

**Standing Committee Report
To the 229th Annual Diocesan Convention**

This report reflects the actions of the Standing Committee for the year 2012. The Standing Committee of the Diocese of New Jersey held regular meetings during the past year. At the March 3, 2012 meeting, The Rev. C. John Thompson-Quartey 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 2012:

Episcopal Elections, Ordinations and/or Consecrations of Bishops

- Consented to the Election of Ogé Beauvoir as Bishop Suffragan of the Diocese of Haiti.
- Consented to the Election of Andrew M.L. Dietsche as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of New York.
- Consented to the Election of Gregory Orrin Brewer as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of Central Florida
- Consented to the Election of a Bishop Suffragan for the Diocese of Texas.
- Consented to the Election of a Bishop Suffragan for the Diocese of North Carolina.
- Consented to the election of William Douglas Hahn as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of Lexington.

Priesthood/Diaconate

- Recommended Henry P. Bristol, II, Janet Daniels, Carlton W. Dunn, Jr., Theodore A. Foley, Sally B. Maurer, and Clive O. Sang for ordination to the Vocational Diaconate.
- Recommended Melinda Hall for ordination to the Transitional Diaconate and Priesthood.
- Recommended Peter Helman for ordination to the Transitional Diaconate awaiting the receipt of the seminary recommendation.
- Recommended Kathleen Murray for Candidacy and Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate.
- Recommended Amy Susan Cornell for Ordination to the Priesthood.
- Recommended Robert Bennett Haller for Reception as an Episcopal Priest.
- Approved Financial Aid Awards for the 2012 Spring semester.
- Approved the 2012-2013 Financial Aid Awards.
- Recommended Paul Adler and Kristen Foley for Candidacy.

Property Matters

- Approved the request from St. Mark's, Basking Ridge, for re-financing.
- Consented to the sale of approximately ¾ acre of St. Bernard's Cemetery, Bernardsville, New Jersey.

Clergy

- The clerical members of the Standing Committee unanimously concurred with the action taken in the matter of the Rev. John L. Langston, Dcn.

Church Classifications and Consolidations

- Consented to the Consolidation of St. Clement's Church, Belford, and St. Mark's Church, Keansburg.
- Consented to the process of St. Francis' Church, Dunellen, in making application to be reclassified as an Independent Parish of the Diocese of New Jersey.

Other Matters

- Endorsed re-appointment of Canon John Wood Goldsack, Esq. as Chancellor for a one-year term.
- Affirmed the action taken via e-mail to consent to the appointment of Cecilia Alvarez to the position of Canon for Transition Ministry and Clergy Development.
- Consented to a grant of assistance for Dcn. Krautter from the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund as agreed to in the e-mail vote.
- Approved assistance for the Rev. Richard Cromwell from the Aged & Infirm Clergy Fund.
- Affirmed the action taken via e-mail to consent to the Letter of Agreement with the Very Rev. Ronald Clingenpeel as Consultant for the Episcopal Election Committee.
- Affirmed the action taken via e-mail to consent to the appointment of Ms. Deborah Schmidt as the Chair of the Episcopal Election Committee.

- The Rev. C. John Thompson-Quartey 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.
- Welcomed the newly elected members (Class of 2016): The Rev. Andrea Rose-Marie Hayden and Ms. Cheryl Browne.
- Approved the addition of the Rev. Canon John Sosnowski, Canon to the Ordinary, to the 2012 Clergy Housing Allowance list.
- Received reports from the Episcopal Election Committee, the Transition Committee, and Consultant.
- Approved to fill the vacancies on Standing Committee due to resignations until the next meeting of Diocesan Convention when the unexpired terms will be filled by election.
- Approved the Resolution for the 2013 housing allowance for clergy employed at Diocesan House who are not provided housing.
- Received and approved the Aged & Infirm Clergy Fund Report for 2012.
- Received and approved the Report of the Relief of Widows, Widowers and Orphans Fund for 2012.
- Consented to the current roster of the Insurance Committee.
- Standing Committee will recommend a compensation range, including salary and housing, for the 12th Bishop of New Jersey to Diocesan Council.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. C. John Thompson-Quartey
President