Minutes of the Meeting of the 171st Convention of the Diocese of Missouri
November 19-20, 2010
St. Charles Convention Center, St. Charles, Missouri 63304

Friday, November 19, 2010
Plenary Session I, St. Charles Convention Center

Call to Order: Bishop Smith
Having been informed that a quorum was present, at 1:00 PM, the Right Reverend George Wayne Smith declared the 171st Meeting of the Convention of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri to be in session.

Opening Prayer and Welcome: the Rev. Tamsen Whistler, rector of Trinity Church, St. Charles

Appointment of a Secretary: Bishop Smith
Bishop Smith appointed Dr. James Hood as the Secretary of Convention

Appointment of a Parliamentary Advisor to the Chair: Bishop Smith
Bishop Smith appointed Mr. Harold R. Burroughs, Esq., Chancellor of the Diocese, to serve as Parliamentary Advisor to the Chair.

Report of the Committee on Lay Credentials and Admission of New Parishes: Dr. James Hood
The Secretary offered a motion giving seat and voice to clergy not canonically entitled to seat, voice, and vote in the Convention.

Clergy
- The Rev. J. Stephen Bergmann (Ohio), Pastoral Assistant, St. Peter’s Church, Ladue
- The Rev. James L. Clark (Central/Southern Illinois, ELCA), Assisting Priest, Emmanuel Church, Webster Groves
- The Rev. Jedediah W. Fox (Montana), Curate, Church of St. Michael & St. George, Clayton
- The Rev. Arnold R. Hoffman (Springfield), Interim Pastor, St. Paul’s Church, Sikeston
- The Rev. H. Knute Jacobson (Western Michigan), Rector, Calvary Church, Columbia
- The Rev. Robert Klein (Ohio, ELCA), Supply Priest, St. Alban’s Church, Fulton
- The Rev. Roy C. Moore, II (Central States, ELCA), Clergy Associate, St. Timothy’s Church, Creve Coeur
- The Rev. Cyprian O. C. Okere (Isialangwa South), Non-Parochial, Hannibal
- Michael P. G. G. Randolph (Southern Ohio), Priest Associate, Trinity Church, St. Louis
- The Rev. Schelly Reid-Levy (Maryland), Deacon, Trinity Church, St. James

The motion passed unanimously.

Adoption of the Rules of Order: Secretary
The Secretary moved that the Rules of Order used at last year’s Convention as distributed in the Convention delegate packets be adopted as the Rules of Order for the 171st Convention.

The motion passed unanimously.

Recognition of 171st Convention Committees: Bishop Smith
Bishop Smith then recognized those appointed last year to serve on Committees serving the 171st Convention.

LAY CREDENTIALS AND ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES
- Dr. James Hood, Chair
- Mr. Harold R. Burroughs

DISPATCH OF BUSINESS
- Mr. Harold R. Burroughs, Chair
- Dr. James Hood
- The Rev. Canon E. Daniel Smith, ex officio

CONSTITUTION & CANONS
- The Hon. Jean C. Hamilton, Chair
- Mr. Harold R. Burroughs
- Mr. Ronald Jones
- The Rev. James H. Purdy
- The Honorable Mary Russell
- The Rev. Susan Skinner
- Mr. Jamieson Spencer
- The Rev. Richard B. Tudor
- The Rev. Dr. Peter Van Horne
- The Rev. Canon E. Daniel Smith, ex officio

RESOLUTIONS
- Mrs. Kathryn Dyer, Chair
- Mrs. Carolyn Daniels
- Ms. Ann Hogan
- The Rev. Dr. Lydia Agnew Speller
- The Rev. Robert Towner
Recognition of New Clergy, Clergy in new Cures, and Clergy who have died
The Bishop recognized the following:

Newly Ordained Clergy
The Rev. Pamela Dolan, ordained to the Diaconate December 18, 2009, ordained to the Priesthood June 19, 2010
The Rev. Robert Ard, ordained to the Diaconate May 22, 2010
The Rev. Eric Lobsinger, ordained to the Diaconate May 13, 2010

New to the Diocese
The Rev. Jon W. Hall, Rector, St. Martin’s Church, Ellisville
The Rev. H. Knute Jacobson, Rector, Calvary Church, Columbia

New Cures
The Rev. Pamela Dolan, Curate, Emmanuel Church, Webster Groves
The Rev. Sally Sykes Weaver, Vicar, St. Francis’ Church, Eureka
The Rev. Renee Fenner, Rector, St. Barnabas’ Church, Florissant
The Rev. Amy Chambers Cortright, Vicar to the Provost, Christ Church Cathedral, St. Louis
The Rev. Joseph Chambers, Chaplain, Episcopal Campus Ministry, St. Louis
The Rev. Robert Ard, Deacon-in-Charge, St. Paul’s Church, St. Louis
The Rev. Michael Dunnington, Priest-in-Charge, All Saints’ Church, St. Louis

New Cures (out of the Diocese of Missouri)
The Rev. Morgan Ibe, Rector, Redeemer Episcopal Church, Oklahoma City, Diocese of Oklahoma
The Rev. Charles Orme-Rogers, Chaplain, Meriter Health Services, Madison, Wisconsin
The Rev. Dr. Lydia Agnew Speller, Interim Rector, Holy Spirit Episcopal Church, Missoula, Montana

Retirements
The Rev. Kamila Blessing, Non-Parochial
The Rev. Richard Valantasis, Non-Parochial
The Rev. Beverly Van Horne, Priest-in-Charge, Trinity, Jefferson County
The Rev. Robert Franken, Non-Parochial

Died
The Rev. Irene Jones, died November 25, 2009
The Rev. Arthur Steidemann, died September 17, 2010

Report of the Committee on Nominations and Election Procedures, Introduction of Candidates: The Rev. Dr. Warren Crews
Crews presented the candidates for the various offices.

