

MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR THE
EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER

May 28, 2025

PRESENT: Ms. Liz Salamone—Pres., Ms. Roxanne Gaylord, Rev. Nita Byrd, Mr. Richard Little—Sec., Rev. Columba Salamony, Rev. Rob Picken, Rt. Rev. Kara Wagner Sherer, Mr. James Burch. Absent: Rev. Elizabeth Harden

1. Call to Order: President Liz at 6:30pm

2. Opening Prayer: Roxanne

3. Book Discussion *Jesus and the Disinherited* Chapters #1-3, pgs. #1-63.

❖ ABCD Discussion: (Appreciate, Bother, Confusion, Delight)

4. Approval of April 23, 2025 Regular Meeting and May, 14, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes:

- ❖ 4-23-25: Motion to accept with corrections made by Jim, seconded by Nita, carried unanimously.
- ❖ 5-14-25: Motion to accept with corrections made by Rob, seconded by Columba, carried unanimously.

5. Bishop's agenda and consult

1. NYCLU lawsuit discussion and follow up.
 - a. Bishop Correspondence 5-28-25.

❖ Ordination Procedures Update/Assignments/Reminders: May 31st and June 7th.

2. Singh Accord plans:
 - a. What does the diocese want from complainants and supporters?
 - b. An ad hoc committee including, but not limited to Rev. Rob Picken, Rev. Cam Miller and Rev. Ruth Ferguson was established by consensus to move forward with this project.

3. Plan for Bishop Annual Review:
 - a. Update on staff changes, COLA's
 - b. Review Process
 - i. Informal Conversation/Simple Check-In
 - ii. What's working well?
 - iii. Potential Problems?

❖ SC Minutes Archive/Website: Liz and Richard will work with Sarah and Steve to get this up to date.

6. Bishop Consent: Coadjutor of Dallas: Columba made the motion, Rob seconded. Approved.

7. Other business.

- a. Ordination Update on candidate questions task force:
 - No update at this time
 - Upcoming discernments/increasing ordinates
- b. Other updates:
 - Rev. Michael Laver CoM/SC Dinner Meeting/Gathering: June, July, August? SC will seek potential dates and venues from Michael.

8. Closing Prayer: offered by Columba.

9. Close Meeting: The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Little, Secretary

June Meeting: Wednesday, June 25, 2025, 6:30 p.m. on Zoom