

The Episcopal Diocese of Rochester
The Standing Committee
Via Zoom video conference -11/18/20

Members present. The Right Rev. Prince Singh; the Rev Cameron Miller (president); the Very Revs. Leslie Burkardt, Ruth Ferguson, Ken Pepin; Floyd Bayley, Joe DaBoll-Lovoie, Michael Davis, Carolyn Mok (secretary).
Guests: Todd Rubiano; Deb Vanderbilt and Norm Geil from Christ Church, Rochester.

The meeting was **called to order** 4:02 pm.

Opening exercise was offered by Cam.

The **consent agenda and minutes** were approved. Moved: Joe/seconded Leslie.

The newly elected members were introduced.

The canons governing the Standing Committee were reviewed.

Christ Church bridge loan.

Todd, Ruth, Norm and Deb presented the request for a bridge loan. The parish is asking for the loan from the diocese to finish the capital campaign. The campaign has gone well and is awaiting the monies from pledges. Grants were also obtained from NY state. Todd thought a loan from the diocese would be more affordable to the parish, and all of their loans could be consolidated.

The loan for up to \$100,000 over 5 years at an interest rate of 4% was approved. Moved: Leslie/seconded Ken.

Bishops' report.

Diocesan Deans. The new configuration is now 1 year old and will be reviewed. Prince is looking at the scope of the duties of each dean, the time allotted for their work. Prince would like to increase their time if it's agreeable to the current deans and their congregation. Prince is also wondering if the model is sustainable and replicable (the positions were designed to last for 3 years).

Ordinations to the priesthood. The Rev Keisha Stokes will be ordained to the priesthood on 11/21. The Rev. Greg Kremer will be ordained in January.

Church Attorney re-appointment. **Harold Kurland was approved for re-appointment** as Church Attorney. Moved Michael/seconded Joe.

Behavioral Covenant. Members were asked to review the current document, which we will re-visit and review in the spring.

Schedule for the prayers rota has been posted.

Closing prayer was offered by Carolyn.

Meeting was **adjourned** at 6:03.

The next meeting of the Committee will be Wednesday afternoon, 12/16/20 at 4 pm via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Mok