For General Convention Deputy
Lay
Ms. Lynette M. Ballard, St. Matthew’s Church, Warson Woods
Mr. Michael Clark, Christ Church Cathedral, St. Louis
Mrs. Kathryn Dyer, St. Timothy’s Church, Creve Coeur
Mr. Donald Fisher, Christ Church Cathedral, St. Louis
Ms. Lisa L. Fox, Grace Church, Jefferson City
Ms. Jeannette R. Huey, Church of St. Michael and St. George, Clayton
Mr. Joseph (Jay) Kloecker, St. Peter’s Church, Ladue

Clergy
The Rev. Daniel S. Appleyard, Priest-in-charge, Emmanuel Church, Webster Groves
The Very Rev. Ronald Clingenpeel, retired Dean of Christ Church Cathedral
The Rev. Jason W. Samuel, Rector, Church of the Transfiguration, Lake St. Louis
The Rev. Doris Samuel, St. Matthew’s Church, Warson Woods
The Rev. Tamsen Whistler, Trinity Church, St. Charles

For Standing Committee
Lay
Mr. Raymond (Skip) Coburn, Church of St. Michael and St. George, Clayton
Mr. Randy Mariani, Church of the Holy Communion, University City

Clergy
The Rev. Kelly Carlson, Associate to the Rector, St. Peter’s Church, Ladue
The Rev. Sally Sykes Weaver, Vicar, St. Francis’ Church, Eureka

For Diocesan Council
Mrs. Simone Camp, St. Alban’s Church, Fulton
Mr. William R. Gilbert II, Ph.D., St. Peter’s Church, Ladue
Mr. Jeffrey R. Kliewe, St. Martin’s Church, Ellisville
Ms. Vicki Myers, Grace Church, Jefferson City

For Cathedral Chapter
Lay
Mr. Joseph Lee Adams, Church of the Holy Communion, University City
Mr. Raymond W. (Sandy) Peters II, St. Peter’s Church, Ladue
Clergy
The Rev. Emily Bloemker, St. Timothy’s Church, Creve Coeur

Additional nominees by petition:
Mr. Richard Braznell for Diocesan Council, Church of the Good Shepherd, Town & Country
Ms. Susan Mills for Diocesan Council and for Standing Committee, Christ Church, Rolla

For the Ecclesiastical Court
Ms. Jane Klieve, St. Martin’s Church, Ellisville

For the Disciplinary Board
Lay
Ms. Jane Klieve (one year)
Mr. Carl Muench (two years)
Ms. Virginia Russell Rowe (three years)

Clergy
The Rev. Harvel Sanders (three years)
The Rev. Andrew Archie (three years)
The Rev. Jack Fleming (two years)
The Rev. Lydia Agnew Speller (one year)

Nomination and Election of a Trustee for the University of the South: Bishop Smith
Mr. Jack Lauless was nominated and elected unanimously.

Continuing Trustees of the University of the South:
The Rev. Llewellyn M. Heigham, Term Expires with the 173rd Convention
Ms. Judith Lynn Bandy Stupp, Term expires with the 172nd Convention
The Rt. Rev. Dr. George Wayne Smith, ex officio

First Report of the Resolutions Committee: Mrs. Kathryn Dyer
Committee Chairperson Dyer presented the following resolutions to the Convention for preliminary consideration. Full text and any amendments presented will be given when the resolutions are put to a vote.
A-171 Minimum Clergy Compensation
B-171 Policy on Serving Alcohol
C-171 Diocesan Council
D-171 Health and Dental Insurance
E-171 Amendments to Title V: Ecclesiastical Discipline

Report of the Standing Committee and Presentation: Ms. Jane Klieve
Video presentation
A brief talk was given by the Rev. Catherine Hillquist, Vicar of St. Paul’s, Ironton, on their use of a Community Ministry Fund grant. They have developed a community garden for community service.

The Rev. Daniel Handschy presented a report from the For the Life of the World subcommittee, asking that projects being done by parishes and missions be reported so that they can be placed on the Diocesan website so that knowledge of them can be more widely disseminated.

Standing Committee President Klieve thanked the committee members for their work.

Council Vice-Chair Towner reported that the Council is an extension of the will of the Diocesan Convention. The official acts of the Council are reported in the Convention booklet. He reported that the Council is the steward of the diocesan investment policy. It evaluates and recommends grants for New Ventures in Mission grants, oversees the congregations who receive support from the Diocese, oversees grants for capital improvements, and approves grants to aged and infirm clergy. It also oversees the process for building the diocesan budget each year. Members of council may visit congregations who do not pay their assessments. They are also responsible for diocesan employees’ salaries and benefits.

Report Regarding New Ventures in Community Ministry: Mr. Robert Daniels
This activity is part of the original Rockwell fund-raising effort. Committee Chair Daniels presented the financial history of the project on slides. $866,000.00 remains in the fund. $175,000 has been granted, and a list of grants was presented: St. Stephen’s, Ferguson, $8,000.00, Arcadia Valley Food Pantry and St. Paul’s, Ironton, have been recipients. The 2011 grant requests will be available April 1. Bishop Smith complimented the committee that oversees the grants.

Presentation of the Operating Budget (overview): Mr. Tom Hedrick, Treasurer of the Diocese
Treasurer Hedrick presented the 2011 operating budget. He noted that the 2010 budget had reflected the economic realities of the time, with no deficit spending. The new budget represents no changes in staff, but the Diocese will live within its means.
He reviewed the budget process, stressing the intention to be responsible stewards, to balance the budget, and maintain the focus on ministry.

He mentioned the Thompson Fund which is under the control of the Bishop, and the White Fund used for capital projects.

The new budget includes a 3% increase in salaries for staff, after last year’s salary freeze. Funds for a Youth Missioner are included this year. [When the Minutes are published in the annual Journal a copy of the budget will be attached.]

Announcements: Mr. Harold Burroughs
The Chancellor reminded delegates to patronize vendors.

Close of Plenary Session I: Bishop Smith
Bishop Smith then declared that Plenary Session I was adjourned.

2:30-2:45: The Convention was in recess.

Opening of the Second Plenary Session
Bishop Smith declared that the Second Plenary Session of the Convention was open at 3:48 PM.

Budget Presentation--Mission Models: The Rev. Robert Towner
Towner reported on a group of parishes joined together with a Mission Grant: Grace Church, Kirkwood; St. Matthew’s Church, Warson Woods; St. Paul’s Church, Ironton; Christ Church, Cape Girardeau; Church of the Advent, Crestwood; and Trinity Church, St. Charles. These are diverse parishes: rural, urban, suburban. They are jointly exploring being mission-driven rather than focusing on survival. The basic concept is to follow the Great Commission. Towner related several stories of activities in the neighborhood of the parish in Cape Girardeau, focusing on reaching out to neighborhood youth. The Rev. Doris Westfall spoke of the Community Garden project at St. Matthew’s Church, Warson Woods, along with a shelter for abused women. Mrs. Grace Nichols reported for Trinity Church, St. Charles, as they move from an internal to an external focus. They are involved with the Angel Food Ministry program and also regularly pick up bread from the St. Louis Bread Company for distribution to those in need.

