Maritime Conference Center Room A302  
10:30 a.m. EST

Present  

Absent  

- Opened with song (“There are Angels Hovering ‘Round”) and prayer offered by The Rev. Paul Fromberg, convener

- The Convener led the SCLM through brief member introductions and housekeeping as well as a conversation about what to expect in the next triennium and how we will relate to the Task Force on Liturgical and Prayer Book Revision; an explanation of SCLM offices (chair, vice chair, and secretary)

- The Convener moved to nominate and elect officers

- The Rev. Paul Fromberg elected chair - (The Rev. James Turrell nominated; The Rev. Dn. Stannard Baker seconded);

- Jessica Nelson elected secretary - (Mark Childers nominated, Ellen Johnston seconded);

- Ellen Johnston elected vice chair - (Jessica Nelson nominated, The Rt. Rev. Andrew Waldo seconded);

- The Chair designated Mark Childers and Ellis Montes chaplains to SCLM

- The Chair conducted an overview of our meeting agenda, identified subcommittees/chairs; discussion of calendaring meetings

- The Rev. Susan Anslow Williams chaired Committee 12 (Prayerbook, Music, and Liturgy) at the 2018 General Convention and offered to report on any proceedings as necessary

- The Rev. Deacon Stannard Baker offered to discuss proceedings of Committee 13 (Committee to Receive the Report on A169) at the 2018 General Convention, of which he was a member
• 11:00 a.m.: Brian Murray and Iris DiLeonardo from GC office came to do GC Office Presentation on Extranet and Meetings; **Possible Date Blocks for 2019 in-person Meetings, per Brian Murray: Jan 25-29; Mar 19-23; Oct 23-27**

• 11:45 a.m.: Meeting resumes - The Chair discussed the importance of minutes; on approving draft minutes and posting to extranet; practices regarding the use of executive session; discussion of technical liaison for meetings (recommended by GC office)

12:00 p.m. - BREAK FOR LUNCH

1:30 p.m. - RECONVENE

• The Chair reviewed the afternoon agenda and we began with a prayer by Chaplain Mark Childers

• The Chair began a series of more substantial member introductions, in which members discussed their backgrounds, experience in The Episcopal Church and hopes for the future of The Episcopal Church

2:30 - BREAK

2:41 - RECONVENE

• Presentation from General Convention Office staff members Patrick Haizel and Jennifer Gonzales re: Interim Body policies

• At 2:58 we resumed meeting; continued member introductions

• The Chair reviewed SCLM mandate - went through point by point, explicating each point

• The Vice Chair asked to explain what was funded - only thing SCLM received funding for is translation of the Book of Common Prayer in the amount of $201,000

• Brief discussion of the Task Force on Liturgical and Prayer Book Revision (TFLPBR) and the possible scope of work

• Discussion of canonical categories of liturgical resources, e.g. trial use liturgies, supplemental liturgies

• Discussion of group norms, which include (but are not limited to) the following:
be respectful; be transparent; engage in deep listening; let ideas float to the top; be patient and honest with one another; make room for introverts; ensure that members get equal air time; be mindful of pronouns; start meetings with short reflections; take time after tense moments; distinguish ideas and documents from the people who present them; be mindful of speaking in Anglican jargon

4:12 - BREAK

4:18 - General Convention Office presentation by Twila Rios regarding Reporting requirements, minutes, agendas, Blue Book reports

- At 4:54, we resumed meeting with discussion of work leftover from last triennium, specifically Translation, BOS, Calendar

  The Rev. James Turrell discussed BOS status after GC79
  The Chair updated on Calendar subcommittee -
  The Rev. Susan Anslow Williams updated on GC activity around sanctoral calendar

- The Chair summarized tomorrow’s work

- The Chair conducted an examen of day’s work

- Adjourned for the day at 5:33

DAY TWO – 11/13/18

- At 10:28 a.m., the Chair convened the group, discussed our plans for the day, and asked Chaplain Ellis to begin with prayer

- Went through referred resolutions and separated them into working groups/subcommittees: Book of Occasional Services (A219, A218, A283); Lesser Feasts and Fasts (A067, A065, A066, C012, C027, C046, C055, C058, C065, D012); and Policy/Evaluation (D040, D046, A086); Book of Common Prayer (D078, B012, A068/B010)

- Went through each referred resolution and summarized each, with a phone call with The Rev. Juan Oliver, Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer, updating us on the work already being done on translations, including names of proposed members of the translations working group

- We were joined at 11:20 a.m. by The Most Rev. Michael Curry and President of the House of Deputies Gay Jennings.
• At 11:55 The Rt. Rev. Andrew Waldo moved to vote to approve the names submitted for Translations, seconded by Rev. James Turrell, the Chair called for vote, motion carried.

• The Chair separated the SCLM into subcommittees -
  - Book of Occasional Services, Chaired by The Rev. James Turrell
  - Lesser Feasts and Fasts, Chaired by The Rev. Susan Anslow Williams
  - Policy/Evaluation, Ellen Johnston and Jessica Nelson
  - BCP, Chaired by Mark Childers

• Recessed at 12:03 for lunch

• Reconvened at 1:03 p.m.

• The Chair moved to vote to add an additional name, The Rev. Andres Wildane, provided by The Rev. Juan Oliver, to the Translation working group, seconded by Ellen Johnston, no discussion, adopted by acclamation

• The Chair charged each subcommittee to clarify the tasks referred to us by GC and to develop an initial workflow plan; committee of the whole will reconvene at 3:30

• Reconvened at 3:30 - Mary Grace DuPree departed

• The Chair reported on his visit to the TFLPBR - discussed canonical clarity and how the two groups will relate to one another, their referred resolutions

• Subcommittee Reports
  - BOS - Rev. Jim Turrell - separated and assigned liturgies to subcommittee members that General Convention directed to revise, developed plan for work

• Calendar - Bp. Waldo - discussed format, potential revision of 2009 criteria, decided to prioritize 1) criteria, then 2) people, then 3) format. Identified potential areas of improvement in 2009 criteria

• BCP - Mark Childers: asks how newly approved resources become available - through Church Publishing and/or Rite Series? Discussed potential methods of distribution, including a digital format. In response to B010, BCP subcommittee urged the Chair to communicate to TFLPBR to preserve the emphasis of the Eucharist as being the central act of worship. Re: D065, Use of Alternative Psalters - no action; D078, authorize Holy Eucharist, Rite II, expansive language version for trial use (clarified SCLM’s role and responsibility to this resolution); A217, will result in reviewing the Consultation on Common Texts lectionary compared to the Revised Common Lectionary; B012 - develop mechanism for polling the church
Policy and Evaluation - Ellen Johnston: Will develop and distribute survey re: women church musicians; ask clergy about hiring practices; compensation; whether or not there’s a job description; seek statistics from ecumenical partners; Still marinating on Expansive language criteria - will likely partner with a TFLBPR subcommittee

The Chair assigned absent members to subcommittees (subject to their agreement)

BREAK UNTIL 7:30

Reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

Discussing calendaring meetings - next in-person meeting will be Oct 23 - 26, 2019 (noon Wednesday - lunch Saturday) - hopefully in Chaska, Minnesota

Online meetings - will strive for noon - 1:30 CST on 4th Tuesdays of each month, beginning with 1/22/19.

Spring Meeting Dates: January 22, February 26, March 26, April 23

Chair discussed tomorrow’s work: planning conversation with TFLPBR; work plan and timelines; deadlines for bringing subcommittee work to the whole commission (likely Lent 2020)

Discussed norms for online meetings - same norms as in person meetings, with the addition of “arriving” to the meeting early to ensure technological compatibility

The Chair ended with an examen of the day’s work

The Chaplains led compline and we adjourned at 8:23

DAY THREE: 11/14/18

Gathered with a song led by Chaplain Ellis Montes - “In my life Lord, be glorified”

We were joined by the Rt. Rev. Neil Alexander, chair of the TFLPBR

TFLPBR’s way forward: spent time Monday getting to know each other, gauging interest/concerns/anxieties in revision; spent time “exegeting” resolution and clarifying mandate; asks - in what sense is this “revision?” and of what, exactly?

They have divided themselves into four working groups - the first group, Seek, Receive, Review, will gauge what’s actually being used in parishes; the second group, Communications, will explore how the church gets its hands on materials; the third group, Constitution and Canons
Review, will liaise with SCLM and Constitution and Canons; the fourth group, Liturgical Revision and Creation, will identify what in the BCP still wears well and what may need attention, e.g. psalter

- Short Q&A with TFLPBR chair

9:43 - BREAK

9:55 - Reconvene

- Reviewed Blue Book report from last triennium; instruction in how to produce a resolution;

- The chair discussed importance of well-crafted language in our writing, both technically and liturgically; may want to consider hiring professional editor(s); urged expediency in getting things to translators

- Work plan and timelines:

  Dec. 1, 2020 - Everything due in its final form

  Fall 2020 - Work approaching completion

  Spring 2020 - likely date of last in-person meeting of the triennium

  Fall 2019 - all of our work should be well in process - will need first drafts of everything in progress

- Subcommittees need to get organized, work absent members into our subcommittees, set up meetings

- The chair raised the issue that our mandate calls for the creation of new materials; reminded the SCLM that our responsibility is also to be creative and generate new materials for the Church - what are some ideas for potential projects?

- At 10:47 a.m., the Chair conducted an examen of the entire meeting

- At 10:53 a.m., the Chaplains ended with song (“Tu Fidelidad”) and prayer and the Chair adjourned the meeting