Episcopal Diocese of Rochester Standing Committee Meeting Via Zoom videoconference 6/16/2021

Present: The Right Rev. Prince Singh, the Rev. Cameron Miller, president; the Very Rev. Leslie Burkardt, Ken Pepin; Floyd Bayley, Joseph DaBoll-Lavoie, Michael Davis, Carolyn Mok (secretary).

Excused: The Very Rev. Ruth Ferguson.

The meeting was **convened** at 4:01 pm.

Leslie gave the opening prayer.

Consent agenda and minutes from 4/28/21 and 5/19/21 were approved. Moved: Leslie, seconded Joe.

Bishop's report. See attachments.

Prince said he is OK, has rented an apartment in Naples and hopes to buy a house there. He thanked the diocesan staff and district deans for their support. He will take time off from early August to early September.

He has resumed parish visitation, and was present at Christ Church, Pittsford.

Todd Rubiano will relocate to Vermont in August. He will come to Rochester regularly for in person visits.

Transitions.

The Rev. Abi John will not renew his agreement with the parishes at St. James, Watkins Glen and St. James, Catherine. District Dean Troy Preston and Bishop Lane (acting on Prince's behalf) have visited the parish. Prince and Dean Virgina Tyler Smith will be working with the parishes in engaging a long term interim priest to correct the problem.

Ascension. The vestry and bishop have accepted the resignation of the Rev. Dahn Gandell. The Rev. Michael McCue has finished his service at Ascension and the diocese will arrange for supply priests to replace him.

The Very Rev. Dan Burner has left St. Mark's, Penn Yan.

Episcopal election. The committee has unanimously consented to the election of the Rev. Canon Ruth M Woodcliff as diocesan bishop of the diocese of S. Carolina. Moved Michael, seconded Carolyn. The committee will sign the appropriate forms electronically.

Michael offered the closing prayer.

Next meetings are scheduled for 7/28 and 8/25 if needed.

Cam hopes to host an in-person gathering in Rochester in September.

The meeting was **adjourned at 5:07 pm**, Respectfully submitted, Carolyn Mok