

**Episcopal HBCU Committee Meeting**  
**Monday 23 July 2018**  
**9:00 am (ETD) by Zoom**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dr. Eugene Lowe; Canon Jamie Callaway; Dr. Joel Cunningham, Dr. Anita George. Canon Michelle Hagans; Dr. Scott Evenbeck; consultant, Tara Holley

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:** Canon Martini Shaw (Chair),

**CONSULTANTS:** Fr. Lang Lowery

**CHURCH SUPPORTIVE STAFF:** Mr. Kurt Barnes;

- **In the absence of the chair, Canon Callaway called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. EDT.** Dr. Lowery gave the opening prayer.
- **Augustine's Board Retreat – report**

Dr. Lowe and CFO Kurt Barnes who attended the retreat beginning on Thursday afternoon reported on the meeting. They agreed that it was a productive meeting: the board did some serious board business before the retreat and addressed important questions in preparation for the coming SACS accreditation review in the fall.

Kurt gave a full report on the Episcopal Church commitment to stand with Saint Augustine's as part of its racial reconciliation commitment. He presented an amended loan offer, which was well received.

Dr. Lowe saw a positive discourse among the board, moving to a stage of deeper concern. When he had to depart early because of weather affecting his flight, he felt a hopeful.

Dr. Eugenia Freeman is assisting with the SACS presentation. She quoted from her closeout after St. Paul's College in Lawrenceville was denied continuation, saying, "I don't want to write another one." She noted what SACS is looking for and challenged the board to review those areas with care. She is a former president of Wilberforce and Livingstone Colleges and the United Negro College Fund is funding her consultancy. UNCF developed the strategy for appealing to the Federal Department of Education, which Dr. Ward executed brilliantly.

It is hoped that the TEC loan can be closed in the very near future to insure summer cash flow.

- **The next meeting of the Committee is Tuesday 28 August at 9:00 am EDT.**

***Jamie Callaway***