

Sunset Convocation Meeting Minutes
Saturday, August 15, 2009
St. Bartholomew, Beaverton

Attendees:

All Saints: Marlene Mutchler

Christ Church: Mike Anthony, Ann Frazier, Ed Slavin

St. Barnabas: Sheila Dougherty

St. Bede: Scott Richards, The Rev. Julie Smith, Bonnie Wakeman, Mick Werve

St. Gabriel: Denise McMillam, Tim Reifsteck

St. James: Elizabeth Johnson, The Rev. Raggs Ragan, Cynthia Reynolds

St. John the Baptist: Janet Bean, The Rev. Robert Bryant, Mary Dorscheimer, Brenda Henderson, Michael Hunter-Bernstein, The Rev. Dcn. Julie Jensen, Andy McQuery, Liz O'Callaghan

The meeting was called to order at 0900 by President Cynthia Reynolds.

The Rev. Julie Smith, Vicar of St. Bede, Forest Grove, led Opening Prayer

Corrections from February 28 and June 20, 2009 meetings: (2/28, page 2, second paragraph to read "A consultant has been hired to *review* the diocesan staff system, how it functions, and where it is going." 6/20 attendees included Denise McMillan, St. Gabriel Portland, and The Rev. Raggs Ragan & Cynthia Reynolds, St. James, Tigard.) The February 28 and June 20 minutes were approved as corrected.

Bishop Search Committee report (Ann Frazier, Christ Church Lake Oswego): The names and vita of the three final nominees for Tenth Bishop of the Diocese of Oregon are on the diocesan web-site. The

next/final work of the Search Committee will be to evaluate the process via committee survey and bring closure thereof.

Nominating Committee report (Bonnie Wakeman, St. Bede Forest Grove): The Nominating Committee—responsible for ensuring that a sufficient number of qualified candidates are available for positions on Diocesan Council, Standing Committee, Board of Trustees, Oregon Episcopal School Board of Trustees, Trinity Cathedral Chapter, and Legacy Health System Board of Trustees—met in Eugene in July. At least two candidates are running for each position. (Note: candidate names, photos, and vita are traditionally available in the October issue of the "Oregon Episcopal Church News.")

Diocesan Council report (The Rev. Raggs Ragan, St. James Tigard): Council meets again on August 28 and will be working on a final draft of the diocesan budget for vote during convention in November. Convocation input (required by canons), has 1) been consistent, and 2) demonstrated a good understanding of the overall process. It needs to be noted that the Standing Committee is ultimately responsible for decisions regarding diocesan staff. It has been discovered, in light of the recent layoffs and salary cuts, that our diocese is currently self-insured with regard to unemployment benefits. This has created an unanticipated expense; council is working on creating an unemployment benefits fund.

The remainder of the meeting was dedicated to our scheduled Resolution 2 conversation, led by Dr. Ann Fraizer, Christ Church Lake Oswego.

Faithfully submitted,
Cynthia Reynolds, President
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Upcoming dates:

August 25, McMenimans Grand Lodge - Fresh Produce is welcome!

October 17, 0930, Christ Church Lake Oswego - Convention Prep Meeting

November 19-21 - Diocesan Convention, Eugene Hilton