served us throughout the months of preparing for Convention as well as in Baltimore, under such extraordinary circumstances; and be it further

Resolved, That we commend their skill in, and commitment to, fostering the inclusion, participation, and connection essential to our membership in the Body of Christ.

A175 - Express Gratitude to The Rev. Gregory Millikin

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention expresses gratitude to The Rev. Gregory Millikin, for his inspiring prayers and pastoral presence while the deputies gathered in Baltimore, Maryland; and be it further

Resolved, That we offer prayers for his ministry within the Diocese of Chicago.

A176 - Express Gratitude to House of Deputies Parliamentarian Bryan W. Krislock

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention expresses gratitude to Bryan W. Krislock, Parliamentarian, for his service to the entire General Convention during a time requiring great flexibility as well as procedural precision; and be it further

Resolved, That we acknowledge the many ways that his expertise and experience benefitted preparations for an unconventional convention, through online forums, tutorials, and as a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Arrangements, and as Co-Chair of the Design Group charged with ensuring a shorter, safer, smaller convention; and be it further

Resolved, That we wish him a lengthy and much-deserved period of relaxation and refreshment in the aftermath of his extraordinarily busy triennium-plus-one-year.

A177 - Commend the Planners and Preparers of the 80th General Convention

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention commends the good and faithful work of the many individuals, committees, and participants in the planning and preparation for our delayed gathering in Baltimore, Maryland; and be it further

Resolved, That we acknowledge the exceptional and diligent efforts of the Presiding Officers' General Convention Design Group, the Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Arrangements, Executive Council, the Chancellor and Vice Chancellor of the House of Deputies, our Committee on Dispatch, and all others involved in the discernment and decisions necessary to ensure a shorter, smaller, safer General Convention to carry out essential legislative business; and be it further

Resolved, That we express our overwhelming gratitude to our public health consultant, Dr. Rodney Coldren, for his work with leadership of The Episcopal Church, offering his medical knowledge and assistance in mitigating COVID risks to all persons attending this 80th General Convention.

A178 - Express Gratitude to Persons Charged with Ensuring Safety and Security during the 80th General Convention

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention expresses gratitude for the presence and diligence of our Sergeants-at-Arms, Deputy Patricia S. Downing and Deputy Diane-Louise Casson, in ensuring order in the House; and be it further

Resolved, That the House gratefully acknowledges the good and faithful work of those individuals responsible for upholding the stringent COVID protocols necessary for a safe environment within the Baltimore Convention Center and during legislative sessions.

A179 - Express Gratitude to House of Deputies Vice Parliamentarian Thomas A. Little

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention expresses gratitude to Deputy Thomas A. Little for his service as Vice Parliamentarian to the House of Deputies; and be it further

Resolved, That we appreciate his presence, expertise, and experience in the months prior to General Convention and during the very full days of legislative activity in Baltimore, Maryland.

A180 - Express Gratitude to the House of Deputies Voting Secretary

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention expresses heartfelt gratitude to The Rev. Nina R. Pooley, and appreciation for her presence and guidance as Voting Secretary before and during elections for individuals and votes on resolutions.

A181 - Commend the Honorable Byron Rushing, Vice President of the House of Deputies, 2012-2022

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention commends The Honorable Byron Rushing on his multiple terms as Vice President of this House; and be it further

Resolved, That we recognize and honor his powerful and prophetic voice on social justice and anti-discrimination issues in the secular realm—as member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives—and as a member of denominational boards and caucuses; and be it further

Resolved, That we acknowledge and appreciate his deep commitment to The Episcopal Church, extending our gratitude for his presence as General Convention deputy for the Diocese of Massachusetts since 1973, as a member of Executive Council, and as Vice President of the House of Deputies.

A182 - Give Thanks for the Youth of The Episcopal Church

Final Status: Adopted Substitute HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt Substitute

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention gives thanks for the youngest members of The Episcopal Church, whose presence, energy, and vitality is sorely missed in Baltimore, Maryland; and be it further

Resolved, That we pray for the return of the Children's Program, Official Youth Presence, and the Young Adult Festival to the 81st General Convention in 2024; and be it further

Resolved, That we encourage the President of the House of Deputies to work with the Office of Faith Formation to ensure those members of this year's Official Youth Presence who will still be of age, to join the Official Youth Presence at the 81st General Convention, and find an adequate way to honor those current youth who will no longer be eligible, due to age, with seat and voice; and be it further

Resolved, That we celebrate our children, youth, and young adults, essential members of the Body of Christ and of The Episcopal Church.

A183 - A Resolution in Thanksgiving for the 20th Anniversary of the Concordat of Agreement, known as “Called to Common Mission,” between The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) in the United States, and The Episcopal Church

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention gives thanks for the 20th anniversary on January 6, 2021, of the Concordat of Agreement known as “Called to Common Mission;” and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Deputies celebrates continued cooperation and shared ministries between the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and The Episcopal Church.

A184 - The Archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs. Welby

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Most Reverend and Right Honorable Justin Welby DD, Archbishop of Canterbury, and to Mrs. Welby, in deep gratitude for their life and ministry to our worldwide Anglican Communion; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops expresses our encouragement and support to the Archbishop as President of the Lambeth Conference as the bishops and bishops' spouses of our Communion prepare to gather in Canterbury for the 15th Lambeth Conference.

A185 - The Presiding Bishop and Mrs. Sharon Curry

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, celebrates the ministry of our Presiding Bishop and Primate, giving thanks to Almighty God for the gifts that he brings to the life and witness of our Church, as, with him, we seek to grow more authentically into the Beloved Community; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops assures him and his spouse, Sharon, and their family of our daily prayers and our support.

A186 - The President of the House of Deputies

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, celebrates the ministry and service of the Reverend Gay Clark Jennings, President of the House of Deputies, during three terms in this office, giving thanks to Almighty God for her leadership, and assures her and her spouse, Albert, and their family of our ongoing gratitude and affection.

A187 - The Diocese of Maryland

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, expresses our profound gratitude to our brothers, the Right Reverend Eugene Sutton, Bishop of Maryland, and to the Right Reverend Robert Ihloff, Assisting Bishop of Maryland, as well as to the Bishop's Staff, and to all the clergy and faithful, for their warm welcome to their diocese and for their hard work in preparing for and hosting this convention; and be it further

Resolved, The House of Bishops further expresses our appreciation to all those members of the Diocese of Maryland and others who have given their time and talent as volunteers in support of the work of this convention, who have labored during an unprecedented and uncertain time, and who have offered genuine and cheerful hospitality to us all, especially at the Maryland Night events.

A188 - The City and People of Baltimore

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, affirms and supports the efforts of so many leaders and citizens of Baltimore across the political and religious spectrum in striving to overcome the unholy trinity of racism, poverty, and violence in the building of a true unity in diversity in the Beloved Community, and expresses our gratitude to the City of Baltimore and to the Honorable Brandon Scott, Mayor, for their gracious hospitality and welcome; and be it further

Resolved, The House of Bishops extends our appreciation to the staff of the local businesses that have provided hospitality to those in attendance at this convention, especially to the many staff members of the Baltimore Convention Center and our hotels who have kept our facilities for meeting, working, and living clean, comfortable, and safe for us.

A189 - The Most Reverend Josiah Idowu-Fearon and the ACO

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Most Reverend Josiah Idowu-Fearon, the Secretary-General of the Anglican Communion, and to his staff, in thanksgiving for the work of the Anglican Communion Office in supporting the witness and unity of our worldwide Anglican Communion; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops expresses our gratitude to Archbishop Idowu-Fearon, as he prepares to retire from his position as Secretary-General in August, for his service to our Anglican Communion over the last seven years.

A190 - The Right Reverend Anthony Poggo

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and congratulations to the Right Reverend Anthony Poggo, the Archbishop of Canterbury's Adviser on Anglican Communion Affairs, on his recent appointment as the Secretary-General of the Anglican Communion in succession to the Most Reverend Josiah Idowu-Fearon, and assures him of our prayers and support in this new responsibility on behalf of our Anglican Communion.

A191 - The Most Reverend Ian Earnest and the Anglican Centre in Rome

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Most Reverend Ian Earnest, and gives thanks for his appointment in 2019 as the Director of the Anglican Centre in Rome; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops expresses our gratitude to Archbishop Earnest and his staff for the work of the Centre in maintaining and deepening the relationship of the Anglican Communion with the Holy See.

A192 - The Presiding Bishop of the ELCA and the Lutheran Church

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings to Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, giving thanks for her re-election to a second term as Presiding Bishop in 2019, and assuring her of our prayers for God's grace and strength for her in her ministry; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops rejoices in over 20 years of full communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, with an ever-growing number of shared congregations and joint ministries which Called to Common Mission has enabled; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops notes the significant work of Churches Beyond Borders, our coalition with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the Anglican Church of Canada, and the Evangelical Church in Canada, to educate our Churches on urgent matters of common concern and action, including the Doctrine of Discovery, racial reconciliation, and the environment.

A193 - The Archbishop of Utrecht and the Old Catholic Church

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Most Reverend Bernd Wallet, Archbishop of Utrecht, giving thanks to Almighty God for his election as archbishop in 2020, and his ordination as archbishop on 18 September 2021.

A194 - The Retirement of Archbishop Joris Vercammen of Utrecht

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Most Reverend Joris Vercammen, Archbishop emeritus of Utrecht, after his retirement in 2020, giving thanks to Almighty God for his two decades of primatial ministry, during which time the relationship between our two Churches has continued to deepen.

A195 - The Metropolitan of the Mar Thoma Church and the MTC

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Most Reverend Dr. Theodosius Mar Thoma Metropolitan, Metropolitan of the Mar Thoma Malankara Syrian Church, rejoicing in his election and enthronement as Metropolitan in 2020; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops expresses our thanksgiving to God for the life and ministry of the late Most Reverend Dr. Joseph Mar Thoma Metropolitan, who entered eternal rest on 18 October 2020.

A196 - The Prime Bishop of the Philippine Independent Church and the PIC

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Most Reverend Rhee Timbang, Obispo Maximo of the Iglesia Filipina Independiente; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops gives thanks for our continued Concordat Partnership.

A197 - The Leadership of the Moravian Church USA, Northern and Southern Provinces

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Reverend Dr. Elizabeth Miller, President of the Provincial Elders Conference of the Northern Province of the Moravian Church, and to the Reverend Dr. Neil Routh, the newly elected President of the Provincial Elders Conference of the Southern Province of the Moravian Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops expresses our gratitude and best wishes to the Reverend David Guthrie on his retirement last October from the ministry of President of the PEC of the Southern Province.

A198 - The Secretary-General of the World Council of Churches

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Reverend Professor Dr. Jerry Pillay upon his recent election as General Secretary of the World Council of Churches, and affirms our ongoing commitment to this worldwide fellowship of Churches seeking unity, a common witness, and Christian service; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops expresses our gratitude to the Reverend Dr. Olav Fiske Tveit for his 20 years of tireless service as General Secretary, and our congratulations on his election in 2020 as Preses of the Bishops' Conference of the Church of Norway.

A199 - The Secretary-General of the National Council of Churches

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to Bishop Vashti Murphy McKenzie, interim President and General Secretary of the National Council of the Churches of Christ, and affirms its ongoing commitment to the covenant community of the National Council of Churches in offering a common witness to Jesus Christ and to the ministry of reconciliation in his Name; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops expresses our gratitude to Mr. Jim Winkler for his faithful service for two terms as President and General Secretary.

A200 - The President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Episcopal-Roman Catholic Dialogue

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, rejoicing in the special relationship that has existed between our two Churches since the inception of dialogue under the leadership of Pope Saint Paul VI and the late Archbishop Michael Ramsey of Canterbury, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Most Reverend José Gomez, the Archbishop of Los Angeles and President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, and celebrates the work of the Anglican-Roman Catholic Dialogue-USA; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops affirms our ongoing commitment to the deepening of relations between The Episcopal Church and the Roman Catholic Church as a visible expression of the vocation of the Church in the ministry of reconciliation and to the unity of all in Christ.

A201 - Episcopal-United Methodist Dialogue

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, recognizing the unique historical relationship that exists between our two Churches, celebrates the ongoing work of the official dialogue between us as a visible expression of the vocation of the Church to the ministry of reconciliation and to the unity of all in Christ, praying and working earnestly for the restoration of full communion.

A202 - Episcopal-Presbyterian Dialogue

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, formed by our shared experience and history of the Reformations of the British Isles and Europe, and encouraged by our common work in so many of our congregations, celebrates the ongoing work of the official dialogue between us as a visible expression of the vocation of the Church to the ministry of reconciliation and to the unity of all in Christ.

A203 - The Chairman of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros, Primate of the Greek Orthodox Church in America and President of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops, giving thanks for his election as Archbishop in 2019; and further, rejoicing in the long and significant relationship that has existed between the Orthodox Church and the Anglican Communion, looks forward to a renewed and deepening relationship between our Churches as a visible expression of the vocation of the Church to the ministry of reconciliation and to the unity of all in Christ.

A204 - The Delegates of the Standing Conference of Oriental Orthodox Bishops

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Delegates of the Standing Conference of Oriental Orthodox Bishops, rejoicing in the long and significant relationship that has existed between the Oriental Orthodox Churches and the Anglican Communion, and praying for a renewed and deepening relationship between our Churches as a visible expression of the vocation of the Church to the ministry of reconciliation and to the unity of all in Christ; and sends our commitment in solidarity to our Christian sisters and brothers of your Churches wherever they face persecution, violence, and displacement.

A205 - The Armenian Apostolic Church Eastern Diocese

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to the Very Reverend Mesrop Parsamyan upon his enthronement as Primate of the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Apostolic Church on 6 June 2022, rejoicing in the long and close relationship between our two Churches, and looking forward to a deeper collaboration in our common witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ; and expresses to His Grace Bishop Daniel Findykian our prayers upon the completion in 2022 of his term as Primate.

A206 - The 26th Presiding Bishop and Dr. Richard Schori

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings, love, and the assurance of our prayers to the Right Reverend Katharine Jefferts-Schori, 26th Presiding Bishop and Primate, and Dr. Richard Schori, giving thanks for her ongoing ministry and rejoicing in their presence in our midst.

A207 - The 25th Presiding Bishop and Mrs. Phoebe Griswold

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings, love, and the assurance of our prayers to the Right Reverend Frank Griswold, 25th Presiding Bishop and Primate, and Mrs. Phoebe Griswold, giving thanks for his ongoing ministry and rejoicing in their life and work in our Church

A208 - Mrs. Patti Browning

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends our greetings, love, and the assurance of our prayers to Mrs. Patti Browning and to their family.

A209 - Archbishop Suheil and Mrs. Shafeeqa Dawani

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, sends to the Most Reverend Suheil Dawani and Mrs. Shafeeqa Dawani our greetings and our gratitude for his selfless and faithful service first as Anglican Bishop, then as Anglican Archbishop, in Jerusalem from 2007 to 2021, and our best wishes for their retirement.

A210 - The Anglican Archbishop in Jerusalem and Mrs. Rafa Nauom

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, rejoices in the election and ordination of the Most Reverend Hosam Nauom as Bishop Coadjutor of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem in 2020, and in his enthronement as Anglican Archbishop in 2021, and assures him and his wife, Rafa, of our prayers and support as he leads the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

A211 - The Reverend Dr. William Norgren

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, gives thanks to Almighty God for life, ministry, and labors of the Reverend Dr. William Norgren, who died on 24 February 2022 at the age of 94, who served the Church under four Presiding Bishops, including 20 years from 1975 to 1995 first as assistant ecumenical officer and then as ecumenical officer of the Church, and whose seven decades of ordained ministry were singularly devoted to the healing and reconciliation of the unhappy divisions within the Christian family; and further recognizes his service as executive director of the Commission on Faith and Order of the National Council of Churches from 1959 to 1971, and especially his effective work, even in formal retirement, in collaboration with the late Reverend Canon Professor J. Robert Wright, on behalf of "Called to Common Mission" which, in 2001, resulted in the celebration of our historic covenant of full communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America.

A212 - The Reverend Professor Louis Weil

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, gives thanks to Almighty God for the life, ministry, teaching, and scholarship of the Reverend Professor Louis Weil, who died on 9 March 2022, and who over six decades of ordained ministry, became one of the finest liturgical theologians of his generation; and further recognizes Professor Weil's role as a principal architect of the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer*; and further celebrates in Professor Weil's musical training and in his liturgical scholarship, as well as in the refinement of his international formation as a priest and scholar, his championing of a liturgy for living for the benefit of all in the Church.

A213 - The Reverend Canon Dr. J. Robert Wright

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, gives thanks to Almighty God for the life, ministry, teaching, and scholarship of the Reverend Canon Professor Dr. J. Robert Wright, our Church's own "ecumenical patriarch," who died on 12 January 2022, and whose death has deprived the Church of one of our most colorful, engaging, and effective historians and ecumenists; and further recognizes Professor Wright's own unwavering and passionate commitment to our relations with the Orthodox and Oriental Orthodox Churches especially in a season of estrangement and complexity; and further honors his leadership in collaboration with the late Reverend Dr. William Norgren in the work of "Called to Common Mission" which, in 2001, resulted in the celebration of our historic covenant of full communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America.

A214 - The Reverend Canon Dr. Harold Lewis

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, gives thanks to Almighty God for the life, ministry, teaching, preaching, and witness of the Reverend Canon Dr. Harold Lewis, who died on 31 December 2021, and who, with a steady beat, full of faith and hope, never stumbled along the stony path in his vocation to teach us and to challenge us with the truth of the weary years and the silent tears of the experience of our Black and brown sisters and brothers in The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops notes the enduring significance of his scholarship in the field of the history of the Black Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops mourns the loss to the Church of his unique voice in both pulpit and podium as he expanded our sympathies and broadened our horizons, and yet kept our eyes on the prize, lest our feet should stray and our hearts forget; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops extends to his widow, Claudette, and their family the assurance of our condolences and prayers.

A215 - Dr. Charles Willie

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, gives thanks to Almighty God for the life and witness of Dr. Charles Willie, who died on 11 January 2022, and who, as the first African American member of the Executive Council and as the first African American Vice President of the House of Deputies, led the Church with a singular integrity in the advancement of Black people and women in the life of the Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops recalls with gratitude his sermon at the ordination of the first women priests in The Episcopal Church in Philadelphia in 1974; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops celebrates his courage in the face of the injustices that he encountered in the life of the Church and his actions in response to them, including relinquishing the opportunity to serve as President of the House of Deputies; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops recognizes his outstanding record of public service at the local and national level, especially in the desegregation of the schools and the city of Boston and in his participation in President Carter's Commission on Mental Health; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops extends to his widow, Mary Sue, and their family the assurance of our condolences and prayers.

A216 - The Patriarchs and Heads of Local Churches of the Holy Land

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, gathered at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church in Baltimore, Maryland, expresses to our brothers in Christ, the Patriarchs and Heads of Local Churches in Jerusalem, our alarm at the escalating threat to the Christian presence in the Holy City of Jerusalem and the Holy Land from Israeli radical groups who are actively seeking to undermine the Christian communities of the Holy Land, and our support of the Patriarchs and the Heads of the Churches in their efforts at both the local and international level to raise awareness of the plight of the Churches in the Holy Land; and further joins with the international community in our deep concern for the consequences for the ongoing life of the residents of the Christian Quarter of the Old City of Jerusalem and of pilgrims of the decision of the Supreme Court of Israel on 8 June 2020 to uphold the claims of a radical settler organization on property of the Patriarchate of Jerusalem at the Jaffa Gate; and further continues, in solidarity with our brothers in Christ, the Patriarchs and the Heads of Local Churches of the Holy Land, to pray and work for the stability, well-being, and prosperity of the Christian communities of Jerusalem and the Holy Land, especially in this season of increasing pressure from those who seek to change fundamentally the historic multi-cultural, multi-ethnic, and multi-religious character of the region.

A217 - The General Convention Secretariat, the Presiding Bishop's Staff, Legislative Leadership, and Support Leaders

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, expresses our sincere gratitude to the Reverend Canon Michael Barlowe, Executive Officer of the General Convention, to the Reverend Dr. Molly James, Deputy Executive Officer, to the staff of the General Convention Office, and to all those who have volunteered in the General Convention Secretariat, for their faithful service in support of the work of this House and of this Convention; and further thanks the staff of the Presiding Bishop's Office for the considerable support that they have given to this House and this Convention both before and during our meeting; and further thanks to the Legislative Committee Chairs, Co-Chairs, Secretaries, Aides, Liaisons, IT Technicians and Communications personnel, and ASL Interpreters.

A218 - The Reverend Canon Mark Stevenson

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, expresses our gratitude to the Reverend Canon Mark Stevenson for his faithful service as Canon to the Presiding Bishop for Ministry Within the Episcopal Church since 2018, looks forward his episcopal ordination on December 3, 2022, and to welcoming him back to this House as the Bishop of Virginia when next we are gathered for our spring meeting.

A219 - The Chancellor

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, recognizing the remarkable service that she has given, and continues to give, for the well-being of the life of the Church, rejoices in the appointment of Ms. Mary Kostel, Esq, as Chancellor to the Presiding Bishop in 2019, and wishes her many years in her new responsibility.

A220 - David Booth Beers

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, gives thanks to Almighty God for the life, witness, and ministry of David Booth Beers, Esq., who died on 3 April 2022 and who, having cut his canonical teeth as Chancellor to the Bishop of Washington, held the office of Chancellor to the Presiding Bishop (the third so to do) with distinction for almost three decades from 1991 to 2018, serving selflessly four Presiding Bishops, and who, with clarity and resolve, labored to preserve the integrity and common life of the Church during a period of our history when that integrity and common life were under threat from without and from within; and further whose devotion to the Church and whose assiduous application to new and uncharted legal and canonical territory never robbed him either of his keen pastoral sensitivity or of his infectious sense of fun and delight in the more comical side of ecclesial life; and further recognizes that, notwithstanding his work at the highest levels of Church life, he remained grounded, with his beloved wife, Peggy, in the daily life of his parish of Saint Patrick's, Washington DC; and further sends the assurance of our condolences and prayers to Peggy and to their family.

A221 - The Chaplains to the House of Bishops

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, gives thanks to Almighty God for the gentle and generous ministry among us of our chaplains, the Reverend Ricardo Bailey, Mr. Dent Davidson, and the Very Reverend Miguelina Howell, especially during this Convention.

A222 - The Archives of the Episcopal Church

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, recognizing the important role that the Archives of the Episcopal Church has played, and continues to play, in preserving the historical record of the Church since its formal establishment by action of the 18th General Convention in 1835, and acknowledging the critical research support that the staff of the Archives has given to this Convention, extends to the staff our profound gratitude for their ministry.

A223 - The Interpreters and Translators

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, expresses our happy debt to the team of interpreters, Ms. Dinorah Padro, Ms. Cecy Alomia, Ms. Echo Lim, and Ms. Ida Shaw who have worked diligently, tirelessly, and cheerfully at this Convention to help to create an environment of welcome and inclusion for those whose first language is not English; and further extends our gratitude and appreciation to all off-site translators, under the direction of Ms. Monica De Leon, whose round-the-clock ministry, essential to our participation and witness in the Beloved Community, we have valued highly.

A224 - The Leadership of the Bishops' Spouses and Partners Community

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, gives thanks to Almighty God for the gift to us of our spouses, partners, families, and communities, and expresses our gratitude to the leadership of the Bishops' Spouses community for their ongoing work in support of our spouses and families.

A225 - Faithful Ministry during the Pandemic

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, gives thanks to Almighty God for the commitment, imagination, and devotion to the Gospel manifested by so many of our clergy and lay people during the unprecedented season of the pandemic, endeavoring as they have done and continue to do, to keep alive the flame of faith in our dioceses, congregations, schools, and special ministries; and further recognizes the personal, professional, and spiritual cost to so many during the pandemic in their sharing in the sacrificial ministry of Christ; and further commends to the mercy and love of God those who have died from COVID-19, those who live with long COVID, and those who continue to grieve the death of loved ones; and further assures all members of the Church of the commitment of the bishops to do all in our power to support and uphold our clergy and lay leaders as together we look to and work for God's future in the building up of the Beloved Community for the sake of the life of the world.

A226 - Honoring St. Stephen's Episcopal Church and the Victims of June 16, 2022

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: President of the House of Deputies

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby recognize and honor the faith and sacrifice of Walter (Bart) Rainey, Sarah (Sharon) Yeager, and Jane Pounds, whose witness demonstrated the call of God's reconciling purposes by welcoming and eating with the stranger at a church potluck supper; and be it further

Resolved, That the Convention would pause in a moment of prayer and lament for those who died, for the surviving 18 parishioners and friends in attendance at the potluck supper that evening, and for our sister parish of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Vestavia Hills, Alabama, of the Diocese of Alabama; and be it further

Resolved, That June 16th would be a day of remembrance and prayer; and be it further

Resolved, That we would renew our hope in God's call to us to embrace the stranger, show kindness to the disheartened, and forgive those who have trespassed against us.

A227 - Commend Legislative Committee Leadership and Members

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention commends the leadership and members of all legislative committees for their diligence and flexibility during the challenging period before gathering in Baltimore, and throughout General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That we are especially grateful to the officers and members of committees that voluntarily placed all of their resolutions on the Consent Calendar, making possible a more efficient legislative process during a shortened and time-constrained convention; and be it further

Resolved, That we acknowledge the dedication of all deputies who committed themselves to the crucial legislative work of the Church in such unique and unexpected circumstances.

A228 - Proposed 2023-2024 Budget

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: 21 - Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: (2018 2022) 21 Joint Standing Committee
On Program, Budget And Finance

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention adopt the 2023-2024 budget for The Episcopal Church, as presented by the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance, at total income of \$100,493,452 and total expenditures of \$100,493,452; and be it further

Resolved, That the assessment formula (Canon I.4.6(b)) for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024 is adopted based on a single assessment of each diocese. In each year, 2023 and 2024, the diocesan total adjusted operating income, as reported in the annual diocesan financial report (Canon I.4.6(j) and Canon I.6.4) for the year two years prior to the year to which the assessment is applied [e.g., 2023 assessments are to be based on 2021 actual income figures], shall be reduced by a \$200,000 exemption. A single assessment shall be applied to the remaining amount (balance) at a flat rate of 15%; and be it further

Resolved, That the 2023-2024 Episcopal Church budget shall be adjusted and managed as set forth in the Canons, Rules of Order, and Executive Council policies and procedures.

A229 - Dr. Bruce Mullin

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, expresses our deep gratitude and appreciation to Dr. Bruce Mullin, who, over a decade, has served this Church as our Historiographer, and who, in this capacity, was the primary expert witness on church history in our churchwide property litigation; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops recognizes his work as the Society of Religion and Learning Professor of History and World Mission and Professor of Anglican Studies at the General Theological Seminary and his significant scholarly publications, especially his ground-breaking study of John Henry Hobart.

A230 - The Baltimore Police Department

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, expresses our deep appreciation to Police Commissioner Michael Harrison and the Baltimore Police Department for police and security personnel to provide a secure and safe environment for us to meet; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishops thanks the Police Department for providing us, readily and at short notice, a safe route for our march of witness on Friday, July 8, as well as their presence around us during the march and prayer service, once again providing a secure and safe opportunity; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Bishop expresses our gratitude to Ms. Kati Braak, a committed and experienced volunteer in our General Convention Office, who was able to be a crucial liaison between us and the City of Baltimore and the Police Department; to Ms. Morgan Simonet, the Senior Manager of Customer Experience for Visit Baltimore, our contact who helped to make our march happen; and to Major Featherstone, our initial contact in the Police Department, who ensured that his team was deployed.

A232 - Rejoice at the Election of Julia Ayala Harris as President of the House of Deputies

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention rejoices at the election of Deputy Julia Ayala Harris as President of this House and congratulates her; and be it further

Resolved, That we express gratitude for the discernment that led to her willing candidacy for her new role; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Deputies eagerly awaits our shared ministry in the governance of The Episcopal Church.

A233 - Congratulate The Rev. Gay Clark Jennings, President of the House of Deputies

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention congratulates The Rev. Gay Clark Jennings on her distinguished three triennia-plus-one-year tenure as its devoted President; and be it further

Resolved, That we have been immeasurably blessed by her even longer and equally distinguished service as a deputy to General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That we are forever grateful to her as an inspiring and frequently amusing and entertaining model of wisdom, patience, persistence, and sharp wit; a living handbook of legislative knowledge and experience; and a warm friend and mentor to a host of deputies; and be it further

Resolved, That we also honor her for encouraging and involving younger people in our church's leadership roles; and be it further

Resolved, That her pastoral presence has been extended not only to The Episcopal Church but to all the shores where her feet touch ground; and be it further

Resolved, That we acknowledge her dedication and service to her many ministries in The Episcopal Church and to its General Convention, and we wish her a happy future of rest and relaxation with husband Albert and family.

A234 - Congratulate the Rev. Rachel Taber-Hamilton

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention joyfully congratulates the Rev. Rachel Taber-Hamilton, Deputy from the Diocese of Olympia, on being elected Vice President of the House of Deputies; and be it further

Resolved, That we appreciate her life-long passion for cross-cultural communication and the active inclusion of all voices and perspectives from within the Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Deputies eagerly awaits our shared governance of The Episcopal Church.

A235 - Celebrate Chancellor Sally Johnson

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention celebrates and honors Sally Johnson of the Diocese of Minnesota for her decades of dedicated and outstanding service as Chancellor to the House of Deputies, as well as during her tenure in that position for her own diocese; and be it further

Resolved, That in her essential role as House of Deputies Chancellor she ably, admirably, and devotedly served two Presidents of the House of Deputies, Bonnie Anderson and The Rev. Gay Jennings, ensuring that the actions of this House have complied with our Constitution and our Canons; and be it further

Resolved, That her expertise in church governance was also exemplified as chair of the Canons Committee, the House of Deputies Rules of Order Committee, and the Standing Commission on Constitution and Canons, and her vast knowledge has been relied upon by task forces and many other committees; and be it further

Resolved, That we congratulate her on retirement from her position and ministry as Chancellor, and offer her best wishes and prayers as her service to The Episcopal Church continues in other ways.

A236 - Bishop Sean Rowe and Mr Bryan Krislock, Esq.

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, expresses our profound gratitude and appreciation to Bishop Sean Rowe and Mr Bryan Krislock, Esq., who, with their team, in a manner equal to the creation of the world, and in almost as short a time, recreated this Convention to enable us to meet safely, and to transact our essential business effectively and creatively; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention recognises their labours throughout our convention itself, like cherubim with sleepless eye, to ensure that all that had been put in place before our meeting would be successfully accomplished; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention expresses our hope that they will be able, when all the work is done, to look upon everything that they have made, and call it very good.

