

Council of Trustees Meeting  
6.2.2016  
St. Paul's, Harrisburg

Present: Bp. Audrey Scanlan, Kate Harrigan, Gene Tucker, Marion Schwartz, Doug Smith, Veronica Chappell, Jane Gable, Shirley Wagner, Barbara Hutchinson, Howell Sasser, Patrick Peters, Rebecca Myers, Anthony Alexander, Mary Grace Shearer (guest), Betty McLaughlin (guest), Janis Yskamp (via Skype), Mary Ellen Kilp

Excused: Bonnie Chambers, Bill Graffius, Tyrone Powell

Bp. Scanlan opened with prayer.

The meeting began with introductions and a review of the agenda.

Minutes from last meeting:

- Marion asked that her name be taken out of the "present " list.

Jane Gable moved to accept the minutes as corrected. Barbara Hutchinson seconded.

Treasurer's report

- The bishop asked that it be taken into consideration the need to be more prudent about scheduling meetings so that meetings follow most recent report.
- A request was made for a more detailed chart in order to make titles easier to understand.
- It is important that Council has a good and detailed understanding of the budget and line items.

Patrick Peters made a motion to receive the treasurer's report. Veronica Chappell seconded.

A Report from Episcopal Home was given by Betty McLaughlin and Mary Grace Shearer.

A history and explanation of the mission and culture of the Home was given as well as a description of the age and care of the residents. A description of the financial situation of the Home was given, some of the activities were described, and some of the current challenges were outlined.

What the Home is asking of Council:

- Enhance the home's mission of providing a caring home for the residents not a corporate care centre
- Share in the ministry financially
- Increase awareness throughout the diocese especially among parishes and clergy
- Spread the word about the great work the Home does
- Recommend board members with particular skills

A question was brought up concerning whether Council is actually the board, since the board of the Home is under the Diocese's 501(c)3, which makes the Home's Board actually an advisory board. Should the Home become its own 501(c)3?

Issues that need to be addressed:

- What the legal status of the Home is in relation to the Diocese?
- How does funding/fundraising work?
- How does the Home operate?

A request was made for the Home to provide Council with a list of changes that they believe need to be made

Bp Audrey will work on the ramifications of the relationship and legal status of the Home to the diocese

A Report from Camp Mount Luther was given by Mary Ellen Kilp:

- A history of our relationship with Camp Mt Luther was given and where we currently are.
- Looking at other camp sites: Lutheran camp in Adams County, Claggett Center in MD.
- Question raised: have we considered a camp/conference center in the diocese?

A Report on the Restructuring Initiative was given by Bp. Scanlan:

- A small group is meeting to work with the bishop.
- Some changes do not need vote of convention, but the bishop would like to have support.
- Some changes do need a vote of convention.
- Group suggested that it needs to be looked at also from perspective of average parish.
- Next meeting of the small group: June 21

Bill Graffius' report:

Patrick Peters moved to receive Canon Graffius' written report, as submitted. Doug Smith seconded.

Post-it activity: the activity focused on exploring an understanding who are and what relationships are  
3 questions/ answer with two words

Answers will be synthesized

1. Remember another time you served on a board and it worked well. What about it made it successful?
2. What's working well in the Church today?
3. What is your dream for our diocese?

The Liaison Report of the Social Justice and Equity Committee was given by Kate Harrigan:

- The committee has met twice and is focusing on defining its role.
- Focus groups had been identified by the bishop.
- Grants
  - Needed: inventory of granting
  - How does it work
  - Can grants go to convocations for social justice ministry in the convocation?
- Communication
- Training and implementation
- Advocacy
- They are working with the suggestion to lead a workshop day in June 2017.
- The committee would like to have a table at convention highlighting the Social Justice ministries across the diocese/ have a list of all the parishes, write down what they are doing, what are individuals doing / show what diocese is doing
- Over the summer, members of the committee plan to do a series of one-on-one interviews around the diocese
- Kate Harrigan was asked to be the liaison to Council of Trustees.

Bp. Scanlan closed with prayer

Submitted by

The Rev. Canon Kate Harrigan