

Diocesan Council

September 20, 2018 6:00 PM

Attendance: Bishop Bill Franklin, Lillian Davis-Wilson, Liz Brauza-Hughes, Bob Matson, Bonnie Morris, Andrew Schule, Tom Broad (guest), Wayne

Blassinggame, Wendy Palmer, Bruce Davidson, Reid Heffner, Cathy Dempsey-Sims, Maria Manocchio, Cheri Maytum-Krull (via telephone), and

Judy Elliott (Clerk)

Opening Prayer: Bishop Bill – “Loving God, you called your servant Theodore of Tarsus from Rome to the See of Canterbury, and gave him gifts

of grace and wisdom to establish unity where there had been division, and order where there ad been chaos, Create in your church. by the

operation of the Holy Spirit, such godly union and concord that it may proclaim, both by word and example, the Gospel of the Prince of Peace, who

lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.”

Approval of Minutes: Liz made a motion, seconded by Bruce, to approve the minutes as corrected. Carried.

Presentation by the Rev. Tom Broad, New President of the Standing Committee, on the Pre-convention gatherings and Annual Convention:

Consideration of the proposal for a Provisional Bishop, Sean Rowe.

- Meetings are: October 9th at 7PM St. James, Batavia
- Meetings are: October 10th at 7PM Diocesan Ministry Center
- Meetings are October 14th at 3PM -St. Luke’s, Jamestown

Both Bishops will be present for the first ½ hour. Questions were asked by Diocesan Council members:

- What is the advantage of doing this?
- How large is the staff in DWNY? How large is the staff in DNWPA?

- Where will Bishop Sean reside? Answer: in Erie, PA, but will have an ap't. in WNY.
- What will be the cost of the Bishop split? 50-50?
- How will Bishop Sean spend his time? 1st.year – mostly in WNY
- What about the 2019 Diocesan Budget? It will remain as is until April 4, 2019 – then be revised.
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Tom said that the Standing Comm. does not have all the specifics yet. The Bishop's salary will be the largest expense.

Vote will take place immediately after the Call to Order. There will not be an more time to talk or debate the proposal. Vote will be

Counted immediately, and results announced.

Vote will be by Orders: needed to elect 50%+1 in each order, otherwise proposal fails.

Reports from Maria Manocchio on Finances:

A. Financial Report through August 31, 2018 – Inflow exceeded outflow by \$12, 398, Revenue under budget by \$41,875, Expenditures under

budget by \$73,410. The audit has been completed.

B. Credential Report for 2018 Convention – as of Sept. 20, 2018

- Parochial reports not submitted: Dunkirk, and Ellicottville (not delegates)
- Full Shares not paid: Christ Church Albion, St. Simon's Buffalo, St. John's Medina, St. Stephen's NF, St. Paul's, Stafford

C. Audits – only 14 audits in – due October 1st

D. 2019 Budget Hearing – Friday, October 26, 2018 beginning at 10AM at Convention. Bishop Bill has requested that all members of the Diocesan Council be present for this as Treasurer, Bob Matson, presents his report. Questions now? See Maria.

REPORTS FROM CATHY DEMPESEY-SIMS

Cathy reported that there are seven (7) new Clergy now in the diocese:

- St. Paul's Cathedral, Buffalo – The Very Rev. Derrick Fetz, Dean
- St. John's Grace, Buffalo – The Rev. Jon LaVelle
- Good Shepherd, Buffalo – The Rev. Mike Hadaway
- Trinity, Hamburg – The Rev. Shannon Colus
- St. Simon's, Buffalo – The Rev. Tom Hawkins
- Trinity, Fredonia – The Rev. Jim Clement
- St. Peter's, Niagara Falls – The Rev. Helen Harper

Sale of the building of the Church of the Holy Communion, Lakeview, NY - \$259,900. Cash sale

Bishop Bill will deconsecrate the church building September 28, 2018. The altar will be moved to the DMC, as well as

placing the Cremains in the Columbarium.

No new business.

Final blessing and prayers: Bishop Bill – “Loving God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth;

grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayers, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through your Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.”

Meeting adjourned at 7:50PM **NEXT MEETING OF THE DIOCESAN COUINCIL WILL BE OCTOBER 18, 2018 AT 6PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Elliott, Clerk