B001 - Accepting the agreement "Sharing the Gifts of Communion" between The Episcopal Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bavaria

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: The Rt. Rev. Mark Edington

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. R. William Franklin, The Rt. Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 19 - Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church receive and commend *Sharing the Gifts of Communion* as set forth following as the basis for a relationship of full communion to be established between The Episcopal Church and the Evangelisch-Lutherische Kirche in Bayern (ELKB) (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bavaria); and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church accept the affirmation of *Sharing the Gifts of Communion* that our churches are in full communion with each other; and be it further

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop appoint four members to the Continuation Committee called for in *Sharing the Gifts of Communion* to represent The Episcopal Church in the ongoing work of furthering our relationship; and be it further

Resolved, That Title 1, Canon 20, Section 1 be amended by adding a new subsection as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

d. The Evangelisch-Lutherische Kirche in Bayern (ELKB) (via the acceptance of *Sharing the Gifts of Communion* of 2022)

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

d. The Evangelisch-Lutherische Kirche in Bayern (ELKB) (via the acceptance of Sharing the Gifts of Communion of 2022)

B002 - Let there be sight! - Proposal for Episcopal Church Assistance in Yemen and funding for an Ophthalmologist Medical Director at the Ras Morbat Eye Clinic in Aden

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: The Rt. Rev. James Magness

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. Scott Hayashi, The Rt. Rev. David Bailey

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$90,900.00

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, as followers of Jesus Christ, and recognizing at the heart of our Christian faith is Jesus' command to "...Love each other as I have loved you" (John 15:12), address our deep concern and dismay over the overwhelming health care crisis resulting from the ongoing conflict in Yemen, now in its seventh year, and the life-threatening humanitarian crisis caused therein; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church, in a commitment to the people of Yemen, provide funds for two consecutive years for a new ophthalmologist to serve in a senior capacity at the Ras Morbat Clinic Christ Church, Aden, with these funds being channeled through the Anglican Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf who maintain the Clinic; and be it further

Resolved, That the Office of Government Relations call on appropriate members of the United States Congress, along with appropriate members of the United Nations to engage in every possible effort to relieve human suffering and find a political solution to the complex ongoing war in Yemen; and be it further

Resolved, That the Office of Government Relations support policy to allow for unobstructed access in the conflict areas for humanitarian and medical relief organizations, and journalists; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation for the ophthalmologist of \$90,900 for the implementation of this resolution.

B003 - Regulating Ghost Guns and 3D Printed Guns

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Rt. Rev. Douglas Fisher

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. Deon Johnson, The Rt. Rev. William Stokes

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the parts and kits used to build ghost guns—unserialized and untraceable firearms that can be built by anyone using unfinished frames or receivers—should be banned, and until that is possible, should be subject to full regulation as firearms and subject to all federal regulations that apply to firearms, including all oversight related to the provisions of the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act; and be it further

Resolved, That the manufacture of firearms or firearms parts using 3D printers poses a singularly dangerous threat and should be banned, and until that is possible, should be subject to full regulation as firearms and subject to all federal regulations that apply to firearms, including all oversight related to the provisions of the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act; and be it further

Resolved, That the Office of Government Relations, members of the Episcopal Public Policy Network and individual Episcopalians be encouraged to advocate for state and federal legislation that would ban and/or subject the parts and kits used to build homemade weapons to the same oversight and regulation that exists for firearms.

B004 - Establishing Religious Life Sunday

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Rt. Rev. Jeffrey Lee

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. Matthew A. Gunter, The Rt. Rev. Douglas Sparks, The Rt. Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori, The Rt. Rev. Bavi Rivera, The Rt. Rev. Andrew Dietsche, The Rt. Rev. Allen Shin, The Rt. Rev. Mary Glasspool, The Rt. Rev. Carlye Hughes, The Rt. Rev. Lawrence Provenzano, The Rt. Rev. Frank Logue, The Rt. Rev. Marc Andrus, The Rt. Rev. José McLoughlin, The Rt. Rev. Anne Hodges-Copple

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That 80th General Convention establish Religious Life Sunday for observance in The Episcopal Church on the third Sunday after the Epiphany.

B005 - Proposed amendment to Canon IV.10, Of Conciliation, to enhance the possibility that restorative justice and other reconciling practices are utilized early in the Ecclesiastical Discipline process

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Rt. Rev. Mark Hollingsworth

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, The Rt. Rev. Mary Gray-Reeves

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon IV.10.3 be amended as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 3 If the conciliation is successful in reaching agreement among the parties on a suitable resolution of all issues, an Accord, as provided in Canon IV.14, or other agreement may be prepared. Within a reasonable time, the Conciliator shall report the results of the conciliation to the Reference Panel, which shall refer the matter as appropriate under Canon IV.6.8.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec 3. If the conciliation is successful in reaching agreement among the parties on a suitable resolution of all issues, an Accord, ~~will be prepared~~ as provided in Canon IV.14, *or other agreement may be prepared.* ~~If conciliation cannot be achieved within~~ *Within* a reasonable time, *the Conciliator shall report the results of the conciliation to the Reference Panel, which shall refer the matter as appropriate under Canon IV.6.8.* ~~, the Conciliator will report such to the Bishop Diocesan, and the matter will be referred back to the Reference Panel.~~

B006 - Investing in State-Level Gun Violence Prevention Advocacy

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Rt. Rev. Ian Douglas

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. Bonnie Perry, The Rt. Rev. Douglas Fisher

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$160,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention urge dioceses of The Episcopal Church across the United States to advocate for safe gun legislation with their state governments; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church's Office of Government Relations support domestic dioceses in state-level advocacy against gun violence and other forms of community violence; and be it further

Resolved, That to assist the Office of Government Relations in this state-level advocacy against violence, the Joint Standing Commission on Program, Budget, and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$160,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

B007 - Investment in Community Violence Intervention to Prevent Gun Violence

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Rt. Rev. Daniel Gutiérrez

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. Bonnie Perry, The Rt. Rev. Ian Douglas

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention commend investment in evidence-based community violence intervention programs and strategies that address gun violence as a public health issue; improve physical environments; strengthen anti-violence social norms; engage and support youth; reduce substance abuse; mitigate financial stress; reduce the harmful effects of the justice process; and confront the proliferation of guns; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention call upon the Congress and the executive branch to allocate significant federal funding for evidence-based community violence intervention programs and strategies; and be it further

Resolved, That the Office of Government Relations, Episcopal Public Policy Network, dioceses, congregations and individual Episcopalians be encouraged to advocate for funding and public policy to support community violence intervention programs and strategies that have been proven to reduce gun violence.

B008 - A Call for the Cessation of Conflict in Ukraine

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: The Rt. Rev. Mark Edington

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. Alan Gates, The Rt. Rev. Daniel Gutiérrez, The Rt. Rev. Paul-Gordon Chandler, The Rt. Rev. Mariann Budde

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church condemn the aggression launched by the Russian Federation on the sovereign and independent nation of Ukraine on February 24, 2022; and be it further

Resolved, That this convention call on the leaders of the Russian Federation and its supporters to cease their aggression and enter immediately into good-faith negotiations in which Ukraine's sovereignty and security are assured and call those among the nations of the world who may have the capacity to influence the choices made by those directing this war urgently to do so; and be it further

Resolved, That as faithful Christians we call upon our siblings in the churches of Russia and Ukraine to remind their leaders of Christ's commandment that we love our neighbors as we love ourselves—a commandment we believe provides no justification for violent conflict unless in the defense of the vulnerable and defenseless; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention commend the work of Episcopal Relief and Development, and our congregations in Europe, in their ongoing efforts to provide support and succor to all refugees seeking safety and shelter in Europe; and helping them rebuild shattered lives; and be it further

***Resolved,* That all refugees, regardless of the reasons for their flight or the country of their origin, be received with equal dignity, equal hospitality, and equal treatment; and that all congregations be aware of, and guard against, the dangers of human trafficking to which refugees are especially vulnerable; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That this Convention commend the ongoing work of diplomats and peacemakers, and call upon all those in authority to labor without ceasing to bring a swift and just end to this conflict, and a restoration of Ukraine's independence and autonomy under conditions of tranquility.**

B009 - Liturgy in Response to Mass Shootings

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Rt. Rev. Bonnie Perry

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. Deon Johnson, The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to make available a liturgy to assist congregations and communities in responding pastorally to the Mass Shootings which are occurring at an alarming rate throughout the United States of America.

B010 - Express Appreciation for the Work and Ministry of Mark J. Duffy, Canonical Archivist and Director of The Episcopal Church Archives 1992-2022

Final Status: Adopted Substitute HoB

Proposed by: The Rt. Rev. R. William Franklin

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows, The Rt. Rev. Samuel Rodman

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt Substitute

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, conveys its deep affection, utmost gratitude, and thanksgiving to Mr. Mark J. Duffy, SAA Fellow, for his thirty-year ministry as Canonical Archivist of the Episcopal Church and as Director of The Episcopal Church Archives; and further recognizes his instrumental role in expanding the holdings of the Archives and establishing its website, digital archive, and social media platform in collaboration with a small but devoted and dedicated staff and the Board of the Archives; and further gives thanks for his efforts over the past decade to envision and secure a new permanent home for the Archives, and in the last year his efforts in overseeing the transfer of the Archives to a temporary location in the midst of a worldwide pandemic; and further extends the best wishes of the Church to him on his retirement from a ministry carried out with exemplary dedication, energy, grace, humor, integrity, prayer, knowledge, and skill.

B011 - Amend Article X of the Constitution of The Episcopal Church (First Reading)

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: The Rt. Rev. Lawrence Provenzano

Endorsed by: The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows, The Rt. Rev. Daniel Gutiérrez

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church amend Article X of the Constitution of The Episcopal Church as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Article X: Of the Book of Common Prayer

Sec. 1. The Book of Common Prayer, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses of this Church.

Sec. 2. Other Authorized Liturgical Rites, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be available for use in all the Dioceses of this Church as specified by canon.

Sec. 3. No alteration or amendment or addition to the Book of Common Prayer or the Authorized Liturgical Rites shall be made unless they have previously been authorized for Trial Use in accordance with Art. X, Sec. 3.b. after which the same shall be first proposed in one regular meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its

next succeeding regular meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a vote by orders in the House of Deputies in accordance with Article I, Sec. 5, except that concurrence by the orders shall require the affirmative vote in each order by a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.

Sec. 4. But notwithstanding anything herein above contained, the General Convention may at any one meeting, by a majority of the whole number of the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders as previously set forth in this Article:

- a. Amend the Table of Lessons and all Tables and Rubrics relating to the Psalms.
- b. Authorize for Trial Use such revisions of or alternatives, in whole or in part, at any time or times to the established Book of Common Prayer or to the Authorized Liturgical Rites, as may be proposed from time-to-time by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music and duly undertaken by and implemented according to the directives of the General Convention.
- c. Authorize for Experimental Use throughout this Church, as provided by Canon and subject to diocesan Ecclesiastical Authority, alternative and additional liturgies to supplement those provided in the Book of Common Prayer or the Authorized Liturgical Formularies.
- d. Authorize for Supplemental Use throughout this Church, as provided by Canon and subject to diocesan Ecclesiastical Authority, additional liturgies to supplement those provided in the Book of Common Prayer.

And *provided* that nothing in this Article shall be construed as restricting the authority of the Bishops of this Church to take such order as may be permitted by the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer or by the Canons of the General Convention for the use of special forms of worship.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Article X: Of the Book of Common Prayer

Sec. 1. The Book of Common Prayer, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses of this Church. ~~No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one regular meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding regular meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a vote by orders in the House of Deputies in accordance with Article I, Sec. 5, except that~~

~~concurrence by the orders shall require the affirmative vote in each order by a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.~~

Sec. 2. *Other Authorized Liturgical Rites, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be available for use in all the Dioceses of this Church as specified by canon.*

Sec. 3. *No alteration or amendment or addition to the Book of Common Prayer or the Authorized Liturgical Rites shall be made unless they have previously been authorized for Trial Use in accordance with Art. X, Sec. 3.b, after which the same shall be first proposed in one regular meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding regular meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a vote by orders in the House of Deputies in accordance with Article I, Sec. 5, except that concurrence by the orders shall require the affirmative vote in each order by a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.*

Sec. 4. But notwithstanding anything herein above contained, the General Convention may at any one meeting, by a majority of the whole number of the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders as previously set forth in this Article:

a. Amend the Table of Lessons and all Tables and Rubrics relating to the Psalms.

~~b. Authorize for trial use throughout this Church, as an alternative~~ *Trial Use such revisions of or alternatives in whole or in part, at any time or times to the established Book of Common Prayer or to the Authorized Liturgical Rites, or to any section or Office thereof, as may be proposed from time-to-time by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music and duly undertaken by and implemented according to the directives of revision of the whole Book or of any portion thereof, duly undertaken by the General Convention.*

c. Authorize for Experimental Use throughout this Church, as provided by Canon and subject to diocesan Ecclesiastical Authority, alternative and additional liturgies to supplement those provided in the Book of Common Prayer or the Authorized Liturgical Formularies.

d. Authorize for Supplemental Use throughout this Church, as provided by Canon and subject to diocesan Ecclesiastical Authority, additional liturgies to supplement those provided in the Book of Common Prayer.

And *provided* that nothing in this Article shall be construed as restricting the authority of the Bishops of this Church to take such order as may be permitted by the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer or by the Canons of the General Convention for the use of special forms of worship.

C001 - Regarding Anti-Semitism and Palestinian Christians

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Maryland

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognizes that the Church has at times in its history been guilty of anti-Semitic words and actions and that Anglicans and Episcopalians have not been without fault in this regard; and be it further

Resolved, That this General Convention recognizes that the evil of anti-Semitism continues to infect our society today; and be it further

Resolved, That this General Convention notes that our Church has been made aware by our Jewish neighbors that some of our discourse surrounding the Israeli- Palestinian conflict has been experienced by them as anti-Semitic; and be it further

Resolved, That this General Convention gives thanks to God that we are blessed to be in communion with our brothers and sisters in the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem; and be it further

Resolved, That this General Convention resolutely and unequivocally rejects and abhors anti-Semitism in all of its manifestations: in thought, word, or deed, in things done or things left undone; and be it further

Resolved, That our Church commits itself anew to avoid anti-Semitic rhetoric, not least in our discourse regarding the Israeli-Palestinian conflict; and be it further

Resolved, That in regard to its policies with respect to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict this Church will seek to know the mind of, and, insofar as it is not prohibited by our Constitution

and Canons, defer to the interests of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land, not least the Most Reverend Hosam Naoum, Bishop in Jerusalem, and his successors; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention sends its warmest greetings to Archbishop Naoum and to all of our brothers and sisters in his Diocese, praying without ceasing with the Psalmist for the peace of Jerusalem, and upholding especially in prayer those God has called to be His ambassadors in the Land of the Holy One.

C002 - Episcopal Church Canon Concerning Financial Affairs - Title I, Canon 7.1.f

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Idaho

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the Diocese of Idaho recommend to the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church, that Title I, Canon 7.1.f of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church be amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

f. All accounts of the Diocese shall be reviewed annually and audited at least every three years by an independent Certified Public Accountant. All accounts of Parishes, Missions or other institutions shall be audited annually by an independent Certified Public Accountant, or independent Licensed Public Accountant, or such audit committee as shall be authorized by the Finance Committee, Department of Finance, or other appropriate diocesan authority.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

f. All accounts of the Diocese shall be ~~audited~~ *reviewed* annually *and audited at least every three years* by an independent Certified Public Accountant. All accounts of Parishes, Missions or other institutions shall be audited annually by an independent Certified Public

Accountant, or independent Licensed Public Accountant, or such audit committee as shall be authorized by the Finance Committee, Department of Finance, or other appropriate diocesan authority.

C003 - Withdrawal of the name the Rev. William Porcher DuBose from the Lesser Feasts and Fasts Calendar

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Southeast Florida

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, that the 80th General Convention authorize for trial use the deletion of William Porcher DuBose from the Calendar of the Church and liturgical propers from Lesser Feasts and Fasts.

C004 - Inclusion of June 19th, "Juneteenth" in the Church's Liturgical Calendar in Recognition of the End of Slavery in the United States

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Southeast Florida

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to develop liturgical materials to lament the historic evil of slavery and celebrate the emancipation of enslaved peoples, considering historically significant dates such as Emancipation Day and Juneteenth in the United States, Emancipation Day in Puerto Rico, Independence Day in Haiti, and days of similar import in the 13 nations, commonwealths, or convocations of churches which are a part of the Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the SCLM develop these materials in consultation with church leaders in all nations, commonwealths, or convocations of churches where The Episcopal Church has dioceses or convocations and where slavery is a part of the national history; and be it further

Resolved, That the SCLM present these materials to the 81st General Convention for consideration for inclusion in The Book of Occasional Services; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses and congregations be encouraged to develop local commemorations lamenting slavery and its effects and celebrating emancipation on days deemed appropriate by them.

C006 - Commemoration of Fr. Paul Wattson

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Province III

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention urges the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to add Fr. Paul Wattson to the calendar of commemorations of the Episcopal Church.

Based on the following resolution adopted by the Diocese of Easton on February 24, 2018:

Commemoration of Fr. Paul Wattson

Resolved, That this 150th Convention of the Diocese of Easton memorialize the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to recommend to the General Convention that Fr. Paul Wattson, who was ordained Deacon in the Diocese of Easton in 1885 and Priest in the Diocese of New York in 1886, be added to the calendar of commemorations of the Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention forward to the Secretary of General Convention and each member of the Diocese of Easton Standing Committee a copy of this resolution within sixty days of the adjournment of this Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Easton is hereby encouraged to set February 8 as the day on which Parishes and members of this Diocese may commemorate and celebrate the historic ministry of this native son of the Eastern Shore and of the Diocese of Easton.

C007 - Designate March 10 as the Date to Commemorate Harriet Ross Tubman

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Province III

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize for trial use the date of March 10 on the Calendar of the Church Year (BCP pp. 19ff.) to commemorate Harriet Ross Tubman, who was commemorated with Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Amelia Bloomer and Sojourner Truth on July 20; and be it further

Resolved, That the Propers for the commemoration of Harriet Ross Tubman, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Amelia Bloomer and Sojourner Truth on July 20 be authorized for trial use for the commemoration of Harriet Tubman on March 10, with appropriate changes from plural to singular; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music review the Propers for the commemoration of Harriet Ross Tubman and propose suitable amendments to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That this 80th General Convention encourage all dioceses and parishes, in cooperation with other judicatories and local communities of faith, to honor Harriet Ross Tubman on the 110th anniversary of her death (March 10, 2023) in a worship service on or close to that date.

C008 - Freedom to Call, Freedom to Elect

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Wyoming

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention, amend Article II, Sec. 9 of the Constitution as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Article II.9

Sec. 9. Upon attaining the age of seventy-two years a Bishop shall resign from all jurisdiction. Anything in this Article to the contrary notwithstanding, any Episcopal entity or institution, with the appropriate consenting authorities, may elect or call a Bishop to serve in a position for a set period of time, regardless of their age when they accept the call and their anticipated age when the terms of agreement end.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.12.9 have a new subsection p added as follows:

p. Anything in this Canon to the contrary notwithstanding, any Episcopal entity or institution, with the appropriate consenting authorities, may elect or call a Bishop to serve in a position for a set period of time, regardless of their age when they accept the call and their anticipated age when the terms of agreement end.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.9.8 have a new subsection d added as follows:

d. Anything in this Canon to the contrary notwithstanding, any Episcopal entity or institution, with the appropriate consenting authorities, may elect or call a Priest to serve in a position for a set period of time, regardless of their age when they accept the call and their anticipated age when the terms of agreement end.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.7.7, be amended to read in its entirety:

Sec. 7. On reaching the age of seventy-two years, a Deacon shall resign from all positions of active service in this Church, and the resignation shall be accepted. The Bishop may, with the consent of the Deacon, assign a resigned Deacon to any congregation, other community of faith or ministry in another setting, for a term not to exceed twelve months, and this term may be renewed. Anything in this Canon to the contrary notwithstanding, any Episcopal entity or institution, with the appropriate consenting authorities, may elect or call a Deacon to serve in a position for a set period of time, regardless of their age when they accept the call and their anticipated age when the terms of agreement end.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Article II.9

Sec. 9. Upon attaining the age of seventy-two years a Bishop shall resign from all jurisdiction. *Anything in this Article to the contrary notwithstanding, any Episcopal entity or institution, with the appropriate consenting authorities, may elect or call a Bishop to serve in a position for a set period of time, regardless of their age when they accept the call and their anticipated age when the terms of agreement end.*

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.12.9 have a new subsection p added as follows:

p. Anything in this Canon to the contrary notwithstanding, any Episcopal entity or institution, with the appropriate consenting authorities, may elect or call a Bishop to serve in a position for a set period of time, regardless of their age when they accept the call and their anticipated age when the terms of agreement end.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.9.8 have a new subsection d added as follows:

d. Anything in this Canon to the contrary notwithstanding, any Episcopal entity or institution, with the appropriate consenting authorities, may elect or call a Priest to serve in a position for a set period of time, regardless of their age when they accept the call and their anticipated age when the terms of agreement end.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon III.7.7, be amended to read in its entirety:

Sec. 7. On reaching the age of seventy-two years, a Deacon shall resign from all positions of active service in this Church, and the resignation shall be accepted. The Bishop may, with the consent of the Deacon, assign a resigned Deacon to any congregation, other community of faith or ministry in another setting, for a term not to exceed twelve months, and this term may be renewed. *Anything in this Canon to the contrary notwithstanding, any Episcopal entity or institution, with the appropriate consenting authorities, may elect or call a Deacon to serve in a position for a set period of time, regardless of their age when they accept the call and their anticipated age when the terms of agreement end.*

C009 - Mandates Anti-Racism & Racial Reconciliation Training for the House of Deputies

Final Status: Adopted with Amendment HoD

Proposed by: California

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Rules of Order/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt with Amendment

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That House of Deputies Rule III be amended as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Resolved, that the Rules of Order - House of Deputies Section III be amended to add a new section as follows:

Rules of Order - House of Deputies Section III: Deputations

A. Chair of Deputation

1. At least one year before the first legislative session of the General Convention, each Deputation will:

i. designate a Chair; and

ii. notify the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the name of the Chair

2. The Deputation Chair will:

i. serve as the primary contact for House of Deputies communications;

- ii. certify the Deputation's votes by orders;
- iii. certify changes in the Deputation during General Convention;
- iv. perform other duties as directed by the President

B. Beloved Community Formational Programs and Reporting

1. Formation for Deputies and Alternate Deputies occurs as follows:

- i. Racial reconciliation formation programs for Deputies and Alternate Deputies should be taken within three years before the first legislative day of General Convention using faith formation programs sponsored by dioceses, provinces, or The Episcopal Church.
- ii. No later than four months before the first legislative day of General Convention, and using a form provided by the Secretary, Deputation Chairs will file a single submission reporting the completion status of formation programs by members of their Deputation to the Secretary of the House of Deputies. Updated submissions may be filed prior to the start of General Convention.
- iii. Deputation Chairs will report in their submissions any circumstances in which Deputies and Alternate Deputies are unable to complete formation programs due to unavailability of language proficient programs, accessibility issues, or other identified barriers.

2. The Secretary of the House of Deputies will compile the submissions from the Deputation Chairs and submit a report to the President of the House of Deputies on completion rates, unavailability of language proficient programs, accessibility issues, or other identified barriers.

C. Certification of Alternate Deputies as Deputies

1. Alternate Deputies may not sit or vote with their Deputations, unless and until certified by the Committee on Credentials as a substitute for a Deputy.
2. The Committee on Credentials will certify Alternate Deputies as Deputies before each session.
3. The procedures for certification will be those determined by the Secretary of the House of Deputies.
4. An Alternate Deputy will serve for one or more legislative sessions as Deputy but only until the Deputy for whom he or she substituted is able to resume their seats.
5. The Committee on Credentials will hear and decide any disputes on certification of Deputies and will report their decision to the House.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Resolved, that the Rules of Order - House of Deputies Section III be amended as follows:

Rules of Order - House of Deputies Section III: Deputations

A. Chair of Deputation

1. At least one year before the first legislative session of the General Convention, each Deputation will:

- i. designate a Chair; and
- ii. notify the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the name of the Chair

2. The Deputation Chair will:

- i. serve as the primary contact for House of Deputies communications;
- ii. certify the Deputation's votes by orders
- iii. certify changes in the Deputation during General Convention;
- iv. perform other duties as directed by the President

B. Beloved Community Formational Programs and Reporting

1. Formation for Deputies and Alternate Deputies occurs as follows:

i. Racial reconciliation formation programs for Deputies and Alternate Deputies should be taken within three years before the first legislative day of General Convention using faith formation programs sponsored by dioceses, provinces, or The Episcopal Church.

ii. No later than four months before the first legislative day of General Convention, and using a form provided by the Secretary, Deputation Chairs will file a single submission reporting the completion status of formation programs by members of their Deputation to the Secretary of the House of Deputies. Updated submissions may be filed prior to the start of General Convention.

iii. Deputation Chairs will report in their submissions any circumstances in which Deputies and Alternate Deputies are unable to complete formation programs

due to unavailability of language proficient programs, accessibility issues, or other identified barriers.

2. The Secretary of the House of Deputies will compile the submissions from the Deputation Chairs and submit a report to the President of the House of Deputies on completion rates, unavailability of language proficient programs, accessibility issues, or other identified barriers.

B- C. Certification of Alternate Deputies as Deputies

1. Alternate Deputies may not sit or vote with their Deputations, unless and until certified by the Committee on Credentials as a substitute for a Deputy.

2. The Committee on Credentials will certify Alternate Deputies as Deputies before each session.

3. The procedures for certification will be those determined by the Secretary of the House of Deputies.

4. An Alternate Deputy will serve for one or more legislative sessions as Deputy but only until the Deputy for whom he or she substituted is able to resume their seats.

5. The Committee on Credentials will hear and decide any disputes on certification of Deputies and will report their decision to the House.

C010 - Amending Biographical Information for the Feast of Peter Williams Cassey and Annie Besant Cassey

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: El Camino Real

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church amend the biographical descriptions for the feast day of Peter Williams Cassey and Annie Besant Cassey in Lesser Feasts and Fasts, 2018, in the following manner:

[Text in Lesser Feasts and Fast 2018, pp. 234-236, corrections either strikeout or in italics]

APRIL 16: Peter Williams Cassey, ~~Priest~~, *Deacon*, 1917 and Annie Besant Cassey 1875

Peter Williams Cassey was ordained as a deacon in 1866, the first person of color ordained in the Episcopal Church west of the Mississippi River. He was a fourth generation freed African American. His great grandfather bought his freedom and founded the first black church in New York, the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. His grandfather was the first African American Episcopal priest in New York and founder of St. Philip's, Manhattan. His parents, Joseph and Amy Cassey were prominent abolitionists in Philadelphia.

Peter received the best classical education available at the time, ~~speaking and~~ fluently reading Greek, Hebrew and Latin. He arrived in San Francisco in 1853 and worked as a barber, *where he formed an abolitionist group to help free slaves*. He helped organize a

community association to protect African Americans and other persons of color. In the late 1850's he moved to San José, California ~~where he formed an abolitionist group to help free slaves.~~

Peter married Annie Besant, who came from another prominent African American family. They were among the founding members of Trinity Parish, San Jose, California in 1862~~1861~~. At the same time, they rented the former Bascom School for Girls and established St. Philips Mission for Colored People and opened St. Philip's Academy. The school was not only for African American, but also *for Native Americans*, Mexican and Chinese students because no children of color could attend public schools.

Bishop William Ingraham Kip, first Bishop of California, recognized St. Philip's as a mission congregation out of Trinity Church and in 1866 ordained Peter as a deacon. *In 1872, the* ~~The~~ bishop directed him to establish Christ Church for Colored People in San Francisco while Annie kept St. Philip's going. Later this church would split into the African American Church of St. Cyprian and Christ Nippon Sei Ko Kai (Japanese American Episcopal Church). In 1881 Peter was called to St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church in New Bern, North Carolina as the first African American rector in that state. In 1884 he was accepted a call to Florida where he served in succession three parishes until he died at the age of 86 on April 16th, 1917. *He was never ordained a priest because of the racism of the clergy and Standing Committees of the three dioceses in which he served, even though the bishops favored his ordination.*

Bishop Edwin Gardner Weed said at Peter's funeral "that no other clergyman in the diocese came close to the theological maturity and scholarship that Peter Williams Cassey exhibited in his ministry and teachings. We should be proud of these great souls that helped lay the foundations of this diocese."

C011 - Anti-Racism Training for Deputies and Alternates

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Oregon

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 16 - Churchwide Leadership

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That beginning on January 1, 2022 the lay and ordained leadership of The Episcopal Church, including all ordained persons, professional staff, and those elected or appointed to positions of leadership on committees, commissions, agencies, and boards, and as deputies or alternates to General Convention be required to take anti-racism training and receive certification of such training, in accordance with the existing policies of The Episcopal Church, the provinces and the dioceses; and be it further

Resolved, That the Executive Council, through appropriate staff and interim bodies, develop and implement processes for collecting information regarding how this mandate is being implemented and data on the participation in training by covered individuals within their jurisdiction from the dioceses, provinces, Episcopal seminaries and other programs preparing individuals for ordination, committees, commissions, agencies and boards, and all other entities subject to this requirement, and make such information and data readily available to the Church at least 6 months prior to each General Convention.

C012 - Confronting Christian Zionism

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Chicago

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church reject the nationalistic theology of Christian Zionism which provides the ideological basis for Christian Zionist leaders and politicians seeking to influence United States policy in Palestine-Israel; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention not only reject the theology of Christian Zionism which is inherently antisemitic but also, critically, condemn the political policy positions that it sponsors and financially supports, which include Israel's expansion across the entire land of Palestine Israel and the displacement of the Palestinian people, including our indigenous Palestinian Christian and Muslim brothers and sisters; and be it further

Resolved, That, recognizing the extent to which the Prayer Book liturgy including prayers and the lectionary as well as the hymns contain frequent references to the Biblical land of Israel and the Israelites and that many Episcopalians confuse these with the current State of Israel, a conflation that reinforces the deceptive theology of Christian Zionism, the Episcopal Church commit to making clear in liturgy and in teaching the clear distinction between the current political situation and the Biblical past.

C013 - Freedom of Speech and the Right to Boycott

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Chicago

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church call on the President of the United States, the U.S. Congress, Governors, and State Legislatures to oppose legislation that penalizes or criminalizes support for all nonviolent boycotts, divestment and/or sanctions, especially on behalf of Palestinian human rights, as an infringement of First Amendment rights.

C014 - On Addressing the Anti-Semitic Impact of Lectionary Readings for Holy Week

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Washington

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to recommend revisions to the Church's appointed Lectionary readings for Holy Week to remedy passages that use language that has been interpreted as anti-Semitic while maintaining the meaning and intent of the original Greek texts, and that the Episcopal Church advocate that other denominations using the Revised Common Lectionary consider the same changes.

C015 - Carbon Sequestration - Creates An Internal Carbon Offset Program

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: California

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 20 - Environmental Stewardship & Care of Creation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church affirms General Convention resolution 2018-A014 as well as Executive Council resolutions 2021-MB 024 and 2021-MW 042; and be it further

Resolved, That this General Convention direct the Executive Council of The Episcopal Church's Economic Justice Loan Committee, in consultation with the Task Force on Care of Creation & Environmental Racism, to evaluate, create, and implement a positive investment strategy that will fund methods of capturing and storing greenhouse gases through sustainable nature-based, land management solutions such as afforestation and regenerative agricultural practices; and be it further

Resolved, That the dioceses of the Episcopal Church pledge to support the Communion Forest initiative, to be launched at the Lambeth Conference 2022, to plant trees, practice reforestation and regenerative agriculture, protect forests and other plant communities across the Communion; and be it further

Resolved, That this environmental stewardship response will create a pilot churchwide carbon offset policy with duly investigated, responsible, and ethical partners.

C016 - Climate Change - Carbon-Intensive Lending

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: California

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 20 - Environmental Stewardship & Care of Creation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church direct the Executive Council (Domestic & Foreign Missionary Society aka DFMS) and its Committee on Corporate Social Responsibility (CCSR), in conjunction with the Church Pension Fund (CPF), to establish and coordinate shareholder strategy addressing Carbon-Intensive Lending by U.S. Banks and other financial lending institutions; and be it further

Resolved, That the CCSR and CPF identify banks and financial lending institutions within the DFMS and CPF portfolios that are carbon-intensive lenders and initiate the appropriate shareholder strategy with these institutions to slow global warming; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention supports joint efforts with the Church of England National Investing Bodies (NIBs) in achieving the goals of the Paris Climate Agreement; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention make this coordination a priority for the triennium under the Episcopal Church's Covenant for the Care of Creation by authorizing reasonable costs to be treated as investment management expenses.

