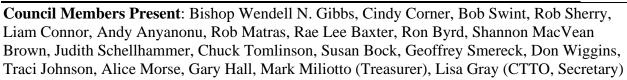
# **APPROVED** Minutes of Diocesan Council **February 18, 2012**

Full Business Mtg. St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit



**Absent:** Richard Bagdasarian (excused), Deon Johnson (excused), Jenny Ritter (excused), Ross Vandercook (excused), Lizzie Anderson (excused), Beckie Corner (excused), Jackie Spann (excused)

**Diocesan Staff:** no diocesan staff (other than Bishop Gibbs and Canon Gray) Jo Ann Hardy (excused), Rick Schulte (excused)

8:30 am **Refreshments available** 

9:00 **Role Call-** taken

Morning Prayer and welcome

**Bishop Gibbs** 

Acceptance of Agenda- agenda approved as presented

Approval of Minutes from 1/21/12

Motion made and properly seconded to accept the draft minutes with one grammatical correction. Motion passed.

#### **Communications to Council**

St John's Clinton has communicated to Bishop Gibbs and Diocesan Council that they have realigned their budget to commit to their full asking.

# **Executive Committee Actions-**none

#### Bishop's Update

- Bishop is leaving for Ghana tomorrow for an Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD) study trip (Sunday, February 19-26)
- Bishop's father is in the hospital with a broken femur and is currently recovering.

#### **Property updates/issues**

Jo Ann Hardy (absent)

Bishop presented the report highlighting elements of the report.

#### Financial reports & update

Mark Miliotto

- Miliotto presented budget reports and summarized that while the 2011 books are still open he predicts at close we will have a 0 balance with expenses matching revenue.
- Currently we are reporting a \$25,000 shortage of pledges for this year

Motion was made and properly seconded to receive the financial reports and file for audit. Motion passed.

Bishop shared Director of Finance; Maria Franklin, is retiring on May 31, 2012 after 11 years of service.



# 10:05 Updates/Committee Reports:

# **Primary Committee Reports:**

# Resolution Review

Judith Schellhammer

Schellhammer reviewed report presented with highlights:

- GC Convention Resolution- CO83 Support for Day Laborers was discussed. The resolution will be forwarded to Jim Toy of the Diocesan Covenant V Group with a request to report back at the September DC mtg.
- Additional GC Resolutions requiring attention were discussed and all were encouraged to review the outstanding resolution review document.

#### 10:30-10:55 **Break**

## 11:00 Mission & Budget Committee

Report submitted; no action items- Budget Conversation dates set and locations determined; members of Diocesan Council are encouraged to attend.

#### **Tithes & Offerings Committee**

Don Wiggins

Report presented and further clarification provided including an update on the pledge amount from St. Paul's Romeo.

# Loans & Grants- no report

Susan Bock

# **Secondary Committee Reports:**

# By-laws/Constitution & Canons Committee- no report

#### Personnel Policy Review Committee- no report

Beckie Corner

**Audit** – no report (currently in process)

Bishop explained the canonical requirement to get parochial reports in by the March 1<sup>st</sup> due date. He explained the necessity and the consequences for not complying which this year will include receiving letters from the Bishop.

## Reports:

**Emrich Advisory Council**- report reviewed by Bishop and highlighted topics included: bookings for upcoming year doing well; encouragement for congregations to have a "volunteer day at Emrich" to get involved and support the ministry.

**RSVP** Deon Johnson (absent)

Shannon MacVean Brown & Cindy Corner reported that the Guiding Coalition will have a report for Diocesan Council shortly.

#### **Congregational Vitality and Sustainability**

Deon Johnson (absent)

Report reviewed as presented.

# Special Report: St. Paul's Brighton

Deon Johnson (absent)

In Deon Johnson's (Rector of St. Paul's Brighton) absence, Bishop Gibbs provided a high-level overview of a redevelopment project begun at St. Paul's Brighton. The city council of Brighton in their efforts to keep St. Paul's a downtown church has already completed initial steps and approval to accommodate a potential building expansion project. A full presentation will be provided at the March 2012 meeting.

# 11:40 Lunch, Noonday Prayers & Adjournment

#### Next Meeting:

<b>Meeting Date &amp; Time</b>	Agenda/Focus	Location
Saturday, March 24, 2012	Full Business Meeting	St. John's Plymouth
9:00am-3:00pm		