Report of the Resolutions Committee: Mrs. Kathryn Dyer
Dyer moved Resolution A-171; it was seconded.

A-171 - Minimum Clergy Compensation - Submitted on behalf of the Diocesan Council

1. BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri set the annual standard base compensation for full-time clergy in 2011 as follows:

   CASH SALARY $39,510
   HOUSING ALLOWANCE $14,240

   [The actual compensation should be determined by Resolution of the Vestry/Bishop’s Committee, in consultation with the clergy.]

2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Church Pension Fund assessment will be paid by the congregation;

3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that $50,000 group life will be paid by the congregation;

4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that medical coverage for clergy and eligible dependents, will be paid by the congregation;

5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a standard of ten days per calendar year and $500 will be provided for continuing education;

6. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the standard auto allowance will be $2,000 per year; and

7. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all parishes and missions encourage their full-time clergy to set aside the equivalent of two days each week for personal time, 24 hours of which must be consecutive.

RATIONALE

2010 cash salary was $38,585 and housing allowance was $13,900 for a package total of $52,485. The recommendation for 201 reflects a 2.4% increase in both Cash Salary and Housing. This increase is based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index - Midwest Urban Consumers first half of 2009 comparison to the first half of 2010. The Canons of the Episcopal Church mandate that pension assessments be paid by congregations (assessment = 18 percent of cash salary plus housing and utilities allowance). Provides for $50,000 of term life insurance for active clergy. (In addition, all active clergy are eligible to receive an additional term life insurance benefit from the Church Pension Fund equal to four times total compensation to a maximum of $100,000). A list of medical plans can be obtained from the Office of the Bishop.
Congregations are encouraged to provide both time and financial resources to assist clergy with continuing education opportunities.

Standard allowance for auto expense.

Congregations are urged to encourage their clergy to take two days of personal time in the manner stated above.

This resolution establishes a standard base compensation for clergy. Congregations are urged and invited to compensate clergy beyond the standard.

It is understood that under individual circumstances and conditions internal adjustments in the compensation package may be negotiated.

The resolution was passed but not unanimously.

Committee Chairperson Dyer moved Resolution C-171, and it was seconded.

**C-171 - Diocesan Council** - Submitted by Metro III

BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri request that the Committee on Constitution & Canons evaluate the desirability of amending Canon III.6 to provide for the election of one lay and one clergy member of Diocesan Council each year for three year terms; and that the said committee report its findings back to the 172nd Convention or, if it so chooses, to submit such an amendment to that Convention for its consideration.

**RATIONALE**

1. On several occasions there have been attempts both by individuals and convocations to nominate clergy for the two at-large open positions on Diocesan Council every year. It was their conviction that their nominees were well qualified to serve on Council in addition to the clergy person serving on Council from their convocation.

2. As it currently stands, no clergy person on Diocesan Council is elected by the entire Diocese, as represented by Diocesan Convention, to serve on the Council. The only clergy on Council are elected by convocations or appointed by the Bishop.

3. This Convention elects members to Standing Committee, Cathedral Chapter, Diocesan Council, and our General Convention deputation. In all these elections, except for Diocesan Council, we elect an equal number of clergy and lay members. The proposed amendment to Canon III.6 would rectify that discrepancy.

After comments, Resolution C-171 passed but not unanimously

Committee Chairperson Dyer moved Resolution

**D-171 on Health and Dental Insurance, and it was seconded.**

**D-171 - Health & Dental Insurance** - Submitted by Metro III

BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri encourages Diocesan Council in 2011 to consider how to assist congregations who pay their full assessment to the Diocese of Missouri with the costs of providing health and dental insurance to the active clergy and their families, including but not limited to the possibility of using funds from the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.

**RATIONALE**

The costs of health and dental insurance for clergy and their families continue to rise, and there is no guarantee that the costs will stabilize, much less decline, in the future, even though we will soon have a church-wide health plan for clergy and their families. In addition, the cost of providing health and dental insurance coverage to clergy is well beyond the capacity of many smaller congregations.

After discussion, D-171 was passed but not unanimously.

Committee Chairperson Dyer moved G-171, and it was seconded.

**G-171 - Family Leave** - Submitted by the Diocesan Resolutions Committee

BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri strongly encourages the Diocesan Council to develop a model Family Leave Policy for congregations, to be presented for consideration at the 172nd Convention, taking into consideration Resolution L-170 previously passed by this convention.

**RATIONALE**

The 170th convention required the Resolutions Committee to craft a resolution for submission at this convention addressing family leave. After discussion, the Resolution Committee recommends that Diocesan Council may be a more appropriate body to draft language of a model Family Leave Policy. Council is working on other benefits, such as medical coverage, and its members represent a better cross section of our congregations.

After a vote to allow consideration, G-171 was put to a vote without discussion. It passed but not unanimously.
Committee Chairperson Dyer then moved B-171, and it was seconded.

**B-171 - Diocesan Policy on Serving Alcohol - Submitted by Episcopal Recovery Ministries**

BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri adopt the following policy on serving alcoholic beverages at church functions and that this policy remain in effect until changed at a subsequent Diocesan Convention:

Diocese of Missouri Policy on Alcohol at Church Functions
This policy applies to all groups hosting events on church premises.
1. All applicable federal, state, and local laws are to be obeyed. Under no circumstances may minors consume, sell, or distribute alcoholic beverages. Distributing alcoholic beverages to those who are intoxicated is prohibited.

2. Alcoholic beverages and food containing alcohol must be clearly labeled as such.

3. Whenever alcohol is served, non-alcoholic alternatives are always provided with equal attractiveness, accessibility, and quantity. Food is provided whenever alcohol is available.

4. The serving of alcoholic beverages should not be publicized as an attraction of the event.

5. No event will include alcohol without first consulting with and receiving the consent of the priest in charge of the congregation or his/her designee.

6. Responsible adults are to be in control of the serving of alcoholic beverages. Drunkenness is inappropriate and unacceptable at church events.