C017 - Assessing the Church's Response to COVID-19

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: California

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 10 - Congregational & Diocesan Vitality

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church direct the House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church to assess the response of The Episcopal Church to the COVID-19 pandemic in the areas of pastoral care, liturgy, evangelism, Christian formation, stewardship, community engagement, communications, and social justice work; and be it further

Resolved, That this assessment include an examination of the challenges encountered during the pandemic and of its differing impact on people of different racial and ethnic groups, ages, genders, wealth or precarity, abilities and disabilities, family structures, immigration statuses, and nationalities; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church report and make recommendations to the 81st General Convention for improving the church's response to future disasters and to the changed circumstances of the post-pandemic church, as well as ideas that may be adapted for church life and work in the 21st century.

C018 - Trial use of the "Expanded Revised Common Lectionary Daily Readings"

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Virginia

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to study the "Expanded Revised Common Lectionary Daily Readings," which has been prepared by the Consultation on Common Texts (CCT), and to make recommendations to the 81st General Convention about trial use.

C019 - Petition to the 80th General Convention to add John R. Lewis to the Episcopal Church calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Northern California

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention designate July 17 in *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*, or the supplement *A Great Cloud of Witnesses: A Calendar of Commemorations* as the annual celebration of the life and work of John R. Lewis, pastor, civil rights leader and public servant.

C020 - Petition to the 80th General Convention to add Howard W. Thurman to the Episcopal Church calendar

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Northern California

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention to designate April 10 in *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*, or the supplement *A Great Cloud of Witnesses: A Calendar of Commemorations* as the annual celebration of the life and work of Howard W. Thurman, pastor, educator, theologian, and civil rights leader.

C021 - Amend Canon I.9.1 to change the Diocese of Puerto Rico to Province II

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Puerto Rico

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, in accordance with Canon I.9.3.b, that the 80th General Convention approves the transfer of the Diocese of Puerto Rico from the Ninth Province to the Second Province; and be it further

Resolved, That Canon I.9.1 is hereby amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Sec. 1. Subject to the proviso in Article VII of the Constitution, the Dioceses of this Church shall be and are hereby united into Provinces as follows:

The First Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut.

The Second Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of New York and New Jersey, the Dioceses of Haiti, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, and the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe.

The Third Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

The Fourth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Louisiana, except for the portion thereof consisting of the Diocese of Western Louisiana.

The Fifth Province shall consist of the Diocese of Missouri, and of the Dioceses within the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin.

The Sixth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Montana, Wyoming, and Colorado.

The Seventh Province shall consist of the Dioceses of Western Louisiana and of West Missouri, and of the Dioceses within the States of Arkansas, Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico.

The Eighth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Idaho, Utah, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California, Arizona, Alaska, and Hawaii, the Diocese of Taiwan and the Area Mission of Navajoland.

The Ninth Province shall consist of the Dioceses of this Church in Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Honduras, and Venezuela.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

The First Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut.

The Second Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of New York and New Jersey, the Dioceses of Haiti, *Puerto Rico* and the Virgin Islands, and the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe.

The Third Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

The Fourth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Louisiana, except for the portion thereof consisting of the Diocese of Western Louisiana.

The Fifth Province shall consist of the Diocese of Missouri, and of the Dioceses within the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin.

The Sixth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Montana, Wyoming, and Colorado.

The Seventh Province shall consist of the Dioceses of Western Louisiana and of West Missouri, and of the Dioceses within the States of Arkansas, Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico.

The Eighth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Idaho, Utah, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California, Arizona, Alaska, and Hawaii, the Diocese of Taiwan and the Area Mission of Navajoland.

The Ninth Province shall consist of the Dioceses of this Church in Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Honduras, ~~Puerto Rico~~, and Venezuela.

C022 - Enter Barbara Clementine Harris into the Church Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Vermont

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention include and enter Barbara Clementine Harris, Bishop, to the Calendar of the Church year to be celebrated on March 13.

C023 - On Commemorating the Rt Rev Barbara Harris

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted and Amended

Proposed by: North Carolina

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby directs the inclusion of the observance of the consecration of Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris, first woman bishop in the Anglican Communion in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar of The Episcopal Church, and authorize trial use of the proper for the triennial 2023-2024 to be observed on February 11; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention approve the appropriate proper to be prepared by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music; and be it further

Resolved, That in addition, the 80th General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to prepare historical and biographical materials documenting the remarkable life, witness and work of Barbara Clementine Harris in preparation for the General Convention to consider adding the commemoration of her life, work, and witness to the Church Calendar; and be it further

Resolved, That the SCLM prepare appropriate liturgical materials for the commemoration of Barbara Clementine Harris so that when the time is appropriate for her inclusion in the Church Calendar all deliberate steps may be taken to include her; and be it further

Resolved, That the SCLM complete the preparation of the biographical and liturgical materials prior to the 81st General Convention of the Episcopal Church and report to the 81st General Convention.

C024 - On Commemorating the Rt. Rev. Barbara Clementine Harris

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Olympia

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention include and enter Barbara Clementine Harris, the first female bishop in the Anglican Communion, to the Calendar of the Church Year, to be celebrated on March 13.

C025 - Recognition of Apartheid in Israel/Palestine

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: Vermont

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, acknowledging our continuing struggle in the United States to achieve racial equality, recognize that the State of Israel has passed laws that discriminate against its non-Jewish citizens, particularly Palestinians, and that its military occupation of East Jerusalem and the West Bank and blockade of Gaza impose prejudicial treatment of Palestinians and privilege Israeli settlers, contravening international law and human rights; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention recognize that these discriminatory laws and treatment correspond to the definitions of apartheid elaborated in the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid and set out in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention affirm that apartheid is antithetical to the Gospel message and to our Baptismal Covenant to “strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being;” and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention of The Episcopal Church call on the U.S. government to withhold military funding from the State of Israel until Israel eliminates apartheid laws, respects Palestinian human rights, and stops violating international law.

C026 - Resolution to Enter Barbara Clementine Harris, Bishop, to the Calendar of the Church Year

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Massachusetts

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention includes and enters Barbara Clementine Harris, Bishop, to the Calendar of the Church Year to be celebrated on March 13.

C027 - Endorse "Back from the Brink: A Call to Prevent Nuclear War"

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Central New York

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church renounces the option of using nuclear weapons first and supports pursuing a verifiable agreement among nuclear armed nations to eliminate their arsenals as established in the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, following Jesus' commandment to love God with our whole heart, soul and mind, and to love our neighbors as ourselves, endorses the goals of organizations such as "Back from the Brink: the Call to Prevent Nuclear War" And the "International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons" and call on the Office of Government Relations to continue to work in support of the goal of total nuclear disarmament (1997-D022) and dismantling existing U.S. nuclear weapons (2009-D060).

C028 - All Are Welcome at the Table

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Northern California

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, that this 111th Convention of the Diocese of Northern California adopts the following resolution and hereby directs the Secretary of this Convention to forward this resolution to the Secretary of General Convention of The Episcopal Church as a duly authorized resolution from this Diocese; and be it further

Resolved, That the Diocese of Northern California requests that 80th General Convention repeal CANON I.17.7 of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church (2018 Revision, page 88), which states: "No unbaptized person shall be eligible to receive Holy Communion in this Church."

C029 - A Resolution to Include the name Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Chicago

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby directs the inclusion the name Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar of The Episcopal Church, and authorize trial use of the proper for the triennial 2023-2024 to be celebrated on March 13; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention approve the appropriate proper to be prepared by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music.

C030 - Addressing Antisemitic, Anti-Jewish, and/or Supersessionist Interpretations of our Lectionaries

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted and Amended

Proposed by: New York

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention establish a task force to address the anti-semitic, anti-Jewish or supersessionist impact of lectionary readings, especially for Holy Week, and develop proposals to mitigate that impact, which may include:

1. Providing one or more optional, alternate lection or lections for any lection containing language that has been interpreted as antisemitic, anti-Jewish, or supersessionist and/or
2. Recommending a specific authorized Biblical Translation for any lection that has been interpreted as antisemitic, anti-Jewish, or supersessionist so that the lection is less likely to be heard and interpreted as antisemitic, anti-Jewish, or supersessionist, and/or
3. Providing pastoral guidance and commentary on the lection that can be made available whenever the lection is read publicly in worship

And be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force be composed of two laypeople, two presbyters or deacons, and two bishops, in addition to a liaison who is a member of the SCLM, who collectively shall be knowledgeable in Christian-Jewish relations, liturgy, translation and Biblical interpretation; and be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force consult with the Consultation on Common Texts as it does its work; and be it further

Resolved, That this 80th General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance to allocate \$30,000 for the implementation of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force will report to the 81st General Convention.

C031 - Confronting Apartheid

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: Chicago

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the General Convention of The Episcopal Church, acknowledging our continuing struggle with systemic racism in the United States, recognize that the State of Israel has passed laws that discriminate against its non-Jewish citizens, particularly Palestinians, and that its military occupation of East Jerusalem and the West Bank and blockade of Gaza impose prejudicial treatment of Palestinians and privilege Israeli settlers, contravening international law and human rights; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention recognize that these discriminatory laws and treatment correspond to the definitions of apartheid elaborated in the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid and set out in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention affirm that apartheid is antithetical to the Gospel message and to our Baptismal Covenant to "strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being"; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention recognizing the Western roots of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict in 20th century colonialist exploits, as well as in the historical evils of anti-Semitism, commits itself to a practice and promotion of healing and reconciliation for the benefit of and between all God's people, especially those most affected by the actions of the West.

C032 - Designating the Third or Fourth Sunday in Advent as a Day to Offer God Thanks for the Abolition of Slavery and to Ask God's Help in Assuring Always that Black Lives Matter

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: New York

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention acknowledge that although the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States took effect on December 18, 1865 abolishing American chattel slavery -- the ability of white people to purchase and own black people and decide in all respects their fate, and the fate of their children -- nonetheless white supremacist and anti-Black thoughts, words and deeds persisted causing years of the subjugation and segregation of black people and still persist today as systemic racism causing grave ongoing disadvantage, dehumanization and violence to black people, up to and including the loss of their dignity, liberty and lives; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention acknowledge the Episcopal Church contributed to this state of affairs, in violation of its core tenets, not only because it tolerated the misuse of scripture to support slavery but also because at the General Convention held in October, 1865, the House of Deputies twice decisively defeated resolutions to give God thanks for the abolition of slavery so as not to embarrass the reunion of Church with the Bishops of the Confederacy, who during the war had been meeting separately and who would not be willing to say that their minds about slavery had been changed by the war; and be it further

Resolved, That designating a Sunday each year around the December 18 anniversary of the Thirteenth Amendment for offering a prayer of thanksgiving for the abolishment of slavery and seeking God's aid in conforming our lives to his way of love and equality where black lives assuredly matter is a fitting step, building on the October 4, 2008 service of repentance directed by the 2006 General Convention, for the making amends for our errors which have caused a delay in the rectification of slavery, the consequences of which delay persist today; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church directs that at parish option the Third or Fourth Sunday in Advent be designated as a day to offer God thanks for the abolition of American chattel slavery and to ask God's help in always assuring that black lives matter; and be it further

Resolved, That the President of the House of Deputies and the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops are respectfully called on to appoint a drafting group to prepare a prayer of thanksgiving and supplication to be used throughout the Episcopal Church on the Third or Fourth Sunday in Advent.

C033 - Encourage Sacred Ground Curriculum

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Iowa

Endorsed by: Province VI

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby directs and encourages the continued church-wide usage of the Sacred Ground Curriculum.

C034 - Endorsing Resolutions Proposed by the Union of Black Episcopalians for Adoption by the 80th General Convention

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Delaware

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the Racial Justice and Reconciliation Commission of this diocese be requested to review said resolutions, making direct application of their content towards efforts of Building Beloved Community in the Episcopal Church in Delaware; and be it further

Resolved, That the Racial Justice and Reconciliation Commission submit their review of said resolutions to the Delaware deputation so that they are equipped to address the resolutions offered by the Union of Black Episcopalians at the 80th General Convention.

C035 - Training Modules on Slavery and Reparations

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: New York

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct, consistent with established policies and procedures, that the Executive Council shall direct that the Department of Reconciliation, Justice, and Creation Care work in collaboration with the Department of Faith Formation to create training modules on the topic of slavery and reparations, for use by the whole Church in the training of children and adults as they are prepared for the sacrament of Confirmation; and be it further

Resolved, That the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society allocate up to \$35,000 to fund this work for the implementation of this resolution.

C036 - Funding for Beloved Community

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Iowa

Supported by: Province VI

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$2,000,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance allocate \$2.0 million for the triennium for the continued implementation of additional work of organizing our efforts to respond to racial injustice and grow a Beloved Community of healers, justice makers and reconcilers for the implementation of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That such monies shall again be utilized exclusively to make grants to agencies and dioceses and other affiliated entities of The Episcopal Church for the establishment of such programmatic activities aimed at addressing the issue of Racial Reconciliation. Such activities may include, but not be limited to, speaker series, sacred conversations, Racial Reconciliation Workshops, and other activities that promote the purposes of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That this General Convention directs, consistent with established policies and procedures, that The Executive Council shall again be charged with the establishment of all criteria, and procedures associated with the awarding of such grants, and that such criteria and procedures be established as soon as practical, after the conclusion of this 80th General Convention such Committee or Office that Executive Council shall designate with implementation of the grants shall have published the criteria and be ready to accept applications submitted for such grants, and that the entities receiving such grants shall report back to the Committee or Office that Executive Council shall have designated on the usage of its grant, and that the Executive Council shall report back to the General Convention in 2024 on the usage of the \$2.0 million allocation.

C037 - Inclusion of Bishop Barbara Harris to the Calendar of the Church

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: New York

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Barbara Clementine Harris, Bishop, be included and entered into the Calendar of the Church year, to be celebrated on March 13.

C038 - Inclusion of Juneteenth

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Iowa

Supported by: Province VI

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby directs the inclusion of the Juneteenth Feast Day in Lesser Feasts and Fasts; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention approve the appropriate proper to be prepared by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music.

C039 - Justice and Peace in the Holy Land - Our Call to Action

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Olympia

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognize the right of the State of Israel to exist and condemn the continued occupation, segregation and oppression of the Palestinian people; recognizing that for Israel to continue as a democracy it must allow for equality of all its peoples; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention urge the President of the United States and the U.S. Congress to take action to oppose Israeli laws and practices that result in unequal rights for two peoples.

C040 - on Confronting Christian Zionism

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Washington

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church reject the theology of Christian Zionism as a modern misinterpretation of scripture having no connection to the Creeds or the Prayer Book; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention condemn the political policy positions promoted by such a theology.

C041 - on Defending the Right to Boycott

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Washington

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church calls on the President of the United States and the U.S. Congress to oppose legislation penalizing or criminalizing support for nonviolent boycotts, divestment and/or sanctions on behalf of Palestinian human rights.

C042 - on Opposing Israel's Apartheid

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: Washington

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the General Convention of the Episcopal Church recognize that Israel's discriminatory legal system and treatment of the Palestinians correspond to the definitions of apartheid elaborated in the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid and set out in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention condemn Israel's apartheid system as antithetical to the Gospel message and to our Baptismal Covenant to "strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being;" and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention, recognizing the complicity of the U.S. government in supporting and protecting Israel in its apartheid practices against the Palestinians, and deeming that support antithetical to America's fundamental values, call on the President and the U.S. Congress to condemn and oppose Israel's apartheid by all appropriate means, replacing economic aid to Israel with economic aid to the Palestinians.

C043 - to Include the Name Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Washington

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church hereby directs the inclusion the name Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar of The Episcopal Church, and authorize trial use of the proper for the triennial 2023-2024 to be celebrated on March 13; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention approve the appropriate proper to be prepared by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music.

C044 - Inclusivity on TEC website

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct The Episcopal Church and urge all agencies, institutions and organizations connected with it to revise their online forms including, but not limited to, addresses, telephone numbers, credit card numbers, postal codes and currency abbreviations, to allow for non- US standard responses to form fields for members of congregations residing outside the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That all information and interactive material posted on the website of The Episcopal Church include all of its dioceses and jurisdictions, and be available for use by all members of The Episcopal Church, including those outside the United States.

C045 - Resolution regarding Commemorating Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Church Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Los Angeles

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention include and enter Barbara Clementine Harris, Bishop to the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar of the Church Year to be celebrated on March 13.

C046 - A Resolution for Continued Funding of the Beloved Community

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Southern Ohio

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$2,000,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That this 80th General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance allocate \$2.0 million for the triennium for the continued implementation of additional work of organizing our efforts to respond to social and racial injustice and grow a Beloved Community of healers, justice makers and reconcilers of the implementation of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That such monies shall again be utilized exclusively to make grants to agencies and dioceses and other affiliated entities of The Episcopal Church for the establishment of such programmatic activities aimed at addressing issues of justice, healing, reconciliation, and better care of God's creation; and be it further

Resolved, That this 147th Convention of the Diocese of Southern Ohio direct the Secretary of this Convention to forward the following resolution to the Secretary of General Convention of The Episcopal Church as a duly authorized resolution from this Diocese; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of this 147th Convention be directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Resolutions Committee of Province V for consideration by the Provincial Synod in 2022.

C047 - Establishing Compensation for Deacons

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Rhode Island

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 16 - Churchwide Leadership

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention require each faith community with a deacon in active service, or if a deacon is serving more than one community, the communities together, pay said deacon a minimum of \$25 a month as remuneration, and also make the required contribution to the Church Pension Fund for the benefit of the deacon.

C048 - Integrity of Religious Exemptions in Medical Coverage

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Rhode Island

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 16 - Churchwide Leadership

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Episcopal Church Medical Trust to ensure that all medical plans offered to participating dioceses are fully compliant with medical coverages mandated by the respective state laws; and be it further

Resolved, That the Medical Trust shall publicly disclose any and all claims to religious exemption from any medical coverages; and be it further

Resolved, That such disclosure shall cite the relevant Act(s) of General Convention that substantiate such claims to religious exemption from any medical coverages; and be it further

Resolved, That the Medical Trust shall not claim any religious exemption without relevant Act(s) of General Convention to substantiate said claim.

C049 - Establishing Annual Commemoration for Father Fred Yerkes, Priest and Missionary, January 30

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Florida

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That January 30 (the first open day after his January 25th death date) be set forth as a commemoration for Father Fred Yerkes. Father Fred Yerkes faithfully served innumerable small churches with unflagging zeal for fifty years; his Godly example reminds us of the worth of small churches; and be it further

Resolved, That those churches founded or served by Father Fred Yerkes be strongly encouraged to have an annual commemoration on January 30th or some other convenient date; and be it further

Resolved, That this convention contact the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music of The Episcopal Church to memorialize this Fred Yerkes commemoration for inclusion in "A Great Cloud of Witnesses;" and be it further

Resolved, That the following collect and readings are set forth for that commemoration: O God, our strength and our salvation, you called your servant Fred Yerkes to be a faithful shepherd of your people by preaching, teaching, and planting churches in small communities. Multiply among us faithful pastors who will give inspiration to those who are small in number, yet continue to gather in the Risen Christ's name; and bring us all, we pray, into the fellowship of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Jeremiah 1:4-7;

For the Psalm: Christ our Passover, *Pascha nostrum*;

1 Corinthians 15:51-58

Mark 16:5-8 + the shorter ending

C050 - A Resolution to Include the Name Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Southern Ohio

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention include and enter Barbara Clementine Harris, Bishop to the Calendar of the Church Year to be celebrated on March 13.

C051 - Include the name Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: New Jersey

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct the inclusion of the name Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar of The Episcopal Church, and authorize trial use of the proper for the triennial 2023-2024 to be celebrated on March 13; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention approve the appropriate proper to be prepared by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music.

C052 - Inclusion Of June 19th, "Juneteenth" In The Church's Liturgical Calendar In Recognition Of The End Of Slavery In The United States

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Southeast Florida

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That June 19, "Juneteenth," observed on every occurrence of June 19th, be included in the Church's liturgical calendar in recognition of the end of slavery in the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That

- (1) June 19th, also known as "Juneteenth" and "Freedom Day," is the only celebration of the end of slavery in the United States. Though President Lincoln had issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, the enslaved people of Texas did not learn of their freedom until June 19, 1865.
- (2) June 19th is both a day of celebration and a day of repentance: celebration of the end of slavery; repentance for its existence in the United States and for the systemic racism that continues to this day.
- (3) The Episcopal Church is one of the institutions that has benefitted from the institution of slavery; it is incumbent on white Episcopalians, in particular, to acknowledge and atone for this sin.

(4) Just as Genocide Remembrance Day (April 24) is included in the liturgical calendar of the Episcopal Church (Holy Women, Holy Men) calling us to stand against hatred and oppression, Juneteenth is a reminder that people of faith must have unflinching resolve in prayer and action to stand on the side of freedom and justice for all people.

And be it further

Resolved, That the following material be included in “Holy Women, Holy Men: Celebrating the Saints”:

This day is set aside both for celebration and repentance. It is a day of celebration because on this day in 1865 the last enslaved people in the United States learned of their freedom; and it is a day of repentance not only because they learned of their freedom two and a half years after President Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation, but also because of the history of slavery and its subsequent legacy of racism in the United States. Juneteenth is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States.

On June 19, 1865, Union soldiers, led by Major General Gordon Granger, landed at Galveston, Texas with news that the war had ended and that enslaved people were now free, two and a half years after President Lincoln’s Emancipation Proclamation, which had become official January 1, 1863. The Emancipation Proclamation itself had little impact on slave-owning Texans due to the minimal number of Union troops available to enforce the new Executive Order. However, with the surrender of General Lee in April 1865, and the arrival of General Granger’s regiment, the Union forces were finally strong enough to overcome the residual resistance and proclaim freedom to the remaining enslaved people.

Slavery is rightly called “the Original Sin of the United States of America.” Though slavery was ended throughout all of the United States on December 6, 1865 with the ratification of the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, the ongoing sin of systemic racism continues to this day. White people and white power structures, including The Episcopal Church, have benefitted from the institution of slavery. Black people continue to experience injustice in numerous ways. Slavery gave way to Jim Crow segregation, lynchings, redlining, mass incarceration, and police brutality, among many other forms of oppression. Though the Civil Rights movement of the 1960s brought about legislative reforms for Black citizens, inequity, injustice, and systemic racism continue. These are in stark contrast to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is incumbent on the Church and each Christian fully to realize and to embody our baptismal vow to “strive for justice and peace, respecting the dignity of every human being,” committing to the work of bringing about the Beloved Community for which God created us.

Let Juneteenth be a day of celebration and also a day of repentance and atonement.

And be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention authorize for trial use the new and revised collects for commemorations as found in the Blue Book.

Add to Revised Collects and Commemorations:

Collect for Juneteenth:

(Rite I)

O God of all life and truth, whose loving care knoweth no bounds and whose will it is that all people shall live in freedom: We give thee thanks that on this day in 1865 the last enslaved people in our land learned of their freedom. Give us thy grace to repent of the sin of racism in the United States and to seek thy guidance to dismantle the systems of white supremacy it hath engendered. Give us the courage continually to work for justice and freedom for all peoples for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, in whom thou hast set us free from the bondage of sin and death; and who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

(Rite II)

O God of all life and truth, whose loving care knows no bounds and whose will it is that all people shall live in freedom: We give you thanks that on this day in 1865 the last enslaved people in our land learned of their freedom. Give us your grace to repent of the sin of racism in the United States and to seek your guidance to dismantle the systems of white supremacy it has engendered. Give us the courage continually to work for justice and freedom for all peoples for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, in whom you have set us free from the bondage of sin and death; and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

Psalm

Lessons

82: 1-5, 8

Exodus 6: 5-8

Psalm 146: 1-2, 5-10

Luke 4: 14-21

C053 - Withdrawl Of The Name Th Rev. William Porcher Dubose From The Lesser Feats And Fasts Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Southeast Florida

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the Rev. William Porcher Dubose observed on every occurrence of August 18th in the liturgical year, be withdrawn from the Lesser Feasts and Fasts Calendar of the Church, and be it further

Resolved, That

1. It is stated in the citation for The Rev. William Porcher Dubose, August 18th, that he was “possibly the greatest theologian the Episcopal Church has ever produced.”
2. It also states, “He preached the faith as it is in Christ Jesus.”
3. The truth is Rev. Dubose served as an officer in the Confederate Army, and
4. The Rev. Dubose’s family owned 204 slaves.
5. In all of his scholarly writings and teaching, there is never a mention that Rev. Dubose renounced slavery or his participation as a traitor against the United States by serving in the Confederate Army.
6. The Episcopal Church should not be honoring a man who saw no conflict in teaching Jesus, but believing that Jesus would somehow condone the enslaving, killing, torturing and destroying families of a people, slaves or free.

C054 - Address the issue of Voter Suppression

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Long Island

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, by adopting this resolution, will be on record supporting reforms that would expand voter registration, increase voter eligibility, and make voting processes more accessible by such measures as:

- implementing automatic voter registration;
- enabling same-day voter registration;
- preparing for natural and man-made disasters that threaten voting access;
- allowing online registration;
- expanding the circle of people who are eligible to vote;
- making it easier to vote by mail;
- enabling no-excuse absentee voting;
- creating long-term mailing lists for absentee voters;
- making voting convenient for people to vote early (i.e., by mail and in person);
- enabling weekend voting and extended hours;
- and, guaranteeing an adequate number of voting locations

And be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention calls for the elimination of all statewide voter ID legislation that has been adopted since the 2013 *Shelby County vs. Holder* decision of the Supreme Court of the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Office of Government Relations of The Episcopal Church to continue advocacy for the federal government of the United States to enact voter protections laws; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention directs the Secretary to forward this resolution to the Governors of the 50 States and direct the Dioceses to contact the leadership of their legislatures to encourage legislation that will protect and expand voters' rights and access as outlined in the resolution.

C055 - A Resolution to Include the name Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Long Island

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct the inclusion the name Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar of The Episcopal Church, and authorize trial use of the proper for the triennial 2023-2024 to be celebrated on March 13; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention approve the appropriate proper to be prepared by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music.

C056 - Resolution to promote equity and to Reduce differences in Health Outcomes

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Long Island

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct and encourage that Congress adopt the following package of policies that would serve to promote equity and to reduce differences in health outcomes: address implicit bias and unconscious bias; address data challenges; address Social Determinants Of Health; and invest in professional diversity; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct, consistent with established policies and procedures, that the Executive Council refer this Resolution to the Office of Government Relations, so that it may take all actions necessary to accomplish the intentions and purposes of this Resolution.

C057 - A Resolution Regarding Inclusion of Juneteenth in Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Long Island

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct the inclusion of the Juneteenth Feast Day in *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention approve the appropriate proper to be prepared by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music.

C058 - Resolution Requiring Action in Response to TEC's Racial Audit

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Long Island

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct the Executive Council to take the following action:

1. Investigate what is causing The Episcopal Church's leadership positions not to be more representative of people of color and report back to the 81st General Convention a plan for overcoming those obstacles;
2. Encourage the creation of a leadership position in each diocesan administration whose specific role is to address the societal issues that disproportionately affect black and brown people;
3. Encourage such diocesan actions to ensure that people of color who dedicate their time, finances, and energy to sustain local parishes earn that recognition and a pathway to leadership;
4. Encourage that all dioceses budget resources for and audit the adequacy of anti-racism training for all clergy, lay leaders, and staff;
5. Explore how the Diocese of Maryland Truth and Reconciliation Commission can serve as a model in other dioceses;
6. Examine discernment and ordination processes and require participation by black and brown people on nominating committees, commissions on ministry, discernment committees and any other entity involved in identifying, affirming and overseeing the diocesan process for ordination;
7. Mandate that anti-racism training must openly address what white privilege and white supremacy means and the impact they have had on people of color.

C059 - Proposed Resolution for Provincial Synods/Councils

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Province II

Endorsed by: Province VI, Province V

Supported by: Province III

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$160,000.00

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 10 - Congregational & Diocesan Vitality

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church strengthen the connection and collaboration between The Episcopal Church and its Provinces and Dioceses by enhancing the mission, ministry, and networking of the Provinces, facilitating the partnership between The Episcopal Church and the Provinces, and supporting the Provinces in fulfilling canonical responsibilities; and be it further

Resolved, That this Provincial ministry be partially funded through the establishment of a budget line item for Provinces I – VIII, said allocation to be \$10,000 per Province per fiscal year and to be accounted for in the annual Provincial report submitted to Executive Council; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention urges the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to allocate \$160,000 for fiscal years 2023 and 2024 for the implementation of this resolution.

C060 - Evangelism Endowment Fund

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Province IV

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$0.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 11 - Evangelism & Church Planting

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention reaffirm our commitment to improve the health and future of our congregations and our church by faithfully living out the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20); and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church celebrates and supports the planting of new congregations and ministries, the training and recruiting of church planters, church revitalizers and mission developers, and the fostering of a church-wide network of support for the work of the Great Commission for new ministry development that was originally funded by GC2018-A005 and GC2018-A032; and be it further

Resolved, That the Church continues to prioritize establishing new Episcopal communities and strengthening existing ones that are especially committed to mission and evangelism engaging people historically underserved and/or under-represented by the Church, for example, people of color, immigrants and refugees, youth, young adults, people who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender (LGBTQI+), gender non-conforming people, people living in poverty, people with disabilities and/or all others who are disenfranchised from the Church; and be it further

Resolved, That given the importance of evangelism, revitalization and church planting for the future of The Episcopal Church, that an Endowment Fund for The Episcopal Church be authorized by the 80th General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That this Endowment Fund be funded by any manner considered appropriate by Executive Council and solicited from the General Convention budget, the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, dioceses, and congregations through

their respective legislative bodies, special offerings and other appropriate means;
and be it further

Resolved, That this authorization be implemented by action of the Executive Council.

C061 - Commemorating Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Atlanta

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 115th Annual Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta commends to the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church that March 13 be added to the Calendar of the Church Year in celebration of the life and witness of the Rt. Rev. Barbara Clementine Harris and that propers for this commemoration be included in the appropriate liturgical resources of the Church.

C062 - Commend Gay Clark Jennings

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Province II

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church commends the Reverend Gay Clark Jennings upon the completion of her third term as President of the House of Deputies taking place at the adjournment of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the Convention celebrates her gracious ministry of leadership during difficult times and the pressure of a pandemic, addressing what was needed for the church in spite of Covid-19, keeping the church community up to date through her written, verbal, and online communications, and in particular showing attention to all the Provinces of The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That God bless her in her future endeavors, along with her spouse, Albert, and their family, knowing that they bear the best wishes of the members of the General Convention.

C063 - Participate in Thursdays in Black

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Province II

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 06 - Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation, & Safeguarding

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church encourage members of Provinces, Dioceses, Congregations and all other institutions of The Episcopal Church to participate in the Thursdays In Black Campaign of the World Council of Churches, a global movement for a world without rape and violence; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church commit to work toward increasing awareness, accountability, and action across the church about the alarming degree of gender-based violence in church and society; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church commit to work toward education about and elimination of gender-based violence.

C064 - Break the Silence Sunday

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Province II

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 06 - Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation, & Safeguarding

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church designate as **Break The Silence Sunday** the Sunday closest to November 25, which is the **International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women**; and be it further

Resolved, That the common objective is to halt the epidemic of violence against women and to affirm as Christians that violence has no place within our families, our Church, and our communities; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church encourage the education of its clergy and laity on how to support survivors of rape and sexual violence, including trauma-informed care, and advocate on behalf of those not yet ready to speak openly so that the voices of survivors do not speak alone; and be it further

Resolved, That we add our voices and prayers with those around the world seeking the elimination of gender-based violence.

