

Report of the Standing Committee to the 228th Annual Diocesan Convention

This report reflects the actions of the Standing Committee for the year 2011. The Standing Committee of the Diocese of New Jersey held regular meetings during the past year. At the March 5, 2011 meeting, The Very Rev. René R. John was elected President and Ms. Deborah Kirk was elected Secretary. The Rev. Sunil Chandy agreed to coordinate the real estate business for the Standing Committee.

The following actions were taken in 2011:

Episcopal Elections, Ordinations and/or Consecrations of Bishops

- Consented to the Ordination of R. William Franklin as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of Western New York.
- Consented to the Ordination of Martin Scott Field as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of West Missouri.
- Consented to the Ordination of Daniel Hayden Martins as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of Springfield.
- Consented to the Ordination of Rayford Jeffrey Ray as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of Northern Michigan.
- Consented to the Election of a Bishop Coadjutor for the Diocese of New York.
- Consented to the Election of a Bishop Suffragan for the Diocese of Virginia.
- Consented to the Ordination of George Dibrell Young III as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of East Tennessee.
- Consented to the Election of a Bishop Suffragan for the Diocese of Haiti.
- Consented to the Election of a Bishop Coadjutor for the Diocese of New Hampshire.
- Consented to the Ordination of Mariann Edgar Budde as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of Washington.
- Consented to the Ordination of Joseph Scott Barker as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of Nebraska.
- Consented to the Election of John McKee Sloan as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of Alabama.

Priesthood/Diaconate

- Recommended Henry P. Bristol, II, Janet Daniels, Carlton W. Dunn, Jr., Theodore A. Foley, Sally Beth Maurer and Clive O. Sang for candidacy.
- Recommended Lisa Ann Hoffman for ordination to the priesthood.
- Recommended Kathleen Bishop, Matthew Bollinger, Jonathan Thomas, and Jennifer Replogle for ordination to the transitional diaconate.
- Approved the 2011 Financial Aid Awards as presented.
- Recommended Amy Cornell for candidacy.
- Recommended Amy Susan Cornell for ordination to the transitional diaconate.
- Recommended Kathleen G. Bishop, Jennifer Leigh Replogle, and Jonathan Ryan Thomas for ordination to the priesthood.
- Recommended Matthew Bollinger for Ordination to the Priesthood.
- Recommended Melinda Hall and Peter Helman for Candidacy.

Property Matters

- Consented to the sale of real property by All Saints' Church, Princeton, said premises being known and designated as Block 4401, Lot 3 on the Princeton Township Tax Map, consisting of approximately 51.11 acres for the agreed to sum of \$750,000.00 to D&R Greenway Land Trust, Inc.
- Approved the lease between St. Luke's, Metuchen, and Gupta/Petits Enfants.
- The acreage being sold by All Saints' Church, Princeton to the D&R Greenway was misstated in the Consent. The church is selling a 35 acre portion of it to the D&R Greenway. The church will also be conveying a 0.204 acre parcel to Mr. Scott C. Howes and Ms. Jamie Howard in order to resolve an existing encroachment situation. This was an essential element to the D&R Greenway transaction. A revised consent form for the D&R Greenway sales transaction to reflect the fact that approximately 35 acres is being sold to that organization for \$750,000.00 was approved as well as consent for the Howes/Howard sales transaction.

Property Matters (continued)

- Consented to the sale of real property formerly known as St. Luke's, Roselle, 202-210 East Fourth Avenue, Roselle, New Jersey, now property owned by St. John the Baptist Church, Linden, for the agreed sum of \$2,100,000.00 to Iglesia Christiana Pentecostal "El Shaddai".
- Affirmed the action taken via e-mail to endorse St. David's, Cranbury's application to the Episcopal Church Building Fund to refinance their current ECBF loan to a principal totaling \$554,555.
- Consented to the sale of real property by Trinity Church, Rocky Hill, said premises being known and designated as 5 Montgomery Avenue, Block 4, Lot 9 and 10 in the Borough of Rocky Hill, Somerset County, New Jersey, to BAJ Realty, LLC for the agreed to sum of \$180,000.00.
- Approved the request for a three-year lease between Grace Church, Pemberton and Tuesday's Child Preschool beginning September 1, 2012.

Clergy

- Voted to support all necessary actions to be taken by Bishop Councill to have William Guerard removed as a priest in the Diocese of New Jersey and in The Episcopal Church, in accordance with Title IV, Canon 16(B), Section 3 - Abandonment of The Episcopal Church.
- Voted to support all necessary actions to be taken by Bishop Councill to have Greg Ventura removed as a deacon in the Diocese of New Jersey and in The Episcopal Church, in accordance with Title IV, Canon 16(B), Section 3 - Abandonment of The Episcopal Church.
- Concurred with Bishop Councill's recommendation to lift the suspension on the Rev. Stephen Rozzelle.
- Concurred with Bishop Councill's recommendation to lift the suspension on the Rev. Frederick Baldwin.

Church Classifications and Consolidations

- Consented to Associated Parish Status under Canon 52 for St. Stephen's Church, Beverly and St. Stephen's Church, Riverside.

Other Matters

- Approved the compensation package for Bishop Councill for 2011 as proposed by the Finance & Budget Committee and approved by Diocesan Council subject to approval of Diocesan Convention.
- Endorsed re-appointment of Canon John Wood Goldsack, Esq. as Chancellor for a one-year term.
- Welcomed the newly elected members: The Rev. C. John Thompson-Quartey (Class of 2013). The Rev. Carolyn H. Eklund and Mr. John B. Ackerman (Class of 2015 were not present).
- The Very Rev. René John was elected President and Ms. Deborah Kirk was elected Secretary of the Standing Committee for the coming year.
- The Rev. Sunil Chandy will coordinate the real estate business for the Standing Committee for the coming year.
- Concurred with Bishop Councill's appointment of the Rev. John Sosnowski as Canon to the Ordinary effective February 15, 2012.
- Completed Bishop Councill's evaluation for 2011.
- Endorsed the Very Rev. Ronald H. Clingenpeel as the Consultant for the Episcopal Election Committee.
- Approved the Resolution for the 2012 housing allowance for clergy employed at Diocesan House who are not provided housing.
- Received and approved the Aged & Infirm Clergy Fund Report for 2011.
- Received and approved the Report of the Relief of Widows, Widowers and Orphans Fund for 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

The Very Rev. René R. John, President