7. The furnishing of alcoholic beverages is limited to beer and wine.

8. The priest in charge and Vestry/Bishop’s Committee of the congregation are responsible for ensuring that this policy is disseminated and observed.

9. Chemical distribution other than alcohol is clearly controlled under federal, state, and local laws and, as such, is forbidden at any function.

10. Alcoholic beverages stored on church premises are in locked storage, so that they are not accessible to unsupervised minors.

11. Alcoholic beverages are not to be consumed by adults who accompany minors off church property on a parish-related activity.

12. Any outside group or group advertising to the public that hosts an event on church property and serves alcohol is required to obtain an event rider or certificate of insurance naming the church as loss payee and showing limits of liquor liability equal to the church’s general liability.

**Clarification and Additional Information**

Paragraph number
1. A “minor” is anyone under the legal drinking age of 21.

4. An event would not be advertised as a “wine and cheese party” or “champagne brunch,” for example. Wine could be listed as one of the items being furnished as long as non-alcoholic beverages are also listed and the list of food items is prominent.

5. It is the intent of this policy that alcoholic beverages are not to be consumed on church property before, during, or after regularly scheduled gatherings. Examples include: Sunday or weekday worship, choir rehearsals, vestry meetings, guild/committee meetings. At the discretion and with the consent of the priest in charge, the serving of alcohol may be allowed on special occasions such as a major feast, Celebration of New Ministry, concert or choral Evensong, etc.

6. It is not permissible for attendees to bring their own alcoholic beverages for their private consumption to church events. Alcohol consumed at a church event is distributed and controlled by the hosting group. The group or organization sponsoring the event assumes responsibility for any persons who might become intoxicated and must provide alternative transportation for anyone whose capacity to drive may be impaired.

7. Only low-content alcoholic beverages may be served. Hard liquor is not provided.

10. Alcoholic beverages (beer, wine) may not be stored in unlocked refrigerators in a church’s kitchen, for example. The wine used for the
Eucharist should also be stored securely to avoid unauthorized use.
Drinking the consecrated wine left over following the Eucharist is never a requirement. Respectfully disposing of the wine by pouring it on the ground or down a piscina is always an option.

11. Alcoholic beverages are not to be consumed by adults who serve as chaperones on a mission trip or to a choir camp, for example. Adults are to abstain from drinking any alcohol during the entire period of time they are chaperoning the minors.

12. An “outside group” is defined as any group holding a non-church sponsored event, even if the leaders of the event are members of the parish. “Advertising to the public” is defined as publicity through radio, newspaper, television, website, or signage to induce the public to attend; however, this does not include notices published in the church’s newsletter, e-mail list, website, etc.

RATIONALE
Alcohol is a mood-altering, potentially addictive drug. Currently the third leading health problem in the United States, alcohol abuse is a problem for more than 20 million Americans, roughly 10% of the population. The damage from alcohol addiction is inflicted on millions more, as families are fractured and torn apart by the addict’s behavior.

In the United States one person is killed every half hour due to drunk driving. By serving alcohol at church events we run the risk of people driving while intoxicated, threatening their own safety and the welfare of our communities.

Chances are, at least 1 in every 10 members in our congregations abuses or is addicted to alcohol. By adhering to this policy we will model moderation in the consumption and serving of alcohol on our property. This policy is sensitive to those who suffer from alcohol abuse, while demonstrating hospitality and fellowship by allowing but not relying on alcoholic beverages.

The sponsor of this policy, Episcopal Recovery Ministries, is dedicated to helping Episcopalians and Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA) members suffering from addictions into recovery. The Committee is a group of clergy and lay volunteers appointed by the Bishop. Each of these people has had personal experience with addiction and recovery, and is an active member of the church.

An amendment was offered to strike the words “or group” from paragraph 12. After discussion, the amendment was put to a vote and failed.

An amendment was offered as follows:
Strike “5. No event will include alcohol without first consulting with and receiving the consent of the priest in charge of the congregation or his/her designee.”
And replace with amended paragraph 5 from "Clarification and Additional Information":
“It is the intent of this policy that alcoholic beverages are not to be consumed on church property before, during, or after regularly scheduled gatherings. Examples include: Sunday or weekday worship, choir rehearsals, vestry meetings, guild/committee meetings. At the discretion and with the consent of the priest in charge, or his/her designee, the serving of alcohol may be allowed on special occasions such as a major feast, Celebration of New Ministry, concert, etc.”

After discussion, the amendment failed

An amendment was offered to omit clause 7. After discussion, the amendment failed.

An amendment was offered to add a clause at the end of the resolution as follows:
The Episcopal Recoveries Ministry shall develop nonbinding guidance for consideration by congregations and the diocese. omit the remainder of the Rationale.

After discussion, Resolution B-171 passed as amended. The amended text is as follows:

**B-171 Amended**

**Diocesan Policy on Serving Alcohol**
Submitted by Episcopal Recovery Ministries, amended at convention

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13. The Episcopal Recoveries Ministry shall develop nonbinding guidance for consideration by congregations and the diocese.

Report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons: Mr. Harold Burroughs
Chancellor Burroughs, on behalf of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, moved Resolution E-171.

E-171 - Amendments to Title V: Ecclesiastical Discipline - Submitted on behalf of the Committee on Constitution and Canons

BE IT RESOLVED that, effective July 1, 2011, this 171st Convention of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri amend Title V of the Canons of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri:

A. by amending Canon V.5 in its entirety to read as follows:

CANON V.5 Title IV of General Canons. Those provisions of Title IV of the Canons of the National Church which are applicable to this Diocese are hereby incorporated as part of this Title. To the extent, if any, that any of the provisions of this Title are in conflict or inconsistent with the provisions of Title IV of the Canons of the National Church, the provisions of Title IV of the Canons of the National Church shall govern.

and

B. by adding a new Canon V.6, V.7, and V.8 as follows

Canon V.6. Discipline Structure

Section 1. Disciplinary Board. The Board shall consist of not less than seven persons, four (4) of whom are members of the Clergy and three (3) of whom are Laity.

Section 2. Clergy Members. The Clergy members of the Board must be canonically and geographically resident within the Diocese.

Section 3. Lay Members. The lay members of the Board shall be Adult Communicants in Good Standing, and geographically resident in the Diocese.