C065 - Uniform Maternity Disability Coverage

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Province IV

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 16 - Churchwide Leadership

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognizes the disparity of maternity coverage provided for clergy employees versus lay employees, with lay employees provided six weeks disability income coverage for natural birth and eight weeks for c section versus 12 weeks for clergy, and in a desire to provide parity between lay and clergy employees; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognizes the difficulties that occur in obtaining affordable policies through insurance vendors and products; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention strongly recommends Church Pension Group make available adequate 12-week coverage for lay and clergy employees through available marketplace policies.

C066 - Commemoration of the Right Rev. Barbara Harris

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Missouri

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention include and enter Barbara Clementine Harris, Bishop, to the Calendar of the Church Year to be celebrated annually on March 13.

C067 - Add Barbara Clementine Harris To Church Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Province V

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention include and enter Barbara Clementine Harris, Bishop, to the Calendar of the Church year to be celebrated annually on March 13.

C068 - Suicide Prevention

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Province V

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$200,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognize that all Episcopal churches frequently find themselves on the front line of suicide intervention and suicide prevention among all age groups; and be it further

Resolved, That this General Convention recognize the good work accomplished by the Department of Faith Formation, thanks to the passage of Resolution 2018 C-014; and be it further

Resolved, That Resolution 2018 C-014 be expanded to encompass training on suicide prevention for all age groups and that training be made available to all interested and able members of Episcopal congregations; and be it further

Resolved, That the individuals involved in undertaking this work remain cognizant of its relationship to other issues of serious concern to The Episcopal Church: gun violence prevention, substance use, military service, LGBTQ+, and mental health wellness; and be it further

Resolved, That as an outreach component to this expanded suicide prevention effort that all branches of The Episcopal Church including every diocese and congregation be encouraged to lobby their respective governments to adequately fund and implement the new 988 or another local suicide prevention hotline; and be it further

Resolved, That the Executive Council of the General Convention administer this Resolution or refer it to the appropriate body; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$30,000 for the implementation of this resolution**

C069 - Including Bp. Barbara Clementine Harris on the Calendar of the Church Year

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Newark

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention include and enter Barbara Clementine Harris, Bishop, to the Calendar of the Church Year to be celebrated on March 13.

C070 - Amend Canon III.9.5.d

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Province III

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amends Title III, Canon 9, Section 5.d as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Title III, Canon 9, Sec. 5. Transfer to Churches in Full Communion with This Church

d. This provision shall not be used for Priests who seek to enter churches not in full communion with The Episcopal Church or for those who seek transfer to another Province of the Anglican Communion while remaining geographically within the boundaries of The Episcopal Church. In such cases the provisions of Canon *III.9.9* shall be followed.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Title III, Canon 9, Sec. 5. Transfer to Churches in Full Communion with This Church

d. This provision shall not be used for Priests who seek to enter churches not in full communion with The Episcopal Church or for those who seek transfer to another Province of the Anglican Communion while remaining geographically within the boundaries of The Episcopal Church. In such cases the provisions of Canon ~~III.8.6~~ *III.9.9* shall be followed.

C071 - Standards for Spanish Language use in The Episcopal Church

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: East Carolina

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the One Hundred Thirty-Ninth Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina requires that the use of Spanish in official communications and liturgies be done in accordance with the grammatical conventions of the Spanish-speaking community as endorsed by the Royal Spanish Academy and the Association of Academies of the Spanish Language; and be it further,

Resolved, That the One Hundred Thirty-Ninth Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina commends this resolution for adoption by the Eightieth General Convention of the Episcopal Church.

C072 - Land Acknowledgment

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Navajoland Area Mission

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$100,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention urge each Diocese of the Episcopal Church, to begin an audit of all Indigenous peoples whose ancestral and territorial homelands its churches and buildings now occupy before the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That each Diocese of the Episcopal Church be asked, before the 81st General Convention, to begin dialogue with representatives from those Indigenous peoples whose ancestral and territorial homelands its churches and buildings now occupy to collaborate in the development of appropriate land acknowledgement liturgies and prayers; and be it further

Resolved, That each Diocese of the Episcopal Church in North America be asked, before the 81st General Convention, to begin a process of implementing land acknowledgement liturgies and prayers to begin any public meetings or worship and to provide resources to their churches to do the same; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church commits to ensuring that all public gatherings and worship of The Episcopal Church, its boards, commissions, committees of the same, will, before the 81st General Convention, implement land acknowledgement liturgies and prayers to begin any public meetings or worship held in North America; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention appropriate at least \$100,000 to support these efforts.

C073 - Opposition to Detention and Surveillance of Immigrants and Asylum-Seekers

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Province IV

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church advocate for an end to detention and other unjust immigration policies, envisioning a just society in which everyone, regardless of national origin, has basic human rights including livelihood, family unity, self-determination, and physical and emotional safety; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention of The Episcopal Church deplore and specifically oppose and specifically call for an end to the U.S. government's policy of immigration detention, which is clearly at odds with human welfare and dignity and is also expensive, ineffective, and unnecessary; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention also oppose and call for the U.S. government to cease using electronic monitoring and surveillance of immigrants as an "alternative" to detention, including ankle monitors and mobile-phone-based surveillance technologies, which unjustly deprive them of liberty and privacy and threaten the human rights of all people; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention direct the Office of Government Relations and urge all Episcopalians to advocate for our government to address these serious shortcomings in our treatment of the "strangers in our midst" by advocating for elimination of detention and surveillance in favor of proven policies that:

- Provide true community-based and community-supported alternatives to detention

- Fund non-governmental non-profit organizations to deliver case management support based on individualized needs assessments, including the provision of clear information regarding participants' rights and obligations with regard to immigration processing and the consequences of non-compliance
- Include referrals to community-supported services, including legal services, social services, and medical and mental health support
- Treat asylum seekers and migrants with dignity, humanity, and respect, assuring that any restrictions and compliance obligations placed on participants are the least onerous possible

D001 - Resolution for Funding of The Chaplaincies at The HBCUs

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Ms. Krisita Jackson

Endorsed by: Ms. Carrie Brown, The Rev. Kevin Matthews

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$300,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 11 - Evangelism & Church Planting

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance allocate \$300,000 from The Episcopal Church triennium budget appropriation for the funding of the Chaplaincies at Saint Augustine and Voorhees Colleges; and be it further

Resolved, That such monies shall be divided evenly between the Chaplaincies of Saint Augustine and Voorhees College to be utilized exclusively to fund the ministries of the Chaplaincies, and other such activities that promote the purposes of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That this General Convention directs, consistent with established policies and procedures, that The Executive Council shall direct that the appropriate offices of The TEC and their Officers with oversight of this allocation to the Chaplaincies and such offices and Officers shall report back to the General Convention in 2024 on the usage of the \$300,000 allocation; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Commission on Program Budget and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$300,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

D002 - A Resolution to promote equity and to Reduce differences in Health Outcomes

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: The Rev. Rowena Kemp

Endorsed by: Ms. Carrie Brown, Ms. Carla Burns

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby encourage that Congress enact legislation the following package of policies that would serve to promote equity and to reduce differences in health outcomes: address implicit bias and unconscious bias; address data challenges; address Social Determinants Of Health; and invest in healthcare professional diversity; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention, consistent with established policies and procedures, refer this Resolution to the Office of Government Relations, so that it may take all actions necessary to accomplish the intentions and purposes of this Resolution.

D003 - Resolution for The Creation of a Clergy Retirement Contribution Fund

Final Status: Not Concurred

Proposed by: The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn A. Collins

Endorsed by: Ms. Linda Watson-Lorde, Mrs. Crystal Plummer

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 17 - Agencies & Boards

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Not Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Pilot Program Authorization – Diocesan Payment of Small and Minority Congregation Pension and Health Plan Costs

That in order to enhance congregational vitality, particularly of historically non-white and small congregations,

General Convention ask and encourage dioceses able to do so to undertake pilot programs to reimburse congregations for, or to assume the payment of, future clergy and lay pension assessment costs and health benefits costs (including family) for historically non-white and small congregations as a means to increase deployment of clergy and lay professionals to such congregations, particularly those congregations likely to have suffered from past racial or language discrimination, and be it further

Resolved, That any Diocese undertaking such steps be asked to report to Executive Council about the initiation of such efforts by January 2024, and to make follow-up annual reports to Executive Council through 2028 about their experience with such programs and their effect on increasing deployment of clergy and lay professionals to such congregations and be it further

Resolved, That for the purposes of this resolution, the term “small congregation” shall mean a congregation whose pledge and plate income is in the lowest twenty percent for their diocese, and without significant income-generating resources of their own, and the term

“increasing deployment” shall mean increases in the number of personnel deployed to such congregations as well as an increase in the number of compensated hours they work.

ORIGINAL TEXT OF D003

~~*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring,~~

~~That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church direct the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church (the “Episcopal Church”) to conduct a study to determine if it is possible to establish a permanent Retirement Contribution Fund (the “Fund”) whereby the applicable pension contributions will be made from such fund to pay the pension contributions of a parish priest’s salary who would serve such parish but for the fact that the required pension contributions makes it unaffordable for the hiring of such priest; and be it further~~

~~*Resolved*, that no priest may be eligible to participate in receiving pension contributions from the Fund where his/her parish’s gross income exceeds \$250,000; and be it further~~

~~*Resolved*, that the study shall include discussions with dioceses to determine the feasibility of a diocese’s ability to contribute a meaningful percentage to the Fund to support a priest’s pension contribution; and be it further~~

~~*Resolved*, that The Church Pension Fund also be included in the discussions because of the financial expertise it would bring to the table in the management of pension contributions; and be it further~~

~~*Resolved*, that the Officers of the Episcopal Church and Executive Council shall refer this resolution to the appropriate Interim Body for consideration; and be it further~~

~~*Resolved*, that The Episcopal Church shall report to the 81st General Convention on the progress that it has made during the triennium in its efforts to effectuate the purposes of this resolution.~~

D004 - A Resolution for Continued Funding of The Beloved Community

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Mr. Joe McDaniel

Endorsed by: The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn A. Collins, Ms. Dianne Audrick Smith

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$2,000,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That this General Convention recognize the need to continue existing Beloved Community work in the upcoming two years alongside the work that may be underway to establish an Episcopal Coalition for Racial Equity and Justice dedicated to the long-term work of becoming the Beloved Community, as proposed in Resolution 2022-A125 by the Presiding Officers' Working Group on Truth Telling, Reckoning, and Healing; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention direct the continuation of the Presiding Officers' Advisory Group for Beloved Community Implementation, with members appointed by the Presiding Bishop and President of the House of Deputies, to oversee this biennium's Beloved Community work in coordination with Executive Council and the staff of the Episcopal Church Center and also with the new Episcopal Coalition for Racial Equity and Justice as it is established, and to report on this work to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance allocate \$550,000 for the biennium of 2022-2024 for continuing current efforts to respond to racial injustice and grow a Beloved Community of healers, justice makers and reconcilers, and that such monies be utilized to:

- Make Beloved Community grants to agencies and dioceses and other affiliated entities of The Episcopal Church for the establishment of programmatic

activities aimed at addressing the issue of racial reconciliation, such as speaker series, sacred conversations, racial reconciliation workshops, and any such activities that promote the purpose of this resolution, with \$450,000 allocated specifically for these grants;

- **Plan and host Building Beloved Community conferences, with a biennium budget of \$100,000;**
- **Engage conversations with ethnic ministry groups, interim bodies and other church organizations to dialogue about the specific ways systemic racism influences and afflicts ability to participate in building the Beloved Community through their ministries (with the understanding that funds and staff to support virtual meetings is already embedded in the Ethnic Ministries and Racial Reconciliation budgets, and that the General Convention Office can also support virtual meetings with interim bodies);**

And be it further

***Resolved,* That the Joint Standing Commission on Program Budget and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$550,000 for the implementation of this resolution.**

D005 - A Resolution for Funding of the Implementation of The Internalized Oppression Curriculum

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Mr. Louis Glosson

Endorsed by: Ms. Deborah Stokes-Wayne, The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn A. Collins

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$73,800.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance allocate \$73,800 for the triennium for the implementation of The Internalized Oppression Curriculum, Healing From Internalized Oppression; and be it further

Resolved, That such monies shall be utilized exclusively to make presentations to agencies and dioceses and other affiliated entities of The Episcopal Church, and other such activities that promote the purposes of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That this General Convention direct, consistent with established policies and procedures, that The Executive Council shall direct that the Office of Black Ministries be charged with the establishment of all criteria, and procedures associated with implementation of the Curriculum, and that the Office of Black Ministries shall report back to the General Convention in 2024 on the usage of the \$73,800 allocation; and be it further

Resolved, That the Joint Standing Committee on Program Budget and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$73,800 for the implementation of this resolution.

D006 - Resolution Establishing Equity in The Awarding of TEC Grants

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Ms. Linda Watson-Lorde

Endorsed by: Ms. Krisita Jackson, Mr. Joe McDaniel

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church direct that all Episcopal Church grantmaking meet the following criteria:

- The call for grant applications is communicated at least two months ahead of the grant deadline and through appropriate media to ensure that grant availability, criteria, and timelines reach broad audiences, with specific efforts to reach congregations and communities of color;
- All grant reviewers have taken anti-racism training offered through the Episcopal Church;
- Grant eligibility criteria do not create unnecessary hardship for congregations that are struggling financially or who lack project partners;
- Grant-writing resources and other relevant expertise are made available to potential grant applicants (as examples, these could include grant-writing resources sent along with the grant application announcement; webinars with the grantmaking committee to explain the purpose of the grants and the process for applying; assembling a resource bank of knowledgeable volunteers who can assist applicants as they write the applications; and offering support from the grantmaking committee in reading drafts, raising questions needing further clarification, and making suggestions ahead of the submission deadline);

And be it further

Resolved, That each office or interim body that oversees Episcopal Church grants be directed to make diligent efforts to award a significant percentage of grants to congregations and communities of color; and be it further

Resolved, That each office or interim body that oversees Episcopal Church grants be directed to report to General Convention each triennium with a breakdown of the dollar amounts of grants awarded to congregations and communities of color versus majority white congregations and communities; and in the case of Episcopal Church grants that must be approved by Executive Council, that same breakdown of information about the proposed awards be provided by grantmaking committees to Executive Council ahead of the approvals process.

D007 - Resolution to address the issue of Voter Suppression

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: The Rev. Debra Bennett

Endorsed by: Mrs. Crystal Plummer, The Rev. Tracy Johnson Russell

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby again direct and encourage the adoption, on a state-by-state basis, the following package of reforms that would expand voter registration, increase voter eligibility, and make voting processes more accessible by: implementing automatic voter registration; enabling same-day voter registration; preparing for natural disasters; allowing online registration; expanding the circle of people who are eligible to vote; making it easier to vote by mail; enabling no-excuse absentee voting; creating long-term mailing lists for absentee voters; making it easier for people to vote early, in person; enabling weekend voting and extended hours; and, guaranteeing an adequate number of voting locations; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention calls for the elimination of all statewide voter access legislation that has been adopted since the 2013; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct, consistent with established policies and procedures, that the Executive Council refer this Resolution to the Office of Government Relations, so that it may take all actions necessary to accomplish the intentions and purposes of this Resolution.

D008 - Resolution to Address the Issue of Mass Incarceration

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Mr. Louis Glosson

Endorsed by: The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn A. Collins, Mrs. Crystal Plummer

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church (TEC) urge Congress and the states: (i). to reduce the use of incarceration for lower-level crimes; (ii). to pass legislation that would make default prison sentences — which are often excessively long — proportional to the specific crimes committed; and (iii) to use the power of their purses to encourage these changes; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of TEC again urge Congress to initiate studies to examine racial and gender disparities in sentencing, including racial and gender disparities in prosecutors' exercise of discretion in seeking sentencing enhancements under three-strikes, Section 851 federal drug enhancements, and other habitual offender laws and disparate racial and gender effects of drug policies such as mandatory minimum sentences and school zone drug enhancements; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention again urge state and federal governments to adopt legislation whereby all arrests and/or convictions for non-violent summary or misdemeanor offenses committed more than ten years ago are automatically sealed from access by prospective employers, landlords, and all others except law enforcement, noting that the young and people of color are disproportionately affected by this form of discrimination; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct, consistent with established policies and procedures, that the Executive Council refer this Resolution to the Office

of Government Relations, so that it may take all actions necessary to accomplish the intentions and purposes of this Resolution.

D009 - Resolution to address the issue of Private Prisons

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: The Rev. Debra Bennett

Endorsed by: Ms. Krisita Jackson, Mr. Joe McDaniel

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct and encourage the adoption, as appropriate, on a state-by-state basis and at the national level a moratorium on the construction of private prisons, and for their outright abolition; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention, consistent with established policies and procedures, refer this Resolution to the Office of Government Relations, so that it may take all actions necessary to accomplish the intentions and purposes of this Resolution.

D010 - Resolution Regarding Inclusion of a hymn in Honor of Dr. Artemisia Bowden

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn A. Collins

Endorsed by: Mr. Louis Glosson, The Rev. Kevin Matthews

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention Of The Episcopal Church authorize for trial use the new hymn in Honor of Dr. Artemisia Bowden and that that hymn be integrated into the Black Saints section of the Lift Every Voice and Sing II Hymnal of The Episcopal Church.

D011 - Resolution to direct the removal of the name of The Rev. William Porcher DuBose from the Lesser Feasts and Fasts Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Mr. Harold Patrick

Endorsed by: Canon Noreen Duncan, The Rev. Kevin Matthews

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct the withdrawal of the name of The Rev. William Porcher DuBose from the Lesser Feasts and Fasts Calendar; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to conduct an examination of all those who are so honored in the Lesser Feasts and Fasts Calendar for the purpose of determining whether or not their names should be removed; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music report back to the 81st General Convention with a recommendation and explanation of those so honored in the Lesser Feasts and Fasts Calendar whose name should be removed for the reasons stated below in the Explanation Section of this Resolution.

D012 - Resolution to Include the name Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: The Rev. Glenna Huber

Endorsed by: Ms. Minnie Steele, Ms. Yvonne O'Neal

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct the inclusion the name Bishop Barbara Clementine Harris in the Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar of The Episcopal Church, and authorize trial use of the proper for the triennial 2023-2024 to be celebrated on March 13; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention approve the appropriate proper to be prepared by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music.

D013 - A Resolution to Establish Lift Every Voice and Sing as The National Hymn

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: The Hon. Rose H. Sconiers

Endorsed by: Ms. Yvonne O'Neal, Ms. LaFawn Gilliam

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention hereby direct and encourage that Congress amend Title 36, United States Code, to establish the composition known as "Lift Every Voice and Sing" as the national hymn of the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention, consistent with established policies and procedures, refer this Resolution to the Office of Government Relations, so that it may take all actions necessary to accomplish the intentions and purposes of this Resolution.

D014 - Resolution to Encourage Usage of The Sacred Ground Curriculum

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Ms. Minnie Steele

Endorsed by: The Hon. Rose H. Sconiers, Ms. LaFawn Gilliam

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct and encourage the continued church-wide usage of the Sacred Ground Curriculum.

D015 - A Resolution to Adopt the Emmett Till Antilynching Act

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: The Hon. Rose H. Sconiers

Endorsed by: Ms. Minnie Steele, Mr. Louis Glosson

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct and encourage that the United States Senate in the strongest possible terms to promptly pass The Emmett Till Antilynching Act in substantially the form passed by the House of Representatives; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct, consistent with established policies and procedures, that the Executive Council refer this Resolution to the Office of Government Relations, so that it may take all actions necessary to accomplish the intentions and purposes of this Resolution.

D016 - Resolution Requiring Action in Response to TEC's Racial Audit

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Ms. LaFawn Gilliam

Endorsed by: Canon Noreen Duncan, The Rev. Glenna Huber

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct The Executive Council to take the following action:

1. Investigate what is causing The Episcopal Church's leadership positions not to be more representative of people of color and report back to the 81st General Convention a plan for overcoming those obstacles;
2. Encourage the creation of a leadership position in each diocesan administration whose specific role is to address the societal issues that disproportionately affect black and brown people;
3. Encourage such diocesan actions to ensure that people of color who dedicate their time, finances, and energy to sustain local parishes earn that recognition and a pathway to leadership;
4. Encourage that all dioceses budget resources for and audit the adequacy of anti-racism training for all clergy, lay leaders, and staff;
5. Explore how the Diocese of Maryland Truth and Reconciliation Commission can serve as a model in other dioceses;
6. Examine discernment and ordination processes and require participation by black and brown people on nominating committees, commissions on ministry, discernment committees and any other entity involved in identifying, affirming and overseeing the diocesan process for ordination;
7. Mandate that anti-racism training must openly address what white privilege and white supremacy means and the impact they have had on people of color.

D017 - A Resolution Regarding Inclusion of Juneteenth in Lesser Feasts & Fasts Calendar

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Ms. Yvonne O'Neal

Endorsed by: Canon Noreen Duncan, The Rev. Glenna Huber

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby direct the inclusion of the Juneteenth Feast Day in Lesser Feasts and Fasts; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention approve the appropriate proper to be prepared by the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music.

D018 - Resolution for Permanent Funding for the Deputies of Color In-Person Pre-General Convention Meeting

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Mr. Joe McDaniel

Endorsed by: Ms. Minnie Steele, Canon Noreen Duncan

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$50,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance allocate \$50,000 from The Episcopal Church triennium budget appropriation for the funding of the in-person pre-General Convention Meeting for The Deputies of Color; and be it further

Resolved, That such an allocation shall be established as a permanent line item in The Episcopal Church's triennium budget; and be it further

Resolved, That such monies shall be utilized exclusively to fund the costs of putting on the conference, including all associated hotel costs, and all other costs that promote the purposes of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That this General Convention directs, consistent with established policies and procedures, that The Executive Council shall direct that The Office of Ethnic Ministries and such offices and Officers with direct responsibility for this allocation shall report back to each successive General Convention on the usage of the \$50,000 allocation; and be it further

Resolved, That the Joint Standing Commission on Program Budget and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$50,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

D019 - Acknowledgement of Indigenous Lands

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Rev. Simeon Lewis Powell

Endorsed by: The Rev. John Floberg, The Rev. Rachel Taber-Hamilton

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$100,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention shall promote the acknowledgement of Indigenous Lands at all gatherings within the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society (TEC) and its affiliate organizations; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Programs, Budgets, and Finance allocate an additional amount up to \$50,000 per year to fund the implementation of this resolution under the guidance of the Indigenous Ministries Office to conduct research, to provide training, and to assist dioceses and churches in their efforts to identify and acknowledge Indigenous lands in their local areas.

D020 - Addressing Implications of the Digital Age

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Ms. Sarah Lawton

Endorsed by: Mr. Alan Murray, The Rev. Dr. Cameron Partridge

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, that this 80th General Convention acknowledge that we are living in a time when technology is both opening new doors for connection and possibility, and also mechanisms for surveillance and intrusion, and that as a society and as a church we have not fully grappled with the practical and ethical implications of the transition to the Digital Age; and be it further

Resolved, that this Convention encourage the Theology Committee of the House of Bishops to consider studying and reporting on the uses and abuses, possibilities and detriments of technology in our daily and institutional lives, including for prayer and worship, work, and family life, and on the ethical and theological implications of the new Digital Age for our interior lives, our prayer practices, our connections to each other and to all creation—and ultimately, our connection to God; and be it further

Resolved, that the Episcopal Church, with the help of the Office of Government Relations and the Episcopal Public Policy Network, support policies at the local, state, national, and international levels of governance and agreement to:

- Regulate technology companies to protect consumers, especially children and youth, from unreasonable surveillance, personal data collection, addictive features, and harmful content;
- Regulate the use of digital technology and artificial intelligence in the workplace to surveil, monitor, and manage workers, in order to uphold

workers' rights to organize, to privacy, to safe working conditions, and to equal opportunity;

- **Regulate the use of data collection and storage by public authorities, including local, national and international law enforcement agencies, to safeguard society while shielding people from unreasonable intrusions of privacy;**
- **Regulate the use of Cryptocurrencies and non-fungible tokens to reduce their effect on our planet, climate, and environment.**
- **Support public investment to close the digital wealth and racial divide in access to technology and technology education.**

And be it further

***Resolved,* that the Episcopal Church call upon large data and technology companies to carry out independent and ongoing ethical reviews of their products and their impacts on people, especially vulnerable populations such as children and youth, and society as a whole including our democratic systems and workplaces, and to have processes in place to mitigate harm; and that the Committee on Corporate Social Responsibility of the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church be tasked with engaging relevant companies in the Church's investment portfolio on these ethical questions.**

D021 - Amending HoD Rule of Order XIV [Recording Vote Totals in the Journal]

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: Deputy Nathan Brown

Endorsed by: Mr. Adam Hamilton-Ferguson, Mr. Richard Pryor

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Rules of Order/HoD

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention amends Section XIV of the House Rules of Order to add a new subsection F as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

F. Reporting. The tally of the results of all recorded votes, whether a standard electronic vote or a vote by orders, shall be recorded in the Journal of Convention. Standard electronic votes shall record the total number of votes cast in favor, opposed, or abstaining. Votes by Orders shall be reported by the total number of deputations voting for, against, or divided.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

F. Reporting. The tally of the results of all recorded votes, whether a standard electronic vote or a vote by orders, shall be recorded in the Journal of Convention. Standard electronic votes shall record the total number of votes cast in favor, opposed, or abstaining. Votes by Orders shall be reported by the total number of deputations voting for, against, or divided.

D022 - Respecting the Human Rights of Religious and Ethnic Minorities in China

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Ms. Sarah Lawton

Endorsed by: Mr. Alan Murray, The Rev. Dr. Cameron Partridge

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church recognize with grave concern growing authoritarianism, attacks on democratic systems, and human rights abuses linked to ethnic and religious nationalism in many countries and regions around the world, and urge vigilance by Christians and all people of faith, civil society organizations, and governments in resisting this troubling trend; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church take note of a pattern of repression and surveillance by the Government of the People's Republic of China against many different minority ethnic and religious groups, recognizing especially, with deep alarm, the recent campaign to control and constrain Uyghur, Kazakh, Kyrgyz, and other Turkic Muslim people in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region of China and around the world, which has been characterized by global human rights organizations as a crime against humanity due to the mass scale of surveillance, arbitrary arrest and detention, forced labor, cultural and religious suppression and erasure, and family separation in Xinjiang as well as surveillance of members of these ethnic communities living abroad from China, including in the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention fully supports policies to pressure the Chinese government to respect the human rights of these and other minority peoples in China and to protect members of the diasporic communities of Uyghurs, Kazakhs

and other predominantly Muslim ethnic groups from intimidation by Chinese embassies and agents and stop their repatriation to China; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the Committee on Corporate Social Responsibility of the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church take this resolution into account in the implementation of its corporate human rights screen for the Church's investment portfolio, with attention to the use of forced labor in the supply chain of companies in which the church is invested, in Xinjiang and elsewhere in the world.**

D023 - Support for Care Workers

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Sarah Lawton

Endorsed by: Mr. Joe McDaniel, Ms. Laura Russell

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention acknowledge the tremendous toll that the global COVID pandemic has had on caregivers of all kinds, including unpaid family members and paid caregivers who provide childcare, support for people with disabilities, and elder care, recognizing that this global crisis has revealed both the fragility of our systems of caregiving and also the degree to which our society as a whole relies upon caregiving in order to function at all; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention acknowledge that care work is undervalued and undercompensated, and is disproportionately carried out by women, especially working-class women, women of color, and immigrant women; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention acknowledge that care work is the labor necessary to sustain and nurture human life, and is embedded in our scriptural call to love our neighbor and to care for the widow, the orphan, and the stranger, as well as in our baptismal promise to respect the dignity of every human being; and as such, care work deserves to be recognized, valued, and supported by this Church; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention support public policies at the local, state, and national levels in all our countries to support caregiving labor, including policies to:

- Raise minimum wage standards to levels that can support a family;
- Provide universal access to health care, so that caregivers, both paid and unpaid, are not reliant on their employment or on family members for health insurance;

- **Extend Social Security retirement credit to unpaid family caregivers;**
- **Establish and provide funding for paid sick leave, parental leave, and family leave for all workers, as well as paid vacation;**
- **Provide exemptions for income earned for care work for family members when calculating public benefit eligibility;**
- **Raise and enforce labor standards for all paid care workers, including the right to paid sick and family leave; meal and rest breaks; good health and safety conditions and equipment; reasonable working hours, scheduling, and overtime pay; protection from workplace harassment; and written agreements with employers;**
- **Increase public investment in paid care work to support training, career ladders, safety standards, reduction of turnover, living wage standards, and ultimately, a higher quality of care;**
- **Support the right of care workers to organize in unions to have a voice in their working conditions and collective bargaining, and to seek innovative solutions to the problem of organizing worker voice in an industry with multiple employers;**
- **Seek innovative ways to provide benefits to care workers across many employers, such as pooled, publicly administered paid sick leave and retirement funds for care workers;**
- **Increase public investment in long-term care insurance plans to fill the gaps not covered by Medicare and Medicaid to provide care in aging;**
- **Support, to the extent possible, independent living and maximum agency in decision-making for people with disabilities and elders, and increase Social Security disability benefits and long-term care benefits to a sustainable level to hire caregivers, while also maintaining and enforcing high labor standards for care workers;**
- **Include the voices of care workers and people receiving care in public policy making, and set up systems to ensure that public investments reach the care workers themselves rather than intermediary employers, and to ensure the public monies support improved quality of care.**

D024 - Conditioning U.S. Military Assistance on Human Rights

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Karma Quick-Panwala

Endorsed by: Ms. Sarah Lawton, Ms. Laura Russell

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church reaffirm its longstanding commitment to supporting human rights in our own countries and around the world, and to ensuring that U.S. military assistance and arms sales not be used to perpetuate conflict, violate human rights, or contribute to corruption, instability, or violence; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church's Office of Government Relations and Episcopal Public Policy Network support policies to oppose U.S. government military assistance, including the sale or provision of arms and related technologies such as surveillance equipment, to countries that have demonstrated well-documented, persistent, and egregious human rights abuses or severe corruption contributing to instability and conflict, and work to ensure that the United States government is not playing a role in furthering violent conflicts.

D025 - Lili'uokalani, by the Grace of God, Queen of the Hawaiian Islands

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Ven. Steven Costa

Endorsed by: The Rev. Jasmine Bostock, Ms. Kimberly Arakawa

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognize Queen Lili'uokalani of Hawai'i, whose exemplary Christian life provides a model of a strong indigenous woman for the entire Episcopal Church by her nonviolent response to imperialism and oppression, and an unflinching commitment to justice and reconciliation, by adding her commemoration to the calendar of Lesser Feasts and Fasts (or such other calendar as may be adopted for the use of The Episcopal Church) on November 11th with the following Collect and Propers:

COLLECT:

Almighty God, we praise your Name for Queen Lili'uokalani, who, in the midst of great adversity remained steadfast in her commitment to peace, forgiveness and of service to you. Accept, we pray, our gratitude for her perseverance, her gift of song, and her love for her people. All this we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ, who lives, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

LESSONS:

Isaiah 26:1-8

Psalms 57:7-11 (or the whole Psalm)

Colossians 3:12-15

Matthew 5:38-45

PROPER PREFACE (Of A Saint-1)

For the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all your saints, who have been the chosen vessels of your grace, and the lights of the world in their generations.

