

## **Standing Committee**

**August 28, 2013**

Present: Rev. Mike Galvin, Chair; Rev. Susan Bennett; Dr. Edwina Suit; Frances Barrow; Rev. Jan Oller, Secretary

Called to order at 4:00 p.m. Opening prayer by Rev. Bennett.

### Consents and approvals:

1. Consent to request for Diocese of Quincy and Diocese of Chicago to be reunited. Susan moved to consent, Frances seconded. Unanimously passed.
2. Solicitation of names for Bishop Coadjutor for Diocese of Massachusetts-(submission date was August 26, so already passed).
3. Diocese of New Jersey - election of Rev. Canon William Hallock Stokes as Diocesan Bishop, Frances moved to approve, Edwina seconded. Unanimously passed.
4. Diocese of Maryland re consent for election of Bishop Suffragan. Edwina moved to approve, Susan seconded, unanimously passed.
5. Diocese of Mississippi - Consent to election for a Bishop Coadjutor. Susan moved to approve, Frances seconded, unanimously passed.
6. Diocese of Western Michigan re election of Whyne M. Hougland Jr. to be Bishop Diocesan. Frances moved to consent, Edwina seconded. Unanimously approved.

### Other Business:

Discussion from the House of Bishops re Committee on Pastoral Development will be postponed until after Diocesan Convention.

Rev. Jim Said has requested that we interview him re ordination to the priesthood. Jim is currently serving in Texas. Consensus of group was that Skype-type interview is acceptable.

### Interviews:

1. Interview of Christopher Beasley for Candidacy (to the priesthood). Mike Galvin of Standing Committee and Kirsteen Wilkinson of COM discussed process which is a bit unusual as COM has not yet interviewed him and we do not yet have referral from Bishop. Committee agreed to continue with interview (learned of issues just today). Letter will be held until all Canonical requirements are in place.

After discussion, Jan moved, and Susan seconded, that we recommend Christopher for Candidacy, subject to the necessary paperwork and interviews being completed.

2. Interview of A. Barry Cramer for ordination to the vocational Diaconate.

COM interviewed Barry less than a week ago and not all necessary paperwork is yet present in the file. However, consensus was to proceed based on email yesterday from Mike Cuticchia to Mike Galvin.

After discussion, Susan moved and Frances seconded approval to be ordained as vocational Deacon. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Minutes of May 21, 2013 reviewed. Susan moved and Frances seconded; unanimously approved.

Dr. Edwina Suit will be resigning from Standing Committee due to work requirements effective as of Diocesan Convention.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.



Respectfully submitted,  
Janet Oller, Secretary

## Standing Committee of the Diocese of Indianapolis

Meeting at the Interfaith Center, Indianapolis, Indiana  
May 21, 2013

Present: Rev. Mike Galvin, President; Rev. Susan Bennett, Dr. Edwina Suit, Ms. Frances Barrow;  
Rev. Jan Oller  
Guest: Rev. Canon Debra Kissinger

The meeting was called to order at 4:06 p.m.

Rev. Canon Debra Kissinger asked if there were any follow-up questions regarding the Letter of Understanding with Trinity Episcopal Church, Indianapolis and Rev. Tom Kryder-Reid. There were none.

She then reviewed the status of Safeguarding God's People and Safeguarding God's Children training by members of the Standing Committee. She requested that any segments not current be completed prior to the next meeting of the Standing Committee.

Prayer was led by Rev. Mike Galvin.

The Minutes of the meetings of April 23 & May 10 were presented, and on motion made and seconded, were approved as presented.

The request for Standing Committee consideration with respect to actions of Trinity Episcopal Church, Bloomington, appear at this time to be resolved. No action by the Standing Committee is needed at the moment. Rev. Canon Bruce Gray will advise if anything arises again that needs Standing Committee response.

Bishop Cate was unable to meet with us regarding the House of Bishops memorandum on questions to consider before approving request to consent to election of a Bishop. Concerns raised by Standing Committee members present include practicality and ability to get answers. This will be discussed at a later meeting when the Bishop is able to be present.

Brantley Alexander: Interview for Vocational Deacon. Following the discussion, and upon motion made and seconded, Brantley Alexander's request to be ordained as a Deacon was unanimously approved.

TJ Freeman: Interview for Candidacy (Priesthood) via videoconference call/web. Following the discussion, and upon motion made and seconded, TJ Freeman's request to be made a Candidate for Holy Orders was unanimously approved.

Closing prayer was led by Rev. Susan Bennett.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Jan Oller, Secretary

**Standing Committee**

**May 10, 2013**

Present via videoconference call/web: Rev. Mike Galvin, chair; Ms. Frances Barrow; Rev. Jan Oller, secretary

Absent: Dr. Edwina Suit, Rev. Susan Bennett

Guest: James Said

The meeting was called to order at 4:33p.m.

The Committee interviewed Jim Said, a candidate for Holy Orders (priest). After discussion, Mr. Said was excused. Upon motion made and seconded, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend Mr. Said for ordination to the (Transitional) Diaconate. The recommendation will be conveyed to Bishop Cate Waynick.

The next meeting of the Committee will be on May 21st at the Interfaith Center. Upon motion made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Jan Oller, Secretary

## **Standing Committee- Minutes April 23, 2013**

**Present: Rev. Mike Galvin, Chair; Rev. Susan Bennett; Ms. Frances Barrow; Dr. Edwina Suit; Rev. Jan Oller, Secretary**

**The meeting was opened with prayer led by Rev. Mike Galvin at 3:05 p.m.**

**The Minutes of the February 19, 2013 meeting were approved by unanimous vote.**

**The Standing Committee has been asked to consent to the following elections or actions and did so by unanimous vote:**

- 1. Episcopal Diocese of NC - election of Ann Hodges-Copple to be Bishop Suffragan**
- 2. Episcopal Diocese of Southwest Virginia -election Mark Allen Bourlakas as Bishop**
- 3. Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts - election of Bishop Coadjutor**

**The Standing Committee acknowledged receipt of a letter from Episcopal Church at IU Ministries dated February 20, 2013 regarding payment on the loan they received in 2012.**

**The Standing Committee then interviewed A. Barry Cramer for Candidacy to Holy Orders (vocational diaconate). After discussion, and upon motion made and seconded, the Standing Committee, by a majority vote, approved Mr. Cramer's request to be made a candidate for Holy Orders. If available, a placement with a strong, experienced deacon would be helpful given the transitions in priests at St. Paul's and the benefit of a strong mentor for further development and understanding of the ministry of deacons.**

**Closing prayer was offered by Rev. Susan Bennett at 4:14p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Rev. Jan Oller, Secretary**

**Next meeting: tentatively, May 21, 2013 at 4 p.m. at the Interchurch Center**

**Standing Committee  
Diocesan Office**

**February 19, 2013**

Present: Rev. Mike Galvin, Chair; Rev. Jan Oller, Secretary; Rev. Susan Bennett, Edwina Suit, Frances Barrow

Guest: The Rt. Rev. Catherine M. Waynick

The meeting was called to order by the Rev. Mike Galvin at 4p.m.

Discussion with the Bishop: She brought us up to date on the situation with Trinity, Indianapolis. No action is required by us.

Minutes of the December 18, 2012 meeting were presented, and upon motion made and seconded, were approved.

Request for Consent to Election: following discussion, and upon motion made and seconded, the Standing Committee consents to the election of:

- (1) Bishop Suffragan of the Diocese of New York;
- (2) William Jay Lambert to be Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of Eau Claire.

The members of the Standing Committee signed the necessary forms so that they could be mailed to the appropriate Dioceses.

Mike Galvin has not yet heard from the Commission on Ministry. The issue is with the COM to raise if they wish to pursue.

Closing prayer was offered by Rev. Susan Bennett.

There being no other new business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Jan Oller, Secretary

Next meeting: TBD

**Standing Committee  
Interfaith Center**

**Tuesday, December 18, 2012**

Present: Rev. Mike Galvin, Chair; Rev. Jan Oller, Secretary; Rev. Susan Bennett; Dr. Edwina Suit; Frances Barrow

Guests: Jenny Hulen, Frank Impicciche

Called to order at 4:10 pm in Krannert Auditorium. Prayer led by Rev. Jan Oller.

Discussion of possible lay member which is still needed. Mike Galvin agreed to follow up with some potential new members.

Discussion about meeting with Commission on Ministry to clarify roles and responsibilities, including decisions about proceeding in process. We do not know the full parameters behind the request. Mike Galvin will follow up with Diocesan Staff to get more information about what is being requested and report back to the Committee. We discussed the role of Standing Committee vis-à-vis those in the process towards ordination. This is still under discussion and in development.

**Interview of Jenny Hulen.** After discussion with Jenny Hulen, motion was made by Jan Oller and seconded by Edwina Suit, and carried unanimously to recommend Jenny Hulen for ordination to the priesthood.

**Interview with Frank Impicciche.** After discussion with Frank Impicciche, motion was made by Frances Barrow and seconded by Susan Bennett, and carried unanimously to recommend Frank Impicciche for ordination to the priesthood.

Jan Oller will prepare the necessary certifications and circulate to the Committee for signature and transmittal to the Bishop.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

**Next meeting January 15, 2013 @ 4p.m. @ Diocesan Conference Rm.**

*J. Oller*