Joint Standing Committee on Nominations  
6/18/20 via Zoom

Present: Mr. Scott Haight (Chair), Rev. Tracie Middleton (Secretary), Hon. Joe Alarid, Ms. Nanci Gordon, Mrs. Toni Hogg, Ms. Kathryn Nishibayashi, Rt. Rev. Audrey Scanlan, Rt. Rev. Dabney Smith
Absent: Rt. Rev. Steven Miller (Vice Chair), Rt. Rev. Rafael Morales, Rev. Lynn Collins, Mrs. Erica Pomerenck, Rev. Rachel Taber-Hamilton

Bishop Scanlan opened in prayer at 10:03 AM, CDT
The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:05 CDT.

Summary of Nominations Received
The Secretary shared a summary of nominations received in various positions and which places still need nominees. Members suggested names of people they plan to approach to ask about applying.
The Chair noted he had been in conversation with the President of the House of Deputies, who said that the committee is bound by current requirements to have two nominees per open position and that she and Bishop Curry would help encourage nominations in needed areas.
Members discussed current information regarding the possibility that General Convention 2021 may be virtual.
Bishop Smith noted that the Executive Council has discussed but not decided the issue. He noted it would be surprising if it were not a virtual convention. The details are not yet known.

Evaluation Form
The Chair asked members to fill out evaluation forms for nominees.
Members discussed creating a template to call nominees’ references and whether to call all references up front or wait and call as needed. Bishop Smith recommended flexibility because of the committee’s increased workload - to call just as needed.
The Chair noted that he plans to send a letter to inform people who don’t end up being nominated, to honor the effort of submitting their materials and being willing to stand.

Future Meetings
Ms. Gordon asked about in-person meetings. The Chair noted that the Presiding Bishop has said no in-person meetings for the foreseeable future.
The Chair suggested that the sub-committees may be more central in determining final slates of nominees, since there can be no in-person meetings. The originally scheduled meeting for October 11-14 will still happen, and we may keep a similar process but just do it virtually

Next meeting: Zoom - Thursday, 7/16, 10 AM, CDT

Bishop Smith closed with prayer at 10:49 AM CDT
Meeting adjourned 10:50 AM CDT