

# TO LEAD AN APOSTOLIC COMMUNITY, UNDER AUTHORITY, THAT BRINGS PEOPLE TO JESUS CHRIST

Diocesan Council Meeting Minutes  
October 21, 2017

**PRESENT:** Bishop Eric Vawter Menees - President; Mr. Stevie Barrington-Oates (2018) - Vice President; Dcn. Dennis Mann (2018); Mr. Kevin Robinson (2017); Michael Finney (2019); Fr. Noah Lawson (2017); Fr. Aaron Prosser (2019); Dcn. Madeline Burton (2017); Fr. Jack Estes (2019); Fr. David Miller (2018); Mr. LeRoy Falk (2018); Fr. Jim Snell (2020)

**Absent:** Izzy Flores (2017); Mr. Jim O'Neill (2019);

**STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT (all via Zoom):** Mr. Corey McLaughlin - Secretary; Mr. David Francis - Treasurer

1. Opening Prayer - Dcn. Madeline Burton
2. Bible Study - Bp. Menees
3. Agenda Approval Bp. Menees
  - a. Motion: Robinson
  - b. Second: Mann
  - c. Approved as amended (correction of August financials to September financials)
4. Request to seat Fr. Snell replacing Dcn. Burton with voice and vote
  - a. Motion: Bishop
  - b. Second: Estes
  - c. Carried
5. Minutes of September Meeting Mr. McLaughlin
  - a. Motion to Approve
    - i. Motion: Estes
    - ii. Second: Burton
    - iii. Adopted
6. Financial Report - See complete written report Mr. Francis
  - a. Receive Report for Audit for September
    - i. Motion to receive for audit: Falk
    - ii. Second: Oates
    - iii. Received
  - b. Written Report for August posting
    - i. "The expected percentage of budget to date is 75%. Through September, the income percentage is 105.9% while the expenditure percentage is 85.5%. It should be noted that through the previous months, there was a formula error on the Total Expenditures line of the budget which provided figures lower than actual. However, that issue has been resolved and the 85.5% figure is accurate. Total Expenditures are ten percent higher than expected due to the need to pay

for services that were not anticipated or included in the 2017 Cut Budget. Additionally, the current budget was developed with limited expenditures in several areas. The budgeted amounts have proven to be less than what has been needed to conduct business appropriately. Fortunately, the significant tithe income amount to date allows us to meet the needs while keeping the budget in the black for the year.”~ David Francis, Diocesan Treasurer

- ii. Motion: Estes
- iii. Second: Lawson
- iv. Approved

- 7. Honor Outgoing Council Members Bp. Menees
  - a. Bp. Menees gave an oral expression of gratitude to the outgoing members, and a written letter to each.
  - b. Bp. Menees moves to publicly thank the members
    - i. Falk Seconds
    - ii. Carries unanimously
  
- 8. Preparations for Convention Mr. McLaughlin
  - a. Verbal report given of status
  
- 9. Missions Grant Recommendations - see written proposal Mr. Barrington-Oates
  - a. Motion to accept: Snell
  - b. Second: Mann
  - c. Approved, with one abstention
  
- 10. Application for Admission of St. Mark's, Loomis Mr. McLaughlin
  - a. Explanation of process thus far
  - b. If all is received as promised (language included), then
  
- 11. Bishop's Report - See Written Report Bp. Menees
  
- 12. Deanery Reports - See written reports Council

Adjourned: 1:38

Next Meeting: November 18 , 2017

Location: Diocesan Office 1300 E. Shaw Ave. Fresno, CA 93710 (Conference Room in Ste. 131)

STATUS: *Approved*