Standing Committee

Episcopal Diocese of Rochester

Minutes

January 28, 2015

The President, Chris Moore called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Lesley offered an opening prayer.

Present: The Rev. Lesley Adams (via Skype), The Rev. Brad Benson, Ms. Jan Farnsworth, Ms. Lois Giess, The Rev. Michael Hartney, Mr. Neil Houghton, and Mr. Chris Moore.

Ex Officio: Bishop Singh

Excused: The Rev. Mary Mroczka

Neil moved, Lois seconded the agenda be approved as presented. Carried.

Neil moved the minutes of the November 12, 2014 be accepted. Lois seconded. Carried.

Brad moved, Lois seconded that minutes of the December 3, 2014 and December 17, 2014 be accepted. Carried. Neil abstained.

The committee agreed that the minutes of the Standing Committee should be published on the Diocesan Website. After approval, the minutes will be sent to Matthew Townsend.

The Bishop shared some of his experiences of his recent trip to the Holy Land.

Chris reported that he had received some responses from clergy following the recent letter sent by Bishop and Standing Committee. Chris will call Bishop Matthews to discuss a way forward.

The Bishop reported that there is no formal relationship with the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Nazareth School.

There is a group looking into staffing issues for D. House in consultation with similar size dioceses.

The Bishop stated that there was no problem with members of Standing Committee having the password for the password-protected section of the website.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer led by Neil.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Farnsworth, Secretary