Section 4. Election. The members of the Board shall be elected by the Convention. Each member shall be elected for a three (3)-year term; except, if a member is elected to fill a vacancy, the term of such member shall be the unexpired term of the member being replaced. The term of the member shall commence on the first
(1st) day of the year following election. The terms of
office of the Board shall be staggered and arranged into
three classes.

Section 5, Vacancies. Until such time as a replacement
Board member is duly elected pursuant to Canon V.6.4,
vacancies on the Board shall be filled as follows:

(a) Upon the determination that a vacancy exists, the
President of the Board shall notify the Bishop of the
vacancy and request appointment of a replacement
member of the same order as the member to be re-
placed.

(b) The Bishop shall appoint a replacement Board
member in consultation with the Standing Committee.

(c) Persons appointed to fill vacancies on the Board
shall meet the same eligibility requirements as apply to
elected Board members.

(d) With respect to a vacancy created for any reason
other than pursuant to a challenge as provided below,
the term of any person appointed as a replacement
Board member shall be until the next annual Con-
vention. With respect to a vacancy resulting from a
challenge, the replacement Board member shall serve
only for the proceedings for which the elected Board
member is not serving as a result of the challenge.

Section 6. Preserving Impartiality. In any proceeding
under this Title, if any member of a Conference Panel
or Hearing Panel of the Board shall become aware
of a personal conflict of interest or undue bias, that
member shall immediately notify the President of the
Board and request a replacement member of the Panel.
Respondent’s Counsel and the Church Attorney shall
have the right to challenge any member of a Panel
for conflict of interest or undue bias by motion to the
Panel for disqualification of the challenged member.
The members of the Panel not the subjects of the chal-
lenge shall promptly consider the motion and deter-
mine whether the challenged Panel member shall be
disqualified from participating in that proceeding.

Section 7. President. Within sixty (60) days follow-
ing the annual Convention, the Board shall convene
to elect a President to serve for the following calendar
year. The Bishop shall establish the time and place for
each meeting within such sixty (60) day period by writ-
ten notice to the members of the Board. Such meeting
shall be held within the geographic boundaries of this
Diocese.

Section 8. Intake Officer. The Intake Officer shall
be appointed from time to time by the Bishop after
consultation with the Board. The Bishop may appoint
one or more Intake Officers according to the needs of
the Diocese. The Bishop shall publish the name(s) and
contact information of the Intake Officer(s) throughout
the Diocese.

Section 9. Investigator. The Bishop shall appoint an
Investigator in consultation with the President of the
Board. The Investigator may, but need not, be a Mem-
ber of the Church.

Section 10. Church Attorney. Within sixty (60) days
following each annual Convention, the Standing Com-
mittee shall appoint an attorney to serve as Church
Attorney to serve for the following calendar year. The
person so selected must be a Member of the Church
and a duly licensed attorney, but need not reside within
the Diocese.

Section 11. Pastoral Response Coordinator. The
Bishop may appoint a Pastoral Response Coordinator,
to serve at the will of the Bishop in coordinating the
delivery of appropriate pastoral responses provided
for in Title IV.8 of the General Canons and this Title.
The Pastoral Response Coordinator may be the Intake
Officer, but shall not be a person serving in any other
appointed or elected capacity under this Title.

Section 12. Advisors. In each proceeding under this
Title, the Bishop shall appoint an Advisor for the Com-
plainant and an Advisor for the Respondent. Persons
serving as Advisors shall hold no other appointed or
elected position provided for under this Title, and
shall not include chancellors or vice chancellors of this
Diocese or any person likely to be called as a witness in
the proceeding.

Section 13. Clerk. The Board shall appoint a Board
Clerk to assist the Board with records management and
administrative support. The Clerk may be a member of
the Board.

CANON V.7 Costs and Expenses

Section 1. Costs Incurred by the Church. The reason-
able costs and expenses of the Board, the Intake Of-
ficer, the Investigator, the Church Attorney, the Board
Clerk, and the Pastoral Response Coordinator shall
be the obligation of the Diocese, subject to budget-
ary constraints as may be established by the Diocesan
Council.

Section 2. Cost Incurred by the Respondent. In the
event of a final Order dismissing the complaint, or
by provisions of a Covenant approved by the Bishop,
the reasonable defense fees and costs incurred by the Respondent may be paid or reimbursed by the Diocese, subject to budgetary constraints as may be established by the Diocesan Council.

CANON V.8 Records

Section 1. Records of Proceedings. Records of active proceedings before the Board, including the period of any pending appeal, shall be preserved and maintained in the custody of the Clerk, if there be one, otherwise by the Office of the Bishop.

Section 2. Permanent Records. The Bishop shall make provision for the permanent storage of records of all proceedings under this Title, at the Office of the Bishop and the Archives of the National Church, as prescribed in Title IV of the Canons of the National Church.

RATIONALE

The foregoing amendments are necessary to implement, at the Diocesan level, the amendments to the ecclesiastical discipline canons (Title IV) of the National Church. Through the actions of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies at the 76th General Convention in 2009, the National Church adopted a new structure for ecclesiastical discipline matters. The new structure focuses on mediation and the opportunity for prompt resolution as opposed to the old Title IV which was modeled on the Uniform Code of Military Justice. By way of highlighting significant changes, please not the following:

A. A Disciplinary Board, whose members are nominated by the Committee on Nominations and Election Procedure and elected by Convention, essentially replaces the Ecclesiastical Court, members of whom were nominated by the Bishop. A subset of the Disciplinary Board convenes as a “Conference Panel” in an effort to clarify the matter and pursue appropriate resolution and, as necessary, as a “Hearing Panel” to hear and adjudicate disciplinary matters.

B. The Diocese must make advisers available to all respondents and complainants to: “support, assist, consult with, and advise” them in the disciplinary matter.

C. The Bishop will appoint an Intake Officer as the person to whom information regarding offenses is to be reported.

D. Other Personnel include a Church Attorney, who will represent the Church in the disciplinary matter, a Conciliator, who is appointed by the Bishop to seek a settlement of the matter, and Investigators, who are to conduct investigations into the issues as hand.

Upon vote, Canon E-171 passed unanimously.

The Bishop then asked Chancellor Burroughs for announcements.

The Bishop then declared the close of Plenary Session II at 4:55 p.m.

Saturday, November 20, 2010

Opening of Plenary Session III: Bishop Smith

At 8:33 a.m. on Saturday, the Bishop declared the opening of Plenary Session III.

