Standing Committee of the Diocese of East Carolina  
November 29, 2017  
Diocesan House   Kinston, NC  
Approved February 8, 2018

Present: Ms. Donna Trivette, Mr. Tom Holt, Ms. Jo Parrott, the Rev. Pamela Stringer, the Rev. Jeremiah Day, the Rev. Paul Canady, the Rt. Rev. Robert S. Skirving

Absent: None

The Meeting was opened with prayer by Ms. Parrott at 2:15pm.

Unanimous consent was given for the ordination of the Rev. Deacon Cheryl McFadden to the priesthood.

Unanimous consent was given for the Diocese of Virginia to proceed with the call for a Bishop Suffragan.

Standing Committee spent time with Bp. Skirving discussing a number of matters.

- Construction of new church at La Sagrada Familia in Newton Grove
  - A gift of $500k was given for the construction of a new building
  - Questions about sustainability of ministry and funding and leadership before approval of building can be given.
  - Is there someone who can coach them through the process? Members of St. Philip’s Southport or All Saints’ Southern Shores might be helpful

- Mrs. Bonnie Holton will be retiring by the end of February 2018.
  - There will be adequate time for her to have overlap and train her successor

- The Rev. Canon Matthew Stockard will retire in April 2019.
  - Conversation around reshaping what the position looks like and how those functions are carried out
  - Jimi & Bonnie are looking to their counterparts in similar-sized dioceses about what staffing models look like
  - What is the right configuration of senior staff and support staff?
  - Cn. Stockard’s current roles
    - Deployment officer*
    - Leadership Consultation*
    - Including “Fresh Start”
    - Convention Secretary
    - Canon to the Ordinary
    - *Bishop is considering developing a team of consultants and leadership throughout the Diocese to fill these roles.

Standing Committee will meet in January to further discuss Mutual Ministry Review¹

- What is the Bishop’s role in this?
- Who does the “review”?
- Standing Committee?
- Executive Council?

¹ Meeting postponed due to weather.
For future conversation with Bp. Skirving: If something were to happen to the Bishop, what would the Standing Committee need to know to carry the Diocese forward?

Property Matters
St. Paul’s, Greenville, and their deal with the city of Greenville
The Rev. Day would like a larger opinion by engineer or architect as to the structural soundness of the retaining wall.

Committee has been formed to meet with the Windemere Retirement community in Edenton to develop a collective effort with the Diocese.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm.