

As the Anglican Diocese of San Joaquin, We Will Call and Equip Laity and Clergy to Bring People to and Disciple Them in a Saving Relationship with Jesus Christ

Standing Committee Agenda
November 20, 2021
Meeting in Person and by Zoom

Committee Members: Bishop Eric Vawter Menees – President, Cn. David Chambers (2023), Mr. Paul Wagner (2025), Dcn. Chuck Kendall (2025), Mr. Bruce Hunter (2022), Dcn. Lee Johnson (2022), Dcn. Leslie Arbegast (2023), Fr. Carlos Raines (2024), Mrs. Karlyne Paul (2024)

Staff and Permanent Guests: Ms. Christina Pestana, Secretary, Cn. David Francis, Treasurer

1. Opening Prayer & Welcome of new Members Bp. Menees
2. Agenda Approval Bp. Menees
Motion: Mr. Hunter
Motion 2nd: Mr. Chambers
Motion carried
3. Bible Study Bp. Menees
Sunday 11/21 is the Feast of Christ the King. We come to the end of the world, the end of Jesus' ministry and the coming of the King. The thief on the cross recognizes Jesus as King. His kingdom is not of this world, yet, he has the power over life and death. It causes us to think what is a king? And what is a subject?
4. Minutes of October Meeting Ms. Pestana
Motion: Fr. Carlos
Motion 2nd: Mr. Hunter
Motion carried
5. Financials Cn. Francis
 - a. Financial Reports: October 2021
Motion to receive financials: Dcn. Lee
Motion 2nd: Mr. Hunter
Motion carried

Cn. Francis explained the financial reports that the Vestry review monthly. Earmarked funds were moved to their designated reserve restricted funds in October. This makes it appear as though we are overspent, but the money is actually in their fund accounts. We will need to reauthorize funds for Church Plant support in 2022 (it is authorized for 3 years).

This is the third year in a row we have had the same gross budget. We have not been able to issue any raises for any staff for three years.

According to our canons we typically should receive the church tithes by the 10th. When churches are late on tithes for several months, sometimes

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it is because they are dealing with an issue. St. Jude's Tehachapi is late on their tithes for three months, because they lost their treasurer.

- b. Written reports for publication: October 2021
Motion to approve budget: Fr. Carlos
Motion 2nd: Ms. Paul
Motion carried

 - c. Christ the King, Ridgecrest property purchase Bp. Menees
Requesting approval to encumber the property. They will have a formal appraisal, but already the appraiser said it is worth more than asking. Six months from now they will hold a capital campaign to pay it off. The Vestry visited the property and voted unanimously to pursue it because it is in an area that would be great for ministering to the population. Bishop Menees requested them to have a structural engineer assess the property.

Motion to approve to allow them to encumber: Dcn. Lee
Motion 2nd: Mr. Hunter
Motion carried

 - d. Bp. Menees' Housing Resolution Bp. Menees
Motion made to approve the Housing Resolution as amended: Mr. Chambers
Motion 2nd: Mr. Hunter
Motion carried

 - e. Update on changing banks Ms. Pestana
Central Valley Community Bank needs verification for the DSJ's fictitious business name (Anglican Diocese of San Joaquin). The form is being submitted to the County of Fresno.
6. Standing Committee Orientation and Training Bp. Menees
Bp. Menees reviewed the roles and responsibilities of the Standing Committee and resources that the Standing Committee members need to be familiar with.
7. Ministry Grant Requests Bp. Menees
- a. Christ Church, Reno
We went into executive session for discussion.
Executive session ended.
Motion for \$150,000 to Christ Church for 3 year missions grant at \$50,000/yr: Executive Members of Standing Committee
Motion: Fr. Carlos
2nd: Bruce hunter
Motion carried

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Cn. Francis and Mr. Chambers will work to move the money into the appropriate fund to get to Christ Church in one disbursement.

- b. Jesus the Good Shepherd, Henderson
 - i. Matching grant request in the amount of \$1,617.55
 - ii. Motion to approve the grant request: Ministry Grant Subcommittee
Motion 2nd: Mr. Wagner
Motion carried

Christina will ask Vicky to cut a check.

- c. Christ the King, Ridgecrest
 - i. For Missional Marketing support \$1400
 - ii. Motion to approve the grant request: Ministry Grant Subcommittee
Motion 2nd: Bruce Hunter
Motion carried

Christina will ask Vicky to cut a check.

- 8. Diocesan Convention Debrief Bp. Menees
Went well overall this year. Next year, we'd like to hold it in Fresno, a Thursday evening and Friday.
- 9. Bishop's Report Bp. Menees
- 10. Deanery Reports SC Members

Motion to adjourn: Dcn. Lee
2nd motion: Dcn Leslie
Motion passed

Closing Prayer – Eternal God and Heavenly Father, bless the Diocese of San Joaquin. Inspire us and strengthen our bonds to you and one another. Help us to witness to the saving power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, that with Godly love, patience, and zeal we may win many hearts to the Truth once delivered. We ask this through Jesus Christ, your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Next Meeting – December 18, 2021