

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 Minutes

June 15, 2024

Meeting in Person

Committee Members: Bishop Eric Vawter Menees – President, Mrs. Karlyne Paul (2024), Mr. Paul Wagner (2025), Fr. Luke Childs - Vice President (2026), Mr. David Katzakian (2026), Mary Giles (2027), & Fr. Spencer Stubblefield (2027).

Staff and Permanent Guests: Raul Villa, Secretary, Canon David Francis, Treasurer

Absent Members: Fr. Carlos Raines (2024), Dcn. Chuck Kendall (2025)

1. Opening Prayer Bp. Menees

2. Agenda Approval Bp. Menees

Motion to approve agenda as presented: Fr. Luke Childs

2nd: Mr. Paul Wagner

Motion Carried

3. Bible Study Fr. Luke

Mark 4:26-34

The Parable of the Seed Growing

And he said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.”

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

And he said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

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4. Minutes of May Meeting Mr. Villa
Motion to approve May Minutes as presented: Mr. David Katzakian
2nd: Fr. Spencer Stubblefield
Motion Carried

5. Financials Cn. Francis
 - a) Financial Report – May
Cn. David Francis presented a detailed financial report for May
Motion to receive the Financial Report for audit: Miss May Giles
2nd: Mr. Paul Wagner
Motion Carried

 - b) Written report for publication.
The expected percentage is 42%. The actual income percentage is 47.4%.
The actual expenditure percentage is 36.0%. There is a cash balance of
\$53,678.89 income over expenditure year-to-date. May was a very strong
month for tithe contributions.

Motion to approve the Financial Report for publication: Mr. Paul Wagner
2nd: Fr. Luke Childs
Motion Carried

 - c) Formation of Budget Committee
Bishop would like to re-establish a church plant line item. Companion
Diocese line item would stay at the current rate. One child ministry would
be financed by the churches and individuals. Dave will send a detailed
description of the budget before the next Standing Committee in August.

Budget Committee members: Bishop, Dave Francis, Traci Yazembiak, Paul
Wagner, David Chambers, Fr. Townsend.

 - d) Update on potential capital campaign
The Feasibility study was completed. Visiting Clergy had concerns on how
this capital campaign fits into the Diocesan mission statement.

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6. Compliance Update Dcn. Arbegast
Dcn. Leslie submitted a written report

7. Discipleship Update Miss Giles
Canon Elizabeth asks for prayer for ACTS teacher as they finish this year. ACTS is currently looking for a treasurer/bookkeeper. Looking to establish an intercessory prayer team for ACTS.

8. Commission on Ministry Update Bp. Menees
Bishop gave a verbal update on the candidates currently in the process and future candidates. COM will be updating and making files more accessible for people in the process.

9. Rectors & Wardens Manual Update Fr. Childs
The team will be meeting at the end of June to finalize certain changes discussed. Ed Taylor will be making suggestions to the Treasurers manual regarding digital banking.

10. Report on One Child Bp. Menees
Dcn. Dolores has come back from her trip as our representative and is drafting a report to present to the Standing Committee in August.

11. Plan B Committee Update Bp. Menees
No new update since the previous discussion in May.

12. Bishop's Report Bp. Menees
The Bishop presented a written and verbal report.

13. Deanery Reports SC Members
Deanery reports were presented both written and verbally.

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 – August 17, 2024