



Approved Minutes of Diocesan Council Meeting

Via ZOOM/Conference Call on Saturday, October 1, 2022, at 10:00 AM

In attendance:

Council Members: Martha Hanoian, Bruce Hinkle, Shirley Lappi, Karen Lewis, Alice Sawyer, Cleda Smartt, Bill Stech, Katie Walworth, Roger Weekes, Lynn Wiggins, Judith Schellhammer (Assisting Secretary), Halim Shukair, Toni Dennis

Diocesan Staff: Jo Ann Hardy (Canon to the Ordinary), Mark Miliotto (Canon for Finance)

Absent: Bishop Bonnie A. Perry, Rae Lee Baxter, Steven Steinberger-Domienik, Edie Wakevainen (Secretary), Emily Williams Guffey, Luke Thompson

Note: Council Dean Alice Sawyer led the meeting in Bishop Perry's absence.

Opening Prayer and Welcome – Alice Sawyer

Acceptance of Agenda – Alice Sawyer

A motion to approve was made and seconded. Motion passed.

Review of Financial Reports – Mark Miliotto

A motion to approve and file for audit was made and seconded. Motion passed.

Overview of 2023 Proposed Operating Budget – Mark Miliotto

Karen Lewis would like to see more communication regarding our congregations' programs to live into the bishop's priority of congregational vitality. A motion to approve the Budget was made and seconded. Motion passed.

Property/Administrative Updates – Jo Ann Hardy

1. Three congregations have closed: Christ the King, Taylor; St. Elizabeth's, Redford; St. Augustine of Canterbury, Mason. Bishop Perry would prefer to lease the properties rather than sell them should new

ministries in these communities begin in the future. A motion was made and seconded to prepare these properties for lease and engage an agent to list them. Motion passed.

2. Church at Crossroads: A motion was made and seconded to approve their letter for solicitation of funds. Motion passed.

Loans and Grants Committee – Bill Stech

1. Holy Faith, Saline – The committee recommended awarding a grant for \$10,000 towards a project to remediate mold contamination following flooding. This is not covered by insurance. The total cost of the project is \$30,000. Motion seconded and passed.
2. St. Michael and All Angels, Lincoln Park – The committee recommended awarding a grant for \$6,550 for emergency HVAC repair. Motion seconded and passed.
3. St. Mary in the Hills, Lake Orion – The committee recommended awarding a grant for \$10,000 grant to help with replacement of their roof. They have received \$10,000 from the Trustees for this project. The total cost of the project is \$40,000. Motion seconded and passed.

Approval of June 2022 Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes with amendment to remove the blank space left for a name. Motion passed.

Diocesan Council Meeting Dates – Jo Ann Hardy

There was discussion of the possibility of evening meetings. Saturdays seem to be the least complicated since many members have regular weeknight commitments.

Recognition of Members Completing Their Terms – Jo Ann Hardy

2 terms: Martha Hanoian, Bill Stech, Roger Weekes

1 term: Toni Dennis, Steve Steinberger-Domienik

The Rev. Dan Buchin has moved to the Diocese of Western Michigan

Closing Prayer – Alice Sawyer

Respectfully submitted,

Edie Wakevainen

Edie Wakevainen, Secretary, Diocesan Council

With tremendous gratitude to Judith Schellhammer for her notetaking in my absence.