Morning Devotions: The Rev. Tamsen Whistler

Further Report of the Resolutions Committee: Mrs. Kathryn Dyer

Committee Chairperson Dyer moved the following resolution:

The Presiding Bishop – The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori

WHEREAS the Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori continues to serve as the first woman Presiding Bishop in the Episcopal Church and first and only female primate in the Anglican Communion and whereas she continues to lead us toward reconciliation and growth in tumultuous times,

BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st convention of the Diocese of Missouri sends its warm greetings to the Presiding Bishop and assures her of our prayers.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:


WHEREAS the Diocese of Missouri has been served from generation to generation by faithful and wise bishops and

WHEREAS each in his turn has brought distinctive gifts for leadership, of the mission and ministry of the diocese,

BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st convention of the Diocese of Missouri sends its warm greetings to the Rt. Rev. Hays Rockwell and Mrs. Rockwell and the Rt. Rev. William Jones and Mrs. Jones, wishing them a long and happy retirement.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
WHEREAS missioners from the Diocese of Missouri traveled to Lui as early as 2003 and as recently as a few weeks ago, and
WHEREAS our diocese entered into a 5 year covenant with the Diocese of Lui in 2006 and
WHEREAS the Diocese of Missouri has enjoyed a growing relationship with the Diocese of Lui
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this 171st Convention sends its warm greetings to our sisters and brothers in the Diocese of Lui and to Bishop Bullen.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
Anniversary of Parishes
WHEREAS in 2010, St. Francis’ Church, Wildwood celebrated 20 years since its foundation and St. John’s and St. James, Sullivan, celebrated 10 years since its foundation, and
WHEREAS St. Mark’s Episcopal Church, Portland, Missouri, celebrated 100 years in its current building,
BE IT RESOLVED that this convention extends to them its congratulations and looks forward to celebrating their ministries for decades to come.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
The Rev. Dr. Lydia Agnew Speller
WHEREAS the Rev. Dr. Lydia Agnew Speller served for nearly 17 years as the Rector of St. Mark’s Church, St. Louis, and has served the entire Diocese as Deputy to General Convention, Chair of the Diocesan Resolutions Committee, Chair of the Commission on Ministry, and as a member of Diocesan Board of Examining Chaplains and Diocesan Council as well as other committees, and
WHEREAS Lydia has been called to serve as the Interim Rector at the Church of the Holy Spirit in Missoula, Montana
BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st Convention of the Diocese of Missouri express our thanks for her service here, and offer our prayers for her future ministry.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
Anniversary of Ordinations
WHEREAS The Rev. Joseph W. Carlo (known to many as Fr. Joe), the Rev. Roderic D. Wiltse, and the Rev. William D. Roeger were all ordained to the ministry in the year 1960 and are therefore now celebrating 50 golden years of ordained ministry,
BE IT RESOLVED that this convention extends to them its congratulations and prayers for their future ministry.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
Retirement – The Rev. Michael Randolph
WHEREAS The Rev. Michael P.G.G. Randolph has served as Interim Director of Episcopal City Mission and has served many years on the Board of Directors of ECM, and
WHEREAS Father Randolph has given invaluable guidance to incarcerated youth and to the Chaplains of ECM, now therefore
BE IT RESOLVED that this convention expresses its gratitude to the Rev. Michael Randolph for his guidance and counsel to Episcopal City Mission upon his retirement.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Explanation of the Balloting System - Preferential Aggregate Transfer Ballot: The Rev. Warren Crews
Balloting was then conducted for General Convention Deputies, Standing Committee, Diocesan Council, Chapter of Christ Church Cathedral, Ecclesiastical Court and Disciplinary Board

Bishop’s Address: Bishop Smith
Bishop Smith gave his Annual Address to Convention.

The Bishop then called upon Chancellor Burroughs for announcements.

Following the announcements, the Bishop declared the Convention in recess until 9:55.

At 9:55, a quorum being present, the Bishop declared the opening of Plenary Session IV

United Thank Offering Presentation: Ms. Rosemary Bagin
Bagin reported a decline in congregations participating in the United Thank Offering. Last year, seventeen congregations took part. Mailings have been sent to all congregations indicating a Spring Ingathering in March. $7,845.00 has been received. There are now twenty ingathering congregations with eight new ones. One application for a UTC grant has been received. A new UTC Coordinator is being sought, and it need not be a woman.
Episcopal City Mission Presentation: Ms. Barbi Click
Click presented a video detailing the work of the Episcopal City Mission.

Further Report from Constitution and Canons: Mr. Harold Burroughs
On behalf of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, Chancellor Burroughs moved the adoption of Resolution F-171, and it was seconded.

F-171 - Adjusted Term Limits for Wardens
Submitted on behalf of the Committee on Constitution and Canons and the Church of St. Michael and St. George
BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st Convention of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri amend Section 6 of Canon IV.5A of the Canons of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri to read as follows:

SEC. 6. The Rector shall appoint annually from the Vestry a Senior Warden, and the Vestry shall elect from its members a Junior Warden, both of whom shall be canonically qualified for office. The terms of the Senior Warden and Junior Warden shall be one year each. No person who has served three consecutive one-year terms as Senior Warden or Junior Warden shall be eligible for further service in such capacity until the expiration of one year; provided that, if warranted by extraordinary circumstances and at the special request of the Rector and Vestry (or if the Parish is without a Rector, at the special request of the Vestry), and subject to compliance with Section 2 of this Canon IV.5A, a Senior Warden or Junior Warden may at the completion of his or her respective third consecutive one-year term as Senior Warden or Junior Warden be reappointed (in the case of the Senior Warden) or re-elected (in the case of the Junior Warden) to the office of Senior Warden or Junior Warden, as the case may be, for one additional year. The Rector may at any time commit the appointment of the Senior Warden to the Vestry. If the Parish be without a Rector, the Vestry shall elect from its members a Senior Warden. In the absence or illness of the Rector, or during a vacancy in the Rectorship (except to the extent such power has been delegated to an Interim Pastor or Priest-in-Charge by written employment agreement) the Senior Warden shall preside at meetings of the Vestry and of the Parish. In the absence of the Senior Warden, or in case of his or her inability or failure to act, the Junior Warden shall be the Presiding Officer. If there be no Wardens present, the Vestry or Parish shall elect a person to preside at its meeting.

