Episcopal Diocese of Rochester Standing Committee Meeting Via videoconference 8/25/21

Present: The Rev. Cameron Miller, (president); the Very Revs. Ruth Ferguson, Ken Pepin;

Floyd Bayley, Michael Davis, and Carolyn Mok (secretary).

Guest: Todd Rubiano. CFO.

Excused: The Right Rev. Prince Singh; the Very Rev. Leslie Burkardt, Joseph DaBoll-Lavoie.

The meeting was **convened** at 4:02 pm.

Opening prayer was given by Michael.

Minutes from 7/7 were corrected, then approved. Moved Floyd/seconded Ruth.

Consent agenda was approved; moved Floyd/seconded Michael.

Montour Falls. Todd said the Parish Hall of the former St. Paul's was appraised at \$94,000, and the prospective buyers agreed to the higher price. **The Committee approved the certificate of resolution as presented to council (see attachment)**; moved Michael/seconded Ken. The trustees will act on this at their next meeting in Sept.

St. James', Watkins Glen. Todd said the vestry of St. James has approved a temporary easement into the property of St. James'. The new owners will allow the parishioners to use the driveway and will maintain it. Any changes to the easement would be re-negotiated (eg, a new driveway would have to be re-located). **The committee approved the easement**, moved Ruth/seconded Michael.

State of the diocese. Todd sent us the document, which was initially drafted 1.5 y =ears ago on the occasion of the 10 year anniversary of Prince's episcopate. This document could be used for visioning for a new bishop. The Committee formally received the State of the Church from the Bishop.

Boy Scouts of America. Trinity Church and St. Mark's and St. John's received notification of lawsuits against the Boy Scouts of America.

Trinity Inn, Geneva. Cam updated the status, and said it is now in the hands of the Attorney General. The sale would be able to be closed 45 days after the AG acts.

Episcopal election.

The Committee consented to the election of the Rev Betsey Monnot as Diocesan Bishop of Iowa, moved Carolyn/seconded Ruth.

The Committee consented to the election of the Rev. Dr. Ketlen A Solak as Diocesan Bishop of Pittsburgh, moved Michael/seconded Ken.

Supper meeting, 9/29/21. It was requested to have the gathering at an outdoor venue. Ruth and Carolyn will investigate.

Once around done, no problems noted.

Closing prayer was offered by Ruth.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:44.

Next meeting will be via Zoom conference on 9/7/21 at 7 pm with Bishop Ousley about the transition process in electing a new bishop.

Respectfully submitted, Carolyn Mok