D026 - Create a Task Force on LGBTQ+ Inclusion

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Canon Jim White

Endorsed by: Ms. Katie Sherrod, The Rev. Cynthia Black

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$100,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That it is the intention of The Episcopal Church to continue our becoming “The Beloved Community;” a charism of which is a church that functions with equity and care for the whole body, including its LGBTQ+ members; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies to appoint jointly a Task Force on LGBTQ+ Inclusion, consisting of not more than 14 people, to include 2 bishops, 6 priests or deacons and 6 lay people, who represent the diversity of the LGBTQ+ members of this Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force initiate a churchwide audit of how The Episcopal Church has lived into its 1976 commitment to provide full and equal claim to the love, acceptance and pastoral concern and care of the Church to its LGBTQ+ members; and be it further

Resolved, That the Task Force begin the process of creating an archive of the history of the work for LGBTQ+ inclusion in The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force begin its work no later than January 1, 2023, with the task concluding its work at the conclusion of the 82nd General Convention, unless its mandate is extended by the 82nd Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the task force provide an interim report to the 81st General Convention and a final report with recommendations to the 82nd General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$100,000 for the implementation of this resolution, \$30,000 to be allocated to the first triennium and the remainder to the second.

D027 - Encouraging Utilization of Virtual Governance Options for Creation Care

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Deputy Nathan Brown

Endorsed by: Mr. Richard Pryor, The Rev. David C Wacaster

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 20 - Environmental Stewardship & Care of Creation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention encourages greater utilization of virtual meetings in lieu of in person meetings for the Executive Council, Interim Bodies, and any other organization within the Governance of the Episcopal Church at any level of the Church when either 1: A flight or other extensive travel generating a significant carbon footprint is required and/or 2: The costs of virtual meeting(s) represents a significant savings for the Church; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention recognizes that we are inheritors of God's charge in Genesis 2:15 to "till and keep" the land, and that it is our responsibility to be good stewards of God's creation and preserve this fragile Earth, our island home; and be it further

Resolved, that this Convention encourages the Church, across all levels of governance, to consider, explore, and continuously implement new and innovative ideas to promote new ways to better learn about and interact with our colleagues throughout the Church and throughout the world, promoting strengthening our Church and community through virtual settings; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention expresses its sense that, moving forward, Governance meetings and other administrative gatherings of the Church should be held virtually if substantial travel is required, unless there is good cause to hold such meetings or gatherings in person.

D028 - Addition of Laurence Whipp to Lesser Feasts and Fasts

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: The Very Rev. Dr. Benjamin Shambaugh

Endorsed by: The Rev. Deacon Richard Cole, Ms. Anne Swardson, Mr. David Case, Mr. Denis LeMoullac, Ms. Janet Day-Strehlow, The Ven. Dr. Walter Baer

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize the inclusion of Lawrence Whipp in *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*.

D029 - Affirming Non-Binary Access and Leadership

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: The Rev. Dr. Cameron Partridge

Endorsed by: The Rev. Lisa Fry, Ms. Sarah Lawton

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th Convention affirm that non-binary as well as binary identified transgender and cisgender people are included in the phrase “gender identity and expression,” and that the provisions of the Canons of the Episcopal Church apply equally to people of all genders.

D030 - Develop Resources and Training for Welcoming and Supporting Transgender and Non-Binary Persons and Families

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Rev. Dr. Cameron Partridge

Endorsed by: The Rev. Lisa Fry, Ms. Sarah Lawton

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$50,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church direct the Church Center to develop multilingual, multicultural churchwide resources to support our dioceses, provinces, churchwide leaders, and congregations in living into our commitments to welcome and support people and communities of diverse genders, including transgender and non-binary, based on the following needs:

- To affirm and support transgender and non-binary people already in our congregations, including in lay and ordained leadership;
- To provide spiritual and practical support to persons who are discerning their gender or are in the process of transitioning, and their families;
- To support congregations and dioceses in becoming welcoming and affirming of people of diverse genders, with resources and training materials that are theologically and scripturally grounded, culturally and linguistically accessible to our diverse congregations, and include voices and stories of transgender and non-binary people and their families;
- To support congregations in their community outreach and advocacy work in solidarity with transgender and non-binary people in our wider communities, as called for in General Convention resolution 2009-D012;

- **To have resources that can be used in a variety of settings and formats, including diocesan, provincial, and congregational trainings, seasonal education programs for congregations, search committee and vestry trainings, pastoral conversations with individuals and families, and development or augmentation of liturgical resources to support times of discernment, occasions such as taking a new name, and congregational expressions of commitment to welcome and affirmation.**

And be it further

***Resolved,* That the Church Center offer trainings on these resources, once they are developed, that are made widely available (such as via online webinars) for diocesan, provincial, churchwide, and congregational leaders; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$50,000 for the implementation of this resolution.**

D031 - Opposition to Detention and Surveillance of Immigrants and Asylum-Seekers

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: The Rev. Greg Millikin

Endorsed by: The Rev. David C Wacaster, The Rev. Glenna Huber, Ms. Sarah Lawton

Supported by: Province V

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church advocate for a fundamental change to the way we process migrants, moving away from detention and other mechanisms that can support unjust immigration policies and envision a just society in which everyone, regardless of national origin, has basic human rights including livelihood, family unity, self-determination, and physical and emotional safety; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention of The Episcopal Church affirm 2009-B006 and 2018-A178 and deplore and specifically call for advocacy for policies that will end the U.S. government's reliance on immigration detention to meet its policy goals, which is clearly at odds with human welfare and dignity, expensive for taxpayers, and ineffective in deterring immigration to the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention also oppose the U.S. government's increased use of electronic monitoring and surveillance of immigrants as "alternatives" to detention, that can intrude on their privacy and sense of personal security despite living outside detention facilities; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention direct the Office of Government Relations and urge all Episcopalians to advocate for our government to address these serious

shortcomings in our treatment of the “strangers in our midst” by prioritizing policies that will help reduce and eventually eliminate the need for detention and surveillance for virtually all migrants and instead:

- **Provide true community-based and community-supported alternatives to detention, including ones where individuals meet with non-profit workers during the duration of their cases in the immigration court system**
- **Fund non-governmental non-profit organizations to deliver case management support based on individualized needs assessments, including the provision of clear information regarding participants’ rights and obligations with regard to immigration processing and the consequences of non-compliance**
- **Include referrals to community-supported services, especially legal services that provide individuals with information about their legal proceedings while improving the Executive Office of Immigration Review’s adjudication of cases in the immigration court system**
- **Treat asylum seekers and migrants with dignity, humanity, and respect, assuring that any restrictions and compliance obligations placed on participants are the least onerous possible**

D032 - Condemning Patriarch Kirill of Moscow for Promoting War in Ukraine

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Deputy Nathan Brown

Endorsed by: Mr. Richard Pryor, Ms. Michele Glidden

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention condemns Patriarch Kirill, head of the Russian Orthodox Church, for providing religious justification for Russia's aggression against Ukraine and promoting Russian aggression as a "holy war"; and be it further

Resolved, That this Conventions praises the courage of the more than 300 priests of the Russian Orthodox Church who signed a letter condemning the aggression and expressed their grief over the ordeal of the Ukrainian people, calling for an end to the war; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention calls for Patriarch Kirill to repudiate his comments, make true repentance, and call for an end to the bloodshed in Ukraine by arriving at a just peace; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention directs that until Patriarch Kirill repudiates his comments, or his comments are repudiated by his successor, the Episcopal Church shall not engage in any official ecumenical outreach with the Russian Orthodox Church, including the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention directs the Secretary of General Convention or their designee to send a copy of this resolution to Patriarch Kirill; the Rev. Prof Ioan Sauca, Acting General Secretary of the World Council of Churches; Metropolitan Hilarion, Metropolitan of Eastern America and New York and First-Hierarch of the Russian Orthodox

Church Outside Russia; and Bishop Teresa Jefferson-Snorton, Chair of the National Council of Churches.

D033 - An Indigenous Pathway to Truthtelling and Healing

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: The Rev. Leon Sampson

Endorsed by: The Rev. Cathlena Plummer, Ms. GJ Gordy

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$100.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention create a fact-finding commission to conduct research in the Archives of the Episcopal Church, the National Archives, and the Library of Congress, as well as any other repository of historical documents relevant to the role of the Episcopal Church in the Indigenous residential boarding schools of North America; and be it further

Resolved, That each Diocese of the Episcopal Church will, before the 81st General Convention, begin an audit of the relationship, financial or otherwise, between the federal government, the diocese and/or its subsidiary entities, its churches, and any Episcopal or non-Episcopal missionary societies with respect to any Indigenous residential boarding school operated within the territorial jurisdiction of that diocese; and be it further

Resolved, That each Diocese of the Episcopal Church will, before the 81st General Convention, begin to gather information from boarding school survivors and their descendants about the experiences of Indigenous children and families in Episcopal run and/or supported residential boarding schools within the territorial jurisdiction of that diocese; and be it further

Resolved, That each Diocese of the Episcopal Church will, before the 81st General Convention, provide a platform through which the stories of boarding school survivors of any residential boarding schools within the territorial jurisdiction of that diocese and their descendants might be preserved and shared; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church will support federal legislation to create a truth and healing commission on Indian boarding school policy, consistent with the Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative of the U.S. Department of the Interior and its efforts to “shed light on the traumas of the past;” and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention appropriate \$2,500,000 between the fact-finding commission created by 80th General Convention and the dioceses of the Episcopal Church, whose funding will be distributed through grants from the Office of Indigenous Ministries, to support these efforts.

D034 - Revise Denominational Health Plan Mandate

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: The Rev. David Sibley

Endorsed by: The Rev. Laurie Brock, The Rev. Everett Lees, Dr. Elizabeth Jordan, The Rev. Paul Canady, Canon Andrea McKellar, The Rev. Tim Baer, The Rev. Emily Mellott, The Rev. Megan L. Castellan

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 16 - Churchwide Leadership

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, that there shall be a Task Force to Advise the Church on the Denominational Health Plan. The Task Force shall receive from the Episcopal Church Medical Trust annual reports for 2021, 2022, and 2023 about the status of the Denominational Health Plan, and a complete copy of all data sets held by the Medical Trust used to create said report; such data shall be appropriately anonymized to withhold personally identifying information and be suitable for review by a third-party actuary. The Task Force shall review the structure and offerings of the Denominational Health Plan, in consultation with the Church Pension Group staff, with special attention to the cost of premiums, and report back to the 81st General Convention a list of options to reduce health insurance costs across the church, including an examination of the impact of individual faith communities opting out of the Denominational Health Plan, with a full explanation of the reasoning for and costs and benefits of each option. The 81st General Convention shall consider the options in deciding whether to modify the mandate given to the Denominational Health Plan in Resolution 2009-A177. The members of the Task Force shall be appointed by the Presiding Officers, and shall consist of: one member of the Church Pension Group Board of Trustees; one member of the Church Pension Group Client Council; one Church Pension Group staff member who is expert in the health care issues addressed by the Denominational Health Plan; two members of Executive Council; two Bishops who serve as at-large members of the Task Force; four Clergy or Lay

People who serve as at-large members of the Task Force; and two members who are experts in health care and insurance finance issues; and be it further

Resolved, **that the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$40,000 for the implementation of this resolution.**

D035 - Amend Canon IV.19.23: Of General Provisions [Expenses]

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Rev. Jason Prati

Endorsed by: Dr. Elizabeth Barker, The Rev. Lynn Carter-Edmands

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.19.23 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 23. Except as expressly provided in this Title, applicable Diocesan Canon, or in any Accord or Order, all costs, expenses and fees, if any, shall be the obligation of the party, person or entity incurring them.

- a. The necessary costs, expenses and fees of the Investigator, the Church Attorney, the Conference Panel, the Hearing Panel and any pastoral response shall be the expense of the Diocese.
- b. The necessary costs and expenses of the Court of Review shall be the expense of the General Convention.
- c. The necessary costs and expenses of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops and the Court of Review for Bishops shall be the expense of the General Convention.
- d. Nothing in this Title precludes the voluntary payment of a Respondent's costs, expenses and fees by any other party or person, including a Diocese.

e. In the case of diocesan noncompliance with any procedural requirements set forth in this Title which “shall cause material and substantial injustice to be done or seriously prejudice the rights of a Respondent”(Canon IV.19.28), the costs, expenses and fees associated with the proceedings and paid by the Respondent shall be reimbursed to the Respondent by the adjudicating Diocese.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 23. Except as expressly provided in this Title, applicable Diocesan Canon, or in any Accord or Order, all costs, expenses and fees, if any, shall be the obligation of the party, person or entity incurring them.

a. The necessary costs, expenses and fees of the Investigator, the Church Attorney, the Conference Panel, the Hearing Panel and any pastoral response shall be the expense of the Diocese.

b. The necessary costs and expenses of the Court of Review shall be the expense of the General Convention.

c. The necessary costs and expenses of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops and the Court of Review for Bishops shall be the expense of the General Convention.

d. Nothing in this Title precludes the voluntary payment of a Respondent's costs, expenses and fees by any other party or person, including a Diocese.

e. In the case of diocesan noncompliance with any procedural requirements set forth in this Title which “shall cause material and substantial injustice to be done or seriously prejudice the rights of a Respondent”(Canon IV.19.28), the costs, expenses and fees associated with the proceedings and paid by the Respondent shall be reimbursed to the Respondent by the adjudicating Diocese.

D036 - Amend Canon IV.6.4: Of Intake and Referral of Information Concerning Offenses [Initial Inquiry]

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Rev. Lynn Carter-Edmands

Endorsed by: The Rev. Jason Prati, Dr. Elizabeth Barker

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.6.4 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 4. Upon receipt of such information, the Intake Officer shall undertake an such initial inquiry and shall incorporate the information into a written intake report, including as much specificity as possible: the name and contact information of the Complainant; the name(s) and contact information of injured party/parties; the name and contact information of the Subject Member of the Clergy; alleged facts; citation to applicable canon(s); identities of other injured parties if any; names and contact information of possible witnesses; description and location of tangible or electronic evidence; procedural history to date; and any attachments to the report of information received. The Intake Officer shall provide copies of the intake report to the other members of the Reference Panel and to the Church Attorney according to the various circumstances noted in the following sections of this canon. The intake report is not to be sent to other persons than those noted.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 4. Upon receipt of such information, the Intake Officer ~~may~~ *shall* undertake *an* such initial inquiry ~~as he or she deems necessary~~, and shall incorporate the information into a written intake report, including as much specificity as possible: *the name and contact information of the Complainant; the name(s) and contact information of injured party/parties; the name and contact information of the Subject Member of the Clergy; alleged facts; citation to applicable canon(s); identities of other injured parties if any; names and contact information of possible witnesses; description and location of tangible or electronic evidence; procedural history to date; and any attachments to the report of information received.* The Intake Officer shall provide copies of the intake report to the other members of the Reference Panel and to the Church Attorney *according to the various circumstances noted in the following sections of this canon. The intake report is not to be sent to other persons than those noted.*

D037 - Amend Canon IV.11.2 Of Investigations

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Dr. Elizabeth Barker

Endorsed by: The Rev. Lynn Carter-Edmands, The Rev. Jason Prati

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.11 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 2. Upon referral of an intake report, the Investigator shall investigate all facts pertinent to the factual claims of the intake report. The Investigator shall use appropriate investigative means, with due consideration to pastoral sensitivities, and shall complete the investigation as expeditiously as possible. If the matter has been reported to the civil authorities in any form (whether required under mandated reporter status or through sworn testimony), the investigation according to this canon shall be suspended until the proper civil authorities have investigated the alleged criminal matter.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 2. Upon referral of an intake report, the Investigator shall investigate all facts pertinent to the factual claims of the intake report. The Investigator shall use appropriate investigative means, with due consideration to pastoral sensitivities, and shall complete the investigation as expeditiously as possible. *If the matter has been reported to the civil authorities in any*

form (whether required under mandated reporter status or through sworn testimony), the investigation according to this canon shall be suspended until the proper civil authorities have investigated the alleged criminal matter.

D038 - Amend Canon IV.19.5.c Of General Provisions [Jurisdiction and Venue]

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Rev. Jason Prati

Endorsed by: The Rev. Lynn Carter-Edmands, Dr. Elizabeth Barker

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.19.5.c to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

c. If objection is made by the Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of canonical residence as provided in Canon IV.19.5.b, the Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of canonical residence and the Bishop Diocesan of the Intake Officer's Diocese shall promptly agree as to which Diocese will assume jurisdiction over the matter and conduct proceedings. If the two Bishops agree that the Intake Officer's Diocese will conduct proceedings under this Title regarding the matter, the Bishop Diocesan of the Intake Officer's Diocese shall meet (either in person or virtually) with the Respondent within 20 days of the referral of the matter by the Intake Officer. If the two Bishops cannot promptly agree, the disagreement will be resolved as follows:

1. Either may promptly request the President of the Court of Review to decide which Diocese shall conduct the proceedings.
2. The requesting Bishop shall provide a copy of the request to the other Bishop. A reply to the request may be made by the non-requesting Bishop within fourteen (14) days of service of the request.

3. The President shall have the discretion to hear from the Bishops Diocese or the Church Attorneys of the respective Dioceses, either personally or telephonically, concerning the request and any reply. The President shall have the discretion to request additional submissions from the Bishops Diocesan or the Church Attorneys.

4. The President shall decide which Diocese shall conduct the proceedings within fourteen (14) days of service of the request.

5. It is a goal of these processes to not delay unduly the progress of any proceeding under this Title. Therefore, the parties shall not use the full extent of these deadlines for the purpose of prolonging the proceedings.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Section 5.

c. If objection is made by the Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of canonical residence as provided in Canon IV.19.5.b, the Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of canonical residence and the Bishop Diocesan of the Intake Officer's Diocese shall promptly agree as to which Diocese will assume jurisdiction over the matter and conduct proceedings. *If the two Bishops agree that the Intake Officer's Diocese will conduct proceedings under this Title regarding the matter, the Bishop Diocesan of the Intake Officer's Diocese shall meet (either in person or virtually) with the Respondent within 20 days of the referral of the matter by the Intake Officer.* If the two Bishops cannot promptly agree, the disagreement will be resolved as follows:

1. Either may promptly request the President of the Court of Review to decide which Diocese shall conduct the proceedings.

2. The requesting Bishop shall provide a copy of the request to the other Bishop. A reply to the request may be made by the non-requesting Bishop within fourteen (14) days of service of the request.

3. The President shall have the discretion to hear from the Bishops Diocese or the Church Attorneys of the respective Dioceses, either personally or telephonically, concerning the request and any reply. The President shall have the discretion to request additional submissions from the Bishops Diocesan or the Church Attorneys.

4. The President shall decide which Diocese shall conduct the proceedings within fourteen (14) days of service of the request.

5. It is a goal of these processes to not delay unduly the progress of any proceeding under this Title. Therefore, the parties shall not use the full extent of these deadlines for the purpose of prolonging the proceedings.

D039 - Amend Canon IV.6.7: Of Intake and Referral of Information Concerning Offenses [Impanelment and notice]

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Dr. Elizabeth Barker

Endorsed by: The Rev. Jason Prati, The Rev. Lynn Carter-Edmands

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.6.7 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 7. If the Intake Officer determines that the information, if true, would constitute an Offense, the Intake Officer shall promptly forward the intake report to the Reference Panel. The President of the Disciplinary Board shall promptly select from the Disciplinary Board, a Conference Panel and a Hearing Panel, and shall designate a president of each Panel. At the same time as forwarding the intake report to the Reference Panel, the Intake Officer shall send a notice to the subject Member of the Clergy informing him or her of the nature of the alleged Offense(s) with enough specificity that the Respondent may provide names and contact information of witnesses for investigation under Canon IV.11, the identity of any persons who have been designated as Complainants, and describing the next procedural steps that the Member of the Clergy can anticipate. The notice shall also remind the Member of the Clergy of his or her duty under Canon IV.3.1.b to cooperate in the subsequent proceedings.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 7. If the Intake Officer determines that the information, if true, would constitute an Offense, the Intake Officer shall promptly forward the intake report to the Reference Panel. The ~~president~~ *President of the Disciplinary Board* shall promptly select from the Disciplinary Board, a Conference Panel and a Hearing Panel, and shall designate a president of each Panel. At the same time as forwarding the intake report to the Reference Panel, the Intake Officer shall send a notice to the subject Member of the Clergy informing him or her of the nature of the alleged Offense(s) *with enough specificity that the Respondent may provide names and contact information of witnesses for investigation under Canon IV.11*, the identity of any persons who have been designated as Complainants, and describing the next procedural steps that the Member of the Clergy can anticipate. The notice shall also remind the Member of the Clergy of his or her duty under Canon IV.3.1.b to cooperate in the subsequent proceedings.

D040 - Amend Canons IV.13.4, IV 13.11.e, IV.13.13, and IV.14.6 [Document Dissemination, Appeal of Sanction, Of Hearing Panels, Order of Dismissal]

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Rev. Lynn Carter-Edmands

Endorsed by: Dr. Elizabeth Barker, The Rev. Jason Prati

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.13.4 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Sec. 4. If at any time after a matter has been referred to a Hearing Panel an Accord or Order of Dismissal endorsed by the Bishop Diocesan is reached that ends the proceedings before the Hearing Panel issues an Order, the Bishop Diocesan shall make the Notice of Accord or Order of Dismissal available to the Church and Church media as provided in Sec. 3 as well as to the Hearing Panel.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 4. If at any time after a matter has been referred to a Hearing Panel an Accord *or Order of Dismissal endorsed by the Bishop Diocesan* is reached that ends the proceedings before the Hearing Panel issues an Order, the Bishop Diocesan shall make the Notice of

Accord or Order of Dismissal available to the Church and Church media as provided in Sec. 3 as well as to the Hearing Panel.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.13.11.e be amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

e. If an Accord is reached or the matter is dismissed that ends the proceedings before the Disciplinary Board issues an Order other than an Order of Dismissal under this Section, the Bishop Diocesan shall make the Notice of Accord or Order of Dismissal available to the Church and Church media as provided in Sec. 3 as well as to the Disciplinary Board and the Hearing Panel.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

e. If an Accord is reached *or the matter is dismissed* that ends the proceedings before the Disciplinary Board issues an Order *other than an Order of Dismissal* under this Section, the Bishop Diocesan shall make the Notice of Accord *or Order of Dismissal* available to the Church and Church media as provided in Sec. 3 as well as to the Disciplinary Board and the Hearing Panel.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.13.13 be amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Section 13. If the determination is to dismiss the matter, the Hearing Panel shall issue an Order which shall include the reasons for dismissal and which contains findings exonerating the Respondent. A copy of the Order shall be provided to the Bishop Diocesan, the Respondent, the Respondent's Advisor, the Complainant, the Complainant's Advisor, and the Church Attorney, and a record copy of the Order shall be kept by transmitting a copy to The Archives of The Episcopal Church. A copy of the Order shall also be made available to the Church and the Church media in the same manner with which documents were initially made available to the public as set forth in Sec. 3.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Section 13. If the determination is to dismiss the matter, the Hearing Panel shall issue an Order which shall include the reasons for dismissal and which *contains* ~~may contain~~ findings exonerating the Respondent. A copy of the Order shall be provided to the Bishop Diocesan, the Respondent, the Respondent's Advisor, the Complainant, the Complainant's Advisor, and the Church Attorney, and a record copy of the Order shall be kept by transmitting a copy to The Archives of The Episcopal Church. *A copy of the Order shall also be made available to the Church and the Church media in the same manner with which documents were initially made available to the public as set forth in Sec. 3.*

And be it further

Resolved, That IV.13.14 be removed in its entirety.

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 14. [removed]

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 14. ~~If the resolution is the issuance of an Order other than an Order of dismissal, the provisions of Canon IV.14 shall apply.~~

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.14.6 be amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 6. An Order issued by a Conference Panel or Hearing Panel may (a) provide any terms which promote healing, repentance, forgiveness, restitution, justice, amendment of life and reconciliation among the Complainant, Respondent, affected Community and other persons; (b) place restrictions on the Respondent's exercise of ministry; (c) recommend to the Bishop Diocesan that the Respondent be admonished, suspended or deposed from ministry; (d) limit the involvement, attendance or participation of the Respondent in the Community; or (e) dismiss the matter; or (f) any combination of the foregoing. An Order providing for suspension from Ministry shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease. Any Order providing for limitation upon the involvement, attendance or participation of the Respondent in the Community shall also provide

conditions for restoration. Any Order dismissing the matter shall provide the reasons for dismissal and a statement exonerating the Respondent and shall be made available to members of the Church and the Church media in the same manner with which documents were initially made available to the public as set forth in Canon IV.13.3.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 6. An Order issued by a Conference Panel or Hearing Panel may (a) provide any terms which promote healing, repentance, forgiveness, restitution, justice, amendment of life and reconciliation among the Complainant, Respondent, affected Community and other persons; (b) place restrictions on the Respondent's exercise of ministry; (c) recommend to the Bishop Diocesan that the Respondent be admonished, suspended or deposed from ministry; (d) limit the involvement, attendance or participation of the Respondent in the Community; or (e) *dismiss the matter*; or (f) any combination of the foregoing. An Order providing for suspension from Ministry shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease. Any Order providing for limitation upon the involvement, attendance or participation of the Respondent in the Community shall also provide conditions for restoration. *Any Order dismissing the matter shall provide the reasons for dismissal and a statement exonerating the Respondent and shall be made available to members of the Church and the Church media in the same manner with which documents were initially made available to the public as set forth in Canon IV.13.3.*

D041 - Amend Canon IV.3: Of Accountability

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Dr. Elizabeth Barker

Endorsed by: The Rev. Lynn Carter-Edmands, The Rev. Jason Prati

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention amend Canon IV.3, Sec. 1 and 3 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 1. A Member of the Clergy shall be subject to proceedings under this Title for:

- a. knowingly violating or attempting to violate, directly or through the acts of another person, the Constitution or Canons of the Church or of any Diocese;
- b. failing without good cause to cooperate with any investigation or proceeding conducted under authority of this Title and/or, as Diocesan Bishop, failing without good cause to initiate a proper investigation according to Canon IV.11 under authority of this Title and to comply with the other procedural requirements of this Title;
- c. intentionally and maliciously bringing a false accusation or knowingly providing or ignoring the existence of false testimony or false evidence in any investigation or proceeding under this Title; or
- d. intentionally misrepresenting or omitting any material fact in applying for admission to Postulancy, for admission to Candidacy, for ordination as a Deacon or

Priest, for reception from another Church as a Deacon or Priest, or for nomination or appointment as a Bishop.

e. discharging, demoting, or otherwise retaliating against any person because the person has opposed any practices forbidden under this Title or because the person has reported information concerning an Offense, testified, or assisted in any proceeding under this Title.

f. intentionally, directly or through the acts of other persons assigned through this Title or diocesan canon, misrepresenting or omitting any material fact or testimony discovered at any time subject to proceedings under this Title that would exonerate the Respondent.

Sec. 3. In order for any conduct or condition to be the subject of the provisions of this Title, the Offense complained of must violate applicable provisions of Canon IV.3 or IV.4 and must be material and substantial or of clear and weighty importance to the ministry of the Church, including the effect such proceedings might have on the ministry of a Member of the Clergy wrongfully accused of any breach of the Standards of Conduct set forth in Canon IV.4

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 1. A Member of the Clergy shall be subject to proceedings under this Title for:

a. knowingly violating or attempting to violate, directly or through the acts of another person, the Constitution or Canons of the Church or of any Diocese;

b. failing without good cause to cooperate with any investigation or proceeding conducted under authority of this Title *and/or, as Diocesan Bishop, failing without good cause to initiate a proper investigation according to Canon IV.11 under authority of this Title and to comply with the other procedural requirements of this Title;*

c. intentionally and maliciously bringing a false accusation or knowingly providing or *ignoring the existence of* false testimony or false evidence in any investigation or proceeding under this Title; or

d. intentionally misrepresenting or omitting any materials fact in applying for admission to Postulancy, for admission to Candidacy, for ordination as a Deacon or Priest, for reception from another Church as a Deacon or Priest, or for nomination or appointment as a Bishop.

e. discharging, demoting, or otherwise retaliating against any person because the person has opposed any practices forbidden under this Title or because the person

has reported information concerning an Offense, testified, or assisted in any proceeding under this Title.

f. intentionally, directly or through the acts of other persons assigned through this Title or diocesan canon, misrepresenting or omitting any material fact or testimony discovered at any time subject to proceedings under this Title that would exonerate the Respondent.

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D042 - Amend Canons IV.2 and IV.13 (new insertion) [Terminology (Church Attorney); Declining to Advance]

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Rev. Lynn Carter-Edmands

Endorsed by: The Rev. Jason Prati, Dr. Elizabeth Barker

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolve, That the 80th General Convention amend the following section of Canon IV.2 to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Church Attorney shall mean one or more attorneys selected pursuant to Diocesan Canons to represent the Church in proceedings as provided in this Title. The Diocesan Canons may provide a process for the removal of a Church Attorney for cause. A Church Attorney shall perform all functions on behalf of the Church necessary to advance proceedings under this Title and shall have the following powers, in addition to the powers and duties otherwise provided in this Title: (a) to receive and review the Intake Officer's report; (b) to conduct investigations and oversee the Investigator and, in connection with such investigations, to have access to the personnel, books and records of the Diocese and its constituent parts; and to receive and review the reports of the Investigator; (c) to determine, in the exercise of the Church Attorney's discretion, whether the reported information, if true, would be grounds for discipline; and (d) to exercise discretion consistent with this Title and the interests of the Church by declining to advance proceedings or by referring any matter back to the Intake Officer or the Bishop Diocesan for pastoral response in lieu of disciplinary action prior to the referral of a matter to the Hearing Panel. In representing the Church, a Church Attorney may consult with the president of the Disciplinary Board at any time after the matter has

been referred out of the Reference Panel, and, when the prosecution of the case may impact the mission, life, or ministry of the Church, with the Bishop Diocesan

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Church Attorney shall mean one or more attorneys selected pursuant to Diocesan Canons to represent the Church in proceedings as provided in this Title. The Diocesan Canons may provide a process for the removal of a Church Attorney for cause. A Church Attorney shall perform all functions on behalf of the Church necessary to advance proceedings under this Title and shall have the following powers, in addition to the powers and duties otherwise provided in this Title: (a) to receive and review the Intake Officer's report; (b) to conduct investigations and oversee the Investigator and, in connection with such investigations, to have access to the personnel, books and records of the Diocese and its constituent parts; and to receive and review the reports of the Investigator; (c) to determine, in the exercise of the Church Attorney's discretion, whether the reported information, if true, would be grounds for discipline; and (d) to exercise discretion consistent with this Title and the interests of the Church by declining to advance proceedings or by referring any matter back to the Intake Officer or the Bishop Diocesan for pastoral response in lieu of disciplinary action *prior to the referral of a matter to the Hearing Panel*. In representing the Church, a Church Attorney may consult with the president of the Disciplinary Board at any time after the matter has been referred out of the Reference Panel, and, when the prosecution of the case may impact the mission, life, or ministry of the Church, with the Bishop Diocesan

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.13 be amended by inserting before the existing Section 12 a new section as follows and renumbering succeeding sections:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 12. Once a matter has been referred to the Hearing Panel, the Church Attorney may file a motion requesting leave to decline to advance proceedings or a motion to refer the matter back to the Intake Officer or the Bishop Diocesan for pastoral response in lieu of disciplinary action. The Church Attorney shall serve notice of the motion on the Complainant, the Respondent, and the Bishop Diocesan, any of whom may file a response within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the motion, or within such other time as the Hearing Panel may direct. Upon receipt of such a motion, the Hearing Panel will promptly set the motion for hearing. If leave to decline to advance proceedings is granted, the Hearing Panel shall enter an Order of dismissal. The decision on the motion shall be provided to the Church Attorney, the Complainant, the Respondent, and the Bishop Diocesan and placed on the record of proceedings.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 12. *Once a matter has been referred to the Hearing Panel, the Church Attorney may file a motion requesting leave to decline to advance proceedings or a motion to refer the matter back to the Intake Officer or the Bishop Diocesan for pastoral response in lieu of disciplinary action. The Church Attorney shall serve notice of the motion on the Complainant, the Respondent, and the Bishop Diocesan, any of whom may file a response within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the motion, or within such other time as the Hearing Panel may direct. Upon receipt of such a motion, the Hearing Panel will promptly set the motion for hearing. If leave to decline to advance proceedings is granted, the Hearing Panel shall enter an Order of dismissal. The decision on the motion shall be provided to the Church Attorney, the Complainant, the Respondent, and the Bishop Diocesan and placed on the record of proceedings.*

D043 - Abolish or Modernize the Electoral Count Act of 1887

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Mr. Warren Wong

Endorsed by: Ms. Sarah Lawton, The Rev. Eric M. M. Metoyer

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church condemn the insurrection of January 6, 2021, the deadly assault on the United States Capitol which attempted to overturn the result of the 2020 Presidential Election, taking advantage of ambiguities in the Electoral Count Act of 1887; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention call for Congress to update or reform the Electoral Count Act of 1887 to guard against crises during future Presidential Elections, rectifying several deficiencies in the Electoral Count Act's 130-year-old text, including how it handles: (1) election timing, (2) state determinations, (3) the Vice President's role, (4) objections, and (5) the dispute resolution process; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention support the adoption by all states of the National Popular Vote Compact as one acceptable way to achieve the goal of the direct popular vote for election of the president until the abolition of the Electoral College is accomplished; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct, consistent with established policies and procedures, that the Executive Council refer this Resolution to the Office of Government Relations, so that it may take all actions necessary to accomplish the intentions and purposes of this Resolution.

D044 - Owning a Commitment to Reparations

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: Dr. Carolyn Mok

Endorsed by: The Rev. Boyd Evans, The Very Rev. Paul Lebens-Englund

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church (TEC) endorse the creation of an independent Reparations Fund Commission, with its Convener and at least 60% of its membership being persons of color; and be it further

Resolved, That the establishment of this Commission will be overseen by the Episcopal Coalition for Racial Equity and Justice; and be it further

Resolved, That the charge to the Commission is the creation of a substantial fund from TEC assets, the purpose of which is a sustained, meaningful, tangible response to the historic and ongoing legacy of slavery and displacement of Indigenous peoples of what is now the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That the magnitude of this fund and date for accomplishing the target amount will be determined by the Commission; and be it further

Resolved, That the Reparations Fund Commission or an entity that it approves will be responsible for defining and implementing payments of reparation.

D045 - On Supporting LGBTIQ+ Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Janet Day-Strehlow

Endorsed by: Ms. Sinead Doherty, Ms. Laura Russell

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church express its full support of the UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) and IOM (International Organization for Migration) in their mission to protect LGBTIQ+ persons forced to seek refugee or asylee status because they fear being persecuted based on their sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression and/or sex characteristics (SOGIESC); and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention urge all nations, especially the United States, to actively accept vulnerable SOGIESC refugees and asylees, and not send them back to their countries of origin, where they face persecution, violence, prison and possible death; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request that the Episcopal Migration Ministries highlight the issues surrounding LGBTQI+ refugees and asylees and offer information on ways of support, including these, for example, in their Toolkit for Congregations.

D046 - Supporting Child Welfare Systems and Foster Care

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Janelle Grant

Endorsed by: Ms. Laura Russell, Ms. Sarah Lawton

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church affirm the need for governments, The Episcopal Church, and all people to support the child welfare system and the needs of children who are in foster care as well as their families; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church acknowledge that children caught in the child welfare system are some of the most vulnerable individual members of our society and we all have a responsibility for ensuring their safety and well-being; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church commit to working towards a just child welfare system by supporting legislation that:

- Creates a system where children of color are not unfairly over-represented;
- Ensures protections for children in foster care of all sexual orientations, and gender identities, recognizing their unique needs;
- Ensures protections for adults seeking to be foster parents that they not be discriminated against because of their race/ethnic background, gender, age, marital status, family size, disability, gender identity or sexual orientation, or any other factor not relevant to being a good foster parent;
- Creating an equal access to resources and funding for all children who are involved in child protective and foster care systems;

- **Create adequate training and funding for caseworkers in the child welfare system;**
- **Create a right to counsel for all parties involved in the foster care system;**
- **Create a continuum of care for youth aging out of foster care that includes counseling, medical care, education, housing and other resources;**
- **Urging full flexible funding for sufficient resources for the child welfare system, especially for guardianship, reunification, education and counseling**

And be it further

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church urge Episcopalians to prayerfully consider how they can support children in foster care, through fostering, mentorship, or other forms of support; and be it further**

***Resolved,* That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church direct the Episcopal Church's Office of Government Relations to advocate to the U.S. government on behalf of The Episcopal Church for reform to the child welfare system to ensure sufficient resources, protections for children and families, and support for children as they transition; and that the Episcopal Public Policy Network assist with this issue in their capacity.**

D047 - Addressing Our Models for Mission and Ministry

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Laura Russell

Endorsed by: Ms. Sarah Lawton, The Rev. Cynthia Black, Mr. Joe McDaniel

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 10 - Congregational & Diocesan Vitality

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church to assess our church's current models across the church for funding and supporting mission, ministry, and leadership deployment; understanding that we have several levels of governance including congregational, diocesan, provincial and churchwide, and that current ideals of congregations being self-supporting are not sustainable for all, and that funding and ministry deployment decisions are usually made at the congregational and diocesan levels; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church report to the 81st General Convention with recommendations for how the church can address our own church's structural barriers and beliefs in funding ministries that are crucially important for the church's mission and future life, but which have been historically underfunded and underendowed, such as new church ministries in growing immigrant communities, ministries and social justice programs in rural and urban areas, and college chaplaincies.

D048 - Supporting Public Investment in Post-High School Education and Training

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Laura Russell

Endorsed by: Ms. Sarah Lawton, The Rev. Cynthia Black

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention acknowledge that family-wage jobs and careers increasingly demand more than a high school education in the 21st century; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church support moving toward universal free public higher education, including interim steps to expand public investment at federal, state, and local levels in support post-secondary education and training, such as:

- Universally accessible free community, vocational, and technical colleges that provide vocational pathways to skilled jobs and career ladders, including apprenticeship and journeyman programs in the building trades, licensing in the allied health professions, and skills needed to enter growing industries such as the technology sector, as well as articulated pathways to enter bachelor-degree programs at public colleges and universities;
- Increased public investments to support free tuition for all 2-year and 4-year public colleges and universities of higher learning;
- Increased investments in the Pell Grant program to increase eligibility and expand availability for support for non-tuition expenses for low- and middle-income students;
- Increased funding for low-income student programs, such as work-study and paid internships;

- **Increased state-level funding for higher education, alongside negotiated agreements or tuition caps to contain the costs of higher education;**
- **Reevaluation of the expected family contribution formula on the FAFSA to be more realistic of what people can afford, such as in areas with a high cost of living;**
- **Removal of for-profit colleges and trade schools from eligibility for federal student aid funds, given that sector's poor record in providing pathways to good jobs and the high level of student indebtedness and default in that sector;**
- **Directed funding for Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Serving Institutions to bring their per-student spending to parity with colleges in their regions;**
- **General tax-free federal student loan forgiveness on a one-time basis, up to a set amount and phasing out based on income;**
- **Setting a cap on interest rates for future federal student loans for rates not to exceed 2%;**
- **Public programs to reduce or waive student loans in return for commitment to public service work, religious or secular, with reasonable applications to apply for and receive those waivers.**

And be it further

***Resolved,* That The Episcopal Church support legislation that works to lower tuition for all higher education, and contain the costs of higher education and its ancillary expenses.**

D049 - Recognizing the Need for Adequate Surrogacy Protections

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Laura Russell

Endorsed by: Ms. Sarah Lawton, Mr. Joe McDaniel

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church recognize surrogacy as a complex issue, for parents-to-be, surrogates, and for the industry that enables this practice, both in the United States and globally, acknowledging the potential exploitation of surrogates, and with particular attention to the well-being of all parties, but particularly the most vulnerable; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church recognize the increasing prevalence of surrogacy, in the United States and internationally, and call for robust laws and protections for surrogates and parents-to-be as well as moral discernment for all involved; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church recognize the challenges that come from economic inequality that necessitate decisions that may not be in the best interest in terms of the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual well-being of surrogates, while also honoring the challenges of many individuals and couples who face infertility and other challenges in creating a family of all parties involved; and be in further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church support public policies that understand the importance of the surrogate relationship as more than a financial transaction; that protect the surrogate from the emotional, physical and financial exploitation that can occur; and that attend to the surrogate's emotional, physical, and spiritual needs both during and after pregnancy, including in the

vulnerable post-partum period, when many women and others who give birth suffer mental and physical effects.

D050 - Reunion of the Diocese of The Episcopal Church in North Texas with The Episcopal Diocese of Texas

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Rev. Canon Christine Faulstich

Endorsed by: The Rev. Bradley Dyche, Ms. Katie Sherrod

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention approve the reunion of the Diocese of The Episcopal Church in North Texas with and into The Episcopal Diocese of Texas pursuant to Canon I.10.6.

D051 - Give Thanks for the Ministry of Rev. William “Bill” Exner

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: Dr. Carolyn Mok

Endorsed by: Mr. Warren Wong, Ms. Laura Russell

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church give thanks for the ministry and service of Rev. William “Bill” Exner (1954-2022), for his tireless service as a member of the Episcopal Peace and Justice Network, Episcopal Peace Fellowship, and as a senior deputy for the Diocese of New Hampshire; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church commemorate his ministry of “Be big, Be a builder”.

D052 - Amending Canon III.11.8 regarding Objections to Episcopal Elections

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Rev. Chris Wendell

Endorsed by: Ms. Laura Russell, The Rev. Edwin Johnson

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon III.11.8 is hereby amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Sec. 8

a. Within ten days after the election of a Bishop Diocesan, a Bishop Coadjutor, or a Bishop Suffragan by a Diocesan Convention, delegates constituting no less than ten percent of the number of delegates casting votes on the final ballot may file with the Secretary of the Convention written objections to the election process, setting forth in detail all alleged irregularities. Within ten days after receipt thereof, the Secretary of the Convention shall forward copies of the same to the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor and Standing Committee of the Diocese, and to the Presiding Bishop, who shall request the Court of Review to investigate the complaint. The Court of Review may invite response by the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor, the Standing Committee and any other persons within the Diocese for which the Bishop was elected. Within 45 days after receipt of the request, the Court of Review shall send a written report of its findings to the Presiding Bishop, a copy of which report the Presiding Bishop, within fifteen days, shall cause to be sent to the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor, the Standing Committee and the Secretary of the Convention of the electing Diocese. The

Secretary shall send a copy of the report to each of the delegates who filed objection to the election process.

b. The report of the Court of Review shall be sent to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses, with the Certificate of the Secretary of the electing Convention relating to consent to ordain. Likewise, the Presiding Bishop shall include the report in the communication to the Bishops exercising jurisdiction. The 120 day period for Standing Committees and Bishops to consent to the election begins with these communications.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 8

a. Within ten days after the election of a Bishop Diocesan, a Bishop Coadjutor, or a Bishop Suffragan by a Diocesan Convention, delegates constituting no less than ten percent of the number of delegates casting votes on the final ballot may file with the Secretary of the Convention written objections to the election process, setting forth in detail all alleged irregularities. Within ten days after receipt thereof, the Secretary of the Convention shall forward copies of the same to the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor and Standing Committee of the Diocese, and to the Presiding Bishop, who shall request the Court of Review ~~of the Province in which the Diocese is located~~ to investigate the complaint. The Court of Review may invite response by the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor, the Standing Committee and any other persons within the Diocese for which the Bishop was elected. Within ~~thirty~~ 45 days after receipt of the request, the Court of Review shall send a written report of its findings to the Presiding Bishop, a copy of which report the Presiding Bishop, within fifteen days, shall cause to be sent to the Bishop Diocesan, the Chancellor, the Standing Committee and the Secretary of the Convention of the electing Diocese. The Secretary shall send a copy of the report to each of the delegates who filed objection to the election process.

b. The report of the Court of Review shall be sent to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses, with the Certificate of the Secretary of the electing Convention relating to consent to ordain. Likewise, the Presiding Bishop shall include the report in the communication to the Bishops exercising jurisdiction. *The 120 day period for Standing Committees and Bishops to consent to the election begins with these communications.*

D053 - Amend various Canons in Titles IV and V to provide for Notices of Sentences

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Canon Paul Ambos

Endorsed by: Canon Barbara Okamoto Bach, The Rev. Gail Bennett

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon IV.4.1.d is hereby amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 1.d. abide by the requirements of any Sentence pronounced pursuant to an Accord or Order, or any applicable Pastoral Direction, restriction on ministry, or placement on Administrative Leave issued under Canon IV.7;

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.14.8 is hereby amended to add a new subsection c., to read as follows:

c. Following the receipt from the Court of Review of a notice of determination of an appeal of an Order, other than a dismissal of the matter or a direction granting a new hearing, the Bishop Diocesan shall then pronounce Sentence not sooner than twenty-five days following the receipt of the notice of determination of the appeal and not later than forty days following such receipt.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.14.12 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 12. Notice of all Sentences pronounced pursuant to Accords and Orders which have become effective shall be given without delay as follows:

a. In the case of any Accord or Order pertaining to a Priest or Deacon, the Bishop Diocesan shall give notice of the Sentence to every Member of the Clergy in the Diocese, each Vestry in the Diocese, the Secretary of Convention, and the Standing Committee of the Diocese, which shall be added to the official records of the Diocese; to the Presiding Bishop, to all other Bishops of the Church, and where there is no Bishop, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese of the Church; to the President of the House of Deputies; to the Recorder of Ordinations; to the Archives; to the Secretary of the House of Bishops and the Secretary of the House of Deputies; and to the Office for Transition Ministry, which shall insert a copy of the notice of Sentence on the Respondent's OTM Portfolio.

b. In the case of any Accord or Order pertaining to a Bishop, the president of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops shall give notice of the Sentence to the Presiding Bishop, to all other Bishops of the Church, and where there is no Bishop, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese of the Church, to the President of the House of Deputies, to the Recorder of Ordinations, to the Archives, to the Secretary of the House of Bishops and the Secretary of the House of Deputies, to all Archbishops and Metropolitans, to all Presiding Bishops of Churches in full communion with this Church, and to the Office for Transition Ministry, which shall insert a copy of the notice of Sentence on the Respondent's OTM Portfolio.

c. All notices given pursuant to this Canon shall reference the Canon(s), section(s) and subsection(s) specifying the Offense which is the subject of the Accord or Order. In addition to setting forth the Sentence pronounced, the notice shall set forth any other terms of the Accord or Order that are accepted by the Bishop Diocesan or the president of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops which place restrictions upon the exercise of the ministry of the Member of the Clergy.

d. Similar notice shall be given whenever there is any modification or remission of any Sentence for which notice has previously been given pursuant to this Canon.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.17.6 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 6. The provisions of Canons IV.14.1.d and IV.14.6.c pertaining to recommendations that a Respondent be admonished or suspended or deposed from ministry shall not apply where the Respondent is a Bishop. Where the Respondent is a Bishop, an Accord or Order may provide for the admonishment, suspension, or deposition of the Respondent. In such event, the Sentence of admonishment, suspension, or deposition, together with such other terms as may be contained in the Accord or Order, shall be pronounced by the president of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops. The president shall have no discretion to decline to pronounce the Sentence or to pronounce a lesser Sentence. Where an Accord provides for the admonishment, suspension, or deposition of a Respondent who is a Bishop, the

president shall pronounce Sentence within thirty days after the date on which the Conciliator or the president signs the Accord. Where an Order provides for the admonishment, suspension, or deposition of a Respondent who is a Bishop, the president shall pronounce Sentence not sooner than forty days following the issuance of the Order and not later than sixty days following the issuance of the Order. Notwithstanding anything in this section to the contrary, no Sentence shall be pronounced while an appeal of the matter is pending. However, the president may, while an appeal is pending, place restrictions upon the exercise of the Respondent's ministry, or place the Respondent on Administrative Leave, or continue any such restriction or Administrative Leave as was in effect at the time of the issuance of the Order. Following the receipt from the Court of Review for Bishops of a notice of determination of an appeal of an Order, other than a dismissal of the matter or a direction granting a new hearing, the president shall then pronounce Sentence not sooner than twenty-five days following the receipt of the notice of determination of the appeal and not later than forty days following such receipt.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.18 is hereby amended to read as follows:

CANON 18: Of Modification and Remission of Orders *Sentences*

Sec. 1. Any Member of the Clergy who is the subject of a Sentence may apply to the Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese from which the Sentence issued, or the Presiding Bishop in the case of a Bishop, for modification or remission of the Sentence. If the Bishop is satisfied that sufficient reasons exist for granting the modification or remission sought, in whole or in part, the procedures provided in this Canon for modification or remission shall apply.

Sec. 2. In the case of a Sentence pertaining to a Priest or Deacon, any provision of any Sentence other than a Sentence of deposition of the Priest or Deacon may be modified or remitted by the Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese from which the Sentence issued with the advice and consent of two-thirds of the members of the Disciplinary Board.

Sec. 3. In the case of a Sentence of deposition of a Priest or Deacon, such deposition may be remitted and terminated by the Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese from which the Sentence issued only upon the following conditions: a. the remission shall be done with the advice and consent of two-thirds of the members of the Disciplinary Board of the Diocese from which the Sentence issued; b. the proposed remission, with the reasons therefor, shall be submitted to the judgment of five of the Bishops Diocesan whose Dioceses are nearest to the Diocese from which the Sentence issued, and the Bishop Diocesan shall receive in writing from at least four of those Bishops their approval of the remission and their consent thereto; c. if the person deposed maintains legal residence or canonical residence in a Diocese other than the Diocese from which the Sentence issued, the proposed remission, with the reasons therefor, shall be submitted to the judgment of the Bishop(s) Diocesan of the Diocese(s) of legal and canonical residence and such Bishop(s) shall give his or her (or their) written approval of the remission and consent thereto; and d. before such remission, the Bishop Diocesan shall require the person deposed, who desires to be restored to the ordained ministry, to subscribe to the declaration required in Article VIII of the Constitution.

Sec. 4. In the case of a Sentence pertaining to a Bishop, any provision of the Sentence may be modified or remitted by the president of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops with the advice and consent of a majority of the members of the Board and the Bishops who are then serving on the Court of Review.

Sec. 5. In the case of any deposition of a Member of the Clergy for abandoning the Church, no application for remission shall be received by the Bishop Diocesan until the deposed person has lived in lay communion with the Church for not less than one year next preceding application for the remission.

Sec. 6. No Sentence may be modified or remitted unless the Member of the Clergy, the Church Attorney and each Complainant have been afforded sufficient opportunity to be heard by the Disciplinary Board, or the Disciplinary Board together with the Bishops who are then serving on the Court of Review, as the case may be, as to why the proposed modification or remission should or should not be permitted.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.19.3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3. No secular court shall have authority to review, annul, reverse, restrain or otherwise delay any proceeding under this Title. No action shall be brought in any secular court to enforce the terms or provisions of any Accord or Order or Sentence unless otherwise expressly provided therein.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.19.10.f is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 10.f The reasonable costs and expenses of providing Advisors made available by the Bishop Diocesan shall be the obligation of the Diocese in which the matter of Discipline is proceeding unless otherwise provided in a Sentence implementing an Accord or Order. The reasonable costs and expenses of providing Advisors chosen by the Respondent or Complainant and not made available by the Bishop Diocesan shall be the obligation of such Respondent or Complainant unless otherwise provided in a Sentence implementing an Accord or Order.

And be it further

Resolved, That the first sentence of Canon IV.19.23 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 23. Except as expressly provided in this Title, applicable Diocesan Canon, or in a Sentence implementing any Accord or Order, all costs, expenses and fees, if any, shall be the obligation of the party, person or entity incurring them.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.19.26 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 26. Wherever in this Title it is provided that any communication, deliberation, investigation or proceeding shall be confidential, no person having knowledge or possession of confidential information derived from any such communication, deliberation, investigation or proceeding shall disclose the same except as provided in this Title, in any Accord or Order or a Sentence pursuant to such Accord or Order, or as required by any applicable law.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.19.30.b is hereby amended to read as follows:

b. The Bishop Diocesan shall:

1. promptly deliver to The Archives of the Episcopal Church a copy of any Accord or Order which has become effective and any Sentence pronounced thereon and a record of any action of remission or modification of any Sentence, and
2. provide for the permanent preservation of copies of all Accords and Orders and Sentences by means which permit the identification and location of each such copy by the name of the Member of the Clergy who is the subject thereof.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon V.4.1.a.2 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1. a.2 upon any restriction on exercise of ministry, placement on Administrative Leave;, or pronouncement of a Sentence of admonition, suspension, or deposition pursuant to an Order or Accord upon a Member of the Clergy then serving on the body;

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 1.d. abide by the requirements of any applicable ~~Sentence pronounced pursuant to an Accord or Order~~, or any applicable Pastoral Direction, restriction on ministry, or placement on Administrative Leave issued under Canon IV.7;

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.14.8 is hereby amended to add a new subsection (c), to read as follows:

c. Following the receipt from the Court of Review of a notice of determination of an appeal of an Order, other than a dismissal of the matter or a direction granting a new hearing, the Bishop Diocesan shall then pronounce Sentence not sooner than twenty-five days following the receipt of the notice of determination of the appeal and not later than forty days following such receipt.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.14.12 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 12. ~~If there has been no objection by the Respondent or the Church Attorney to the Order(s), notice of~~ *Notice of all Sentences pronounced pursuant to Accords and Orders* which have become effective shall be given without delay as follows:

a. In the case of any Accord or Order pertaining to a Priest or Deacon, the Bishop Diocesan shall give notice of the ~~Accord or Order~~ *Sentence* to every Member of the Clergy in the Diocese, each Vestry in the Diocese, the Secretary of Convention, and the Standing Committee of the Diocese, which shall be added to the official records of the Diocese; to the Presiding Bishop, to all other Bishops of the Church, and where there is no Bishop, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese of the Church; to the President of the House of Deputies; to the Recorder of Ordinations; to the Archives; to the Secretary of the House of Bishops and the Secretary of the House of Deputies; and to the Office of ~~for~~ *Transition Ministry*, which shall insert a copy of the notice of ~~Accord or Order~~, *Sentence* on the Respondent's OTM Portfolio.

b. In the case of any Accord or Order pertaining to a Bishop, the ~~Presiding Bishop~~ *president of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops* shall give notice of the ~~Accord or Order~~ *Sentence* to the *Presiding Bishop, to all other Bishops of the Church, and where there is no Bishop, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese of the Church, to the President of the House of Deputies*, to the Recorder of Ordinations, *to the Archives*, to the Secretary of the House of Bishops *and the Secretary of the House of Deputies*, to all Archbishops and Metropolitans, to all Presiding Bishops of Churches in full communion with this Church, and to the Office of *for* Transition Ministry, which shall insert a copy of the notice of ~~Order or Accord~~, *Sentence* on the Respondent's OTM Portfolio.

c. All notices given pursuant to this Canon shall reference the Canon(s), section(s) and subsection(s) specifying the Offense which is the subject of the Accord or Order. *In addition to setting forth the Sentence pronounced, the notice shall set forth any other terms of the Accord or Order that are accepted by the Bishop Diocesan or the president of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops which place restrictions upon the exercise of the ministry of the Member of the Clergy.*

d. Similar notice shall be given whenever there is any modification or remission of any Order *Sentence* for which notice has previously been given pursuant to this Canon.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.17.6 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 6. The provisions of Canons IV.14.1.d and IV.14.6.c pertaining to recommendations that a Respondent be *admonished* or suspended or deposed from ministry shall not apply where the Respondent is a Bishop. Where the Respondent is a Bishop, an Accord or Order may provide for the *admonishment*, suspension, or deposition of the Respondent. In such event, the Sentence of *admonishment*, suspension, or deposition, *together with such other terms as may be contained in the Accord or Order*, shall be pronounced by the president of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops. The president shall have no discretion to decline to

pronounce the Sentence or to pronounce a lesser Sentence. Where an Accord provides for the *admonishment*, suspension, or deposition of a Respondent who is a Bishop, the president shall pronounce Sentence within thirty days after the date on which the Conciliator or the president signs the Accord. Where an Order provides for the *admonishment*, suspension, or deposition of a Respondent who is a Bishop, the president shall pronounce Sentence not sooner than forty days following the issuance of the Order and not later than sixty days following the issuance of the Order. Notwithstanding anything in this section to the contrary, no Sentence shall be pronounced while an appeal of the matter is pending. However, the president may, while an appeal is pending, place restrictions upon the exercise of the Respondent's ministry, or place the Respondent on Administrative Leave, or continue any such restriction or Administrative Leave as was in effect at the time of the issuance of the Order. *Following the receipt from the Court of Review for Bishops of a notice of determination of an appeal of an Order, other than a dismissal of the matter or a direction granting a new hearing, the president shall then pronounce Sentence not sooner than twenty-five days following the receipt of the notice of determination of the appeal and not later than forty days following such receipt.*

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.18 is hereby amended to read as follows:

CANON 18: Of Modification and Remission of Orders *Sentences*

Sec. 1. Any Member of the Clergy who is the subject of ~~an Order which has become effective~~ a *Sentence* may apply to the Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese from which the ~~Order Sentence~~ issued, or the Presiding Bishop in the case of a Bishop, for modification or remission of the ~~Order Sentence~~. If the Bishop is satisfied that sufficient reasons exist for granting the modification or remission sought, in whole or in part, the procedures provided in this Canon for modification or remission shall apply.

Sec. 2. In the case of ~~an Order~~ a *Sentence* pertaining to a Priest or Deacon, any provision of any ~~Order Sentence~~ other than a ~~provision recommending~~ *Sentence of* deposition of the Priest or Deacon may be modified or remitted by the Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese from which the ~~Order Sentence~~ issued with the advice and consent of two-thirds of the members of the Disciplinary Board.

Sec. 3. In the case of a *Sentence of* deposition of a Priest or Deacon ~~pursuant to an Order~~, such deposition may be remitted and terminated by the Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese from which the ~~Order Sentence~~ issued only upon the following conditions: a. the remission shall be done with the advice and consent of two-thirds of the members of the Disciplinary Board of the Diocese from which the ~~Order Sentence~~ issued; b. the proposed remission, with the reasons therefor, shall be submitted to the judgment of five of the Bishops Diocesan whose Dioceses are nearest to the Diocese from which the ~~Order Sentence~~ issued, and the Bishop Diocesan shall receive in writing from at least four of those Bishops their approval of the remission and their consent thereto; c. if the person deposed maintains legal residence or canonical residence in a Diocese other than the Diocese from which the ~~Order Sentence~~ issued, the proposed remission, with the reasons therefor, shall be submitted to the judgment of the Bishop(s) Diocesan of the Diocese(s) of legal and

canonical residence and such Bishop(s) shall give his or her (or their) written approval of the remission and consent thereto; and d. before such remission, the Bishop Diocesan shall require the person deposed, who desires to be restored to the ordained ministry, to subscribe to the declaration required in Article VIII of the Constitution.

Sec. 4. In the case of ~~an Order~~ *a Sentence* pertaining to a Bishop, any provision of the ~~Order~~ *Sentence* may be modified or remitted by the president of the Disciplinary Board for Bishops with the advice and consent of a majority of the members of the Board and the Bishops who are then serving on the Court of Review.

Sec. 5. In the case of any ~~Order deposing~~ *deposition of* a Member of the Clergy for abandoning the Church, no application for remission shall be received by the Bishop Diocesan until the deposed person has lived in lay communion with the Church for not less than one year next preceding application for the remission.

Sec. 6. No ~~Order~~ *Sentence* may be modified or remitted unless the Member of the Clergy, the Church Attorney and each Complainant have been afforded sufficient opportunity to be heard by the Disciplinary Board, or the Disciplinary Board together with the Bishops who are then serving on the Court of Review, as the case may be, as to why the proposed modification or remission should or should not be permitted.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.19.3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3. No secular court shall have authority to review, annul, reverse, restrain or otherwise delay any proceeding under this Title. No action shall be brought in any secular court to enforce the terms or provisions of any Accord or Order *or Sentence* unless otherwise expressly provided therein.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.19.10.f is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 10.f The reasonable costs and expenses of providing Advisors made available by the Bishop Diocesan shall be the obligation of the Diocese in which the matter of Discipline is proceeding unless otherwise provided in *a Sentence implementing* an Accord or Order. The reasonable costs and expenses of providing Advisors chosen by the Respondent or Complainant and not made available by the Bishop Diocesan shall be the obligation of such Respondent or Complainant unless otherwise provided in *a Sentence implementing* an Accord or Order.

And be it further

Resolved, That the first sentence of Canon IV.19.23 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 23. Except as expressly provided in this Title, applicable Diocesan Canon, or in a *Sentence implementing* any Accord or Order, all costs, expenses and fees, if any, shall be the obligation of the party, person or entity incurring them.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.19.26 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 26. Wherever in this Title it is provided that any communication, deliberation, investigation or proceeding shall be confidential, no person having knowledge or possession of confidential information derived from any such communication, deliberation, investigation or proceeding shall disclose the same except as provided in this Title, in any Accord or Order *or a Sentence pursuant to such Accord or Order*, or as required by any applicable law.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon IV.19.30.b is hereby amended to read as follows:

b. The Bishop Diocesan shall:

1. promptly deliver to The Archives of the Episcopal Church a copy of any Accord or Order which has become effective *and any Sentence pronounced thereon* and a record of any action of remission or modification of any ~~Order-Sentence~~, and
2. provide for the permanent preservation of copies of all Accords and Orders *and Sentences* by means which permit the identification and location of each such copy by the name of the Member of the Clergy who is the subject thereof.

And be it further

Resolved, That Canon V.4.1.a.2 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1.a.2 upon any restriction on exercise of ministry;, placement on Administrative Leave;; *or pronouncement of a Sentence of admonition, suspension, or deposition pursuant to entry* of an Order or Accord, ~~which Order or Accord includes a Sentence of Admonition, Suspension, or Deposition of~~ upon a Member of the Clergy then serving on the body;

D054 - Review of General Convention Locations to Conform to the Church's Position on Women's Reproductive Rights

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Dr. Carolyn Mok

Endorsed by: Ms. Dianne Audrick Smith, Ms. Laura Russell

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added texts.>

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention, meeting in Baltimore, MD calls upon the leadership of the General Convention to consider the relocation of the 81st General Convention currently scheduled to take place in Louisville, KY, as well as all future conventions, to a venue that commits to an “equitable access to women’s health care, including women’s reproductive health care”, which we view as “an integral part of a woman’s struggle to assert her dignity and worth as a human being”; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church, understanding that concerns regarding reproductive justice extend beyond women to include the breadth of our gender diverse community, affords particular attention to the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals in the consideration and selection of all General Convention sites; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church reaffirms its unequivocal opposition to any legislation on the part of national or state governments which would abridge or deny the right of individuals to reach informed decisions about reproductive healthcare and to act upon them.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes to be made.>

That the 80th General Convention, meeting in Baltimore, MD calls upon the leadership of the General Convention to ~~re~~-consider the relocation of the 81st General Convention currently scheduled to take place in Louisville, KY, *as well as all future conventions*, to a venue that commits to an “equitable access to women’s health care, including women’s reproductive health care”, which we view as “an integral part of a woman’s struggle to assert her dignity and worth as a human being”; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church, understanding that concerns regarding reproductive justice extend beyond women to include the breadth of our gender diverse community, affords particular attention to the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals in the consideration and selection of all General Convention sites; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church reaffirms its unequivocal opposition to any legislation on the part of national or state governments which would abridge or deny the right of individuals to reach informed decisions about the termination of pregnancy ~~reproductive~~ **healthcare** and to act upon them.

D055 - Amend Canon I.9.1 to add the Diocese of Cuba

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Yvonne O'Neal

Endorsed by: Canon Paul Ambos, Ms. Wendy Cañas

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon III.9.1 be amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (*****) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>

Sec. 1. Subject to the proviso in Article VII of the Constitution, the Dioceses of this Church shall be and are hereby united into Provinces as follows:

The First Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut.

The Second Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of New York and New Jersey, the Dioceses of Haiti, Cuba, and the Virgin Islands, and the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe.

The Third Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

The Fourth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Louisiana, except for the portion thereof consisting of the Diocese of Western Louisiana.

The Fifth Province shall consist of the Diocese of Missouri, and of the Dioceses within the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin.

The Sixth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Montana, Wyoming, and Colorado.

The Seventh Province shall consist of the Dioceses of Western Louisiana and of West Missouri, and of the Dioceses within the States of Arkansas, Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico.

The Eighth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Idaho, Utah, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California, Arizona, Alaska, and Hawaii, the Diocese of Taiwan and the Area Mission of Navajoland.

The Ninth Province shall consist of the Dioceses of this Church in Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Honduras, Puerto Rico, and Venezuela.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 1. Subject to the proviso in Article VII of the Constitution, the Dioceses of this Church shall be and are hereby united into Provinces as follows:

The First Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut.

The Second Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of New York and New Jersey, the Dioceses of Haiti, *Cuba*, and the Virgin Islands, and the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe.

The Third Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

The Fourth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Louisiana, except for the portion thereof consisting of the Diocese of Western Louisiana.

The Fifth Province shall consist of the Diocese of Missouri, and of the Dioceses within the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin.

The Sixth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Montana, Wyoming, and Colorado.

The Seventh Province shall consist of the Dioceses of Western Louisiana and of West Missouri, and of the Dioceses within the States of Arkansas, Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico.

The Eighth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Idaho, Utah, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California, Arizona, Alaska, and Hawaii, the Diocese of Taiwan and the Area Mission of Navajoland.

The Ninth Province shall consist of the Dioceses of this Church in Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Honduras, Puerto Rico, and Venezuela.

D056 - Amend Canon III.11.9.a to correct cross-reference

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Canon Paul Ambos

Endorsed by: Canon Barbara Okamoto Bach, The Rev. Gail Bennett

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon III.11.9.a.4 be amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

4. When a Diocese desires the ordination of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee shall forward to the Presiding Bishop, in addition to the evidence and testimonials required by Canon III.11.3.a, a certificate of the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the Convention that every requirement of this Section has been complied with.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

4. When a Diocese desires the ordination of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee shall forward to the Presiding Bishop, in addition to the evidence and testimonials required by Canon ~~III.10~~ *III.11.3.a*, a certificate of the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the Convention that every requirement of this Section has been complied with.

D057 - Amend Canon III.5.2 to delete duplicated language

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Canon Paul Ambos

Endorsed by: Canon Barbara Okamoto Bach, The Rev. Gail Bennett

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 02 - Constitution & Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon III.5.2. be amended to read as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 2. No Nominee, Postulant, or Candidate for ordination shall sign any of the certificates required by this Title.

a. Whenever the letter of support of a Vestry is required, the letter must be signed and dated by at least two-thirds of all of the members of the Vestry, at a meeting duly convened, and by the Rector or Priest-in-Charge of the Parish, and attested by the Clerk of the Vestry. Should there be no Rector or Priest-in-Charge, the letter shall be signed by a Priest of the Diocese acquainted with the nominee and the Parish, the reason for the substitution being stated in the attesting clause.

b. If the congregation or other discernment community of which the nominee is a member is not a Parish, the letter of support required by Canon III.6 or Canon III.8 shall be signed and dated by the Member of the Clergy and the council of the congregation or other community of faith, and shall be attested by the secretary of the meeting at which the letter was approved. Should there be no member of the Clergy, the letter shall be signed and dated by a Priest of the Diocese acquainted with the nominee and the congregation or other community of faith, the reason for the substitution being stated in the attesting clause.

c. If the applicant is a member of a Religious Order or Christian Community recognized by Canon III.14, the letters of support referred to in Canon III.5 or Canon III.6 and any other requirements imposed on a congregation or Member of the Clergy may be given by the Superior or person in charge, and Chapter, or other comparable body of the Order or Community.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 2. No Nominee, Postulant, or Candidate for ordination shall sign any of the certificates required by this Title.

~~a. Testimonials required of the Standing Committee by this Title must be signed by a majority of the whole Committee, at a meeting duly convened, except that testimonials may be executed in counterparts, any of which may be delivered by facsimile or other electronic transmission, each of which shall be deemed an original.~~

~~b. a.~~ Whenever the letter of support of a Vestry is required, the letter must be signed and dated by at least two-thirds of all of the members of the Vestry, at a meeting duly convened, and by the Rector or Priest-in-Charge of the Parish, and attested by the Clerk of the Vestry. Should there be no Rector or Priest-in-Charge, the letter shall be signed by a Priest of the Diocese acquainted with the nominee and the Parish, the reason for the substitution being stated in the attesting clause.

~~e. b.~~ If the congregation or other discernment community of which the nominee is a member is not a Parish, the letter of support required by Canon III.6 or Canon III.8 shall be signed and dated by the Member of the Clergy and the council of the congregation or other community of faith, and shall be attested by the secretary of the meeting at which the letter was approved. Should there be no member of the Clergy, the letter shall be signed and dated by a Priest of the Diocese acquainted with the nominee and the congregation or other community of faith, the reason for the substitution being stated in the attesting clause.

~~d. c.~~ If the applicant is a member of a Religious Order or Christian Community recognized by Canon III.14, the letters of support referred to in Canon III.5 or Canon III.6 and any other requirements imposed on a congregation or Member of the Clergy may be given by the Superior or person in charge, and Chapter, or other comparable body of the Order or Community.

D058 - Trial Use of Alternate Liturgy for Good Friday with Revised Passion Gospel

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Mr. Richard Pryor

Endorsed by: The Rev. William Treadwell, The Rev. Megan L. Castellan

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention approve for trial use an Alternate Liturgy for Good Friday with Revised Passion Translation. This service and translations should be made available digitally for use by worshipping communities.

D059 - Give Thanks for the Extraordinary Ministry of Louie Crew Clay

Final Status: Adopted Substitute HoD

Proposed by: The Rev. Cynthia Black

Endorsed by: Canon Jim White, Ms. Laura Russell

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt Substitute

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church give thanks for the extraordinary ministry of Louie Crew Clay (1936-2019); and be it further

Resolved, That we express appreciation for his faithful servant leadership to The Episcopal Church as a deputy to General Convention, member of Executive Council, leader on various interim bodies and task forces; and be it further

Resolved, That we recognize his ability to dialogue with anyone in a loving, non-judgmental manner in moving The Episcopal Church forward on issues regarding LGBTQ+ individuals, even at a personal cost, and his contribution to bringing the LGBTQ+ experience to literature; and be it further

Resolved, That we are grateful to him for bringing internet literacy to The Episcopal Church by maintaining comprehensive websites; and be it further

Resolved, That his leadership in his Diocese and his congregation, service on the Standing Committee, nominating committees, vestries and other commissions is an example to all servant leaders; and be it further

Resolved, That we commend his model of life, ministry, and leadership, which continue to give hope, inspiration, and strength to all of us as we struggle with issues within the Church, "For Joy anyway!"

D060 - Support for LGBTQ Persons Facing Additional Discrimination During COVID-19

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Rev. Cynthia Black

Endorsed by: The Very Rev. Brian Coleman, El Rvdo. Bryan Vélez-Garcia

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 07 - Social Justice & International Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention lament the harm done to LGBTQ persons throughout the world who, during COVID-19 restrictions, have been subjected to torture, humiliation, and scapegoating; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church urge the Office of Global Partnerships, dioceses and congregations throughout The Episcopal Church to condemn this opportunistic discrimination and offer support to partner dioceses, including through working with affirming organizations, to help those persons who have suffered, and continue to suffer, harm.

D061 - Authorize Rite I in Contemporary Language for Trial Use

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Rev. Emily Mellott

Endorsed by: The Rev. Canon Scott Gunn, The Rev. Laurie Brock

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize The Holy Eucharist: Rite I in contemporary language for trial use throughout this church as a proposed revision to The Book of Common Prayer pursuant to Article X b. of the Constitution; and be it further

Resolved, That the period of trial use for this liturgy shall extend until the completion of the next comprehensive revision of The Book of Common Prayer; and be it further

Resolved, That The Holy Eucharist: Rite I (contemporary language) be provided to the church at no cost via electronic distribution and be translated into such languages as the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music may deem appropriate; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music be directed to develop a process for evaluation of the use of The Holy Eucharist: Rite I (contemporary language) among the dioceses and congregations of this church.

D062 - Affirm Flexibility of Idiom for Authorized Liturgies

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Rev. Canon Scott Gunn

Endorsed by: The Rev. Emily Mellott, The Rev. David Sibley, The Rev. Laurie Brock

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize that in any gathering for worship of a congregation or worshiping body within this Church, any of the liturgies or elements of liturgies published in a Rite One idiom may be conformed to the contemporary idiom for inclusion in the context of a Rite Two service; and be it further

Resolved, That this authorization expands the existing provision in The Book of Common Prayer which allows Rite Two material to be conformed to Rite One idiom, in order to allow for the broad use and interchangeability of all liturgical texts provided in The Book of Common Prayer; and be it further;

Resolved, That this authorization applies to services in any language into which the Book of Common Prayer has been translated for the use by this Church.

D063 - Support for Truth to Confront Misinformation and Violence

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Canon Barbara Okamoto Bach

Endorsed by: Mr. Joe McDaniel, Ms. Dianne Audrick Smith, The Rev. Daniel Vélez-Rivera

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church affirm that God's Beloved Community will be realized by seeking and serving Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself, striving for justice and peace among all people, and respecting the dignity of every human being; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention commit The Episcopal Church to denounce false statements that inflame division and stoke hatred and violence by standing against the spread of false information by media platforms and calling for its members to interrupt and correct lies that may endanger lives; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church support public policies that call for combating media misinformation and hateful speech and provide educational resources to identify misinformation on all platforms; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church support legislative acts that include public education teaching an accurate and complete history of all peoples who make up this country; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct, consistent with established policies and procedures, refer this Resolution to the Office of Government Relations, so that it may take all actions necessary to accomplish the intentions and purposes of this Resolution.

D064 - Endorse and Encourage Green Deal Legislation

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Mr. Richard Pryor

Endorsed by: Deputy Nathan Brown, The Rev. Jordan Trumble

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 20 - Environmental Stewardship & Care of Creation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church acknowledges our planet's continued descent into climate chaos, including our projected arrival to 1.5 degrees Celsius of warming above pre-industrial levels, the target limit set out in the Paris Climate Accords within the next few decades; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church recognizes that our projected arrival at 1.5 degrees Celsius may lead to a 2 degree Celsius warming beyond pre-industrialized levels which would cause mass migration, a loss of coral reefs, increased exposure to deadly heat stress, and significant damage to public infrastructure; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention direct the Office of Government Relations and urge all Episcopalians to advocate for our governments to address environmental and ecological issues, not least the Green New Deal and other associated "Green Deals," to be defined as "broad and ambitious packages of new policies and investments in communities, infrastructure, and technology to help communities, regions, and nations achieve environmental sustainability and economic stability"; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church call on all elected and appointed officials to advocate for policies to combat climate change, not least the Green New Deal and other associated "Green Deals" in states and local areas; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention charges the dioceses and parishes of The Episcopal Church with advocating for those same policies in their communities and states; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention direct the Office of Government Relations and urge all Episcopalians to support regulation of major polluting industries, including cryptocurrencies, industry, and agriculture, as well as transitioning to a green economy; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention charge the House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church to add a question to the Parochial Report regarding how each parish is reducing their carbon footprint and to share those results as a whole with the Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention charges the dioceses and parishes of The Episcopal Church with taking concrete actions to reduce the effects of climate change; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention directs the Executive Council and the Standing Committee on Structure, Governance, Constitution, and Canons to study and consider the possibility of adding portions relating to environmental stewardship in the Canons of the Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention transmit a message to each diocese of The Episcopal Church with a copy of this resolution before each Diocesan Convention following the 80th General Convention.

D065 - Adding Matthew Shepard to the Sanctoral Calendar

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Dr. Adam Hamilton-Ferguson

Endorsed by: Deputy Nathan Brown, The Rev. RJ Powell

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church add Matthew Shepard to the Sanctoral Calendar, using his death date (12 October).

D066 - Addressing restrictions on access to gender affirming care

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Evangeline Warren

Endorsed by: Mr. Alan Murray, Ms. Dianne Audrick Smith

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention celebrates the diversity of human experience, recognizing that we are all made in the image of God; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention calls for the Episcopal Church to advocate for access to gender affirming care in all forms (social, medical, or any other) and at all ages as part of our Baptismal call to “respect the dignity of every human being”; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention affirms that all Episcopalians should be able to partake in gender affirming care with no restriction on movement, autonomy, or timing; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention understands that the protection of religious liberty extends to all Episcopalians who may need or desire to access, to utilize, to aid others in the procurement of, or to offer gender affirming care; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention supports public policies at the local, state, and national levels in all our countries to support gender affirming care.

D067 - Addressing the loss of civil rights

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: Ms. Evangeline Warren

Endorsed by: Ms. Hanh Tran, Ms. Dianne Audrick Smith

Supported by: Nathan Brown

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention denounces the ongoing dissolution of civil rights in the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church commits to hosting Conventions, conferences, and other church wide events in locations where the state and local jurisdictions do not infringe upon the rights and dignity of all attendees, regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, race, class, immigration status, or creed; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church enter into contracts with venues whose policies are aligned with the resolutions of General Convention, with specific, but not exclusive, attention to gender identity, race, sexual orientation, and immigration status.

D068 - Biblical Standard of the Tithe

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Mr. Randy Winn

Endorsed by: Mr. Kevin Babb, Mr. Gerry Smith

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 18 - Stewardship & Socially Responsible Investing

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church hereby commends the Biblical standard of the tithe to all Episcopalians as an essential element of being faithful Christians, and that the 80th General Convention encourages all Episcopalians who have not yet adopted the tithe as part of their personal financial commitment to God to move toward the tithe with all deliberate speed by giving to God a larger percentage of their income in each of the next two years with the firm purpose of achieving the tithe by the next General Convention and that General Convention expects God to pour out blessings upon God's faithful people as they put God to the test in the matter of the tithe, as promised in Malachi chapter 3 verse 10.

D069 - Land Acknowledgment and Beloved Community

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Ms. Minnie Steele

Endorsed by: The Ven. Paul Sneve, The Rev. Michael Sells

Supported by: The Very Rev. Paul Lebens Englund, The People of Color Caucus

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That all Cathedrals of The Episcopal Church seek the truth by educating themselves in the history of the land they reside on, admit the egregious sins committed by The Episcopal Church against the Indigenous people. Publish their Land Acknowledgement every Sunday as we seek to be The Beloved Community.

D070 - Addressing Inequities in the Quality of Life of Native Peoples

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Betsy Ridge Madsen

Endorsed by: Mr. Billy Boyce, The Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the General Convention directs the Office of Government Relations to advocate for legislation, funding, and services which address the inequities in healthcare, housing, nutrition, and education affecting the quality of life of Native Peoples; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church also seeks to address the issue that American Indians/Alaska Natives/Native Hawaiians also face much higher rates of poverty, incarceration, and unemployment than the total population; and be it further

Resolved, That congregations and dioceses educate themselves on the inequities and engage in local and state advocacy.

D071 - Refer the NET (2019) translation of the Bible to the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music for Review

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: The Rev. Dr. Robert Prichard

Endorsed by: Mr. J. P. Causey, The Rev. Nina Vest Salmon

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 12 - Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That in accordance with Title II, Canon 2.2. the NET translation of the Bible (2019 edition) be referred to the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music for review (using the Criteria for Recommending New Biblical Translations for Use in Public Worship) for possible inclusion in Canon II.2.1.

D072 - Resolution on Gender and Sexuality Training

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Ven. Jan Grinnell

Endorsed by: Ms. Cindy Smith, The Rev. Courtney Jones, Ms. Sinead Doherty, Dr. Adam Hamilton-Ferguson

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$35,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention address the urgent need for gender and sexuality training in our church on all levels; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize the use of, and adopt as an official training resource, the Safe Zone Project no-cost 2-hour foundational curriculum; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church will provide virtual training for at least one representative from each of the Dioceses in the adopted program to train-the-trainers on a diocesan level; and be it further

Resolved, That each participating Diocese will oversee and document the training of all clergy, Bishops, ordinands, and lay leaders and will issue certificates to participants who successfully complete this training, with training to begin by the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the reporting of gender and sexuality training by participating dioceses to The Episcopal Church be included on the Diocesan Parochial Report as is the practice for other trainings such as Safe Church and Anti-Racism; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$35,000 to fund the virtual training of the diocesan trainers.

D073 - Task Force to Study Household & Relationship Diversity

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: The Rev. RJ Powell

Endorsed by: Mr. Alan Murray, Dr. Adam Hamilton-Ferguson, Ms. Sinead Doherty

Requests New Interim Body: Yes

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$50,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention acknowledge that by our Baptism Episcopalians and all Christians are “[received] into the household of God”(BCP 308) and that all are called to reflect that household in the patterning of our own families; and that all clergy are called to “pattern [their] life [and...household...] in accordance with the teachings of Christ so that [they] may be a wholesome example to all people” (BCP 544); and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention acknowledge that many diverse types of families and households exist among members across the Episcopal Church, both laity and clergy; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention authorize a Task Force on Relationship Diversity to create opportunities for discussion, reflection and deepening of understanding about existing diversity of family relationships & households among congregations, dioceses and throughout the Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That this Task Force shall engage in prayer, review, and theological study around the diverse types of families, households, and relationships represented among members of this Church, paying particular attention to areas of significant and continuing change in recent years; and be it further

Resolved, That the President of the House of Deputies and the Presiding Bishop, appoint 15 persons to include 3 bishops, 4 priests or deacons, and 8 laypersons, with

members to include a geographically diverse representation from the Church mindful to include younger generations, people of color, LGBTQ+ people, native persons, and persons with experience in a variety of household structures; and be it further

Resolved, **That this Task Force submit an interim report to the 81st General Convention; and be it further**

Resolved, **That the Task Force shall recommend to the 82nd General Convention and to the Episcopal Church resources for engaging in conversation, in recognition of the recent and emerging changes in household, family and relationship structures among members of this Church, around the ways in which diverse configurations of families and households may pattern themselves in accordance with the teachings of Christ as members of the Household of God, and the ways in which churches, congregations and dioceses may support such families and households in their Christian lives; and be it further**

Resolved, **That this Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$50,000.00 for the implementation of this resolution, with \$20,000.00 allocated for the first triennium of the task force's existence and \$30,000.00 for the second triennium.**

D074 - Examine the Complicity of The Episcopal Church in Facilitating Forced Adoptions

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Mr. Alan Murray

Endorsed by: The Rev. José Rodríguez-Sanjuro, The Rev. Daniel Robayo

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$40,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church acknowledges the forced adoption era, which is defined as the time between the end of World War II through 1972 when single pregnant women were sequestered in maternity homes, many of which coerced them to surrender their children for adoption; run by The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church acknowledges the emotional and psychological pain caused by these forced adoptions, and the emotional, psychological, and sometimes, physical abuse inflicted on these mothers and their children, most of whom were forcefully isolated from family, friends and society; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church requests the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church appoint a working group to study the historical and current relationship of The Episcopal Church to the forced relinquishment and adoption of infants born to unwed mothers during the years between approximately 1945 to 1975, in order to achieve greater clarity on their respective role, responsibility and authority; and be it further

Resolved, That this working group investigates The Episcopal Church's complicity, including its charitable arms' and their roles in facilitating the forced relinquishment of infants born to unwed mothers during the aforementioned years; and that this working group be composed

of bishop, clergy (priests and deacons) and lay members. The overall composition of this working group shall include women, members of LGBT community, people of color with geographical diversity and at least 5 members who are mothers of adoption loss, adult adoptees of all gender; and be it further

Resolved, That this working group works in consultation with individuals and organizations of mothers who lost infants to forced adoptions, and that the information gathering be used as the foundation for truth telling, confession, apology, repentance and reconciliation to facilitate inter-generational healing for mothers and families separated by forced adoption; and be it further

Resolved, That this working group of the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church submits its findings and recommendations to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church support public policies that calls for legislatures to investigate incidents of forced adoption and to enact policies that respect the rights and dignity of mothers of adoption loss and adoptees; and be it further

Resolved, That the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to allocate a budget of \$40,000 for the implementation of this resolution and to dedicate staff resources which may include, but not limited to the staff position proposed in resolution A063 Creation of a Director of Women's Ministries.

D075 - Give Thanks for the Remarkable Ministry of Marge Christie

Final Status: Adopted with Amendment HoD

Proposed by: The Rev. Cynthia Black

Endorsed by: Ms. Laura Russell, Ms. Katie Sherrod

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt with Amendment

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church gives thanks for the remarkable ministry of Marge Christie (1929-2019) and her leadership in The Episcopal Church, the Diocese of Newark, and the wider Anglican Communion; and be it further

Resolved, That we recognize the life and witness of Marge Christie, a faithful and exemplary lay woman who, because of her grounding in the Baptismal Covenant and through collaboration, coalition- building across orders, and determination, helped make possible the full inclusion of women in the life and ministry of The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That we are grateful for her willingness to mentor and her ability to empower younger generations; and be it further

Resolved, That we acknowledge her work to bring equality and justice to every part of the Church.

D076 - Addressing the Ongoing Harm of Crisis Pregnancy Centers

Final Status: Not Concurred

Proposed by: Mr. Alan Murray

Endorsed by: Canon Barbara Okamoto Bach, Ms. Hanh Tran, Deputy Nathan Brown

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Not Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention denounces the work of Crisis Pregnancy Centers, also known as Pregnancy Resource Centers; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention apologizes for the Church's previous support of Crisis Pregnancy Centers as detailed in Resolution 1994-D105.

D077 - Reaffirm and Commit to the Goal of a Permanent Location of an Archives for the Episcopal Church

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: Ms. Pan Adams-McCaslin

Endorsed by: Ms. Margaret Porter, Prof. Lawrence Hitt II

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 17 - Agencies & Boards

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention commend the work of the Episcopal Archives staff for transferring more than 60 years of physical holdings from the Seminary of the Southwest to an interim location in Austin during the pandemic, at the same time maintaining the digital archive and providing research assistance to all who requested it; and be it further

Resolved, That General Convention recognize the current relocation is an interim solution only and the need for a permanent historical records depository and research center remains a priority for the Church, recognizing that the Executive Council first identified this need in a resolve of February 2001 and General Convention reaffirmed the work to find a permanent center in both 2006-A143 and 2012-A162; that General Convention recognize property bought in Austin Texas for a possible Archives site was sold by the church in 2020, recognizing a net gain of over \$20 million for the church, to be administered by Executive Council; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention reaffirm the need for a permanent location of the Archives and authorize the Board of the Archives, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, and with the aid of prudently selected individuals and advisory bodies, to investigate, evaluate, and adopt a plan for the location of The Archives of the Episcopal Church to an appropriate and accessible site within the United States, adequate for the present and future needs of the historical records of this Church, as contemplated by Canon

1.5 and described in Keeping Archives, Keeping Faith: Archives Board Report to Executive Council (June 2019).

The study to be completed by 2025; Funding for the recommendation of a site and for the move to a permanent location be utilized by funds realized by the 2020 sale of land acquired by Executive Council for this purpose in Austin.;

D078 - Express Appreciation for the Work and Ministry of Mark J. Duffy, Canonical Archivist and Director of The Episcopal Church Archives 1992-2022

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: Ms. Pan Adams-McCaslin

Endorsed by: Ms. Margaret Porter, Prof. Lawrence Hitt II

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the the 80th General Convention conveys its deep affection, utmost gratitude, and thanksgiving to Mark J. Duffy for his thirty-year ministry as Canonical Archivist of the Episcopal Church and as Director of The Episcopal Church Archives; and be it further

Resolved, That we recognize his instrumental role in expanding the holdings of the Archives and establishing its website, digital archive, and social media platform in collaboration with a small but devoted and dedicated staff and the Board of the Archives; and be it further

Resolved, That we give thanks for efforts over the past decade to envision and secure a new permanent home for the Archives, and in the last year his efforts overseeing the transfer of the Archives to a temporary location in the midst of a worldwide pandemic; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church extends best wishes to Mark J. Duffy on his retirement from a ministry carried out with exemplary dedication, energy, grace, humor, integrity, prayer, knowledge, and skill.

D079 - 80th Anniversary Programs Honoring Florence Li Tim-Oi

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Mr. Warren Wong

Endorsed by: The Rev. Fennie Hsin-Fen Chang, Ms. Yvonne O'Neal, The Rev. Dr. Cameron Partridge

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 05 - World Mission

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church affirms Resolution A098 (GC 2003) which began the commemoration of January 24 - Ordination of Florence Li Tim-Oi, First Woman Priest in the Anglican Communion, 1944 for inclusion in the Calendar of the Church Year and authorized trial use; and be it further

Resolved, That Resolution A059 (GC 2006) finally approved and entered Florence Li Tim-Oi in the Calendar of the Church Year and in future revisions of Lesser Feast and Fasts; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th Anniversary of Blessed Florence Li Tim-Oi's vocation to the priesthood will take place on January 25, 2024; and be it further

Resolved, That this General Convention acknowledges churchwide programs in celebration of the 80th Anniversary between The Episcopal Church and other Provinces of the Anglican Communion in partnership around formation, theological education, and open cultural exchanges; and be it further

Resolved, That our principles and practices strive towards mutuality of relationships in our mission, ministries, and outreach.

D080 - Building Community to Discern and Call Episcopal Leadership in the Episcopal Church on Navajoland

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: The Rev. Leon Sampson

Endorsed by: The Rev. Cathlena Plummer, Ms. GJ Gordy

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$50,000.00

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 10 - Congregational & Diocesan Vitality

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention reaffirms its “readiness to affirm the election and consecration as Bishop someone so called and nominated by The Episcopal Church in Navajoland,” as outlined by the 69th General Convention in Resolution 1988-B003; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention affirms the efforts of The Episcopal Church on Navajoland to establish its own rules and procedures for a process of discernment for the calling of a bishop that reflects the values, teachings, and traditions of the Diné; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons to study and evaluate means by which The Episcopal Church in Navajoland, an Area Mission, could participate in the selection, election, or consent to a Bishop for The Episcopal Church in Navajoland, within the provisions of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, including but not limited to a process by which the House of Bishops shall assign a bishop who is discerned and called by The Episcopal Church on Navajoland, subject to the rules and procedures it adopts; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission develop and present to the 81st General Convention any and all amendments to the Constitution and Canons that it deems

necessary and appropriate to honor the voice of the people of The Episcopal Church in Navajoland, to empower them in the selection of a Bishop for Navajoland, and to help them build partnerships across The Episcopal Church in their discernment and calling of episcopal leadership; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons collaborate with The Episcopal Church in Navajoland in all aspects of this work.**

D081 - Diversity in the Episcopate and Diocesan Staff Leadership

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Mr. Jon Rania

Endorsed by: The Rev. RJ Powell, Ms. Sinead Doherty

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 13 - Committees & Commissions

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: Yes

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention reaffirm that God calls a great diversity of people to the episcopate and to the ministries of diocesan staff leadership, across lines of ethnicity, gender, and sexual orientation; and be it further

Resolved, That this convention create a task force on diversification of the episcopate and diocesan staff leadership; and be it further

Resolved, That the President of the House of Deputies and the Presiding Bishop appoint 15 persons to include 4 bishops, 4 priests or deacons, and 7 laypersons, with members to include a geographically and ethnically diverse representation from the Church mindful to include younger generations and LGBTQ people; and be it further;

Resolved, That the Task Force report to the 81st General Convention with recommendations to the Episcopal Church for increasing diversity, particularly among women, People of Color, and LGBTQ people within the episcopate and in positions of leadership on diocesan staff in the dioceses of this Church.

D082 - Addressing the High Rates of Missing and Murdered Indigenous and All Women and Girls of Color

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Betsy Ridge Madsen

Endorsed by: The Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman, The Rev. H. Mark Smith, Mr. Billy Boyce

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church recognizes the neglected epidemic of missing women and girls within the population of indigenous and all women and girls of color and views with alarm that the incidence of missing women and girls continues to grow; be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church recognizes the detrimental effects and suffering that results from the disparity of attention and care directed towards indigenous and all women and girls of color; and be it further

Resolved, That The Episcopal Church commends the recent efforts taken by the government to bring awareness to and address the issue of missing and murdered women and girls; and be it further

Resolved, That congregations and dioceses learn about this important issue and engage in related local and state advocacy; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention directs the Office of Government Relations to support legislation directing the federal government to address gaps in care, protection, and data collection meant to address the high rates of missing indigenous and all women and girls of color.

D083 - Addressing the erosion of reproductive rights and autonomy

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ms. Evangeline Warren

Endorsed by: Mr. Alan Murray, Ms. Dianne Audrick Smith, Ms. Linda Watson-Lorde, Ms. Hanh Tran

Supported by: Nathan Brown

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 08 - Social Justice & United States Policy

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention recognizes that pregnancy and childbirth are dangerous undertakings that risk permanent disability and death for those who bear children; and be it further

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church reaffirms that parenthood “should be initiated only advisedly and in full accord with this understanding of the power to conceive and give birth which is bestowed by God” (1988-C047); and be it further;

Resolved, That the Episcopal Church recognizes that access to abortion is a key element in preserving the health, independence, and autonomy of those who can bear children; and be it further;

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention affirms that all Episcopalians should be able to access abortion services and birth control with no restriction on movement, autonomy, type, or timing; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention understands that the protection of religious liberty extends to all Episcopalians who may need or desire to access, to utilize, to aid others in the procurement of, or to offer abortion services.

D084 - Resolution to Amend Canon III.9, Sec. 8

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: The Rev. Canon Victoria Heard

Endorsed by: The Rev. Canon Jordan Hylden, The Rev. Dr. Matthew S.C. Olver, The Rev. Rebecca Tankersley, Ms. Lee Spence, Mrs. Jolayne LaCour, Mr. William Murchison

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That Canon III. 9. Sec. 8 be hereby amended as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Sec. 8

On reaching the age seventy-five years, a Priest shall resign from all positions in this Church, and the resignation shall be accepted.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Sec. 8

On reaching the age of ~~seventy-two years~~ *seventy-five years*, a Priest shall resign from all positions in this Church, and the resignation shall be accepted.

D085 - Spanish grammatical conventions in official communications and liturgy

Final Status: Rejected

Proposed by: The Rev. Daniel Robayo

Endorsed by: The Rev. Robert Alves, The Rev. Paul Canady, Ms. Megan Carlson, Ms. Alice Freeman

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Reject

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church require when Spanish is used in official communications and liturgies, that it be done in accordance with the grammatical conventions of the Spanish-speaking community as endorsed by the Royal Spanish Academy and the Association of Academies of the Spanish Language.

D086 - Honoring The Rev. Dr. Fran Yee Toy

Final Status: Adopted with Amendment HoD

Proposed by: The Rev. Debra Low-Skinner

Endorsed by: Mr. Warren Wong, Ms. Hanh Tran

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 24 - Privilege & Courtesy/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt with Amendment

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies of the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church commends the ministry of The Reverend Dr. Fran Yee Toy, as both a lay leader and the first Asian American woman ordained as a priest (1985) in The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, That we acknowledge that in her role as the Church Divinity School of the Pacific Director of Alumni/ae and Student Affairs, she mentored, provided pastoral care and helped deploy many of its graduates into positions throughout The Episcopal Church and mentored many women clergy throughout their ministries; and be it further

Resolved, That we acknowledge her leadership gifts as a Deputy to General Convention and her service on the Executive Council, CREDO Faculty, and President of the Episcopal Asiamerica Ministry Council; and be it further

Resolved, That this House of Deputies honors her long career of ministry as a trailblazer and blesses her with continued good health along with the best wishes from the members of the General Convention.

