

Executive Council Committee on Historically Black Colleges and Universities

February 15, 2019

Minutes of the Teleconference

Attending the meeting:

HBCU COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Canon Martini Shaw (Chair), Canon Jamie Callaway, Canon Dr. Anita George, Dr. Joel Cunningham, Ms. Martha Alexander, Dr. Eugene Lowe.

CONSULTANTS: Canon Lang Lowery

INVITED GUEST: Bishop Sam Rodman

STAFF: Mr. Kurt Barnes, Fr. Ronald Byrd, Ms. Nancy Caparulo.

REGRETS: Dr. Scott Evenbeck, Ms. Cecilia Malm.

ABSENT: Dr. Sean Decatur, Canon Michele Hagans, Bishop Arthur Williams.

Canon Shaw called the meeting to order at 8:33 AM EDT. Canon Lowery offered a prayer.

Minutes from both February 4 and 6, 2019, were considered, moved, seconded, and approved without opposition.

Bishop Rodman briefed the committee on the board meeting at St. Augustine's on February 14, which he had attended for an hour. The search committee was approved, of which Bishop Anne and Justice Perry are co-chairs. Recommendation was made and consensus reached that a member of faculty, staff, and student body should be added to the search committee. Facilities maintenance was discussed. There have been four board resignations, making seven seats available to fill. Dr. Ward plans to remain as president until the end of his term in July.

The nomination process was considered key moving forward and Canon Shaw invited any committee member to offer to put his/her name forward to be considered for a board seat.

It was considered premature at this time to try to schedule a meeting on campus for this committee. Canon Shaw asked that suggestions for board nominations be sent to Bishop Anne as soon as possible.

Next teleconference: Monday, March 4 at 9:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Caparulo
Staff support to the committee

Approved March 4, 2019

Addendum:

Canon Shaw had received word from Consultant, Cecilia Malm, who was not able to attend the conference call on this date. She reported:

In fundraising news we are receiving gifts daily from individuals and churches for the Absalom Jones Fund, over \$10,000 raised as of this week, and expect the Appeal ultimately to bring in over \$40,000.

Also working with Diocese of Upper South Carolina and Voorhees Development staff to submit a grant proposal to United Thank Offering for approx. \$75,000 in capital improvement funds.

The Voorhees Presidential Scholarship Gala will be held on April 12, 2019 in Columbia SC - any thoughts about people in the Episcopal Church world who may wish to support the event or buy a table contact Cecilia or Dr. Gwynth Nelson for details.