RATIONALE
The bolded text reflects the proposed new language to be added to the Canon. [The bold faced type is added for convenience of reference only and the new text will not be printed in bold in the Canons.] The foregoing amendment grants to a Parish the ability to extend the term of service of a Senior Warden or a Junior Warden at the request of the Rector and Vestry. This flexibility can be useful when a Warden is involved with a long term project and the Parish deems it appropriate to have a particular individual continue in a position of Parish lay leadership. The “extraordinary circumstances” standard is the same standard utilized in Section 2 of Canon IV.5A, which accommodates the extension of a Vestry term in order for a Warden to continue in office for an additional year notwithstanding the expiration of a Vestry person’s customary three year term.

After discussion, the Chancellor indicated that a 2/3 vote of Convention was necessary for the Resolution to be adopted. On vote, the Convention approved the consideration of F-171 by the necessary margin but not unanimously.

Upon vote, the Resolution was adopted but not unanimously.

Reports Received by Title
The Bishop indicated that the following Reports would be received by the Convention by Title:
- Canon to the Ordinary
- Archivist and Registrar
- Church Periodicals Club
- Committee on Dismantling Racism
- Commission on Ministry
- Communications (Office of the Bishop)
Community of Deacons
Community of Hope
Episcopal Campus Ministry, Washington University
Episcopal Church Women
Episcopal City Mission
Episcopal Recovery Ministry
Episcopal School for Ministry
Grace Hill Settlement House
Oasis Missouri
Paseo con Cristo
St. Andrew’s Resources for Seniors
St. Luke’s Hospital
Sustain a Faith
Task Force for the Hungry
United Thank Offering
The University of the South

Presentation on Youth Ministry: Mr. Jonathan Stratton
The Diocesan Youth Missioner presented to the Convention a vision of how the future of youth ministry might go forward in parishes, with coordination at the Diocesan level and joint ventures at times. He surveyed the work of the Diocesan Youth Commission and indicated that materials on the ministry are available on the Diocesan website.

Report of the Diocesan Investment Trust: Mr. Joseph (Jay) Kloecker
Trustee Kloecker surveyed the work of the Diocesan Investment Trust. The Trust pools investment funds from parishes for additional savings and better results. The Fund is sensitive to investment opportunities so that unsuitable investments may be excluded.

Episcopal Recoveries Ministry Presentation: Mr. Wayne Norwood
Norwood discussed the ongoing work of the Episcopal Recovery Ministry.

Further Report from the Committee on Nominations and Election Procedures: Election Results: The Rev. Warren Crews
To Council
Mrs. Simone Camp and Ms. Vicki Myers
To Standing Committee
Lay Mr. Richmond Coburn,
Mr. Randy Mariani
Clergy The Rev. Sally Weaver
To Cathedral Chapter
The Rev. Emily Bloemker and
Mr. Joseph Adams

As General Convention Deputies

Lay Deputies (in order)
Mrs. Kathryn Dyer
Mr. Michael Clark
Ms. Lynette Ballard
Ms. Lisa L. Fox
Lay Alternates (in order)
Ms. Jeannette Huey
Mr. Joseph (Jay) Kloecker
Mr. Donald Fisher

Clerical Deputies (in order)
The Rev. Tamsen Whistler
The Rev. Jason Samuel
The Rev. Doris Westfall
The Rev. Daniel Appleyard

Clerical Alternate
The Rev. Ron Clingenpeel

Disciplinary Board
Lay
Mr. Carl Muench
Ms. Jane Klieve
Ms. Virginia Russell Rowe
Clergy
The Rev. Andrew Archie
The Rev. John Fleming
The Rev. Harvel Sanders
The Rev. Lydia Speller

Adoption of the Operating Budget: Mr. Thomas Hedrick
Treasurer Hedrick moved the adoption of the proposed Diocesan Budget for 2011; the motion was seconded. The budget passed but not unanimously.

Presentation Regarding New Ventures in Community: The Rev. Daniel Handschy
The Church of the Advent was the recipient of a Ministry Grant. Rector Handschy described the Parish Nursing Initiative and Ms. Deb Goldfeder described the Parish Nursing Program.
Further Report from the Resolutions Committee:  
Mrs. Kathryn Dyer

Committee Chairperson Dyer moved the following resolution:

Marriage – The Rev. John Good
WHEREAS the Church celebrates by retelling the story of Jesus’ first miracle at the wedding of Cana and
WHEREAS the Church views marriage as a sacred sacrament and as a bond between two people not to be broken and
WHEREAS the Rev. John Good and Ms. Joanne Kelly share strong feelings of love and desire for commitment and companionship
BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st convention extends its wholehearted support blessing and prayer for the continued joy and happiness of John and Joanne upon their marriage this November 27.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
The Rev. Arthur Steidemann
WHEREAS the Rev. Arthur Steidemann served as Rector of Grace Episcopal Church in Kirkwood for more than 20 years and
WHEREAS after retiring he served as Priest-in-Charge of St. Thomas Church for the Deaf and
WHEREAS Arthur was a tireless advocate for social justice and his life and ministry touched many in this diocese, this church, and this country.
BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st convention of the Diocese of Missouri thanks God for the life and ministry of Arthur Steidemann.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
Clergy Deaths
WHEREAS The Rev. Irene Jones who was active in the Diocese of Missouri, serving as Interim Pastor at Grace-Kirkwood and as Associate for Congregational Development at St. Stephen's-Ferguson died in November 2009, and
WHEREAS The Rev. Dr. Anne Brewster Jones who in 1984 became the first female rector of a parish in the Diocese of Missouri, serving as Rector of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Warson Woods, died in February 2010 and
WHEREAS The Rev. Perry Cooper Burton who served as rector of Church of the Epiphany, Des Peres from 1963-71 died in May 2010
BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st convention of the Diocese of Missouri thanks God for the life and ministry of Irene, Anne and Perry.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
Pauline Kohler
WHEREAS Pauline Kohler, a long time faithful member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Bonne Terre, past senior warden and convention delegate, died last month at the venerable age of 102,
BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st convention of the Diocese of Missouri thank God for her life and ministry.

The Resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
Sound & Tech Crew
WHEREAS each year the Diocese of Missouri gathers together at the annual Diocesan Convention for fellowship, worship, and legislative procedure, all in support of our mission and ministry and
WHEREAS technical and sound crews are an integral part of a smoothly run convention
BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st convention of the Diocese of Missouri expresses its thanks to Mr. Harry Leip and Mr. Steve Reiser for volunteering their time and talents to serve as our sound and tech crew this convention.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
Musical Text
WHEREAS the Church is fed and its liturgy enhanced by the gifts of poets and musicians and
WHEREAS new hymn texts encourage new ways of singing our faith and
WHEREAS the Rt. Rev. G. Wayne Smith has shared his creative gifts with this gathering;
BE IT RESOLVED that we, the 171st Convention of the Diocese of Missouri, hereby express our appreciation for the new hymnal text sung at the opening of this Convention Eucharist. I move this resolution.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
Convention Chaplain - The Rev. Tamsen Whistler
WHEREAS the Rev. Tamsen Whistler, Rector at Trinity, St. Charles, and Chaplain of the 171st Convention has made us welcome and framed our deliberations in prayer, we express our appreciation for her ministry to us.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
Convention Chaplain - The Rev. Tamsen Whistler
WHEREAS the Rev. Tamsen Whistler, Rector at Trinity, St. Charles, and Chaplain of the 171st Convention has made us welcome and framed our deliberations in prayer, we express our appreciation of her ministry to us.

The resolution passed unanimously.
Hosting Convocation & Worship Service
WHEREAS the Rev. Tamsen E. Whistler and the Rev. Jason Samuels have served as Co-Masters of Ceremony for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist at the 171st Convention and
WHEREAS the members of Trinity Church, St. Charles, have graciously opened their doors and staffed them with competent and compassionate hosts, and
WHEREAS the congregations of the Kemper Convocation have offered up for our common prayer liturgists and lectors aplenty, and musicians with choristers diversely dressed and divinely tuned, and WHEREAS the staff of the Offices of the Bishop have given weeks and days and hours to provide for our comfort and dispatch of business,
Therefore BE IT RESOLVED that this 171st Convention express its thanks for laudable service.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Dyer moved the following resolution:
Bishop Smith (address)
WHEREAS the Diocese of Missouri and our beloved Bishop G. Wayne Smith are the stewards of the good news that “the home of God is among mortals” and
WHEREAS the context of God’s mission and ours is this very world where we live and move and earn our livings; and our local neighborhoods and our global partners are two horizons on the same map, and
WHEREAS we have been given the immeasurable gift of the Jesus stories, and the inspired texts of the Apostles to shine a light on our mission adventures, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED that the Body of Christ in its personal and congregational and diocesan members adopt for the whole the spirit of mission an organizing principle of our life together, in confidence that God is working his purpose out, as the waters cover the sea.

The resolution passed by standing ovation.

Selection of Site for the 173rd Convention: Bishop Smith
It was moved and seconded that the 173rd Convention of the Diocese of Missouri be held on November 16-17, 2012, at Columbia, Missouri. The motion was carried, but not unanimously.

Bishop Smith announced that the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church plans to be with us in Convention next year.

Appointment of Committees for the 172nd Convention
The Bishop made the following appointments for the 172nd Convention:

LAY CREDENTIALS AND ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES
Dr. James Hood, Chair
Mr. Harold R. Burroughs

DISPATCH OF BUSINESS
Mr. Harold R. Burroughs, Chair
The Rev. Canon E. Daniel Smith, ex officio
Dr. James Hood

CONSTITUTION & CANONS
The Hon. Jean C. Hamilton, Chair
The Rev. James H. Purdy
Mr. Harold R. Burroughs
The Rev. Dr. Peter Van Horne
Mr. Ronald Jones
The Rev. Susan Skinner
The Honorable Mary Russell
Mr. Jamieson Spencer
The Rev. Canon E. Daniel Smith, ex officio
Mr. Joseph (Jay) Kloecher

RESOLUTIONS
Mrs. Carolyn Daniels
The Rev. Joseph Chambers
Mrs. Kathryn Dyer, Chair
The Rev. Robert Towner
Ms. Ann Hogan

Affirmation of Bishop’s Appointments to the Diocesan Commission on Ministry
The Bishop asked that the Convention endorse his appointments to the Diocesan Commission on Ministry:

The Rev. Mark Sluss (Christ Church Cathedral)
The Rev. Jon Hall (St. Martin’s Church, Ellisville)
Ms. Ann Hogan (Christ Church, Cape Girardeau)
Mr. Joseph Adams (Church of the Holy Communion, University City)
The Rev. Robert Ard (St. Paul’s Church, Carondelet)
The Rev. Renee Fenner (St. Barnabas’ Church, Florissant)

The Convention affirmed the appointments unanimously.
Affirmation of Bishop's Appointments to the Committee on Nominations and Election Procedures
The Rev. Warren Crews (Emmanuel Church, Webster Groves)
Ms. Lisa Fox (Grace Church, Jefferson City)

Continuing Members:
The Rev. Jay Kanzler (St. Peter's Church, Ladue)
Mr. Chester Hines (Church of the Holy Communion, University City)
The Rev. Andrew Archie (Church of St. Michael and St. George, Clayton)
Ms. Betty Bowersox (Grace Church, Kirkwood)

These appointments were approved unanimously.

Affirmation of Persons Previously Elected to the Ecclesiastical Court
Mr. Carl Muench
Ms. Jane Klieve
Ms. Virginia Russell Rowe
The Rev. Andrew Archie
The Rev. Jack Fleming
The Rev. Lydia Agnew Speller
The Rev. Harvel L. Sanders

These elections were affirmed unanimously.

Other Business
The Rev. Emery Washington asked for sensitivity to poor and dispossessed in state and local budgets

Announcements: Mr. Harold Burroughs
Chancellor Burroughs made the following announcements:

The Standing Committee will meet immediately after the Convention adjournment.

Leadership Conference will be held on March 5, 2011.

The Digital Camera has been won by the Rev. Teresa Danieley.

All name tags, voting cards, and the like are to be recycled upon adjournment.

UTO boxes will be collected upon adjournment.

The Rev. Charles Morris asked the Convention to remember the loss of the chapel at Virginia Theological Seminary.

The camera crew from Ascension Church was recognized and thanked.

Adjournment: Bishop Smith
Bishop Smith declared that the 171st Convention of the Diocese of Missouri was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
James F. Hood, Secretary