

Minutes of the Standing Committee
July 5, 2022

Present: +Audrey Scanlan, Jennifer Mattson+, Eric Hillegas+, Nicolette Norris, Gregory Welin+, Laura Gottfried-Letsche, Kevin Barron+, Kate Harrigan+, Kathy Hettinga, Kevin Barron+

Absent: Veronica Chappell+, Anthony Alexander

Opening Devotions

Kate led opening devotions

Interviews

1 - Jen Trenary Ordination Interview

Jen discussed some high and low points on her path towards ordination. After discussion and questions from the committee, Eric prayed over Jen, before she was dismissed, so that the group could continue discussions. Kate moved, Greg second, and Jen was passed forward for ordination.

2 - Dina Ishler Candidacy Interview

Dina is currently working with Safeguarding. After introductions, Dina shared some of her background, and what she sees as some of her gifts and how they would be valuable in her candidacy and future ministry. After discussion with the committee, Kevin prayed over the candidate before she was dismissed, so that the group could continue discussions. Kate moved, Jennifer second, and Dina was passed forward for candidacy.

Reminder to fill out forms for Bishop approvals.

Standing Time with The Bishop

Discussion of upcoming General Convention.

Bishop's assistant moving to Texas, leaving an opening

Issues surrounding gun violence, especially in light of Highland Park and Philly

Discussion of reunification of CPA and Bethlehem diocese

Kevin gave an update on the SBF program – 4 grant apps are in process

Greg, Kate, and Drew discussed Litany for Ukraine. Kate has materials, and possibly EPF

Prayers for Drew's friends and employees in Ukraine.

Discussion of perspectives on Roe vs Wade

Next Meeting, August 2, 2022