D087 - Delete Canon III.15 Of the General Board of Examining Chaplains

Final Status: Concurred with Referral to an Interim Body

Proposed by: Mr. Adam Lees

Endorsed by: Ms. Alice Holinger, The Rev. Mary Norton

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur with Referral to an Interim Body

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

<The text to be deleted can be found after the *****>

Resolved, That Canon III.15 is hereby deleted; and be it further

Resolved, That the subsequent canons in Title III be renumbered as appropriate; and be it further

Resolved, That bishops, commissions on ministry, and standing committees be encouraged to consider successful completion of a program of study approved by the Bishop at an accredited Episcopal seminary as *prima facie* evidence of proficiency of the subjects outlined in Canon III.8.5.g.

Canon 15: Of the General Board of Examining Chaplains

~~**Sec. 1.** There shall be a General Board of Examining Chaplains, consisting of four Bishops, six Priests with pastoral cures or in specialized ministries, six members of accredited Seminary faculties or of other educational institutions, and six Lay Persons. The members of the Board shall be elected by the House of Bishops and confirmed by the House of Deputies, one-half of the members in each of the foregoing categories being elected and~~

confirmed at each regular meeting of the General Convention for a term of two Convention periods. They shall take office at the adjournment of the meeting of the General Convention at which their elections are confirmed, and shall serve until the adjournment of the second regular meeting thereafter. No member shall serve more than 12 years consecutively. Additionally, the Presiding Bishop, in consultation with the Chair of the Board, may appoint up to four other members for a term. The House of Bishops, at any special meeting that may be held prior to the next meeting of the General Convention, shall fill for the unexpired portion of the term any vacancy that may have arisen in the interim. The Board shall elect its own Chair and Secretary, and shall have the power to constitute committees necessary for the carrying on of its work.

Sec. 2.

(a) The General Board of Examining Chaplains, with professional assistance, shall prepare at least annually a General Ordination Examination covering the subject matter set forth in Canon III.8.5.g, and shall conduct, administer, and evaluate it in respect to those Candidates for Holy Orders who have been identified to the Board by their several Bishops.

(b) Whenever a Candidate has not demonstrated proficiency in any one or more of the canonical areas covered by the General Ordination Examination, the General Board of Examining Chaplains shall recommend to the Commission on Ministry, and through the Commission to the Board of Examining Chaplains, if one exists, of the Diocese to which the Candidate belongs, how the proficiencies might be attained.

Sec. 3. The General Board of Examining Chaplains may prepare, in each Convention period, guidelines based upon the subjects contained in Canon III.8.5.g, which guidelines shall be available to all persons concerned.

Sec. 4. The General Board of Examining Chaplains shall promptly report, in writing, to the Candidate, to the Candidate's Bishop and to the Dean of the Seminary the Candidate is attending, the results of all examinations held by them, together with the examinations themselves, whether satisfactory or unsatisfactory, making separate reports upon each person examined. The Bishop shall transmit these reports to the Standing Committee and to the Commission. Notwithstanding the results of the examinations, in no case shall the Standing Committee recommend a Candidate for Ordination under Canon III.8 until the Standing Committee has received from the Commission on Ministry a certificate to the effect that the Candidate has demonstrated a proficiency in all subjects required by Canon III.8.5.g and h.

The report of the Board shall be made in the following form:

To _____ (Candidate), the Right Reverend _____,
Bishop of _____ (or in the absence of the Bishop the Standing
Committee of) _____: (Place) _____ (Date)

To the Dean of (Place) _____: (Date) _____

~~We, having been assigned as examiners of A.B., hereby testify that we have examined A.B. upon the subject matter prescribed in Canon III.8. Sensible of our responsibility, we give our judgment as follows: (Here specify the proficiency of A.B. in the subject matter appointed, or any deficiency therein, as made apparent by the examination.~~

~~(Signed) _____~~

~~Sec. 5. The General Board of Examining Chaplains shall make a report concerning its work to each regular meeting of the General Convention, and in years between meetings of the General Convention shall make a report to the House of Bishops.~~

D088 - Development of Digital and Evangelism Resources

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: The Rev. Everett Lees

Endorsed by: Fr. Chas Marks, Mr. Andy Richardson

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$150,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 11 - Evangelism & Church Planting

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention request Forward Movement to develop digital resources for evangelism and discipleship; and be it further

Resolved, That \$150,000 be budgeted for Forward Movement to develop digital resources for evangelism and discipleship in English and all other languages possible, not simply a translation, but in culturally relevant terms appropriate for the population which shall be provided to the church free of charge; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$150,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

D089 - Equitable Access to General Convention for Non-Domestic Diocese Deputies

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Rev. José Rodríguez-Sanjuro

Endorsed by: Mr. Joe McDaniel, The Rev. Daniel Vélez-Rivera, Ms. Wendy Cañas

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church directs the Executive Council to find ways to assist deputies and alternates from non-domestic dioceses who are not citizens or eligible nationals of a Visa Waiver Program country obtain U.S. visas and subsidize the costs of obtaining visas for deputies and alternates to the General Convention to enter the United States.

D090 - The Church's Teaching on Racism

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: The Rev. José Rodríguez-Sanjuro

Endorsed by: Mr. Joe McDaniel, Ms. Wendy Cañas, The Rev. Daniel Vélez-Rivera

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church reaffirms previous General Convention resolutions on racism and that these shall be considered part of the Church's teaching on racism; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention thanks the House of Bishops Theology Committee for the teachings on racism and white supremacy and commends them to the church for study and action; and be it further

Resolved, That the Church's Christian principles to guide responses to human migration (2018-D009) and all previous General Convention resolutions concerning migrants and migration shall be part of the Church's teaching on racism; and be it further

Resolved, That racism, racially-biased behavior, and teaching contrary to the Church's teaching on racism is an anathema to the Church.

D091 - Defining Equal Place in the Life of the Church

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: The Rev. José Rodríguez-Sanjuro

Endorsed by: Mr. Joe McDaniel, Ms. Wendy Cañas, The Rev. Daniel Vélez-Rivera

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 10 - Congregational & Diocesan Vitality

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church affirms that an "equal place" protects the rights of all in the life, worship, governance, and employment of the church, including the rights of laity to participate fully in church-wide and diocesan bodies as provided by the Constitution and Canons of the Episcopal Church and of individual dioceses; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses are directed to conduct an internal review that they are in full compliance with Canon I.17.5; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses shall ensure that the rights of the laity are affirmed and respected in all diocesan bodies; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses are encouraged to ensure that all lay appointments and assignments (non-elected) to diocesan-wide bodies represent the diocese's racial and ethnic diversity; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses are encouraged to promote the participation of underrepresented lay groups in elections to diocesan-wide bodies; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses are encouraged to ensure that accommodations are granted on equal terms to lay and clerical members of diocesan-wide bodies; and be it further

Resolved, That church-wide bodies are encouraged to ensure that laity has an equal voice in church-wide leadership, except as otherwise specified by Canons; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses are encouraged to ensure that diocesan-wide bodies ensure that equal voice is given to the laity, except as otherwise specified by Canons; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses are encouraged to proactively address barriers or other inequalities that discourage or prevent lay participation in the diocesan-wide elections; and be it further

Resolved, That dioceses are encouraged to ensure that resources are granted on equal terms to lay and clerical members of diocesan-wide bodies.

D092 - Concerning the Exclusion of Same-Sex Spouses of Bishops from Lambeth Conference 2022

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: The Very Rev. Brian Coleman

Endorsed by: Ms. Terry Noble, Mr. Jeff Diehl, Mr. Scott Haight, The Rev. Dr. Cameron Partridge

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 04 - Governance & Structure

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention express to the Most Reverend and Right Honorable Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury, its dismay at the decision to exclude same-sex spouses of LGBTQ+ bishops from participating in Lambeth Conference 2022; and be it further

Resolved, That we deeply regret that the exclusion of same-sex spouses of bishops sends a message to LGBTQ+ people around the world that the Church does not appreciate the value of the gift of God's LGBTQ children, and that their families, relationships, and experiences are invalid, shameful and wrong; and be it further

Resolved, That we implore the Archbishop of Canterbury to consider the devastating emotional impact on bishops and their spouses, knowing that other bishops will be able to share in the conference with their opposite-sex spouses while LGBTQ+ bishops and their spouses face exclusion and discrimination; and be it further

Resolved, That we call on the Archbishop of Canterbury to acknowledge the value and benefit of diversity and the inclusion of LGBTQ+ bishops and their families for the good of the Body of Christ whose members cannot faithfully say "I have no need of you."

D093 - Broad Representation in Discernment Processes

Final Status: Concurred as Substituted

Proposed by: Mrs. Heather Rodriguez

Endorsed by: The Rev. José Rodríguez-Sanjuro, Mr. Joe McDaniel, Ms. Wendy Cañas, The Rev. Daniel Vélez-Rivera

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention acknowledges the hurt, pain, and unequal treatment of any historically marginalized persons in The Episcopal Church in past and current discernment processes leading to ordination and in episcopal election processes; and be it further

Resolved, That in the process of discernment for ordination as Deacon or Priest, dioceses are expected to ensure that persons nominated have access to companions who are competent in the race, ethnicity, culture, and background of the person nominated, and who are knowledgeable concerning the discernment process and the applicable canons regarding formation and ordination; and be it further

Resolved, That in the discernment of the vocation of a Bishop through election in accordance with the rules prescribed by the Convention of the Diocese, dioceses are expected to ensure that equal accommodation is made for the participation of all persons entitled to vote in the election.

D094 - Reaffirming the Role of Ethnic Ministries

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Mrs. Heather Rodriguez

Endorsed by: The Rev. José Rodríguez-Sanjuro, Mr. Joe McDaniel, The Rev. Daniel Vélez-Rivera, Ms. Wendy Cañas

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 09 - Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church reaffirms the role of our multicultural ministries in the life of the Church and resolves to strengthen them and affirm evangelistic work among diverse ethnic groups; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention reaffirms all prior resolutions concerning ethnic ministries and resolves that the principles inherent in prior resolutions concerning particular ethnic groups apply to all ethnic and underrepresented groups; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention reaffirms the Church's work and commitment to minority and ethnic ministry and its work to underrepresented and vulnerable groups; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention reaffirms all church-wide and diocesan bodies for ethnic congregational development and continues to support empowerment programs for ethnic and racial minorities and underrepresented groups; and be it further.

Resolved, That all previous General Convention resolutions supporting ethnic and minority ministries shall be considered part of the Church's anti-racism and evangelistic work; and be it further

***Resolved,* That the work necessary to include people of color, ethnic minorities, and the underrepresented in the life and leadership of the Church at all levels – church-wide and diocesan – is inalienable from the Baptismal Covenant’s call to respect the dignity of every human being.**

D095 - Call for Review and Support of the Presiding Bishop's Office of Pastoral Development

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: The Rev. Jennifer Adams

Endorsed by: The Rev. Nurya Parish, The Very Rev. Brian Coleman, The Rev. Anne Schnaare, Ms. Laurie Atwater, Ms. Anne Davidson, Mr. William Fleener, Jr, Mr. Matthew Roney, The Rev. Pam Lenartowicz, The Rev. Tom Manney, The Rev. Curt Norman, Dr. Elizabeth Jordan, Ms. Ellen McVey, Ms. Sara Philo

Supported by: Mary Simpson, Linda Rathburn

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$50,000.00

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 03 - Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention directs the Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, Constitution, and Canons to review the Presiding Bishop's Office of Pastoral Development and Title IV Process, whose mandate includes, but is not limited to, (1) implementation of Title IV cases in which a bishop is the Respondent, (2) consistency of Title IV processes for Priests, Deacons, and Bishops, (3) the process of Episcopal transition, especially the placement of Interim or Bishops Provisional, and (4) other pastoral care offered and authority exercised by the office; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission's mandate will also include recommendations for canonical change, policy or process change, and funding requirements for the same; and be it further

Resolved, That the Standing Commission begin its work no later than January 1, 2023, with the Standing Commission reporting to the 81st General Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the Executive Officer of General Convention appoint a member of the staff from the General Convention Office and the Presiding Bishop appoint a member of staff from the Language Services Department of the Office of Communications to serve as consultants to the Standing Commission to support this review; and be it further

Resolved, That \$50,000 be budgeted for the implementation of this resolution.

D096 - Creation of a Staff Position for Director of LGBTQI and Women's Ministries

Final Status: Referred to the next General Convention

Proposed by: The Rev. Dr. Cameron Partridge

Endorsed by: Ms. Sarah Lawton, Ms. Laura Russell, The Rev. Devon Anderson

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: Yes

Cost: \$300,000.00

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 14 - Christian Formation & Discipleship

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church direct the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society to establish a staff position, Director of LGBTQI and Women's Ministries, which would implement and expand upon the work identified by the Task Force to Study Sexism in the Episcopal Church and Develop Anti-Sexism Training, including to

- deploy, expand, and share the anti-sexism training modules developed by the Task Force;
- implement resolution D030 ("Develop Resources and Training for Welcoming and Supporting Transgender and Non-Binary Persons and Families") by collecting and developing multilingual, multicultural churchwide resources to support our dioceses, provinces, churchwide leaders, and congregations in living into our commitments to welcome and support people and communities of diverse genders, including transgender, non-binary, and Two-Spirit people;
- offer trainings (in person and online) and create networks to form and mobilize women and people of diverse gender identities and sexualities, both lay and ordained, who can in turn lead faith-rooted trainings at the diocesan congregational levels to support the local church in addressing gender equality and in welcoming people of diverse genders and sexual orientations;

- collect and disseminate data relevant to gender and sexual orientation equality within The Episcopal Church, in collaboration with relevant agencies and boards of the Church, such as the Office of Transition Ministries and the Church Pension Group)

And be it further

Resolved, That the General Convention request the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$300,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

D097 - Resolution Concerning the Episcopal Election of the Rev. Charlie Holt

Final Status: Take No Further Action

Proposed by: Dr. Adam Hamilton-Ferguson

Endorsed by: Mr. Joe McDaniel, Mr. Jon Rania

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 15 - Ministry

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Take No Further Action

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church asks all diocesan standing committees to prayerfully pause, reflect, and review all available letters by those concerned and the writing and video responses of the Rev. Charlie Holt made available in the public domain; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church expresses concern over the disputed election practices for the episcopal election in the Diocese of Florida specifically the disparity between accommodations made for clergy delegates to participate in remote voting that were not made for lay delegates who were required to vote in person only; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church expresses concern that the laity were not given equal place in the governance of the church concerning accommodations that were given to the clergy only; and be it further

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church finds the Rev. Charlie Holt's public writings and comments concerning race incompatible with the teaching on racism of the Episcopal Church.

D098 - The Promotion of Public Health

Final Status: Concurred as Amended

Proposed by: Mrs. Heather Rodriguez

Endorsed by: Mr. Erick Pérez, The Rev. José Rodríguez-Sanjuro

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 16 - Churchwide Leadership

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church affirms the role of the church and its ministers in promoting public health and disease prevention; and be it further

Resolved, That Convention affirms that all ministers have a sacred responsibility to promote public health, the prevention of preventable disease, and the implementation of safeguards to keep congregations and communities safe; and be it further

Resolved, That Convention recognizes the many healthcare disparities exposed and made greater in our ethnic and minority communities during the COVID-19 pandemic and encourages all ministers to find ways to advocate and bring healing to communities disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic; and be it further

Resolved, That Convention recognizes that addressing the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on the underrepresented and vulnerable is not only a public health concern but also an issue of equity, racial and social justice; and be it further

Resolved, That Convention recognizes that many of our non-domestic and foreign dioceses have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic in comparison to our domestic dioceses; and be it further

Resolved, That Conventions encourage all church-wide and diocesan bodies to find ways to address disparities disproportionately impacting underrepresented and vulnerable communities, mission areas and dioceses.

X001 - Special Rules of Order for the House of Bishops

Final Status: Adopted with Amendment HoB

Proposed by: HoB Dispatch of Business

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt with Amendment

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, the House of Bishops adopts the following special rules of order to govern all committee and legislative deliberation for the 80th General Convention. To the extent that these rules conflict with the Rules of Order of the House, these rules govern:

I. Committee Meetings, Hearings and Deliberations

- a. All Committee pre-convention hearings and work must be completed by June 25, 2022.
- b. Committee meetings during the Convention will be limited to considering floor amendments adopted by the House of Deputies to resolutions previously adopted by the House of Bishops.
- c. Committee on Dispatch will report resolutions in an order they deem most effective for this shortened convention.

II. Resolutions

Notwithstanding any other rule of the House, except for resolutions proposed by the Committee on Dispatch, the Committee on Courtesy, or the Presiding Bishop all resolutions submitted for consideration to the Secretary after June 6, 2022, will be considered out of order.

III. Consent Calendar

- a. The Consent Calendar will be considered twice a day including on the first legislative day, as the first legislative order of the Session.
- b. A matter may be placed on the Consent Calendar by majority vote of a Legislative Committee.
- c. A resolution may be removed from the Consent Calendar only by a vote of the House or the Committee on Dispatch.
- d. A motion to remove an item from the Consent Calendar is not debatable and requires a majority vote of the House to be carried.
- e. All courtesy resolutions will automatically be placed on the Consent Calendar, unless the Committee on Courtesy or the Committee on Dispatch votes to remove

IV. Additional Category for Action

- a. Deferral to the 81st General Convention

- 1. The House may vote to defer consideration of a resolution to the 81st General Convention. A motion to defer is:

- a. a secondary motion;
 - b. not debatable;
 - c. not amendable; and
 - d. requires a majority vote.

- 2. A Legislative Committee, or the Committee on Dispatch, may vote to defer consideration of a resolution to the 81st General Convention during a committee meeting.

- b. Any Committee recommendation to defer to the 81st General Convention will be deemed accepted by the House without coming to the floor unless the House votes to suspend the rules and recall the resolution from the Committee.

- c. Any resolution that the House fails to vote upon will be deemed submitted for consideration to the 81st General Convention in its original form. Any proposed amendments or recommended actions by the legislative committee will be included as a supplemental report.

X002 - Special Rules of Order for the House of Deputies

Final Status: Adopted with Amendment HoD

Proposed by: HoD Dispatch of Business

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt with Amendment – Floor changes

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That, notwithstanding any other House of Deputies Rule of Order to the contrary, and in light of the extraordinary challenges presented by the COVID-19-shortened General Convention, the House of Deputies adopts the following Special Rules of Order to govern all committee and legislative deliberations and actions for the 80th General Convention, including those taken prior to the convening of the convention. To the extent that these rules conflict with the Rules of Order of the House, these rules control:

I. General Rules

- a. Notwithstanding any Rule of Order, only seated deputies, first alternates, essential volunteers, essential staff, officers and those invited by the President will be allowed in the Hall or on the floor of the House. First alternates will be provided a special seating area distanced from and adjacent to the floor of the House.
- b. A public live stream will be provided for viewing open sessions of the House.

II. Committee Meetings, Hearings and Deliberations

- a. Before General Convention, all committees will meet, conduct hearings, deliberate and act only by remote means. All meetings and hearings will be conducted to enable all committee members to simultaneously hear one another with reasonable accommodations and participate in the meetings. All committee meetings and hearings conducted under the guidelines of this special rule will be considered valid, notwithstanding any conflict with the standing House of Deputies Rules of Order.

b. Committees will be required to conduct at least one electronic hearing for all resolutions submitted before convention. Following an electronic hearing, the committee may adopt its final report to the convention on the resolutions referred to the committee.

c. All committee pre-convention hearings and work, including committee actions commending amendments to resolutions, must be completed by June 30, 2022.

d. Except for the Committees on Dispatch of Business, Credentials, Privilege & Courtesy, and Certification of Minutes, or as directed by the President or by the House, committee meetings during the convention will be limited to considering floor amendments adopted by the House of Bishops to resolutions for which the House of Bishops is the House of Initial Action, or which were previously adopted by the House of Deputies. Attendance of non-members at these committee meetings may be limited to accommodate social distancing and capacity requirements.

III. Resolutions

a. Notwithstanding any other rule of the House, except for resolutions proposed by the Committee on Dispatch of Business, the Committee on Privilege & Courtesy or the President, any resolution submitted for consideration to the Secretary after June 6, 2022, will be considered out of order unless the House votes to consider it.

IV. Legislative Calendar and Consent Calendar

a. The Legislative Calendar and Consent Calendar must be published at least 12 hours in advance of the session at which it is to be considered except on the final legislative day, when the Committee on Dispatch may add items to the calendar as needed to ensure the timely completion of the business of the House.

b. The Consent Calendar will be considered twice a day, as the first legislative order of the morning and afternoon sessions.

c. A resolution may only be removed from the Consent Calendar by a vote of the House, the Committee on Dispatch of Business or by the President.

d. A motion to remove an item from the Consent Calendar is not debatable and requires a vote of one-third plus one.

e. All courtesy resolutions will automatically be placed on the Consent Calendar unless the Committee on Privilege & Courtesy or the Committee on Dispatch of Business votes to remove one from the Consent Calendar.

V. Debate; Committee Reports

a. Debate on all resolutions will be governed by the following rules:

- i. A total of 20 minutes will be allowed for debate on a matter and all amendments and motions related to the matter.
 - ii. During the first six minutes, no deputy may move to amend, substitute or end debate, unless no one wishes to speak on the matter.
 - iii. Following the first six minutes of debate, the House will automatically consider any amendments submitted on a matter in the order they are submitted. Debate on any amendment will be limited to four minutes. Once the 20-minute limitation expires, the matter will be automatically put to a vote.
- b. Committee reports may not exceed two minutes in length, or up to four minutes if the presenter requires translation into English.

VI. Amendments

a. Any deputy wishing to propose a primary amendment on a matter during a session must submit that amendment to the Secretary after 12 noon EDT on July 5, 2022, and before the beginning of the session at which the matter is to be considered. All amendments must be submitted in the manner prescribed by the Secretary. Any primary amendments not submitted in advance will be out of order. Primary amendments will be taken up in the order in which they were filed.

VII. Motions and Deferral

a. Changes to existing motions:

i. A motion to recall from committee may be brought on or after the second legislative day. A motion to limit or extend debate is not debatable.

b. Additional Type of Motion:

i. Deferral to the 81st General Convention

1. The House may vote to defer consideration of a resolution to the 81st General Convention. A motion to defer is:

a. a secondary motion;

b. not debatable;

c. not amendable; and

d. requires a majority vote.

2. A Legislative Committee or the Committee on Dispatch of Business may vote to defer consideration of a resolution to the 81st General Convention during a committee meeting.

a. The vote of any Legislative Committee or the Committee on Dispatch of Business recommending deferral of action on a resolution to the 81st General Convention will be deemed accepted by the House without coming to the floor unless the House votes to suspend the rules, recall the resolution from the committee and place it on the Legislative Calendar.

3. Any calendared resolution on which the House takes no vote of any kind on the floor will be deemed submitted for consideration to the 81st General Convention in its original form. Any proposed amendments or recommended actions by the Legislative Committee to which the resolution was referred will be included as a supplemental report to the 81st General Convention.

VIII. Nominations and Elections

a. Nominations:

i. All nominations must be submitted to the Secretary on the form provided by the Secretary. No nominations will be made from the floor.

ii. Deadlines for nominations are as follows:

1. Nominations for all offices, except for the office of Secretary and Vice-President, must be submitted by 12 noon on the first legislative day.

2. Nominations for the office of Vice-President must be submitted by 6 p.m. on the second legislative day.

iii. All nominations must meet the standard qualifications required by the Constitution, Canons or Rules of Order.

b. Elections:

i. Elections will take place on the following schedule:

1. Elections for the office of Secretary will take place on the first legislative day.

2. Elections for all offices except Vice President and Secretary will be the first item of business following the consent calendar on the second legislative day.

3. Elections for the office of Vice President will be the first item of business following the consent calendar in the afternoon session on the third legislative day.

And be it further

Resolved, That the need to adopt these Special Rules of Order, both for decisions and actions made and taken already to conduct the legislative process and for the effective management of legislation during the 80th General Convention, arises from unprecedented specific and unique circumstances, details, and considerations relating to the COVID-19 pandemic; and be it further

Resolved, That the decisions and actions stated and reflected in these Special Rules of Order are not intended to establish, act, operate, be construed, be cited, be interpreted, or serve as precedent, policy, analysis, evidence of past practice, interpretation, or determination, in any way or for any purpose, of the Constitution, Canons, House of Deputies Rules of Order, or the authority of any office or body, or any other matter.

X003 - Special Orders of Business for the 80th General Convention

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: Ryan Kusumoto

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, the House of Deputies set the following Special Orders of Business for the 80th General Convention:

I. The House will consider A226 under the following special rules:

1. The resolution will be considered in the Morning Session of the First Legislative Day;
2. Before the resolution is considered, a designated Deputy from the Deputation of Alabama be given 5 minutes to present;
3. Following the presentation, the resolution will be considered under the debate rules outlined in Resolution X002;
4. Following the debate and prior to vote, the President will call upon the Chaplain to offer a prayer.

II. The House will consider Resolutions from Presiding Officers' Working Group on Truth Telling, Reckoning, and Healing under the following special rules:

1. The resolutions will be considered in the Afternoon Session of the First Legislative Day, July 8 immediately following the consent calendar;

2. The resolutions considered include resolutions A125, A127, A131, A126, A129, and A130;
3. Before the resolutions are considered, the Chair of the Presiding Officers' Working Group on Truth Telling, Reckoning, and Healing be given 10 minutes to present;
4. Deputies will have 10 minutes to ask clarifying questions only following the presentation; and
5. Following the presentation and question period, the resolutions will be considered in sequence under the debate rules outlined in Resolution X002.

III. The House will consider resolutions from the House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church under the following special rules:

1. The resolutions will be considered as the first item of business in the Evening Session on the First Legislative Day, July 8;
2. The resolutions include A097, A098, A099, A132, A155, and A156.
3. Before the resolutions are considered, the Chair of the House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church be given 10 minutes to present;
4. Deputies will have 10 minutes to ask clarifying questions only following the presentation; and
5. Following the presentation and question period, the resolutions will be considered in sequence under the debate rules outlined in X002.

IV. The House will consider the Budget for The Episcopal Church under the following special rules:

1. The Budget will be considered on the Afternoon Session on the Third Legislative Day, July 10th, immediately following the consent calendar;
2. A total of 40 minutes will be allowed for questions, proposed amendments and debate on the Budget;
3. The first 10 minutes of debate will be reserved for clarifying questions on the Budget;
4. During the second 10 minutes of debate, no deputy may move to amend, substitute or end debate, unless no one wishes to speak on the budget;

5. Following the first 20 minutes of debate or unless there are no questions or persons wishing to speak, the House will automatically consider any amendments submitted on a matter in the order they are submitted;
6. Debate on any amendment will be limited to six minutes and amendments must follow the process outlined in Resolution X002;
7. If no amendments are submitted or all amendments are disposed of, debate will continue on the Budget; and
8. Following the expiration of time debate will automatically end on all matters pending on the floor at that time.

And be it further

Resolved, that unless otherwise modified in this Special Order of Business, all other special rules of order and the House Rules of Order remain in full force and effect during the above matters.

X004 - Appointments to the Board of Archives at the 80th General Convention

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Gay Jennings

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 80th General Convention confirms the appointments for six-year terms on the Board of Archives to:

The Rev. Dr. Gregory S. Straub (Easton)

The Rev. Rachel K. Taber-Hamilton, Ph.D. (Olympia)

Mr. Victor A. Feliberty-Ruberté (Puerto Rico)

Mr. Russell V. Randle (Virginia)

X005 - Appointments to the Board of Transition Ministry at the 80th General Convention

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Gay Jennings

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the General Convention confirm the appointments for six-year terms on the Board of Transition Ministry of:

The Rev. Dr. Stephen H. Applegate (Southern Ohio)

The Rev. Canon Amy Real Coultas (Kentucky)

Dr. Sandra T. Montes (Texas)

Mr. Jon Rania (Delaware)

X006 - Secretary of General Convention

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Ryan Kusumoto

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the Reverend Canon Michael Barlowe, having been duly elected Secretary of the House of Deputies, be made Secretary of the General Convention.

X007 - Appointments to the Board of Transition Ministry at the 80th General Convention

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Michael Curry

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the General Convention confirms the following appointments to the Board of Transition Ministry:

Through the end of the 81st General Convention: The Rt. Rev. Elizabeth Gardner and The Rt. Rev. Craig Loya.

Through the end of the 82nd General Convention: The Rt. Rev. Lucinda Ashby and The Rt. Rev. Michael Hunn.

X008 - Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Michael Curry

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That The Rt. Rev. Neil Alexander is confirmed as the custodian for the Book of Common Prayer.

X009 - Confirmation of Election to Executive Council (Bishops)

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: Ryan Kusumoto

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies confirms the election by the House of Bishops of the Rt. Rev. Deon Johnson and the Rt. Rev. Rafael Morales to the Executive Council.

X010 - Confirmation of Election to the General Board of Examining Chaplains (Lay)

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: Ryan Kusumoto

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies confirms the election by the House of Bishops of Martha Alexander, L. Zoe Cole, and Peter Williams to the General Board of Examining Chaplains in the lay order.

X011 - Confirmation of Election to the General Board of Examining Chaplains (Clergy)

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: Ryan Kusumoto

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies confirms the election by the House of Bishops of the Rev. Michael Bamberger, the Rev. Christopher Corbin, and the Rev. Rhonda Lee to the General Board of Examining Chaplains in the clergy order.

X012 - Confirmation of Election to the General Board of Examining Chaplains (Faculty)

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: Ryan Kusumoto

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies confirms the election by the House of Bishops of the Rev. Hugh Page Jr., the Rev. Carla Roland Guzmán, and the Rev. Andrew Wright to the General Board of Examining Chaplains as faculty.

X013 - Confirmation of Election to the General Board of Examining Chaplains (Bishops)

Final Status: Adopted by HoD

Proposed by: Ryan Kusumoto

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoD

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Deputies confirms the election by the House of Bishops of the Rt. Rev. Laura Ahrens and the Rt. Rev. R. William Franklin to the General Board of Examining Chaplains in the bishop order.

X014 - Confirmation of Election of Trustees of the Church Pension Fund

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: Wendell Gibbs

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops confirms the election by the House of Deputies of

David Alvarez

Brendan Barnicle

Gawain de Leeuw

Ian Douglas, Ph.D

Amy Haynie

Cynthia Kittredge

John McCray-Goldsmith

Sandra McPhee

Brian Prior

Gregory Rickel

Anne Vickers

Sandy Wilson

as Trustees of the Church Pension Fund.

X015 - Confirmation of Election to Executive Council (Clergy)

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: Wendell Gibbs

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business/HoB

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops confirms the election of Charles Graves and Deborah Jackson to the Executive Council in the clergy order.

X016 - Confirmation of Election to Executive Council (Lay)

Final Status: Adopted by HoB

Proposed by: Wendell Gibbs

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoB Acts to Adopt

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the House of Bishops confirms the election by the House of Deputies of

Dianne Audrick Smith

Annette Buchanan

Scott Haight

Joe McDaniel, Jr.

Sandra Montes

Tivaun Cooper

to the Executive Council in the lay order.

X017 - Appointment to Archives (Bishops)

Final Status: Concurred

Proposed by: Wendell Gibbs

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HB

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 22 - Dispatch of Business

Completion Status: Complete

Latest House Action: HoD Acts to Concur

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

The Presiding Bishop announced the following appointments to the Board of Archives:

The Rt. Rev. Sam Rodman, Bishop of North Carolina

The Rt. Rev. Marty Stebbins, Bishop of Montana